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Her Worship Pauline Rochefort
Mayor
Municipality of East Ferris
390 Highway 94
Corbeil, ON P0H 1K0

Dear Mayor Rochefort:

I am writing today to inform you about some recent internal organizational changes at the Ministry of Transportation (MTO), and to introduce myself as the new Director of Northeast Operations. Former Director, Eric Doidge, has moved on to the role of Assistant Deputy Minister, Operations Division, however, remains in close contact with our region.

In July 2020, MTO implemented a new organizational model that resulted in the creation of the Operations Division. Our division integrates the delivery of ministry services in the region and will continue to be your key contact on any emerging issues and areas of interest. We play an integral role in the ministry's work on corridor management, emergency management, infrastructure preservation and protection, maintenance and operations to ensure a safe, continuous flow of people, goods and services to facilitate economic prosperity.

I want to highlight our most important work, working closely with stakeholders and Indigenous partners throughout the phases of our work. As the Director of Northeast Operations, my highest priority is maintaining strong relationships with our external stakeholders and partners, and I will endeavour to facilitate this wherever possible.

I look forward to continuing our relationship with you under this new organizational structure. If you require support or have any questions related to any ministry service, please feel free to contact me at Herb.Villneff@ontario.ca or 705-497-5500. Alternatively you may also contact Kristin Franks, Regional Services and Relationship Manager by email at Kristin.Franks@ontario.ca or by phone at 705-497-5264.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Herb Villneff", written over a light blue horizontal line.

Herb Villneff
Director, Northeast Operations