

REASONS FOR DECISION

FILE NUMBER: 2412714

APPLICANT: CITY WEST MANAGEMENT CORP.

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PRINCE RUPERT BC V8J1L1

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BACKGROUND:

Thia application is part of a comprehensive project to establish fibre optic connectivity along the BC Coast, extending from Prince Rupert to Vancouver and around Vancouver Island. The completed project aims to serve 139 rural and remote communities, including 48 Indigenous communities, benefiting an estimated 175,000 British Columbians in 90,000 households. With an estimated cost of \$45.4 million, funding is secured through provincial and federal government programs. The project involves laying 3,400 km of subsea fiber-optic cable from Prince Rupert to Vancouver, connecting to existing infrastructure. File 2412714 connects the Sunshine Coast, from Pope Landing to Gibsons through various landing sites on the Sunshine Coast.

October 4, 2024

DECISION: PROCESSED - TENURE ISSUED

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Considerations:

Land Use Report (LUR)

I have reviewed the final Land Use Report (LUR) and agree with the analysis and resulting recommendations.

- Land Act Policy and Procedures
 - I was guided by the Utilities Land Act Operational Policy in this decision.
- Land Status Review

All overlapping conflicts with other tenures were cleared.

- Referral Responses
- Referrals to other agencies raised site specific issues with the New Brighton landing site. As a result that landing site was removed from the application.
- Public Engagement.

Public comments were all reviewed and considered which resulted in some minor route shifts to their original application, but none resulted in any material changes to the decision.

• First Nation Consultation



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First Nation consultation is documented in the consultation record and was fully considered in this decision.

Summary Statement:

All concerns and conflicts related to this application were addressed and/or suitably mitigated, therefore this application is a beneficial use of Crown land.

DECISION MAKER:

Name: Tami Fur

<u>Title:</u> Resource Manager – Authorizations Delegated authority under *Land Act s. 11*

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