



Calgary River Valleys champions and engages the public in the protection, appreciation and stewardship of Calgary's rivers, creeks, wetlands and watershed resources.

We are the voice of our rivers.

August 23, 2016

ATTENTION:

Marilynn Hay
Environment and Parks
Government of Alberta
South Saskatchewan Region/Operations/Water Approvals

RE: Harvie Passage (SW 13-024-01-W5M) Application No. 001-00381655

This letter is in response to your request for further information regarding our July 29, 2016 letter of concern relating to the Harvie Passage Reconstruction Project. We acknowledge receipt of the letter dated August 18, 2016 from Klohn Crippen Berger on behalf of Alberta Transportation in response to the July 29, 2016 letter.

Calgary River Valleys respectfully requests additional time to review this 15 page letter from Klohn Crippen Berger. We are a volunteer led organization which is dependent on our volunteers and partners to provide expert input and advice. The nature of the content of the Klohn Crippen Berger letter demands careful consideration and the five day deadline as set out by your letter is not a realistic timeframe for Calgary River Valleys to offer an informed response. In addition we note that at this time of year a number of our Executive, Board members and partners are on vacation. We will endeavour to provide a written response by September 1, 2016.

Further to your request for clarification of our membership numbers, Calgary River Forum Society (Calgary River Valleys) presently has 25 voting members. The working membership is recruited from waterfront community associations, recreation groups, resource management, philanthropic organizations, educational and research institutes, and informed citizens. CRV maintains an extensive contact list, at this time numbering 290 persons, who are routinely invited to participate in our endeavours. These individuals contribute in a variety of ways through participation on committees, offering expert or informed input on policy and development proposals, or serving in educational and stewardship programs. We have attached a copy of the Objects of our Society. In addition, our Board includes individuals who represent some of our partners and thereby several hundred additional individuals.

Yours truly,

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Secretary, Calgary River Forum Society, and
Chair, Watershed Policy and Planning Committee

cc: CRV circulation
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