

Application for Shoreline Modification/Water Body Modification under the *Public Lands Act* (Alberta Sustainable Resource Development) and the *Water Act* (Alberta Environment)

Information required accompanying application form: (Note: this is the same application form for both departments as this is a joint application).

A letter stating:

- (a) What the proposal is
- (b) Why it needs to be done

Plans showing the proposed activity (see attached sample plans):

- (a) A location plan must show:
 - i. Proposed works in relation to property lines
 - ii. If applicable, any municipal reserve lands between the applicants property and the water body
 - iii. Location of proposed works and the present, highest, and lowest known water levels
 - iv. Minimum plan size 21.5 cm by 28 cm
- (b) Cross sections must show:
 - i. Existing conditions and proposed modifications
 - ii. Relevant measurements
 - iii. Minimum plan size 21.5cm by 28 cm

If available, a photograph, or a copy of a photograph showing the existing shore line.

A report prepared by a qualified aquatic environmental specialist describing the aquatic environment and how the proposed works will affect the aquatic environment including disposal and silt management, environmental impacts such as aquatic habitat survey assessment, mitigation, compensation, and monitoring.

Application process (Alberta Environment):

1. Submit completed application along with supporting information to Alberta Environment. Alberta Environment will forward the application to other appropriate regulatory agencies.
2. Alberta Environment reviews application for all issues and may request additional information
3. Once the application is considered administratively complete it is ready for public notice
4. Identify and address any issues resulting from the public notice
5. Detailed review of referral concerns
6. When complete and all issues resolved to the Director's satisfaction – Director to make a decision on the project.

Criteria that the Director considers in the issuance of approvals under the *Water Act* (Alberta Environment) section 38(2):

In making a decision under this section, the Director

- (a) must consider, with respect to the applicable area of the Province, the matters and factors that must be considered in issuing an approval, as specified in an applicable approved water management plan,
- (b) may consider any existing, potential or cumulative
 - i. effects on the aquatic environment,

- ii. hydraulic, hydrological and hydrogeological effects, and
 - iii. effects on household users, licensees and traditional agriculture users,
- that result or may result from the activity, and

(c) may consider

- i. effects on public safety, and
- ii. any other matters applicable to the approval that, in the opinion of the Director, are relevant.

If you have any further questions regarding the application under the *Water Act* please contact Ms. Lily Dam at (780) 960-8640.

Criteria used for the Decision under the Public Lands Act:

The criteria used in making a decision under this Act is based on:

- The environmental impact the project has;
- The footprint; and
- Referral comments

If you have any further questions regarding the application under the *Public Lands Act* please contact the Sherwood Park Lands Division office at (780) 464-7955.