## **ATTACHMENT 4**



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Dear Ian Morrison

## Re: Regional Growth Strategy

I am writing this letter at the direction of North Cowichan Council, to advise that at its June 5, 2019 meeting, Council passed the following motion:

that the Mayor be directed to write the CVRD urging the Board to consider initiating a Regional Growth Strategy.

As you know, many Regional Districts in British Columbia have adopted Regional Growth Strategies as a way of managing growth and planning issues; they use this tool to address pressing regional issues such as climate change, housing affordability and growth management.

Initiatives such as Cowichan 2050 and the harmonization of Electoral Area Official Community Plans are indicative of a more regional approach to planning to begin developing in this region. However, my Council believes that more needs to be done, and that a Regional Growth Strategy would provide the framework for a truly regional approach to land use and community planning for the Cowichan Valley.

Sincerely

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cc: Council