August 14, 2025

Job Number: 134208
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Industrial Forestry Service Ltd.
1595 5th Avenue
Prince George BC V2L 3L9

Dear Industrial Forestry Service Ltd.,

Notice of Authorized Changes - Changes In and About a Stream (File 7003372)

Thank you for your Authorized Change Application for changes in and about a stream regarding the installation of three stream crossings in support of ski trail development for the Caledonia Nordic Ski Club:

- Culvert crossing at 53.9583060, -122.8499720
- Culvert crossing at 53.9586390, -122.8492220
- Ford crossing at 53.9581940, -122.8500830

All works shall be completed in accordance with the Application, "Otway Nordic Centre Stream Crossings Plan, 2025", "Caledonia Ski Trial Construction Basic Design Proposals", and the provincial "Requirements and Best Management Practices for Making Changes In and About a Stream" (Government of British Columbia, 2022).

As a Habitat Officer under the *Water Sustainability Act*, I am requiring that the proposed changes in and about a stream be made in accordance with the following terms and conditions to protect habitat, and/or water quality as per Section 44(2) of the *Water Sustainability Regulation*.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS:
a) THE TIMING WINDOW DURING WHICH THE CHANGE MAY BE MADE

As a Habitat Officer I authorize your instream works; permitting works from August 15th to September 15th, 2025, with conditions:

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Minimize the amount of time the work site is in a disturbed state by completing work as quickly as possible, while considering worker safety and minimizing environmental risk.

b) THE MINIMUM INSTREAM FLOW OR THE MINIMUM FLOW OF WATER THAT MUST REMAIN IN THE STREAM WHILE THE CHANGE IS BEING MADE

The natural rate of water flow must be maintained upstream and downstream of the worksite during all phases of instream activity.

c) THE REMOVAL OF MATERIAL FROM THE STREAM OR STREAM CHANNEL IN CONNECTION WITH THE CHANGE

The removal of material must not lead to stream channel instability or increase the risk of sedimentation into the watercourse.

Any spoil materials must be placed in a location which ensures that sediment or debris does not enter the watercourse.

d) THE ADDITION OF SUBSTANCE, SEDIMENT, DEBRIS OR MATERIAL TO THE STREAM OR STREAM CHANNEL IN CONNECTION WITH THE CHANGE

All equipment must be located and operated in the dry.

Equipment used in close proximity to the wetted perimeter must be free of deleterious material (e.g. hydrocarbons) and in good mechanical condition (e.g. no fuel or hydraulic leaks).

All rock used in the works shall be clean and free of sediment producing material, durable, non-acid generating and suitably graded.

Measures must be taken to ensure that no harmful material (e.g. fuel and other hydrocarbons, soil, road fill, or sediment) which could adversely impact water quality, fish and other aquatic life, and/or fish habitat, be allowed to enter the wetted perimeter as a result of the project activities.

Erosion and sediment control structures are to be available onsite and utilized as necessary.

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Do not work in weather conditions likely to contribute to sediment production to the stream.

e) THE SALVAGE OR PROTECTION OF FISH OR WILDLIFE WHILE THE CHANGE IS BEING MADE OR AFTER THE CHANGE HAS BEEN MADE

Do not disturb wildlife and/or their residences within the project area.

f) THE PROTECTION OF NATURAL MATERIALS AND VEGETATION THAT CONTRIBUTE TO THE AQUATIC ECOSYSTEM OR STREAM CHANNEL STABILITY

Minimize or avoid disturbing soil and vegetation above and below the area required for actual construction of the stream crossing.

g) THE RESTORATION OF THE WORKSITE AFTER THE CHANGE HAS BEEN MADE

Grade disturbed areas to a stable angle after work is completed and revegetate these areas to prevent surface erosion.

Complete post-construction monitoring to ensure your revegetation is successful.

Remove any remaining sediment and erosion control measures once site has stabilized.

i) OTHER

This document does not supersede the requirements of the *Water Sustainability Act*, *Water Sustainability Regulation,* federal *Fisheries Act* or any other related legislation. The proponent is obligated to comply with all applicable federal, provincial or municipal enactments. Further information on the *Water Sustainability Act*, Section 11 Change Approval and Authorization for "Changes In and About a Stream" can be found at: http://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/environment/air-land-water/water/water-licensing-rights/working-around-water.

Retain a copy of this document on site during construction of the works.

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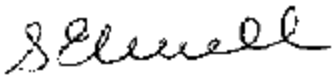
If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Sherri.Elwell@gov.bc.ca who can also be reached at 250-649-4367.

Sincerely,



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