

## **REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY**

## Memo to General Manger of Development Services

Date of Memo:	February 10, 2021
Author:	Eileen Senyk, Planner
Subject:	DEVELOPMENT PERMIT DP2005E
File:	DP2005E-00780.020-Reid-DP000102

Owner	Trevor Reid and Alix Ius
Civic Address	1409 Ash Street, Nelson
Legal Description	Lot 2 Block 38 District Lot 182 Kootenay Land District Plan
	486
PID	016-324-391
Lot Size	0.18 hectares (0.43 acres)

## PROPOSAL:

The subject property is currently vacant. It is part of Survey Plan 486 which dates back to the year 1892. The property is located in RDCK Electoral Area 'E' and is located just south of the City of Nelson's municipal boundary in an area locally known as Mountain Station.

The owners are proposing to construct a single family dwelling. The property is small by rural standards (0.18 hectares) and is bisected by a small creek. The owners are therefore applying for a Site Specific Exemption to RDCK's Floodplain Management Bylaw No. 2080, 2009 and for a Watercourse Development Permit pursuant to Electoral Area 'E' Official Community Plan No. 2260. If successful, the Site Specific Exemption to the Floodplain Management Bylaw would decrease the setback distance from the watercourse from 15 metres to 10 metres. The Watercourse Development Permit will set out conditions for ecological mitigation and restoration of the riparian area around the creek. These two applications are being made congruently to enable construction of the single family dwelling.

Electoral Area	E
Development Permit Area	Watercourse Development Permit Area

Guidelines	Meets?	Comments
All development proposals subject to	Yes	A comprehensive Environmental
this permit will be assessed by a		Assessment report has been
Qualified Environmental		received from Masse
		Environmental.

Practitioner (QEP) in accordance with the Riparian Areas Regulation established by the Provincial and/or Federal governments as used elsewhere in the Province		
A WDP shall not be issued prior to the RDCK ensuring that a QEP has submitted a report certifying that they are qualified to carry out the assessment, that the assessment methods have been followed, and provides in their professional opinion that a lesser setback will not negatively affect the functioning of a watercourse or riparian area and that the criteria listed in the Riparian Areas Regulation has been fulfilled.	Yes	The Environmental Assessment provided by Masse Environmental meets all of the requirements of this guideline.
The Riparian Areas Regulation implemented through the WDP does not supersede other Federal, Provincial and or local government requirements, including that of other development permit areas, building permits, flood covenants, Federal or Provincial authorization. Land subject to more than one development permit area designation must ensure consistency with the guidelines of each development permit area, to provide comprehensive stewardship of both fish and wildlife habitat.	Yes	Application for Site Specific Exemption to the Floodplain Management Bylaw has been made congruently with the Development Permit. The Site Specific Exemption was approved on December 10 <sup>th</sup> , 2020.

Zoning	N/A
OCP	Electoral Area 'E' Rural Official Community Plan No. 2260, 2013
ALR	N/A
ALK	N/A
Floodplain	A Site Specific Exemption to RDCK Floodplain Management
	Bylaw was approved on December 10, 2020 to relax the
	setback from 15m to 10m from an un-named watercourse.
NSFEA	N/A
Geohazard	N/A
Archeology Sites	N/A

Within RDCK Water System	N/A
<b>Relevant Covenants and Reports</b>	Flood Hazard Assessment by Grey Owl Engineering dated
	August 6, 2020 and Environmental Assessment by Masse
	Environmental dated July 29, 2020 both received.
Review Title for Miscellaneous Charges	No miscellaneous charges on title.

REFERRAL COMMENTS:	
Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural	A Wildlife/Danger Tree Assessment should be completed
Resources and Rural Development	and important wildlife trees and
	snags should be retained where ever possible.
October 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2020	Vegetation clearing should adhere to the least risk timing
	windows for nesting birds (i.e. construction activities
Habitat Biologist	should occur only during least risk period). Nesting birds
	and some nests are protected by the Provincial Wildlife Act
	Sec.34 and Federal Migratory Bird Act.
	Nesting periods can be identified by a qualified
	professional. General least risk windows for
	bird species are designed to avoid the nesting period. If
	nests are present at this site or adjacent to it and will be
	impacted by the works, the following work windows apply:
	Species Least Risk Window
	Raptors (eagles, hawks,
	falcons, & owls)
	Aug 15 – Jan 30
	Herons Aug 15 – Jan 30
	Other Birds Aug 1 – March 31
	The Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource
	Operations & Rural Development – Resource
	Management Division - has reviewed this Floodplain
	Exemption request on September 30,
	2020. FLNRORD has determined that this project should
	not impact the Resource Management Division's legislated
	responsibilities as long as the mitigation points outlined in Masse Environmental Consultants Ltd's Lot 2 Ash Street
	Nelson Riparian Assessment, dated July 29, 2020, Section 7
	Mitigation Plan are implemented.
Interior Health Authority	Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on the
	above referenced Watercourse Development Permit
November 2, 2020	Application from the viewpoint of our policies and
	regulations governing onsite sewerage dispersal systems
Specialist, Environmental Health Officer	and water supply.
	It is my understanding that the applicant is proposing to
	construct a single family home on a 0.18 hectare property
	that is bisected by a small creek and would like to decrease
	the watercourse setback from 15m to 10m for

	development. This property would be serviced by an onsite
	sewerage system and a private drinking water well.
	Our internal records indicate that the applicant has
	engaged an Authorized Person (AP) regarding the onsite
	sewerage dispersal system as per the BC Sewerage System
	Regulation (pursuant to the BC Public Health Act). A Record
	of Sewerage System has been filed by the AP; however we
	have not yet received the Letter of Certification which is
	due to be submitted once the sewerage system has been
	constructed.
	A review of the submitted information has been completed
	and no concerns were identified. As such, our office has no
	objection to the Watercourse Development Permit
	Application.
	If you have any questions regarding the above, please feel
	free to contact me for clarification.
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Electoral Area 'E' Advisory Planning	Recommendation (1): RDCK Files F2002E & DP2005E:
Commission	Recommended: The APC appreciated the thoroughness of
	the application and mitigation proposed.
October 15 <sup>th</sup> , 2020	

Respectfully submitted,

Signature

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Name Eileen Senyk

## CONCURRENCE

Initials:

Planning Manager General Manager of Development Services

**ATTACHMENTS:** Attachment A – Development Permit