

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SPALLUMCHEEN

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May 8th, 2014

Okanagan Basin Water Board
1450 KLO Road
Kelowna, BC
V1W 3Z4

Attention: Chair Doug Findlater,

Re: Urgent Need to Prevent Invasive Mussels from Entering BC

Please be advised that the Township of Spallumcheen supports the letter provided to you from the Village of Midway dated April 24th, 2014 regarding the urgent need to prevent invasive mussels from entering BC.

The Township passed the following resolution at the Monday May 5th, 2014 Regular Meeting of Spallumcheen Council:

"...That the Letter provided to the Township of Spallumcheen from Penny Feist, Chief Administrative Officer, Village of Midway to the Okanagan Basin Water Board dated April 24th, 2014 – Re: Urgent Need to Prevent Invasive Mussels from Entering BC be received,

AND THAT the Township of Spallumcheen Council direct staff to provide a letter to the Okanagan Basin Water Board supporting the Village of Midway's letter regarding the urgent need to prevent invasive mussels from entering British Columbia."

The letter from the Village of Midway is attached for information. If you have any questions in this regard, please contact the undersigned.

Respectfully,


Gindy Graves
Deputy Corporate Officer
Attachment

cc: Village of Midway
Hon. Gail Shea, M.P. Minister of Fisheries and Oceans
Hon. Steven Blaney, P.C., M.P of Public Safety
Regional District Chairs for North Okanagan, Central Okanagan and Okanagan-Similkameen
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AGENDA



VILLAGE OF MIDWAY

"Mile Zero of the Historic Kettle Valley Railway"

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Okanagan Basin
Water Board
1450 KLO Road
Kelowna, BC V1W 3Z4

Attention: Mr. Findlater, Chair

Dear Mr. Findlater:

Re: **Urgent need to prevent invasive mussels from entering B.C.**

The Council of the Village of Midway share and support your concerns regarding the need for action to prevent invasive zebra and quagga mussels from entering B.C. which could irrevocably harm our environment, economy, and way of life.

We also support lobbying the Government of Canada to move quickly to pass the regulations prohibiting transport of invasive zebra and quagga mussels into Canada.

We further support the request that the Ministry of Fisheries and Oceans and the Ministry of Public Safety allocate funds, and enable, train, and equip Canada Border Agents to inspect boats for invasive aquatic species and prohibit their entry without decontamination of the watercraft.

Sincerely,

Penny Feist
CAO

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MAY 5/14 Council Agenda	✓
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REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

ITEM: 8(b)(iv)