



PRESS RELEASE

February 25, 2011

POWELL RIVER – The Powell River School District announced today that it has selected Yellowridge Construction Ltd. as the Design-Builder for the Grief Point Elementary School Replacement Project.

“The School District received excellent submissions from the three teams invited to prepare comprehensive proposals”, said Debby Lewis, Board Chair. “The Yellowridge proposal offered the School District the greatest value for money.”

Yellowridge Construction Ltd. was established in 1961 and is based in Port Moody. Yellowridge provides general contracting, construction management and design-build services to a wide client base throughout Western Canada. Yellowridge recently completed the Powell River Kiwanis Housing Project and has an extensive presence in coastal communities of BC.

Yellowridge is partnering with KMBR Architects Planners Inc., Vancouver, BC. KMBR was established in 1958 and has extensive experience designing schools in British Columbia. Other key members of the design-build team are listed in the attachment.

The new facility will be designed in accordance with best practices for sustainability and is expected to achieve LEED Gold (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certification.

The new school will include 12 regular classrooms, 4 kindergarten / pre-kindergarten rooms, a full size gymnasium, library, special education and multi-purpose spaces. It will also include a Neighbourhood Learning Centre comprised of additional multi-purpose space, expanded physical education facilities to support wheelchair athletics, and a community office.

Plans for the new school will be unveiled at an Open House to be held at Grief Point Elementary School on:

March 8, 2011
4:00 PM – 7:00 PM

Stakeholders and the general public are invited to attend the Open House and view displays showcasing the new school.

Yellowridge will be hosting a Business Opportunities / Job Fair later this spring, and details of that event will be advertised in the local media and posted on the School District website.

For further information, please contact:

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Architect	KMBR Architects Planners Inc.
Structural Design	CWMM Consulting Engineers Ltd.
Mechanical Design	Rocky Point Engineering Ltd.
Electrical Design	Jarvis Engineering Consultants
Civil Design	Chatwin Engineering
Geotechnical Consultant	GeoPacific Consultants Ltd.
Landscape Architect	Maruyama & Associates Landscape Architects
Building Envelope Specialist	KMBR Architects Planners Inc.
LEED Coordinator	KMBR Architects Planners Inc.

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