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Dear Ted Robbins:

RE: ISLAND RAIL COORIDOR JOINT PLANNING PROCESS

Thank you for your letter dated September 29, 2023.

I am pleased to hear the Capital Regional District (CRD) perspective on the value of joint planning sessions, and I appreciate the ongoing interest and participation of CRD staff in these sessions.

At this time, the ministry intends to continue to facilitate the parties coming together, with a focus on supporting First Nations with land reversion through reserve lands, where applicable. As you are aware, the Island Corridor Foundation (ICF) remains the owner of this corridor, and the ministry's intention in facilitating these joint meetings is to enable the ICF to bring forward the necessary information to its membership for decision.

The ministry looks forward to continuing to work with all the partners, including the CRD, as we discuss the further of this important transportation corridor on Vancouver Island.

Sincerely,

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