



Agricultural Land Commission

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June 28, 2012

Reply to the attention of Gordon Bednard
ALC File: 52536

Sharp Environmental (2000) Ltd
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Dear Sir/Madam:

Re: Application for Non-Farm Use in the Agricultural Land Reserve

Please find attached the Minutes of Resolution # **6/2012** 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 your Local Government.

The applicant is 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.

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 and the time limit for submitting a request for reconsideration is one (1) year from the date of the decision letter.

Yours truly,

PROVINCIAL AGRICULTURAL LAND COMMISSION

Per:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'B. Underhill', is written over the 'Per:' label.

Brian Underhill, Executive Director

Enclosure: Minutes/Sketch Plan

cc: Peace River Regional District Attn: Jodi Maclean file 170/2011

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IT WAS

MOVED BY: Commissioner Sylvia Pranger

SECONDED BY: Commissioner Jim Collins

THAT the application be allowed as proposed.

AND THAT the approval is subject to the following conditions:

- Receipt of confirmation from the Sunset Prairie Community Pasture Association expressing support for the proposal
- Receipt of a letter of commitment from Shell Canada Ltd regarding the clearing, grubbing, stump removal, leveling and seeding to an appropriate forage grass species of 90 ha (twice the area proposed for the gas processing hub) for the agricultural use of the Association.
- Construction of the gas processing facilities must be substantially commenced within one (1) year from the date of this decision notification.
- Approval for non-farm use is granted for the sole benefit of the applicant and 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.

CARRIED

Resolution # 6/2012



PROVINCIAL AGRICULTURAL LAND COMMISSION

A meeting was held by the Provincial Agricultural Land Commission on March 21, 2012 at the offices of the Commission located at #133 – 4940 Canada Way, Burnaby, B.C.

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:

Richard Bullock	Chair
Jennifer Dyson	Vice-Chair
Gordon Gillette	Vice-Chair
Sylvia Pranger	Vice-Chair
Bert Miles	Commissioner
Jim Johnson	Commissioner
Jerry Thibeault	Commissioner
Lucille Dempsey	Commissioner
Denise Dowswell	Commissioner
Jim Collins	Commissioner

COMMISSION STAFF PRESENT:

Gordon Bednard	Land Use Planner
Colin Fry	Executive Director

APPLICATION: #52536

PROPOSAL: To use 45 ha (comprising portions of two adjoining 1/4 sections) for a gas plant site – LSD 13-8-80-18 W6M. The applicant (Shell Canada) has offered to clear and seed another approximately 90 ha (twice the area proposed for non-farm use) of currently forested land in Sunset Community Pasture to balance the loss of pasture land to the gas plant. (Submitted pursuant to section 20(3) of the *Agricultural Land Commission Act*)

COMMISSION CONSIDERATION:

Section 6 of the *Agricultural Land Commission Act* identifies the purposes of the Commission 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.

After review of all file information presented, the Commission has concluded as follows:

As presented, the proposal will not adversely impact existing or potential agricultural use of surrounding lands because the land available for grazing in the area will be increased by an area equal to the footprint of the proposed installation.

