

UNIVERSITY ENDOWMENT LANDS

Riparian Areas Protection Regulations

POLICY

Purpose:

To outline requirements to conduct a Riparian Areas Protection Regulation (RAPR) assessment prior to submission of a development application for properties within the Streamside Protection and Enhancement Area (SPEA) setback along Salish Creek and an unnamed tributary, described herein.

Background:

An assessment was done in the Winter of 2021 of the existing riparian areas present along a 1400 metre (m) stretch of Salish Creek based on the RAPR Technical Assessment Manual. The applicable riparian areas include an approximately 750 m reach of Salish Creek north of Chancellor Boulevard and east of Acadia Road in Area B, and a 650 m reach of an unnamed tributary to Salish Creek, south of Chancellor Boulevard and East of Acadia Road in Area A (see **Figure 1** and **Figure 2**).

Application:

Properties within the SPEA setback shown on **Figure 1** and **Figure 2** may be required to undertake a RAPR assessment prior to submitting a development application or when proposing amendments or changes to a development proposal, including a Change of Land Use District application, Development Permit application, or Building Permit application. Applicants should consult with UEL Administration prior to submitting a development proposal to confirm application requirements.

For lots on the edge of the ravine in Area B (see yellow line, Figure 1), a geotechnical engineer may also need to assess the ravine bank for stability and if necessary, provide measures to manage and protect the SPEA.

A Qualified Environmental Professional (QEP) is required to prepare the assessment report and to submit the report online through the Riparian Areas Regulation Notification System (RARNS), as prescribed in the RAPR <u>Technical Assessment Manual 2019.</u>

As the UEL is not listed in the RARNS, the QEP should:

- 1) Select "Metro Vancouver Regional District" from the drop down menu (University Endowment Lands is within Metro Vancouver Electoral Area A); and
- 2) The QEP needs to include a specific note in their submission directing FLNRO to send the notification email to UEL@gov.bc.ca.

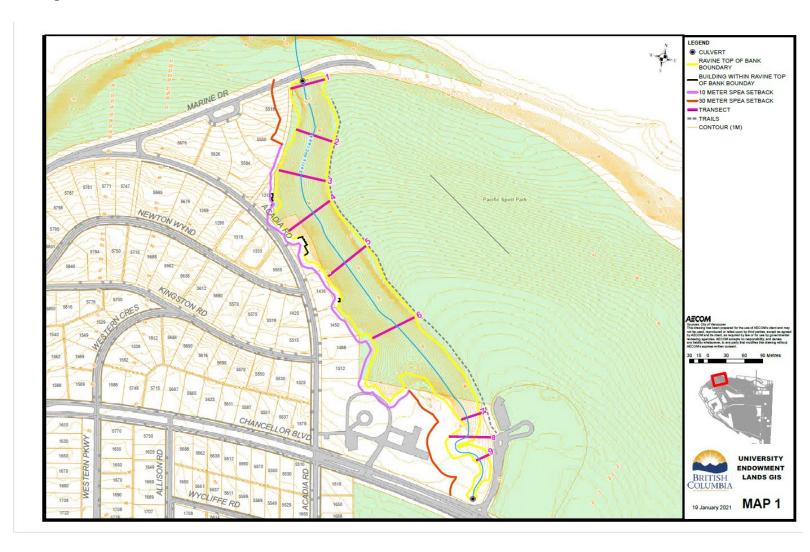
NOTE: Metro Vancouver Regional District (MVRD) may also have permitting and access requirements to conduct a RAPR assessment within or adjacent to Pacific Spirit Park. Property owners must reach out to MVRD regarding their proposal to determine MVRD permitting and access requirements.

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Figure 1- Area B SPEA

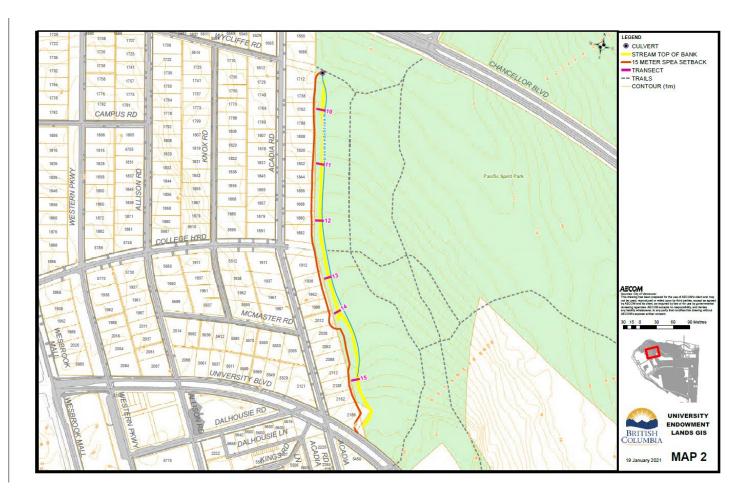


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Figure 2- Area A SPEA



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