

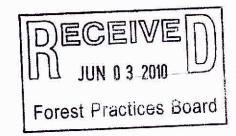
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May 26, 2010

Al Gorley, Chair Forest Practices Board 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, 1675 Douglas Street PO Box 9905 Stn Prov Govt Victoria, British Columbia V8W 9R1



Dear Al Gorley:

On behalf of the Rocky Mountain Forest District and Southern Interior Region of the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and the Arts (MTCA), I would like to convey government's response to the Forest Practices Board's recommendation in its investigation report, *Lake Koocanusa Campfire Ban and Recreation Issues* (November 2009).



## Board's recommendation

The Board recommends the government assess the risk to public safety and the environment in the Lake Koocanusa area caused by unmanaged recreation use. The assessment should identify assess problematic areas by issue, and identify the resources needed to implement appropriate management measures, such as recreation orders. The government should designate a lead agency to coordinate the process and its implementation.

## Government's response

Please find attached government's assessment and action plan for the Lake Koocanusa area, titled '2010 Lake Koocanusa Plan for Public Safety and Prevention of Damage to the Environment'. This document refers to and includes several attachments.

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If the Forest Practices Board has any questions regarding the attached documents, please contact Steve Jablanczy, Operations Manager, Rocky Mountain Forest District, at <a href="mailto:Steve.Jablanczy@gov.bc.ca">Steve.Jablanczy@gov.bc.ca</a>, or (250) 426-1731.

Yours truly,

Tony Wideski District Manager

Rocky Mountain Forest District

cc: Wade Anderson, Regional Manager, Southern Interior Region (East), Ministry of Tourism, Culture and the Arts

## Attachment:

2010 Lake Koocanusa Plan for Public Safety and Prevention of Damage to the Environment'