Abbotsford City Hall 32315 South Fraser Way Abbotsford, BC V2T 1W7

November 28, 2018

Dear [Name of Development Office Staff Member]:

We are a group of grade 7 students at Abbotsford Christian Middle School. We are currently learning about future developments in Abbotsford. The area we are learning about is [Name of Development] located near McKee Rd. We have interviewed a few different people invested in the project at [Name of Development].

The [Name of Development] is being proposed to the city of Abbotsford. It has a lot of natural habitats that many interesting animals have made their home in, including a couple of endangered species like: the phantom orchid, organ forest snail, red legged frog, organ spotted frog, western pond turtle, and the screech owl. The organ forest snail, and phantom orchid have proven that is there habitat, but the others have a good chance that is their home too. The proposed development will involve multiple single family homes and apartments. When we looked at the area, we noticed a whole diverse ecosystem of plants and animals.

Our group, after getting different opinions, decided that this development, if it was up to us, would not happen. It is not up to us however, so this is why we are writing the letter to you. If this letter does not change your mind, then please consider these changes. We found out that the old forest that is in the area is a mature patch of forest. That usually means that more animals live there, and that particular patch is very dense and big, the last big patch in BC. We ask that you take out the minimal number of trees, and keep the ponds and streams.

Thank you for your time and willingness to read this letter. We hope you consider our thoughts about this development.

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