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Dear Mr. Schole:

Thank you for your letter of December 5, 2023, regarding designating the North Saskatchewan River as a Canadian Heritage River.

I have reviewed the recommendation for the Canadian Heritage Rivers System Board with respect to the designation of the North Saskatchewan River (Alberta). I am pleased to inform you that, as the North Saskatchewan River (Alberta) meets the selection and integrity guidelines of the Canadian Heritage Rivers System, and its designation has been endorsed by the Canadian Heritage Rivers Board and approved by the Government of Alberta, I have approved its designation as a Canadian Heritage River.

As the driving force behind the multi-year project to designate the North Saskatchewan River (Alberta) to the Canadian Heritage Rivers System, Smoky Lake County has every reason to be proud. I commend you and your partners for your dedication to promoting public appreciation, conservation, and wise use of this important river to current and future generations. I want to thank you personally for your leadership and passion for sharing the story of the river and its significance with all Canadians.

I also offer my congratulations to the team of volunteers and community partners who have played a such a key role in this accomplishment.

Sincerely,

The Honourable Steven Guilbeault, P.C., M.P. (il/lui/he/him)

c.c.: Mr. Patrick Graillon, Chair, Canadian Heritage Rivers Board