

From: [Sperl, Aldous LASS:EX](#)
To: [Lo, Reamick ENV:EX](#)
Subject: Re: BC Parks
Date: Wednesday, October 25, 2017 16:24:59

Thanks for the reply Reamick.

From: "Lo, Reamick ENV:EX"
Date: Wednesday, October 25, 2017 at 4:21 PM
To: "Sperl, Aldous"
Subject: BC Parks

Dear Aldous,

I heard from our ministry staff. BC Parks has worked with local communities in the past and assisted with the creation of fire mitigation strategies for BC Parks where park boundaries are adjacent to, or are close proximity to their communities. Our activities have been focussed on areas considered high risk for wildfire activity and where human intervention is required. At this point BC Parks does not have funding in place specific to developing fire mitigation strategies.

Thanks for your inquiry.

Warmly,

Reamick Lo

Executive Assistant to the **Honourable George Heyman**
Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy

From: Sperl, Aldous [mailto:Aldous.Sperl@leg.bc.ca]
Sent: Thursday, October 19, 2017 4:04 PM
To: Lo, Reamick ENV:EX
Subject: Re: Reay Creek Property Issue

Hi Reamick,

I have another question for you. Do you know if there is any funding set aside for BC parks to undertake wildfire management within their parks? I ask because I had a meeting today with a residents association on fire prevention issues in our riding. There are two provincial parks in North Saanich that are apparently hotspots for fire hazards (both with a lot of residential properties around them). The residence association is pursuing funding through the firesmart program with FLNRO for educating their community but obviously it would be a much better approach in our area if BC Parks was working simultaneously to reduce the fire risk within the parks (cleaning up dead undergrowth/forest management). If you could direct me appropriately I'd be grateful.

Thanks!

Aldous Sperl

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From: [Lo, Reamick ENV:EX](#)
To: [Sperl, Aldous LASS:EX](#)
Subject: RE: Reay Creek Property Issue
Date: Thursday, October 26, 2017 16:57:00

Hi Aldous,

Here's a status update:

- A site profile release letter was provided to the land owner on October 19, 2017 that will allow local government approval for subdivision of the property.
- With the provision of this information, LRS staff have determined that the site is now eligible for a site profile release supporting subdivision of the site. Once the developable lands are subdivided from the creek, the extended schedule from Transport Canada and Victoria Airport Authority for Reay Creek remediation would not continue to hold up redevelopment of the subdivided developable portion of the property.

Thanks so much again for your inquiry.

Warmly,

Reamick Lo

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From: Xia, Eveline ENV:EX <Eveline.Xia@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: Wednesday, October 18, 2017 10:33 AM

To: Sperl, Aldous

Cc: Lo, Reamick ENV:EX

Subject: RE: Reay Creek Property Issue

Hi Aldous,

We have a new Executive Assistant to the Minister who's responsibilities include working with MLA offices on all case work. Her name is Reamick Lo and she will be your main contact for Ministry of Environment issues from now on. If you could direct all inquiries to her first, that would be much appreciated.

And to answer your question, we are working on getting information on the planned Bakerview and Lochside developments. Reamick will send it to you when it's ready.

Cheers,

Eveline

Eveline Xia

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From: Sperl, Aldous [<mailto:Aldous.Sperl@leg.bc.ca>]

Sent: Tuesday, October 17, 2017 5:25 PM

To: Larson, Carrie A ENV:EX

Subject: Reay Creek Property Issue

Hi Carrie,

Last week we had a constituent come in and talk to us about an issue with the Ministry of the

Environment refusing to issue a development permit for their planned development on Bakerview and Lochside. Some of it would be for affordable housing from what I understand. My MLA is keen on getting more information on why this is happening and I was hoping you could assist because your name came up in the meeting. Please let me know when a convenient time to chat is.

Thanks

Aldous Sperl
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From: [Olsen, MLA, Adam LASS:EX](#)
To: [Lo, Reamick ENV:EX](#)
Subject: RE: Mount Erskine Park
Date: Thursday, February 8, 2018 16:04:46

Hi Reamick,

Thank you so much for your work on this!

All the best,

Ryan Clayton

Constituency Assistant | Office of Adam Olsen, MLA

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From: Lo, Reamick ENV:EX [mailto:Reamick.Lo@gov.bc.ca]

Sent: Thursday, February 8, 2018 4:03 PM

To: Olsen.MLA, Adam

Subject: RE: Mount Erskine Park

Hi Ryan,

Thanks for the enquiry again and here is an update:

Status of the Project

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- Land appraisal has been completed
- Work on subdivision in ongoing
- Staff, and the SSITNC, are planning to attend a Salt Spring Island Trust Committee meeting on March 1 regarding the replacement covenant however, this leaves very little time for the SSITNC to raise the funds to donate the money for the purchase of the lands

Has the SSITNC been notified?

- Yes, staff remain in communication with Mr. Kahn, and SSITNC President, Sue Lehman, several times per week regarding the ongoing process, dealings with the land owner and the above mentioned legal agreements and replacement covenant.

Thanks again.

Warmly,

Reamick Lo

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Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy

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From: Olsen.MLA, Adam [<mailto:Adam.Olsen.MLA@leg.bc.ca>]

Sent: Monday, February 5, 2018 1:47 PM

To: Lo, Reamick ENV:EX

Subject: RE: Mount Erskine Park

Hi Reamick,

I hope you're well. I just wanted to do a bit of follow up on this, as I spoke to Mr. Kahn on Friday and he seemed both unaware of any of this information and under the impression that the Ministry does not intend to pursue this. He requested I contact the person managing the case, but I have been instructed to only liaise with your office directly.

Can you find out what the status of the communication of this is with the proponent?

All the best,

Ryan Clayton

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From: Lo, Reamick ENV:EX [<mailto:Reamick.Lo@gov.bc.ca>]

Sent: Friday, February 2, 2018 2:13 PM

To: Olsen.MLA, Adam <Adam.Olsen.MLA@leg.bc.ca>

Subject: RE: Mount Erskine Park

Hi Ryan,

Here's our response:

- Ministry staff must work within established governmental procedures respecting capital budgets and land acquisitions and, at times, these procedures may appear to cause delays and can frustrate partners wishing to assist BC Parks.
- However, we are pleased to be able to advise that the ministry recently received the necessary approvals and funding for 2017/18 to proceed with this project.
- Ministry staff can now proceed with the necessary steps to work with the Salt Spring Island Trail and Nature Club to make this acquisition a reality.
- We thank the constituent again for his support for the Salt Spring Island Trail and Nature Club in its endeavours to acquire this land in partnership with BC Parks.

Thanks Ryan.

Warmly,

Reamick Lo

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Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy

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From: Olsen.MLA, Adam [<mailto:Adam.Olsen.MLA@leg.bc.ca>]

Sent: Friday, February 2, 2018 1:17 PM

To: Lo, Reamick ENV:EX

Subject: RE: Mount Erskine Park

Hi Reamick,

I hope you're well. I just wanted to follow up on this and see if there is any update on this front?

All the best,

Ryan Clayton

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From: Lo, Reamick ENV:EX [<mailto:Reamick.Lo@gov.bc.ca>]

Sent: Thursday, December 7, 2017 3:33 PM

To: Olsen.MLA, Adam <Adam.Olsen.MLA@leg.bc.ca>

Cc: Xia, Eveline ENV:EX <Eveline.Xia@gov.bc.ca>

Subject: RE: Mount Erskine Park

Hi Ryan,

Will get back to you as soon as I hear.

Warmly,

Reamick Lo

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From: Xia, Eveline ENV:EX

Sent: Thursday, December 7, 2017 3:31 PM

To: Olsen.MLA, Adam LASS:EX

Cc: Lo, Reamick ENV:EX

Subject: FW: Mount Erskine Park

Hi Ryan,

Thanks for this, and sorry for the delay.

I'm cc'ing the Executive Assistant to Minister Heyman who will work with ministry staff and get some information for you.

Cheers,

Eveline

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From: Olsen.MLA, Adam [<mailto:Adam.Olsen.MLA@leg.bc.ca>]

Sent: Wednesday, October 25, 2017 3:36 PM

To: Minister, ENV ENV:EX

Subject: Mount Erskine Park

Hi Minister's office,

I'm writing to enquire about Mount Erskine Park. For several years one of our constituents has been working with BC Parks to purchase covenanted parts of adjacent properties to add to the park. There has been support for his efforts, and progress has been made. Recently they identified one property with only one covenant holder who has agreed to sell his land. Our constituent, along with the Salt Spring Trail and Nature Club, have prepared to fundraise to buy the land.

Recently he was informed due to BC Park's procedures the process has been delayed. He was informed the Treasury Board needs to approve the project

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meanwhile, the landowner they identified is becoming frustrated and wants to sell his land.

Is there anything we can do to support this constituent's efforts?

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