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Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource
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Re: Caribou Recovery Update to UBCM resolution B116 from the Peace River Regional District

On November 28, 2018, UBCM published an update from provincial officials in regards to Southern Mountain Caribou. The statement provided to UBCM responding to the Peace River Regional District's (PRRD) concerns on the caribou recovery process is very misleading. While it is true that the Province has met with the Regional District several times in person or on conference calls, it is not accurate that the PRRD has been provided with all information requested. The provincial caribou recovery and planning process is still on-going with no local government participation. This lack of participation was a deliberate and planned process by the Province even though the Regional Board was promised ongoing and robust consultation and participation. None of the Regional District's concerns have been addressed. As per the PRRD press release of November 22nd, the Board **demands** this process be halted until complete socio-economic impacts are identified and a process is designed that is transparent and inclusive of **all** stakeholders including local government.

Yours Truly,

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