



**VIA EMAIL: [Julie.Sandusky@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Julie.Sandusky@gov.bc.ca)**

Victoria File: 26250-20/26822  
Site ID: 26822  
App No. 13899

March 7, 2023

BC Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure  
Att: Julie Sandusky  
4B – 940 Blanshard Street  
PO Box 9850 Stn Prov Govt  
Victoria, BC V8W 9T5

Dear Julie Sandusky:

**Re: Certificate of Compliance – Portion of Highway 35, Burns Lake, British Columbia**

Please find enclosed a Certificate of Compliance respecting the site referenced above.

In addition to the conditions set out in Schedule B of the Certificate of Compliance, please be advised of the following:

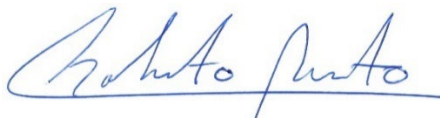
1. Information about the site will be included in the Site Registry established under the *Environmental Management Act*.
2. The provisions of this Certificate of Compliance are without prejudice to the right of the Director to make orders or impose requirements as the Director may deem necessary in accordance with applicable laws. Nothing in this Certificate of Compliance will in any way restrict or impair the Director's power in this regard.
3. A qualified environmental consultant should be available to identify, characterize and appropriately manage:
  - (a) any environmental media that may be contaminated, or
  - (b) soil which may exceed the standards triggering a Contaminated Soil Relocation Agreement set out in section 40 of the Contaminated Sites Regulation and may be encountered during any future subsurface work at the site.
4. Contamination remains on lands adjacent to the site.
5. Groundwater wells that are no longer required must be properly decommissioned in accordance with the Water Sustainability Act's Groundwater Protection Regulation.

6. Please note that the attached Certificate of Compliance does not address obligations of employers regarding worker health and safety under the Workers Compensation Act and Occupational Health and Safety Regulation. Development of site-specific work procedures in accordance with Workers' Compensation Board regulations may be warranted. Please direct related questions to Worksafe BC.

Issuance of this Certificate of Compliance is a decision that may be appealed under Part 8 of the *Environmental Management Act*.

If you require clarification of any aspect of this Certificate of Compliance, please contact the undersigned at [site@gov.bc.ca](mailto:site@gov.bc.ca) (toll free via Enquiry BC at 1-800-663-7867).

Yours truly,



Roberto Prieto, P.Ag.  
Senior Contaminated Sites Officer

Enclosure

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Scott Steer, Risk-based Approved Professional, Steer Environmental Associates Ltd.,  
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Client Information Officer, Land Remediation Section, Ministry of Environment and  
Climate Change Strategy, [csp\\_cio@Victorial.gov.bc.ca](mailto:csp_cio@Victorial.gov.bc.ca)



**CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE**  
(Pursuant to Section 53 of the *Environmental Management Act*)

**THIS IS TO CERTIFY** that as of the date indicated below, the site identified in Schedule A of this Certificate of Compliance has been satisfactorily remediated to meet the applicable Contaminated Sites Regulation remediation standards.

This Certificate of Compliance is qualified by the requirements and conditions specified in Schedule B.

The substances for which remediation has been satisfactorily completed and for which this Certificate of Compliance is valid are listed in Schedule C.

I have issued this Certificate of Compliance based on a review of relevant information including the documents listed in Schedule D. I, however, make no representation or warranty as to the accuracy or completeness of that information.

A Director may rescind this Certificate of Compliance if requirements and conditions imposed in the Certificate of Compliance are not complied with or any fees payable under Part 4 of the Act or regulations are outstanding.

This Certificate of Compliance should not be construed as an assurance that there are no hazards present at the site.

The substances to which this Certificate of Compliance applies migrated to the site from a neighbouring source. It should not be assumed that this Certificate of Compliance certifies the remediation of all contaminants at the site.

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## Schedule A

The site covered by this Certificate of Compliance includes a portion of Highway 35, Burns Lake, British Columbia, which is more particularly known and described by the following metes and bounds: starting at the west corner of Lot 1, District Lot 5402 and 6309, Range 5, Coast District Plan EPP341:

- The Point of Commencement.
- thence 16° 05' 13" for 19.017 metres;
- thence 30° 38' 11" for 139.703 metres;
- thence 179° 47' 40" for 18.876 metres;
- thence 120° 40' 15" for 16.676 metres;
- thence 53° 52' 32" for 7.861 metres;
- thence 186° 33' 48" for 43.559 metres;
- thence 233° 51' 39" for 81.689 metres;
- thence 227° 15' 33" for 35.770 metres;
- Returning to the Point of Commencement.

The site contains part of a legal parcel depicted in an engineering drawing (19-12987-03) prepared by Keystone Environmental Ltd. on March 3, 2020.

The approximate centre of the site using the NAD (North American Datum) 1983 convention is:

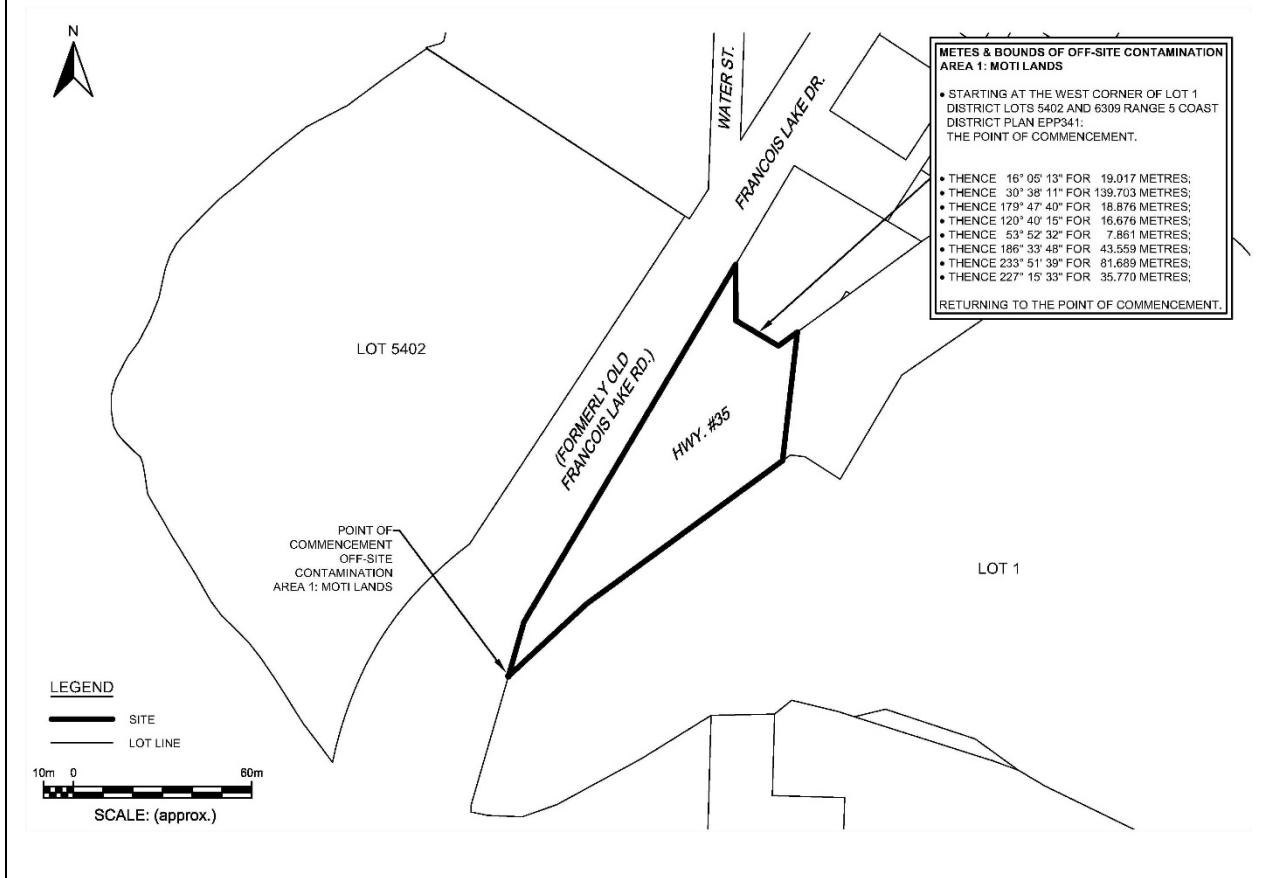
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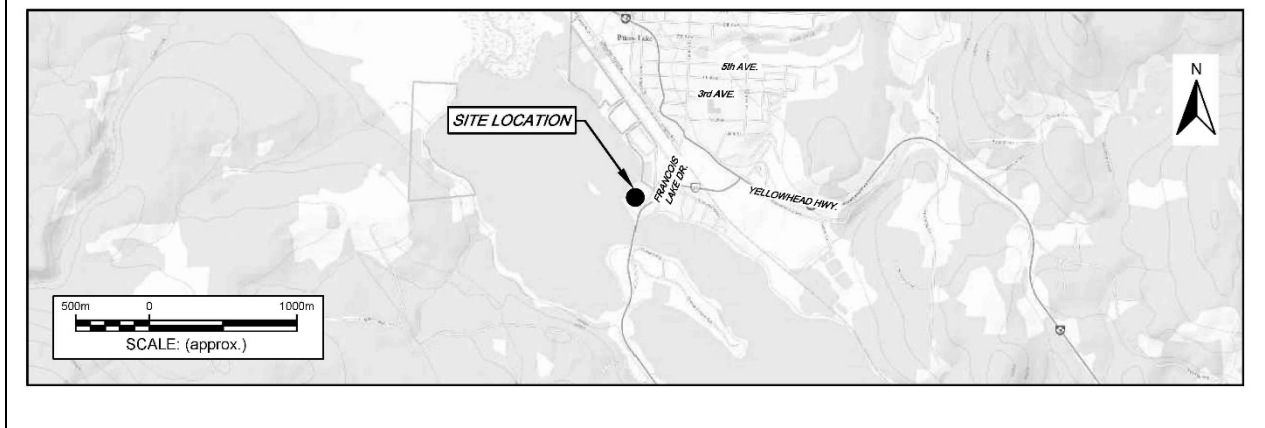


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## Site Plan, Burns Lake, BC



## Location Map, Burns Lake, BC



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## Schedule B

### Requirements and Conditions

1. Any changes in land and water uses must be promptly identified by the responsible person in a written submission to the Director. An application for an amendment or new Certificate of Compliance may be necessary. The uses to which this condition applies are described in Schedule C and in the site investigation documents listed in Schedule D.
2. The principal risk controls which must be present or implemented and must be maintained at the site include the following:
  - (a) *Groundwater from the site must not be used as drinking water.*
3. If requested by the Director, the responsible person must provide a signed statement indicating whether the principal risk controls listed in clause 2 of this Schedule have been and continue to be met. This may include providing a signed statement by an Approved Professional.

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**Schedule C**

**Substances and Uses**

***Substances remediated in soil for industrial land soil use:***

To meet risk-based remediation standards:

chloride ion                      16887-00-6

***Substances remediated in water for drinking water use:***

To meet risk-based remediation standards:

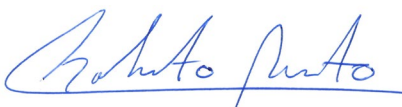
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lithium                              7439-93-2

sodium ion                        17341-25-2

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## Schedule D

### Documents

*Summary of Site Conditions, Portion of Highway 35, Burns Lake, BC, Keystone Environmental Ltd., December 5, 2022;*

*Report of Findings – Human Health and Ecological Risk Assessment, 51 Francois Lake Drive, Burns Lake, BC, Keystone Environmental Ltd., November 4, 2022;*

*Report of Findings – Stage 1 Preliminary Site Investigation, Supplemental Detailed Site Investigation, and Confirmation of Remediation, 51 Francois Lake Drive, Burns Lake, BC, Keystone Environmental Ltd., October 31, 2022;*

*Protocol 4 Application for Local Background Concentration Determination for Arsenic in Soil, 51 Francois Lake Drive, Burns Lake, BC, Project No. 12897, PID: 005-610-427, BC Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy, September 8, 2022;*

*Application for Local Background Concentration Determination for Arsenic in Soil, 51 Francois Lake Drive, Burns Lake, BC, Keystone Environmental Ltd., July 23, 2021;*

*Approval in Principle, 51 Francois Lake Drive, Burns Lake, British Columbia, BC Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy, December 16, 2020;*

*Request for Pre-Approval to Not Obtain Certificate of Compliance (CoC) for Adjacent Burns Lake Band Land, in relation to CoC Submission, 51 Francois Lake Drive, Burns Lake and a portion of Highway 35, BC, ENV Site ID: 3003, BC Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy, October 27, 2020;*

*Remediation Plan, 51 Francois Lake Drive, Burns Lake, BC, Keystone Environmental Ltd., March 10, 2020;*

*Report of Findings – Human Health and Ecological Risk Assessment, 51 Francois Lake Drive, Burns Lake, BC, Keystone Environmental Ltd., March 9, 2020;*

*Report of Findings – Stage 1 Preliminary Site Investigation and Detailed Site Investigation, 51 Francois Lake Drive, Burns Lake, BC, Keystone Environmental Ltd., February 28, 2020;*  
and

*Protocol 9 Application for Determination for a Local Background Concentration for Dissolved Lithium in Groundwater, 51 Francois Lake Drive, Burns Lake, BC, BC Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy, April 23, 2019.*

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