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Re: Letter of Support for Resort Municipality of Whistler's application to develop a Strategic Climate Risk and Resilience Assessment

To whom it may concern,

We would like to express our support for the Resort Municipality of Whistler's (RMOW) funding application to develop a Strategic Climate Risk and Resilience Assessment for Whistler. Whistler is part of our shared territory with the Łíl'wat7úl (Lil'wat First Nation) and we have a strong interest in the future of this area.

The Strategic Climate Risk and Resilience Assessment proposed by the RMOW will identify social, economic and environmental impacts that climate-related events may have on Whistler. This work will build off many ongoing initiatives and technical assessments completed to address both disaster risk reduction and climate change adaptation. Further, this work will align with provincial and federal initiatives in disaster management and climate action.

Ultimately, we believe this Assessment will be a significant resource towards increasing Whistler's resilience to climate change. If the application is successful, we look forward to engaging with the RMOW on this project.

chen kw'enman-túmi (with gratitude),

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