



Agricultural Land Commission

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August 17, 2012

Reply to the attention of Liz Sutton
ALC File: 52717

John Wilson
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Dear Mr. Wilson:

Re: Application to Include land in the Agricultural Land Reserve

Please find attached the Minutes of Resolution # **255/2012** 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.

The Commission will advise the Registrar of Land Titles that the property has been included into the ALR when it confirms that the conditions of approval have been met.

Other approvals may be necessary. Prior to proceeding, the Commission suggests you contact your Local Government.

Yours truly,

PROVINCIAL AGRICULTURAL LAND COMMISSION

Per: 

Brian Underhill, Executive Director

Enclosure: Minutes/Sketch Plan

cc: Cariboo Regional District (File: 4035-20-120120027)
BC Assessment (Williams Lake)

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PROVINCIAL AGRICULTURAL LAND COMMISSION

A meeting was held by the Provincial Agricultural Land Commission on July 20, 2012 at the offices of the Commission located at #133 – 4940 Canada Way, Burnaby, B.C.

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:

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| Richard Bullock | Chair |
| Gordon Gillette | Vice-Chair |
| Jerry Thibeault | Commissioner |
| Lucille Dempsey | Commissioner |
| Denise Dowswell | Commissioner |
| Jim Collins | Commissioner |

COMMISSION STAFF PRESENT:

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| Liz Sutton | Land Use Planner |
| Colin Fry | Executive Director |

APPLICATION ID: #52717

PROPOSAL: To include 52.8 ha as a condition of a Crown Grant Offer
(Submitted pursuant to section 17(3) of the *Agricultural Land Commission Act*)

PROPERTY INFORMATION:

Legal Description: Unsurveyed Parts of District Lots 9458 and 9459, Cariboo District, in the Vicinity West of Quesnel, North of Hanham Lake
Civic Address: Vicinity of Hanham Lake off Batnuni Road
Size (ha): 52.8
Area in ALR (ha): 0
Current Land Use: Vacant
Farm Classification: No
(BC Assessment)

PROPERTY OWNER INFORMATION:

Province of British Columbia – Crown Lands

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.

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.

The improved agricultural capability ratings applicable to the subject property are:

Class 5 – Land in this class has limitations that restrict its capability to producing perennial forage crops or other specially adapted crops.

Class 6 – Land in this class is non-arable but is capable of producing native and or uncultivated perennial forage crops.

Agricultural Suitability

The applicant proposes to clear the 52.8 ha parcel to use as cattle pasture and possibly for hay in conjunction with his existing agricultural operations.

Assessment of Potential Impact on Agriculture

The Commission also assessed the impact of the proposal against the long term goal of preserving agricultural land. The Commission believes the proposal would positively impact agricultural by allowing the applicant to expand his existing agricultural operation.

CONCLUSIONS:

That the land under application is suitable for agricultural use.

IT WAS

MOVED BY: Commissioner Collins
SECONDED BY: Commissioner Dempsey

THAT the application be allowed.

AND THAT the approval is subject to the following conditions:

- A copy of the survey plan or sketch which delineates the area to be included is to be submitted to the ALC office for our records; and
- The conditions must be completed within three (3) years from the date of this decision.

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 # 255/2012

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ALC #52717 (Wilson) Resolution #255/2012

LEGEND

Subject Property / Area to be Included

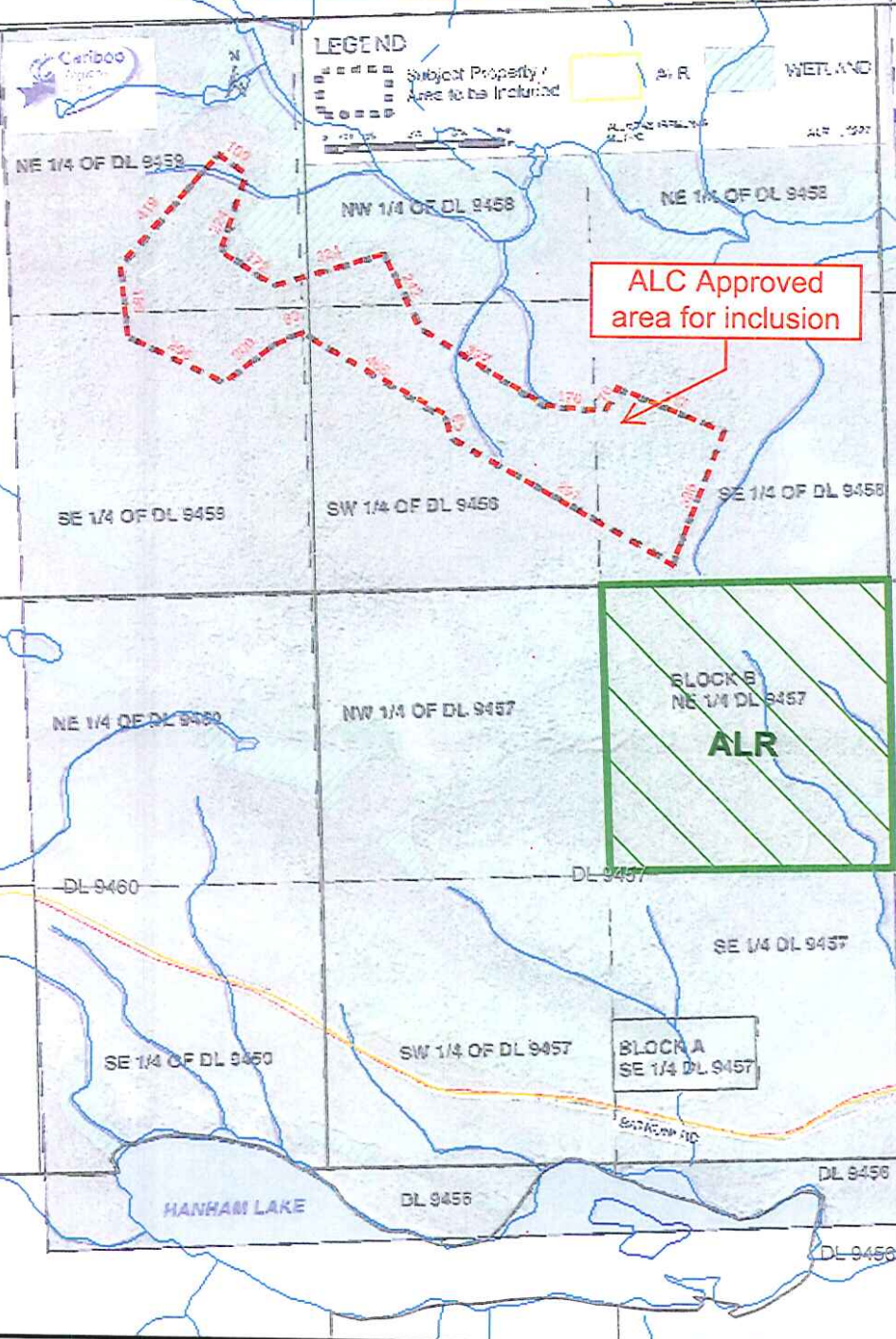
A-R

WETLAND

ALC Approved area for inclusion

BLOCK B
NE 1/4 DL 9457
ALR

BLOCK A
SE 1/4 DL 9457



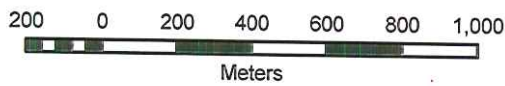
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ALC Context Map

Site Proposal

Map Scale: 1:20,000



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| Mapsheet #: | |
| Map Produced: | May 31, 2012 |
| Regional District: | Cariboo |