



RE: Data Request: Martin Velsen PREC* - RE/MAX of Nanaimo

1 message

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To: Martin Velsen PREC* <clientcare@martinvelsen.com>

Tue, Jan 18, 2022 at 4:29 PM

Hello Martin,

Thank you for your archaeological information request regarding [2435 Spring Beach Drive, Gabriola Island](#), PID 003520463, LOT 4, SECTION 2, GABRIOLA ISLAND, NANAIMO DISTRICT, PLAN 21158. Please review the screenshot of the property below (outlined in yellow) and notify me immediately if it does not represent the property listed in your information request.

Results of Provincial Archaeological Inventory Search

According to Provincial records, there are no known archaeological sites recorded on the subject property.

However, given the lot's waterfront location, there is high potential for a previously unidentified archaeological site to exist on the property.

Archaeology Branch Advice

If land-altering activities (e.g., home renovations, property redevelopment, landscaping, service installation) are planned for the subject property, a Provincial heritage permit is not required prior to commencement of those activities.

However, a Provincial heritage permit will be required if archaeological materials are exposed and/or impacted during land-altering activities. Unpermitted damage or alteration of a protected archaeological site is a contravention of the *Heritage Conservation Act* and requires that land-altering activities be halted until the contravention has been investigated and permit requirements have been established. This can result in significant project delays.

Therefore, the Archaeology Branch recommends engaging an eligible consulting archaeologist prior to any land-altering activities. The archaeologist will review the proposed activities, verify archaeological records, and possibly conduct a walk-over and/or an archaeological impact assessment (AIA) of the project area to determine whether the proposed activities are likely to damage or alter any previously unidentified archaeological sites.

Please notify all individuals involved in land-altering activities (e.g., owners, developers, equipment operators) that if archaeological material is encountered during development, they **must stop all activities immediately** and contact the Archaeology Branch for direction at 250-953-3334.

If there are no plans for land altering activities on the property, no action is required at this time.

Rationale and Supplemental Information

- There is high potential for previously unidentified archaeological deposits to exist on the property.
- Archaeological sites are protected under the *Heritage Conservation Act* and must not be damaged or altered without a Provincial heritage permit issued by the Archaeology Branch. This protection applies even when archaeological sites are previously unidentified or disturbed.
- If a permit is required, be advised that the permit application and issuance process takes approximately 8-12 weeks; the permit application process includes referral to First Nations and subsequent engagement.
- The Archaeology Branch must consider numerous factors (e.g., proposed activities and potential impacts to the archaeological site[s]) when determining whether to issue a permit and under what terms and conditions.
- The Archaeology Branch has the authority to require a person to obtain an archaeological impact assessment, at the person's expense, in certain circumstances, as set out in the *Heritage Conservation Act*.
- Occupying an existing dwelling or building without any land alteration does not require a Provincial heritage permit.

How to Find an Eligible Consulting Archaeologist

An eligible consulting archaeologist is one who can hold a Provincial heritage permit to conduct archaeological studies. To verify an archaeologist's eligibility, ask an archaeologist if he or she can hold a permit in your area, or contact the Archaeology Branch (250-953-3334) to verify an archaeologist's eligibility. Consulting archaeologists are listed on the BC Association of Professional Archaeologists website (www.bcapa.ca) and in local directories.

Questions?

For questions about the archaeological permitting and assessment process, please contact the Archaeology Branch at 250-953-3334 or archaeology@gov.bc.ca.

For more general information, visit the Archaeology Branch website at www.gov.bc.ca/archaeology.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jiana".



Please note that subject lot boundaries (yellow) indicated on the enclosed screenshot are based on information obtained by the Archaeology Branch on the date of this communication and may be subject to error or change



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From: clientcare@martinvelsen.com <clientcare@martinvelsen.com> **On Behalf Of** ArchDataRequest@gov.bc.ca

Sent: January 13, 2022 12:45 PM

To: Arch Data Request FLNR:EX <ArchDataRequest@gov.bc.ca>

Subject: Data Request: Martin Velsen PREC* - RE/MAX of Nanaimo

Terms and Conditions Accepted	Yes
Name	Martin Velsen PREC*
Email	clientcare@martinvelsen.com
I am a	Realtor or Lawyer representing Owner/Buyer
Affiliation	RE/MAX of Nanaimo
Address	5140 Metral Drive
City	Nanaimo
Province	BC
Postal Code	V9T 2K8
Phone Number	250-327-2324
Information Requested	<p>I request information and advice about archaeological sites on the properties described below (In the text box below, include the Parcel Identifier (PID), street address, and the legal description if available. If you have maps, please upload them to the File Attachments section near the end of the form.):</p> <p>PID: 003-520-463 Legal: Lot 4, Section 2, Gabriola Island, Nanaimo District, Plan 21158 Civic: 2435 Spring Beach Drive, Gabriola Island, BC. V0R 1X0</p>
Why Site Information is Required	I am a representative of the seller or prospective purchaser of the properties described above. The properties described above are currently listed for sale.
Third Party Access	<p>The following person(s) may have access to this information (Include the person's full name and relationship to you below. If you would like them to be copied on our email reply containing property information, please also include their email address):</p> <p>Realtors & Potential Purchasers</p>
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