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Quota Tools Assessment Review | Stage 2 – Finding Solutions

The BC Milk Marketing Board is conducting a Quota Tools Assessment Review (QTAR). This review is initiated by the Farm Industry Review Board (FIRB) to all five supply managed commodity boards in the province to develop long term quota policies that will support industry stakeholders and the public interest for BC residents. [BC FIRB Quota Assessment Tool Evaluation – February 28, 2017](#)

The review focus is on two policies; (1) Transfer Assessment Structure; and (2) Industry Entry; however, a sound evaluation of related quota policies will be conducted to provide a thorough rationale for any proposed policy changes.

During the first stage of consultation process, the Board held seven regional face-to-face listening sessions with dairy industry stakeholders (producers, processors, vendors and other dairy industry participants) in conjunction with their annual spring producer meetings across BC. These sessions were held from March 28, 2017 to April 12, 2017. [Notice of Spring 2017 Producer Meetings](#)

In addition to the face-to-face meetings, all dairy industry stakeholders and members of the public were invited to review specific questions and provide input to the Board.

Stage 1 – Evaluating the need for Change

The Board completed Stage 1 of the consultation “Evaluating the need for Change” on May 1, 2017. The summary provides the results to industry questions and key themes that surfaced through the face to face sessions and any written comments within scope of the consultation.

Please click the following link: [Stage 1 – Evaluating the need for Change](#)

Stage 2 - Identifying Solutions

The Board is currently in Stage 2 of the consultation “Identifying Solutions” from producers and the dairy industry input with respect to transfer assessments and industry entry.

Please click the following link: [Stage 2 - Identifying Solutions](#)

The Board will continue to gather input through this process that will be used to evaluate current policy, and, where necessary, propose policy changes or develop new policy to BCFIRB for review.

The Board is requesting all industry stakeholders review Stage 2 Policy Options [Stage 2 – Identifying Solutions](#) and provide comments with respect to the quota policies that are outlined in this discussion paper. [The deadline for submission will be June 2, 2017.](#)

