

**2023 Regional District Chair/ CAO Forum Agenda**  
**March 28, 1:00pm – 5:00pm to March 29, 8:00am – 1:00pm**  
**Hotel Grand Pacific, Pender Island Ballroom**

<b>March 28 - Tuesday</b> <b>1:00 pm – 5:00pm</b>		
<b>Time</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Presenter</b>
1:00-1:30	<b>Opening Ceremonies</b>	<b>Ian Morrison</b> , Forum Chair UBCM Executive Electoral Area Representative
	<b>First Nations Greeting</b> <b>UBCM Welcome</b>	<b>Jen Ford</b> , UBCM President
1:30-2:00	<b>Introductions</b>	<b>30 sec. for Each Chair and CAO</b>
2:00-2:45	<b>Making Regional Governance Relevant</b>	<b>Justin McElroy</b> Municipal Affairs Reporter, CBC News - BC
<b>2:45pm – 3:00pm Refreshment Break</b>		
3:00-3:45	<b>Legal Update</b>	<b>Sukhbir Manhas</b> Young Anderson
3:45-4:00	<b>Legislative Reform Initiative</b>	<b>Chair Vanessa Craig and Doug Holmes</b> Regional District of Nanaimo
4:00-4:30	<b>Ministry of Municipal Affairs</b>	<b>Tara Faganello</b> Assistant Deputy Minister, Local Government Div
4:30-4:40	<b>Minister of Municipal Affairs Address</b>	<b>The Honourable Anne Kang</b> Minister of Municipal Affairs
6:00	<b>Bard and Banker – Dinner</b> (Optional and at own expense)	
<b>March 29 – Wednesday</b> <b>7:45am – 8:30am Hot Breakfast</b>		
8:30-9:30	<b>A Culture of Customer Service for Regional Districts</b>	<b>Bill Newell</b> , Chief Administrative Officer Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen
9:00-9:30	<b>Accessible British Columbia Act</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Legislation requirements</li> </ul>	<b>Sam Turcott</b> , Executive Lead Accessibility Directorate Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction
9:30-10:00	<b>Emergency Management</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Indigenous Perspectives on Emergency Management</li> </ul>	<b>John Kervel</b> , Regional Manager for Vancouver Island Central Coast <b>Nicole Norris</b> , Indigenous Planning Officer Ministry of Emergency Management and Climate Readiness
<b>10:00am – 10:15am Refreshment Break</b>		
10:15-11:00	<b>Emergency Management</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Revitalization status of the Emergency Act – a regional perspective</li> </ul>	<b>Grant Holly</b> Executive Lead, Policy, Legislation and Engagement, Ministry of Emergency Management and Climate Readiness
11:00-11:30	<b>BC's Housing Strategy</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Implications / RD opportunities</li> </ul>	<b>Roly Russell</b> , Parliamentary Secretary for Rural Development to Minister of Housing
11:30-12:00	<b>Nuts and Bolts Session</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Short topics presented for input by RD's</li> <li>• Collaboration with First Nations</li> <li>• Human Resource Challenges and solutions</li> </ul>	<b>Ian Morrison</b> , Forum Chair UBCM Executive Electoral Area Representative
12:00-12:10	<b>Lunch Address</b>	<b>Malcolm Brodie</b> , Chair Municipal Finance Authority

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