

ARCS: 292-30 File: FNR-2017-73740

February 19, 2018

Sent via email:

Re: Request for Access to Records
Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIPPA)

I am writing further to your request received by the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development. Your request is for:

Any and all records related to the property located at 2323 Huband Road, Courtenay, BC - Lot 1 Block 71 Comox District Plan EPP43400, PID: 029-568-005, owned by Raven Forest Products Ltd. and the neighboring property, located at 1821 Anderton Road, Comox, BC, which is owned by Beaver Meadow Farms Ltd. 1971, specifically seeking records related to construction, clearing and excavation work that Raven Forest Products Ltd. conducted on their property during 2015 or 2016, which Raven removed trees, cleared ditches, dug ditches, drained wetlands and modified watercourses which changed the flow of water on both properties, the Little River and has caused flooding and disturbed wildlife; These records may include documents relevant to the work that was done, whether Raven communicated with the province prior to conducting this work, enforcement measures taken by and provincial body after the work was done, communications between the province and Raven Forest Products, and data, plans, photos, documents and proposals that either Raven or the province has generated regarding plans to remediate the affected land and watercourses. (Date Range for Record Search: From 12/31/2014 To 11/05/2017)

Please find enclosed a copy of the records located in response to your request. Some information has been withheld pursuant to section(s) 17 (Disclosure harmful to the financial or economic interests of a public body) and 22 (Disclosure harmful to personal privacy) of FOIPPA. Copies

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of these sections of FOIPPA are provided for your reference. A complete copy of FOIPPA is available online at:

http://www.bclaws.ca/civix/document/id/complete/statreg/96165_00

Your file is now closed.

These records will be published on the BC Government's Open Information website a minimum of five business days after release. To find out more about Open Information, please access the Open Information website at: www.gov.bc.ca/openinformation

If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact Bradley Cranwell, the analyst assigned to your request, at 250 952-6846. This number can be reached toll-free by calling from Vancouver, 604 660-2421, or from elsewhere in BC, 1 800 663-7867 and asking to be transferred to 250 952-6846.

You have the right to ask the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review this decision. I have enclosed information on the review and complaint process.

Sincerely,

Bradley Cranwell, Senior FOI Analyst On behalf of Ken Bejcek, Manager

Resource Team, Information Access Operations

Enclosures

How to Request a Review with the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner

If you have any questions regarding your request please contact the analyst assigned to your file. The analyst's name and telephone number are listed in the attached letter.

Pursuant to section 52 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (FOIPPA), you may ask the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review any decision, act, or failure to act with regard to your request under FOIPPA.

Please note that you have 30 business days to file your review with the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner. In order to request a review please write to:

Information and Privacy Commissioner
PO Box 9038 Stn Prov Govt
4th Floor, 947 Fort Street
Victoria BC V8W 9A4
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If you request a review, please provide the Commissioner's Office with:

- 1. A copy of your original request;
- 2. A copy of our response; and
- 3. The reasons or grounds upon which you are requesting the review.