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Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen c/o Planning Department 101 Martin Street Penticton, BC V2A 5J9

Dear Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen:

BC Timber Sales, Okanagan-Columbia Business Area, and Penticton Indian Band have partnered to complete a Wildfire Risk Reduction, Ecosystem Restoration, and Habitat Enhancement project in the Carmi area of Penticton.

Through the use of Syilx Nation Indigenous Knowledge in concert with Western Scientific Knowledge the intent of this project is to establish a landscape level fuel mitigation area along the Steward Creek FSR and Wildland-Urban Interface area while enhancing ungulate habitat and restoring ecosystems back to a more natural state.

The initial phase will consist of a hand treatment area of approximately 200ha adjacent to the Steward Creek FSR and private property. Hand treatments will consist of thinning the understory, pruning residual trees, and cleaning up the fine ground fuels. The hand treatment is planned to occur between October 2020 and March 31, 2020. Regular 'construction hours' will be used by hand treatment crews.

Please direct any comments or questions to:

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Best Regards,

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## Carmi Wildfire Risk Reduction

