

## South Fraser Community Rail – The Benefits

“Passenger Rail, Pattulo Bridge to Chilliwack” #connect the valley

The estimated population by 2025 (Provincial statistics) South of the Fraser will be 1,313,732.

This corridor was designed for the movement of PEOPLE plus goods and services for the Fraser Valley over 100 years ago, decommissioned over 50 years ago BUT protected for passenger service 29 years ago by the Provincial Government of the day at NO COST!

We are looking at a once in a lifetime opportunity to establish a transportation link who's net value to the citizens of the Province of B.C. and to specifically the lower mainland is PRICELESS, do the math. As stated, this opportunity was set up and protected by a previous Provincial Government with vision at NO COST to the public, it is time that we take action!

THERE is an opportunity to show a vision for today into the future. This forward thinking solution will be seen as Smart fiscally, economically and environmentally serving over 1.3 million citizens, 14 University Campuses and 16 Cities, towns, municipalities and communities.

### A Recap of Benefits!

- **Cost Effective** – The 99.23 KMs South of Fraser Passenger Rail Project (Scott Road to Chilliwack) total cost is **4.23% of the per KM Cost** of the projected Surrey to Langley City LRT (16.6 km) down Fraser Highway!
- **Cost Effective** - **9% of the per Capita Cost** over Light Rail down Fraser Highway!
- **Cost Effective** - 99.23 kms from Scott Road to Chilliwack that is **FREE** to the Province for passenger service unlike the Westcoast Express costing taxpayers in excess of \$20,000,000 per year plus operating and capital costs annually!
- **Protects Environment** - **Eliminates the need to clear cut** a large amount of the Green Timbers Urban Forest!
- **Protects Environment** – **1 Train removes 177 cars from Hwy #1 from the Fraser Valley Airshed.**
- **Protects Environment** - Protection of the environment utilizing **NEW European Hydrogen Fuel Cell Technology!**
- **Economic Growth** - Directly **BOOSTS** economic growth through the **low cost movement** of residents and goods South of the Fraser!

- **Economic Growth** - Direct access to the Abbotsford International Airport for passenger and employment access up and down the valley! (Projected passengers by 2020 1,000,000 passengers.)
- **Economic Growth** – Direct access to jobs throughout the Fraser Valley currently with no or very limited transportation access.
- **Ease of Movement** - Would support and form an integral part of a coordinated and comprehensive transportation network for **1.3 million South of Fraser residents and/or a combined close to 3 million residents** to be able to move between North and West Vancouver, Vancouver out to Chilliwack using Seabus, Skytrain and Light Rail!
- **Promote Fraser Valley Tourism** – Open up the Fraser Valley and it's attractions (Wineries / theme parks / Game Farm / Fort Langley) to Tourism with access from Vancouver to Chilliwack!
- **Promote Fraser Valley Agri-Tourism** – Open up transportation access to a growing Agri-Tourism business throughout the Fraser Valley!
- **Access to and increase of Post Secondary Education** - Connecting **Fourteen University Campuses and 58,000 Students and Staff daily** South of the Fraser between Surrey and Chilliwack!
- **Ease of Movement** - Connects **27 Communities, University Campuses, Industrial Parks, Airports and Special Interest venues!**

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