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Jeff Leigh Chair, Regional Advisory Committee HUB Cycling

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## Dear Jeff Leigh:

Thank you for your correspondence dated January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023, offering congratulations on my appointment to Cabinet.

It is an honour to have been appointed as the Minister of Emergency Management and Climate Readiness, and I look forward to delivering on my mandate. British Columbians have faced many extraordinary challenges over the last several years, and our government has been proud to support people through difficult times.

From atmospheric river events and drought to heat domes and extreme cold — we know that extreme weather events that impact British Columbians will increase in both frequency and intensity due to climate change. Even as our government does the work that we must do to drive down greenhouse gas emissions through our CleanBC climate action strategy, we must also be prepared for the impacts of the climate crises now.

Our work will involve many facets of emergency management and climate readiness in BC, such as improving overall emergency preparedness, mitigating disasters, responding effectively to events, ensuring supports are available for people, and continuing to protect the safety and wellbeing of all British Columbians.

In consideration of ministry mandate overlap, I have copied on this response my honourable colleagues Anne Kang, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Rob Fleming, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure, for their awareness.

My work as minister has already begun, and I'm grateful to you for your support on this. Thank you for taking the time to reach out and for your invitation to meet. My administrative coordinator Arianna Klus will reach out to your office shortly to arrange a time to meet. I look forward to meeting to discuss our shared interests.

Sincerely,

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Minister of Emergency Management

and Climate Readiness

CC: The Honourable Anne Kang, Minister of Municipal Affairs

The Honourable Rob Fleming, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure

Evan Hammer, Infrastructure Planning and Policy Manager