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Mr. Neil Todd
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Dear Mr. Todd,

Thank you for your letter on the Fraser River Aboriginal Fisheries Secretariat's (FRAFS) interest in the Wild Salmon Policy (WSP).

We recognize the important role of First Nations in the development and implementation of the WSP. In particular, Fraser First Nations have played an important part in the development of the WSP and the Fraser Salmon Sockeye Spawning Initiative (FRSSI).

As such, we value FRAFS' continued involvement in the Wild Salmon Policy as we move forward on implementation. Collaboration with First Nations is vital to the successful implementation of WSP and we are committed to building a dynamic engagement and partnership process with First Nations to move forward on WSP.

In this regard, we would like to explore with you opportunities to improve communications and engagement with First Nations on the Wild Salmon Policy. We will consider your recommendation to organize a Fraser River First Nations WSP Forum, as well as other options, depending on available budget and capacity. I have also recently approached Les Jantz (DFO) and Peter Nicklin (FRAFS) about a possible WSP presentation and discussion at an upcoming meeting in July.

We appreciate FRAFS' contribution and commitment to date on the Wild Salmon Policy and look forward to working with you in the future.

Sincerely,

Amy Mar
Wild Salmon Policy Coordinator

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