# **Rezoning Information Package**

File Number: 3360-20/20170020

Subject: Cariboo Regional District South Cariboo Area Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 5111, 2017

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**Date of Referral:** August 17, 2017 **Date of Application:** June 14, 2017

**Property Owner's Name(s):** John Van Osch and Elaine Wanner-Van Osch

Applicant's Name: Michael Kidston Land Surveying Ltd.

**SECTION 1: Property Summary** 

Legal Description(s): Parcel A (DD 257224F) of District Lot 4836, Lillooet District

Area of Application: 31.4 ha (77.59 ac) as determined by BCLS

**Location:** 7070 Ehret Road

**Current Designation:** 

N/A

**Proposed Designation:** 

N/A

**Current Zoning:** 

Resource/Agricultural (RA 1)

**Proposed Zoning:** 

Rural 2 (RR 2)

Acreage Reserve (RA 2)

Min. Lot Size Permitted:

N/A

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N/A

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32 ha (79.07 ac)

Min. Lot Size Permitted:

2ha (4.94 ac) 4 ha (9.88 ac)

**Proposed Use:** To subdivide the land into a 2.3 ha lakefront portion as severed by the road, and keep the 29.1 ha agricultural remainder.

**No. and size of Proposed Lots:** One 2.3 ha (5.68 ac) parcel and a 29.1 ha (71.9 ac) remainder parcel.

Name and type of existing road system: Eagle Creek Rd (gravel, collector)

**Services Available:** Hydro, Telephone, Sewage disposal, well. **Within the influence of a Controlled Access Highway:** No

Within the confines of the Agricultural Land Reserve: Yes, Approved by ALC Resolution

#137/2017

Required to comply with the Shoreland Management Policy or Development Permit Areas:

Yes, with respect to on-site sewerage and riparian protection

Name of Lake/Contributing River and Lake Classification: Hawkins Lake and Bradley Creek

Adjoining Properties: (Source: B.C.A.A.)

Land Use:

Lot Sizes:

(a) 150 - Beef

25.69 ha (63.48 ac)

North

(b)

Unsurveyed Crown Land

South

(c)

Hawkins Lake

East

Unsurveyed Crown Land

(d)

110 - Grain and Forage

75.86 ha (187.47 ac)

West

### **SECTION 2: Planning Report**

Planning Staff recommends approval of South Cariboo Area Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 5111, 2017.

#### Background:

It is proposed to rezone a 31.4 ha (77.59 ac) property to create a 2.3 ha (5.68 ac) lakefront parcel, as severed by Ehret Road and Hawkins Lake. The proposed parcel contains the dwelling and other residential improvements. The proposal is shown in Appendix C. The owners intention is to move onto their neighboring cattle ranch on District Lot 4837, and use the income generated from the sale of the residence on the subject property to assist with the ranch mortgage.

The 2.3 ha lakefront portion is proposed to be rezone to the Rural 2 (RR 2) zone. The 29.1 ha remainder portion is proposed to be rezone to the Acreage Reserve (RA 2) zone, as the size of the agricultural remainder is below the 32 ha minimum lot size requirement for the Resource/Agricultural (RA 1) zone.

### **Location and Surroundings:**

The proposal is located on Ehret Road which connects to Eagle Creek Road, as shown in Appendix B. Appendix D shows that the portion of the property between Hawkins Lake and Ehret Road, corresponding to the proposed lakeshore lot, is mostly forested except for the residential improvements, as opposed to the proposed remainder which has been partially cleared for the hay fields. Bradley Creek forms the northern boundary of the property. Staff notes that the size of the property (i.e. 31.4 ha) was confirmed by the agent which is a registered land surveyor in the Province of British Columbia. Since Bradley Creek forms the boundary, the size from the original survey can differ over time as the natural boundary of streams tend to fluctuate based on various factors, such as temperature and flow level.

Half of Hawkins Lake area is surrounded by unsurveyed crown land, the former schoolhouse property, and by four large agricultural parcels, including the subject property. Development can be found on the

northeast and eastern side of the lake, principally in the form of rural and residential subdivisions. Those subdivisions encompass properties of various sizes and various zoning, including the Residential 1 (R 1), Lakeshore Residential (RL), Rural 1 (RR 1), Rural 2 (RR 2), and Rural 3 (RR 3) zones. Thus, the proposed Rural 2 (RR 2) lot would constitute the only rural residential parcel on the western side of the lake. Since the proposed lot is already developed with residential improvements and is confined to the area between the lake and the road, the impact should be negligible on the surrounding lands and the lake.

### Application History / Relevant Applications:

The property has farm status and the remainder portion is being cultivated for hay production in support of the ranch. BC Assessment authority has assessed the property for Grain and Forage. The property was the subject of an Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR) subdivision application. Application 3015-20H-20160057 was approved by the Agricultural Land Commission (ALC) on May 26, 2017 as per ALC Resolution #137/2017. The ALC concluded that the proposed subdivision would not impact the agricultural viability of the remainder agricultural parcel. The commission gave approval subject to numerous conditions, including successfully rezoning the land, construction of a livestock fence along the northern, western and southern boundaries of the proposed lot, and a covenant restricting construction of a residence on the proposed remainder of Parcel A.

#### **CRD Regulations and Policies:**

The proposal is not currently located in an Official Community Plan (OCP). However, the Hawkins Lake area has been proposed to be included in the South Cariboo Area Official Community Plan as part of the plan update. CRD 2016 Agricultural Policy Sections 5.1 and 5.2 require buffering and/or livestock fencing of residential properties located adjacent to active agricultural operation, or located adjacent to the ALR boundary. Since the proposed lot is bordered by Hawkins Lake and Ehret Road, there is little need for buffering. Further, since the Agricultural Land Commission's approval is subject to livestock fencing of the proposed lot, planning staff is satisfy that the ALC requirement for fencing meets the intent of the CRD Agricultural Policy.

Planning staff does, however, recommend compliance with the CRD Shoreland Management Policy with respect to riparian protection of Bradley Creek and Hawkins Lake on the proposed lot and proposed remainder, and on-site sewage disposal for the proposed 2.3 ha parcel. Since the ALC imposed restrictions on building a residence on the proposed agricultural remainder, there is no need to evaluate on-site sewage disposal on this portion of the property.

#### Rationale for Recommendations:

Planning staff is supportive of the rezoning amendment to create the 2.3 ha lakeshore parcel since the proposed lot is already improved and should not result in additional pressure on Hawkins Lake. Further, the proposal received approval of the Agricultural Land Commission subject to fencing of the proposed lakeshore residential lot, subject to restricting residential development on the prosed 29.1 ha agricultural remainder.

#### Recommendation:

That South Cariboo Area Zoning Bylaw No. 5111, 2017 be considered for approval subject to the following condition:

1. The applicant offering to enter into and entering into a covenant to ensure compliance with the CRD Shoreland Management Policy with respect to sewage disposal system and riparian protection.

Further, that the cost of registration of the covenant be borne by the applicants.

#### **SECTION 3: Referral Comments**

Health Authority: - October 18, 2017

See attached.

## Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure: - August 18, 2017

The Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure has no objection in principle to proposed Bylaw # 5111.

Please be advised this in no way constitutes subdivision approval. Items that may be considered at the subdivision stage may include but not limited to:

Access to Water
Archaeology Assessment
Drainage
Road Dedication
Proof of Water
Sewage Disposal

## **Advisory Planning Commission:**

See attached.

Ministry of Environment: -

Agricultural Land Commission: - September 20, 2017

See attached.

#### **SECTION 4: Board Action**

Date of Meeting: October 20, 2017

That Cariboo Regional District South Cariboo Area Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 5111, 2017 be read a first and second time this 20<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2017. Further, that adoption be subject to the following condition:

The applicant offering to enter into and entering into a covenant to ensure compliance with the CRD Shoreland Management Policy with respect to a sewage disposal system and riparian protection.

Further, that the cost of registration of the covenant be borne by the applicants.

Date of Meeting: January 12, 2018

That Cariboo Regional District South Cariboo Area Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 5111, 2017 be read a third time, this 12<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2018.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

Appendix A: Bylaw No. 5111

Appendix B: General Map

Appendix C: Specific Map

Appendix D: Orthographic Map

Other: Applicant's supporting documentation

ALC Comments
APC Comments

**Interior Health Authority Comments** 

Results of Public Hearing

Letter from the public, dated December 9, 2017



## CARIBOO REGIONAL DISTRICT

## BYLAW NO. 5111

A bylaw of the Cariboo Regional District, in the Province of British Columbia, to amend Bylaw No. 3501, being the "South Cariboo Area Zoning Bylaw No. 3501, 1999".

WHEREAS the *Local Government Act* authorizes the Regional Board to amend a Zoning bylaw after a public hearing and upon the affirmative vote of the Directors.

WHEREAS an application has been received to rezone property.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of the Cariboo Regional District, duly assembled, enacts as follows:

#### 1. CITATION

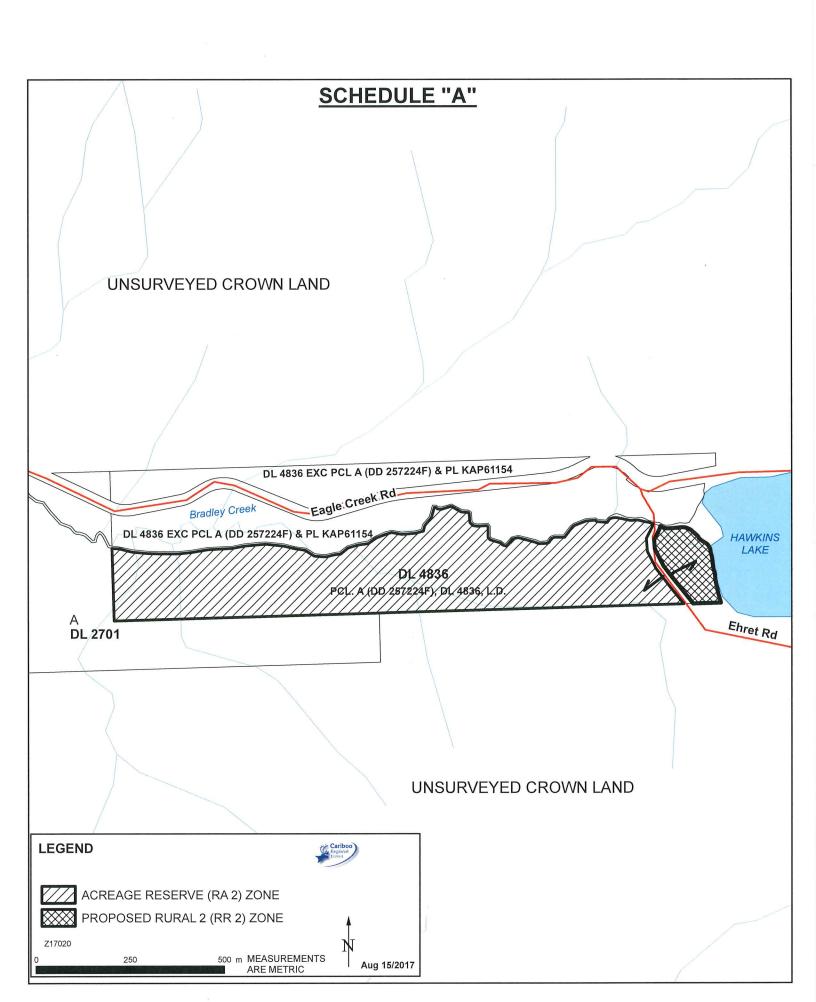
This bylaw may be cited for all purposes as the "Cariboo Regional District South Cariboo Area Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 5111, 2017".

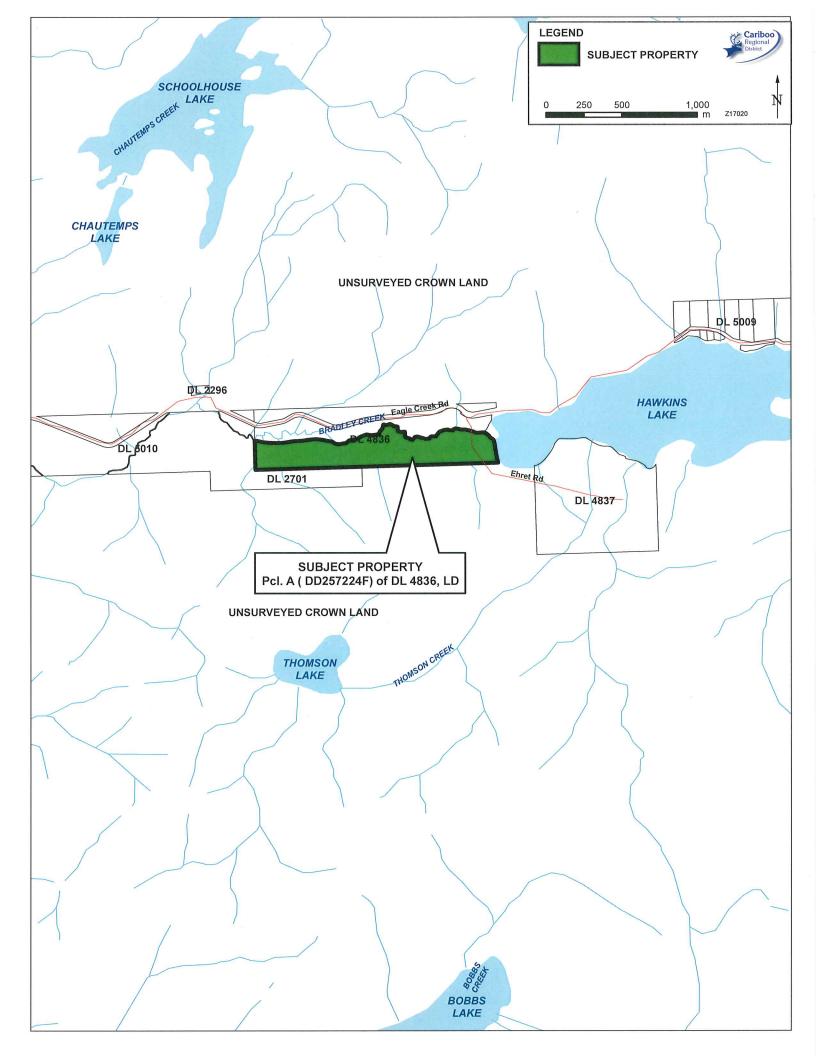
## 2. AMENDMENT

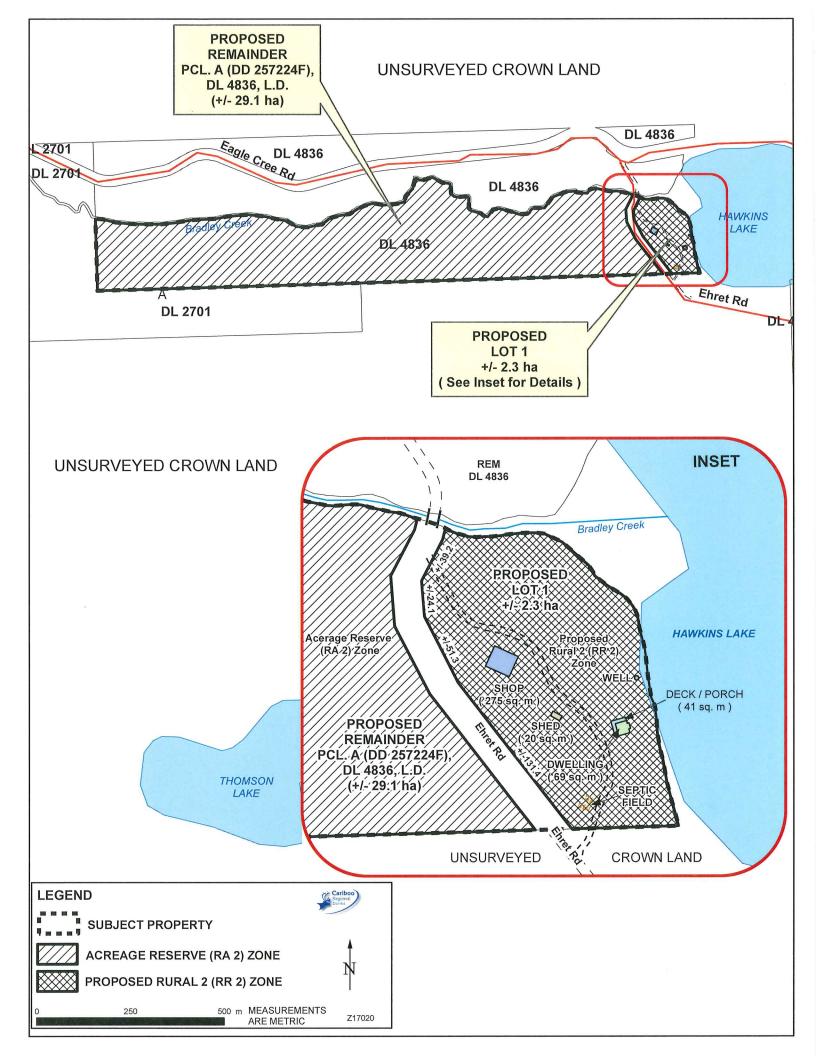
Bylaw No. 3501 of the Cariboo Regional District is amended by:

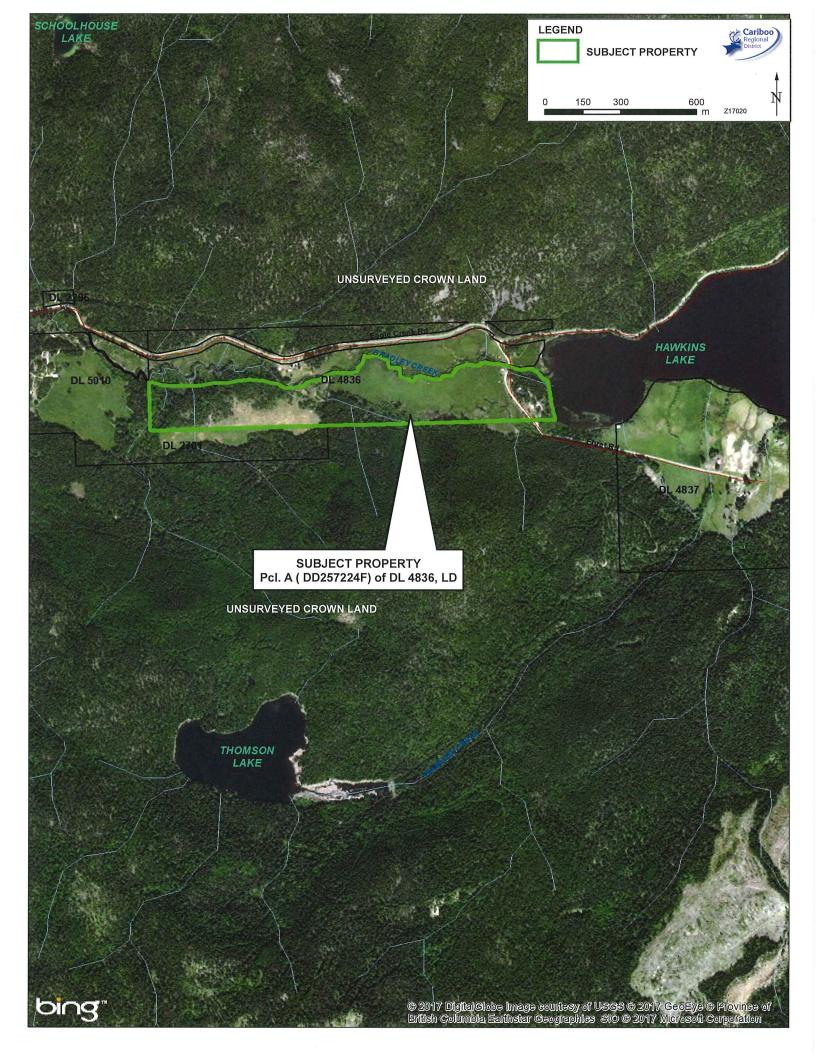
- i) rezoning Parcel A (DD 257224F) of District Lot 4836, Lillooet District from Resource/Agricultural (RA 1) zone to Rural 2 (RR 2) and Acreage Reserve (RA 2) zones, as shown on Schedule "A"; and
- ii) amending Schedules "C" and "D" accordingly.

READ A FIRST TIME THIS <u>20<sup>th</sup></u> DAY OF <u>October</u> , 2017.
READ A SECOND TIME THIS <u>20<sup>th</sup></u> DAY OF <u>October</u> , 2017.
A PUBLIC HEARING WAS HELD ON THE 13th DAY OF December, 2017.
READ A THIRD TIME THIS <u>12<sup>th</sup></u> DAY OF <u>January</u> , 2018.
ADOPTED THIS DAY OF, 2019.
Chair
Manager of Corporate Services
I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of Bylaw No. 5111, cited as the "Cariboo Regional District South Cariboo Area Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 5111, 2017", as adopted by the Cariboo Regional District Board on the day of, 2019.
Manager of Corporate Services









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Describe the reasons in support for the application		
ranch; sale of proposed L	ot 1 will reduce	mortgage on DL 4837.
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Provide general geographical information (i.e.		
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Services Currently Existing or Readily Available		
* Readily Available means existing services can be a	easily extended to the subject p	operty.
Services	Currently	Readily

Services	Currently Existing?	Readily Available?*
n	Yes No	Yes No
Hydro Telephone Community Water System Community Sewer System Sewage Disposal System Well Other (please specify)		



September 20, 2017

#### Agricultural Land Commission

133-4940 Canada Way Burnaby, British Columbia V5G 4K6 Tel: 604 660-7000

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Reply to the attention of Celeste Barlow ALC Application File: 55712 Local Government Bylaw No: 5111

Cariboo Regional District
File No.

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Attn: Brenda Ethier

Re: Bylaw Referral 5111

Cariboo Regional District

Suite D, 180 North 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave Williams Lake, BC V2G 2A4

PID: 013-220-381

Legal Description: Parcel A (DD 257224F) of District Lot 4836, Lillooet District

Thank you for forwarding a copy of Bylaw Referral No. 5111 for review and comment by the Agricultural Land Commission (the "ALC"). The following comments are provided to help ensure that the Referral is consistent with the purposes of the *Agricultural Land Commission Act* (the "ALCA") and Regulation, and any decisions of the ALC.

The ALC finds the rezoning of Parcel Identifier: 013-220-381; Legal Description: Parcel A (DD 257224F) of District Lot 4836, Lillooet District (the "Property") to be premature as the conditions of Resolution #137/2017 have not been fulfilled. You are also advised that, as per condition "f", the subdivision plan must be completed within three (3) years from the date of the decision, at which point the decision will expire and will no longer be valid.

ALC File No. 55712 has the following outstanding conditions:

- a) the construction of a livestock fence along the northern, western and southern boundary of proposed lot 1 (as identified in Resolution #137/2017) for the purpose of ensuring the agricultural activity on the remainder of the Property is not impacted;
- b) the registration of a covenant on the certificate of title of the Property in favour of the ALC, for the purpose of restricting the construction of a residence on the remainder (Parcel A (DD 257224F));
- the preparation of a subdivision plan to delineate the area to be subdivided per the drawing submitted with the Application;
- d) the subdivision be in substantial compliance with the plan submitted with the Application;
- e) submission of two (2) paper copies or one (1) electronic copy of the final survey plan to the Commission; and

ALC File: 55712

f) the subdivision plan being completed within three (3) years from the date of release of this decision.

The ALC does not endorse the re-designation of the Property from the Resource/Agricultural (RA 1) Zone to Rural 2 (RR2) Zone or Acreage Reserve (RA2) Zone until the aforementioned conditions have been fulfilled.

The ALC strives to provide a detailed response to all bylaw referrals affecting the ALR; however, you are advised that the lack of a specific response by the ALC to any draft bylaw provisions cannot in any way be construed as confirmation regarding the consistency of the submission with the ALCA, the Regulation, or any Orders of the Commission.

If you have any questions about the above comments, please contact the undersigned at 604-660-7034 or by e-mail (Celeste.Barlow@gov.bc.ca).

Yours truly,

PROVINCIAL AGRICULTURAL LAND COMMISSION

Celeste Barlow, Land Use Planner

Enclosures: Reasons for Decision (Resolution #137/2017)

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File No: 3360-20/20170020

## ADVISORY PLANNING COMMISSION RESPONSE FORM

Minutes of the meeting of the Electoral Area 'H' advisory planning commission held on , located at Forest Grove, BC, in the Forest Grove Hall OCT 3/2017 commencing at 7pm

PRESENT:

Chair PETER SANDERS.

Members Jorge Heizmann, KED BOURNE, PAUL LOEPPKY

Recording Secretary WENDY CLARKE

Owners/Agent, or MICHAEL KIDSTON Contacted but declined to attend

ABSENT: LORI FRAME, TOM PRICE, LOUIS JUDSON

ALSO PRESENT:

Electoral Area Director MARGO WAGNER

Staff support (if present)

## Agenda Items

REZONING APPLICATION - 3360-20/20170020 (Parcel A (DD 257224F) of District Lot 4836, Lillooet District)

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: "THAT the application to rezone property at 7070 EHRET /Ken. ROAD, be supported/rejected for the following reasons:

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: That the meeting terminate.

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RESPONSE SUMMARY	
Approval Recommended for Reasons	
Approval Recommended Subject to Conditions Outlined Below  Approval Not Recommended Due to Reasons Outlined Below	
Interior Health notes that the change in zoning could permit additional reduction in lot size for this parcel. The proposal is removing the agricultural designation for the parcel. Interior Health recommends that land use planning consider the protection and conservation of local food production capacity for the long term sustainability of the local food system.  In review of this proposal, the onsite sewerage system for the residential development has only a filing for a repair to the continuous transport of the dispersel.	
has only a filing for a repair to the septic tank with no assessment of the dispersal system. Interior Health recommends sustainable onsite sewerage and onsite drinking water.  If you have any questions, please contact me at 250-851-7347	
Signed By:	

## RESULTS OF PUBLIC HEARING

File No: 3360-20/20170020 Date: December 13, 2017

Location: Forest Grove Community Hall CARIBOO REGIONAL DISTRICT SOUTH CARIBOO AREA ZONING AMENDMENT Re: BYLAW NO. 5111, 2017 **Persons Present:** Director: Margo Wagner Owner(s): John Van Osch and Elaine Wanner-Van Osch 4 Agent: Michael Kidston 14 Public: See attached list Staff: No public in attendance (excluding owner/agent) Waited ten (10) minutes and then called the meeting adjourned. Welcome and introduction by the Area Director/Alternate The "Purpose of a Public Hearing", including the rules for the meeting and the specifics of the application were read out and the hearing was called to order at 1 to pre-The Chair read out comments received from the referral process including CRD planning staff's comments and board actions to date. The Chair read out the following letters received from the public: (attached)(add additional sheet if Name: William Van Osch 1) Date: Dec 11/17 2) Date: The following verbal comments and questions were received: (add additional sheet if required) Comments in favour: preparted

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# Attendance List

# **Public Hearing For**

# Cariboo Regional District South Cariboo Area Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 5111, 2017

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December 9, 2017

Cariboo Regional District Directors and Staff:

I would like to express my opposition to the proposed rezoning and subdivision of DL 4837. The property in question is a functional ranch and has a lot of agricultural potential. The farm is in a fertile valley and has rich bottom land. The elevation of this property is low for the Cariboo and it is on Hawkins Lake. The proximity of the farm to the lake creates a micro climate that adds to the land's excellent agricultural capacity.

If the farm house and farm ancillary buildings are severed from the hay fields, the ALC has demanded that no residence ever be allowed on the remainder of the ranch. The covenant registered against the title would leave future owners of the property unable to live on the property. When a person purchases a ranch within the ALR they know full well that the land is protected from development. If the proponent is in financial difficulty they can sell without subdividing a perfectly good ranch.

The application contains several inaccuracies. The description of the building site is misleading; the property is not a "rocky knoll". The house, shop, chicken coop and other farm buildings are situated on an elevated part of the property overlooking the lake. There is ample room for gardens fruit trees and berries on this portion of the agricultural land.

The roadway servicing the property would be better described as a driveway. It leads nowhere, is a dead end, and will remain so. Erhert Road is a one lane driveway that happens to be maintained with public money and would never be considered a public road by today's standards.

Interior Health has expressed concern over the lack of documentation pertaining to the septic field on the property. It appears there was no permit for the septic field and verification of its condition is in question.

The number of cattle claimed to have been on the property and the nature of the operation have been greatly exaggerated to give the impression the farming operation is a major part of the applicant's livelihood. There is not enough land to support the claims made in the application.

DL 4837 is tied to the applicant's forest woodlot. Under the BC Forest Act schedule "A" land (private land tied to the woodlot licence), must remain part of the woodlot agreement for at least 10 years. DL 4837 is part of woodlot 1403 owned by the applicant. The Schedule "A" designation has not been disclosed in the application.

In conclusion, I think we can all agree the proposed subdivision of DL 4837 is less than ideal. The ALC is concerned about the loss of valuable agricultural land. The covenant disallowing a residence for the balance of the property is unusual and hinders the future agricultural potential of the remaining land. The ALC has stated that the Regional District can decline the rezoning application, which would render the covenant unnecessary. The Regional District works hard to ensure planning is consistent and in the best interest of the public. This proposal seems to deviate from that goal. The covenant required to be placed on this land will restrict agricultural potential for future generations. Again, the property can be

sold in one piece to alleviate the proponent's stated financial hardship and allow the ranch's agricultural integrity to remain in tact. As the Regional District is aware, allowing speculation on agricultural land, sets a dangerous precedence and should be avoided.

Thank you for the opportunity to address this application. If you have any questions, please contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

William Van Osch
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