Appendix A: New Democratic Party Ridings most likely to be held

Riding	NDP	Margin	GP	NDP	PDA	Lib	Ref	Vote El	ligbl	GP	NDP	PDA	Lib	Ref I	Turnout
North Coast	4042	38.9%	212	6730	1	2688	762	10393 1	17969	2.0%	64.8%	0.0%	25.9%	7.3%	58.2%
Powell River_Sunshine Co	past	32.6%	436	5194	9676	3373	580	19312 2	29389	2.3%	26.9%	50.1%	17.5%	3.0%	65.9%
Vancouver_Mount Pleasant	5397	37.7%	570	9038	483	3641	282	14306 2	27869	4.0%	63.2%	3.4%	25.5%	2.0%	52.0%
Esquimalt_Metchosin	5814	30.5%	275	11373	764	5559	980	19078 3	30681	1.4%	59.6%	4.0%	29.1%	5.1%	62.4%
Victoria_Hillside	4530	23.2%	709	10528	1123	5998	899	19518 3	31547	3.6%	53.9%	5.8%	30.7%	4.6%	62.2%
Surrey_Newton	2793	22.2%	154	6704	830	3911	551	12605 1	19500	1.2%	53.2%	6.6%	31.0%	4.4%	65.1%
Vancouver_Hastings	3629	20.5%	509	9632	791	6003	547	17671 2	28970	2.9%	54.5%	4.5%	34.0%	3.1%	61.6%
Surrey_Whalley	3002	20.3%	247	7526	964	4524	1256	14810 2	24138	1.7%	50.8%	6.5%	30.5%	8.5%	61.9%
Nanaimo	3675	19.5%	420	9516	1180	5841	1547	18866 3	30282	2.2%	50.4%	6.3%	31.0%	8.2%	62.7%
Victoria_Beacon Hill	4423	19.5%	991	11955	1129	7532	664	22681 3	37236	4.4%	52.7%	5.0%	33.2%	2.9%	61.3%
Surrey_Green Timbers	2724	18.0%	165	7679	865	4955	884	15098 2	23921	1.1%	50.9%	5.7%	32.8%	5.9%	63.7%
Vancouver_Kingsway	2972	17.9%	187	9176	475	6205	335	16624 2	25248	1.1%	55.2%	2.9%	37.3%	2.0%	66.6%
Cowichan_Ladysmith	3779	17.6%	575	10616	1283	6837	2179	21490 3	31820	2.7%	49.4%	6.0%	31.8%	10.1%	67.8%
West Kootenay_Boundary	2911	14.9%	476	9649	727	6738	1851	19558 2	29148	2.4%	49.3%	3.7%	34.5%	9.5%	67.3%
Malahat Juan de Fuca	2871	14.2%	559	9796	1014	6925	1726	20192 3	30192	2.8%	48.5%	5.0%	34.3%	8.5%	67.1%

Appendix B: Reform BC Table of Vulnerable Ridings

1996 results redistributed												
Riding	GP	NDP	PDA	Lib	Ref	vote	Elig	GP NDP	PDA	Lib	Ref	Turn
Peace River North	0	1632	135	2595	4170	8829	16467	0.0% 18.5%	1.5%	29.4%	47.2%	53.8%
Peace River South	103	2855	131	3320	3654	10460	17823	1.0% 27.3%	1.3%	31.7%	34.9%	58.9%
Bulkley Valley_Stikine	148	4571	549	3396	3235	12042	18826	1.2% 38.0%	4.6%	28.2%	26.9%	64.2%
East Kootenay	308	5744	0	5307	3346	14899	24181	2.1% 38.6%	0.0%	35.6%	22.5%	61.8%
Okanagan_Vernon	296	6483	1610	8522	4641	21746	34782	1.4% 29.8%	7.4%	39.2%	21.3%	62.7%
Shuswap	195	6424	1147	7241	4772	20733	30880	0.9% 31.0%	5.5%	34.9%	23.0%	67.6%
Skeena	168	4534	0	4220	2433	11583	18252	1.5% 39.1%	0.0%	36.4%	21.0%	63.9%
Abbotsford_Mount Lehman	142	3712	0	7991	3070	15299	23748	0.9% 24.3%	0.0%	52.2%	20.1%	64.8%
Prince George_Omineca	199	4802	946	5208	2768	13949	22528	1.4% 34.4%	6.8%	37.3%	19.8%	62.4%
Abbotsford_Clayburn	212	4470	743	8344	3420	17341	28142	1.2% 25.8%	4.3%	48.1%	19.7%	61.9%
${ t Yale_Similkameen}$	41	6118	715	5363	3024	15393	24019	0.3% 39.7%	4.6%	34.8%	19.6%	64.3%
Prince George North	150	4748	697	3883	2320	12232	20823	1.2% 38.8%	5.7%	31.7%	19.0%	59.0%
Cariboo North	175	5452	20	5689	2638	14061	21766	1.2% 38.8%	0.1%	40.5%	18.8%	64.9%
Cariboo South	232	5940	63	5481	2690	14413	22682	1.6% 41.2%	0.4%	38.0%	18.7%	63.8%
Columbia River_Revelstoke	387	6403	267	5217	2717	15069	23282	2.6% 42.5%	1.8%	34.6%	18.0%	65.0%
Prince George_Mnt Robson	256	5421	928	4156	2192	12987	22577	2.0% 41.7%	7.1%	32.0%	16.9%	57.8%

Appendix C: Green Party Vulnerable Riding

The Greens do have a small chance to win one seat in the next election. That seat is Nelson Creston. For the last 18 months the Greens have been polling close to three times their 1996 vote. If directly applied to the riding of Nelson Creston, this means the GP vote in the riding could be in the low 30s as a percentage and close enough to win the riding a three way race.

Why this could be the case

- 1) Greens are well organised in this riding with a membership bigger than the Liberals or NDP (1/4 GP members are in this riding)
- 2) The NDP has an incumbent cabinet minister and therefore will hold some of the vote
- 3) The Liberals are not playing as well in rural BC.
- 4) The Greens have the most popular candidate in Andy Shadrack and are a realistic choice for centre left voters.
- 5) Reform vote was moderately strong, strong enough that it could be a factor in the next election.

Possible Nelson Creston results

GP	NDP	Liberal	Reform
6200	5300	6000	2500
31%	26.5%	30%	12.5%

It is unlikely that the NDP can win this riding. Most likely the Liberals will win with the Greens as the second place finisher and acting as a vote splitter.

Most likely Nelson Creston Results

GP	NDP	Liberal	Reform
5500	5000	7000	2500
27.5%	25%	35%	12.5%

Below are the three best results for the Green Party in 1996 redistributed to the new boundaries. This shows fairly clearly that the Greens have no chance to have a significant impact outside of the Nelson Creston long shot.

1996 results redistributed to new riding boundaries

Riding	GP	NDP	PDA	Lib	Ref	vote	Elig	GP	NDP	PDA	Lib	Ref Tu	ırnout
Nelson_Creston	1935	7894	77	5666	1951	17896	26542	10.8%	44.1%	0.4%	31.7%	10.9%	67.7%
Victoria_Bcn Hill	991	11955	1129	7532	664	22681	37236	4.4%	52.7%	5.0%	33.2%	2.9%	61.3%
Comox Valley	896	8354	673	7051	2316	20180	32687	4.4%	41.4%	3.3%	34.9%	11.5%	61.9%

Appendix D: Methodology

The basis for the analysis comes from the 1996 BC election results. These 1996 results were redistributed to the new boundaries proposed by the Electoral Boundaries Commission. The redistribution work having been done by Dr Julian West of the Mathematics department of Malaspina.

The 79 ridings were then placed through a voter transfer matrix program to get a rough estimate of how an election could look. For about half the ridings of the province these results were then tweaked on the basis incumbency, local issues, opinion of people in party politics and demographic trends.

The estimated popularity numbers are based in part on recent polls, historical trends for parties with new leaders and finally the opinion of several people active in party politics in BC. The 50/28/18/5 numbers seemed to best reflect what an actual BC election would look like at this time with a new leader in charge of the NDP.
