



Village of **PEMBERTON**

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Dear Mr. Mikes,

On behalf of the Village of Pemberton, I would like to thank you for taking the time to appear as a delegation before Council on March 17th, 2015.

Your presentation provided Village Council with valuable information on the grizzly bear population and the status of recovery planning. As a follow up to your presentation, at Regular Council Meeting No. 1393, held on Tuesday, April 7th, 2015, Council passed the following resolution:

Moved/Seconded

WHEREAS, grizzly bears and the wild places they inhabit are an iconic and integral part of the Sea to Sky region's natural heritage and image, are culturally significant to First Nations, and there are ecological, economic, and spiritual benefits to conserving and recovering grizzly bears including that they are an "umbrella species", the conservation of which will benefit many other plants, animals and ecosystem values like clean water and recreational opportunities;

AND WHEREAS, the community of Pemberton was involved in and supported the April 2008 Sea-to-Sky LRMP which set a goal of achieving and maintaining Viable status for each of the four Grizzly Bear Population Units that overlap the Sea-to-Sky LRMP plan area through the development of Grizzly Bear Recovery Plans;

AND WHEREAS, these Grizzly Bear Recovery Plans have not been written and Grizzly Bear Population Units in the Sea to Sky Region remain Threatened;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the community of Pemberton continues to support the management, recovery and long-term viability grizzly bear populations in the Sea to Sky region and encourages the creation and implementation of Grizzly Bear Recovery Plans as soon as possible.

CARRIED

Once again, thank you for your presentation.

Yours Truly,
VILLAGE OF PEMBERTON

Mike Richman
Mayor

