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RURAL DIRECTORS COMMITTEE AGENDA Thursday, January 9, 2014

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REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO

RURAL DIRECTORS COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, November 7, 2013

PRESENT: Chair		Jerry Petersen				
Directors		Stephen Freeman Bill Miller Rob Newell Ralph Roy Stoney Stoltenberg				
	Director Absent	Tom Greenaway, Electoral Area "C" (Fort St. James Rural)				
	Staff Gail Chapman, Chief Administrative Officer Cheryl Anderson, Manager of Administrative Services Hans Berndorff, Financial Administrator Jason Llewellyn, Director of Planning Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant					
CALL TO OR	DER	Chair Petersen called the meeting to order at 1:59 p.m.				
<u>SUPPLEMENTARY</u> AGENDA		Moved by Director Roy Seconded by Director Miller				
RDC.2013-10-1		"That the Supplementary Agenda be received and dealt with at this meeting."				
		(All/Directors/Majority)	CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY			
AGENDA		Moved by Director Stoltenberg Seconded by Director Newell				
<u>RDC.2013-10-</u>	2	"That the Rural Directors Committee Agenda of November 7, 2013 be approved."				
		(All/Directors/Majority)	CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY			
MINUTES						
Rural Directors Committee Meeting Minutes - October 10, 2013		Moved by Director Stoltenberg Seconded by Director Freeman				
RDC.2013-10-3		"That the minutes of the Rural Directors Committee meeting of October 10, 2013 be received."				
		(All/Directors/Majority)	CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY			

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REPORTS

Electoral Area "A"

Director Freemen left the meeting at 2:00 p.m. due to a familial conflict of interest regarding the Southside Economic Development Association grant in aid request.

Request for Grant in Aid	Moved by Director Stoltenberg Seconded by Director Roy			
<u>RDC.2013-10-4</u>		nittee recommend that the Regional rd of Directors approve the following		
	-Southside Economic Development Association be given \$5,000 gran aid monies from Electoral Area "E" (Francois/Ootsa Lake Rural) for a Highway 16 Billboard promoting the Southside;" -Vanderhoof Children's Theatre be given \$4,000 grant in aid monies f Electoral Area "F" (Vanderhoof Rural) for costs associated with upcoming performances in Prince George, B.C."			
	(All/Directors/Majority)	CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY		
Director Freeman returned to the	e meeting at 2:01 p.m.			
DEVELOPMENT SERVICES (A	II Directors)			
REFERRALS				
Land Referral No. 6400286 Gary Blackwell Electoral Area "E"	Moved by Director Freeman Seconded by Director Newell			
<u>RDC.2013-10-5</u>		ittee take the position that the Regional erests are unaffected by Land Referral		
	(All/Directors/Majority)	CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY		
<u>Telus File No. BC2368</u> <u>TM Mobile Inc.</u>	Moved by Director Stoltenberg Seconded by Director Miller			

RDC.2013-10-6"That the Rural Directors Committee take the position that the Regional
District of Bulkley-Nechako's interests are unaffected by TELUS File
BC2368 for a proposed telecommunication facility at 5855 Lake Kathlyn
Rd."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

Moved by Director Freeman Seconded by Director Newell		
"That the Rural Directors Committee take the position that the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako's interests are unaffected by Land Referral Application No. 6408605."		
(All/Directors/Majority)	CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY	
recreation sites abandoned by t RDBN. Director Miller spoke of sites to area residents and touri that he has received a favourab	the maintenance and upkeep of the he province that are located within the the economic value of the recreation sts coming to the region. He mentioned le response in speaking with constituents Lake Rural) regarding a service in order upkeep of the recreation sites.	
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Moved by Director Miller Seconded by Director Newell		
District of Bulkley-Nechako direct recreation sites within each RDI	nittee recommend that the Regional ct staff to investigate the number of BN Electoral Area presently being with the sites, and who is currently e."	
(All/Directors/Majority)	CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY	
Moved by Director Stoltenberg		
"That the meeting be adjourned	at 2:26 p.m."	
	Seconded by Director Newell "That the Rural Directors Comm District of Bulkley-Nechako's int Application No. 6408605." (All/Directors/Majority) Discussion took place regarding recreation sites abandoned by t RDBN. Director Miller spoke of sites to area residents and touri that he has received a favourab within Electoral Area "B" (Burns to provide the maintenance and Discussion took place regarding of the sites and the current main occurring. There are a large nu levels of upkeep being managed A limited number of sites are sti Forests, Lands and Natural Res place regarding funding options Moved by Director Miller Seconded by Director Newell "That the Rural Directors Comm District of Bulkley-Nechako direa recreation sites within each RDI maintained, the cost associated responsible for the maintenance (All/Directors/Majority) Moved by Director Stoltenberg	

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Jerry Petersen, Chair

Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant



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REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO

MEMORANDUM

TO: Chair Petersen and Rural Directors Committee

- FROM: Wendy Wainwright Executive Assistant
- DATE: January 2, 2014
- SUBJECT: CNC Vanderhoof Campus Request for Grant in Aid Electoral Area "F" (Vanderhoof Rural)

Attached is a request for Grant in Aid monies from the CNC Vanderhoof Campus.

The Campus is requesting \$5,000 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area "F" (Vanderhoof Rural) for costs associated with a Youth Support Worker for the Vanderhoof Youth Centre.

Director Petersen has indicated that he is supportive of this application.

RECOMMENDATION:

(All/Directors/Majority)

"That the Rural Directors Committee recommend to the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors that the CNC Vanderhoof Campus be given \$5,000 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area "F" (Vanderhoof Rural) for costs associated with a Youth Support Worker for the Vanderhoof Youth Centre."

Cheryl Anderson

From: Sent: To: Subject: Attachments: Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako <inquiries@rdbn.bc.ca> December-20-13 10:04 AM Cheryl Anderson New submission from "Grant in Aid Application"! 52b486a362a49-RDBN_YouthCentreBudget.pdf



REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO ELECTORAL AREA GRANT IN AID APPLICATION

APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY:

College of New Caledonia

Email:

Contact Person:

APPLICATION SUMMARY

Project or purpose for which you require assistance:

Vanderhoof Youth Centre - funding for Youth Support Worker salary & benefits

Amount	Reg	uested:
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To the best of my knowledge, all of the information that is provided in this application is true and correct. Furthermore, I hereby certify that this application for assistance is NOT being made on behalf of an individual, industry, commercial or business undertaking.

APPLICATION PROFILE

Is your organization voluntary and non-profit?:

Mailing Address: 3231 Hospital Rd Vanderhoof B.C. V0J 3A2

> mallais@cnc.bc.ca Maureen Mallais, Regional Director,Ph 250-567-3200, Fax 250-567-3217

\$5,000

Yes

Yes

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Please describe the services/benefits that your organization provides to the community. Are these services/benefits available to the community from another organization or agency?

The College of New Caledonia (CNC) is a comprehensive community college, providing access to lifelong learning and facilitates the achievement of personal and educational goals. We are responsive to the diverse needs of our learners, program participants, our employees, and the communities of our region. In the dynamic, consultative environment, we deliver quality programs and promote the success of every student. Through many partnerships in our region we also deliver many programs including programs in the social service sector. Locally, CNC is the only college available to our community and the Youth Centre is the only one operating in Vanderhoof. Our request for funding from RDBN will go toward the salary and benefits of a Youth Support Worker for the Vanderhoof Youth Centre.

Describe the geographic area that receives services or benefits from your organization.

The geographic area that would benefit from this particular project would be the youth from the communities of Vanderhoof, Fort Fraser, and Saik'uz First Nation.

Please detail any remuneration paid, or funds otherwise made available to members, officers, etc. of your organization.:

Honorariums are paid to the CNC Board of Governors. Employees of CNC are paid. CNC is a non-profit organization.

Please comment on the number of members/volunteers in your organization and how long your organization has been in operation.:

CNC was established in 1969, the Vanderhoof campus in 1975. In regards to this particular project and application, we are seeking funding to continue to support the salary of the Youth Support Worker and have at least 8 volunteers from the community.

PROJECT PROPOSAL PROFILE

RDBN Assistance Requested:

other purpose

Other Assistance Requested:

Youth Support Worker Salary and Benefits

Please describe the proposal for which you are requesting assistance. If you are applying for an exemption from fees and/or charges or other consideration, please provide details or your request here. Attach additional information if required:

Vanderhoof Youth Centre - Our goal is to provide integrated social and developmental activities for youth within an accessible, safe, and supportive environment. Thank you for

supporting the Vanderhoof Youth Centre in the past. We are now near the end of our third year and are requesting continued financial support from the Regional District of Bulkley Nechako to assist with the salary and benefits for the Youth Support Worker.

Describe how this proposal will benefit the community:

The Youth Center Project demonstrates important, clear and measurable benefits to the community and to the health, safety and the quality of life in our community. This project addresses the need of youth having somewhere to go to after school between the critical hours of 3:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. The centre also provides much needed social support and teaches them valuable skills in how to make productive use of their free time. It provides a diverse, inclusive environment for youth to go and feel safe and secure. The Youth Support Worker assists youth in day to day issues that they face and provides referrals to social services that they may require. The Youth Development Coordinator (funded by the Vancouver Foundation) develops programs and activities for youth to participate in. Building bridges between the communities of Vanderhoof and Saik'uz is beneficial in terms of socio-economic relationships and the Youth Centre has shown to be an impetus for the development of these relationships. The Youth Centre involves multiple partners in the operation of the centre, including financial contributions, in-kind project support and/or technical expertise.

Although statistics are not available, local RCMP believe that petty crime rates decreased after the youth centre opened. In the last few years, youth at risk of gang and criminal involvement are being recruited into the drug trade with the infiltration of gangs from nearby cities. The youth centre provides mentoring which is a useful strategy with at-risk youth who experience multiple risk factors for delinquency, such as few positive role models, few opportunities for community or after-school activities and poor school performance.

FUNDING AND FINANCIAL INFORMATION

files Submitted:

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<u>RDBN</u>	YouthCentreBudget.pdf

Have you applied for a grant/funding from other source(s)?:

Yes

If not, please comment.:

Name of Grant or Funding Agency1: Amount Applied for 1: Status of Grant Application1:

Name of Grant or Funding Agency2: Amount Applied for2: Status of Grant Application2:

Name of Grant or Funding Agency3: Amount Applied for3: Status of Grant Application3: District of Vanderhoof \$30,000 Pending

Youth Crime Prevention \$20,000 Pending

United Way \$4500 Approved Name of Grant or Funding Agency4: Amount Applied for4: Status of Grant Application4:

Have you received assistance before from us.

Year, Amount and Purpose for assistance

Year, Amount and Purpose for assistance

Does your organization: Offer direct financial assistance to individuals or families?: Duplicate services that fall within the mandate of either: a senior government or a local service agency?: Provide an opportunity for individuals to make direct contributions?: OR, is your organization: Part of a provincial or national fund raising campaign?:

Yes

Vancouver Foundation \$30.000 Approved

Yes

May 2011, \$5000, Youth Support *Worker salry & benefits* Feb 2013, \$5000, Youth Support Worker salry & benefits



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REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO

MEMORANDUM

TO:Chair Petersen and Rural Directors CommitteeFROM:Wendy Wainwright
Executive AssistantDATE:January 2, 2014

SUBJECT: Nechako Valley Rodeo Association – Request for Grant in Aid – Electoral Area "F" (Vanderhoof Rural)

Attached is a request for Grant in Aid monies from the Nechako Valley Rodeo Association.

The Association is requesting \$2,000 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area "F" (Vanderhoof Rural) for costs associated with a B.C. Rodeo Association Sanctioned Rodeo in Vanderhoof in April, 2014.

Director Petersen has indicated that he is supportive of this application.

RECOMMENDATION:

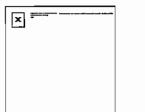
(All/Directors/Majority)

"That the Rural Directors Committee recommend to the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors that the Nechako Valley Rodeo Association be given \$2,000 grant in aid monies from Electoral Area "F" (Vanderhoof Rural) for costs associated with a B.C. Rodeo Association Sanctioned Rodeo in Vanderhoof in April, 2014."

Geraldine Craven

From: Sent: To: Subject: Attachments: Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako <inquiries@rdbn.bc.ca December-30-13 3:59 PM Cheryl Anderson New submission from "Grant in Aid Application"! 52c208b56b7f9-Rodeo Pamphlet FINAL.pdf

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REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO ELECTORAL AREA GRANT IN AID APPLICATION

APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY:

Nechako Valley Rodeo Association

Email:

Contact Person:

APPLICATION SUMMARY

Project or purpose for which you require assistance:

To bring the 2nd Annual Nechako Valley Indoor Rodeo to Vanderhoof in April 2014.

Amount Requested:

\$2,000

Yes

To the best of my knowledge, all of the information that is provided in this application is true and correct. Furthermore, I hereby certify that this application for assistance is NOT being made on behalf of an individual, industry, commercial or business undertaking.

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APPLICATION PROFILE

Is your organization voluntary and non-profit?:

Yes

chevyhorse@hotmail.com Carol Ann Shearer, VP, 2505676971/Brenda Ferguson, Pres., 567-2792

5886 Sinkut Falls Rd. PO Box 1635,

Mailing Address:

Vanderhoof, BC V0J 3A0

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Please describe the services/benefits that your organization provides to the community. Are these services/benefits available to the community from another organization or agency?

To organize and launch the 2nd Annual Nechako Valley Rodeo in April 2014. No other community organization is providing this service.

Describe the geographic area that receives services or benefits from your organization.

Nechako Valley: Vanderhoof, Ft. St. James, Fraser Lake, Fort Fraser, Burns Lake, Prince George, and many other communities in BC -- spectators and competitors come from all over, including the USA.

Please detail any remuneration paid, or funds otherwise made available to members, officers, etc. of your organization.:

None

Please comment on the number of members/volunteers in your organization and how long your organization has been in operation.:

7-member Board of Directors; up to 35 volunteers over the 2-day event. NVRA was established in October 2012 and was incorporated as a not-for-profit society in January, 2013.

PROJECT PROPOSAL PROFILE

RDBN Assistance Requested:

special event

Other Assistance Requested:

Please describe the proposal for which you are requesting assistance. If you are applying for an exemption from fees and/or charges or other consideration, please provide details or your request here. Attach additional information if required:

Contribution to the sizeable budget required to bring a BCRA-sanctioned rodeo back to the Nechako Valley for a second year. The 2013 event was an overwhelming success. We expect 2014 to be even bigger and better.

Describe how this proposal will benefit the community:

The entire local area gets exposure; local businesses, restaurants, motels benefit from the many visitors in the area. Area seen as desirable place to visit and to live.

FUNDING AND FINANCIAL INFORMATIO

files Submitted:

If not, please comment.:

Have you applied for a grant/funding from other source(s)?:

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Yes

The NVRA has launched an aggressive fundraising campaign again this year. We are seeking financial assistance from other levels of government, local and regional businesses and associations, and larger granting agencies.

Name of Grant or Funding Agency1: Amount Applied for 1: Status of Grant Application1:

Name of Grant or Funding Agency2: Amount Applied for2: Status of Grant Application2:

Name of Grant or Funding Agency3: Amount Applied for3: Status of Grant Application3:

Name of Grant or Funding Agency4: Amount Applied for4: Status of Grant Application4:

Have you received assistance before from us.

Year, Amount and Purpose for assistance

Year, Amount and Purpose for assistance

Yes

2013; \$1500; to bring rodeo back to Nechako Valley after a 14-year absence.

Does your organization:

Offer direct financial assistance to individuals or families?:

Duplicate services that fall within the mandate of either:

a senior government or a local service agency?:

Provide an opportunity for individuals to make direct contributions?:

OR, is your organization: Part of a provincial or national fund raising campaign?:

Yes



MEMORANDUM

To:	Rural Directors
From:	Maria Sandberg, Planner
Date:	December 19, 2013
Re;	Applications No. 6408624 and 6408631, Investigative Licence for wind power purposes

COMMENTS:

The proponent has submitted applications to the Province for two investigative licenses for wind power purposes on Crown land. The application areas are located adjacent to each other, along Equity Mine Rd, approximately 3 kilometres southeast of the District of Houston. The odd shape of the application area is based on topography. These applications are for the placement of meteorological towers for the purposes of assessing the suitability of the proposed sites for wind power. The exact locations, and numbers, of towers are yet to be determined, and the locations shown are tentative. Existing roads, trails, and possibly helicopters, will be used for access.

There are a number of residential dwellings along the Buck Flats Road; however, staff do not expect that the towers will have a notable impact on residents. Nevertherless, it is recommended that the Province ensure that area residents are aware of the project and have an opportunity to provide comment. According to Regional District records the nearest residences are located 1.5 kilometres away from the western edge of the application area.

Recommendation

That the attached comment sheet be provided to the Province as the Regional District's comments on Crown land applications 6408624 and 6408631.

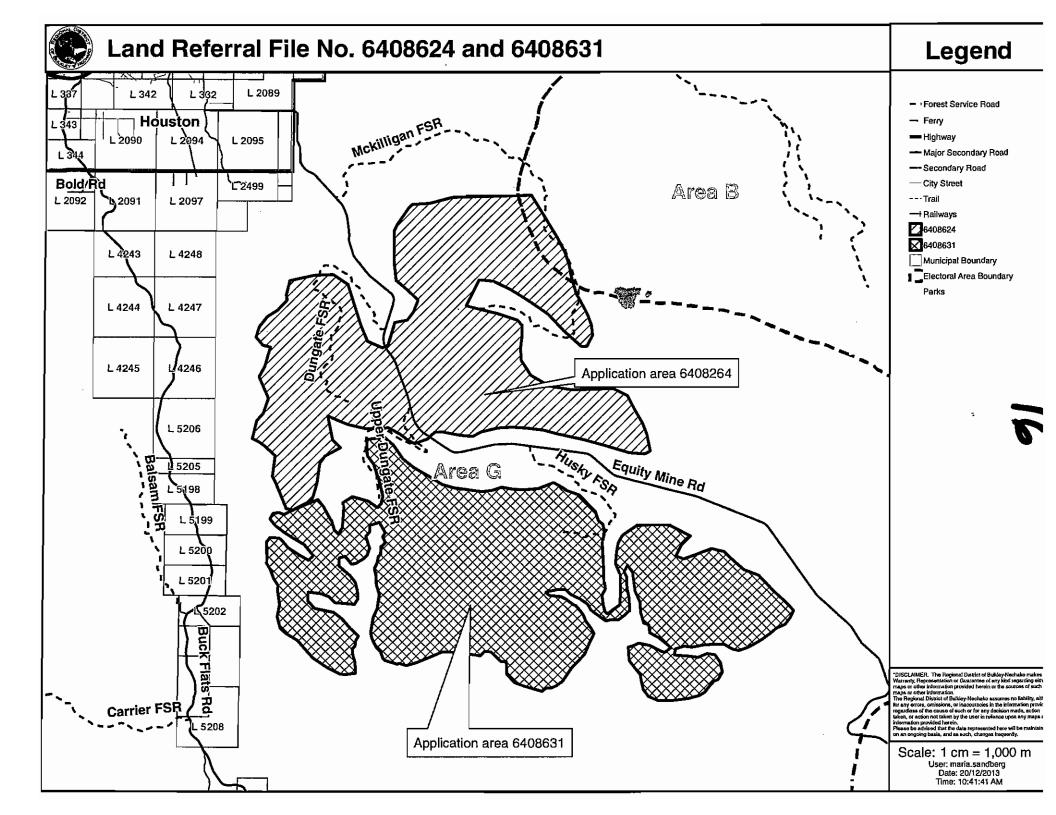
Reviewed by: JasbrikLlewellyn Director of Planning

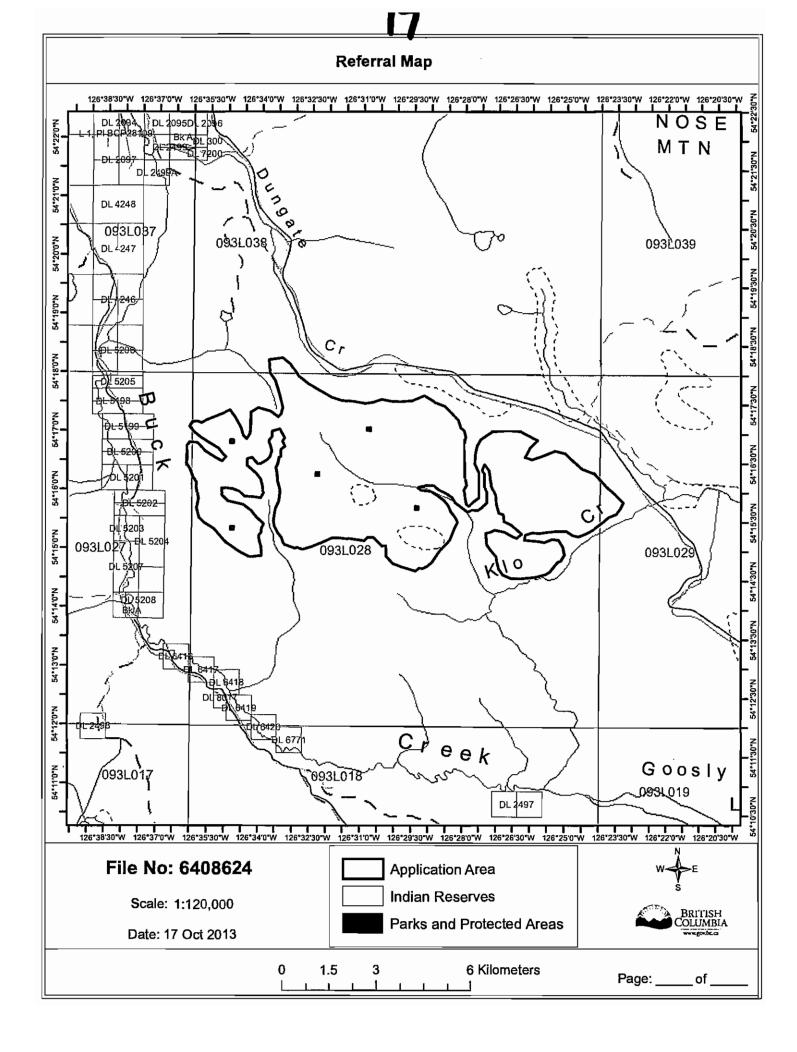
Written by: Maria Sandber Planner

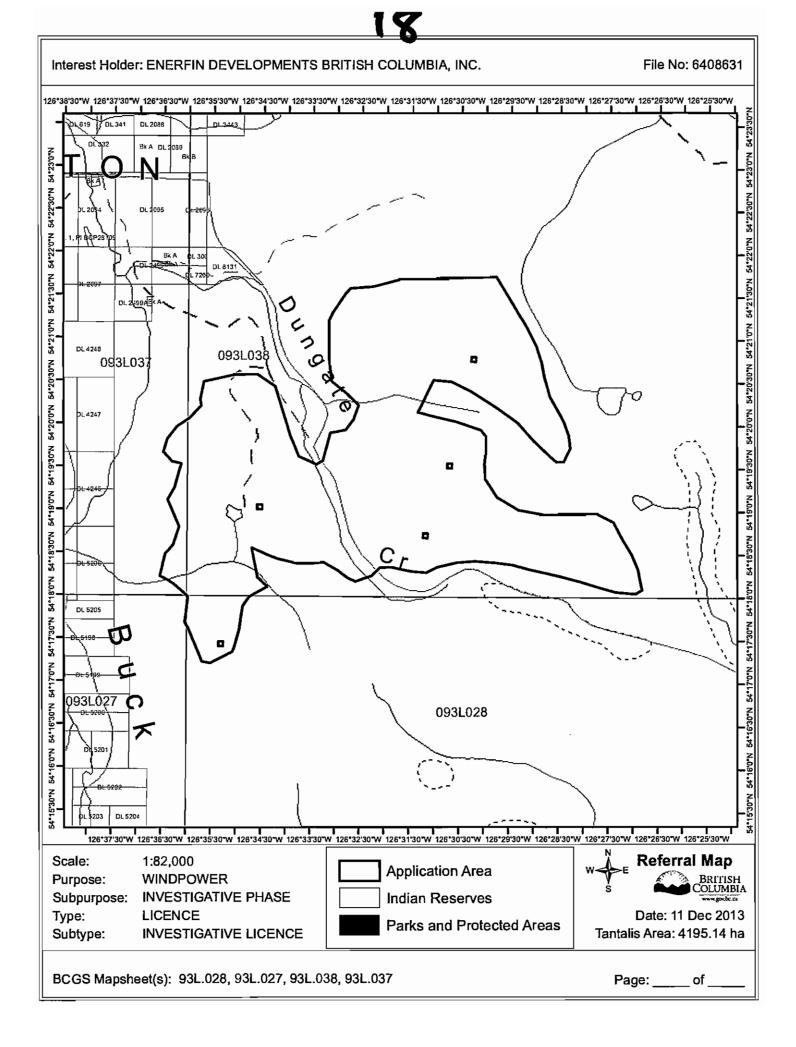


REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO COMMENT SHEET ON CROWN LAND REFERRALS 6408624 and 6408631

Electoral Area:	G and B
Applicant:	Enerfin Development BC Inc.
Existing Land Use:	Vacant
Zoning:	No zoning applies
Plan Designation	No OCP designation applies
Proposed Use Comply With Zoning:	NA
If not, why?	
Agricultural Land Reserve:	Not in the ALR
Access Highway:	Equity Mine Rd and Forest Service Roads
Archaeological Site:	Not according to our mapping
Building Inspection:	Outside the building inspection area, except for the part that is located in Electoral Area B
Fire Protection:	Outside Rural Fire Protection Area
Other comments:	The Province should ensure that area residents, along the Buck Flats Road are made aware of the project and have an opportunity to provide comment to the province regarding any potential impacts.









INVESTIGATIVE LICENCE APPLICATION INVESTIGATIVE PLAN FOR WIND ENERGY DEVELOPMENT: HOUSTON B WIND PROJECT

September 2013

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1. ENERFIN BACKGROUND

Elecnor is one of Spain's leading companies in engineering, development and construction of projects relating to infrastructures, renewable energies and new technologies with over 50 years of continuous growth, a presence in 30 countries, and 12,000 employees.

Elecnor created Enerfín in 1997 to become a developer and investor on the wind energy market. Enerfín contributes its human, technical and financial skills, applied to the management of wind energy investment projects, to all its development stages.

Enerfín is involved in 903 MW of operating wind power located in Spain and Brazil, and its first wind Project in Canada, located in the province of Quebec, is due to start operation by the end of 2013.

Enerfin's main fields of operation are as follows:

- Technical studies: Assessment of wind potential and production studies. Environmental impact studies and environmental monitoring of wind farms. Study and selection of technology. Basic infrastructure and installation projects.
- Economic and financial studies.
- Administrative processing of projects.
- Management of permits and authorisations.
- Construction and detailed engineering projects.
- Supervision of "turnkey" construction.
- Management of the operation (technical, administrative, accounting and financial).

Enerfin created Enerfin Developments British Columbia in 2013 to develop wind energy projects in British Columbia.

2. PROJECT AND PURPOSE

The objective of this application is for investigative activities related to the development of wind power generation facility to supply electricity to the BC. The Investigative License Application is for the area named Houston B (the "Project") and encompasses 4189 ha. The site is located in the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako, near Houston, BC.



Enerfin expects that the Project could produce up to 200 MW, but during the investigative phase, Enerfin will assess the Project feasibility, the site capacity and will also perform preliminary consultation with stakeholders and First Nations if required.

The Project would comprise components typical of wind project infrastructure, such as: wind turbine generators (WTGs) and foundations, WTG lay down areas and crane pads, a substation, access road(s), electrical collection system network, meteorological masts, temporary storage areas and an operation & maintenance building. The Project will also include a transmission line to interconnect to the BC electrical grid, but the exact transmission route has not yet been determined.

The site will be mainly accessed using existing forestry roads, where possible. If not, access to the site will be achieved by ATV or foot. Upgrading the existing road and/or the construction of new corridors may be required for the meteorological mast installation.

Enerfin has identified several locations for initial meteorological towers, they are shown on the detailed map attached by a label "HO-M11" to "HO-M15". Prior to any changes being made with or to improvements, and prior to any activities such as drilling or road construction, Enerfin will notify the Authorizing Agency as soon as the information is known to maintain the tenure in good standing.

The site is in the vicinity of Enerfin's Houston A investigative licence application. The wind resource buffer is 1 km in the prevailing wind direction as per the Crown land Use Operational Policy. The setback, if required, will be shared equally between the two investigative licences areas proposed by Enerfin and no wind turbine will be located within it.

3. MAPS REQUIRED

As required by the application form, a General Location map at a scale of 1:250,000 is included in 0Appendix A and a Detailed Site Map at a scale of 1:50,000 is included in Appendix B.

4. MANAGEMENT PLAN

The following is a general outline of the investigation plan to be conducted after reception of the Investigative Licence (IL).

A chart of the intended activities by type, year, season and potential impacts is presented below to assist Authorizing Agency staff in assessing the use of the land. The intended activities are further described in Table 4-1 below.



In case of making changes in the investigative activities, that include placement of improvements that were not part of the original submission of the investigative plan, Enerfín will notify the appropriate Authorizing Agency staff as soon as the information is known, prior to making the changes and to maintain the tenure in good standing.

Activity	Brief Description of Activity	Time Period	Potential Impact
Wind Measurement	Site visit, install and maintain mast(s).	When weather permits within the 4 years after the reception of the Investigative Licence (IL)	If required, vegetation clearing at the mast location and to access the site.
Construction Feasibility	Site visit	When weather permits after reception of the IL	None
Environmental Screening	Analysis of desktop critical issues, preliminary field surveys and preliminary consultation with stakeholders if needed	During 1 st or 2 nd summer after reception of the IL	None
Turbine Layout	Site visit and field surveys if needed	Within the 1 st or 2 nd summers after reception of the IL	None
Environmental Assessment (EA)	Surveys: birds, bats, wildlife, vegetation, water bodies, visual impact, archaeology, land use, etc.	Preliminary studies 2 nd year after reception of the IL. Full EA if Electricity Purchase Agreement (EPA) is awarded	None
Geotechnical studies	Shallow boreholes.	After 3 rd year after reception of the IL (If EPA is awarded)	If needed, minor vegetation clearing and/or water sourcing.

Table 4.1: Intended Activities

4.1 CONSTRUCTION FEASIBILITY

Enerfin will visit the site, when weather permits, after the reception of the IL in order to better assess the construction feasibility of the Project. After the site visit, and in case construction is considered not to be feasible, further work as installation of met mast or environmental screening will not be performed. The proponent will advise MFNRO in the event they decide to abandon interest in the tenure.

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4.2 WIND RESOURCE ANALYSIS

Enerfin has identified five met mast positions and intends to determine during a site visit which of these positions is the most feasible and representative, once the IL has been assigned.

The installation will take place within the 4 years after reception of the IL, when weather permits. Initial wind measurements are taken by installing an initial met mast at a representative site location and collecting data for at least 12 months. Once the site's wind resource has been assessed, Enerfin will determine whether to install additional masts to aid in the modeling of wind speeds. The on-site activities related to the wind measurement will last up to 4 years.

The appropriate permits will be sought and/or replacement applications will be prepared if any of the following activities are required for the meteorological mast installation: access road construction, upgrade of an existing access road or vegetation clearing.

Mast ID	Easting	Northing
HO-M11	962631	1035174
. HO-M12	961785	1032210
HO-M13	967308	1038361
HO-M14	966780	1036057
НО-М15	966250	1034542

Table 4.2: Met Mast coordinates (NAD1983 BC_Albers).

The identified mast coordinates are presented in Table 4-2 below.

Given that no site prospection has been realized yet, the final mast coordinates might differ slightly. A 100 m x 100 m box around these coordinates has been delineated for the area potentially required for clearing to install the met masts therein.

4.3 ENVIRONMENTAL SCREENING

Prior to initiating the Environmental Assessment (EA) process, Enerfín will undertake an environmental screening of the site which will include a site visit during the 1^{st} or 2^{nd} summer after reception of the IL.

The environmental screening will include desktop critical issues analysis, preliminary field surveys and preliminary consultation with stakeholders and with interested First Nations to discuss the proposed activities and identify potential concerns.

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4.4 TURBINE LAYOUT

Field visits will be required to confirm the land available for siting wind turbines and its feasibility.

In order to further investigate potential wind turbine locations, Enerfin will visit the area within the 1^{st} or 2^{nd} summers after receipt of the IL. The number of WTGs will be determined during the investigative phase.

4.5 ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

Enerfín intends to initiate the EA process in accordance with the *Environmental Assessment Act* [SBC 2002, c43] and will undertake all studies required in the Environmental Assessment Process, in order to receive an Environmental Assessment Certificate from the Environmental Assessment Office (EAO) after the reception of an Environmental Potential Act (EPA). The EA will include surveys and studies such as:

- Consultation with local communities, First Nations and governmental agencies;
- Birds, bats and wildlife surveys;
- Flora inventories;
- Waterbodies;
- Archaeological surveys;
- Visual, noise and electromagnetic interference impact;
- Land Use;
- Etc.

The appropriate permits will be sought for all the activities that might be required such as under the *Heritage Act* [RSBC 1996, c187] and *Wildlife Act* [BC Reg 340/82].

4.6 GEOTECHNICAL INVESTIGATIONS

It will need undertake on-site geotechnical investigations to properly characterise the prospective wind farm's ground conditions in the vicinity of proposed turbine foundations and access roads.

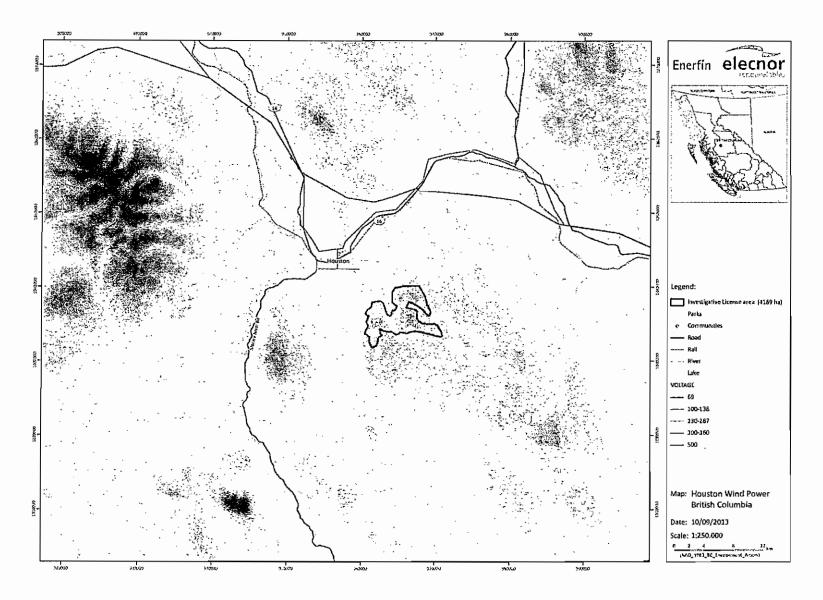
The geotechnical investigations will include the boreholes. The appropriate permits will be sought for all the activities that might be required to perform the drilling, such as vegetation clearing or water use.

Enerfin will undertake the geotechnical investigations after award of an EPA for the Project.

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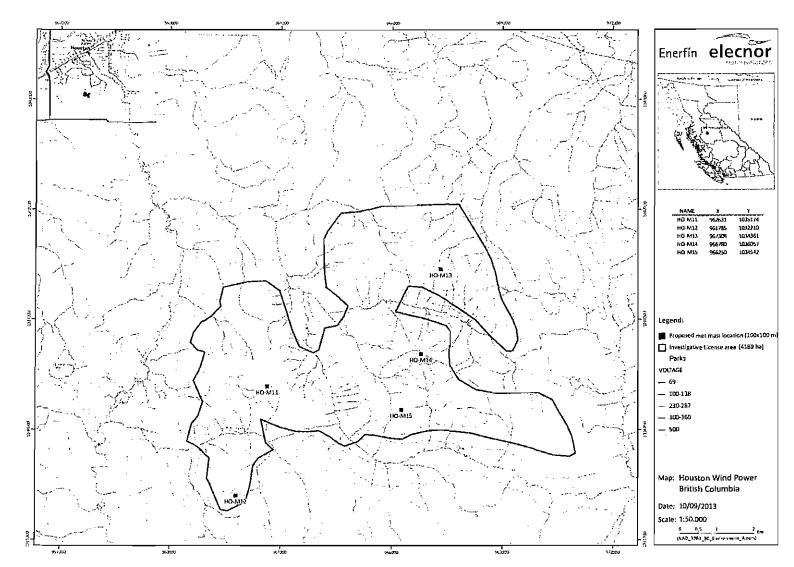
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2 SECTION A – PROPONENT AND PROJECT OVERVIEW

2.1 Company Profile

Elecnor is one of Spain's most illustrious business groups and an industry benchmark in infrastructure, renewable energy and new technology with over 50 years of continuous growth, a presence in 30 countries, and 12,000 employees.

Elecnor created Enerfin in 1997 to become a developer and investor on the wind energy market. Enerfin contributes its human, technical and financial skills, applied to the management of wind energy investment projects, to all its development stages.

Enerfin is involved in 903 MW of operating wind power located in Spain and Brazil, and its first wind Project in Canada, located in the province of Quebec, is due to start operation by the end of 2013. Enerfin's main fields of operation are as follows:

- Technical studies: Assessment of wind potential and production studies. Environmental impact studies and environmental monitoring of wind farms. Study and selection of technology. Basic infrastructure and installation projects.
- Economic and financial studies.
- Administrative processing of projects.
- Management of permits and authorisations.
- Construction and detailed engineering projects.
- Supervision of "turnkey" construction.
- Management of the operation (technical, administrative, accounting and financial).

Enerfin created Enerfin Developments British Columbia in 2013 to develop wind energy projects in British Columbia.

2.2 Project Overview

Houston Wind Project (the "Project") is located in the Bulkley-Nechako Regional District, approximately 12 km southeast of Houston. The primary purpose of the Project will be to supply electricity to the BC electrical grid. During the investigative phase, the technical feasibility of the Project will be further assessed. Enerfin will also perform preliminary consultation with stakeholders and First Nations if required during this time period.

Enerfin is expecting that the Project could produce up to 200 MW, but the site capacity will be further assessed during the investigation phase. The total size of the Investigative Licence Application Area is 4861 ha.

The Project will include typical wind project infrastructure, such as the following: wind turbine generators (WTGs) and foundations, access road(s), electrical collection system network, substation, meteorological masts, and operation & maintenance building. The number of WTGs will be determined during the investigative phase. The Project will also include a transmission line to interconnect to the BC electrical grid but the exact transmission route has not yet been determined. Temporary infrastructure will be required during the construction and will include storage areas, laydown area and crane pads.

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The site will be mainly accessed using existing forestry roads, where possible. If not, access to the site will be achieved by ATV or foot. Upgrading the existing road and/or the construction of new corridors may be required for the meteorological mast installation. If necessary, helicopters may be used to access the site.

The proposed location of meteorological masts is shown on the accompanying map by a label "M1" to "M5". Prior to any changes being made with or to improvements, and prior to any activities such as drilling or road construction, Enerfin will notify the Authorizing Agency as soon as the information is known to maintain the tenure in good standing.

3 SECTION B – MAPS OF AREA

As required by the application form, a General Location map at a scale of 1:250,000 is included in Appendix A and a Detailed Site Map at a scale of 1:50,000 is included in **¡Error! No se encuentra el origen de la referencia.**

4 SECTION C - INVESTIGATIVE ACTIVITIES AND SCHEDULE

A chart of the intended activities by type, year and season and potential impacts is presented below to assist Authorizing Agency staff in assessing the use of the land. The intended activities are further described in Table 4-1 below.

Activity	Brief Description of Activity	Time Period	Potential Impact
Wind Measurement	Site visit, install and maintain mast(s).	When weather permits within the 4 years after the reception of the Investigative Licence (IL)	If required, vegetation clearing at the mast location and to access the site.
Construction Feasibility	Site visit	When weather permits after reception of the IL	None
Environmental Screening	Analysis of desktop critical issues, preliminary field surveys and preliminary consultation with stakeholders if needed	During 1 st or 2 nd summer after reception of the IL	None
Turbine Layout	Site visit and field surveys if needed	Within the 1 st or 2 nd summers after reception of the IL	None
Environmental Assessment (EA)	Surveys: birds, bats, wildlife, vegetation, water bodies, visual impact, archaeology, land use, etc.	Preliminary studies 2 nd year after reception of the IL. Full EA if Electricity Purchase Agreement (EPA) is awarded	None
Geotechnical studies	Shallow boreholes.	After 3 rd year after reception of the IL (If EPA is awarded)	If needed, minor vegetation clearing and/or water sourcing.

Table 4-1: Intended Activities

As part of the requirements of the tenure document, if changes are made to the investigative activities that include placement of improvements that were not part of the original submission of the investigative plan, Enerfin will notify

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the appropriate Authorizing Agency staff as soon as the information is known, prior to making the changes and to maintain the tenure in good standing.

The following sections further describe the intended activities.

4.1 Wind Measurement

Five (5) met mast positions have been identified. Enerfin intends to determine during a site visit which of these positions is the most feasible and representative, once the Investigative Licence has been assigned. Once it has been determined, supply and installation offers will be requested and an order will be placed.

The installation will take place within the 4 years after reception of the Investigative Licence, when weather permits. Wind measurements will be collected for at least one year, to assess the site's wind resource and to determine whether to install additional masts. The on-site activities related to the wind measurement will last up to 4 years.

The appropriate permits will be sought and/or replacement applications will be prepared if any of the following activities are required for the meteorological mast installation: access road construction, upgrade of an existing access road or vegetation clearing.

The identified mast coordinates are presented in Table 4-2 below.

Mast ID	Easting	Northing
M1	657503	6017432
M2	657613	6014699
M3	660295	6016527
M4	661870	6018004
M5	663491	6015581

Table 4-2: Met Mast coordinates (UTM Zone 9, NAD83)

Given that no site prospection has been realized yet, the final mast coordinates might differ slightly. A 100 m x 100 m box around these coordinates has been delineated for the area potentially required for clearing to install the met masts therein.

4.2 Construction Feasibility

In order to better assess the construction feasibility of the Project, Enerfin will perform a site visit when weather permits after the reception of the Investigative Licence. The site condition and accessibility will be further assessed during this visit.

After the site visit, and in case construction is considered not to be feasible, further work as installation of met mast or environmental screening will not be performed. The Proponent will advise MFNRO in the event they decide to abandon interest in the tenure.

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Enerfin will conduct an environmental screening of the site which will include a site visit during the 1st or 2nd summer after reception of the Investigative Licence.

The environmental screening will include desktop critical issues analysis, preliminary field surveys and preliminary consultation with stakeholders. Enerfín will also perform preliminary consultation with interested First Nations to discuss the proposed activities and identify potential concerns.

The environmental screening will be undertaken prior to initiating the EA process.

4.4 Turbine Layout

Enerfin will undertake field surveys in order to further investigate potential wind turbine locations, within the 1st or 2nd summers after receipt of the Investigative Licence.

4.5 Environmental Assessment

Enerfin intends to initiate the EA process in accordance with the *Environmental Assessment Act* [SBC 2002, c43] with the Environmental Assessment Office (EAO) after the reception of an EPA. The EA will include surveys and studies such as:

- Consultation with local communities and First Nations;
- Birds, bats and wildlife surveys;
- Vegetation surveys;
- Waterbodies;
- Archaeology;
- Visual Impact;
- Noise Impact;
- Electromagnetic Interference Impact;
- Land Use;
- Etc.

The appropriate permits will be sought for all the activities that might be required such as under the *Heritage Act* [RSBC 1996, c187] and *Wildlife Act* [BC Reg 340/82].

4.6 Geotechnical Studies

Enerfin will undertake geotechnical studies after award of an EPA for the Project. The purpose of such studies will be to characterize the ground condition in the vicinity of proposed turbine foundations and access roads. The

geotechnical work will include boreholes. The appropriate permits will be sought for all the activities that might be required to perform the drilling, such as vegetation clearing or water use.





MEMORANDUM

To:	Rural Directors
From:	Maria Sandberg, Planner
Date:	December 19, 2013
Re;	Land referral application No. 7407646, Direct sale of Crown land for Extensive Agricultural purposes

COMMENTS:

This application is regarding the direct sale of Crown Land for extensive agriculture purposes. The application area is located 10 kilometres southeast of the District of Vanderhoof and consists of five separate parcels, with a total area of 76.313 ha. The area is planned to be reduced to 65 ha prior to tenure being offered as the maximum area allowed for this type of sale is 65 ha according to the Extensive Agriculture Policy. The applicants own land adjacent to the application area.

Four of the five parcels are within the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR), and are zoned Agriculture (Ag1) or Rural Resource (RR1). Agriculture is a permitted use in these zones and the agricultural use of these lands is protected by the ALR.

One parcel, as shown on the attached map, is zoned Recreational (P2), and is not in the ALR. Therefore, agriculture is not a permitted use of this parcel. This parcel is also designated as Parks and Recreation in the Vanderhoof Rural Official Community Plan. The purpose of this designation is to protect areas having significant recreational or environmental attributes. This parcel was first designated as a park / recreation area in the OCP for the area adopted in 1996, and was carried forward in the current OCP. This property is unique as it is a point of land surrounded on three sides by the Nechako River.

As the land is identified as appropriate for park or recreation purposes, and agriculture is not a permitted use, staff must recommend that the Province be informed that the Regional District objects to the sale of this parcel. Staff have no comment on the sale of the 4 parcels which are appropriately zoned for this agricultural use.

Recommendation

That the attached comment sheet be provided to the Province as the Regional District's comments on Crown land application 7407646.

Reviewed by: Jason Newellyn Director of Planning

Written Maria Sà Planner

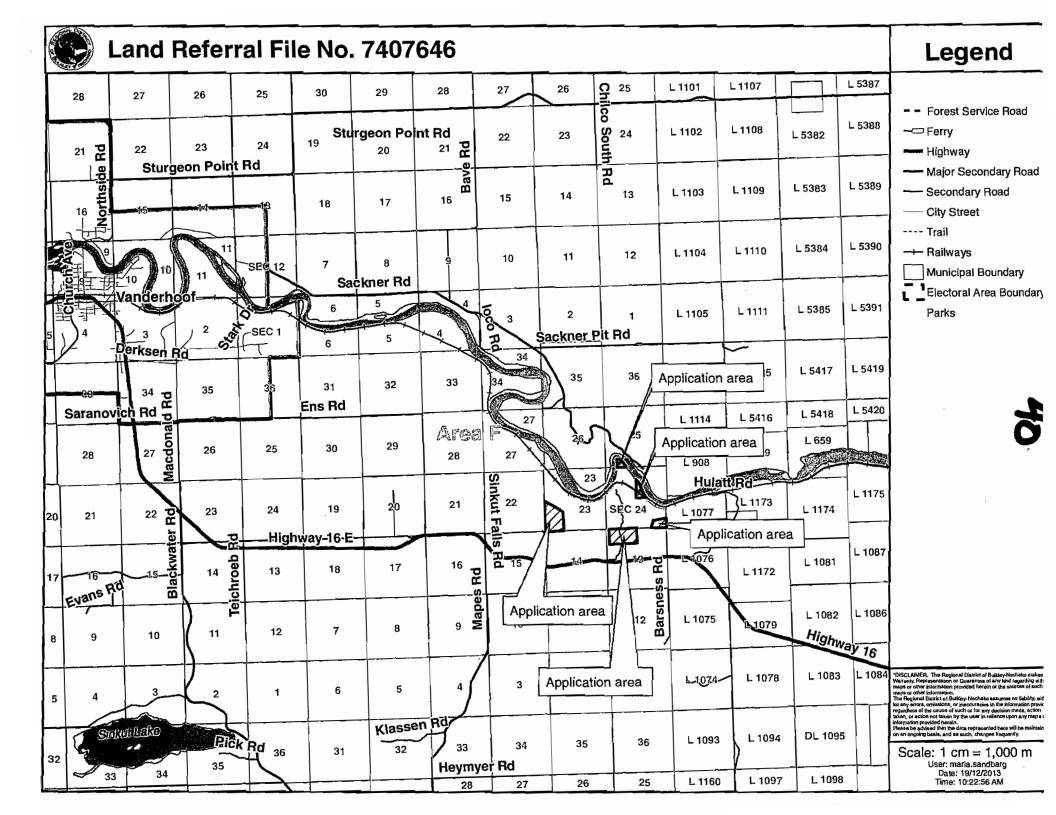
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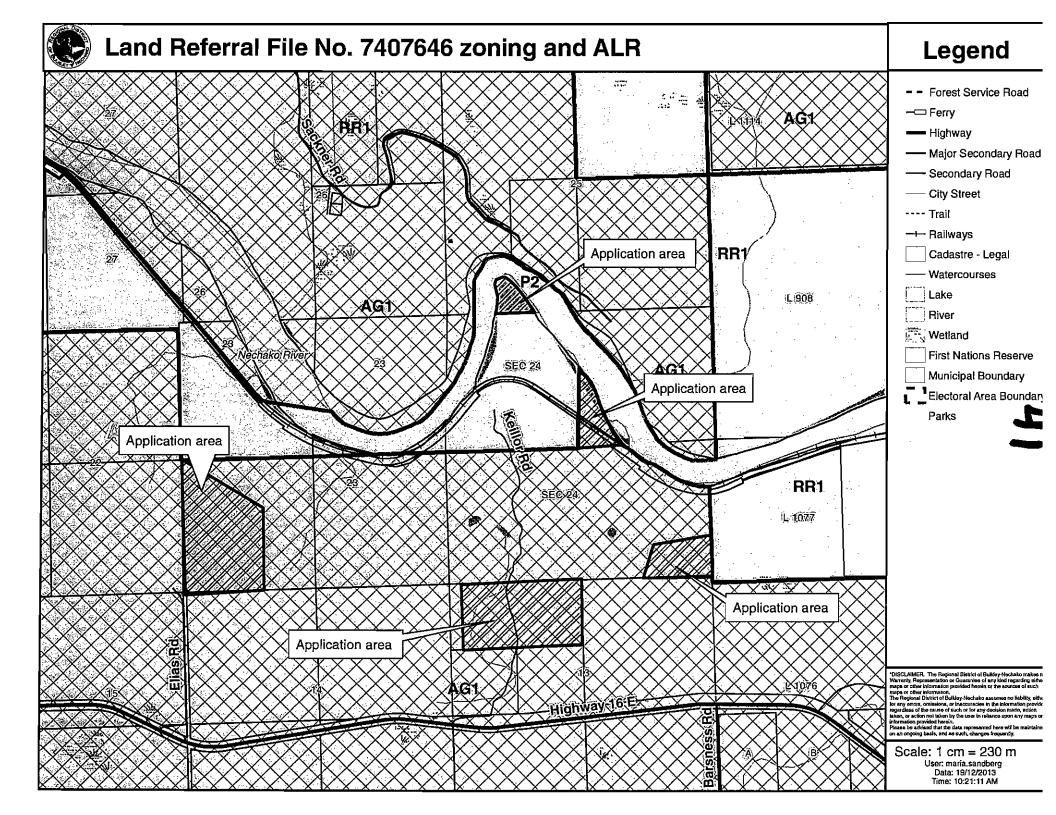


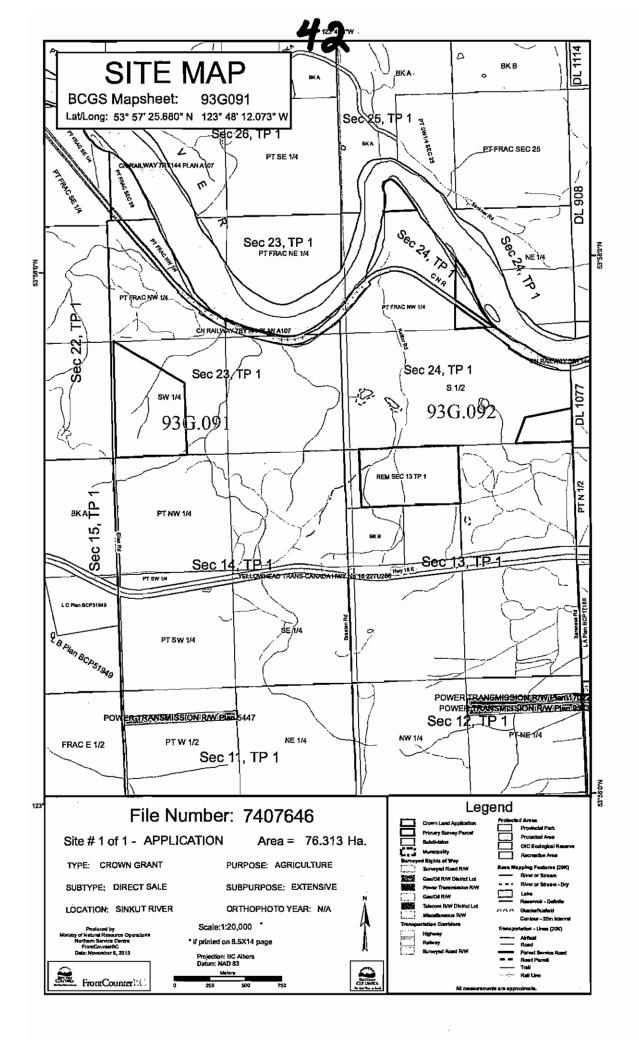
REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO COMMENT SHEET ON CROWN LAND REFERRAL 7407646

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Electoral Area:	F
Applicant:	John Steven and Georgeanne Hutchinson
Existing Land Use:	Vacant
Zoning:	Agricultural (Ag1), Rural Resource (RR1) and Recreational (P2) in Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Zoning Bylaw No. 700, 1993, as can be seen on the attached map
Plan Designation	Agricultural (AG) and Parks and Recreation (P) in the Vanderhoof Rural OCP Bylaw No. 1517, 2009
Proposed Use Comply With Zoning:	No, for part of the application area
lf not, why?	For the Ag1 and RR1 zone the proposed use complies, for the P2 zoned area the proposal does not comply. Permitted uses in the P2 zone are outdoor recreation facilities, fairgrounds and rodeo grounds.
Agricultural Land Reserve:	Four of the pieces are in the ALR, as can be seen on the attached zoning map
Access Highway:	Keillor Rd
Floodplain Hazard:	Flood Construction Level: 4.0 metres above the Natural Boundary of the Nechako River (below the Nautley River); for land adjacent to the Nechako River below the Nautley River;
	Floodplain Setback: 45.0 metres from the Natural Boundary of the Nechako River (below the Nautley River).
Archaeological Site:	Not according to our mapping
Building Inspection:	Within the building inspection area
Fire Protection:	Outside Rural Fire Protection Area
Other comments:	The parcel zoned P2 is identified in the Vanderhoof Rural Official Community Plan as being appropriate for park or recreation purposes, and agriculture is not a permitted use in the P2 zone. Therefore, the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako objects to the sale of this parcel for extensive agriculture use.







Cheryl Anderson

From:
Sent:
То:
Subject:
Attachments

Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako <inquiries@rdbn.bc.ca> December-15-13 12:03 PM Cheryl Anderson New submission from "Grant in Aid Application"! 52ae0adad7a4f-Mapping proposal budget.xlsx



REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO ELECTORAL AREA GRANT IN AID APPLICATION

APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY:

SAR teams of Bulkley Nechako

Email:

Contact Person:

APPLICATION SUMMARY

Project or purpose for which you require assistance:

To purchase mapping technology and software for all SAR teams in the Regional District

Amount Requested:

\$29 536

To the best of my knowledge, all of the information that is provided in this application is true and correct. Furthermore, I hereby certify that this application for assistance is NOT being made on behalf of an individual, industry, commercial or business undertaking.

Yes

Mailing Address:

cjmushski@gmail.com

250-567-0972

Box 378, Vanderhoof BC V0J 3A0

Chris Mushumanski, H 250-567-5194, C

APPLICATION PROFILE

Is your organization voluntary and non-profit?:

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Yes

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Please describe the services/benefits that your organization provides to the community. Are these services/benefits available to the community from another organization or agency?

This application covers 4 of the 5 SAR teams in the RD: Houston SAR, Burns Lake SAR, Nechako Valley SAR (in Vanderhoof) and Fort St. James SAR. Bulkley Valley SAR in Smithers has obtained their own funding to purchase their equipment and software. These non-profit, volunteer organizations provide search, rescue, recovery and evacuation delivery services across the regional district, and northern BC as requested. There are no other agencies providing these services in the regional district.

Describe the geographic area that receives services or benefits from your organization.

The entire regional district. These teams have also responded to mutual aid requests in the northern portion of the province from Bella Bella to 100 Mile House to the Alberta border and north to the Yukon border.

Please detail any remuneration paid, or funds otherwise made available to members, officers, etc. of your organization.:

Members have their direct expenses from searches reimbursed by EMBC (meals, mileage and phone minutes) and are provided personal protective equiptment to ensure safety. Some training is provided by the JIBC and the BC search and Rescue Association, but much of the training costs is the teams/members responsibility. All other equipment purchase funds must be fundraised.

Please comment on the number of members/volunteers in your organization and how long your organization has been in operation.:

The teams, the year the team was formed and the number of members is listed below: Houston SAR 1977, 15 members Burns Lake SAR 1967, 26 members Nechako Valley SAR 1991, 52 members Fort St. James SAR 1997, 15 members

PROJECT PROPOSAL PROFILE

RDBN Assistance Requested:

capital project and/or equipment

Other Assistance Requested:

Please describe the proposal for which you are requesting assistance. If you are applying for an exemption from fees and/or charges or other consideration, please provide details or your request here. Attach additional information if required:

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This project will allow each of the SAR teams to equip their search managers with an ipad, a protective case and all of the necessary software, and team leaders with an ipad mini, a case and the required software. This will provide an effective, user friendly and universal mapping tool and text based communications during a SAR operation across all the teams in the RD.

Describe how this proposal will benefit the community:

2013 was a busy year for the SAR teams in our region, with a number of searches bringing all the teams together, including a Fort Fraser search in February and May, the Francois Lake search in June, the Tachie search north of Fort St. James in June, and the Tkaysie Lake search in August. Currently each team uses a variety of mapping tools. This proposal will accomplish two things. First it will vastly improve and simplify our mapping and text based communications within each team, speeding up response times and increasing searcher safety by giving us another communication tool. Second, it will allow the teams to work together more seamlessly in the area of mapping. It is anticipated that future SAR callouts will require the teams to work together more closely and frequently, and this proposal will help improve our response.

FUNDING AND FINANCIAL INFORMATION

files Submitted:

<u>52ae0adad7a4f-Mapping proposal</u> <u>budget.xlsx</u>

Have you applied for a grant/funding from other source(s)?:

Yes

If not, please comment.:

Name of Grant or Funding Agency1: Amount Applied for 1: Status of Grant Application1:

Name of Grant or Funding Agency2: Amount Applied for2: Status of Grant Application2:

Name of Grant or Funding Agency3: Amount Applied for3: Status of Grant Application3:

Name of Grant or Funding Agency4: Amount Applied for4: The BC Search and Rescue Association (BCSARA) will provide funding to pay for all of the training expenses. This will pay for mileage and meals for two training days for all of the managers and team leaders in March and September 2014.

BCSARA \$2000 Approved

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Status of Grant Application4:

Have you received assistance before from us.

Yes

Year, Amount and Purpose for assistance

Year, Amount and Purpose for assistance

NVSAR received \$5000 in 2012 to purchase laptops for their Search managers the project writer is unaware if the other teams have recieved assistance in the past.

Does your organization:

Yes

Offer direct financial assistance to individuals or families?:

Duplicate services that fall within the mandate of either: a senior government or a local service agency?:

Provide an opportunity for individuals to make direct contributions?:

OR, is your organization: Part of a provincial or national fund raising campaign?:

SAR teams in Regional District Bulkley Nechako mapping proposal budget

Purpose: To provide each search manager and team leader with an ipad/ipad mini, with a protective case and required software, and two days of training

Hardware/Software \$29,536 application to the Regional district

Training \$2,000 BCSARA regional director to provide \$1000 in the 2013/14 budget year, and \$1000 in the 2014/15 budget year

TOTAL \$31,536

BREAK DOWN of costs

team	ipads	1	price	minis		price	total
Houston		1	1409.92		2	2147.84	3557.76
Burns		1	1409.92		4	4295.68	5705.6
NVSAR		5	7049.6		10	10739.2	17788.8
FSJ		1	1409.92		1	1073.92	2483.84
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Bulkley Valley SAR in Smithers has found another source to purchase their hardware/software but will participate in the 2 training days.

ipad price	1409.92
mini price	1073.92

	MRS Price	MRS + Tax
Hardware and Cases		
One iPad 4 (Retina Display) 64GB WiFi + Cellular	\$829.95	\$929.54
one iPad (Mini) 32GB WiFi + Cellular	\$559.95	\$627.14
Otter Box Defender Series for iPad Mini	\$59.95	\$67.14
Otter Box Defender Series for iPad 4	\$89.95	\$100.74
or		
Lifeproof nuud case for iPad 4 or mini	\$139.95	\$156.74
Software		
GIS Kit	\$100.00	\$112.00
GIS Kit Pro (Pro may not be required)	\$200.00	\$224.00
GPS Kit	\$14.99	\$16.79
PDF Maps	\$0.00	\$0.00
Field Notes Pro	\$9.99	\$11.19
Theodolite	\$3.99	\$4.47
Form Connect	\$9.99	\$11.19
	Total Software / unit	\$379.64