



COVER SHEET

December 14th 2020, Public Hearing Correspondence

1. RDCK Area K Director, Paul Peterson
2. Madden Timber Construction, Dave Madden

November 4, 2020

Village of Nakusp
Attn: Cheryl Martens, CAO
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To Cheryl Martens,

RE: Agricultural Land Reserve Exclusion Application for 1315 & 2115 Hot Springs Road

The Village of Nakusp and the Regional District of Central Kootenay work closely together in support of projects that benefit communities within municipalities and rural areas. The removal of land from the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR) for the purpose of development will provide opportunities for economic growth and spin offs that will create new jobs and attract new residents to the Village of Nakusp and Area K (RDCK).

I support the removal of the ALR designation, as per the application, for the purpose of creating locally valued added light industrial development and to possibly support an airport expansion. The location of these five (5) hectares requesting to be removed from the ALR have never been used for agriculture purposes, the land is not suitable for agriculture, and would provide unlimited benefits to the community.

If you need any further information, please feel free to contact the undersigned.

With best regards,

Paul Peterson,
RDCK Director Area K

Dec 13 2020

To: Village of Nakusp / Agricultural Land Commission

RE: Disposition of land near Nakusp Airport from ALR

Born in Nakusp, I have run my own construction / wood manufacturing business for the past 17 years. We currently employ 15 people.

I have been actively seeking appropriately zoned light or heavy industrial property to consolidate and expand my business for the past 16 years.

There have been several failed ventures and many studies over the years but no new opportunities have been created and Nakusp is suffering because of it.

In the last study I am aware of conducted by Vivian Berry funded by CBT and others, **every** industrial business surveyed indicated they would expand if suitable land base was available. This was nearly 10 years ago and unfortunately nothing has come to fruition.

Nakusp is a small rural community and every job counts. If utilizing this land near the airport allows new jobs to be created and businesses to expand it will allow employment for families and our community to survive.

Recent times like Covid-19 have shown that tourism is not a stable income source for rural communities. Manufacturing and specifically local wood products have flourished in these new times.

I ask the board to please consider the huge economic and social impact of this decision and weigh that against this land which has very little agricultural potential. This land could certainly be utilized by several business types including my own.

Thank you for your consideration; By approving this application the ALC will be supporting local families, the community of Nakusp and surrounding area.

Best regards,

Dave Madden

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