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Reply to the attention of Jennifer Carson  
ALC File: L-38004

Focus Corporation  
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Dear Mr. Blackwell:

**Re: Application to Exclude land from the Agricultural Land Reserve**

Please find attached the Minutes of Resolution # 148/2008 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.

By way of a copy of this letter, the Commission is advising the Registrar of Land Titles of its order and confirming that the ALR notation is to be removed from Certificate of Title XH38445.

Yours truly,

PROVINCIAL AGRICULTURAL LAND COMMISSION

Per: 

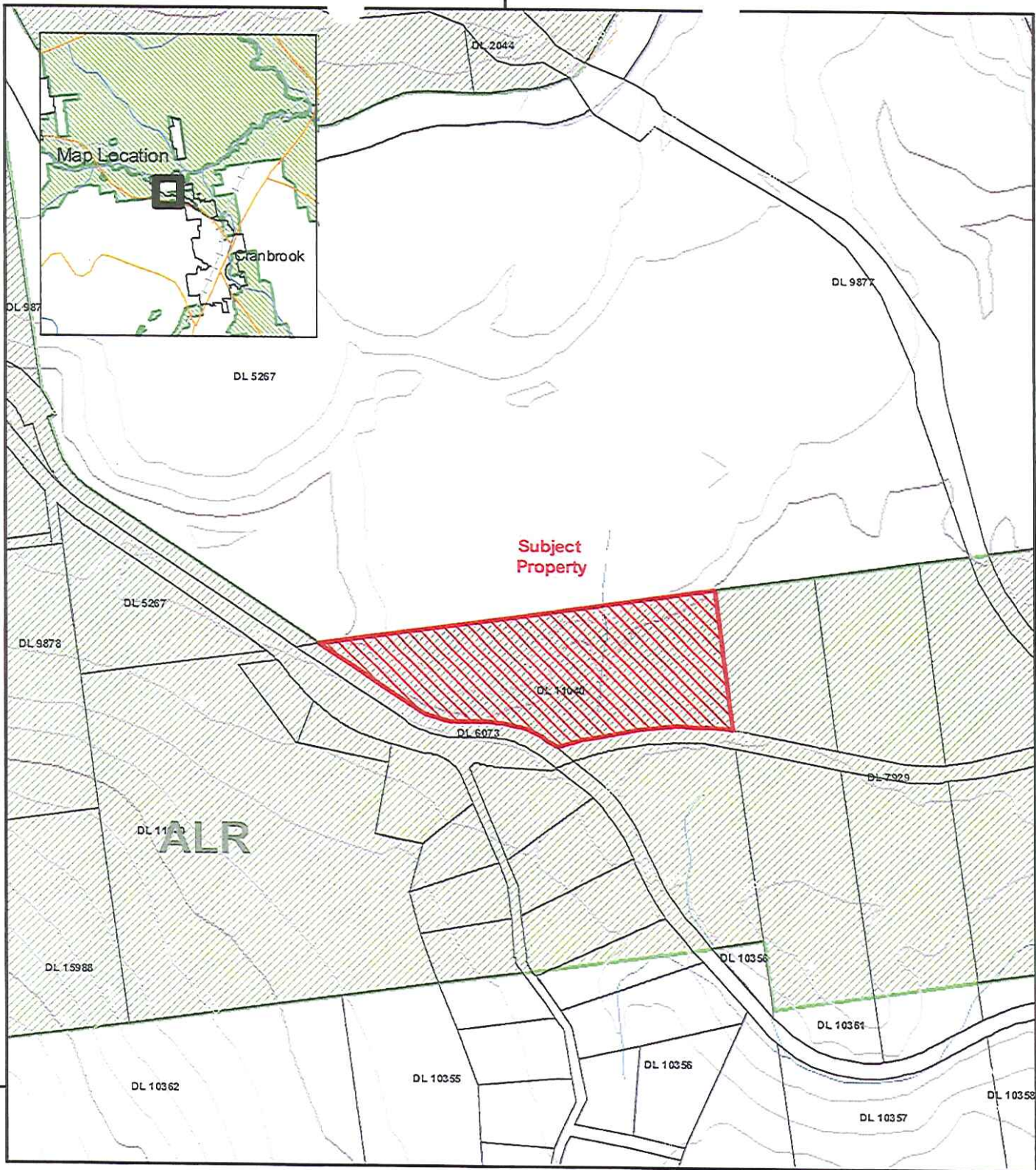
Erik Karlsen, Chair

cc: The Corporation of the City of Cranbrook (3030-20-0901)

BC Land Title & Survey,

Enclosure: Minutes/Sketch Plan

115°48'0"W

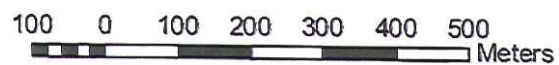


49°34'0"N

ALC File #:	02-2008-38004
Mapsheet #:	82G.051 & .052
Map Produced:	February 26, 2008
Regional District:	East Kootenay

### ALC Context Map

Map Scale: 1:10,000







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, or the BC Land Inventory (BCLI), 'Land Capability Classification for Agriculture in B.C.' system.

The improved ratings for the agricultural capability of the soil of the subject property are

- Class 4 – Land in this class has limitations that require special management practices or severely restrict the range of crops, or both.
- Class 6 – Land in this class is non-arable but is capable of producing native and or uncultivated perennial forage crops.

#### Subclasses

M      soil moisture deficiency      P      stoniness      T      topography

The Commission confirmed the limitations to agricultural capability of the subject property. The Commissioners discussed the absence of agricultural potential due to topography, soil factors and lack of water for irrigation. It was also discussed that a big draw split the property.

### **Assessment of Impact on Agriculture**

The Commission also assessed the impact of the proposal against the long term goal of preserving agricultural land. It was noted that there are not any agricultural operations in close proximity to the subject property that would be affected by the proposed exclusion. The Commission believes the proposal would not adversely impact existing or potential agricultural use of surrounding lands.

### **Conclusions**

1. That the land under application has limited agricultural capability.
2. That the proposal will not adversely impact agriculture.

### **IT WAS**

**MOVED BY:**                      Commissioner Griffin  
**SECONDED BY:**                Commissioner Marshall

THAT the application be allowed.

### **CARRIED**

**Resolution # 148/2008**