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DEVELOPING A STRATEGIC VISION PROJECT BACKGROUND MATERIAL SUMMARY SHEET

1. Title

“Official Community Plan for Otter Point Bylaw No. 1, 2006.” CRD Bylaw 3354

2. Location:

CRD website, on line

3. Year Published:

May 2007

4. Brief Summary:

Goals and implementation of the Otter Point OCP are:

4.1 Plan Goal

The overall goal of the Plan is the implementation of a settlement and land use pattern that:

- retains both the rural and natural character of the area;
- protects and enhances the natural environment, its ecosystems and biological diversity; and
- supports planned community development in conjunction with residential, agricultural, forestry, commercial, tourism and recreational activities.

Additionally, as outlined through section 2.4 of this Plan and through the *Local Government Act*, the Official Community Plan should work towards the goals of the Regional Growth Strategy.

4.2 Plan Implementation

The desired settlement and land use pattern consists of:

- clustering future residential growth into designated settlement containment areas;
- maintaining limited industrial, commercial and apartment uses; and
- maintaining agricultural, forestry and other residential land uses on larger lot sizes.

4.3 Plan Support Strategies

This settlement and land use pattern will be supported through strategies that:

- consider environmental factors in all land use planning decisions;
- establish mitigation strategies to limit or minimize any potential impact that new development may have upon the natural environment;
- promote land uses that protect the natural environment;
- ensure that development does not contribute to soil erosion, water pollution or increased water runoff;
- protect the marine ecosystems;
- support compatible land uses and lot sizes within a zone;
- support practical measures to prevent and/or reduce forest and wild fires; and
- support agriculture and forestry

5. Opinion on Relevance to Project:

Very. The challenge is for residents to agree on the meaning of the values stated and to complete mapping, zoning and regulations which will achieve the stated goals.

6. Category(s) Covered:

Governance Recreation Economy
Environment Community Development

Others (Specify): _____

7. Reviewer:

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