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Future Forest Ecosystem Science Council Secretariat  
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To whom this may concern:

**Re: FFESFC Forest & Range Climate Change Adaptation funding proposal**

This letter expresses the Ministry of Environment's support for the project titled "Climate Change Adaptation Plan for Northwest Skeena Communities" submitted by Dirk Brinkman, Dr. Ralph Mathews, Lars Reese-Hansen, and others. The project will investigate the sustainability and adaptive capacity of local communities to understand and respond effectively to climate change impacts in the context of local and scientific knowledge. The Ministry supports the participation by a wide variety of partners including First Nations, government, industry, and local communities, and believes this combination is essential to understand and build the capacity to implement appropriate measures required to help BC communities adjust to climate change.

I wish the proponents every success in their efforts to secure this FFESFC sponsored research funding proposal.



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