

June 21, 2017

Ms. Bev Yee  
Deputy Minister of  
Agriculture and Forestry  
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Dear Ms. Yee:

**Subject: Stephen Murray Gibson – Public Fatality Inquiry  
Response to Recommendations**

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Please find enclosed a copy of the Honourable Judge A.J. Brown's report to the Minister of Justice and Solicitor General. This report will be publicly released on June 29, 2017.

The following recommendations made by His Honour may impact Agriculture and Forestry:

1. Page 4 – Farm safety training be made a compulsory component of all post-secondary agriculture programs, at least in graduation year but ideally in every year of a program. This may require a cross-ministry initiative, involving Advanced Education, Agriculture and Forestry, and Labour; and
2. Page 4 – The ministries of Labour and Agriculture and Forestry develop and implement a compulsory regime of annual safety certification of farm equipment, to include PTOs.

I ask that you please advise the following:

1. Whether Agriculture and Forestry accepts, accepts in principle, rejects, or has a different response to each recommendation;
2. A brief explanation of why that decision was made; and
3. If Agriculture and Forestry intends to accept the recommendation, or to implement different measures, what steps will be taken in that respect.

A response to this enquiry is not mandatory. However, be advised that any response received will be publicly released and posted on the Open Government Portal:

<https://open.alberta.ca/publications>.

If a response has not been received by October 29, 2017 (four months from the public release of Judge Brown's report), that information will also be made publicly available.

**Please ensure the response does not include any personal third party information.**

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Yours truly,

Jennifer Fuchinsky  
Fatality Inquiry Coordinator  
Enclosure