

DEVELOPMENT PERMIT NO. DP000883

COTTLE CREEK VENTURES Name of Owner(s) of Land (Permittee)

476 NOTTINGHAM DRIVE Civic Address

- This development permit is issued subject to compliance with all of the bylaws of the municipality applicable thereto, except as specifically varied or supplemented by this permit.
- This development permit applies to and only to those lands within the municipality described below, and any and all building structures and other developments thereon:

Legal Description:

LOT C, SECTION 15A, WELLINGTON DISTRICT, PLAN VIP85943, EXCEPT PART IN PLAN EPP37626

PID No. 027-722-139

3. The land described herein shall be developed strictly in accordance with the following terms and conditions and provisions of this permit and any plans and specifications hereto which shall form a part thereof.

Schedule A Location Plan

Schedule B Site Plan with Site Context

Schedule C Top of Bank and 30m from Top of Bank

Schedule D Environmental Review

Schedule E OHRO Areas Deleted and Areas Retained+

- a) If the applicant does not substantially commence the development permitted by this permit within two years of the date of this permit, the permit shall lapse.
- This permit is not a building permit nor does it constitute approval of any signage. Separate applications must be made for a building permit and sign permit.
- 5. The City of Nanaimo "ZONING BYLAW 2011 NO. 4500" is varied as follows:

Watercourse Setback - Section 6.3.1.

The required watercourse setback is 30.0m from top of bank of Cottle Creek. The proposed watercourse setback is 3.6m from the GSCA, a variance of 26.4m.

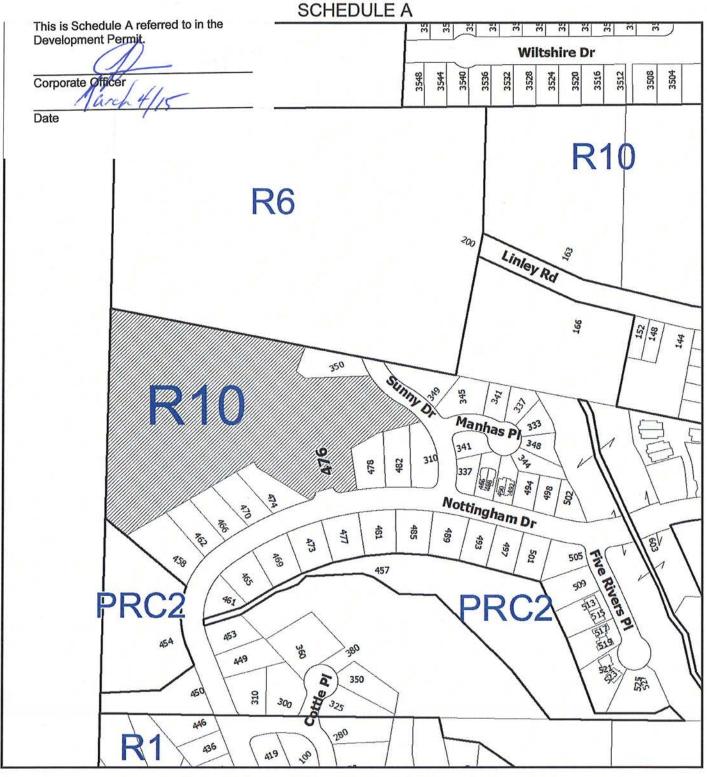
AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION PASSED BY COUNCIL THE **2ND** DAY OF **MARCH**, **2015**.

Corporate Officer

Date

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Prospero attachment: DP000883







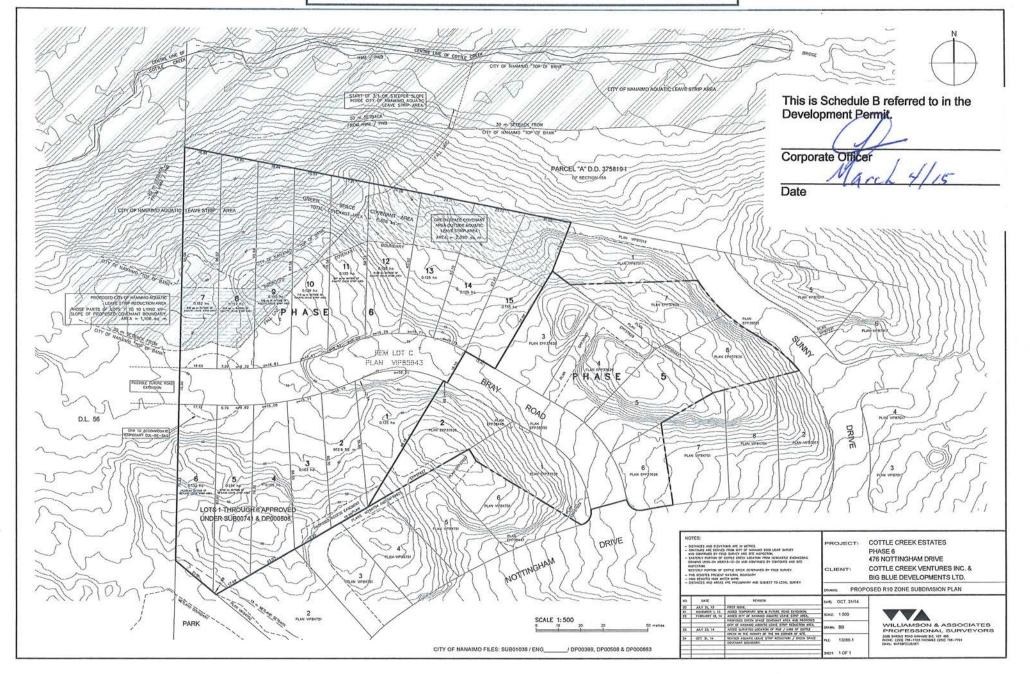
LOCATION PLAN



Subject Property

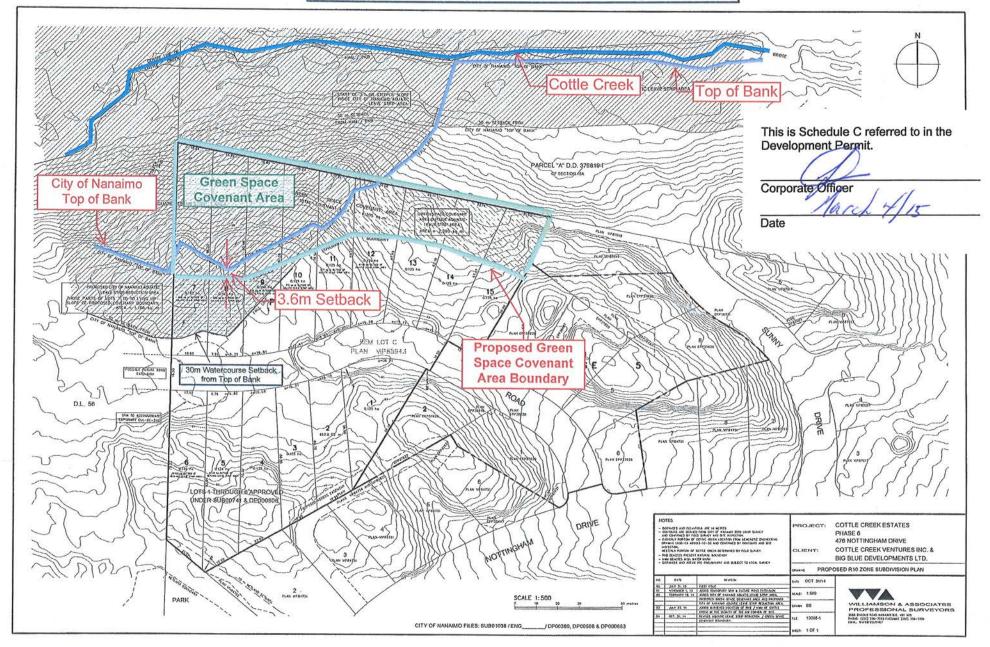
Civic: 476 Nottingham Drive Lot C, Section 15A, Wellington District, Plan VIP85943 Development Permit DP000883 476 Nottingham Drive Schedule B

Site Plan with Site Context



Development Permit DP000883 476 Nottingham Drive Schedule C

Top of Bank and 30m from Top of Bank



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Executive Summary of the RAR Assessment & Steep Slope Development Permit Guidelines for Phase 6, Cottle Creek Estates, 476 Nottingham Drive, Nanaimo

The project will have no negative impact on the watercourse or riparian area as the site lies wholly outside of the 30m riparian assessment area;

The project requires no additional agency review because it lies wholly outside the 30 m

riparian assessment area;

The destruction of 580 sq. m of OHRO ESA representing 29 % of that area in Lot 7 - 10 is compensated for by the granting of a 6,305 sq. m Green Space Covenant Area over all of Lots 7-15 which contains the remaining 72% of the OHRO area in Lots 7-10. The covenant boundary will be demarked to alert future lot owners of the sensitive nature of the covenant area;

The requirement for "No net loss of habitat" has been satisfied; statutorily the project protects 2.2 times more area than it is requesting a variance for under zoning setback requirements, practically it is providing 6,305 sq. m of protected green space covenant area in

exchange for destroying 580 sq. m of OHRO area;

The QEP will monitor the site during the construction and post construction phases of the project to insure compliance with erosion and sediment control measures and to insure the covenant area is not encroached into or compromised during the construction phase of the project.

> This is Schedule D referred to in the Development Permit.

Corporate Officer

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Development Permit DP000883 476 Nottingham Drive

Schedule D

Environmental Review

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Cottle Creek Ventures Inc. & Big Blue Developments Ltd. Att: Mr. Luckveer Dley
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Re: Summary of the RAR Assessment & Steep Slope Development Permit Guidelines for Phase 6, Cottle Creek Estates, 476 Nottingham Drive, Nanaimo.

I, Steve Toth, AScT, R.P.Bio. (Toth and Associates Environmental Services) conducted a Detailed *Riparian Areas Regulation* (RAR) assessment of Cottle Creek in the Linley Valley area of Nanaimo on January 29, 2014. The requirement for the RAR assessment was triggered by the perceived intrusion into the 30 m riparian assessment area by the proposed 15 lot development of Phase 6 of the Cottle Creek Estates Development located at 476 Nottingham Drive on the south side of the Linley Valley.

The RAR Detailed Assessment resulted in the minimum Streamside Protection and Enhancement Area (SPEA) setbacks permissible under the RAR of 10.0 m from the high water mark of Cottle Creek. The boundaries of the developable portions (i.e. those areas upslope (south) of the proposed Green Space Covenant Area) of Lots 7-15 would be a minimum of 60 m from the high water mark of Cottle Creek and therefore the proposed development will not have a negative impact on the SPEA setback of Cottle Creek.

A survey conducted by Williamson and Associates as shown on their attached plan (drawing 13066-1 Rev 04), determined that the proposed development boundaries are located outside the 30m riparian assessment area, therefore there is no additional agency review required as the subject site will not intrude within the 30 m RAR assessment area. As the subject site is not within the 30 m RAR assessment area, there is no net loss of habitat and therefore there are no habitat compensation or restoration works required.

There is very low probability of silt discharge into the 10 m SPEA given its distance from the site, and there will be erosion and sediment control measures put in place during the construction phase of the project. The QEP will monitor the site during the construction and post construction phase of the project to ensure the erosion and sediment control structures are adequate.

An additional survey was conducted on October 28, 2014 to assess the proposed Green Space Covenant Boundary on Lots 7-15 as shown on the attached plan with respect to Section 3.2 of the City's Steep Slope Development Permit Area Guidelines. The survey assessed environmental attributes and plant communities within the developable portions and beyond the covenant boundary on each of the lots. The results are provided in the table below.

Table 1. Inventory of plant communities on Lots 7-15

Lot No.	Plant community within developable area	Plant community within covenant area
7	Douglas-fir / salal	460 m ² Open Herbaceous Rock outcrop / step
	· .	moss with remainder Douglas-fir / salal
8	40 m ² of Douglas-fir / Arbutus / Open	325 m ² Open Herbaceous Rock outcrop / grass /
	Herbaceous Rock outcrop with remainder	step moss with remainder Douglas-fir / arbutus /
	Douglas-fir / step moss / salal	salal
9	300 m ² of Douglas-fir / Arbutus / Open	375 m ² Open Herbaceous Rock outcrop / grass /
	Herbaceous Rock outcrop with remainder	step moss with arbutus and Garry oak
	Douglas-fir / step moss / salal	
10	240 m ² of Douglas-fir / Arbutus / Open	280 m ² Open Herbaceous Rock outcrop / grass /
[Herbaceous Rock outcrop with remainder	step moss with arbutus and Garry oak
	Douglas-fir / step moss. One small Garry oak	
	near covenant boundary	
11	Rock outcrop / Douglas-fir / salal / step moss	Rock outcrop / Douglas-fir / salal / step moss
12	Douglas-fir / salal	Douglas-fir / western redcedar / salal
13	Douglas-fir / salal. One large Douglas-fir	Douglas-fir / western redcedar / salal / sword fern
	snag.	
14	Douglas-fir / grand-fir / salal. Previously	Douglas-fir / grand-fir / salal
	cleared old road grade through lot.	
15	Douglas-fir / grand-fir / salal.	Douglas-fir / grand-fir / salal. Previously cleared
		old road grade through lot.

The Open Herbaceous Rock Outcrop (OHRO) is listed as an Environmentally Sensitive Area (ESA) by the City of Nanaimo and comprises approximately 2,020 sq. m of Lots 7-10, with 580 sq. m lying inside the developable area of those lots and 1,440 sq. m lying outside the developable area of those lots. Based on the field survey, development of Lots 7-10 would result in loss of approximately 29% of the OHRO present on Lots 7-15, with 71% of the OHRO-ESA protected within covenant boundaries.

The primary measure taken by the Developer to avoid impacts on the environmental attributes on Lots 7-15 is the granting to the City of the Green Space Covenant Area. The proposed covenant area will protect the vast majority of environmentally significant attributes and features on these properties.

We note that though the attached plan is illustrating a reduction of the "aquatic" leave strip area of 1,106 sq. m, this is only because of how the top of bank (which determines the extent of the aquatic leave strip area) is defined in the Zoning Bylaw. No portion of this site is aquatic or riparian in nature under the RAR, as it is far enough removed from Cottle Creek as stated earlier. Despite the fact the reduction area is technically not aquatic, there is actually a net gain of protected area over what is prescribed by the aquatic setback in the Zoning Bylaw. As shown on the attached plan, the Developer is proposing 2,390 sq. m of protected Green Space Covenant area versus requesting a reduction of "aquatic" setback area of 1,106 sq. m; 2.2 times the area lost will be gained. We also note that

because the full extent of the covenant area captures all of the "aquatic" area up slope from the creek, it more than offsets the 29% loss of the OHRO area in the developable area of the lots.

We recommend that the covenant boundary be marked with either low fencing or signage to alert future lot owners of the sensitive nature of the covenant area.

Please contact us if you require any additional information.

Sincerely,

Steve Toth, AScT, R.P.Bio.

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