

## **BC Farm Industry Review Board**

## 2021 Review of Allegations of Bad Faith and Unlawful **Activities**

## **UPDATE #1**

June 11, 2021

BCFIRB is undertaking a supervisory review of allegations of bad faith and unlawful activity raised in court filings alleging misfeasance of public office by members and staff of the BC Vegetable Marketing Commission (Commission).

**Purpose:** To determine whether these allegations of wrongdoing can be substantiated and what resulting orders or directions may be required.

On May 26, 2021 BCFIRB issued a Notice of Supervisory Review to regulated vegetable sector stakeholders.

BCFIRB requested written submissions from stakeholders by June 4, 2021 on:

- 1. Intention to participate.
- Any similar allegations to those listed under "Scope and Focus" in the Notice of Review, or related to other Commission regulatory activities.
- 3. Any interim BCFIRB Orders required in the public interest to ensure the fair administration of the BC Vegetable Marketing Scheme pending the outcome of the review process.

The June 4 written submissions are posted on BCFIRB's web site (2021 Review of Allegations of Bad Faith and Unlawful Activities). Submissions made with the request that they be received in confidence are before the panel. The panel will consider whether it is in the interest of fairness for the submissions to be received on that basis.

BCFIRB will be providing further directions on hearing participation and Interim Orders on June 14, 2021.

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