

STAFF REPORT

RE:	Ski Development Application at Big White - Referral		
Date:	January 31, 2019	File #:	BW-4246-Black Forest Day Lodge
To:	Chair Russell and members of the Board of Directors		
From:	Ken Gobeil, Senior Planner		

ISSUE INTRODUCTION

We have received a referral from the Ministry of Forests Lands Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development (FLNRORD) for an application for two statutory rights-of-way in Big White (see Applicant Submission).

	Property Information		
Owner(s)	Crown Land		
Applicant(s):	Big White Ski Resort		
Location:	Black Forest Connector and Backcountry		
Electoral Area:	Electoral Area 'E' / West Boundary		
Legal Description(s):	Un-surveyed Crown Land in vicinity of DL 4246		
Area:	unknown		
Land Use Bylaws			
Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 1125	Recreational Resource		
Development Permit Areas	NA		
Zoning Bylaw No. 1166	Recreational Resource 1 (REC 1)		
Other			
Floodplain	NA		

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HISTORY / BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Statutory rights-of way are legal agreements for granting use and access on land for a specific purpose. These rights-of-way can be on public or private land and are often registered on title for private properties.

PROPOSAL

The applicant is requesting one statutory right-of-way for two new chair lifts, and another for an underground power line to connect power to the new chair lifts.

The Province anticipates Big White Ski Resort to also submit an Occupant License to cut for clearing access roads; clearing lift rights-of-way; and ski runs and glading.

IMPLICATIONS

Resource use, and ski-lifts and tows are permitted uses in the REC 1 zone.

ADVISORY PLANNING COMMISSION (APC)

The Big White APC supported the referral during their January 8, 2019 meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary Board of Directors advise Front Counter BC that the referral regarding the establishment of two statutory rights-of-way for chair lifts on un-surveyed crown land in vicinity of DL 4246 in Big White, Electoral Area 'E'/West Boundary is supported.

ATTACHMENTS

Applicant Submission

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