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Honourable Katrine Conry
Minister of Forests, Land, Natural Resource Operations
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Dear Minister Conry:

Re: Enforcement on Foreshore – Intertidal Area (Semiahmoo Bay)

At the Special Council meeting on April 21, 2021, Council endorsed staff to initiate communications to seek support from the province on enforcement along the foreshore or intertidal areas along the City of White Rock's waterfront area due to activities of ongoing concern. The area is Semiahmoo Bay and located within the Boundary Bay Wildlife Management Area (WMA).

We wanted to bring to your attention, activities of concern and which have a negative, environmental impact and pose safety issues to others related to off leash dogs on the foreshore and lack of enforcement. This is a common occurrence along the foreshore, which is often brought to the City's attention by residents on numerous occasions. The City does not have the ability to enforce this area.

In addition, and with the warmer months ahead, the City is also experiencing frequent beach fires occurring during the evenings along the waterfront stretch, especially on weekends, which impacts the resources of Fire Services.

We are asking that the province assist with more frequent enforcement along this stretch of the foreshore, especially during the weekends on warm days, when these activities are more accelerated.

In the meantime, I thank you for your consideration in this matter and look forward to your reply.

Yours truly,

Darryl Walker, Mayor

cc: White Rock City Council
cc: Corporate Administration