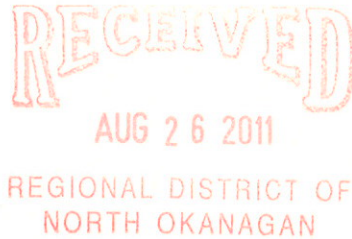




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Mr. Rick Fairbairn, Director
Electoral Area "D"
Regional District of North Okanagan
9848 Aberdeen Road
Coldstream BC V1B 2K9



Dear Mr. Fairbairn:

I am responding to your June 3, 2011 letter regarding the possible development of a correctional centre in the Village of Lumby.

All local governments in the Okanagan area have been offered the opportunity to voluntarily forward their suggestions regarding appropriate sites. I expect that interested local governments will have consulted their communities before submitting their proposals to me. The submission of a proposal is completely at the discretion of local government.

Ministry staff continue to evaluate sites proposed in four other communities and I look forward to reviewing their final recommendations as soon as possible. We hope to make a decision in the near future. It is important to recognize this is a historic, long-term investment for both the Province and the final chosen community and we need to give all our options careful consideration before a decision is made.

Community safety is our highest priority. The proposed facility will be built to the highest security standards, utilizing both specialized technologies and well-trained staff.

Thank you for writing.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Shirley Bond".

Shirley Bond
Solicitor General

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