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From: FCM President <<u>president@fcm.ca</u>> Sent: August 19, 2021 10:14 AM To: Karla Kozakevich <<u>kkozakevich@rdos.bc.ca</u>> Subject: Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) on the ongoing wildfires in the British Columbia Interior - Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen

Dear Chair Kosakevich and Board,

On behalf of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities and our more than 2,000 members, I wanted to reach out to express our support to you and your residents as you grapple with the terrible local emergency wildfire situation.

I know that your community must be experiencing so much hardship and I cannot imagine the magnitude of difficult decisions you are being required to make for your residents right now. The local leadership you've displayed is crucial to keeping people safe – please know that your peers across FCM are in your corner.

FCM is here to lend support and solidarity with you. As the situation continues to unfold locally, please don't hesitate to reach out if there's anything we can do to assist you.

Sincerely,

Joanne Vanderheyden President, Federation of Canadian Municipalities Mayor of Strathroy-Caradoc, ON

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