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ADJOURNMENT:

# ELECTORAL AREA DIRECTORS COMMITTEE MEETING

# AGENDA

Thursday, July 19, 2018 in the Regional District Office Boardroom, 1981 Alaska Avenue, Dawson Creek, BC Immediately Following the Rural Budgets Administration Committee Meeting

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| 1.  | CALL TO ORDER: Director Goodings to Chair the meeting |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2.  | DIREC   | TOR'S NOTICE OF NEW BUSINESS:  |  |  |  |  |
| 3.  | ADOP  | TION OF AGENDA:  |  |  |  |  |
| 4.  | ADOP  | TION OF MINUTES:   |  |  |  |  |
|     | M-1   | Electoral Area Directors' Committee Minutes of July 21, 2018   |  |  |  |  |
| 5.  | BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:                    |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6.  | DELEC   | GATIONS  |  |  |  |  |
| 7.  | Corr  | ESPONDENCE:  |  |  |  |  |
| 8.  | REPOI   | RTS:   |  |  |  |  |
|     | R-1   | June 30, 2018 - Erin Price, Bylaw Enforcement Officer - Bylaw Enforcement Quarterly Update   |  |  |  |  |
|     | R-2   | July 3, 2018 - Trish Morgan, GM Community Services and Claire Negrin, Acting GM of Development Services - North Peace Fall Fair Improvements |  |  |  |  |
| 9.  | Discu   | ISSION ITEMS:  |  |  |  |  |
| 10. | NEW BUSINESS:   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 11. | COMMUNICATIONS:                                       |  |  |  |  |  |
| 12. | DIARY:  |  |  |  |  |  |

# ELECTORAL AREA DIRECTORS' COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

DATE: June 21, 2018

PLACE: Regional District Office Boardroom, Dawson Creek, BC

PRESENT:

DIRECTORS: Karen Goodings, Electoral Area 'B' (Chair)

Brad Sperling, Electoral Area 'C' Leonard Hiebert, Electoral Area 'D' Dan Rose, Electoral Area 'E'

STAFF: Shawn Dahlen, Acting CAO

Crystal Brown, Electoral Area Manager

Claire Negrin, Acting General Manager of Development Services

Fran Haughian, Communications Manager

Kelsey Bates, Executive Assistant

DELEGATIONS: Tamara Danshin, Regional Economic Development Manager, Northeast Region,

Ministry of FLNRO

Dwain McRae, Manager of Operations, PNG

CALL TO ORDER: The Chair called the meeting to order at 10 a.m.

**NEW BUSINESS:** 

Director Sperling Board appointment to the Fort St. John Library – Area C.

Director Sperling Mile 28 boat launch – request for gate.

Director Rose Meeting with Deputy Minister of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources – June 29,

2018.

#### ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

June 21, 2018 Agenda

MOVED by Director Rose, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,

That the Electoral Area Directors' Committee agenda for the June 21, 2018 meeting be adopted, including items of New Business:

- 1. CALL TO ORDER: Director Goodings to Chair the meeting
- 2. DIRECTOR'S NOTICE OF NEW BUSINESS:

Board appointment to the Fort St. John Library – Area C.

Mile 28 launch, request for gate.

Meeting with Deputy Minister of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources June 29, 2018.

- 3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:
- 4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

M-1 Electoral Area Directors' Committee Minutes of May 17, 2018

- 5. Business Arising from the Minutes:
- 6. Delegations
  - D-1 10:30 a.m. Tamara Manshin Regional Economic Development Manager, Northeast Region - Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development
  - D-2 11:30 a.m. Dwain McRae Manager of Operations, PNG Update on PNG Activity in the PRRD

## ADOPTION OF AGENDA (CONTINUED):

- 7. CORRESPONDENCE:
- 8. REPORTS:
  - June 11, 2018 Claire Negrin, Acting General Manager of Development Services -Production Facility Regulations within Zoning Bylaws
- 9. **DISCUSSION ITEMS:** 
  - Municipal Participation in Planning Update
- 10. **NEW BUSINESS:**
- COMMUNICATIONS: 11.
- 12. DIARY:
- 13. **A**DJOURNMENT:

CARRIED.

#### ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

M-1 MOVED by Director Rose, SECONDED by Director Sperling,

EADC meting minutes of That the Electoral Area Directors' Committee May 17, 2018 Minutes be adopted.

May 17, 2018

CARRIED.

Vary the Agenda The Chair varied the Agenda at 10:05 a.m.

REPORTS:

MOVED by Director Hiebert, SECONDED by Director Sperling, R-1

Zoning Bylaws -That item R-1 be tabled until 1 p.m.

**Production Facility** CARRIFD.

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

DI-1

Planning Update

The Committee provided the Planning Services Manager and the Electoral Area Municipal Participation in Manager of with feedback on the presentation thus far. Providing handouts with additional information was discussed.

Vary the Agenda

The Chair varied the Agenda to hear the scheduled Delegation at 10:30 am.

### **DELEGATIONS:**

D-1

Tamara Danshin, Ministry of FLNRORD

Tamara Danshin, Regional Economic Development Manager, Northeast Region -Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development attended to discuss the BC Rural Dividend program. Ms. Danshin explained highlights of the program:

- Beneficial for smaller communities
- Opportunity to partner with other communication for larger amounts of funding
- Economic Development and community development initiatives
- Design phases of projects are applicable under this grant
- The PRRD could apply for various projects in multiple communities
- An outreach session will be held at Community Futures on June 26th and the PRRD's grant writer will be in attendance.
- A good fit for not-for profit organizations

The Committee suggested that Ms. Danshin attend the 2019 April Grant-in-Aid meeting to provide the information to community groups.

DELEGATION (CONTINUED):

D-1 (continued)

MOVED Director Sperling, SECONDED Director Hiebert,

Tamara Danshin, Ministry of FLNRORD

That the Electoral Area Director's Committee recommends that the Regional Board send a letter to the Hon. Doug Donaldson, Minister of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development, advising that the Electoral Area Directors were pleased with the presentation on the Rural Dividend Grant Program from Tamara Danshin, Regional Economic Development Manager, Northeast Region, Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development, and further that the Board would like the ministry to continue to support the grant program in the

future.

CARRIED.

Vary the Agenda

The Chair varied the Agenda at 10:54 a.m. to New Business.

**NEW BUSINESS:** 

NB-1 MOVED Director Sperling, SECONDED Director Hiebert,

FSJ Library Appointment That the Electoral Area Director's Committee recommends that the Regional Board

appoint Karlene Duncan as the Area C representative to the Fort St. John Public Library

Board.

CARRIED.

NB-2

MOVED Director Sperling, SECONDED Director Rose,

Mile 58 Boat Launch That the Electoral Area Director's Committee recommends that the Regional Board

send a letter to Natasha Ewing, Community Liaison Officer for the local BC Parks office

requesting that a gate be installed at the Mile 58 boat launch on Charlie Lake.

CARRIED.

NB-3

Meeting with the Minister of Energy, Mine

and Petroleum Resources

The Committee discussed the purpose of Director Sperling and Director Rose's meeting

with the BC Oil and Gas Commission and the Deputy Minister of Energy, Mines and

Minister of Energy, Mines Petroleum Resources on June 29, 2018.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** 

The Committee discussed the upcoming summer parades and other summer events.

DIARY:

MOVED Director Sperling, SECONDED Director Hiebert,

That North Pine TV be removed from the Diary, as the General Manger of

Environmental Services has taken on the task.

CARRIED.

The Committee updated the wording in "Tour for Water Advisory Committee

Members" to add a ribbon cutting and grand opening event, upon completion of the

water station.

Vary the Agenda

The Chair varied the Agenda to hear the scheduled delegation at 11:26 a.m.

DELEGATION (CONTINUED):

D-2

Dwain McRae, PNG

Dwain McRae - Manager of Operations, Pacific Northern Gas attended to provide the Committee with an update on PNG Activity in the PRRD, as follows:

- Two senior level staff members have moved on from PNG, and Mr. McRae is in the process of familiarizing himself with their projects (i.e Wonowon, Tomslake)
- Wonowon PNG is revisiting the area from a construction standpoint to identify costs for providing services and will reach out to the Board when that is complete.
- Mr. McRae advised that he will look up information on the Progress/Groundbirch/Upper Cutback area to see if servicing the area is feasible.
- Discussion ensued on tapping into private company pipelines to bring services to residents. Further, how the Province may be able to offer incentives to companies who allow a tap for PNG to utilize, meter and distribute gas to residents, as seen with Fortis BC.
- Mr. McRae noted that PNG's goal is to service as many residents as possible, while remaining economically stable. Natural Gas is a clean and sustainable energy.
- The use of contractors by PNG was discussed, Mr. McRae advised that PNG has had discussion about expanding their Fort St. John in house staff.

DIARY: The Committee removed the word "June" for the Notes portion of "Electoral Area D

Water Referendum".

The Chair recessed the meeting at 11:53 a.m. Recess

Reconvene The Chair reconvened the meeting at 1 p.m.

REPORTS (CONTINUED):

R-1 The Chair lifted R-1 from the table

June 11/18 - Production **Zoning Bylaws** 

Facility Regulations within The Electoral Area Directors Committee discussed the Zoning Bylaw No. 1343, 2001, specifically Production Facilities in the A-2 zones.

MOVED by Director Sperling, SECONDED by Director Hiebert,

That the Electoral Area Directors Committee recommend to the Regional Board that staff be directed to prepare a report on options for production facility regulations in zoning bylaws; further, that the report be reviewed by the Electoral Area Directors'

Committee prior to Board's review.

CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT: The Chair adjourned the meeting at 2 p.m.

Kelsey Bates, Executive Assistant Karen Goodings, Chair



# **REPORT**

To: Electoral Area Directors' Committee Date: June 30, 2018

From: Erin Price, Bylaw Enforcement Officer

Subject: Bylaw Enforcement Quarterly Update

## **RECOMMENDATION(S):**

THAT the Electoral Area Directors' Committee receive the June 30, 2018 Bylaw Enforcement Quarterly Update for information.

THAT, in response to recent ALC enforcement on the land, the Electoral Area Directors' Committee recommend to the Regional Board that staff be directed to close bylaw enforcement file 10-107 on land legally described as Lot 16, St John IR #172, Township 85, Range 18, W6M, PRD, PL 3986 EXC PL 18648 & PL EPP713 and locally known as Samuel Ranch. (See attached report)

### BACKGROUND/RATIONALE:

Attached is a table summarizing the enforcement files; current to June 30, 2018 and a report regarding Bylaw Enforcement File No. 10-107. To date, there are 35 Bylaw Enforcement Files in total (Active and Inactive).

### Active Files - shaded blue:

There are 31 active enforcement files.

- There are 6 new files since the last report.
  - A report is attached regarding a file from 2010 (10-107 Samuel Ranch).
  - An entry warrant has been sought for a demolition to commence August 7, 2018 (16-213 Williams).

### Inactive or On Hold Files- shaded green:

There are 4 inactive or "on hold" files.

- File 11-194 Ward At the June 14, 2018 Regional Board meeting, the TUP was approved pending receipt of confirmation of ALC security and reclamation plan. We have confirmation that the security has been paid. The applicant is working with the ALC to provide the reclamation plan. The reclamation plan required by the ALC was for the gravel extraction area, not the work camp.
- File 16-111 Aitchison has applied to the Board of Variance.
- File 16-097 Haney has applied for re-zoning and variances; although a meeting to address the remaining contraventions that are not covered in the application was cancelled. The planning report is moving ahead without further input from the landowner.
- File 15-103 Gardner Received 3<sup>rd</sup> reading for rezoning at the May 24<sup>th</sup> RB meeting, with final consideration pending driveway re-location and a restrictive covenant being registered on title re: landscaping. A site inspection on July 5, 2018 found the property to be mostly clear of storage.

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Staff Initials:

Dept. Head:

CAO:

| Closed Files - | shaded | orange: |
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**R-1** 

10 files have been closed this quarterly period.

# **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS:**

N/A

## STRATEGIC PLAN RELEVANCE:

|             | Ensure that the Solid Waste Management Plan is operating on a fiscally defensible basis. |
|-------------|--|
|             | Ensure effective execution of Public Safety and Emergency Services initiatives.          |
|             | Foster Collaboration on services with municipalities and electoral areas.                |
|             | Establish a strategy for coordinated advocacy on identified issues.                      |
|             | Manage parks and trails in the region.   |
|             | Support the agricultural industry within the regional district.                          |
| $\boxtimes$ | Not Applicable to Strategic Plan.  |
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# FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION(S):

N/A

# COMMUNICATIONS CONSIDERATION(S):

N/A

# OTHER CONSIDERATION(S):

N/A

### Attachments:

- 1. Enforcement Summary- June 30, 2018 (6 pages)
- 2. Report dated June 29, 2018 regarding Enforcement File No. 10-107

# Bylaw Enforcement File Summary June 30, 2018

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|   | YEAR | FILE NO. | LAND OWNER           | DATE OPEN | COMPLAINT DESCRIPTION   | STATUS   | CIVIC ADDRESS<br>LEGAL DESCRIPTION  | ELECTORAL<br>AREA |
|---|------|----------|----------------------|-----------|---|--|---|-------------------|
| 1 | 2007 | 91       | WHITFORD, Jerry      | 27-Apr-07 | Junkyard in residential zone  | Met Mr. Whitford at property on Apr. 28, 2017. No Change.Will contact him with more information.   | 12498 256 RD<br>Lot 1 & 2, Plan 27341, Part<br>SW-15-86-19  | В                 |
| 2 | 2007 | 203      | CLAY, Martin & Wendy | 17-Apr-07 | Concern regarding a recycling and salvage yard operating in Rolla not in compliance with zoning | Aug.31.17- clean up has started on the property with huge improvements.  | 5209 Rolla RD Parcel A (S22581), Blk 1, Plan 10648, 32-79-14; and Parcel B (T18682), Blk 1, Plan 10648, 32-79-14; and Lots 5,6, 7 & 10, Bk1, Pl 10648, 32-79-14 | D                 |
| 3 | 2010 | 64       | LEFFERSON, Allan     | 12-Apr-10 | Salvage yard in A-2   | March13,2015- I spoke to Tammy from<br>Richmond Steel. They are planning to go<br>when it dries up- March 2016 activity on<br>property however not likely to be<br>completely cleaned or remain cleaned<br>up. On April 20/17 EADC requested<br>followup on this property. | 13492 & 13522 Old<br>Edmonton Hwy<br>Lot 1, PL 28960, 21-77-14  | D                 |
| 4 | 2010 | 107      | SAMUEL RANCH LTD     | 19-Jul-10 | 3 homes   | ALC has opened a C&E file and will advise of any steps they're taking. Report attached recommending the closure of PRRD Bylaw File No. 10-107  ALC has opened a C&E file and will advise 13805 Rose Prarie RD Lot 16,Plan 3986   |   | В                 |
| 5 | 2011 | 207      | LUNDQUIST, Lanny     | 15-Nov-11 | Unsightly Premises, 20-30 vehicles<br>and junk yard   | There has been some improvement, Mr.<br>Lundquist has sold the tractor that was<br>outside the fence.  | 9336 Willow RD<br>Lot 2 & 3, Blk 4, 35-83-19<br>Plan 14402  | С                 |
| ć | 2012 | 210      | MARTIN, Brian        | 12-Oct-12 | Salvage yard in A-2   | Sent new owner a letter. Will follow up after May 23, 2017 to confirm arrangements made for compliance.  | 15927 Prespatou RD<br>NE 1/4 30-86-19   | В                 |
| 7 | 2013 | 91       | SHEARS, John         | 23-May-13 | unsightly premises  | noticeable improvement, lots 7 & 8 are clean, lot 6 has a renter and is a work in progress. Oct. 3/17- driving by noticed may be much cleaner. Need to plan a site visit   | 7617 269 RD<br>Lot 6, 7 & 8 PL 13235, 26-83-<br>19  | С                 |

| ACTIVE FIELS |  |   |  |   |   |   |   |  |
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| YEAR         | FILE NO.   | LAND OWNER  | DATE OPEN  | COMPLAINT DESCRIPTION   | STATUS  | CIVIC ADDRESS<br>LEGAL DESCRIPTION  | ELR-1AL   |  |
| 2013         | 102  | NORNBERG, Neil  | 3-Jun-13   | Salvage yard in R-4 Zone  Aug.31.17-Owner is going to Edmonton for lung specialist. Will call salvage company when he returns. I will follow up around Sept. 15,2017  Aug.31.17-Owner is going to Edmonton 1728 210 RD Lot 2, Plan BCP30608 28-78-15  |   | D   |   |  |
| 2013         | 206  | MAXWELL, Joe  | 4-Nov-13   | RCMP reported a person, inpersonating a PRRD Bylaw Officer, went to Mr. Maxwells place of employment and complained to his supervisor that buses could not turn around on Fell Rd. I reported that it was not a PRRD employee.  |   | С   |   |  |
| 2013         | 207  | WESTERGAARD, William  | 4-Nov-14   | Storage of many old vehicles  | have not looked at file yet   | 12937 Cherry RD<br>Lot 1, Plan BCP 38667<br>19-84-19  |   |  |
| 2014         | 219  | BLAIR, Roxann   | 17-Sep-14  | Junk yard in R-4 zone   | Report going to March 8, 2018 RB meeting for extension request  | 3992 Blair RD<br>DL 2083  | E   |  |
| 2014         | 245  | EVENSON, David  | 20-Oct-14  | Junk yard in R-4 zone   | ABC Recycling left a "metal only" container which Mr. Evenson filled. Mr. Evenson told ABC not to bring another bin for the garbage Sept.29/15 sent warning ticket and letter. On April 20/17 EADC requested followup on this   |   | D   |  |
| 2015         | 251  | KILFOYLE, Robert  | 6-Nov-15   | 3 Sheds located within Interior Side<br>Parcel Setbacks   | 1 shed moved, DVP issued requiring the drainage plan and removal of 2 sheds by Oct. 31, 2018  | 12278 Oak Ave.<br>Lot 7, Block 5, S2, T84, R19,<br>W6M, PRD, PL 15012   | С   |  |
| 2015         | 265  | Dr. BADENHORST  | 24-Nov-15  | 2 structures in side setback  | DVP refused at Dec. 9, 2016 RB Meeting.<br>BP issued for the 2 structures, site plan<br>shows they will be moved out of the<br>setback.   | 8931 Old Fort Loop<br>Lot 7, Bk 2, DL 418, Cariboo<br>Situated in the PRD, PL<br>18222  | С   |  |
| 2016         | 99   | BASTION HOLDINGS LTD  | 12-May-16  | 3 dwellings in R-4 zone   | A Bylaw Notice Ticket will be issued  | 5979 Hillview Sub.<br>PCL B, DL 1910, PL<br>PGP35656  | E   |  |
| 2016         | 213  | WILLIAMS, Darrell   | 9-Sep-16   | Disobey SWN, Restrictive Covenant and Consent Order   | RFQ awarded to Haab Contracting Ltd.<br>work to be done by Aug. 15, 2018  | 9813 River Drive<br>Lot 1, BK 2, S18, TP83, R18,<br>W6M, PR, PL 14194   | С   |  |
| 2016         | 253  | PUTRUS, Peter   | 21-Nov-16  | too many dwellings, building in setback, garbage  | did a site visit with the local rep for the<br>owner, will follow up with letter. Owner<br>will send a plan for compliance  | 2016 Taylor Frtg. RD<br>PCL A (PJ28394), S24, TP82,<br>R18, W6M, PRD, Plan 3039   | D   |  |
|              | 2013<br>2013<br>2014<br>2014<br>2015<br>2016<br>2016 | 2013 206  2013 207  2014 219  2014 245  2015 251  2015 265  2016 99  2016 213 | 2013       102       NORNBERG, Neil         2013       206       MAXWELL, Joe         2013       207       WESTERGAARD, William         2014       219       BLAIR, Roxann         2014       245       EVENSON, David         2015       251       KILFOYLE, Robert         2015       265       Dr. BADENHORST         2016       99       BASTION HOLDINGS LTD         2016       213       WILLIAMS, Darrell | 2013       102       NORNBERG, Neil       3-Jun-13         2013       206       MAXWELL, Joe       4-Nov-13         2013       207       WESTERGAARD, William       4-Nov-14         2014       219       BLAIR, Roxann       17-Sep-14         2014       245       EVENSON, David       20-Oct-14         2015       251       KILFOYLE, Robert       6-Nov-15         2015       265       Dr. BADENHORST       24-Nov-15         2016       99       BASTION HOLDINGS LTD       12-May-16         2016       213       WILLIAMS, Darrell       9-Sep-16 | YEAR       FILE NO.       LAND OWNER       DATE OPEN       COMPLAINT DESCRIPTION         2013       102       NORNBERG, Neil       3-Jun-13       Salvage yard in R-4 Zone         2013       206       MAXWELL, Joe       4-Nov-13       Storage of many old vehicles         2013       207       WESTERGAARD, William       4-Nov-14       Storage of many old vehicles         2014       219       BLAIR, Roxann       17-Sep-14       Junk yard in R-4 zone         2014       245       EVENSON, David       20-Oct-14       Junk yard in R-4 zone         2015       251       KILFOYLE, Robert       6-Nov-15       3 Sheds located within Interior Side Parcel Setbacks         2015       265       Dr. BADENHORST       24-Nov-15       2 structures in side setback         2016       99       BASTION HOLDINGS LTD       12-May-16       3 dwellings in R-4 zone         2016       213       WILLIAMS, Darrell       9-Sep-16       Disobey SWN, Restrictive Covenant and Consent Order         2016       252       DITDLIS Pater       21 Nov. 14       too many dwellings, building in | Part   Part | VEAR   FILE NO.   LAND OWNER   DATE OPEN   COMPLAINT DESCRIPTION   STATUS   CIVIC ADDRESS LEGAL DESCRIPTION |  |

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| YEAR | FILE NO.   | LAND OWNER   | DATE OPEN   | COMPLAINT DESCRIPTION   | STATUS  | CIVIC ADDRESS<br>LEGAL DESCRIPTION  | ELR-1  |
|------|--|--|---|---|---|---|--|
| 2017 | 79   | CAMPBELL, Mary   | 18-Apr-17   | no BP, too many dwellings,<br>shop/suites too close to property line  | had discussion with agent, will follow up   | 9473 River Drive<br>Lot A, S18, TP83, R18, W6M,<br>PRD PL EPP 14982   | С  |
| 2017 | 87   | REIMER, William & Anna   | 26-Apr-17   | too many dwellings, garbage and old<br>vehicles   | letters sent to complainants and a message left for owner for an update   | 13097 260 RD<br>NE1/4, S31, TP86, R19,<br>W6M, PRD  | В  |
| 2017 | 116  | FI PORTFOLIO INC.  | 12-Jun-17   | No BP   | waiting for engineered drawings   | 10755 Finning Ftg. Rd<br>Lot 1, S2, TP 84, R19, W6M,<br>PRD, PL 34500   | С  |
| 2017 | 128  | CNL RESOURCES LTD  | 22-Jun-17   | Hazardous waste facility licensed to<br>accept leachable toxic waste and<br>specializing in Naturally Occurring<br>Radioactive Material management<br>and decontamination operating on I-<br>1 land   | March 29, 2018- sent reply to land owners letter requesting bylaw info  | 9676 Swanson Street<br>Lot 8, S33, TP83, R18, W6M,<br>PR, PL 23652  | С  |
| 2017 | 235  | HAAB, Michael  | 25-Sep-17   | Industrial trucking business on A-2 land within ALR- no dwelling  met on April 5, 2018 will follow up on Apr. 30, 2018  met on April 5, 2018 will follow up on Apr. 30, 2018  SE 1/4, S12, TP84, R18, W6M, PRD  |   |   | С  |
| 2018 | 36   | KILFOYLE, Robert   | 30-Jan-18   | shed in front setback   | site inspection conducted. Owners working with Claire to submit a DVP App   | 12278 Oak Ave.<br>Lot 7, Block 5, S2, TP84, R19,<br>W6M, PRD, PL 15012  | С  |
| 2018 | 46   | PIZZEY, Doug   | 2-Feb-18  | automobile wrecking yard  | opened file, conducted site inspection, researching zoning history  | 13392 Park Ftg. Rd<br>Lot 12, Bk 1, S19, TP84, R19,<br>W6M, PR, PL 12852  | С  |
| 2018 | 56   | WOLSEY, Thomas   | 6-Feb-18  | chemical storage in I-1 zone  | Warning ticket issued. Contact made,<br>landowner requested some information-<br>gathering  | 8317 219 Rd<br>Lot 1, S28, TP 78, R15,<br>W6M, PR, PL BCP 30608   | D  |
| 2018 | 125  | LOISELLE Investments Ltd.  | 24-Apr-18   | worker camp longer than 6 months  | Acting General Manager of Development<br>Services in charge of file   | Loiselle Sub.<br>Block B, S33, TP77, R15,<br>W6M, PRD   | D  |
| 2018 | 159  | MACKAY, Mickey   | 30-May-18   | unsightly premises  | file opened, need to do a site inspection   | 13302 244 Rd.<br>Lot 1, S14, TP84, R20, W6M,<br>PRD, PL EPP 26850   | С  |
| 2018 | 160  | STEWARD, Bernie  | 30-May-18   | dumping construction waste on A-2 property  | Site inspection planned for July 15/18 should be cleaned up by then   | 13705 211 Rd<br>NE1/4 S18, TP77, R14,<br>W6M, PRD   | D  |
| 2018 | 161  | KLEIN, Scott   | 30-May-18   | paving company moving onto R-4<br>land  | spoke to landowner, requested informaiton by July 3, 2018. No contravention currently exists  | No Civic<br>Lots 1 & 2, S27, TP83, R18,<br>W6M, PRD, PL EPP 41962   | С  |
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|----|------|----------|--------------------|-----------|-------------------------------|--|--|---------|
| 30 | 2018 | 164      | WHITING, David     | 5-Jun-18  | unsightly premises            | file opened, initial letters sent, site inspection conducted | 13346 Charlie Lake Cres.<br>PCL A, S19, TP84, R19,<br>W6M, PRD, PL 31112 | С       |
| 31 | 2018 | 172      | MACELHEREN, Daniel | 13-Jun-18 | partially demolished dwelling | deadline to obtain a Demo. Permit is July 10, 2018           | 8155 Harper Dr<br>Lot 11, S28, TP78, R15,<br>W6M, PRD, PL 12614          | D       |

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|   | YEAR | FILE NO. | LAND OWNER                      | DATE OPEN | COMPLAINT DESCRIPTION                              | STATUS  | LEGAL DESCRIPTION   | ELECTORAL<br>AREA | DATE PLACED<br>ON INACTIVE<br>LIST |
|---|------|----------|---------------------------------|-----------|--|---|---|-------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1 | 2011 | 194      | GOERTZ, Howard-<br>sold to WARD | 7-Dec-11  | Worker Camp  | June 14, 2018 RB resolution<br>No. RD/18/06/41 TUP<br>authorized until Dec. 21, 2020<br>once submission of proof of<br>ALC reclamation plan and<br>security | Block A,<br>District Lot 1307   | В                 | 11-Mar-15                          |
| 2 | 2016 | 111      | AITCHISON, Kevin                | 31-May-16 | building in setback                                | Applied to the Board of<br>Variance on Jan.10, 2017   | 8931 River Dr<br>Lot 8, Bk 4, S18, TP83,<br>R18, W6M, PRD,<br>PL14194   | С                 | 10-Jan-17                          |
| 3 | 2016 | 97       | HANEY, Darryl                   | 9-May-16  | HBB, BP, and Zoning<br>contraventions on 3 parcels | Rezoning and DVP applications have been received and paid for.  | 8340, 8306 Micro Sub &<br>1080 210 RD<br>Lots 1&2, S26, TP 78,<br>R15, PL PGP46412 & PCL<br>A (BNG a Consolodation<br>of Lots 3&4 See<br>BB1974913) S 26, TP 78,<br>R15, PL 12184 | D                 | 17-Mar-17                          |
| 4 | 2015 | 103      | GARDNER, Robert                 | 6-May-15  | Oilfield equipment storage on A2 land              | 3rd reading on May 24, 2018,<br>deferred pending restrictive<br>covenant on title re:<br>landscaping buffer and<br>driveway relocation.                     | 9819 240 RD<br>PCL A (46726M),<br>19-83-18, W6M PR,<br>EXC PL 20464   | С                 | 5-Oct-17                           |

# **CLOSED FILES**

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|----|------|----------|-------------------------------------|-----------|---|--|--|-----------|-----------|
|    | YEAR | FILE NO. | LAND OWNER                          | DATE OPEN | COMPLAINT DESCRIPTION   | STATUS   | LEGAL DESCRIPTION  | AREA      | CLOSED    |
| 1  | 2018 | 44       | LAST, Lydia                         | 2-Feb-18  | accessory building contrary to zoning   | BP issued for dwelling   | 3788 206 Rd<br>Lot 2, S3, TP 78, R16, W6M, PR,<br>PL BCP33466                    | D         | 4-Apr-18  |
| 2  | 2017 | 189      | BOUTILIER, Eric                     | 11-Aug-17 | Construction without building permit  | DP and BP issued. SWN lifted   | 13323 Charlie Lake Crescent<br>Lot 1, S20, TP 84, R19, W6M,<br>PRD, PL EPP 72551 | С         | 23-Apr-18 |
| 3  | 2018 | 127      | KOBASUIK, Yohan                     | 25-Apr-18 | 4 complaints related to B & B and total accessory bldg. floor area  | complaints had been dealt with in 2015.  Nothing new or different has occurred.  Closed as per CAO                     | 9780 & 9792 Jones Sub.<br>Lot 2, S18, TP84, R18, W6M,<br>PRD, PL 19460           | С         | 25-Apr-18 |
| 4  | 2018 | 18       | KILFOYLE, Robert                    | 19-Jan-18 | A shed in the interior side parcel line setback (a 4th shed)  | no contravention   | 12278 Oak Ave.<br>Lot 7, Block 5, S2, TP84, R19,<br>W6M, PRD, PL 15012           | С         | 25-Apr-18 |
| 5  | 2018 | 133      | 1865367 AB Ltd.                     | 2-May-18  | tanks stored on I-1 zoned property  | no contravention   | 7375 265 Rd<br>Lot 4, S30, TP 83, R18, W6M,<br>PRD, PL 24162                     | С         | 2-May-18  |
| 6  | 2015 | 250      | SMITH, Frank & John (both deceased) | 6-Nov-15  | Dangerous buildings & contents. Vacant land & buildings- owners both deceased. Strangers dump garbage and vandalize | Buildings have been demolished and the property has been cleaned up  | 7114 Jorgensen Sub<br>Lots 20-23, S31, T78, R15,<br>W6M, PR, PL 13534            | D         | 22-May-18 |
| 7  | 2018 | 156      | SCHNELL, Curtiss                    | 22-May-18 | Unsecure load going to landfill   | Driver secured the load with a tarp before continuing the drive  | on Hwy 97 N and 212 Road   | D         | 25-May-18 |
| 8  | 2018 | 55       | DESJARLAIS, Randolph                | 8-Mar-18  | trucking business contrary to registered covenant   | equipment was on property to complete<br>landscaping, removal of danger trees and<br>drainage for the residential use. | PRD, PL EPP35284   | С         | 6-Jun-18  |
| 9  | 2018 | 163      | THERRIEN, Cory                      | 31-May-18 | welding company in R-4 zone   | file opened, initial letters sent, site inspection conducted   | 132 Diamond Willow Sub Lot<br>2, S13, TP78, R14, W6M, PRD,<br>PL 25711           | D         | 13-Jun-18 |
| 10 | 2018 | 158      | MIKYRA VENTURES LTD                 | 30-May-18 | piles of contaminated dirt/trucking business  | land is zoned I-1, trucking permitted, PRRD does not regulate fill   | 6511 Wildmare Sub<br>Block F of DL 2702  | E         | 15-Jun-18 |



# **REPORT**

To: Electoral Area Directors Committee Date: June 29, 2018

From: Erin Price, Bylaw Enforcement Officer

Subject: Bylaw Enforcement File No. 10-107

### RECOMMENDATION #1:

THAT, in response to recent ALC enforcement on the land, the Electoral Area Directors Committee recommend to the Regional Board that staff be directed to close bylaw enforcement file 10-107 on land legally described as Lot 16, St John IR #172, Township 85, Range 18, W6M, PRD, PL 3986 EXC PL 18648 & PL EPP713 and locally known as Samuel Ranch.

### BACKGROUND/RATIONALE:

### File History

Aug. 5, 2010- PRRD Bylaw Enforcement File No. 10-107 was opened. The property (Samuel Ranch) has three permanent dwellings, and PRRD Zoning Bylaw 1000, 1996 permits only two.

Oct. 27, 2010- Applications for a zoning text amendment to allow 3 homes (PRRD File No. 10-153) and for an Agricultural Land Commission (ALC) Non-Farm Use (PRRD File No. 10-154) were received.

Feb. 10, 2011- The Regional Board authorized the Non-Farm Use application to proceed to the ALC (Resolution No. RD/11/02/13).

Feb. 24, 2011- The RB referred the re-zoning application to a future meeting pending the results of the ALC Non-Farm Use application.

Apr. 21, 2011- The ALC copied the PRRD in a letter to the landowner informing them that Non-Farm Use Application No. 52192 was refused, as proposed. This letter stated that the ALC was prepared to approve the extra dwellings following the "consolidation of the subject property, by survey, with the adjoining property (S ½ of Lot 15) to the North". A deadline of three years for consolidation was set by the commissioners. This was recorded as ALC Resolution #162/2011. A copy of this letter is attached. The application as proposed was: to allow the 3 homes for family to live in as they all help with the farm.

June 23, 2011- The Regional Board made the following resolutions: *RD/11/06/11 (23)* 

a) that "Peace River Regional District Zoning Amendment By-law No. 1924, 2011" be given first reading to allow a third single-family dwelling on Lot 16, Plan 3986, St. John Indian Reserve #172, Township 85, Range 18, W6M, PRD, except Plans 18648 and Plan EPP713; and

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b) that prior to consideration of final reading, the owner register a restrictive covenant preventing any subdivision on Lot 16, Plan 3986, St. John Indian Reserve #172, Township 85, Range 18, W6M, PRD, except Plans 18648 and Plan EPP713, including the parcel required to be consolidated by the Agricultural Land Commission.

### RD/11/06/12 (23)

a) that the Regional Board waive the holding of a public hearing for "Peace River Regional District Zoning Amendment By-law No. 1924, 2011" pursuant to Section 890 (4) of the Local Government Act, and authorize performance of public notification pursuant to Section 893 of the Local Government Act.: and b) that consideration of final reading be subject to the owner meeting the conditions of ALC Resolution #162/2011.

Oct. 27, 2011- The Regional Board made the following resolutions: *RD/11/10/21 (27)* 

That "Peace River Regional District Zoning Amendment By-law No. 1924, 2011" be given second and third readings to allow a third single-family dwelling on Lot 16, Plan 3986, St. John Indian Reserve #172, Township 85, Range 18, W6M, PRD, except Plans 18648 and Plan EPP713.

### RD/11/10/22 (27)

That notification be forwarded to Samuel Ranch Ltd. stating that the Regional Board expects them to meet the specified conditions within six months, to achieve final adoption.

May 17, 2012- The 6 month timeframe, set by the Regional Board, to register the restrictive covenant expired.

Nov. 8, 2012- The ALC sent a letter to the landowner, dated Nov. 8, 2012, regarding a decision made at a September 20, 2012 meeting where the ALC decided not to reconsider their decision as requested by the landowner.

Feb. 12, 2013- A letter was sent from the PRRD to the landowner that indicated the RB extended the deadline for the restrictive covenant to May 19, 2013 due to the length of time taken by the ALC to respond to the landowner's reconsideration request.

Jan. 30, 2014- Letter to the Regional Board received from Samuel Ranch asking for a communal farm zone on Lot 16 and to be relieved of the requirement for consolidation and restrictive covenant.

2014-2015- Some communication occurred between the PRRD and lawyers on behalf of Samuel Ranch, but no indications that there was any more action other than written correspondence.

June 21, 2016- EADC made the following recommendation:

That the Electoral Area Directors' Committee recommends to the Regional Board that a letter be forwarded to the Agricultural Land Commission to enquire what alternate action can be taken, rather than amalgamation of the two pieces of property, to rectify issues in regards to the Samuel Ranch application.

August 11, 2016- The Regional Board made the following resolution: *RD/16/08/27* 

That, in order to rectify issues in regards to "Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 1924 (Samuel Ranch Ltd.), 2011", a letter be forwarded to the Agricultural Land Commission to enquire as to what alternate action can be taken, rather than amalgamation of the two pieces of property.

There is no indication in the file that a letter asking this specific question was sent to the ALC.

June 26, 2017- Bruce Simard, General Manager of Development Services, sent a letter (see attached) to the ALC asking:

To respond to the Board's request for information [from an April 13, 2017 resolution] can the ALC please provide the following information:

- 1. Summary of all outstanding ALR non-compliance issues within the Peace River Regional District, including location;
- 2. Status report of each issue including date of last action taken;
- 3. Any action plans for obtaining compliance, for each issue.

June 27 - July 24, 2017- An email trail between Bruce Simard and the ALC discusses the Samuel Ranch file in particular and ends with the ALC stating that a new non-farm use application will be required for the 3 dwellings and advised that the ALC has opened C & E File #61557 (see attached).

July 27, 2017- A report, dated July 19, 2017, from Bruce Simard went to the Regional Board (see attached). The resolution from the Regional Board was:

RD/17/07/15 (27)

That the report dated July 19, 2017 from Bruce Simard, General Manager of Development Services, regarding ALR Non-Compliance Issues, be received for information.

June 26, 2018- Claire Negrin, Acting General Manager of Development Services contacted the ALC asking if there were any updates. The ALC forwarded a letter to the landowner dated June 11, 2018.

The letter requires the landowner to remove 2 of the dwellings and to rehabilitate the land to an acceptable agricultural capability. Further, the letter requires a response by July 11, 2018 (see attached).

June 29, 2018- The PRRD received a new ALR Non-Farm Use application (File No. 18-188).

# PRRD Enforcement Options

The property remains in contravention of Peace River Regional District Zoning Bylaw No. 1000, 1996. As the conditions of the proposed Zoning Bylaw amendment were not met by the applicant by the timeline imposed by the Regional Board, the Zoning Amendment application file will be closed as per the Development Services File Closure Policy. The closure of the Zoning file will make the Bylaw Enforcement file active.

The PRRD has little recourse available to enforce the current contravention aside from ticketing. We are unable to register a notice on title as the authority to do so under Section 57 of the Community Charter is specific to Building Regulations. This property is, and was at the time of construction, outside of the Mandatory Building Permit Area. This means a building permit was not required and PRRD Building Bylaw No. 2131, 2014 is not enforceable on the land.

In order to require the removal of the third dwelling, the Regional Board would have to declare that the contravening building creates an unsafe condition or contravenes a building regulation, which is not the case. Therefore, a Remedial Action Requirement is not a remedy available to the PRRD.

In addition, although the PRRD permits two dwellings on the property, the ALC has indicated that only one of the dwellings meets their regulations. Therefore, any action that the PRRD could require would not bring the property fully into compliance with all regulatory agencies.

The recent letter of June 11, 2018 from the ALC to the landowner states the Commission is taking significant enforcement action. With this recent information, it is recommended that the ALC, with more stringent regulations, be the only agency to enforce the current contravention, and that the PRRD close bylaw enforcement file No. 10-107.

### **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS:**

Option 1: Keep bylaw enforcement file No. 10-107 open, and begin ticketing the property owner on a daily, weekly or monthly basis.

Daily = \$39,000 per year (based on ticketing Monday-Friday only)

Weekly = \$7,800 per year Monthly = \$1,800 per year

Option 2: Begin legal proceedings that, if successful, would require the property owner to remove the third dwelling.

Comments: Neither of these options would make the property compliant with ALC regulations.

### STRATEGIC PLAN RELEVANCE:

|             | Ensure that the Solid Waste Management Plan is operating on a fiscally defensible basis. |
|-------------|--|
|             | Ensure effective execution of Public Safety and Emergency Services initiatives.          |
|             | Foster Collaboration on services with municipalities and electoral areas.                |
|             | Establish a strategy for coordinated advocacy on identified issues.                      |
|             | Manage parks and trails in the region.   |
|             | Support the agricultural industry within the regional district.                          |
| $\boxtimes$ | Not Applicable to Strategic Plan.  |

# FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION(S):

Ticketing would take staff resources away from other files. Each ticket could take up to an hour of staff time.

Legal proceedings could incur significant legal fees with no guarantee of success.

# COMMUNICATIONS CONSIDERATION(S):

A letter, to the landowner, would be required to ensure that the landowner understands that the closure of a PRRD Bylaw Enforcement File No. 10-107 has no bearing on the status of the ALC Compliance & Enforcement File No. 61557.

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# OTHER CONSIDERATION(S):

N/A

### Attachments:

- 1. Letter from the ALC to the landowner dated April 21, 2011
- 2. Letter from Bruce Simard to the ALC dated June 26, 2017
- 3. Email trail between Bruce Simard and the ALC dated June 27 July 24, 2017
- 4. Report to the Regional Board dated July 19, 2017
- 5. ALC letter to the landowner dated June 11, 2018



#### Attachment #1

**Agricultural Land Commission** 

133-4940 Canada Way Burnaby, British Columbia V5G . **R-1** Tel: 604 660-7000

Fax: 604 660-7033 www.alc.gov.bc.ca

April 21, 2011

Reply to the attention of Martin Collins

ALC File: 52220

Paul Walter Samuel Ranch PO Box 6802 Fort St John, B.C. V1J 4J2



Dear Sir:

# Re: Application for Additional Dwellings in the Agricultural Land Reserve

Please find attached the Minutes of Resolution #162/2011 and a sketch plan outlining the Commission's decision as it relates to the above noted application.

Other approvals may be necessary. Prior to proceeding, the Commission suggests you contact the Peace River Regional District.

Yours truly,

PROVINCIAL AGRICULTURAL LAND COMMISSION

Brian Underhill, Executive Director

Enclosure: Minutes/Sketch Plan

cc: Peace River Regional District File # 154/2010



A meeting was held by the Provincial Agricultural Land Commission on April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2011 at Fort St John, B.C.

PRESENT:

Richard Bullock

Chair

Denise Dowswell

Commissioner

Jim Collins

Commissioner

Martin Collins

Staff

## **For Consideration**

Application:

52192

Applicant:

Samuel Ranch Paul Walter

Agent: Proposal:

To permit three permanent dwellings on the 245 ha parcel

Legal:

PID 006-853-943 Lot 16, Twp 85, R . 18, W6M, PRD, Plan 3986,

Except Plan 18646 and Plan EPP 713

Location:

Former I.R. #172. North of Fort St John.

### Site Inspection

The Commissioners and staff noted above met with Paul Walter and Arthur Grass on the property and noted that two of the three dwellings were completed and inhabited, and that a third dwelling was more than half complete. A small greenhouse was also under construction.

The applicants confirmed that they received the staff report and no errors or omissions were noted. No information was provided indicating that three families are necessary to use the farm parcel for agriculture.

### Context

The proposal was weighed against the purposes of the Commission as stipulated in section 6 of the *Agricultural Land Commission Act* (the "Act"). They are:

- 1. to preserve agricultural land
- 2. to encourage farming on agricultural land in collaboration with other communities of interest, and
- 3. to encourage local governments, first nations, the government and its agents to enable and accommodate farm use of agricultural land and uses compatible with agriculture in their plans, bylaws and policies.

### Discussion

### Assessment of Agricultural Capability

In assessing agricultural capability, the Commission refers in part to agricultural capability mapping and ratings. The ratings are interpreted using the Canada Land Inventory (CLI), 'Soil Capability Classification for Agriculture' system:

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The agricultural capability of the soil affected by the dwellings is 50% 3C and 50% 8:2C 2:3T:

- Class 2 Land in this class has minor limitations that require good ongoing management practices or slightly restrict the range of crops, or both.
- Class 3 Land in this class has limitations that require moderately intensive management practices or moderately restrict the range of crops, or both.

The limiting subclasses are a severe climate and topography. The subject property has very good capability for agriculture.

## **Assessment of Agricultural Suitability**

The Commission assessed whether external factors such as encroaching non-farm development have caused or will cause the land to become unsuitable for agriculture. The Commission does not believe there are external factors that render the land unsuitable for agricultural use. Although there are two adjoining rural residential properties to the east of the three homes, parcel sizes are generally large and farm uses predominate.

### Assessment of Impact on Agriculture

The Commission also assessed the impact of the proposal against the long term goal of preserving agricultural land. The Commission noted that the three large houses alienated 3 - 4 ha of arable land that was formerly cultivated. In addition the Commission does not believe that three dwellings are necessary for farm labour. The Commission was concerned about both the alienation of agricultural land, and the use of this active agricultural property for multiple residences which are not directly related to agriculture.

#### **Assessment of Other Factors**

The Commission understands that the applicants also own the adjoining ~130 ha farm parcel to the north (S ½ of Lot 15) and that the two properties are cultivated as a single unit. In addition there is no evidence (as per the airphoto) that there is a residence on Lot 15. The Commission believes that consolidating Lot 15 with the subject property represents a benefit for agriculture which balances the erosive impacts of the three dwellings. Consolidation would ensure that additional dwellings could not be constructed on Lot 15, thereby reducing the overall potential density of dwellings as permitted by the zoning bylaw (two per parcel).

#### Conclusions

- 1. That the land under application has very good agricultural capability and is appropriately designated as ALR, and is suitable for agricultural use.
- 2. That the existing three homes are not necessary for agriculture proposes and have potential to negatively impact agricultural activity.
- 3. That the proposal is not consistent with the goals of the ALC Act.

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**IT WAS** 

MOVED BY:

Commissioner R. Bullock

**SECONDED BY:** 

Commissioner D. Dowswell

THAT the application for three houses be refused as proposed.

However, the Commission has allowed the three homes subject to the following conditions:

- The consolidation of the subject property, by survey, with the adjoining property (S ½ of Lot 15) to the north.
- the application must be concluded within three (3) years from the date of this decision.

AND THAT the applicant be advised of the provisions of Section 33 of the *Agricultural Land Commission Act* which provides an applicant with the opportunity to submit a request for reconsideration.

- S.33 (1) On the written request of a person affected or on the commission's own initiative, the commission may reconsider a decision of the commission under this Act and may confirm, reverse or vary it if the commission determines that (a) evidence not available at the time of the original decision has become available,
  - (b) all or part of the original decision was based on evidence that was in error or was false.
  - (2) The commission must give notice of its intention to reconsider a decision under subsection (1) to any person that the commission considers is affected by the reconsideration.

AND THAT the applicant be advised that a revised proposal does not constitute new information and will not be considered as a basis for reconsideration, that the time limit for submitting a request for reconsideration is one (1) year from the date of the decision letter, and that if the applicant sells or transfers the property within one (1) year of the decision the new owner is not eligible to submit a request for reconsideration.

This decision does not relieve the owner or occupier of the responsibility to comply with applicable Acts, regulations, bylaws of the local government. This includes zoning, subdivision, or other land use bylaws, and decisions of any authorities that have jurisdiction under an enactment.

CARRIED Resolution #162/2011



June 26, 2017

Provincial Agricultural Land Commission 133-4940 Canada Way Burnaby, BC, Canada V5G 4K6

Sent by e-mail:
Sharon.Henderson@gov.bc.ca
Kim.Grout@gov.bc.ca

Attn:

Sharon Henderson, Compliance and Enforcement Coordinator

Re:

**Outstanding ALR Non-compliance Issues** 

At their meeting on April 13, 2017 the Regional Board asked that the Agriculture Land Commission be contacted to inquiry about outstanding ALR non-compliance issues:

Resolution No. RD/17/04/24

That a letter be forwarded to the Agricultural Land Commission to express concerns regarding outstanding non-compliance issues in the region and inquire what remedies are planned to encourage compliance.

This arose from particular regard to concern about a long outstanding issue for a property referred to as 'Samuel Ranch' (ALC File# 52192). This is an example and the Board's concern is not limited to this particular property.

To respond to the Board's request for information can the ALC please provide the following information:

- 1. Summary of all outstanding ALR non-compliance issues within the Peace River Regional District, including location;
- 2. Status report of each issue including date of last action taken;
- 3. Any action plans for obtaining compliance, for each issue.

Since some of these ALR non-compliance issues might also be associated with or require PRRD regulatory amendments, we will be most appreciative for your assistance and cooperation to identify these outstanding matters, so that actions can be taken toward resolution.

Please contact me if you have any questions. I look forward to receiving your information on a timely basis.

Yours truly,

Bruce Simard, MCIP, RPP

Bruce Simard

General Manager of Development Services

CC.

Brad Sperling, PRRD Chair Kim Grout, ALC CEO

July 19, 2018

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PLEASE REPLY TO:

**Erin Price** 

From: **Bruce Simard** 

Sent: Monday, July 24, 2017 4:40 PM To: Sundher, Avtar S ALC:EX

Director Karen Goodings; Chris Cvik; PRRD\_Internal; Claire Negrin; Erin Price; Allison, Cc:

Noel ALC:EX

Subject: RE: Outstanding ALR Non-compliance Issues

Thanks for the assistance and quick response. It would be appreciated to get updates as appropriate because we have a rezoning application hanging in limbo on this.

#### Cheers

**Bruce Simard** | General Manager of Development Services

Direct: 250-784-3204 | Cell: 250-219-0447 | bruce.simard@prrd.bc.ca

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From: Sundher, Avtar S ALC:EX [mailto:Avtar.Sundher@gov.bc.ca]

Sent: Monday, July 24, 2017 4:26 PM

To: Bruce Simard < Bruce. Simard@prrd.bc.ca>

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ALC:EX <Noel.Allison@gov.bc.ca>

Subject: RE: Outstanding ALR Non-compliance Issues

#### Hi Bruce

We have opened C&E file 61557 and will be following up on this particular non-compliance issue. Thanks for advising and will ensure that you are copied on any correspondence sent to the property owner.

#### Avtar

**From:** Bruce Simard [mailto:Bruce.Simard@prrd.bc.ca]

**Sent:** Friday, July 21, 2017 4:51 PM

To: Sundher, Avtar S ALC:EX; Allison, Noel ALC:EX

Cc: Director Karen Goodings; Chris Cvik; PRRD\_Internal; Claire Negrin; Erin Price

Subject: RE: Outstanding ALR Non-compliance Issues

Hi Avtar,

Yes, The three homes were built in 2010 which precipitated enforcement actions and attempts to remedy the problem through ALC applications and rezoning amendments. Not meeting ALC requirements also prevents any potential rezoning remedies and puts the whole matter in limbo until the ALC aspect is dealt with.

July 19, 2018

**Bruce Simard** | General Manager of Development Services

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Subject: RE: Outstanding ALR Non-compliance Issues

Hi Bruce

We are still reviewing this file and contemplating a C&E path forward. Have the 3 homes already been built?

Avtar S. Sundher

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Subject: RE: Outstanding ALR Non-compliance Issues

Very unclear to me as to who has the responsibility of the follow-up on this?

From: Bruce Simard [mailto:Bruce.Simard@prrd.bc.ca]

**Sent:** July-20-17 4:42 PM **To:** Allison, Noel ALC:EX

Cc: Sundher, Avtar S ALC:EX; Director Karen Goodings; Chris Cvik; PRRD\_Internal; Claire Negrin; Erin Price

Subject: RE: Outstanding ALR Non-compliance Issues

Importance: High

Hi Noel and Avtar,

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**Cc:** Sundher, Avtar S ALC:EX < <u>Avtar.Sundher@gov.bc.ca</u>> **Subject:** FW: Outstanding ALR Non-compliance Issues

Importance: High

Hi Bruce,

I've looked into Application ID 52192 (Ranch) – The ALC refused the three houses as proposed and allowed the three homes subject to:

- 1. The consolidation of the subject property, by survey, with the adjoining property (5 ½ of lot 15) to the north.
- 2. The application must be concluded within three years from April 2011.

We have yet to receive any documents that confirm this consolidation has taken place and the application has expired.

I have been informed that the applicants will have to submit a new non-farm use application to have these additional dwellings on the property, prior to the bylaw amendment process.

Regards,

Noel

From: Sundher, Avtar S ALC:EX

**Sent:** Wednesday, July 19, 2017 4:29 PM **To:** Allison, Noel ALC:EX; Pellett, Tony ALC:EX

**Subject:** FW: Outstanding ALR Non-compliance Issues

Importance: High

Noel/Tony

We do not have a C&E file on this issue....I note there was an application #52192 and sounds like non-compliance with application conditions. Is this something that you would respond too?

Thanks

Avtar R-1

From: Bruce Simard [mailto:Bruce.Simard@prrd.bc.ca]

Sent: Wednesday, July 19, 2017 11:04 AM

**To:** Sundher, Avtar S ALC:EX

**Cc:** PRRD\_Internal

Subject: RE: Outstanding ALR Non-compliance Issues

**Importance:** High

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Hi Bruce

Response to your June 26 letter attached.

Please contact me if you have any questions. I am also interested in meeting with you to discuss any further concerns in the PRRD involving ALR or if you want to discuss our policies and legislation.

Regards

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Director of Operations

From: Bruce Simard [mailto:Bruce.Simard@prrd.bc.ca]

**Sent:** Tuesday, June 27, 2017 2:30 PM

To: Sundher, Avtar S ALC:EX

**Cc:** PRRD\_Internal; Claire Negrin; Chris Cvik **Subject:** Outstanding ALR Non-compliance Issues

Hello Avtar,

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### **Thanks**

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July 19, 2018



# **Peace River Regional District REPORT**

Date: July 19, 2017 **Chair and Directors** To:

Bruce Simard, General Manager of Development Services From:

**Subject: Regional Board Inquiry Regarding ALR Non-compliance Issues** 

## **RECOMMENDATION(S):** [All Directors - Corporate Unweighted]

For information as requested by Regional Board.

## **BACKGROUND/RATIONALE:**

On the April 13, 2017 meeting, the Regional Board asked that the Agriculture Land Commission be contacted to inquire about outstanding ALR non-compliance issues:

Resolution No. RD/17/04/24

Staff Initials:

That a letter be forwarded to the Agricultural Land Commission to express concerns regarding outstanding non-compliance issues in the region and inquire what remedies are planned to encourage compliance.

The Agriculture Land Commission has responded with the attached letter.

Regarding the two matters that are also noted as PRRD enforcement actions the PRRD status is shown below:

| 2016 | 80 | PID 004-347-358 WALTER, Peter & Agnes | 6-Apr-<br>16 | industrial use in A-2<br>Zone- Commercial<br>trucks, oil tanks,<br>industrial washing | RB passed resolution at June 22, 2017 meeting to proceed with court proceedings if not in compliance within 14 days of receipt of the notice of the resolution.  Owner is constructing new building on Enterprise Way in an I-1 (Light Industrial Zone) | <b>11040 271 RD</b><br>NE 1/4, S4, TP84,<br>R19, W6M, Peace<br>River | С |
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| 2016 | 97 | PID 024-932-680<br>HANEY, Darryl | 9-May-<br>16 | HBB, BP, and Zoning<br>contraventions on 3<br>parcels | Rezoning and DVP applications have been received and paid for.  Applications under review. | 8340, 8306 Micro<br>Sub & 1080 210<br>RD<br>Lots 1&2, S26, TP<br>78, R15, PL<br>PGP46412 & PCL A<br>(BNG a<br>Consolodation of<br>Lots 3&4 See<br>BB1974913) S 26,<br>TP 78, R15, PL<br>12184 | D |
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At the April 13, 2017 meeting, particular interest in the "Samuel Ranch" file was noted by a Board member. This was noted in initial PRRD correspondence to the ALC but no information was provided. A recent e-mail sent after receipt of the ALC response has been sent to again inquire about this property (see attached).

## **OPTIONS:**

STRATEGIC PLAN RELEVANCE: FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION(S): COMMUNICATIONS CONSIDERATION(S): OTHER CONSIDERATION(S):

### Attachments:

- ALC letter dated July 14, 2017
- PRRD e-mail dated July 19, 2017
- Property maps
- ALC letter dated July 14, 2017



## **Agricultural Land Commission**

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July 14, 2017

## Via Email (bruce.simard@prrd.bc.ca)

Peace River Regional District Box 810, 1981 Alaska Ave Dawson Creek, BC V1G4H8

Attn: Bruce Simard, General Manager of Development Services

Dear Mr. Simard,

Re: Active Compliance and Enforcement Files in the Peace River Regional District

(PRRD)

This letter is in response to your information request dated June 26, 2017 addressed to the Agricultural Land Commission Compliance and Enforcement (C&E) Coordinator, Sharon Henderson.

At this time, the Agricultural Land Commission (ALC) C&E department only responds to instances of alleged misuse of agricultural land as a result of incoming referrals from other government bodies or complaints from the general public.

Our resources are allocated using a priority-based approach to mitigate the damage occurring to agricultural land throughout British Columbia. While our C&E Management Framework does provide guidance for enforcing ALC legislation, each file is evaluated individually by a C&E Officer to determine what actions are appropriate for the specific circumstances.

In the PRRD the ALC C&E department has four active files summarized on Table 1 (attached).

If you have any questions about our on-going enforcement activities within the PRRD please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

Avtar S. Sundher Director of Operations



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Table 1: Summary of Active Compliance and Enforcement Files in the Peace River Regional District

| File No. | Address                    | PID         | Contravention  | Status   | Planned Enforcement<br>Actions  |
|----------|----------------------------|-------------|--|--|---|
| 50267    | NW 1/4 SEC 29 TP 81 R 17   | 014-637-791 | Commercial Activity:<br>Water storage tanks<br>erected on ALR. | Consult with North-Panel<br>Vice-Chair. Non-Farm<br>Use (NFU) application<br>required. | Notice of Contravention: Owner to submit subsequent application, or removal of the tanks. |
| 50303    | DL 2900 Wildfire Cattle Co | 014-638-380 | Commercial Activity:<br>Work camp<br>encroaching on ALR        | Awaiting ALC NFU application decision.   | None – Pending NFU<br>decision  |
| 50400    | 11114 271 Road             | 004-347-358 | Commercial Activity:<br>Unauthorized business<br>on ALR land   | PRRD Bylaw Dept.<br>enforcing.   | None  |
| 50508    | 8340 Micro Subdivision     | 024-932-680 | Commercial Activity:<br>Unauthorized business<br>on ALR land   | Property Owner preparing NFU application.  | None – pending application submission & decision  |

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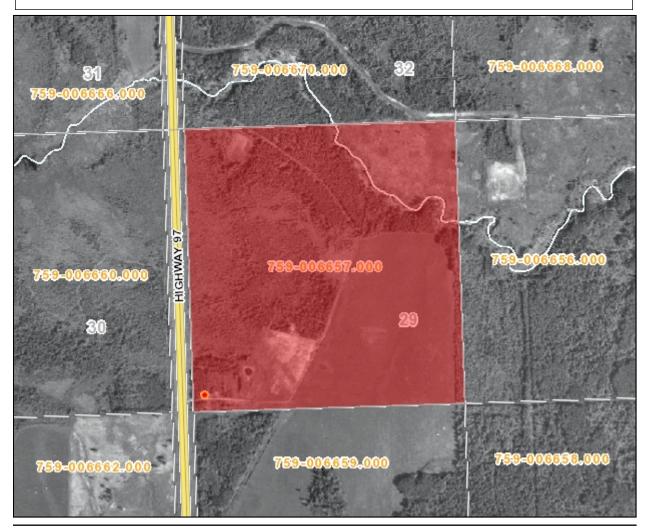
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Parcel Size

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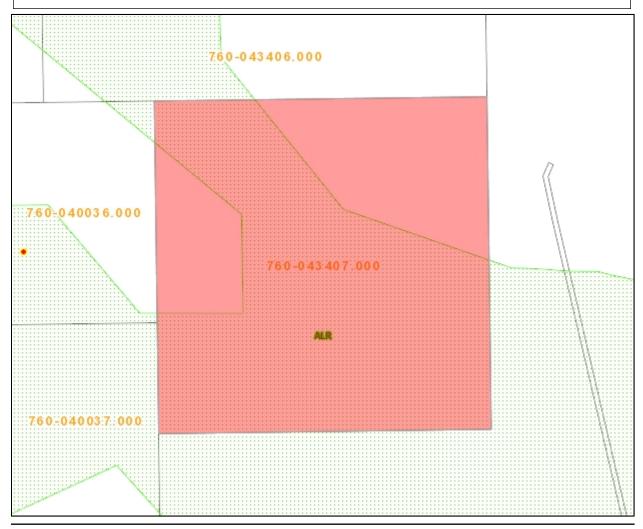
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Legal Description: DL 2900 PEACE RIVER

Parcel Size

145.68 Hectares 359.99 Acres



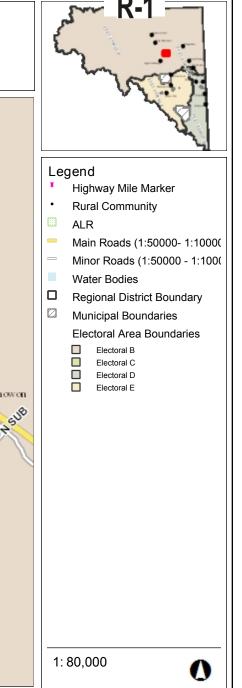
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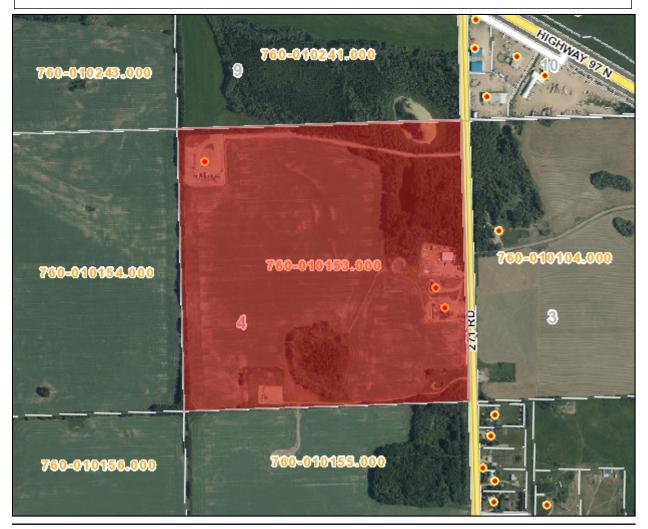
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Roll Number: 760-010153.000

Legal Description: NE 1/4 OF SEC 4 TP 84 R 19 W6M PEACE RIVER

Parcel Size

65.37 Hectares 161.52 Acres



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PID: 024-932-680

Roll Number: 759-003802.010

Legal Description: L 1 SEC 26 TP 78 R 15 W6M PEACE RIVER PL PGP46412

Parcel Size

0.81 Hectares 2.00 Acres



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ALC File: 55860

Roy Northern Land and Environmental 207, 10139 100 Street Fort St. John, BC V1J 3Y6

Attention: Aaron Mackay

#### Re: Application to Conduct a Non-Farm Use in the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR)

Please find attached the Reasons for Decision of the North Panel (Resolution #195/2017) as it relates to the above noted application. A sketch plan depicting the decision is also attached. As agent, it is your responsibility to notify the applicant accordingly.

#### Reconsideration of a Decision as Directed by the ALC Chair

Please note that pursuant to <u>s. 33.1 of the Agricultural Land Commission Act</u>, the Chair may direct the Executive Committee to reconsider any panel decision if, within 60 days from the date of this decision, he considers that the decision may not fulfill the purposes of the commission as set out in s. 6, or does not adequately take into consideration s. 4.3.

You will be notified in writing if the Executive Committee is directed to reconsider your decision. The Commission advises you to take this 60 day period into consideration prior to proceeding with any actions upon this decision.

#### Reconsideration of a Decision by an Affected Person

We draw your attention to <u>s. 33(1) of the *Agricultural Land Commission Act*</u> which provides a person affected the opportunity to submit a request for reconsideration.

- 33(1) On the written request of a person affected or on the commission's own initiative, the commission may reconsider a decision of the commission under this Act and may confirm, reverse or vary it if the commission determines that:
  - (a) evidence not available at the time of the original decision has become available,
  - (b) all or part of the original decision was based on evidence that was in error or was false.

For further clarity, s. 33.1and s. 33(1) are separate and independent sections of the *Agricultural Land Commission Act*.

Further correspondence with respect to this application is to be directed to Noel Allison at (Noel.Allison@gov.bc.ca).

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Yours truly,

PROVINCIAL AGRICULTURAL LAND COMMISSION

Noel Allison, Land Use Planner

Enclosures: Reasons for Decision (Resolution #195/2017)

Sketch plan

cc: Peace River Regional District (File: # 240/2016)

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#### **AGRICULTURAL LAND COMMISSION FILE 55860**

#### **REASONS FOR DECISION OF THE NORTH PANEL**

| Application submitted pursuant to s. 20(3) of the Agricultural Land Commission Act |                              |  |  |
|--|------------------------------|--|--|
| Applicant:   | Wildfire Land and Cattle Co. |  |  |
|  | Ltd                          |  |  |
|  | (the "Applicant")            |  |  |
| Agent:   | Aaron Mackay of              |  |  |
|  | Roy Northern Land and        |  |  |
|  | Environmental                |  |  |
|  | (the "Agent")                |  |  |
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Application before the North Regional Panel: Dave Merz, Panel Chair

Ross Ravelli

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#### THE APPLICATION

[1] The legal description of the property involved in the application is:

Parcel Identifier: 014-746-701

The North East ¼ of District Lot 41, Peace River District

(the "Property")

- [2] The Property is 64.8 ha (24.7 ha ALR).
- [3] The Property is generally described as being located on Gundy Creek Road, west of Wonowon, BC.
- [4] The Property is partially located within a designated agricultural land reserve ("ALR") as defined in s. 1 of the *Agricultural Land Commission Act* (the "*ALCA*").
- [5] The Property is located within Zone 2 as defined in s. 4.2 of the ALCA.
- [6] Pursuant to s. 20(3) of the ALCA, the Applicant is applying to use 1.83 ha of ALR land to operate a temporary work camp for equipment operators, construction workers, forestry personnel and oil and gas workers (the "Proposal"). The Proposal along with supporting documentation is collectively the application (the "Application").

#### **RELEVANT STATUTORY PROVISIONS**

- [7] The Application was made pursuant to s. 20(3) of the ALCA:
  - 20(3) An owner of agricultural land or a person with a right of entry to agricultural land granted by any of the following may apply to the commission for permission for a non-farm use of agricultural land.
- [8] The Panel considered the Application pursuant to its mandate in s. 4.3 of the ALCA:

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#### Agricultural Land Commission Decision, ALC File 55860

- 4.3 When exercising a power under this Act in relation to land located in Zone 2, the commission must consider all of the following, in descending order of priority:
  - (a) the purposes of the commission set out in section 6;
  - (b) economic, cultural and social values;
  - (c) regional and community planning objectives;
  - (d) other prescribed considerations.
- [9] The purposes of the Agricultural Land Commission (the "Commission") set out in s. 6 are as follows:
  - 6 The following are the purposes of the commission:
    - (a) to preserve agricultural land;
    - (b) to encourage farming on agricultural land in collaboration with other communities of interest; and
    - (c) to encourage local governments, first nations, the government and its agents to enable and accommodate farm use of agricultural land and uses compatible with agriculture in their plans, bylaws and policies.

#### **EVIDENTIARY RECORD BEFORE THE PANEL**

- [10] The Panel considered the following evidence:
  - 1. The Application
  - 2. Local government documents
  - 3. Previous application history
  - 4. Agricultural capability map, ALR context map, and satellite imagery
- [11] At its meeting on January 12, 2017, the Peace River Regional District Board resolved to "support ALR Non-Farm Use Application 240/2016 (Wildfire Land & Cattle Co. Ltd.) and authorize the application to proceed to the Agricultural Land Commission as a temporary worker camp and to be considered through a Temporary use Permit within the Official Community Plan".

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[12] The Panel reviewed one previous application relating to the application:

Application ID: 53974 (Maundrell, 2015)

To operate a seasonal borrow pit to service the oil and gas industry on 1.8 ha portion of the Property, 0.3 ha of which is in the ALR. The Panel found that the existing 0.3 ha impact on the ALR was negligible. The application was approved by Resolution #230/2015.

#### **FINDINGS**

#### Section 4.3(a) and Section 6 of the ALCA: First priority to agriculture

- [13] The southeast corner of the Property which lies outside of the ALR, has been developed as a temporary work camp and associated uses. During construction of the temporary work camp, it was discovered that a portion of the camp was within the ALR. The Application was submitted subsequent to the ALC confirming that the work camp had encroached onto ALR land without approval of the Commission.
- [14] In assessing agricultural capability, the Panel referred to agricultural capability mapping and ratings. The ratings are identified using the Canada Land Inventory (CLI). The improved agricultural capability ratings identified on CLI map sheet 94B/09 for the mapping units encompassing the ALR portion of the Property are Class 6:4W 4:3C.
  - Class 3 land is capable of producing a fairly wide range of crops under good management practices. Soil and/or climate limitations are somewhat restrictive.
  - Class 4 land is capable of a restricted range of crops. Soil and climate conditions require special management considerations.

The limiting subclasses associated with this parcel of land are C (adverse climate) and W (excess water).

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#### Agricultural Land Commission Decision, ALC File 55860

[15] The CLI ratings indicate that the ALR portion of the Property has moderate agricultural capability for a fairly wide range of agricultural crops and that this portion of the Property is currently used for grain production.

#### Section 4.3(b) of the ALCA: Second priority to economic, cultural and social values

[16] In its review, the Panel gave consideration to the economic value of the Proposal to both the Applicant and local community. The Panel reviewed the Agent's comment:

The continued operation of this camp is supporting agriculture in that it is providing financial security to the landowners which they are partially reinvesting into the farm. It is allowing for the purchase of additional equipment and cattle and is allowing the landowners to clear and break land they might otherwise be unable to develop.

The Panel accepts that some of the revenue generated from the existing temporary work camp may help support the farm's operations. Further, the Panel believes that the temporary work camp may encourage employment within the region and further compliments the economic values of the local community.

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#### Section 4.3(c) of the ALCA: third priority to regional and community planning objectives

- [17] The Property is designated Agricultural Rural within the Peace River Regional District Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 1940, 2011. This designation allows for temporary uses and as such that the proposal is consistent with the OCP.
- [18] The Property is zoned A-2 (Large Agricultural Holdings Zone) within the Peace River Regional District Zoning Bylaw No. 1000, 1996 (the Zoning Bylaw). A temporary use permit (TUP) was issued in July 2013 to allow for an increase from 30 to 300 people at the work camp. The Applicant has now applied for an amendment to the TUP to allow up to 500 people and to increase the footprint of the camp.

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#### Weighing the factors in priority

[19] Following its review of the Proposal, the Panel finds that the 1.83 ha temporary work camp area within the ALR is minimal and that the majority of the ALR portion of the Property remains available for agricultural use. That said, the Panel does not support any further expansion of this non-farm use onto the ALR portion of the Property. Any further expansion of the work camp would require a new non-farm use application to the Commission. The outcome of this decision does not incite any future approvals.

#### **DECISION**

- [20] For the reasons given above, the North Panel approves the use of 1.83 ha to operate a temporary work camp and is subject to the following conditions:
  - a. The non-farm use is approved for 20 years;
  - b. Siting of the non-farm use conforms to the dimensions of the attached sketch plan and does not exceed the 1.83 ha portion within the ALR; and
  - c. A final report submitted to the ALC upon completion of the project. The report must be completed by a qualified registered professional, with specific knowledge of soils and land reclamation. The final report must include, but is not limited to the following:
    - A written description of the completed project;
    - Evidence that the site is reclaimed to a standard that matches the agricultural capability of the site prior to its disturbance;
    - Photographs of the reclaimed area accompanied by a map that indicates the location and direction the photos were taken;
- [21] This decision does not relieve the owner or occupier of the responsibility to comply with applicable Acts, regulations, bylaws of the local government, and decisions and orders of any person or body having jurisdiction over the land under an enactment.
- [22] These are the unanimous reasons of the North Panel of the Agricultural Land Commission.

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[23] A decision of the Panel is a decision of the Commission pursuant to s. 11.1(5) of the *Agricultural Land Commission Act*.

[24] This decision is recorded as Resolution #195/2017 and is released on July 14, 2017.

#### **CERTIFICATION OF DECISION**

Dave Merz, Panel Chair, on behalf of the North Panel

**END OF DOCUMENT** 



# Schedule A: Agricultural Land Commission Decision Sketch PI ALC File 55860 (WildFire Land and Cattle Co. Ltd) Conditionally Approved Non-Farm Use ALC Resolution #195/2017





From: Sundher, Avtar S ALC:EX [mailto:Avtar.Sundher@gov.bc.ca]

Sent: Monday, July 24, 2017 4:26 PM

**To:** Bruce Simard < <u>Bruce.Simard@prrd.bc.ca</u>>

Subject: RE: Outstanding ALR Non-compliance Issues

#### Hi Bruce

We have opened C&E file 61557 and will be following up on this particular non-compliance issue. Thanks for advising and will ensure that you are copied on any correspondence sent to the property owner.

Avtar

From: Bruce Simard [mailto:Bruce.Simard@prrd.bc.ca]

**Sent:** July-20-17 4:42 PM **To:** Allison, Noel ALC:EX

Subject: RE: Outstanding ALR Non-compliance Issues

Importance: High

Hi Noel and Avtar,

So does that mean it should now go back on the non-compliance list for C & E, because it is a matter that the Commission is aware of and which has not been resolved pursuant to Commission requirements?

**Bruce Simard** | General Manager of Development Services

Direct: 250-784-3204 | Cell: 250-219-0447 | bruce.simard@prrd.bc.ca

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From: Allison, Noel ALC:EX [mailto:Noel.Allison@gov.bc.ca]

Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2017 3:01 PM

**To:** Bruce Simard < <a href="mailto:Bruce.Simard@prrd.bc.ca">Bruce.Simard@prrd.bc.ca</a>

**Subject:** FW: Outstanding ALR Non-compliance Issues

Importance: High

Hi Bruce,

I've looked into Application ID 52192 (Ranch) – The ALC refused the three houses as proposed and allowed the three homes subject to:

- 1. The consolidation of the subject property, by survey, with the adjoining property (S ½ of lot 15) to the north.
- 2. The application must be concluded within three years from April 2011.

We have yet to receive any documents that confirm this consolidation has taken place and the application has expired.

I have been informed that the applicants will have to submit a new non-farm use application to have these additional dwellings on the property, prior to the bylaw amendment process.

Regards,

Noel

**From:** Bruce Simard [mailto:Bruce.Simard@prrd.bc.ca]

**Sent:** Wednesday, July 19, 2017 11:04 AM

**To:** Sundher, Avtar S ALC:EX

**Subject:** RE: Outstanding ALR Non-compliance Issues

**Importance:** High

Hi Avtar,

I have now reviewed the list you provided and there is a question about a specific property.

It is ALC File #52192 decided by Resolution #162/2011 (Samuel Ranch) - PRRD File #154/2010. The Regional District has a lingering enforcement action and zoning amendment application that we cannot move forward on because the landowner refuses to abide by the conditions of the ALC conditional approval in Resolution #162/2011. Since the land owner has not (will not) come into compliance with the ALC, the PRRD cannot proceed with any bylaw changes that might fix the bylaw contravention.

Can you please look into the status of this specific file and let me know what the ALC intent is to deal with this continuing contravention ALC.

Thanks

**Bruce Simard** | General Manager of Development Services

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Agricultural Land Commission

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June 11 2018

ALC C&E File 61557

#### REGISTERED LETTER

Samuel Ranch LTD
Paul Walter
PO Box 6802 Stn Main
Fort St. John, BC V1J4J2

Dear Property Owner

#### **Notice of Contravention**

CIVIC ADDRESS:

13801/13805 Rose Prairie Road

LEGAL:

Lot 16, Plan PGP3986, Township 85, Range 18, Meridian W6, Peace River Land District, Except Plan PGP18648 EPP713, ST JOHN IND RESERVE 172 PETROLEUM FACILITIES LOCATED HEREON (WA 04010), (WA 04848), (WA 05636), (WA 06413), (

WA 06414), (WA 04383) & (WA 04010.015) SUBJECT TO STAT

R/W PGP38712

PID:

006-853-943

(the "Property")

This letter serves to inform you that the *Agricultural Land Commission* (the "ALC) has information that indicates you have multiple dwellings on the Property that are in contravention of the Agricultural Land Commission Act (the "*Act*") and BC Regulation 171/2002 Agricultural Land Reserve Use, Subdivision and Procedures Regulation (the 'Regulation').

Upon review of information provided by the Peace River Regional District and a review of aerial images, it has been determined that two unauthorized dwellings are present on the Property.

Upon review of ALC records it was noted that on April 21, 2011 Application #52192 was refused as proposed. However, the Commissioners were prepared to approve the extra dwellings following the "consolidation of the subject property, by survey, with the adjoining property (S ½ of Lot 15) to the north". A due date of April 21, 2014 was set by the commissioners.

On November 08, 2012 the Commission decided not the reconsider the decision.

At this time Land Title documents show that no consolidation occurred before or after the due date. Therefore, the conditional approval for the additional dwellings has expired.

Based on the above information I have determined that a contravention is occurring on the Property. In order to bring the Property into compliance the Owner must:

## Remove the unauthorized dwellings from the Property and rehabilitate the land to an acceptable agricultural capability

A lack of response to this letter may result in further action which may include the recommendation of a monetary penalty and/or an order to rehabilitate the Property to a suitable agricultural standard.

Please reply to this letter no later than **July 11**, **2018** to discuss the above alleged contravention. I can be reached at 604-219-1947 and look forward to working with you to resolve this matter.

This letter does not relieve the owner of occupier of the responsibility to comply with applicable Acts, regulations, bylaws of the local government, and decisions and orders of any person or body having jurisdiction over the land under an enactment.

Sincerely,

PROVINCIAL AGRICULTURAL LAND COMMISSION

David Assels

Compliance and Enforcement Officer



### **REPORT**

To: Chair and Directors Date: July 3, 2018

From: Trish Morgan, General Manager of Community Services; and

Claire Negrin, Acting General Manager of Development Services

**Subject: North Peace Fall Fair Improvements** 

#### **RECOMMENDATION #1:** [All Directors – Corporate Weighted]

1) That the Regional Board direct staff to hire a qualified person or firm to provide a danger tree assessment for the North Peace Fall Fair Grounds; further, that staff be authorized to contract a qualified person or firm to remove any trees identified as dangerous in addition to the trees located in the parking area at the North Peace Fall Fair Grounds, and finally, that the cost of the assessment and removal of the trees be funded through the Regional Parks function

#### RECOMMENDATION #2: [All Directors – Corporate Unweighted]

1) That the Regional Board authorize the North Peace Fall Fair Society to remove all tree stumps from North Peace Fall Fair Grounds and require the Society to level and grade the disturbed ground where tree stumps are removed within a year of removal.

#### **RECOMMENDATION #3:** [All Directors - Corporate Unweighted]

1) That the Regional Board approve construction of a deck for the kettle corn booth on the North Peace Fall Fair Grounds, subject to the North Peace Fall Fair Society applying for and being issued a building permit from the Regional District; further, that building permit fees be waived for this project as the property and facility is owned by the Regional District.

#### **RECOMMENDATION** #4: [All Directors – Corporate Unweighted]

1) That the Regional Doard approve the construction of bleachers for use on the North Peace Fall Fair Grounds subject to the North Peace Fall Fair Society applying for and being issued a building permit from the Regional District, such application to include submission of engineered drawings; further, that the North Peace Fall Fair Society submit a stamped signed Schedule B and C-B from a qualified engineer that verifies that the bleachers have been constructed as per the engineered drawings and are safe for use by the public upon completion of construction; and finally that the building permit fees be waived for this project as it is for a Regional District owned facility.

#### **BACKGROUND/RATIONALE:**

The Peace River Regional District owns the North Peace Fall Fair Grounds which is licensed to the North Peace Fall Fair Society by way of a Use and Occupancy Agreement. The current agreement, signed in 2014, states that:

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#### **IMPROVEMENTS**

7. All buildings, structures and improvements located on or constructed on the Lands are the property of the Regional District, whether placed on the Lands before or after the commencement of this License.

#### **DEVELOPMENT**

8. The Society shall obtain the prior written consent of the Regional District before commencing any land clearing, paving, construction, alteration or other development on the Lands and all such work shall be done in accordance with structural drawings and development plans approved by the Regional District.

#### **MAINTENANCE**

9. The Society shall repair and maintain the Lands in a safe, clean and sanitary condition befitting buildings and lands used by the public and shall make safe, clean and sanitary any portion of the Lands or any improvement that the Regional District may direct by notice in writing to the Society.

Staff met with the Society on June 12, 2018 to discuss the Agreen ent and their plans for development of the site. Since that meeting the Society has provided the Regional District with a list of projects that they plan to complete. Many of these projects include maintenance tasks, however, there are a few items that require approval from the Regional District as follows:

- 1. Danger tree removal and removal of trees in parking lot
  - The Society wishes to remove both danger trees and trees growing back into the parking area.
  - This activity would be categorized as "land clearing" and although some of this work is necessary for the safety of the public, it does require approval from the Board.
  - Staff is recommending that due to potential liability of clearing danger trees that Regional
    District staff coordinate hiring a professional danger tree assessment and removal company
    to be paid for through the Regional Parks function from the "Safety/Danger Tree Removal"
    line item. In this way an assessment will be completed by a professional and any trees that
    are required to be removed (danger or not) will be performed by professionals meeting the
    WCB standards.
  - Under the Regional Parks Bylaw No. 860, 1994, the North Peace Fall Fair is considered a "regional park."

#### 2. Stump removal

This activity would be categorized as "land clearing" and requires approval from the Board.

#### 3. Deck for kettle corn booth

- This activity would be categorized as "construction" and depending on the height of the deck may require handrails and steps.
- If the Board approves construction of the deck, the Society will need to apply for a building permit.
- Starf recommend that the Board waive the building permit application fee as the structure is for PRRD-owned facility.

#### 4. Bleachers

- Although the Society is planning to construct these in a fashion that they can be moved on and off-site, they have the potential to be a safety risk if not constructed with the correct occupancy to weight ratio.
- If the Board approves construction of the bleachers, the Society will need to apply for a
  building permit. Even if the structures are intended to be moved off site after an event, a
  temporary building permit would still be required.
- Staff recommend that due to the safety risk associated with these bleachers, that the Society have an engineer sign-off on the design and construction of the bleachers.
- Staff recommend that the Board waive the building permit application fee as the structure is for PRRD-owned facility.

#### **Development Services Comments**

The subject property is currently within the 'Voluntary Building Pern it area' as per the PRRD Building Bylaw No. 2131, 2014 (the Building Bylaw). This means that a property owner, in this case the PRRD, can decide whether or not they want/need a building permit.

As per Section 2.4.1 of the Building Bylaw, all structures *must* conform with the requirements of the Building Code; and as per Section 2.3.1 (a) of the Building Bylaw, it is the <u>landowner's responsibility</u> to ensure that the work is carried out in accordance with the Building Code.

As such, it is strongly recommended by the Development Services Department (Building Inspection) that the Regional District obtain building permits for all structures proposed on the PRRD owned land. As the property owner, the Regional District is responsible for the safety of the public entering into, on, or using the proposed facilities.

The Regional District should be leading by example, and ensuring that all publicly used facilities owned by the Regional District meet the Building Code, and nave been properly reviewed and inspected. Without a Building Permit, the Regional District cannot review, approve, or inspect the proposed structures.

#### **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS:**

#### **Tree Removal**

1) That the Regional Board app, ove the removal of danger trees and trees growing in the parking area at the North Peace Fall Fair Subject to the North Peace Fall Fair Society hiring a danger tree assessment and removal company and that all pre and post inspection reports be provided to the Regional District and that the cost of tree identification and removal be borne by the Society.

#### Stump Removal

1) That the Regional Board deny the North Peace Fall Fair Society's request to remove stumps on the North Peace Fall Fair Grounds.

#### **Deck for Kettle Corn Booth**

1) That the Regional Board deny the North Peace Fall Fair Society's request to build a deck for the kettle corn booth on the North Peace Fall Fair Grounds.

#### **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS: (continued)**

#### **Bleachers**

- 1) That the Regional Board deny the North Peace Fall Fair Society's request to build bleachers for the North Peace Fall Fair Grounds.
- 2) That the Regional Board deny the North Peace Fall Fair Society's request to build bleachers for the North Peace Fall Fair Grounds and recommend that the Society purchase professionally engineered, fabricated and inspected bleachers.
- 3) That the Regional Board provide direction to staff.

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|             | Ensure that the Solid Waste Management Plan is operating on a fiscally defensible basis. |
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|             | Foster Collaboration on services with municipalities and electoral areas                 |
|             | Establish a strategy for coordinated advocacy on identified issues.                      |
| $\boxtimes$ | Manage parks and trails in the region.   |
|             | Support the agricultural industry within the regional district.                          |
|             | Not Applicable to Strategic Plan.  |

#### **FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION(S):**

\$50,000 is budgeted in the Regional Parks function for salety/danger tree removal, with a current available balance of \$39,800.

The cost of a building permit is \$100 for construction valued under \$20,000 and a separate permit is required for each structure.

### **COMMUNICATIONS CONSIDERATION(S):**

If approved by the Board, staff will provide information back to the North Peace Fall Fair Society on the process to apply for a building permit. Staff will also work with them to coordinate the assessment and removal of trees on the property.

### OTHER CONSIDERATION(S): N/A

#### Attachments:

- 1. Letter from Bruce Christensen, President, North Peace Fall Fair
- 2. North Peace Fall Fair Meeting Minutes, May 8, 2018 (link)
- 3. North Peace Fall Fair Use & Occupancy Agreement 2014



Peace River Regional District

Dawson Creek, B.C.

Attn Board

Ladies and Gentlemen

First of all, on behalf of the members and volunteers of the North Peace Fall Fair Society, I want to say thank you for the great relationship, support and partnership that we have enjoyed for many years. Without the support of the Regional district the very successful North Peace Fall Fair would not have been able to do the things we have been able to do.

This year marks 71 years that the fair has been happening. And I would have to say that with the support and desire of our volunteers, it will continue to be one of the best "Fall Fairs" in the province.

We try and do something every year to enhance and improve the experience of anyone attending the fair. This requires a lot of maintenance and upgrading of facilities and in some cases building new facilities. We strive to fulfill our obligations of the arrangement between the Peace River Regional district and the Fall Fair Society.

We thank the board and in particular, Director Goodings for recognizing the value and importance of the Fall Fair.

Attached you will see a list of some of the things we would like to tackle this year. We are not sure we will be able to complete them all but want to let you know our intentions.

Sincerely and respectfull

Bruce D. Christensen

President

#### Fair chores

Fix Stove Kitchen roof Bathroom walk trim Horse shoe bordèr Danger trees Clean up downed trees Paint stage bleachers, white Broom closet 24+ Moffat stove Mod 80fl-74 Sn. 6f943L Terry Davidson 7948439 Latch heavy horse. Chain? Recycle barrel lids Hat sale rack Bathroom door latches Gate for Bruce field Heating table Toilet number 2 men's Deck for kettle corn both

Build bleachers – steel pipe. These are on skids to be portable Remove stumps of old downed trees
Some tree's have grown back and are infringing on parking area, remove.
Complete horse wash rack
Move small building to rabbit area. On skids



### **PEACE RIVER REGIONAL DISTRICT**

Office of:

**Corporate Officer** 

December 17, 2014

Mr. D. Davidson President North Peace Fall Fair Society RR#1, Site 16, Comp. 56, Fort St. John, BC V1J 4M6

Dear Mr. Davidson:

Re: License Agreement

We are pleased to enclose a signed original of the License Agreement between the Peace River Regional District and North Peace Fall Fair Society.

As noted in Clause 17 of the agreement, we look forward to receiving a copy of liability insurance policy, said policy to indicate the Regional District as an additional insured.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Yours truly,

Jo-Anne Frank Corporate Officer

attach.

cc. Director Karen Goodings, Electoral Area 'B'
Trish Morgan, Manager of Community Services

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9505 - 100th Street, Fort St. John, BC V1J 4N4 Telephone: (250) 785-8084 Fax: (250) 785-1125

EMAIL: prrd.fsj@prrd.bc.ca

THIS AGREEMENT dated for reference the 1st day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2014.

BETWEEN:

PEACE RIVER REGIONAL DISTRICT Box 810, 1981 Alaska Avenue, Dawson Creek, BC V1G 4H8

(the "Regional District")

AND:

NORTH PEACE FALL FAIR SOCIETY
a society incorporated under the *Society Act*under incorporation no. S-0014739
RR #1, Site 16, Comp. 56
Fort St. John, BC V1J 4M6

(the "Society")

WHEREAS the Regional District is the registered owner in fee simple of those lands and premises located in the Peace River Assessment District in the Province of British Columbia and more particularly known and described as:

Lot 1, Section 6, Township 86, Range 18, West of the 6<sup>th</sup> Meridian, Peace River District, Plan 31310

(the "Lands")

as shown outlined with a black border on the Plan attached hereto as Schedule 'A';

AND WHEREAS the Society is a non-profit society which wishes to use the Lands for community recreational purposes:

AND WHEREAS the Regional District wishes to grant a license of the Lands to the Society on the terms and conditions contained in this Agreement;

NOW THEREFORE this Agreement witnesses that in consideration of the premises and mutual covenants hereinafter contained and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is acknowledged by the parties, the parties hereto covenant and agree each with the other as follows:

#### **GRANT OF LICENSE**

1. The Regional District, on the terms set forth herein, hereby grants to the Society a license (the "License") to enter on the Lands for the purposes set out herein.

#### **PURPOSE**

- 2. The Society shall use the Lands only for recreational and social events for the benefit of the Community.
- 3. Notwithstanding the generality of the foregoing section, the Society shall not use the Lands contrary to any purpose for which it was incorporated.

#### LICENSE FEE

4. The Society shall pay to the Regional District a fee of One (\$1.00) Dollar for each year that this License is in effect (the "License Fee").

#### **DURATION**

5. This License and the rights granted by it shall commence on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of June, 2014 and shall continue for five (5) years from that date (the "Term"), unless terminated earlier in accordance with the terms of this License.

#### RENEWALS

6. If the Society is not in default under this License, the Society has the option to renew the License for one further five (5) year term, which option may be exercised by the Society giving notice to the Regional District, in the manner provided herein, at least six (6) months prior to the expiration of the License, of its intention to renew the License.

#### **IMPROVEMENTS**

7. All buildings, structures and improvements located on or constructed on the Lands are the property of the Regional District, whether placed on the Lands before or after the commencement of this License.

#### DEVELOPMENT

8. The Society shall obtain the prior written consent of the Regional District before commencing any land clearing, paving, construction, alteration or other development on the Lands and all such work shall be done in accordance with structural drawings and development plans approved by the Regional District.

#### MAINTENANCE

9. The Society shall repair and maintain the Lands in a safe, clean and sanitary condition be litting buildings and lands used by the public and shall make safe, clean and sanitary any portion of the Lands or any improvement that the Regional District may direct by notice in writing to the Society.

#### **EXPENSES**

The Society shall be responsible for the payment of all costs and expenses associated with the Lands, including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, all government taxes, levies, charges and assessments, permit and license fees, repair and maintenance costs, salaries and wages of employees, administration and service fees, and telephone, electrical, gas, water, sewage disposal and other utility charges, payments for work and materials and discharge of builder's liens.

#### INDEMNITY

- 11. The Society hereby releases, saves harmless and indemnifies the Regional District, its officers, employees, agents, contractors and others, from and against all losses, damages, costs, expenses, liabilities, suits, claims, fees and other harm, including the actual fees of solicitors and other professional advisors, arising out of
  - a) any breach, violation or non-performance of any covenant, condition or agreement in this License, or
  - b) any personal injury, death, or property loss or damage occurring on the Lands or happening by virtue of the Society's occupation of the Lands.

and the Regional District may add the amount of such losses, damages, costs, expenses, liabilities, suits, claims, fees and other harm to the License Fee and the amount so added shall be payable to the Regional District immediately.

#### PROPERTY INSURANCE

- 12. Each year of the Term of this License, the Society shall pay to the Regional District, upon receipt of invoice, the cost of the annual insurance premiums for insuring the improvements on the Lands and their contents against damage or loss by fire or other perils to the full replacement value of the improvements.
- 13. The Regional District shall not be responsible for insuring any equipment, goods or chattels stored on the Lands by any person using the Lands pursuant to a Facility Rental Agreement (as hereinafter defined) and the Regional District shall not be responsible for any loss or damage to such goods.
- 14. The Society shall give to the Regional District immediate notice by telephone in case of fire, accident or other damage to the Lands, and that notice shall be confirmed in writing within seven (7) days of the loss.

#### LIABILITY INSURANCE

15. The Society shall obtain and keep in force during the Term insurance naming the Regional District as an additional insured and protecting the Regional District and

the Society (without any rights of cross-claim or subrogation against the Regional District) against claims by any person, including members of the Society and participants and any member of the public using the Lands, for personal injury, death, property loss or damage, and third party liability or public liability claims arising from any accident or occurrence on the Lands or other loss relating to the Society's use of the Lands to an amount of not less than Two Million (\$2,000,000.00) Dollars per occurrence (the "Insurance Policy").

- The Insurance Policy shall provide that it is not terminable or alterable without the giving of 30 days' written notice to the Regional District.
- 17. At the time of execution of this License, and then every year thereafter during the Term of this Agreement, the Society shall deliver to the Regional District proof that the Society has obtained the Insurance Policy on the terms set out herein.
- 18. At any time during the Term of this License the Regional District may require the Society to provide evidence to it that the Insurance Policy is valid and in full effect.

#### **COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS**

19. The Society shall observe, abide by and comply with all applicable laws, bylaws, orders, directions, ordinances and regulations of any governmental authority in any way affecting the Lands and improvements situated thereon, or their use and occupation.

#### NUISANCE

20. The Society shall not commit or suffer any wilful or voluntary waste, spoil or destruction on the Lands or do or suffer to be done thereon anything that may be or become a nuisance or annoyance to the owners or occupiers of adjoining land.

#### **RIGHT OF ENTRY**

21. The Regional District or its authorized representative may enter upon the Lands or any improvement on the Lands at any time to examine its condition.

#### **RETURN OF LANDS**

- 22. Upon the expiration or earlier termination of this License, the Society shall
  - a) quit peaceably and deliver possession of the Lands to the Regional District, and
  - b) leave the Lands in a safe, clean and sanitary condition satisfactory to the Regional District,

and the agreements in this section shall survive the expiration or termination of this License.

#### **ASSIGNMENT**

- 23. The Society shall not assign its interest in this License or any rights hereunder.
- 24. Notwithstanding section 23 of this License, the Society may, without the consent of the Regional District, enter into facility rental agreements substantially in the form attached hereto as Schedule 'B' (the "Facility Rental Agreement"), so long as the term of each Facility Rental Agreement is less than 15 days of each calendar month.

#### **TERMINATION**

- 25. In the event that
  - a) the Society should default in the payment of the License Fee or other sumpayable under this License and the default continues for 30 days after the giving of written notice by the Regional District to the Society; or
  - b) the Society fails to perform or observe any of the covenants, agreements, conditions or provisos contained in this License, other than the payment of money, and the failure continues for 60 days after the giving of written notice by the Regional District to the Society:
  - c) the Society ceases to be a non-profit society in good standing in the records of the Registrar of Companies.

the Regional District may cancer this License and all rights granted under it.

26. The Society shall not be entitled to any compensation, whether for damages or otherwise, in respect of a cancellation of this License.

#### NOTICE

- 27. Whenever it is required or desired that either party shall deliver or serve a notice on the other, delivery or service shall be deemed to be satisfactory if and deemed to have occurred when:
  - a) a director of the Society or the Corporate Officer of the Regional District has been served personally, on the date of service; or
  - b) mailed by prepaid registered mail, on the date received or on the sixth day after receipt of mailing by any Canada Post office, whichever is earlier, so long as the notice is mailed to the party at the address provided herein or to whatever address the party may from time to time provide.

#### WAIVER

28. Waiver of any default by either party shall not be deemed to be a waiver of any subsequent default by that party.

#### REMEDIES NOT EXCLUSIVE

29. No remedy conferred upon or reserved to the Regional District is exclusive of any other remedy herein or provided by law, but such remedy shall be cumulative and shall be in addition to any other remedy herein or hereafter existing at law, in equity or by statute.

#### **ENUREMENT**

30. The terms and provisions of this License shall extend to, be binding upon and enure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their successors and permitted assigns.

#### TIME OF ESSENCE

31. Time is of the essence in this Agreement.

#### NO JOINT VENTURESHIP

32. Nothing in this Agreement shall constitute the Society, the agent, joint venturer or partner of the Regional District or give the Society any authority or power to bind the Regional District in any way.

#### NO OTHER WARRANTIES

33. There are no other agreements, warranties or representations of the Regional District, its servants or agents, affecting the Land or the development of it, whether verbal or written, except as specifically set out in this Agreement.

#### NO INTEREST IN LAND

34. The Society acknowledges that the Licens : herein granted does not constitute an interest in the Lands and is merely a personal right.

#### INTERPRETATION

35. In this Agreement, unless the context otherwise requires, the singular includes the plural and the masculine includes the feminine gender and a corporation.

#### SEVERABILITY

36. In any section of this Agreement or any part of a section is found to be illegal or unenforceable, that part or section, as the case may be, shall be considered separate and severable and the remaining parts or sections, as the case may be, shall not be affected thereby and shall be enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law.

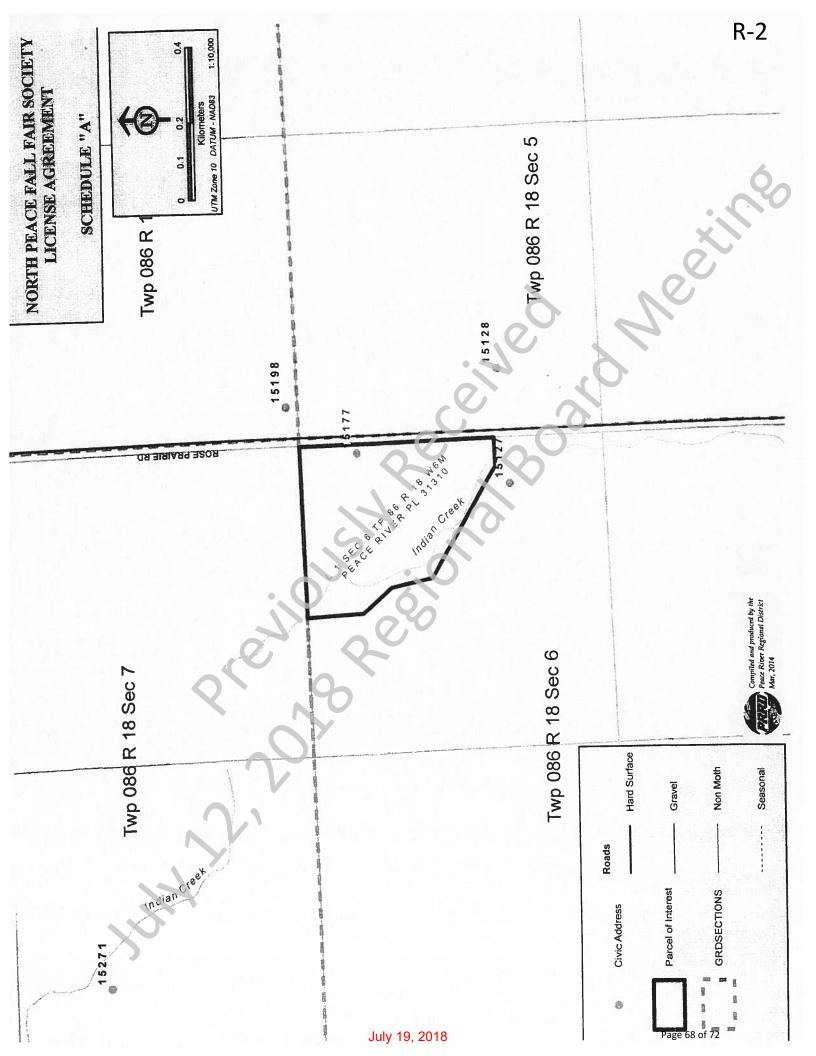
#### **POWERS PRESERVED**

Nothing in the Agreement affects the right of the Regional District to exercise its povers within its jurisdiction.

License Agreement – North Peace Fall Fair Society

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties hereto have duly executed this Agreement as of the day and year first above written.

| The Corporate Seal of the Peace River Regional District was hereunto affixed in the presence of:  Chair  Administrator  | C/S  |
|---|--|
| Signed by the authorized signatories of the North Peace Fall Fair Society in the Presence of:  Witness (Signature)  Witness (Name)  RH STEIB COMPS  Witness (Address)  FORT STCTOHW, BC | Authorized Signatory  Authorized Signatory  Authorized Signatory |



#### SCHEDULE 'B'

# NORTH PEACE FALL FAIR FACILITY RENTAL AGREEMENT Rules Governing the Use of Facilities

- The Applicant must sign and date this Facility Use Agreement before deemed to have been granted permission to use the facilities.
- 2. The Applicant agrees to use the Lands only for the purpose listed and for no purposes other than public recreation. No firearms, paintball guns or archery equipment allowed.
- 3. The Applicant agrees that the <u>North Peace Fall Fair Society</u> (the "Society") may terminate this agreement if the Applicant fails to comply with this Agreement or any of the Rules Governing Use of Facilities.
- 4. The Applicant will provide evidence of liability insurance in the amount of Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000) naming the Peace River Regional District (the "District") and <u>Society</u> as additional insureds.
- 5. The Applicant will not permit liquor on the premises, unless prior approval has been granted by the Society and a valid liquor license is in effect, and a copy of the liquor license has been presented to the District.
- 6. The Applicant is responsible for pick-up of litter and debris during and after the event and shall leave the Lands and surrounding areas in a clean, tidy and undamaged condition.
- 7. The Applicant (including friends or spectato's using the facilities) is expected to act in a considerate and sportsmanlike manner. Abusive language or inconsiderate behavior which is found to be objectionable may result in the cancellation of your facility use
- 8. The District or the Society reserve the right to cancel or after facility usage should conditions arise that necessitate scheduling changes.
- 9. The District or the Society reserve the right to deny any rental application.
- 10. It is the responsibility of the Licensee to ensure the facilities are in good condition and free from hazards (glass, obstructions, etc.) If a hazard does exist please notify the Peace River Regional District at 250-784-3200.

### Waiver and Indemnity Clause

The Applicant accepts and will use the premises at its own risk and agrees that the District and the Society has made no warranties or representations respecting the suitability or condition of the premises. The Applicant further agrees that it will indemnify and save harmless the District and the Society, and their officers, employees, servants, agents, heirs, successors and assigns from and against any and all claims whatsoever, including all damages, liabilities, expense, costs, including legal or other fees, incurred in respect of any such claim(s) or any action(s) or proceeding(s) brought thereon arising directly or indirectly from or in connection with the granting of this agreement and use of the facility.

| Applicant Signature | Date | • |
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#### SCHEDULE 'B'

#### **FACILITY USE AGREEMENT**

LOCATION: North Peace Fall Fair (the "Lands")

| APPLICANT I   | NFORMATION                                     |
|---|--|
| Organization:   | Representative Name:                           |
| Email:  | Phone:   |
| Mailing Address:  | 0,   |
| City:   | Postal Code:                                   |
| FACILITY USE  | INFORMATION                                    |
| Event Name (if applicable)                                | No. of Participants:                           |
| Dates Requesting Use:                                     |  |
| Event Start Time:   | Event End Time:                                |
| Provide a brief description of event:                     | 6 80°  |
| Map/Sketch of Location and Layout of Use (if application) | ble) ATTACHED [ ]Yes                           |
| Damage Deposit Paid: \$                                   | Date of Daniage Deposit                        |
| INSU'ANCE   | & LICENSES                                     |
| Minimum \$2,000,000 Liability Insurance: ATTACHE          | D [ ]Yes                                       |
| Party Alcohol Liability Insurance [ ] Yes [ ] Not A       | or licable                                     |
| Special Occasion or Beer Garden Liquor License            | ] Yes [ ] Not Applicable                       |
| # of Individuals with Serving It Right [ ]                | # of Licensed First Aid Attendants On Site [ ] |
| Emergency Plan ATTACHED [ ] Yes                           | Security Plan ATTACHED[] Yes [] Not Applicable |
| Fairgrounds Use Fee \$150/day Kitchen Use Fee \$50/day    | Total  at fee deposit  y x days =              |

All costs for damages and repairs will be deducted from the damage deposit. The following fees will be deducted from the damage deposit if not cleaned by the renter at the end of use:

- Washroom Cleaning Charge \$200 flat fee
- Kitchen Cleaning Charge \$500 flat fee
- Fairgrounds Cleaning Charge \$300 flat fee

#### North Peace Fall Fair Grounds

As I mentioned at the Board meeting last Thursday I would like to bring forward an option for consideration.

A bit of history and discussion needs to happen before I can take a motion forward to the Board for discussion and hopefully action.

I think there is a full history of the North Pine fall fair grounds and how they became the North Peace fair grounds somewhere in our files. The original property (about 5 acres) was, I believe, donated to the society of the day in order to have a permanent home for the fair to take place. Up until then the fair moved from area to area and at one time was held at the site where the Robert Ogilvie school is located today. I'm not sure if it was ever surveyed or just a hand shake. Nor do I know if there was some agreement to amalgamate with the purchase of the additional land. That question has come up from time to time.

Many years ago (30+) the PRRD, under the electoral area "B" director of the day, Shirley Pomeroy, purchased additional land for the fall fair. Since that time I believe the dollars to support the fair grounds have been done through GIA; Fair Share; NDIT; and PRA. That is no different from most of our not for profit societies in the north peace who receive support for their capital purchases. The difference is we (PRRD) are not involved in the day to day operations of those societies.

This begs the question of why are we involved in the NPFF grounds? Is because we purchased the land? If so then I think we could resolve the issue by selling it to the Society for legal tender. \$1-\$10.

I believe within the Societies Act there is provision that if a society becomes defunct for whatever reason they must turn their property and goods over to a "like" society. I expect we would need to have a legal opinion on how that might happen or if there would be a clause that returns it to the PRRD if such an occurrence was to happen.

I took this idea to the last fall fair meeting and received unanimous support to proceed. They are fully aware that this means that many of the projects they would have undertaken this year will be on hold pending a final decision of the board. This is the 71<sup>st</sup> anniversary of our Fair and the volunteers take great pride in putting on the Fair. Their only compensation is the enjoyment of seeing the people return year after year.

Any recommendation of this committee will need to go back to the PRRD. Do I have the support of the staff and EA directors to do this? What would the next steps be?

### ELECTORAL AREA DIRECTORS' COMMITTEE

# DIARY ITEMS

|    | <u>Topic</u>                                     | <u>Notes</u>  | <u>Diarized</u>   |
|----|--|---|-------------------|
| 1. | North Pine TV Tower                              |   | August 17, 2017   |
| 2. | Internet   |   | November 16, 2017 |
| 3. | Tour for the Water Advisory<br>Committee Members | Arrange a final meeting 6 to 8 months after operation begins; to close the loop | November 16, 2017 |
| 4. | Meetings with Ministers and MLA's                |   | November 16, 2017 |
| 5. | Cell Towers within the Region                    |   | December 14, 2017 |
| 6. | Electoral Area D Water Referendum                | To be discussed at the June EADC meeting  | February 14, 2018 |