

Riverview Lands

Archaeological Protocol

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Previously referred to as the **Riverview Lands Archaeological Process Flow (2016)**

INTRODUCTION

Kwkwetlem First Nation (KFN) have a long history living on the banks of the Coquitlam River and claim the Riverview Lands as part of their core traditional territory.

The Riverview Lands contain known archaeological sites and much of the property holds high potential for undocumented sites. Archaeological sites in British Columbia are protected under the [Heritage Conservation Act](#) (HCA). Alterations to archaeological sites may proceed under appropriate *Heritage Conservation Act* permits held by professional archaeologists under appropriate assessment guidelines and work plans. The *Heritage Conservation Act* prohibits the alteration or disturbance of archeological sites in whole or in part, on public and private land, whether impacts are intentional or inadvertent and irrespective of previous disturbance.

Kwkwetlem First Nation (KFN) holds and administers the *Kwkwetlem First Nation Heritage Policy* (KFNHP). The *Heritage Conservation Act* requires for archeological permits and work plans to be applied for and created by professional archaeologists as approved by the consulting First Nation of the territory. The KFNHP stipulates the right of the Nation to approve heritage professionals working in the territory. The current KFNHP has identified Brown & Oakes Archeology as the Nation’s preferred archeologist for works within KFN traditional territory and sole archaeologist for Riverview Lands.

Both the *Heritage Conservation Act* and the *Kwkwetlem First Nation Heritage Policy* (KFNHP) apply to the Riverview Lands. As such, BC Housing has implemented this **Riverview Lands Archeological Protocol** to ensure that all users, visitors and contractors on the Riverview Lands are aware of the requirements set out by the *Heritage Conservation Act* and the *Kwkwetlem First Nation Heritage Policy* (KFNHP) as they relate to ground disturbances on the Riverview Lands.

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Reference Documents

These documents and any amendments or updates thereto issued from time to time will serve as references to this Riverview Lands Archaeology Protocol:

- [Heritage Conservation Act](#) (HCA)
- Kwikwetlem First Nation Heritage Policy (KFNHP)

1. DEFINITIONS

- **“ARCHAEOLOGICAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT”** means a study conducted by a professional archaeologist that assesses the archaeological significance of a land or property
- **“COMMON AREA”** means any area outside an identified activity, lease or project boundary, but within the property line of the Riverview Lands, under the custody of BC Housing, and under title by the Provincial Rental Housing Corporation.
- **“GROUND DISTURBING WORK”** means any work, operation or activity that results in the disturbance of earth, including but not limited to uprooting of plants, soil removal, excavation, digging, drilling, bore hole testing, post installation, etc.
- **“KFN HERITAGE CERTIFICATION PROGRAM”** means the program administered by Kwikwetlem First Nation with the purpose of providing education regarding:
 - the cultural history and aspirations of KFN as it applies to KFN territory and most specifically the Riverview Lands;
 - the expectations and requirements of the KFNHP;
 - the expectations, requirements, enforcement and penalties provided in accordance with the HCA; and
 - archaeological practices and codes of conduct required when using archaeologically sensitive sites.
- **“RIVERVIEW LANDS”** means all of the property legally described as:

Civic Address: 2601 Lougheed Highway, Coquitlam, BC V3C 4J2

Legal Description: Lot 1, District Lot 470 & 305, Group 1, NWD Plan LMP22802
PID: 023-052-716
- **“USER”** means any person, company or corporation, group, tenant, licensee, developer, contractor or similar entity that is active or is using any portion of the Riverview Lands.

- “VISITOR” means any person, company or corporation, group, tenant, licensee, developer, contractor or similar entity that is active or is using any portion of the Riverview Lands.

2. RESPONSIBILITY OF USERS AND VISITORS

Users and Visitors of the Riverview Lands are required to abide by the Riverview Lands Archaeological Protocol.

Users and Visitors of the Riverview Lands are required to enlist and pass the KFN Heritage Certification Program.

3. PROHIBITION

BC Housing reserves the right to terminate any formal agreement Users or Visitors to the Riverview Lands have with BC Housing/PRHC should the Riverview Lands Archaeological Protocol not be followed. Further, should any User or Visitor, corporate entity or individual, be found in breach or violation of this Riverview Lands Archaeological Protocol, BC Housing/PRHC reserves the right to deny access to the Riverview Lands to the subject User or Visitor for as long as BC Housing/PRHC deems applicable.

4. PROCESS FOR ENGAGING IN GROUND DISTURBING WORKS

Users and Visitors of the Riverview Lands must enlist and pass the KFN Heritage Certification Program **before proposing to conduct** any Ground Disturbing Works.

Step 1: Identify Proposed Ground Disturbing Works

Users and Visitors of the Riverview Lands should identify in written form Ground Disturbing Works proposed. At a minimum, the summary should include details relating to the;

- Location of Ground Disturbing Works proposed;
- Timing of Ground Disturbing Works proposed;
- Nature of Ground Disturbing Works proposed;
- Quantity of Ground Disturbing Works proposed;
- Depth of Ground Disturbing Works proposed; and
- Purpose of Ground Disturbing Works proposed.

Step 2: Submit Proposed Ground Disturbing Works to Archaeologist

Users and Visitors of the Riverview Lands should submit proposed Ground Disturbing Works to the professional archaeologist identified within the *Kwikwetlem*

First Nation Heritage Policy as early as possible, but no less than 2 weeks prior to the commencement of the subject activity.

Submissions can be made directly to the point of entry of business with BC Housing (i.e.: Film & Special Events) or directed to renewingriverview@bchousing.org.

Step 3: Archaeologist Review to Permit Requirements

A professional archaeologist will review the Ground Disturbing Works proposed to determine whether the Ground Disturbing Works proposed can proceed under the existing HCA Section 14 Heritage Inspection Permit for the Riverview Lands or whether additional HCA Permits are required.

Note: Most ground disturbing works will require an Archaeological Impact Assessment (AIA) to be completed prior to the proposed activity.

For proposed Ground Disturbing Works that are significant in nature or conflict with existing archaeological sites additional requirements may be necessary.

Users and Visitors are wholly responsible for any consultant fees, application fees or other costs required to complete an AIA or additional HCA permit submissions.

Step 4: Additional Requirements

Users and Visitors requiring additional study to complete the acquire appropriate permits are wholly responsible for all costs associated with the execution of the required work. Further, BC Housing makes no representations of certainty for any requirements. As such, Users and Visitors are wholly responsible for ensuring that all permit requirements under the HCA and KFNHP are met and are tasked with seeking out all supporting documentation required to achieve the appropriate approvals to meet their activity needs.

Users and Visitors are required to consult with KFN and the archaeological consultants when applying for additional permits. The use of non-approved archaeological consultants is not permitted.

Copies of all studies, applications and permits that pertain to the Riverview Lands as applied for by any User or Visitor must be provided to BC Housing.

Step 5: Starting Work

Once all required permits are in order, the proposed activity may commence subject to the completion of an on-site kick off meeting that is to include the attendance of KFN's archaeological consultant. Only the KFN archaeological consultant in tandem with BC Housing can waive the requirement for a on site kick off meeting.

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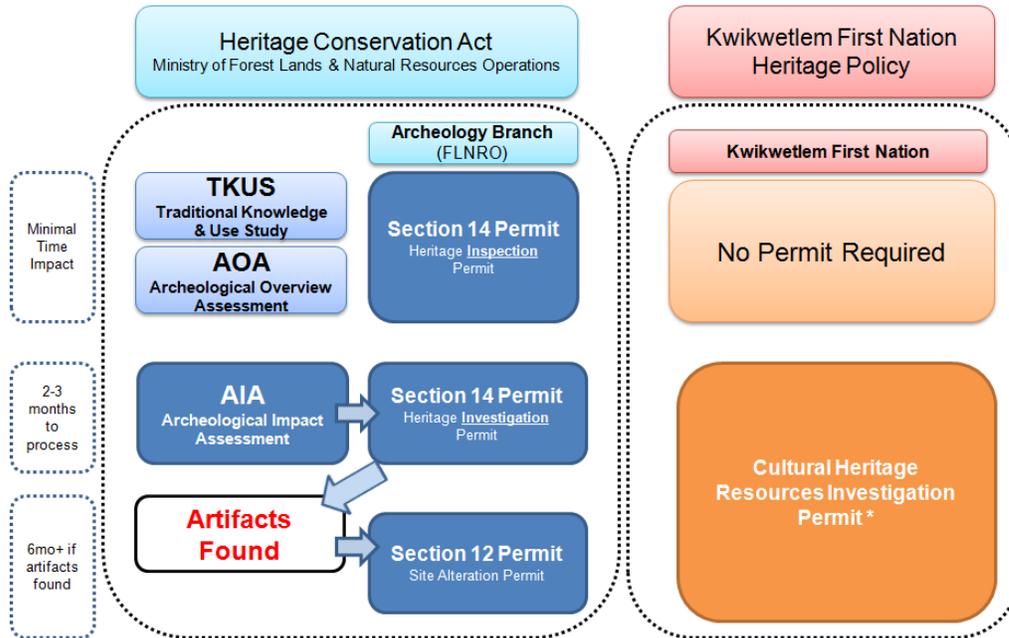
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Appendix A

Archaeological Approvals Flow Illustration



* Multiple permits may need to be retrieved from neighbour First Nations (i.e.: Tsleil-Waututh & Sto:lo)

Appendix B

Archaeological Consultation Relationships via Kwikwetlem First Nation

