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Reply to the attention of Martin Collins
ALC File: 52523

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Dear Sir/Madam:

Re: Application for Oil and Gas Uses within the Agricultural Land Reserve

Please find attached the Minutes of Resolution #455/2011 and a sketch plan outlining the Commission's decision as it relates to the above noted application. As agent, it is your responsibility to notify your client(s) accordingly.

Other approvals may be necessary. Prior to proceeding, the Commission suggests you contact any other authority that has jurisdiction.

Yours truly,

PROVINCIAL AGRICULTURAL LAND COMMISSION

Per: 

Brian Underhill, Executive Director

Enclosure: Minutes/Sketch Plan/Schedule B

cc: Peace River Regional District File: 168/2011

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Minutes of a meeting held by the Provincial Agricultural Land Commission (the "Commission") on December 6th, 2011 at the offices of the Commission located at #133 – 4940 Canada Way, Burnaby, BC.

FOR CONSIDERATION

Application: Submitted pursuant to section 20(3) of the *Agricultural Land Commission Act*

Application: 52523
Applicant: Shell Canada
Agent: Eco-Webb Ecological Consulting
Proposal: To develop a 6.6 ha multi well site with access and a decking site. As there is an existing 1.66 ha well-site on the ¼ section, the area used for oil and gas activities on the ¼ section (8.7 ha) exceeds the permitted 7 ha area as per the OGC/ALC Delegation Agreement.
Legal: Unsurveyed Crown Land NE ¼, Sec. 1, Twp.81, R. 21, W6M, PRD
Location: West of Sunset Prairie, south of the Peace River
Background: The area proposed for gas well development is undeveloped land – no previous applications have been considered in this area.

DELEGATION OF DECISION-MAKING TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER (CEO)

On June 27th, 2011 the Commission delegated decision-making to the CEO by Resolution #016N-2011 (File: 135-45/ALC/CEO/APPL). In accordance with section 27 of the *Agricultural Land Commission Act* the Commission has specified that the following application may be decided by the CEO.

Criterion 11

Non-farm use applications for compressor stations for oil and gas development that exceed 450 m²; 5th or greater stand alone well sites (including associated roads, temporary camps, sumps, borrow pits etc) and well site applications where the area exceeds 7 ha. All other oil and gas-related applications such as processing facilities, drilling and production waste handling, produced water and gas handling; commercial waste handling and disposal facilities will continue to be referred directly to the panel for decision making.

DECISION:

After reviewing the entire file material, I, Richard Bullock, Chief Executive Officer of the Commission, am satisfied that the proposal is consistent with Criterion #11 of Resolution #016N/2011 and approve the application on behalf of the Commission.

Approval is subject to the following conditions:

- That the non-farm use is confined to the areas identified on the plan submitted with the application and shown on the attached sketch.
- No further expansion of the well site described as HZ Groundbirch 9-1-81-21, W6M is to occur without the submission of a new non-farm use application. Submission of an application does not guarantee approval for further non-farm uses.

- Reclamation of the land to a standard equivalent to before oil and gas development so that the land can be used for agriculture. Reclamation must meet the standards set out in Schedule B (attached) and a report based on the Schedule B must be submitted to the Commission following reclamation.
- Construction of the proposed well-site must be commenced within three years from the date of this decision.
- Approval for the proposed infrastructure is provided to the applicant only and until implemented is non-transferable.

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.

RESOLUTION # 455/2011

I CERTIFY THAT THIS IS A TRUE RECORD OF THE DECISION



Richard Bullock, Chief Executive Officer

