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Bonnitta Ritchie and Myron Penner, Co-Chairs
Tagish Local Advisory Council
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Dear Ms. Ritchie and Mr. Penner:

Thank you for your letter of December 7, 2016 regarding your concerns about the day use area at the Tagish River Bridge.

Senior officials of the Department of Environment will be pleased to meet with you, as requested. It is likely that lasting solutions will require the participation of other departments, given that the use of this site has the potential to affect highway safety, community interests, and fish, wildlife and land management. The current planning processes underway, the Tagish Local Area Plan and the Tagish River Habitat Protection Area, also provides context for these discussions.

Accordingly, in preparation for our meeting, we will internally coordinate with officials from the departments of Community Services, Highways and Public Works and Energy, Mines and Resources.

To this end, I have asked Allan Koprowsky, Assistant Deputy Minister at Environment to arrange a meeting with you and other relevant departments to discuss. In the meantime, please feel free to contact Allan at (867) 667-5460 or at allan.koprowsky@gov.yk.ca.

Sincerely,

Pauline Frost
Minister of Environment

cc: John Streicker, Minister, Community Services
Richard Mostyn, Minister, Highways and Public Works
Ranj Pillai, Minister, Energy, Mines and Resources
Allan Koprowsky, Assistant Deputy Minister, Environment

