

- The status quo is not acceptable.
- The MIABC can effectively address some critical aspects of the problem, by creating an Earthquake Recovery Fund.
- This can be accomplished in a measured way at a relatively modest cost.

## We Know For Certain:

- There is 12% chance of a catastrophic earthquake affecting BC in the next 50 years.
- The resulting devastation will involve local governments' linear assets.
- These assets will not be insured local governments will be relying on senior governments to finance the repair and recovery of impacted infrastructure (*Disaster Financial Assistance*).

## Reliance on the DFA leaves local governments exposed to significant unfunded liabilities, because:

- The DFA is an discretionary compensation scheme, not a grant program.
- It only indemnifies 80% of costs incurred.
- It does not reimburse "betterment."

#### Priorities? Where is local government compared to...

- Schools
- Hospitals
- Transportation infrastructure
- Housing

#### Vhat changes are coming to the DFA?

- Federal government has changed its 90% funding commitment.
- How would a restructuring affect the program relied on by B.C. local governments.



Christchurch's earthquakes left 30% of it's underground infrastructure inoperable.



- Insurance Bureau of Canada model A catastrophic earthquake could cause \$75 billion in damage to BC.
- If only 10% of this is borne by uninsured municipal infrastructure –local governments will be looking to the DFA for \$7 billion.
- The DFA program will leave the local governments needing to pay \$1.5 billion.



• A catastrophe damaging 10%, would leave lower mainland local governments with \$2.2 billion in unfunded liability.



## The Pooling Effect

A risk pool, such as the MIABC, can provide effective solutions to some of these problems.

## Governmental Risk Pools

 Public Entity Risk Pooling is the single most successful example of inter-local cooperation in North America and beyond, saving billions of taxpayer dollars and thousands of lives.

## **Governmental Risk Pools**

- 100,000 public entities in North America
  - 85% get some form of coverage from a pool
- \$13-17 billion in premium

## In North America

## 500 Pools

- Liability
- Property
- Auto
- Worker's Compensation
- Specialty Lines

## Governmental Risk Pools

"The smallest local government has access to resources usually available only to the largest."







#### Trigger Definition on the Example of Vancouve



- Index Points
   Liability distributions of the Municipalities are based on
  - population density
  - Areas with < 50 people/km<sup>2</sup> are not considered
  - 571 liability points
  - Weight of each point represents percentage of population within the Municipality



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Port Moody	3,297,500,000	111,300,536	3.38%	101 0.0
Anmore	209,200,000	3,527,701		
Burnaby	22,321,800,000	1,492,217,935	6.69%	<ul> <li>With soil-conditions</li> </ul>
Port Coquitlam	5,634,200,000	322,065,900	5.72%	That con contaitions
Richmond	19,047,300,000	1,625,942,167		
lew Westminster	6,597,600,000	454,730,248	6.89%	<ul> <li>MR-EQ-Trigger-Tool</li> </ul>
Surrey	46,825,100,000	3,119,146,788	6.66%	
angley Township	10,417,700,000	619,292,468	5.94%	
Delta	9,986,300,000	831,840,950	8.33%	
angley City	2,508,100,000	147,774,025	5.89%	
White Rock	1,933,900,000	151,623,579	7.84%	
/ancouver	60,350,200,000	4,559,676,271	7.56%	
lectoral Area A	1,303,500,000	108,386,154	8.32%	
Vest Vancouver	4,269,400,000	173,856,936	4.07%	
Bowen Island	340,200,000	21,025,316	6.18%	
Belcarra	64,400,000	2,522,198	3.92%	
Pitt Meadows	1,773,600,000	100,787,864	5.68%	
Aaple Ridge	7,605,200,000	413,227,719	5.43%	
Coquitlam	12,645,600,000	719,992,028	5.69%	
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## Additional Services

- Local Government Planning
- Hazard Risk and Vulnerability Analysis
- Logistics



## **Additional Services**

The need for each of these services has been documented in the Auditor General's Report.



## The Cost?

- Really a matter of what is affordable.
- Benefits are dictated by the annual contribution.

## \$15 million initially

- \$1 million for administration and additional services.
- \$4 million for reinsurance (\$70 million).
- \$10 million capital contribution.
- \$80 million limits in first year.

## Subsequent Years Increase Capacity

- Increase contributions by 1.5% p.a.
- Investment returns of 4%.
- Prorate reinsurance and administration expenses.

#### **Benefit Accrual**

- Five years \$43 million capital and \$130 million benefit.
- Ten years \$107 million capital and \$203 million benefit.
- 15 years \$185 million capital and \$290 million benefit.
- 20 years \$280 million capital and \$397 million benefit.

## Funding?

# All levels of government have an interest in this.

## Next steps?

Elected officials must make this a priority.

## **Questions?**

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