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Dear Michelle,

At the end of June 2017, at the International Conference of Population Geographies, I presented the findings comparing the 2016 population projections (calculated directly from the 1996 to 2011 Censuses of Population) to the actual 2016 Census of Population counts for Canada, BC, the Nanaimo RD and the Parksville Census Agglomeration (Oceanside). The findings included comparisons of the total population for these areas as well as comparisons of the number of people by age groups.

Just in case you are interested in the results and possibly showing others interested in demographic trends, here is a link starting with Canada:

<http://wminfomatics.com/WManalytics/Articles/2017/171103/2016-Census-Counts-Age-Distributions-Canada.html>

Viewers can see BC, the Nanaimo RD and the Parksville CA via the Population Projections Project website (below). You may also be interested in the Qualicum Beach comparison, also online

The purpose of the PPP is to provide a reliable reference with which to understand where we are and where we are heading on current demographic trends from the national to the local level.

MLA Stilwell, the School Act requires consideration of population numbers by age groups and projections; however, it does not stipulate that the correct methods and data accompany the "findings". Nor does it stipulate that more than one possible future population scenario be presented.

Will you please put forward a motion in the BC Legislature that public facility reviews require that more than one possible future population projection scenario (high medium low), accompanied with correct methods and data?

Given the importance of integrity - providing correct methods and data rather than providing incorrect methods and data, will you also put forward a motion assigning clear accountabilities to ensure the integrity of the population projection scenarios?

Please reply this time.

Cordially,

Warren

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Population Projections Project for Canada's census areas
<http://wminfomatics.com/PopulationProjections/CND2a.html>