



VILLAGE OF
BURNS LAKE

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Rick Gateman, President
Coastal GasLink Pipeline Project
760 Kinsmen Place
Prince George, BC V2M 0A8

Dear Mr. Gateman,

I am writing to express support for TransCanada's Coastal GasLink Pipeline Project and the overall development of the LNG industry in B.C.

The Burns Lake townsite is located about 10 kilometres north of your proposed route and we are well positioned to take advantage of a variety of opportunities related to pipeline construction. It is our hope that this project will provide a lasting legacy for our community in terms of skills development and business capacity. We understand that it is your intention to provide opportunities for jobs and local contracting to B.C. residents and businesses and ongoing community investments. Tax revenues from the operation of the pipeline would support education, the regional hospital board and other regional services in the area and we look forward to the boost this would bring to our region. As you may be aware Council has recently signed on to the Northwest BC Resource Benefits Alliance as well as the Regional District of Bulkley Nechako Legacy Project and we look forward to continued communication and collaboration as these projects develop.

We have appreciated your efforts to learn about Burns Lake, your ongoing commitment to providing information and listening to council and residents during interactions with us over the past three years. We were pleased to see the Project invest in our community with the announcement of an education and skills training agreement with the College of New Caledonia. We welcome discussions through the construction period on matters of mutual interest to both your project and to us.

We are excited for this project to become a reality and the benefits northern B.C. communities will see from the emergence of this new industry.

Sincerely,

Luke Strimbold, Mayor

Village of Burns Lake