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Dear Premier Campbell,

In keeping with the leadership you have shown related to climate change mitigation, the twenty-five organizations and networks identified below request and encourage you to establish a Premier's Advisory Committee on Adaptation to Climate Change. This body, like its mitigation equivalent, the Climate Action Secretariat, would be adequately resourced and funded to tackle adaptation in British Columbia in the informed manner with which you are tackling mitigation.

We are pleased to see that you are hosting the Premiers' Conference on Adaptation and congratulate you for selecting the first items for discussion as forests, water and the north. Protecting nature in light of climate change is imperative for the survival of biodiversity on which our economy, culture and lives depend. Protecting nature also benefits water quality and oceans health and can help increase the ocean's resilience and the effects of flooding and drought. We commend you for your foresight on this issue and urge you to ensure it is followed by action with the establishment of a guiding body to advise on key steps.

We, the organizations and networks listed below, would be pleased to assist you as you move this agenda forward:

BC Nature
BC Spaces for Nature
BC Sustainable Energy Association
BC Trappers Association
Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives
Canadian EarthCare Society
Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society – BC Chapter
Ducks Unlimited Canada
Dogwood Initiative
Ecojustice Canada

ForestEthics
Georgia Strait Alliance
Land Trust Alliance of British Columbia
Living Oceans Society
Nature Conservancy Canada, BC Region
One Sky
Outdoor Recreation Council of British Columbia
Sierra Club of Canada, BC Chapter
Texada Action Now
The Land Conservancy of BC
The Pembina Institute
Western Canada Wilderness Committee
West Coast Environmental Law
Wildsight
WWF Canada

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