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Reply to the attention of Terra Kaethler  
ALC File: B-38244

August 15, 2008

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Ministry of Transportation & Highways  
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Dear Sir/Madam:

Re: **Application to Establish a Transportation Corridor in the Agricultural Land Reserve**

Please find attached the Minutes of Resolution # 431/2008 outlining the Commission's decision as it relates to the above noted application.

Yours truly,

PROVINCIAL AGRICULTURAL LAND COMMISSION

Per:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Erik Karlsen', written over a horizontal line.

Erik Karlsen, Chair

cc: Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako

Enclosure: Minutes/Sketch Plan

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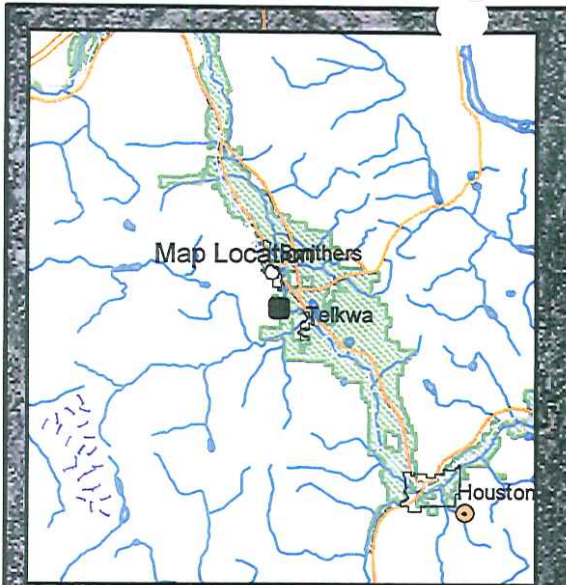
# Provincial Agricultural Land Commission

Application # 38244

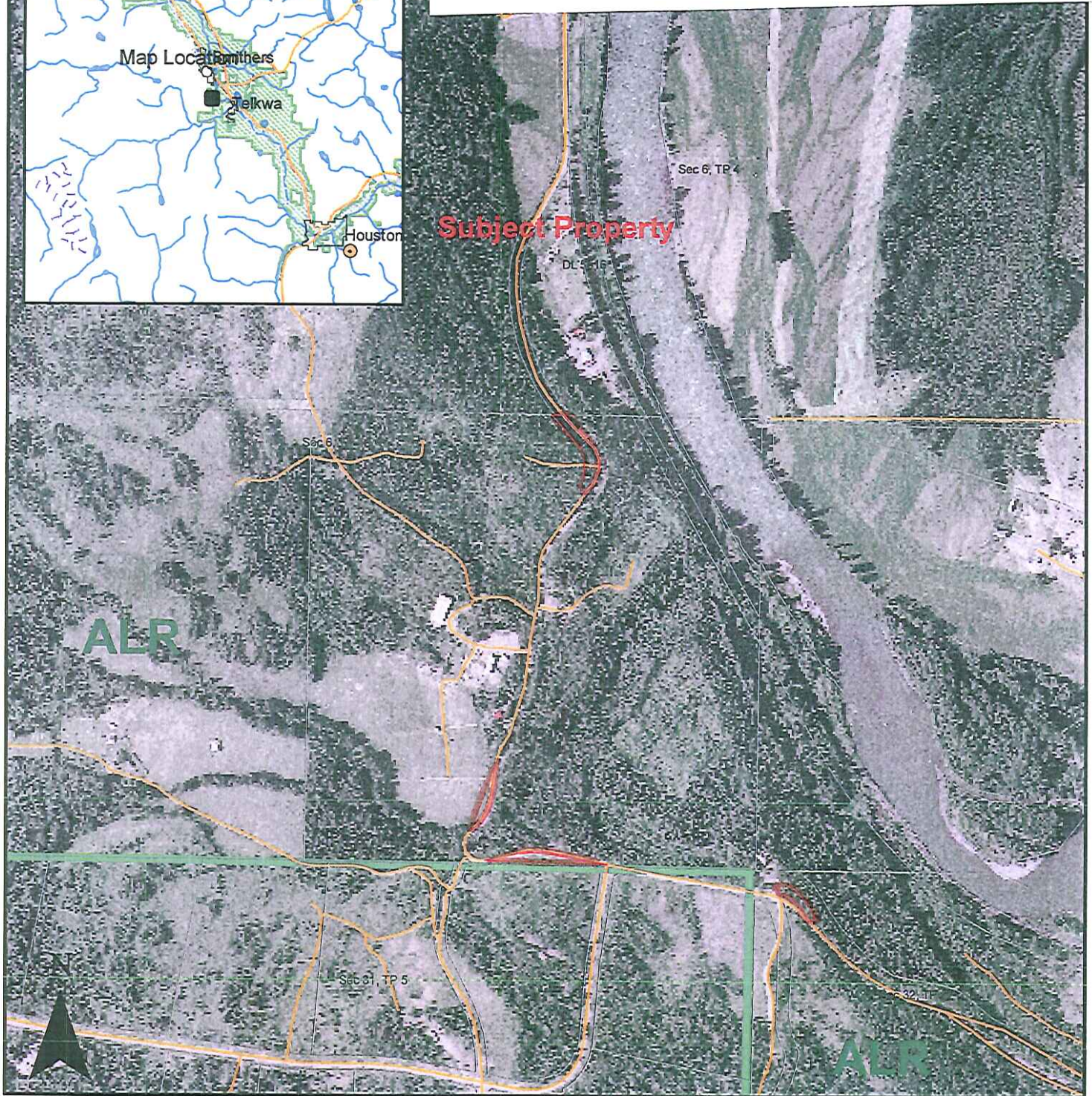
Resolution # 431/2008



Approved area for road



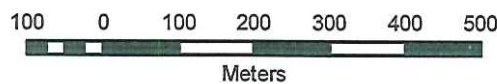
**Subject Property**



ALC File #:	26-2008-38244
Mapsheet #:	93L.065, 93L.075
Map Produced:	June 23, 2008
Regional District:	Bulkley - Nechako

## Airphoto Map 2006

Map Scale: 1:10,000





## MINUTES OF THE PROVINCIAL AGRICULTURAL LAND COMMISSION

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A meeting was held by the Provincial Agricultural Land Commission on July 24, 2008 in Terrace, B.C.

<b>PRESENT:</b>	William Norton	Chair, North Panel
	Denise Dowswell	Commissioner
	John Kendrew	Commissioner
	Terra Kaethler	Staff

### For Consideration

Application: # B- 38244  
Applicant: Ministry of Transportation  
Agent: Catherine Seel  
Proposal: To upgrade Tatlow Road to provided better visibility and sight distance. The road improvements are being completed for safety due to increased logging truck activity.  
Legal: South East 1/4, Section 6, Township 4, Range 5 Coast District  
West 1/2, Section 32, Township 4, Range 5 Coast District  
Location: Properties on Tatlow Road, Smithers

### Site Inspection

A site inspection was conducted on July 23, 2008. Those in attendance were:

- William Norton Chair, North Panel
- Denise Dowswell Commissioner
- John Kendrew Commissioner
- Terra Kaethler Staff

### Context

The proposal was weighed against the purposes of the Commission as stipulated in section 6 of the *Agricultural Land Commission Act* (the "Act"). They 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.

### Discussion

The Commission assessed the impact of the proposal against the long term goal of preserving agricultural land. It was determined that the proposed upgrades to the existing road would not impact existing or potential agricultural use of surrounding lands.

However, the Commission noted that the project was adjacent to an existing farm parcel and discussed that any fencing removed for the project should be replaced to mitigate any potential negative impact of the proposal.

**Conclusion**

That the proposal will not impact agriculture.

**IT WAS**

**MOVED BY:** Commissioner Kendrew

**SECONDED BY:** Commissioner Dowswell

THAT the application be approved;

AND THAT the approval is subject to the following condition:

The replacement of any fencing affected by the road expansion on adjacent agricultural properties.

**CARRIED**

**Resolution # 431/2008**