

North Shore Neighbourhoods Alliance

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Responsive and Responsible

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North Vancouver, BC - Today, the North Shore Neighbourhoods Alliance (“NSNA”) welcomed the recent commitment by John Rustad and the BC Conservatives to hold an “independent investigation” into Metro’s seriously troubled NSWWTP project.

NSNA spokesperson, Dan Anderson, said, “The BC Conservatives had earlier indicated there would be no further provincial tax-dollars for the capital cost of this project unless some answers were obtained as to what has gone wrong and why. This is a reasonable and responsible position. Now, Mr. Rustad has committed his party, should they form government after October 19th, to seeking these answers. This is responsive to the demands of the NSNA and others, and contrasts sharply with the continuing failure of the current NDP administration to do anything but monitor the situation, a wholly insufficient response given the severity of these costs.”

The NSNA will continue to press both the BCCs and the NDP to commit specifically to convening, in a timely fashion, a public inquiry pursuant to section 764 of the Local Government Act, a statutory provision tailor-made for holding a local or regional government to account when, as in this instance, something goes terribly awry.

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