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REVISED GEOHAZARD ASSESSMENT PROPOSED SUBDIVISION OF PROPERTY NE1/4 OF SECTION 27, TP22, RG.17 W6M KDYD PLAN B11979, WESTSYDE ROAD, NORTH OF KAMLOOPS, BC

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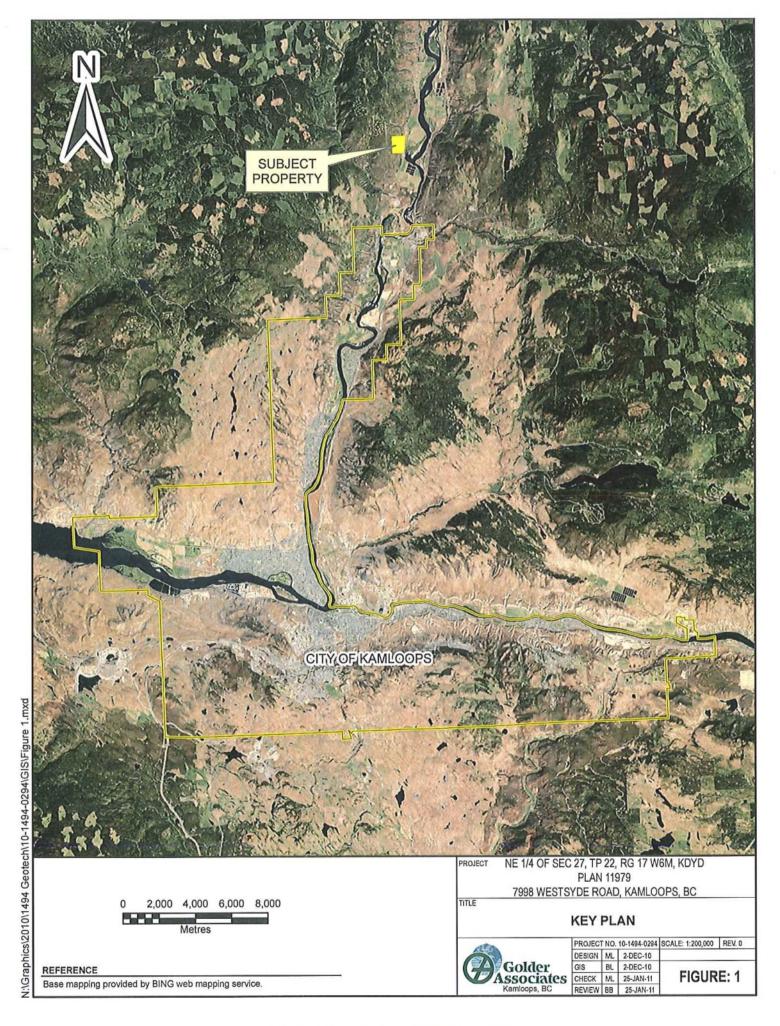
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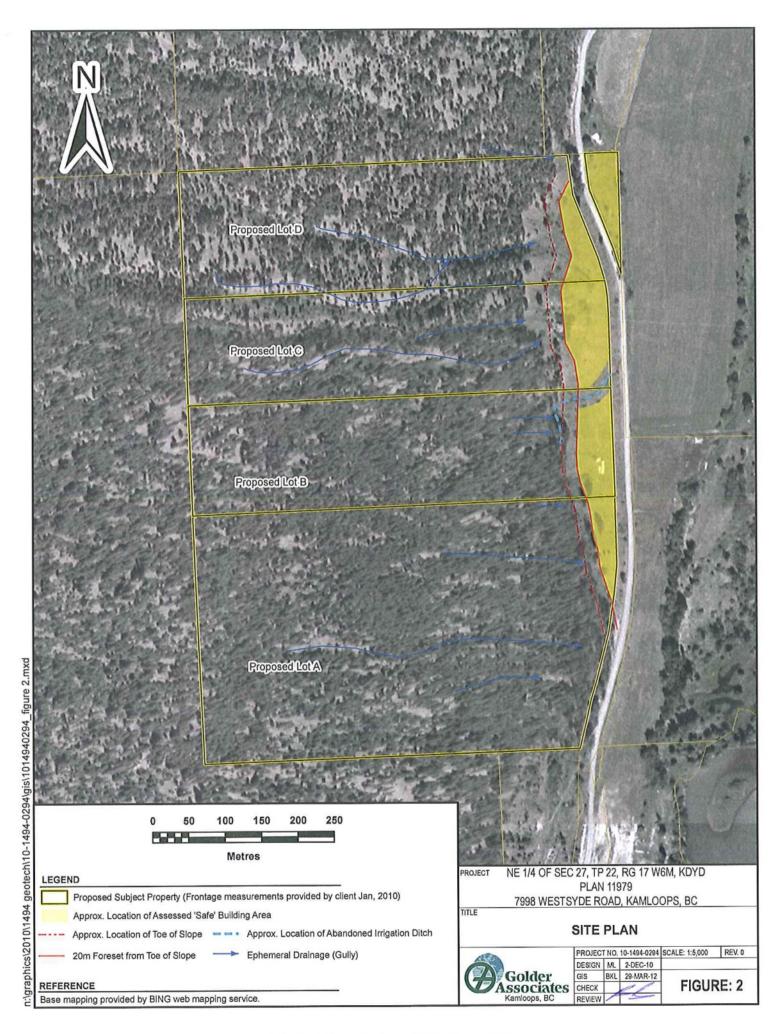
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Some soil exposures and bedrock outcrops were observed during the site reconnaissance. The observed soil deposits were found to comprise a mixture of poorly sorted silt and sand with some gravel, containing cobbles and small boulders. The bedrock outcrops consist of siltstone and shale bedrock. Small boulders and cobbles with diameters up to 300 mm were commonly observed mainly on the slopes and near (typically within 10 m of) the toe of the slopes, however, the rocks were not prominent, but were typically fully embedded in the surrounding soil.

4.0 GEOHAZARD ASSESSMENT

For purposes of this assessment, a "safe" building site refers to a site in which the identified geohazards are assessed to satisfy, either before or after mitigation, the commonly used provincial geohazard guideline of 10% probability of occurrence in 50 years. For this site, it is assessed that "safe" building areas can be achieved by positioning proposed buildings outside of existing ephemeral drainage paths, and by application of suitable foresets from the toe of adjoining slopes.

The following potential terrain hazards were identified on the subject site:

- Rockfall / Rolling Rocks;
- Ephemeral Drainage including steeply slope fan deposits at some gully outlets; and
- Other Hazards.



4.1 Fragmental Rockfall / Rolling Rock

Based on interpretation of available information and site observation, it is inferred that below the surficial layer, the slopes generally consist of bedrock overlain by morainal soil cover (generally glacial till) of variable thickness, commonly containing boulders and cobbles with diameters up to 300 mm. Empirical assessment (Evans and Hungr, The Assessment of Rockfall Hazard at the Base of Talus Slopes, Cdn Geotechnical Journal, v.30, 1993) has shown that rolling rock from fragmental rockfall is confined within a rockfall shadow zone defined by a 27.5 degree projection from the top of the talus fan. Available mapping indicates that the ridge slopes average about 23.5 degrees from horizontal and site observation confirms that the lower ridge slopes are generally moderate and show no evidence of a developed talus fan. Accordingly, it is assessed that, within the proposed gently sloped development area between the toe of the ridge slopes and Westsyde Road any cobbles and boulders on the slope are, in general, stable and will not move unless actively disturbed by physical force (such as someone pushing them). Even if disturbed, cobbles and boulders will tend to come to rest on the slope or within a few metres of the toe of the slope.

To address the potential of rolling rocks reaching building sites, a conservative minimum building foreset of 20 m from the toe of the moderately steep ridge slopes is recommended. As previously noted, the toe of the steep ridge slopes was flagged by Golder, and the flagged line was surveyed by Allnorth Land Surveyors. Residential building sites on the subject site which have a minimum 20 m foreset from the flagged line are considered to be "safe" with respect of geotechnical rolling rock hazard. This foreset is not intended to apply to septic fields and backup fields, yards, gardens, or storage sheds which are considered acceptable uses of the residential building foreset zone.

4.2 Drainage

The gullies noted on the hillside are assessed to be ephemeral drainage channels. Available mapping indicates that the gullies have quite limited collection areas. The channels appear to terminate where the slopes of the valley wall intercept the colluvial fans. At some gully locations, small local steeply sloping fans have developed at the gully outlets; the steep fans consisting largely of coarse rocky debris washed out of the gullies and deposited just beyond the outlet. At the time of the reconnaissance, the gullies were dry and the fan deposits extending from the gully outlets were covered by grass with no obvious signs of active drainage channels or recently deposited alluvium. Though the gullies are assessed to be generally inactive at this time other than for ephemeral drainage, recent experience with forest fires suggests that minor gullies such as those present on the subject site may become more active and susceptible to debris flood for a period of several years following a forest fire.

Accordingly, it is our professional opinion that the drainage hazard to the proposed site from flow originating within the hillside gullies is low, with the potential to increase to moderate for several years after the slopes have denuded by forest fire, and that appropriate site selection and minor site grading works, such as locating houses outside the direct path of any drainage which might come from the ephemeral drainage channels and raising the lower floor level 1 m above the surrounding grade to direct surface water away from the houses, should provide adequate protection from runoff. Accordingly, it is recommended that:

- houses be located offset at least 30 m from the projected discharge path from outlet of each of the main gullies;
- 2) houses be located outside the area of any local low lying land, ditch or ephemeral drainage channel;



- the perimeter grade surrounding the houses be elevated at least 1 m above any nearby low point or apparent ephemeral drainage channel; and
- 4) the house perimeter grade to be shaped and graded to direct surface runoff away from the building.

If any of the above four drainage recommendations is not satisfied by the selected site location and grading, a geotechnical engineer should be retained to review the proposed site grading and, if required, to recommend measures such as ditching, regrading and/or deflection berms to mitigate the assessed drainage hazard.

4.3 Other Hazards

The forest on the hillside contains a relatively high proportion of dead trees that are still standing, and some fallen trees. In the event that the houses are located close to the forested hillside there is a risk of forest fire and falling trees. While forest fire is not considered as geotechnical hazard, it is recommended that a fire risk study be prepared for the site by specialists in the field.

5.0 PROPOSED BUILDING SITES

Golder has identified and delineated a "safe" building area on the property with respect to rolling rock geohazard which includes land suitable for development of a single family residential house on each lot, as indicated in Figure 2. The lot boundaries and the location of assessed toe of slope as flagged in the field by Golder are shown in Figure 2, and are located as provided to Golder by the client on an unsigned Allnorth Subdivision Plan received by Golder on January 27, 2012. The location of the toe of slope provided in the Allnorth Subdivision Plan also matches our own GPS reference points collected during flagging of the line, providing corroboration that the toe of slope line is accurately located.

The assessed safe building areas (with respect to rolling rock geohazard) for single family house development were determined by adding a 20 m foreset from the surveyed toe of slope line. The assessed building areas are all located on the lower gently sloping and grass covered portion of the lots near Westsyde Road.

Safe Building Area - Lot A

The identified safe building area for a single family residential dwelling on proposed Lot A is located on the north east corner of the Lot. We understand that there may be some interest in locating a building site on a small elevated terrace within the tree covered slope. While this study has not determined that the elevated terrace site is safe with respect to geotechnical hazard for house construction, the terrace building site could be considered in future, subject to the results of a site specific geohazard assessment of this alternate potential building site.

Safe Building Area - Lots B & C

The identified safe building area for a single family residential dwelling on each of proposed Lots B and C is located along the east side of the Lots.



Safe Building Area – Lot D

The identified safe building area for a single family residential dwelling on proposed Lot D is located along the east side of the lot, but does not extend fully to the north end of the lot where the ground is rougher and steeper than elsewhere on the lot.

It is assessed that the recommended 20 m foreset from the toe of slope, together with the four drainage recommendations, are sufficient to define safe building sites for single family residential dwellings and "land that may be used safely for the use intended". The location and topography of the house sites to be selected within the identified safe building area on each lot (with respect to rolling rock geohazard) is not known at this time. If a selected house site and proposed grading does not satisfy the four drainage recommendations, then it is recommended that a geotechnical engineer with suitable training and experience in geohazard assessments be retained to review the selected house site. The geotechnical engineer may approve the selected house site with respect to geohazards or recommend relocation or mitigation, as appropriate.

6.0 CONCLUSIONS

The results of the Geohazard Assessment indicate that each of the proposed subject lots contain "land that may be used safely for the use intended" with respect to rolling rock geotechnical hazard, located as shown on Figure 2, and development on the subject site is considered feasible with respect to the identified geohazards, subject to a 20 m foreset from the assessed "toe of slope" and implementation of the four drainage recommendations provided herein.

The assessed toe of slope was flagged by Golder and surveyed by Allnorth

If the four drainage recommendations are not satisfied by the selected house site and grading, it is recommended that a geotechnical engineer with suitable training and experience in geohazard assessments be retained to review the selected house site.

The identification of "safe" building areas (or land that may be used safely for the use intended) based on a limited scope of study does not preclude the possibility that additional "safe" areas might be identified though additional study. Accordingly, where there are proposed alternate building sites located outside the currently defined limits, such sites could be reviewed in an additional site specific geohazard assessment beyond the scope of the current study. Please note that the results of such a site specific geohazard assessment may or may not support development of a selected alternate site. Golder would be pleased to prepare a proposal for additional site specific geohazard assessments, if requested.

No other geohazards were identified as potentially affecting the potential house sites.

The Geohazard Assessment conducted was subjective and limited to review of available topographic maps and aerial photographs, and ground reconnaissance of the area of the subject property. Assessments were based on geomorphic interpretation of landforms to evaluate the spatial distribution of past geohazard occurrences as an indicator of the nature and distribution of future geohazards likely to affect the site.

Subject to the implementation of the recommendations provided herein, the geohazards would not be expected to be life-threatening or catastrophic and, accordingly, the 1 in 10,000 year hazard criterion is not considered applicable. Accordingly, subject to implementation of the recommendations contained herein, the building areas shown on Figure 2 are considered to satisfy a 10% in 50 years hazard risk criterion for the identified geohazards.



This geohazard assessment was prepared based on information available at the time of assessment. If new information relevant to this geohazard assessment becomes available, Golder should be retained to review the new information and to confirm or amend the geotechnical recommendations provided herein, as appropriate in the light of the new information.

7.0 CLOSURE

We trust that this report meets your requirements at this time. Golder appreciates the opportunity of working on this project with you. If you have questions, please contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

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Sample Disposal: Golder will dispose of all uncontaminated soil and/or rock samples 90 days following issue of this report or, upon written request of the Client, will store uncontaminated samples and materials at the Client's expense. In the event that actual contaminated soils, fills or groundwater are encountered or are inferred to be present, all contaminated samples shall remain the property and responsibility of the Client for proper disposal.

Follow-Up and Construction Services: All details of the design were not known at the time of submission of Golder's report. Golder should be retained to review the final design, project plans and documents prior to construction, to confirm that they are consistent with the intent of Golder's report.

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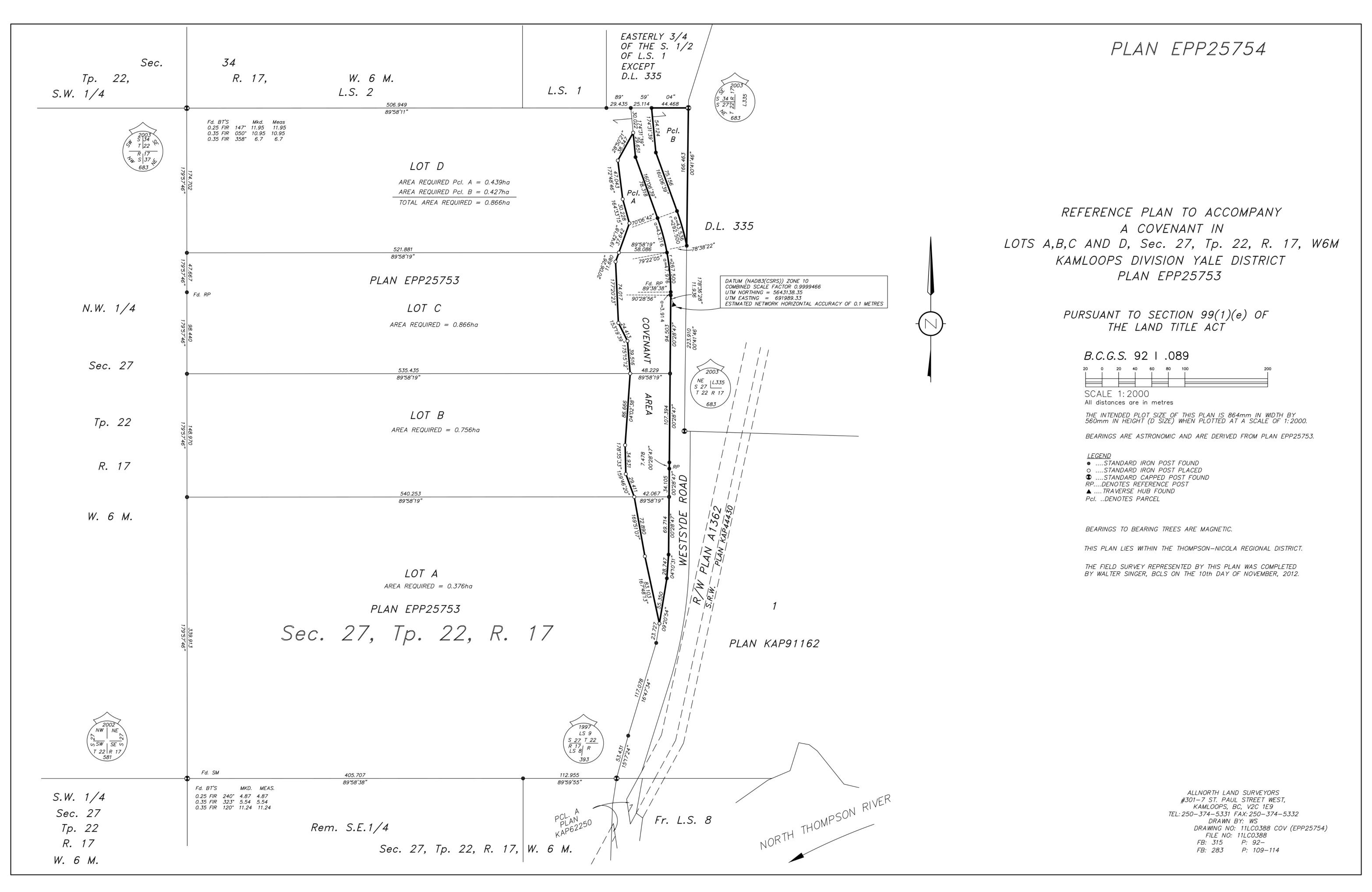
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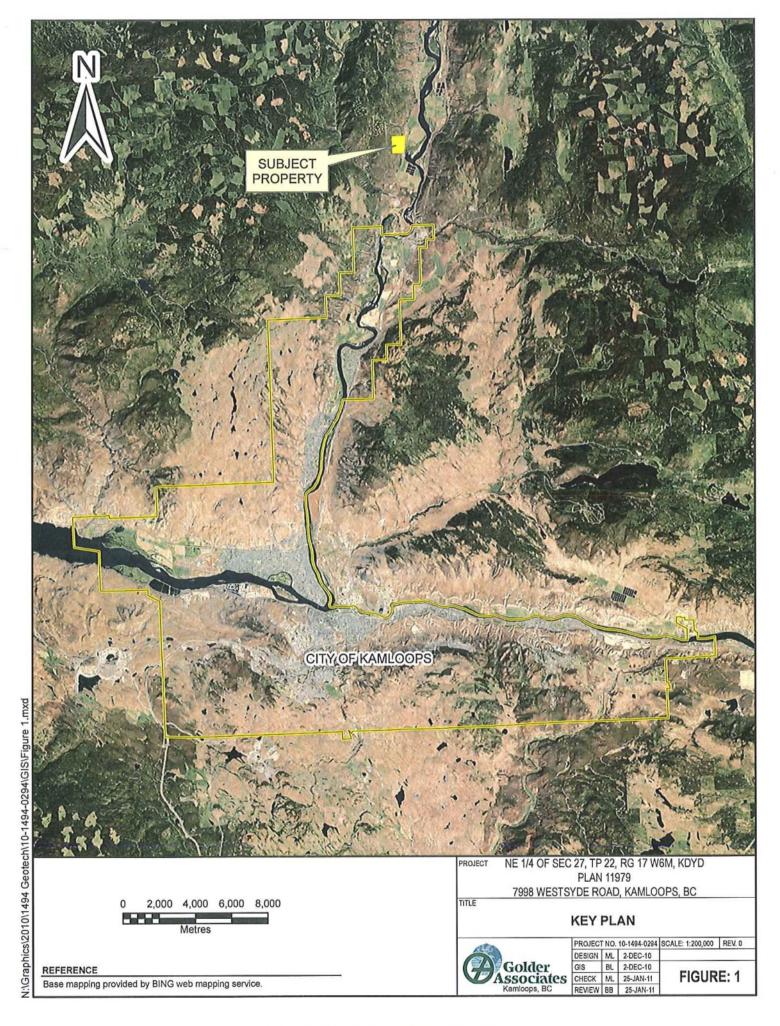
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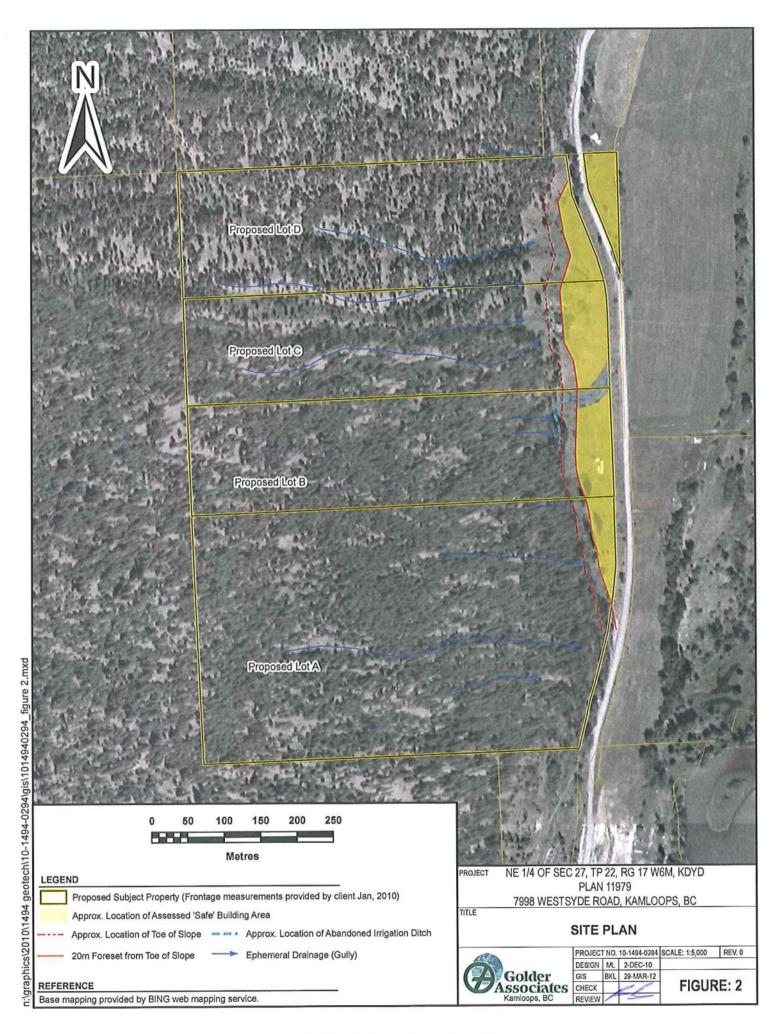
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Slopes rising to the west above the site comprise the east flank of Jamieson Range, a generally flat topped ridge located between the Jamieson Creek valley and the North Thompson River valley. At the site location, the ridge rises about 550 m above the toe of the ridge slope on the subject property. Available topographic mapping (Map 92-I/16, Heffley Creek, Ministry of Energy, Mines and Resources Canada, 1:50,000 scale) indicates that the average grade of the slopes above the site is roughly 2.3 horizontal to 1 vertical (23.5 degrees) or flatter. The slopes are covered with trees and low vegetation. Dead standing trees and fallen trees are commonly observed at the site. As previously described, located between the toe of the ridge slopes and Westsyde Road is a strip of gently sloping grassland. No large cobbles and boulders indicative of potential rockfall hazard, and no depositional elements indicative of debris flow activity, were observed on the gently sloping proposed development area or at the toe of the steeper slopes.







The slopes above the proposed development area are incised by a series of well separated minor gullies oriented in the downslope direction. The gullies are assessed to be ephemeral drainage channels that terminate in colluvial fans, commonly coalescing colluvial fans, which comprise the gently sloping terrain on the eastern parts on the proposed lots. However, there were observed to be localized occurrences of steeply sloping fan deposits containing cobbles which have developed at the outlets of some of the minor gullies. At the time of the reconnaissance, the gullies were dry and the gently sloping terrain at the toe of the ridge (beyond any local steeply sloping fan deposits) was covered by grass with no observed signs of recently deposited material. There are reportedly two irrigation ditches on the lower slopes (only the lower ditch was observed in the reconnaissance) both of which were reportedly historically fed by diversion from Jamieson Creek in the early 20th Century. As reported by Mr. Cory, it is understood that the irrigation ditches have been abandoned and nonfunctional for in excess of 70 years. The lower of the two abandoned irrigation ditches crosses through the south side of Lot C (refer to Figure 2).

Based on surficial geology mapping of the area (Surficial Geology, Kamloops Lake, West of sixth Meridian, British Columbia. Fulton, R J, 1976. Geological Survey of Canada, 1394A.), the surficial deposits in the proposed development area at the toe of the slopes are mapped as fan deposits consisting of poorly sorted gravel, sand, silt and clay. On the slopes the deposits are mapped as morainal soils (glacial till) consisting of poorly sorted gravel, boulders, sand, silt and clay. Based on information contained on the BC Geological Survey website (http://webmap.em.gov.bc.ca/mapplace/minpot/bcgs.cfm), the underlying bedrock consists of mudstone, siltstone and shale bedrock of the Harper Ranch and Nicola Groups.

Some soil exposures and bedrock outcrops were observed during the site reconnaissance. The observed soil deposits were found to comprise a mixture of poorly sorted silt and sand with some gravel, containing cobbles and small boulders. The bedrock outcrops consist of siltstone and shale bedrock. Small boulders and cobbles with diameters up to 300 mm were commonly observed mainly on the slopes and near (typically within 10 m of) the toe of the slopes, however, the rocks were not prominent, but were typically fully embedded in the surrounding soil.

4.0 GEOHAZARD ASSESSMENT

For purposes of this assessment, a "safe" building site refers to a site in which the identified geohazards are assessed to satisfy, either before or after mitigation, the commonly used provincial geohazard guideline of 10% probability of occurrence in 50 years. For this site, it is assessed that "safe" building areas can be achieved by positioning proposed buildings outside of existing ephemeral drainage paths, and by application of suitable foresets from the toe of adjoining slopes.

The following potential terrain hazards were identified on the subject site:

- Rockfall / Rolling Rocks;
- Ephemeral Drainage including steeply slope fan deposits at some gully outlets; and
- Other Hazards.



4.1 Fragmental Rockfall / Rolling Rock

Based on interpretation of available information and site observation, it is inferred that below the surficial layer, the slopes generally consist of bedrock overlain by morainal soil cover (generally glacial till) of variable thickness, commonly containing boulders and cobbles with diameters up to 300 mm. Empirical assessment (Evans and Hungr, The Assessment of Rockfall Hazard at the Base of Talus Slopes, Cdn Geotechnical Journal, v.30, 1993) has shown that rolling rock from fragmental rockfall is confined within a rockfall shadow zone defined by a 27.5 degree projection from the top of the talus fan. Available mapping indicates that the ridge slopes average about 23.5 degrees from horizontal and site observation confirms that the lower ridge slopes are generally moderate and show no evidence of a developed talus fan. Accordingly, it is assessed that, within the proposed gently sloped development area between the toe of the ridge slopes and Westsyde Road any cobbles and boulders on the slope are, in general, stable and will not move unless actively disturbed by physical force (such as someone pushing them). Even if disturbed, cobbles and boulders will tend to come to rest on the slope or within a few metres of the toe of the slope.

To address the potential of rolling rocks reaching building sites, a conservative minimum building foreset of 20 m from the toe of the moderately steep ridge slopes is recommended. As previously noted, the toe of the steep ridge slopes was flagged by Golder, and the flagged line was surveyed by Allnorth Land Surveyors. Residential building sites on the subject site which have a minimum 20 m foreset from the flagged line are considered to be "safe" with respect of geotechnical rolling rock hazard. This foreset is not intended to apply to septic fields and backup fields, yards, gardens, or storage sheds which are considered acceptable uses of the residential building foreset zone.

4.2 Drainage

The gullies noted on the hillside are assessed to be ephemeral drainage channels. Available mapping indicates that the gullies have quite limited collection areas. The channels appear to terminate where the slopes of the valley wall intercept the colluvial fans. At some gully locations, small local steeply sloping fans have developed at the gully outlets; the steep fans consisting largely of coarse rocky debris washed out of the gullies and deposited just beyond the outlet. At the time of the reconnaissance, the gullies were dry and the fan deposits extending from the gully outlets were covered by grass with no obvious signs of active drainage channels or recently deposited alluvium. Though the gullies are assessed to be generally inactive at this time other than for ephemeral drainage, recent experience with forest fires suggests that minor gullies such as those present on the subject site may become more active and susceptible to debris flood for a period of several years following a forest fire.

Accordingly, it is our professional opinion that the drainage hazard to the proposed site from flow originating within the hillside gullies is low, with the potential to increase to moderate for several years after the slopes have denuded by forest fire, and that appropriate site selection and minor site grading works, such as locating houses outside the direct path of any drainage which might come from the ephemeral drainage channels and raising the lower floor level 1 m above the surrounding grade to direct surface water away from the houses, should provide adequate protection from runoff. Accordingly, it is recommended that:

- houses be located offset at least 30 m from the projected discharge path from outlet of each of the main gullies;
- 2) houses be located outside the area of any local low lying land, ditch or ephemeral drainage channel;



- the perimeter grade surrounding the houses be elevated at least 1 m above any nearby low point or apparent ephemeral drainage channel; and
- 4) the house perimeter grade to be shaped and graded to direct surface runoff away from the building.

If any of the above four drainage recommendations is not satisfied by the selected site location and grading, a geotechnical engineer should be retained to review the proposed site grading and, if required, to recommend measures such as ditching, regrading and/or deflection berms to mitigate the assessed drainage hazard.

4.3 Other Hazards

The forest on the hillside contains a relatively high proportion of dead trees that are still standing, and some fallen trees. In the event that the houses are located close to the forested hillside there is a risk of forest fire and falling trees. While forest fire is not considered as geotechnical hazard, it is recommended that a fire risk study be prepared for the site by specialists in the field.

5.0 PROPOSED BUILDING SITES

Golder has identified and delineated a "safe" building area on the property with respect to rolling rock geohazard which includes land suitable for development of a single family residential house on each lot, as indicated in Figure 2. The lot boundaries and the location of assessed toe of slope as flagged in the field by Golder are shown in Figure 2, and are located as provided to Golder by the client on an unsigned Allnorth Subdivision Plan received by Golder on January 27, 2012. The location of the toe of slope provided in the Allnorth Subdivision Plan also matches our own GPS reference points collected during flagging of the line, providing corroboration that the toe of slope line is accurately located.

The assessed safe building areas (with respect to rolling rock geohazard) for single family house development were determined by adding a 20 m foreset from the surveyed toe of slope line. The assessed building areas are all located on the lower gently sloping and grass covered portion of the lots near Westsyde Road.

Safe Building Area - Lot A

The identified safe building area for a single family residential dwelling on proposed Lot A is located on the north east corner of the Lot. We understand that there may be some interest in locating a building site on a small elevated terrace within the tree covered slope. While this study has not determined that the elevated terrace site is safe with respect to geotechnical hazard for house construction, the terrace building site could be considered in future, subject to the results of a site specific geohazard assessment of this alternate potential building site.

Safe Building Area - Lots B & C

The identified safe building area for a single family residential dwelling on each of proposed Lots B and C is located along the east side of the Lots.



Safe Building Area - Lot D

The identified safe building area for a single family residential dwelling on proposed Lot D is located along the east side of the lot, but does not extend fully to the north end of the lot where the ground is rougher and steeper than elsewhere on the lot.

It is assessed that the recommended 20 m foreset from the toe of slope, together with the four drainage recommendations, are sufficient to define safe building sites for single family residential dwellings and "land that may be used safely for the use intended". The location and topography of the house sites to be selected within the identified safe building area on each lot (with respect to rolling rock geohazard) is not known at this time. If a selected house site and proposed grading does not satisfy the four drainage recommendations, then it is recommended that a geotechnical engineer with suitable training and experience in geohazard assessments be retained to review the selected house site. The geotechnical engineer may approve the selected house site with respect to geohazards or recommend relocation or mitigation, as appropriate.

6.0 CONCLUSIONS

The results of the Geohazard Assessment indicate that each of the proposed subject lots contain "land that may be used safely for the use intended" with respect to rolling rock geotechnical hazard, located as shown on Figure 2, and development on the subject site is considered feasible with respect to the identified geohazards, subject to a 20 m foreset from the assessed "toe of slope" and implementation of the four drainage recommendations provided herein.

The assessed toe of slope was flagged by Golder and surveyed by Allnorth

If the four drainage recommendations are not satisfied by the selected house site and grading, it is recommended that a geotechnical engineer with suitable training and experience in geohazard assessments be retained to review the selected house site.

The identification of "safe" building areas (or land that may be used safely for the use intended) based on a limited scope of study does not preclude the possibility that additional "safe" areas might be identified though additional study. Accordingly, where there are proposed alternate building sites located outside the currently defined limits, such sites could be reviewed in an additional site specific geohazard assessment beyond the scope of the current study. Please note that the results of such a site specific geohazard assessment may or may not support development of a selected alternate site. Golder would be pleased to prepare a proposal for additional site specific geohazard assessments, if requested.

No other geohazards were identified as potentially affecting the potential house sites.

The Geohazard Assessment conducted was subjective and limited to review of available topographic maps and aerial photographs, and ground reconnaissance of the area of the subject property. Assessments were based on geomorphic interpretation of landforms to evaluate the spatial distribution of past geohazard occurrences as an indicator of the nature and distribution of future geohazards likely to affect the site.

Subject to the implementation of the recommendations provided herein, the geohazards would not be expected to be life-threatening or catastrophic and, accordingly, the 1 in 10,000 year hazard criterion is not considered applicable. Accordingly, subject to implementation of the recommendations contained herein, the building areas shown on Figure 2 are considered to satisfy a 10% in 50 years hazard risk criterion for the identified geohazards.



This geohazard assessment was prepared based on information available at the time of assessment. If new information relevant to this geohazard assessment becomes available, Golder should be retained to review the new information and to confirm or amend the geotechnical recommendations provided herein, as appropriate in the light of the new information.

7.0 CLOSURE

We trust that this report meets your requirements at this time. Golder appreciates the opportunity of working on this project with you. If you have questions, please contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

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Follow-Up and Construction Services: All details of the design were not known at the time of submission of Golder's report. Golder should be retained to review the final design, project plans and documents prior to construction, to confirm that they are consistent with the intent of Golder's report.

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