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Ministry of Energy, Mines and Low Carbon Innovation South Central Region, Kamloops, BC

## Attention:

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Re: Notice of Work No. 2000391-2023-01 (Proposed Garnet Valley Road Pit)
Tracking Number: 100430744 / Mine Number: 2000391
27410 Garnet Valley Road (Lots 3, 4 & 8, District Lots 319S & 3952, ODYD, Plan KAP34376)

This letter is in reference to the above noted Notice of Work application for a mine permit at 27410 Garnet Valley Road which was previously referred to the Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen (RDOS).

While the parcels are located within the municipal boundaries of the District of Summerland, the lots directly abut RDOS Electoral Area "F" to the west and south.

At the RDOS Board of Directors meeting of January 18, 2024, the RDOS Board expressed its concerns in relation to the proposal, particularly relating to associated impacts on the environment (i.e., wildlife habitat), agriculture, recreational trails, and road network.

It is understood that much of these concerns were addressed in detail in a January 24, 2024 letter from the District of Summerland to the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Low Carbon Innovation.

The Regional District Board, by way of their January 18, 2024 resolution, wishes to express their opposition to the proposed mining operation at the subject property, echoing the concerns previously brought forward to the Ministry by the District of Summerland.

Sincerely,

Mark Pendergraft, Chair

Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen