

April 14, 2025

To: The CSRD Board of Directors

Re: Rural Subdivision and rezoning to create a 3.3-acre lot with an established home

We are long-time residents of Lee Creek, and I originally moved here in 1969 to live on the 80 acres my partners and I had purchased the previous year. In the mid-1970s, the original 80 acres was subdivided, creating our 40-acre lot and four other lots. In 2001, we built a small house for [REDACTED] to live in. When she moved back to Salmon Arm for [REDACTED], this house was at first, rented to family and friends and then was rented to a young family. In 2022, we decided to sell this house at 1501 Lee Creek Drive and the surrounding land, which includes the portion I own of an adjacent shared title property.

The property surrounding the house we intend to sell is prime agricultural land and has an unlimited water supply. It is our goal to find a young couple or a recently retired couple who are interested in doing small scale farming. The current renters are not looking after the property or the house, so we believe that the best solution is to find someone responsible and interested in making improvements to purchase it.

Creating more places for people to live rurally in the North Shuswap will help improve the local economy, help improve food-security and would be a good use for the land. Having a newly retired couple or enthusiastic young agrarians bringing innovative energy to the area would help spark enthusiasm for better utilizing land and adding much-needed food production in our area.

If all goes according to plan, the in-law home we built for our [REDACTED] will one day be renovated and the surrounding land would be used to grow healthy food for our community. We hope you agree with this vision and support our plans. Our proposed subdivision would bring in more people to work the land and thus help support a thriving, more resilient community.

In conclusion, we wish to subdivide for the following three reasons:

1. So that the land is better utilized to produce food.
2. So that the house and yard are improved and better maintained.
3. To realize some economic return from our large property.

Thank you for your thoughtful review and consideration of our project.

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