

December 5, 2017

Honourable George Heyman
Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy
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Victoria, BC V8W9E2

Subject: Prevention of Quagga and Zebra Mussels

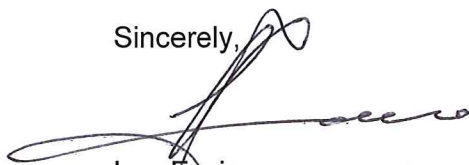
Dear Minister Heyman:

At a recent meeting of Council on December 4, 2017, Council passed a resolution in support of the District of Sicamous' concerns and threat of Quagga and Zebra mussels in the Province. Sicamous submitted a resolution at UBCM that was endorsed requesting more funding from the Provincial Government to increase awareness and education for the threat of Quagga and Zebra mussels into BC Lakes.

As expressed in the District of Sicamous' letter of November 29, 2017, the Village concurs that the impacts these bivalve molluscs can inflict in our BC waters is of a huge concern. We wholeheartedly agree with the District and recommend that the Province take the necessary steps to ensure continuing health and well-being of our waters and work towards a solution for the eradication of this invasive species.

We respectfully request that you consider the requests made on this very important issue.

Sincerely,



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