

Management Plan

Please describe the details of your project to the extent known. Consult the guidance document for further information on regulatory requirements, rational for why the information is required, and how to find required information.

The scope and the timing for response will be provided. If information is requested and not received, it may result in the disallowance of the application.

Information on these topics may be required as part of the application processing and if further detail is necessary that is not part of the application and management plan received, you will be contacted and requested to provide additional information. In some circumstances, the use of a qualified professional to complete the plan may be required.

1.0 Background

1.1 Project Overview

Describe project for which authorization is requested, including construction and/or phased development details:

This is the major impetus for our Application for Tenure:

Our company is Majestic Ocean Kayaking from Ucluelet BC. We have been in business for 28 years. We offer guided 4 day/ 3 night multi day kayaking and camping trips to the Broken Group Islands and the Deer Group Islands. Our season of operation is April 1 - September 30.

Our clients enjoy learning about the history of the area, wildlife viewing, touring with kayaks around the islands and enjoying the scenery and ocean environment.

We practice/teach leave no trace camping, we bring all our own food and water and supplies so we are not fishing or gathering while on our tours.

We travel by boat from Ucluelet on board a 36' vessel that carries all of the equipment and clients together.

1.2 Investigative Work

If any preliminary investigative work has been carried out, with or without an investigative authorization, provide details on work completed, incomplete or on-going from previous term. Please provide comments on any archaeological work, new technology or any First Nations agreements undertaken.



| Activity | Brief Description of Activity | Status (e.g. Complete, incomplete, ongoing) | Comments / Milestones |
|--|------------------------------------|---|--|
| visiting sites as show on maps | 2020 kayaking and camping | complete | site is a good place to visit for a rest stop or overnight camping |
| providing info to Huu ay aht First Nations and asking permission | Sent letter June 2020 and Feb 2021 | No reply at this time, we will keep in touch. | the sites we have chosen are not reserve sites. |

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1.4 First Nations Consultation

Describe any contact you may have had, including the name of the First Nation(s) and representatives contacted including a description of any discussion of potential adverse effects from the proposed activity and any discussed mitigation measures.



| Service | Percentage of Respondents |
|---------|---------------------------|
| 1 | 95% |
| 2 | 55% |
| 3 | 92% |
| 4 | 58% |
| 5 | 50% |
| 6 | 98% |
| 7 | 97% |
| 8 | 40% |

2.0 Location

2.1 Description

Provide a general description of the location of the project. Include activities such as traffic patterns and volume; parking; drilling and sampling etc.



We travel by boat from Ucluelet to the Deer Group Islands which is close to the town of Bamfield, BC.

The boat is a 36' aluminum DOT certified vessel that carries all of the equipment and up to 10 clients with 2 guides, the captain Gary Bostrom has 50 years of experience with large vessels he has lived on the west coast his entire life and owned a crab fishing business which he has retired from. We carry cross liability insurance so that Majestic Kayaking and Gary's boat are fully insured.

Once in the Deer Group Islands we unload the large boat and repack all of our supplies into the kayaks, from here on we are self propelled for the duration of the 4 day trip. At the end of the 4 days Gary and his boat comes back to the Deer Group islands to pick us up and transport us back to our home base in Ucluelet.

During the 4 day kayak tour, we paddle our kayaks between the islands, we stop on beaches for lunch stops and rest breaks. We are looking at the scenery, looking for wildlife and birds and sea mammals. Where we go depends greatly on the wind and sea state and the ability of our clients.

2.2 Location Justification

Provide your reasons/justification of the need for this type of project at this location. For example, is the activity close to a main highway for truck access purposes; or adjacent to other examples of this use - ie. is the proposed marina close to an existing marina



We used to visit the Deer Group Islands when we took out our first permit in 2008. Through the years the interested changed and more guests wanted to paddle the Broken Group Islands. The cost of the transport to the Deer Group Islands was a bit more expensive than the cost of the transport to the Broken Group Islands. Interest dwindled for the Deer Group Islands so we took it off of our list of trips that we offer.

We are applying for a Crown Land permit because:

In 2020 when Covid hit, we were not permitted to overnight camp in the Broken Group Islands (day use only) and now in 2021 we are unsure at this point if the Broken Group Islands will open for overnight camping. We have many guests wanting the overnight kayaking and camping tours and we would like to confirm their reservations by having a back up plan to go to the Deer Group islands.

The area is accessible for us as we are already set up with the transport boat and our routine was to take our guests to the nearby Broken Group Islands. It is only a few miles further to visit the Deer Group with the same management plan that we have developed , customized and operated with over the years.

The Deer Group Islands are very similar in nature to the Broken Group Islands, they offer exceptional wildlife viewing opportunities and a good amount of area for paddling and exploring. We can customize the tour to give sheltered paddling for our clients in the summer months even though parts of the area can be very exposed to the wind from every direction.

2.3 Seasonal Expectations of Use

When will the Project require use of the land? Include information on key works during construction phases as well as operations phase and indicate seasons or full year activities. Please reference [reduced risk fish windows](#) as required by DFO:



| Project Phase (Construction / Operations) | Brief Description of Activity / Works | Season |
|---|---------------------------------------|------------------------|
| We operate in the summer months. | kayaking and camping | April 1 - September 30 |

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3.0 Infrastructure and Improvements

3.1 Facilities and Infrastructure

Detail any new and existing facilities, infrastructure or processes proposed and any ancillary uses. Provide details of planned construction methods and materials, and construction scheduling.

| Facility/Infrastructure/Process | Construction Methods/Materials | Construction Schedule |
|--|--|---|
| We carry our tents and stoves and tarps with us. | We may put up tarps with ropes in the trees and set up a kitchen area under the shelter. | We take everything with us when we leave and practice leave no trace techniques |

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3.2 Access

Identify existing and proposed roads used for access and their use by season. Include any proposed connections that require either a Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure permit for connection or use of a Forest Service Road and what type of FS road and types of vehicles expected. Include information on any road use agreements and include the volume of traffic during construction/operation and phase or season that the traffic is expected.



| Roadway/Proposed Connection | Existing/Proposed | Existing Road Classification | Road Permittee Information and Road Use Agreements | Traffic Volume | | Mitigation of Traffic Effects |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------|--|--------------------|------------------|-------------------------------|
| | | | | Construction Phase | Operations Phase | |
| Not Applicable | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |

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3.3 Utility Requirements and Sources

Describe utility requirements and sources, include agreements in place or underway allowing access to utilities. Utilities include power generation, electrical or gas transmission or distribution lines, telecommunications.



We carry approximately 5 pounds of fuel, butane and propane combined, for cooking our food on stoves.
We make small campfires at night on the beach (not in the forest) using drift wood that we have collected while kayaking. We practice leave no trace guidelines.

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3.4 Water Supply

Identify water requirements for construction and operation phases (e.g. surface water and/or groundwater), including sources, location, volume and a general description of infrastructure planned to meet water supply requirements, include any agreements outside of Water Act Authorizations, such as Municipal water supply.

| Project Phase (Construction/ Operation) | Water Requirement (e.g. Surface water or ground water, etc) | Source/location | Volume | Infrastructure Description | Agreements |
|---|---|--|------------------------------|----------------------------|------------|
| During the entire trip | We carry our water in 5 litre jugs. | We bring the water with us from Ucluelet | 3 litres per person, per day | NA | NA |

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3.5 Waste Collection Treatment and Disposal

Identify any waste disposal (note septic system required), sewage, sanitation facilities and refuse disposal proposed. Include agreements in place or underway such as Health Regional Board Sewage Disposal Permits etc.



| Project Phase (Construction/ Operation) | Is there a water requirement (e.g. Surface water or ground water, etc) | Discharge distance to closest body of water (well, lake, etc.) | Volume of daily discharge | Infrastructure Description | Existing Agreements |
|---|--|---|------------------------------|----------------------------|--|
| During the entire trip | There are no outhouse facilities in the Deer Group Islands | We utilize the intertidal area and the ocean for our human waste disposal | Maximum 12 people per group. | | Please read the Operating Standards of the Sea Kayak Guides Alliance of BC as attached to the application. This is our industry regulatory organization. |

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4.0 Environmental

Describe any significant impacts and proposed mitigation for the following environmental classes:

4.1 Land Impacts

4.1.1 Vegetation Removal

Is any timber removal required?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Are any areas of vegetation to be cleared, outside of timber removal?

☐ Yes ☒ No

4.1.2 Soil Disturbance

Will there be any areas of soil disturbance, including clearing, grubbing, excavation and levelling?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Is the area to be excavated a Brownfield site or has the potential to be contaminated?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Is there potential for disturbance of archaeological, paleontological fossils or historical artifacts?

☐ Yes ☒ No

4.1.3 Riparian Encroachment

Will any works be completed within or adjacent to the riparian zone of any water body? If your project is within 30 meters of a watercourse and you intend to: disturb soil, remove plants, construct, install works for flood protection, develop drainage systems or service sewer or water systems the Riparian Areas Regulation may affect your development.



☐ Yes ☒ No

4.1.4 Pesticides and Herbicides

Will there be any use of pesticides or herbicides during construction, operations and/or maintenance?

☐ Yes ☒ No

4.1.5 Visual Impacts

Will there be any adverse effects of the projects, and any potential adverse effects on sight lines to the project area from surrounding areas likely to be used for scenic viewing by residents or other users?

☐ Yes

☒ No

4.1.6 Archaeological Sites

Are there any known or high potential (Arch Procedure) archaeological sites within the project area?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Have you conducted an AIA or engaged an archaeologist to assist with your investigations?

☐ Yes ☒ No

4.1.7 Construction Methods and Materials

Identify the types of construction materials, the methods used, their impacts, and any mitigations:

| Construction Material/Method | Impacts | Mitigations |
|------------------------------|---------|-------------|
| Not Applicable | NA | NA |
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4.2 Atmospheric Impacts

4.2.1 Sound, Odor, Gas or Fuel Emissions

Will the project construction or operation cause any of the following to disturb wildlife or nearby residents:

Sound? Yes ☒ No

Odor? Yes ☒ No

Gas? Yes ☒ No

Fuel Emissions? ☐ Yes ☒ No

4.3 Aquatic Lands

4.3.1 Drainage Effects

Will the project result in changes to land drainage?

☐ Yes ☒ No

4.3.2 Public Access

Will the project result in changes to public access?

☐ Yes ☒ No

4.3.3 Flood Potential

Will the project result in a potential for flooding?

☐ Yes ☒ No

4.4 Fish and Wildlife Habitat

4.4.1 Disturbance to Fish/Wildlife and Fish/Wildlife Habitat

Will the project result in adverse effects to wildlife or wildlife habitat?

[\(BC Wildlife Act\)](#)

☐ Yes ☒ No

Will the project (construction or operations phase) occur in and around streams, lakes, estuarine or marine environments?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Describe the fish habitat on or near the project site, include potential impacts of the Project (e.g. stream crossings, water diversions, etc), including seasonal considerations, and plans to manage/mitigate effects.

| Project Phase | Impacts | Proposed Mitigations / Management |
|---------------|--|---|
| Operations | We don't doing any fishing or harvesting on our tours. | We bring all our food with us. Please see the attachments from the SKGABC and Parks Canada which are the operating standards that we adhere to. |

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Is the project (construction or operations phase) likely to increase erosion or sedimentation?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Will the project (construction or operations phase) require water diversion?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Will the project threaten or endanger species at risk in the area?

[Species At Risk Act](#)

☐ Yes ☒ No

5.0 Socio-Community

5.1 Land Use

Describe the current community setting on or near the project area, including the location of non-aboriginal and aboriginal communities or known use areas.

The beaches that we are interested in using are visited by other kayakers and campers, commercial and recreational.

The Deer Group has a combination of other users other than kayakers around the overall area, charter fishing companies, whale watching/wildlife viewing companies, local residents from Bamfield enjoying personal recreation and fishing, wildlife viewing.

The areas that we avoid on the Islands are, private land holdings, commercial holdings and First Nations holdings. First Nations Sites require consultation and permission to visit.

We prefer to stop at uninhabited easy access beaches to stop or have lunch and then spend most of our time kayaking, getting to a permitted camp for the night.

5.1.1 Land Management Plans and Regional Growth Strategies

Are there any land and resource management plans, coastal plans, provincial, regional growth strategies or local government plans with zoning, or management policies or use restrictions in place that could limit or preclude your proposed use of the land? *(Please refer to the [Union of BC Municipalities \(UBCM\)](#), and check the websites of the municipality, regional district or other organization with jurisdiction including your project area.)*

☐ Yes ☒ No

5.2 Socio-Community Conditions

5.2.1 Adjacent Users or Communities

Is the project likely to restrict public access, or the ability, or the ability of adjacent land owners or tenure holder to access their property or tenures?

☐ Yes ☒ No

5.2.2 Existing Services

Provide a description any increased demand on fire protection and other health facilities and emergency services arising from your Project, including proposed management or mitigation measures.



A Canadian Coast Guard Station/Training Centre is located in the nearby town of Bamfield. They offer maritime search and rescue service delivery.

In our attached addendum's; Emergency Evacuation Plan; Management Plan we will address this question.

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