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Rural Municipality of Malpeque Bay
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Dear Mayor Brown:

Re: Thunder Cove and Teacup Rock Accessibility

Thank you for your November 23, 2020 letter regarding the Municipality's efforts to provide safe and accessible access to Thunder Cove Beach and Teacup Rock.

As noted in your letter, the Department of Transportation, Infrastructure and Energy is currently exploring all options with regards to creating a turning area for emergency vehicles at the base of the Thunder Cove Road. Once we have received feedback from the Department of Environment, Water and Climate Change outlining any environmental concerns, we will be in a better position to identify any issues which would need to be addressed before making a final decision.

The issues raised with regards to signage and waste collection will be looked into to determine if our department or others can assist.

Provincial Risk Management and Insurance is, ultimately, the Insurance provider for Government. As you know, they have recommended against Government accepting the liability associated with the stairs. Government remains willing to work with the Municipality to enter into an Agreement allowing the stairs to be placed on the public right of way; however, the liability is not a requirement that Government can waive.

Transportation, Infrastructure and Energy will continue its efforts working with the Municipality to try to resolve the issues identified in its letter. Once we are in a position to make a decision on the creation of a turning area for emergency vehicles and an emergency vehicle parking area, a Department representative will be in touch.

Sincerely,



Steven Myers
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C's. Honourable Natalie Jamieson, Minister of Environment, Water and Climate Change
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