

NEWS RELEASE

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SUPPORTIVE HOUSING FACILITY IN RUTLAND

The following is a statement from the Board of Education and the Superintendent of Schools/CEO:

The Board of Education and Senior Staff of Central Okanagan Public Schools continue to monitor the developing circumstances surrounding a proposed supportive housing facility at the junction of McCurdy Road and Rutland Road.

Although the Board of Education has no authority to change municipal and provincial government decisions, School Trustees and District staff have been seeking information and considering points of view and concerns as they work with both municipal and provincial governments to understand fully the logistics of the supportive housing project.

Central Okanagan Public Schools and the Board of Education will continue to monitor the development of the McCurdy Road project. When the City of Kelowna and the Province of BC reach a final decision on the nature of the project, the Board of Education and District staff will be able to comment knowledgeably on our position going forward. No matter the outcome, we will work with both the community and government as we strive to ensure that our schools are safe places for youth to learn and grow.