



City of Pitt Meadows

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The Honourable Steven Guilbeault
Minister of Environment and Climate Change
House of Commons
Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0A6
Sent via email: steven.guilbeault@parl.gc.ca

Dear Minister Guilbeault:

Re: Request for Designation under the Impact Assessment Act – CP Logistics Park:
Vancouver – City Response to Determination

Further to your response dated November 4, 2021 that the proposed CP Logistics Park: Vancouver project ("LPV") does not warrant designation under the *Impact Assessment Act*, we are writing to express our significant disappointment with this determination.

It remains the City's opinion that there were multiple reasons to justify the designation of the LPV as a reviewable project, including:

- Safety concerns arising from the transportation and storage of high-hazard commodities;
- Impacts on fish and fish habitat, wildlife, migratory birds, and the Katzie Slough;
- Removal of valuable agricultural land;
- Noise and air pollution associated with the operation of the Industrial Park, including the generation of 750 truck trips per day;
- The expansion size of the LPV is close to or exceeds the threshold of being defined as a project under Section 55 of Schedule 2 of the *Physical Activities Regulations*; and
- The numerous other adverse environmental, safety, health, community, agricultural, and infrastructure impacts that the LPV will cause.

The analysis report provided by the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada ("IAAC") and your written determination did not provide the City reassurance that our expressed concerns were heard or thoroughly considered. We would appreciate further clarity and feedback on the rationale for this determination, especially with respect to the City's assertion that CP is mischaracterizing their rail yard expansion area and growth calculations to avoid review under the *Impact Assessment Act*.

Despite the unfavourable determination, the City is committed to continue voicing its strong opposition to the LPV, and express concerns regarding the overwhelming drawbacks and adverse impacts of the LPV to CP, the Canadian Transportation Agency and other agencies and ministries, including Environment and Climate Change Canada, in keeping with the best interests of our community.

Yours truly,



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