

**Letter from Minister of Municipal Affairs**



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Mr. Barry Williamson  
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Dear Mr. Williamson, *Barry*

I appreciated the opportunity to meet with you and the rest of the Calgary Regional Partnership's (CRP) Executive Committee on January 28, 2014.

I am pleased with the work done by the Calgary Metropolitan Plan (CMP) Mediation Working Group on bringing member and non-member municipalities together on a consensus to guide future growth in the region. I believe that the final report of the group presents a significant step forward to creating a meaningful and effective partnership.

I recognize that a collective desire exists, from the mediation process, to see the CRP remain a voluntary entity, while enshrining the CMP in legislation. I would like to honour this principle by encouraging the CRP to move forward with implementing the very positive results of the recent mediation proceedings. Ministry staff will continue to work with your staff to explore mechanisms to support the plan's implementation.

Municipal Affairs supports efficient and effective municipal growth, which is the aim of the CRP and CMP. I will continue to encourage your members and non-members to co-operate and come to resolutions for the benefit of the region as a whole.

Sincerely,

Ken Hughes  
Minister of Municipal Affairs

cc: Honourable Robin Campbell, Minister of Sustainable Resource Development  
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