



# BRITISH COLUMBIA CATTLEMEN'S ASSOCIATION

*Representing the Beef Cattle Industry of British Columbia*

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**RE: Request for Funding Grant**

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Dear David,

Please accept this letter of request for a funding grant for BC Cattlemen's Association (BCCA).

BCCA requests any funding which may be available to support the development of Virtual Fencing Technology.

This project focuses on designing and building a containment system for livestock to be used for managing livestock movement and containment through the use of GPS and cellular technology transmitting to a collar that will be fitted to the livestock.

The benefits of this project are that this technology will allow producers to manage their livestock for various range and environmental values without the investment in costly fencing and infrastructure. Virtual fencing is a responsive tool that provides flexibility in changing fence line boundaries as needed.

We are currently seeking an investment of approximately \$200,000 to complete the modifications to the prototype and production of enough of the collars to conduct applied extensive testing of the product in real situations.

Working in partnership with Government on initiatives to increase the benefit of sustainable food production and the stewardship of Crown lands is imperative for the future of food security in BC. We would kindly appreciate your support toward this applied innovative technology project.

Thank you,

Kevin Boon,  
General Manager  
BC Cattlemen's Association