



REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NORTH OKANAGAN

MEMBER MUNICIPALITIES:

CITY OF ARMSTRONG
DISTRICT OF COLDSTREAM
CITY OF ENDERBY

VILLAGE OF LUMBY
TOWNSHIP OF SPALLUMCHEEN
CITY OF VERNON

ELECTORAL AREAS:

"B" – SWAN LAKE
"C" – B.X. DISTRICT
"D" – LUMBY (RURAL)

"E" – CHERRYVILLE
"F" – ENDERBY (RURAL)

OFFICE OF: Electoral Area "D" Director

FILE No.: 0530 - D

Area "D" Residents

Re: Correctional Facility

As the representative for Electoral Area "D", I felt that it was important for my constituents to have a forum to express their opinion on the proposed correctional facility. As such, the Electoral Area "D" Opinion Poll was conducted on April 30, 2011.

The decision on whether or not to pursue the correctional facility rested with Village of Lumby Council. I attended the May 2, 2011 meeting of Lumby Council and presented the Area "D" Opinion Poll 66% majority "no" vote, of which I strongly supported, as well as copies of written submissions that had been received. This information was provided to Lumby Council for their consideration, but they were not bound by the results.

Following Lumby Council's decision to pursue the correctional facility, I forwarded a letter to MLA Eric Foster to advise of the majority "no" vote from Area "D" and to seek his support in lobbying Shirley Bond, Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General Ministry, to consider the wishes of rural Lumby.

The decision now rests with the Ministry to review and consider proposals submitted by communities throughout the Province. The Minister has advised that she plans to make an announcement by mid June.

I trust this provides you with information on the process to date and outlines the actions that I have taken to ensure that the majority "no" vote of the residents of Area "D" Rural Lumby has been heard.

Please contact me if you wish to discuss this matter further.

Sincerely,

Director Rick Fairbairn
Electoral Area "D"