

File: 18046-30/BCTS FSP 771

July 26th, 2022

Council Columbia Shuswap Regional District PO Box 978 Salmon Arm, BC V1E 4P1

Dear Council,

Thank you for your letter dated July 19, 2022. In the letter CSRD has stated that it would like BCTS to re-evaluate all technical reports conducted that pertain to terrain stability in the Sicamous and Wiseman Creek Watershed and to consider completing the legacy remediation work without harvesting the fire damaged timber.

BCTS appreciates the concern that CSRD has for slope stability within the Sicamous and Wiseman Creek Watersheds and we are committed to the safety of the community and watersheds. BCTS will achieve these objectives by following all the recommendations that our trusted professionals have laid out in their report and by following best practices as we carry out these recommendations on the ground.

BCTS is moving forward with plans for auction of timber sales to address the prompt salvage harvest and reforestation of fire damaged stands and will continue to communicate with CSRD when there are changes or updates to the plan. BCTS values CSRD's input and concern in this matter, please contact me if you have any further concerns or comments.

Sincerely,

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