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Union of BC Municipalities  
Gas Tax/Public Transit Management Services Secretariat  
Local Government house  
525 Government  
Victoria, BC  
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Attention: Brant Felker - UBCM Gas Tax Program Officer

Re: Gas Tax Agreement - Regionally Significant Project Funds

Dear Sir:

I am writing on behalf of the Board of the Regional District of Central Okanagan concerning the future allocation of Regionally Significant Project funding under the Gas Tax Agreement. The following motion was approved by the Board at its meeting of November 22, 2010:

“THAT the Regional Board direct that a letter be forwarded to UBCM – Gas Tax/Public Transit Management Services Secretariat requesting consideration for the Regional District of Central Okanagan to be moved from Tier 2 funding to Tier 1 for any future Regionally Significant Project funding allocations”.

The Board is of the view that, with the recent incorporation of a fourth municipality in our region, that there are now more needs for gas tax funded projects at the municipal level than there are for regional projects. It is felt that Tier 1 funding, with 75% of the funding going to local projects, is more appropriate. It is recognized that projects must meet the eligibility criteria of the fund, and there may be a need for consistency with agreed regional priorities, such as the Regional Growth Strategy. Regional goals may be met by a series of compatible local projects, rather than a single large-scale regional project.

We recognize that is unlikely this goal can be met in the current round of funding, but would urge its implementation for future rounds.

Yours truly,

Robert Hobson  
Chair

cc: Member Municipalities (City of Kelowna, District of West Kelowna, District of Peachland, District of Lake Country)