



October 9, 2025

Loyal Wooldridge, Chairperson  
Regional District of Central Okanagan  
1450 KLO Road  
Kelowna BC V1W 3Z4

Reference: 334835  
Your File: 0530-02-04

Dear Chair Wooldridge:

**Re: Upper Fintry Road Conditions**

We are writing to follow up on your letter of June 25, 2025, regarding road conditions and housing in Upper Fintry. Please accept our apologies for the lateness of this reply.

We understand local Ministry of Transportation and Transit (MOTT) staff have been in contact with the Regional District regarding your concerns about road conditions in the area. Dust control and road base stabilization for gravel roads typically begins in the spring and finishes by June 1 each year. This work was completed for all gravel roads in Upper Fintry, and MOTT staff continue to monitor roadways to ensure subsequent dust control applications are applied as needed. Local staff are also working closely with the maintenance contractor for the area, AIM Roads, to assess and prioritize drainage and gravelling improvements within the subdivision.

We appreciate that you would like the roads in Upper Fintry to be paved. MOTT staff prioritize resurfacing projects within a region based on many factors, including a route's safety history and traffic volumes. MOTT's focus is on preserving existing paved infrastructure and are not prioritizing the paving of gravel roads at this time. Staff will keep in mind your request to pave the roads in the Upper Fintry subdivision, along with your other suggestions, as priorities and funding allows.

Please do not hesitate to contact MOTT's local Operations Manager, Aimee Barre, if you have any questions. She can be reached at 778 699-2474 or [Aimee.Barre@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Aimee.Barre@gov.bc.ca) and would be pleased to assist you.

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You also expressed your concerns regarding growth in rural areas like Upper Fintry. While it is every local government's responsibility to help address the housing shortfalls in their community, housing must be built in the right places—areas which are appropriately serviced, non-hazardous areas, etc. That is why recent legislative changes, such as small-scale multi-unit housing and pro-active planning, require local governments to permit additional residential density in already serviced neighbourhoods and to accommodate their housing needs requirements appropriately based on their local context.

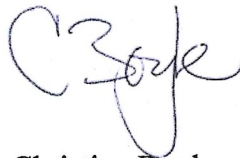
If you have any questions about these changes and their applicability to the Regional District, please do not hesitate to reach out to the Ministry of Housing and Municipal Affairs' Planning and Land Use Management Branch by email at [PLUM@gov.bc.ca](mailto:PLUM@gov.bc.ca).

Thank you again for taking the time to write.

Sincerely,



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Minister of Transportation and Transit



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Minister of Housing and Municipal Affairs

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