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272670 – GMT and Cycling

Dear Mr. Leigh,

Thank you for your email of November 29, 2017, regarding the George Massey Tunnel Replacement (GMTR) Project. I appreciate the time and input that HUB representatives contributed as part of the GMTR Cycling Working Group.

As you are aware, the ministry is currently undertaking a review of the project to help the B.C. government choose a solution to the safety and congestion issues at the tunnel that is best for the region and the province, reflects the views and vision of Metro Vancouver and gets the best value for public money. Promoting active transportation within the Metro Vancouver area is a priority for local governments, and I am confident the work of the GMTR Cycling Working Group will help inform any options the Province chooses to advance.

Stan Cowdell, P.Eng., has been hired to lead a technical review of safety and seismic vulnerability and current congestion at the tunnel. He will also review the technical assumptions and analysis for the tunnel and bridge options.

Although I regret that my schedule prevents me from meeting with you at this time, I appreciate your offer to further assist the ministry with the planning for this project. Mr. Cowdell's report is expected in the spring. In the meantime, I have taken the liberty of sharing your comments with the ministry staff involved with the project.

Thank you again for taking the time to write.

Yours sincerely,

Claire Trevena Minister

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