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Sent: October 20, 2026 11:25 AM
To: kristin@bcpowersportsdealers.com; info@bcpowersportsdealers.com
Subject: RE: Invitation to respond: BCPDA provincial election priorities

Hello Kristin,

I apologize but I won't have time for an expansive reply at this late stage. However, you may refer members to my video posted to Facebook or Instagram on Guillard Forest Service Road <https://www.instagram.com/reel/DeKkv-SyUvk/>. It covers much of the same topics you are raising. I have also provided a reply to the BC Snowmobile Association. Per below... and those comments cover some of the same topics.

I am fully committed to stopping the reckless and unwarranted deactivation of our resource roads and will champion in my **Kelowna-Mission Riding** the transformation of **Guillard Forest Service Road (FSR)** into a permanent bypass road to Naramata to boost tourism, hunting, fishing, quadding, and snowmobiling. As an avid outdoorsman who lives and breathes the backcountry lifestyle, I know firsthand that B.C.'s resource roads are the lifelines to our wild spaces. Outdoor recreation is a vital economic driver that contributes **billions to B.C.'s economy yearly**, and our provincial policies must protect it.

Here is how I will address the **BC Snowmobile Federation (BCSF)** priority areas to keep our province accessible:

1. Protect High-Value Recreation Access

- **The Guillard FSR Vision:** I will actively work to transition it into a permanent, maintained bypass road to **Naramata**. This will create a premier tourism corridor linking riders, drivers, and cyclists directly to the **Myra Canyon Trestles** and surrounding park networks. With a future goal to link Little White mountain and return loop to FSR201.
- **Formal Transition Mechanism:** I will fully implement **Target 8 of B.C.'s Outdoor Recreation Strategy** to build a reliable provincial framework that transfers high-value industrial roads into permanent public recreation assets.

2. Sustain the Recreation System

- **Cut Red Tape:** I will streamline the partnership agreement process so community groups spend less time dealing with provincial bureaucracy and more time managing infrastructure.
- **Redirect Deactivation Funds:** Everybody using forestry and backroads knows that deactivation doesn't in fact prevent people from using the roads. We must stop awarding any provincial contracts for deactivation immediately and redirect funds to targeted high yield recreation areas for maintenance. As I understand, part of the nature of deactivations for logging contractors is to remove liability after a cut block is finished. We must create a mechanism whereby a logging contractor is legally released from liability at the close of the project.
- **A fixed amount from fuel taxes:** Quads and Snowmobiles use gas and outdoor enthusiasts should have some revenue on fuel taxes earmarked for sustaining the recreation system.

3. Include Recreation in Land-Use Decisions

- **A Seat at the Table:** I will push to mandate that outdoor recreation values receive recognition alongside forestry, wildlife, and conservation goals in all provincial land-use planning.

4. Recognize Recreation as Rural Infrastructure

- **Core Economic Integration:** I will push to classify backcountry trails, staging points, and access roads as essential rural infrastructure within B.C.'s economic development policies.
- **Boost Local Tourism Revenue:** By maintaining corridors like **Gillard FSR**, we drive immediate tourism dollars into rural economies through guiding, hospitality, equipment rentals, and staging area usage.
- **Four-Season Funding:** I will support rural development grants that target multi-use infrastructure, ensuring communities benefit from biking and quadding in the summer, and snowmobiling in the winter with a goal of making British Columbia a world class destination for all outdoor enthusiasts.

Kind Regards,

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Subject: Invitation to respond: BCPDA provincial election priorities

Importance: High

Dear Candidate,

On behalf of the **BC Powersports Dealers Association (BCPDA)**, I invite you to share your position on four provincial election priorities affecting powersports businesses, riders and communities across British Columbia.

Our sector connects on-road motorcycle touring and off-road recreation with tourism, skilled employment and rural economic activity. Provincial decisions about access, road safety and wildfire restrictions directly affect these businesses and the people they serve.

Attached are our **Election Priorities White Paper** and **Candidate Briefing and Questionnaire**, outlining four requests:

- **Implement and fund the Outdoor Recreation Strategy**, with dedicated provincial leadership and recognition of powersports' contribution to tourism, employment and communities.
- **Establish a Road to Recreation Working Group** to assess high-value Forest Service Roads before closure or irreversible deactivation.
- **Modernize motorcycle licensing and strengthen education for all drivers** to improve safety and support responsible participation.
- **Develop wildfire restriction policies collaboratively**, with evidence-based measures, clear communication and defined review and reopening procedures.

Please return the completed questionnaire to info@bcpowersportsdealers.com by **October 22**. You may also respond directly by email, addressing each priority and including your name, political party and electoral district.

BCPDA is non-partisan. All candidates are being invited to answer the same questions, and responses may be shared as received with our members and the broader powersports community, without endorsement or editorial alteration.

Thank you for putting your name forward for public service. We welcome the opportunity to discuss these priorities and learn how you would support a strong, safe and sustainable future for powersports in British Columbia.

Kind regards,

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