

SITE PHOTOGRAPH INSTRUCTIONS

Site photos are optional but are extremely useful to the Agricultural Land Commission (ALC) during the decision making process. The site photos enable the ALC to view parcels in areas where the location or time of the year for a site investigation is not feasible.

Site photos should provide the following information:

- Clearly show the area under application and any land or structural features referred to in the proposal (Example: Buildings, fence lines, rocky outcrops, marshy areas, soil structure, fields, etc)
- Photos should be labelled with which direction they are <u>facing</u> and any other important information about the photo.
 - For example, if you are facing north (south at your back) and take a photo of a barn, the photo could be labelled "Photo #1, Barn, facing north. Property line can be seen in the distance as indicated by the white fence line".
- Photos should be labeled with a corresponding number on the submitted sketch map of the property. This will provide geographic context of the land under application and will orient land and structural features accordingly.

Tips for taking photos:

- When possible, take photos when there is no snow on the ground.
- Take photos in good light.
- Take photos either parallel or perpendicular to the area you are photographing.
- Avoid taking photos on an angle.
- Photos should be large enough to see detail.
- Arrange photos into a Word or PDF readable document. Typically, two or three photos to a page only.

Example #1. Good photo.



Photo #1. Hay field and Smith Road facing west. Steep mountainside in the background is the area proposed for exclusion.

Example #2. Good photo



Photo #2. Pit showing stony nature of the soil in the northwest corner of the property. Photo taken facing north. Stony soil covers approximate 2 ha of the property where the non-farm use is proposed to be built.