

Appendix C: Comments Received

October 4, 2020

Juan de Fuca Electoral Area Planning  
3-7450 Butler Road  
Sooke, BC V9Z 1N1

Re: Capital Regional District  
Notice of Application  
Radio Communication & Broadcasting Antenna System  
LP000019 – District Lot 49 Block A, Otter District  
(3727 Otter Point Road – Otter Point Fire Hall)

Erecting a 45 m radio communication tower

To Whom It May Concern:

As a resident of Otter Point I have concerns and questions about the above-mentioned Notice of Application.

Have you considered using one of the two towers located in the Sooke Business Park on the West Coast Super Storage property rather than erect another tower?

Why is it not possible to use these existing towers? Please consider using existing infrastructure before proposing new antenna-supporting structures.

The towers in the Sooke Business Park are in an industrial area whereas the proposed application for a tower at Otter Point Fire Department is in a residential area. Out of consideration for residents in the area why is it not being placed in an industrial area over residential especially when there are already towers erected?

Has there been any alternate locations that have been looked into for the tower other than the suggestion above (the Sooke Business Park) or the proposed location of the Otter Point Fire Department? If so, what is the reason for not placing the tower at another location?

Have you contacted residents by mail or hand delivery that are within the radius of three times the tower height?

Has there been any consideration into the safety of our Front Line Responders, namely the Firefighters of the Volunteer Fire Department of Otter Point being exposed to the radio frequencies emitted with a radio communication and broadcasting antenna system at their work place?

Have you considered options in satisfying aeronautical obstruction marking requirements at the site due to frequent helicopters that fly over this area when performing a West Coast Trail/Juan de Fuca Trail rescue as well as any other private planes using the same flight path?

I would appreciate a response to these concerns and questions in a timely manner and that all required government authorities have been made aware of this correspondence.

Otter Point Residents,

Arlene and Robb McInnis

## Wendy Miller

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**From:** JDFEPC - Jeri Grant  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 30, 2020 1:27 PM  
**To:** Mike Taylor; Emma Taylor; Michael Matlo; BJDF; Jonathan Reimer; Shawn Carby; Geoff Gullekson; John McCrea; Stephen Henderson; Jessica Arnet  
**Cc:** Iain Lawrence; Kevin Lorette; Wendy Miller; JDFEPC  
**Subject:** Re: Referral - Radio communication tower application, Otter Point Fire Hall, 3727 Otter Point Rd (LP000019)

Hi Emma,

Sorry this slipped through the cracks. The Juan de Fuca Emergency Program has no issue with this application, we fully support it. This tower would in fact improve CREST radio reception in the area including the JdF Local Services Building.

Stay safe and stay healthy,  
Jeri Grant  
Juan de Fuca Emergency Program Coordinator

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**Wendy Miller**

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**From:** Mike Taylor  
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**Cc:** Iain Lawrence; Kevin Lorette; Wendy Miller  
**Subject:** RE: Referral - Radio communication tower application, Otter Point Fire Hall, 3727 Otter Point Rd (LP000019)

Hi, Emma. As previously indicated by Mike Matlo our Building Bylaw would require a Building Permit for the tower installation only if physically affected a building. As this appears to be a stand-alone tower the Building Dept. has no concerns.

Mike

**Michael Taylor**

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**Subject:** Re: Referral - Radio communication tower application, Otter Point Fire Hall, 3727 Otter Point Rd (LP000019)  
**Date:** Tuesday, September 15, 2020 10:15:13 AM

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Good Morning Emma

The Otter Point Fire Department is in full support of this project and has no concerns with the tower being built on our property.

Thank you

John

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