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Vanessa Craig, Chair Regional District of Nanaimo 6300 Hammond Bay Rd Nanaimo BC V9T 6N2

Dear Chair Craig:

The Ministry of Municipal Affairs is happy to support the Regional District of Nanaimo (RDN) with its request for assistance in undertaking a boundary study for Electoral Area F. I have the pleasure to confirm that the ministry wishes to assist with the work of this endeavour through the issuance of a Restructure Planning Grant.

The ministry is committed to providing a grant in the amount of \$45,000 to support hiring a consultant. The consultant will examine options for a boundary that might constitute a viable municipality in Electoral Area F, and will engage residents, property owners and First Nations on options for such a boundary.

Ministry staff will work with RDN staff to prepare terms of reference for the study. The administration of the grants will be handled by ministry staff. Your ministry contact for this project is Simon Rasmussen, Senior Planning Analyst, who can be reached at Simon.Rasmussen@gov.bc.ca, or at 778-698-3262.

Sincerely,

Anne Kang Minister

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Douglas Holmes, Chief Administrative Officer, Regional District of Nanaimo