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21-01-02	Regional Transportation Priorities	Confirm the CRD Board's Regional Transportation Priorities.	✓			✓	Letter to Minister Fleming Met with Minister Fleming by teleconference October 4, 2021 Letter to Minister Fleming Virtual Meeting with Minister Fleming March 31, 2022	Initiated the planning required to scope regional transportation governance options with a background report to the Transportation Committee on March 15, 2023.
22-01-01	Vancouver Island Rail Corridor	Request the federal government to provide an update on their position regarding the protection of the Island Rail Corridor.	✓			✓	Letter to MP Randall Garrison Letter to MP Laurel Collins Letter to MP Alistair MacGregor Letter to Minister Fleming Letter to Minister Alghabra Letter from Minister Fleming Meeting with MP Alistair MacGregor August 17, 2022 Letter from Minister Alghabra Letter to Minister Alghabra Letter to Minister Miller Letter from MP Alistair MacGregor Letter from MP Gord Johns Letter to Chair, Island Corridor Foundation Letter to Deputy Director, South Coast Region MOTI	March 31, 2023 Funding Agreement signed between the Province and the CRD to enable engagement in short and long-term planning for the Island Rail Corridor in collaboration with First Nations and local governments impacted and/or bisected by the Corridor.



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23-01-01	Active Transportation Infrastructure Investment	Request the Provincial government to secure funding support for the Trails Widening and Lighting Project.	✓			✓	Letter to Minister Fleming	
24-01-01	Intersection Safety Camera Program	Request the Provincial government to expand the Intersection Safety Camera Program.	✓			✓	Letter to Minister Farnworth Letter from Minister Farnworth	
24-01-02	Amendment of the BC Motor Vehicle Act	Request the Provincial government to amend the BC Motor Vehicle Act to allow electric wheelchairs, mobility scooters, and micro mobility devices to operate in designated bike lanes and/or routes.	✓			✓	Letter to Minister Fleming Letter from Minister Fleming	
24-01-03	Province-wide Trip Reduction Program	Request the Provincial government to create a province-wide Trip Reduction Program.	✓			✓	Letter to Premier Eby Letter to Minister Farnworth Letter from Minister Farnworth	



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25-01-01	BC Ferries Advisory Committees	Request BC Ferries to reinstate the Ferry Advisory Committees.	✓	✓		✓	Letter to BC Ferries President & CEO, Nicolas Jimenez	
25-01-02	Speed limits in CRD Electoral Areas	Request the Provincial government for greater engagement from Ministry of Transportation and Transit.	✓	✓		✓	Letter to Minister Farnworth Letter from Minister Farnworth	
25-01-03	BC Ferries Crofton-Vesuvius Route	Request BC Ferries to home port one vessel at Crofton and one at Vesuvius.	✓	✓		✓	Letter to BC Ferries President & CEO, Nicolas Jimenez Letter from BC Ferries Advisor, Lisa Dondale Letter to Minister Farnworth Virtual meeting with Morningstar Pinto July 31, 2025. Virtual meeting with Francois Bertrand October 16, 2025	
25-01-04	Interregional Transit Service on Southern Vancouver Island	Request the Provincial Government and BC Transit for support for Better Island Transit.	✓	✓		✓	Letter to Minister Farnworth and Sherri Bell, BC Transit Board Chair Letter from Minister Farnworth	
25-01-05	Request a Cabinet Minister Meeting at the 2025 UBCM Convention.	Explore strategic partnership opportunities to collaborate on integrated transportation.	✓	✓		✓	Meeting with Minister Farnworth on September 23, 2025.	



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25-01-06	Road safety on Salt Spring Island	Request the Provincial Government for support with road safety concerns on Salt Spring Island.	✓	✓		✓	Letter to Minister Farnworth	
25-01-07	Automated Speed Enforcement	Request the Provincial Government develop legislation to allow regional governments to implement automated speed enforcement.	✓			✓	Letter to Minister Farnworth Letter from Minister Krieger	



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23-06-01	Explore funding opportunities with the Province to further advance affordable housing in the Capital Regional District	To enter a Memorandum of Understanding with the Province to partner on housing projects to increase the delivery of affordable housing in the Capital Regional District.	✓			✓	Chair, CRHC and CAO attended in person meeting with Minister Kahlon at UBCM on Sept. 19, 2023. Letter to Minister Kahlon Letter to MLAs Letter to Premier Eby *Note Premier Eby forwarded the letter to Minister Kahlon Letter from Minister Kahlon	
23-06-02	Secondary Suite Incentive Program	Request the Province to include Electoral Areas in the Secondary Suite Incentive Program.	✓	✓		✓	Letter to Minister Kahlon	Program discontinued by provincial government effective March 31, 2025.
23-06-03	Housing needs in Electoral Areas	Support for Mike Harcourt to advocate for rural housing solutions.	✓	✓		✓	Letter to Mike Harcourt	
23-06-04	Drake Road Housing Project on Salt Spring Island (SSI)	Request the Province to expedite the completion of the Drake Road supportive housing project on SSI.	✓	✓		✓	Letter to Minister Kahlon Letter from Minister Kahlon	



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24-06-01	Inclusion of alternate forms of housing within the BC Building Code	Request the Province to review the inclusion of alternative forms of housing within the BC Building Code.	✓			✓	Letter to Minister Kahlon	
24-06-02	Rural housing stream	Request the Province to create a rural housing stream.	✓	✓		✓	Letter to the Premier and Minister Kahlon Letter from Minister Kahlon	
25-06-01	Request a Cabinet Minister Meeting at the 2025 UBCM Convention.	Explore funding opportunities to further advance affordable housing in the Capital Regional District.	✓	✓		✓	Meeting with Minister Boyle on September 25, 2025. Letter from Minister Boyle	



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19-02-01	Climate Emergency	Ask Federal government to strengthen national efforts to meet the Paris Agreement. Ask Provincial government to fully implement CleanBC and provide data on utilities vehicles and community energy emission inventories to local governments.	✓	✓	✓	✓	Letter to Premier Horgan Letter to Minister McKenna Representation from all CRD local governments on Climate Action Task force and staff Working Group sharing information and collaborating on projects. Partner with NGO's, Academic Institutions and Utilities with staff support through shared research, policy development and program delivery.	
19-02-02	Climate Action Leadership	Seek Strategic partnership	✓				Letter to Minister Heyman Response from Minister Heyman Letter to Minister McKenna	Continue to seek partnership with senior governments.
20-02-02	Parkland Acquisition	Ask provincial government to participate in further parkland acquisition in the Capital Region.	✓			✓	Letter to Minister Heyman Met with Minister Heyman by teleconference on February 17, 2021.	
21-02-01	Climate Action Revenue Incentive Program (CARIP)	Ask provincial government to re-establish CARIP funding or similar program.	✓			✓	Letter to Premier John Horgan, Minister Osborne, Minister Heyman and Brian Frenkel (UBCM) . Letter from Minister Osborne	CARIP was replaced with the Local Government Climate Action Program (LGCAP) with approved funding through 2024.



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23-02-01	Update of Marine Invasive Species List	Ask provincial and federal government to list the red algae Asparagopsis on its invasive species list and review the aquaculture permitting requirements.	✓			✓	Letter to Minister Ralston Letter to Minister Murray Letter from Minister Murray	
24-02-01	Long-Term Biosolids Management Plan	Request for a meeting with the Minister of Environment & Climate Change Strategy to seek an extension for the submission date of the Long-Term Biosolids Management Plan.	✓			✓	Letter to Minister Heyman Board Chair and CAO met with Minister Heyman on June 6, 2024 Letter from Minister Heyman Letter to Minister Heyman	
24-02-02	Boat related issues in the Capital Region	Invite provincial and federal Ministers and their staff to participate in a regional workshop on collaborative action to resolve boat related issues in the capital region.	✓			✓	Letter to Minister Cullen Letter to Minister Guilbeault Letter to Minister Rodriguez Letter to Minister Lebouthillier Letter to Elizabeth May, MP Letter to Adam Olsen, MLA	
24-02-03	Invasive fallow deer	Request the Province for sustained funding for control	✓	✓		✓	Letter to Minister Davidson Letter from Minister Davidson	



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		of invasive fallow deer on the Southern Gulf Islands.						
25-02-01	Local Government Climate Action	Request the Province take further legislative and regulatory steps to empower local governments to accelerate climate action.	✓			✓	Letter to Minister Adrian Dix Letter from Minister Adrian Dix	
25-02-02	Recycling Regulation	Request the Province include mattresses and foundations in the next update to the Recycling Regulation.	✓			✓	Letter to Minister Davidson	



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19-03-01	First Nations Reconciliation	Enhance Indigenous reconciliation at the community level.	✓			✓	<p>Letter from Minister Robinson identifying the opportunity to meet with Snr. Provincial staff from the Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation.</p> <p>Letter to Ministers Fraser and Robinson</p> <p>Letter from Minister Robinson</p> <p>Met with senior provincial staff on March 7, 2019 and agreed to follow up as required.</p> <p>Letters to MPs (Collins, Garrison, MacGregor and May)</p> <p>Letter to JOŁŁŁP (Tsartlip First Nation) Chief and Council</p> <p>Forum of All Councils took place on November 28, 2019.</p>	Ongoing
22-03-02	First Nations Reconciliation	Secure Provincial capacity funding to support government to government relationship building with First Nations to support efforts towards reconciliation.	✓			✓	<p>Board Chair met with Minister Rankin to communicate the need for Provincial capacity funding on August 12, 2022.</p>	
25-03-01	Request a Cabinet Minister Meeting at the 2025 UBCM Convention.	Explore strategic partnership opportunities on regional district land to advance reconciliation.	✓	✓		✓	<p>Meeting with Minister Neill on September 25, 2025.</p>	



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22-04-01	Greater Victoria Harbour Authority (GVHA)	Advocate for funding for the GVHA Shore Power Project	✓			✓	Letter to Minister LeBlanc seeking federal support Letter from Minister LeBlanc Letter of Support to Transport Canada	
22-04-01	Speculation & Vacancy Tax – SSI Electoral Area	Advocate that Speculation & Vacancy Tax be applied to the Salt Spring Island Electoral Area	✓			✓	Letter to Minister Robinson Letter from Minister Robinson Letter to Minister Conroy Letter from Minister Conroy	
23-04-01	Recapitalization of the Island Coastal Economic Trust	Ask the provincial government to recapitalize the Island Coastal Economic Trust.	✓			✓	Letter to Minister Bailey	
23-04-02	Increased high-speed broadband connectivity for the Jordan River and Shirley communities.	Advocate for funding from the Connecting Communities BC Fund to support increased high-speed broadband connectivity for the Jordan River and Shirley communities.	✓			✓	Letter to Ministry of Citizens’ Services	
23-04-03	Intergovernmental relationship building with Minister of Municipal Affairs	Introductory meeting to discuss issues of mutual interest.	✓		✓	✓	Board Chair and CAO met with Minister Kang on April 27, 2023.	Ongoing dialogue regarding best practice as to how Electoral Areas could be supported in future granting opportunities.



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23-04-04	Capital Region Emergency Service Telecommunications (CREST)	Advocate for the implementation of a call answer levy on cell phone devices and that the revenue be available to the CRD to fund the CREST service.	✓		✓	✓	Letter to Minister Farnworth Letter from Minister Farnworth	
24-04-01	Emergency and Disaster Management Act	Advocate for time, funding and supports from the province and for clarification in the legislation regarding responsibility for infrastructure.	✓	✓		✓	Letter to Premier Eby, Minister Ma and Minister Heyman Letter from Minister Ma	
24-04-02	Local Government Act (LGA) Legislative Reform Initiative	Advocate to the province that UBCM Executive form a working group for the LGA Reform Initiative.	✓			✓	Letter to Minister Kang Letter from Minister Kahlon	
24-04-03	Local Government Act	Request the Province to amend the Local Government Act to allow for two year terms for the positions of Board Chair and Vice-Chair within regional districts.	✓			✓	Letter to Minister Kahlon Letter from Minister Kahlon	



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24-04-04	Municipal Regional District Tax	Advocate for the Sidney Business Improvement Area Society’s Application to levy a Municipal Regional District Tax.	✓		✓	✓	Letter to Destination BC	
25-04-01	Farm Classification	Request the Province review BC Assessment’s farm classification criteria.	✓			✓	Letter to Minister Bailey	
25-04-02	Salt Spring Island RCMP Sergeant	Request the RCMP consider extending the current sergeant’s posting to Salt Spring Island.	✓	✓		✓	Letter to RCMP Chief Superintendent for Island District	
25-04-03	Bill M216 – Professional Reliance Act	Advocate for the Province to provide additional opportunities for local government input prior to the January 6, 2026 submission deadline.	✓			✓	Letter to Premier Eby, Minister Boyle, MLA Anderson, and the Select Standing Committee for Bill M216	

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19-05-05	Deer Management	Encourage province to take responsibility for wildlife.	✓	✓			Letter to Ministers Popham, Heyman and Donaldson Several municipalities are now advocating as a group and individually for Provincial action and support. Letter from Nancy Liesch, ED, Natural Resources	Ongoing
20-05-03	Request the province to develop a strategy and plan for ongoing coordination between BC Ferries, BC Transit and MoTI on integrated, low carbon, active transportation-oriented solutions for SSI and SGI	Advocate for this approach mostly around integration of transportation planning.	✓	✓			Letter to Minister Trevena Letter from Minister Trevena	Ongoing
20-05-04	Write to UBCM and FCM asking them to advocate to the Federal Government to broaden the guidelines of Community Works Funds for capital and operating expenditures as a result	Asking for relaxed guidelines in light of economic and financial impacts for up to one year subject to local government due diligence and as long as expenditures are in the public interest.	✓	✓			Letter to UBCM and FCM Board Chair and CAO - call with FCM on May 21 Board Chair and CAO - call with UBCM on June 4 Letter from FCM Letter from UBCM UBCM indicated that they are generally aligned with the CRD position in their advocacy with FCM to the Federal Government. UBCM is in engaged in discussions with FCM and the Federal	Ongoing

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	of the COVID-19 pandemic						<p>Government to utilize the gas tax funding model for recovery funding and granting.</p> <p>There continue to be challenges with Regional District EAs with respect to the request for funding non-profits and ineligible projects and risks to RDs in proceeding to fund projects that might ultimately not received UBCM and Federal funding approval.</p> <p>EA continue to what to pursue funding approvals for non-profit services.</p> <p>UBCM administer under the Federal Provincial agreement approved in 2014 for 10 years and that would be difficult to change without renegotiating the whole agreement which would come with some risks.</p> <p>Acknowledged social services and emergency and public service buildings being asked to be included as eligible projects.</p>	
21-05-01	Opioid Overdose Crisis	Advocate the provincial and federal government to declare the overdose crisis a	✓		✓	✓	Resolution to UBCM and AVICC.	Ongoing

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		national public health emergency and develop comprehensive action plans.						
23-05-02	Mobile Youth Services Team	Ask the province to support the Pacific Centre Family Services Association’s Mobile Youth Services Team.	✓				Letter to Minister Dean *Note: Minister Dean forwarded the letter to Minister Farnworth Letter from Minister Farnworth Letter to Minister Farnworth, Minister Lore, and Attorney General Sharma	
23-05-03	Letters of congratulations to locally elected First Nations Leaders	Relationship building, discuss issues of mutual interest and establish means of communication.	✓		✓	✓	Letter to Pauquachin First Nation Letter to SṠÁUTW Letter to xʷsepsum Letter to Sc’ianew Letter to T’Sou-ke Nation Letter to Pacheedaht Nation Letter to SṠÁUTW Letter to Songhees Nation	
24-05-01	BC Arts Council “Regional Areas” Policy	Advocate the province to repeal or modify the BC Arts Council’s “Regional Areas” policy.				✓	Letter to Minister Popham Letter from Claire Avison Letter to Minister Kang	

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24-05-02	Pacheedaht First Nation Addition to Reserve (ATR) Application	CRD’s letter of support for the ATR application by Pacheedaht First Nation for the fee simple parcels the Nation owns on Brown’s Mountain.		✓		✓	Letter to Chief Daniels	
24-05-03	City of Victoria’s Application to the Green and Inclusive Community Buildings Program Fund	CRD’s letter of support for the City of Victoria’s application to the Green and Inclusive Community Buildings Program Fund in support of the construction of the new Crystal Pool & Wellness Centre.				✓	Letter to Housing, Infrastructure and Communities Canada	
24-05-04	Letters of congratulations to locally elected MLAs, Ministers and the Premier	Relationship building, discuss issues of mutual interest and establish means of communication.	✓		✓	✓	Letter to Premier Eby Letter to Minister Kelly Greene Board Chair and CAO met with Minister Kelly Greene December 9, 2024 Letter to Minister Ravi Kahlon Letter to Minister Mike Farnworth Letter to Minister Christine Boyle Letter to Minister Diana Gibson Email from Minister Diana Gibson Letter to Minister Ravi Parmar	

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							Letter to Minister Grace Lore Letter to Minister Lana Popham Letter to MLA Nina Krieger Letter to MLA Rob Botterell Letter to MLA Darlene Rotchford Letter to MLA Dana Lajeunesse Letter to Minister Brittny Anderson Letter to MLA Elizabeth May Board Chair and CAO met with MLA Elizabeth May on June 27, 2025. Letter to Minister Robertson Letter to MLA Will Greaves Letter to MLA Jeff Kibble Letter to Minister McLean Board Chair and CAO met with Minister McLean on July 10, 2025. Letter to Minister Ravi Kahlon Letter to Minister Christine Boyle Letter to Minister Spencer Chandra Herbert	
25-05-01	Island Health’s submission for the redevelopment of the Oak Bay Lodge site	CRHD’s letter of support for Island Health’s submission for the redevelopment of the former Oak Bay Lodge site.	✓		✓	✓	Letter to Minister Josie Osborne and Minister Bowinn Ma	