

# 2021 UBCM Electoral Area Directors' Forum

February 2 –3, 2021  
Virtual Forum with EventMobi

## AGENDA

### Tuesday, February 2

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| 1:00 pm - 1:10 pm | <b>Introduction and Welcome</b><br><i>Director Grace McGregor, UBCM Electoral Area Representative</i>  |
| 1:10 pm - 1:40 pm | <b>Conversation with UBCM President</b><br><i>Councillor Brian Frenkel, UBCM President</i>   |
| 1:40 pm - 1:50 pm | <b>Provincial Welcome</b><br><i>Honourable Josie Osborne, Minister of Municipal Affairs</i>  |
| 1:50 pm - 2:35 pm | <b>Rural Broadband- Interactive Community Discussion</b><br><i>Honourable Lisa Beare, Minister of Citizens' Services</i><br><i>Susan Stanford, ADM, Connectivity Division, Ministry of Citizens' Services</i><br><i>Maureen LeBourdais, Chair, Regional Connectivity Knowledge Network &amp; Director of Area F, Cariboo RD</i><br><i>Joel McKay, CEO, Northern Development Initiative Trust</i> |
| 2:35 pm – 2:45 pm | <b>Break</b>   |
| 2:45 pm – 3:30 pm | <b>Transit in Rural Areas</b><br><i>Chris Fudge, Director, Government Relations, BC Transit</i>  |
| 3:30 pm           | <b>Closing of the Day</b><br><i>Director Grace McGregor, UBCM Electoral Area Representative</i>  |

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## Wednesday, February 3

- 9:00 am – 9:05 am      **Welcome to Day 2**  
*Director Grace McGregor, UBCM Electoral Area Representative*
- 9:05 am – 9:35 am      **The Future of BC's Food System Report: Findings and Recommendations from the B.C. Food Security Task Force<sup>1</sup>**  
*Rose Ellis, Executive Director, Business Development Division, Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Fisheries.*
- 9:35 am – 10:05 am      **Role of Regional Districts and EMBC in Flood and Fire Events**  
*Ryan Wainwright, EMBC Senior Regional Manager, Vancouver Island Region*
- 10:05 am – 10:20 am      **Conversation with MLA Roly Russell, Parliamentary Secretary for Rural Development**
- 10:20 am – 11:00 am      **Open Microphone**  
• *COVID Start Up Funds*
- 11:00 am      **Closing Remarks**  
*Director Grace McGregor, UBCM Electoral Area Representative*

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<sup>1</sup> (<https://engage.gov.bc.ca/app/uploads/sites/121/2020/01/FSTF-Report-2020-The-Future-of-Food.pdf>)