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Subject: RESPONSE: BC Wildfire Service Support for Fires in the Greater Victoria Water Supply Area

Good afternoon Denise,

On behalf of the Coastal Fire Centre and the BC Wildfire Service, I want to thank you and the members of the CRD Water Supply Commission's and Board for your letter of appreciation related to our response to the recent wildfires within the Sook Lake Reservoir. The Coastal Fire Centre continues to look for opportunities to strengthen our relationships with local government, specifically in ensuring collaborative approach in wildfire prevention, response and recovery across the region. I also want to acknowledge the support that the Coastal Fire Centre has received from the CRD in past wildfire seasons, as well as confirming our commitment continuing to strengthen our relationship with the CRD in the future.

Sincere regards,

Clint



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Dear Mr. Parker:

RE: BC WILDFIRE SERVICE SUPPORT FOR FIRES IN THE GREATER VICTORIA WATER SUPPLY AREA

On behalf of the Capital Regional District (CRD) Regional Water Supply Commission and the CRD Board, we want to express our gratitude and thanks for BC Wildfire Service's prompt and substantial support in combatting the recent wildfires (V61180, 86) in the Greater Victoria Water Supply Area (GVWSA). We appreciate the respect paid to water quality concerns and minimizing the use of chemical fire retardant without unduly reducing response effectiveness.

The protection of the GVWSA and the drinking water quality of Sooke Lake Reservoir is of great importance to the Commission and residents of Greater Victoria; and the ability of the BC Wildfire Service to place high priority on protection of these lands is truly appreciated.

We look forward to hearing from staff about how our organizations can work together even more closely in future in the areas of prevention, detection and fire suppression under the terms of our Wildfire Response and Wildfire Resource Agreements.

With great thanks,

Rebecca Mersereau, CRD Director
Chair, Regional Water Supply Commission

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cc: Dimitri Vaisius, Wildfire Officer, South Island Fire Zone, BC Wildfire Service
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