

Environment and Climate Change Canada

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To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is to affirm Environment and Climate Change Canada's support for the continued designation of the Clayoquot Sound UNESCO Biosphere Region, established in 2000.

Environment and Climate Change Canada has worked with the Clayoquot Biosphere Trust since its establishment, to advance the objectives of the UNESCO Biosphere Reserve program. The Department supports the Clayoquot Biosphere Trust's work to achieve the objectives of sustainable development, biodiversity conservation and reconciliation, through activities such as:

- Co-leading sustainable development and biodiversity conservation projects;
- Participating in programs and events that develop cross-cultural understanding and advance reconciliation;
- Developing alliances and partnerships to strengthen the development of communities, and ecosystems as well as stewardship of the natural environment;
- Advancing climate change research, monitoring, mitigation and adaptation projects; and
- Participating in processes for implementing, managing, and monitoring community and ecosystem health.

We support the continued Clayoquot Sound UNESCO Biosphere designation, and look forward to supporting the next ten years of activities in our region.

Sincerely,

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