



CITY OF PORT ALBERNI ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MANAGER  
January 27, 2014 Report to City Council

**Report on work from December 4<sup>th</sup> 2013 to January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2014**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Status Report on the Top Ten To Tackle from the Business Retention Survey
- Continue placement of ads for 'Vancouver Island's Most Affordable Community' campaign
- Continue work on the proposed District Energy System
- Continue Wood Tech 21 & North Island College discussions re a 'Culture of Wood Institute'
- Prepare 2014 Economic Development Budget Presentations for City and ACRD
- Prepare Alberni Valley presence at Islands Agriculture Show (Feb 7 & 8)
- Assist Alberni-Clayoquot Transportation Committee
- Assist four local businesses in process of selling or buying
- Assist Art Rave, Alberni Valley Regatta Association, Port Alberni Junior Hockey Society & Ty Watson House initiatives
- Arrangements for documentary film-maker visiting Alberni-Clayoquot
- Meet with Huu-ay-aht First Nation and Uchucklesaht First Nation
- Assist Coulson Group job creation initiative
- Discussions with proponents for two new projects for Alberni Valley
- Show developer around site of interest
- Assist employee recruitment effort of local organization
- Discussions with 'Mudd, Sweat & Tears' event proponent
- Discuss regional economic development opportunities with new NIC Regional Director
- Meet with School District 70 re economy and old high school site

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