



# Public Notice

## Council Continues to Work toward a Brighter Future For the NRRM

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(April 4, 2018) Mayor Streeper with the Honourable Claire Trevena, Minister of Transportation & Infrastructure

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While Mayor Streeper and the Regional Council for the Northern Rockies Regional Municipality are always diligent advocates for the region, the past several weeks they have been especially busy.

On Wednesday, Mayor Streeper and other mayors from northeastern BC met with the Honourable Claire Trevena, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure in Prince George to discuss the elimination of Greyhound bus transportation service to the region effective June 1, and the impacts to northern communities. The current timeline puts users at significant risk and hardship without the time to determine other means of travel in remote areas.<sup>i</sup> The Mayor also conducted [an interview with CBC North](#) about the potential negative repercussions of Greyhound's route cancellation.

This week, Mayor Streeper attended the BC Council of Forest Industries (COFI) 2018 Convention in Prince George to join senior industry representatives from North America and overseas companies as well as other local, provincial and federal government leaders. The program covered topics critical to the industry, such as innovation, trade, international markets and sustainability. These subjects are very pertinent to the NRRM as the municipality progresses with projects such as the *Community Forest* application being developed in partnership with the Fort Nelson First Nation, and phase 2 of the "*Maximizing Economic Returns from Aspen*" study.

On March 22, Regional Council met with the Honourable Shane Simpson, Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction, during his visit to Fort Nelson. Minister Simpson was in town for a public meeting to receive input from residents on how poverty can be reduced in British Columbia, as part of the province's development of a poverty reduction strategy.

It appears the next weeks will continue to be busy; the Northern Rockies will be represented in Vancouver at the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual BC Power Symposium held April 10-11, 2018.

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<sup>i</sup> Correspondence from Mr. Andrew Shadrack to the Passenger Transportation Board