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Dear Ms. Smith:

**RE: WEST CALGARY RING ROAD (WCRR) - EFFECTS ON DISCOVERY RIDGE / REQUEST FOR CONSULTATION**

Further to the letter you sent on our behalf to the Minister of Transportation (dated August 25<sup>th</sup>, 2014 - attached) regarding the remaining segments of Southwest Calgary Ring Road yet to be constructed, in your new roles within the Alberta PC party, we trust that we will continue to have your support in convincing the Minister of Transportation of the merits of our position on the Ring Road.

We will be meeting with the Minister of Transportation on February 2<sup>nd</sup> to present a reasonable and logical alternative approach to the road design. This will include concise illustrations and supporting information that clearly demonstrate practical and realistic solutions - that fulfill the following objectives of the DRCA Board, which we believe are consistent with the Provincial government's objectives, especially during the current economic conditions:

- offers a significantly more cost effective solution;
- does not impact the roadway performance nor the projected/intended level of traffic;
- requires and disturbs less land;
- conserves greater land for other utilities and environmental mitigation measures;
- creates a more context sensitive and safer road design;
- achieves enhanced sound attenuation;
- minimizes the visual impact much more effectively;
- reduces light pollution and light standards as hazards; and
- be accepted more broadly by the surrounding communities.

Your continued support over the next year and a half to ensure these positive changes are embodied by Alberta Transportation and through the P3 contracts, will be greatly appreciated.

Respectfully yours,  
On behalf of the DRCA Board



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# DISCOVERY RIDGE

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