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March 13, 2010

Reply to the attention of Simone Rivers
ALC File: 51618

John Gregson
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Dear Mr Gregson:

Re: Application to Exclude land from the Agricultural Land Reserve

Please find attached the Minutes of Resolution # **2276/2010** outlining the Commission's decision as it relates to the above noted application.

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

Yours truly,

PROVINCIAL AGRICULTURAL LAND COMMISSION

Per:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Simone Rivers". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Erik Karlsen, Chair

Enclosure: Minutes/Sketch Plan

cc: Thompson-Nicola Regional District (ALR00015)

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Discussion

Assessment of Agricultural Capability

The agricultural capability of the soil of the portion of the property under application is 60% Class 6TP – 40% Class 7TC with limitations of topography, stoniness and climate. Class 6 – Land in this class is non-arable but is capable of producing native and or uncultivated perennial forage crops.

The Commission believed that the portion of the subject property located east of the road had limited agricultural capability due to topography and stoniness.

Assessment of Agricultural Suitability

The Commission assessed whether external factors such as encroaching non-farm development have caused or will cause the land to become unsuitable for agriculture. The Commission does not believe there are external factors that render the land unsuitable for agricultural use.

Assessment of Impact on Agriculture

The Commission also assessed the impact of the proposal against the long term goal of preserving agricultural land. The Commission noted that in general the ALR boundary follows the valley bottom in this area and that the less capable hillsides are generally not within the ALR. As portions of the subject property on either side of the valley are not in the ALR and as the lands under application have limited agricultural capability, the Commission does not believe the proposal would impact existing or potential agricultural use of surrounding lands.

Conclusions

1. That the land under application has limited agricultural capability.
2. That the land under application is suitable for agricultural use.
3. That the proposal will not impact agriculture.

IT WAS

MOVED BY: Commissioner Dempsey

SECONDED BY: Commissioner Huffman

THAT the application be approved.

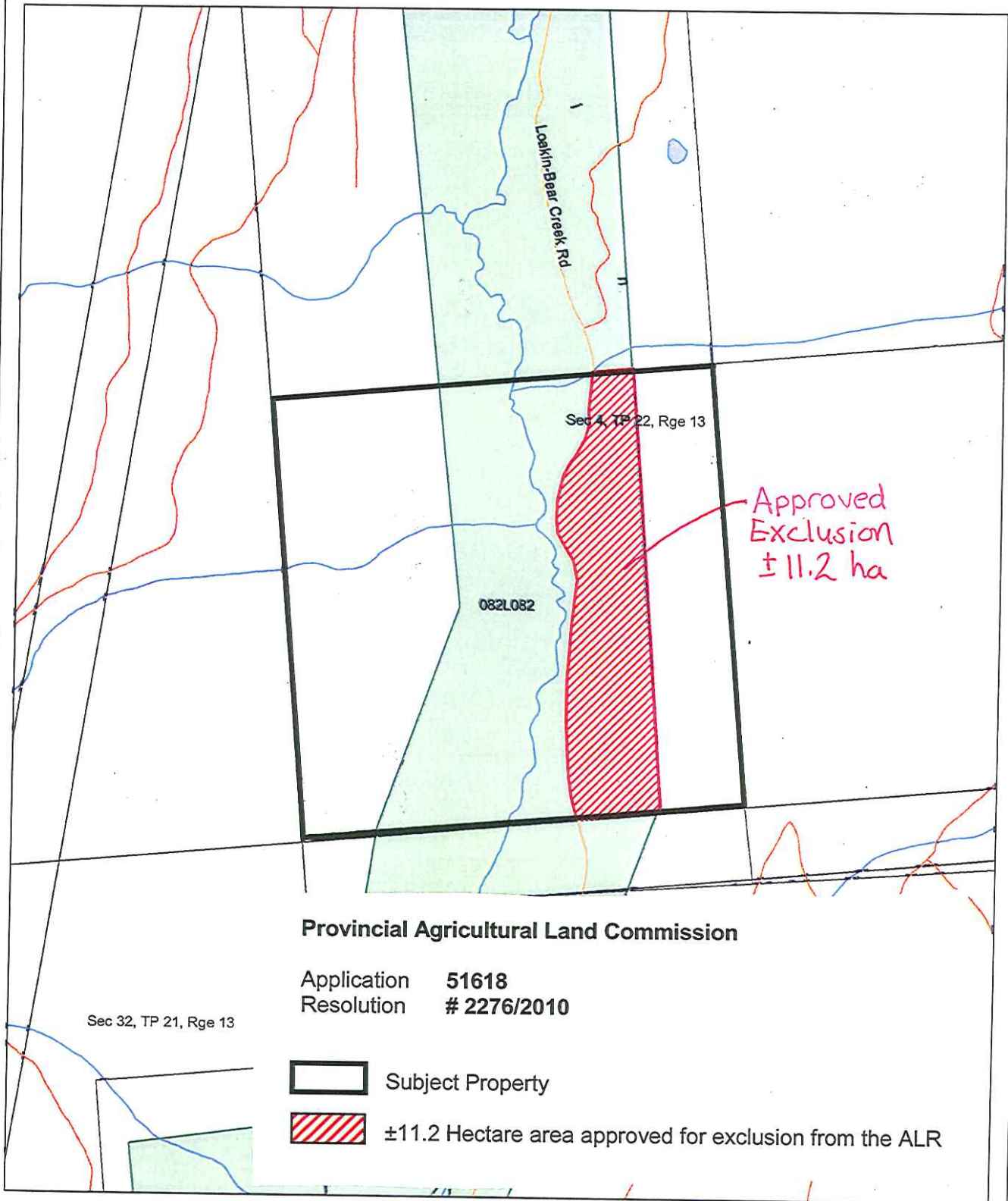
This decision does not relieve the owner or occupier of the responsibility to comply with applicable Acts, regulations, bylaws of the local government. This includes zoning, subdivision, or other land use bylaws, and decisions of any authorities that have jurisdiction under an enactment.

CARRIED

Resolution # 2276/2010

Proposal Sketch

File No.: 51618



Provincial Agricultural Land Commission

Application 51618
Resolution # 2276/2010

Sec 32, TP 21, Rge 13

-  Subject Property
-  ±11.2 Hectare area approved for exclusion from the ALR

Scale: 1: 10,000
BCGS Mapsheet(s): 82L.082

