

January 30, 2026

File: 98100-90/Cowichan

Town of Lake Cowichan
John Thomas
Chief Administrative Officer
39 S Shore Road
Lake Cowichan BC V0R 2G0

Via Email: cao@lakecowichan.ca, general@lakecowichan.ca

Dear John Thomas:

Re: Proposed Additions to Cowichan River Provincial Park

BC Parks is initiating consultation with your organization on the proposed addition of the following lands to Cowichan River Provincial Park:

1. That part of Section 6, Range 5, Sahtlam District, Outlined in Red on Plan DD 43070I, except part coloured red on Plan 72 RW (PID 009-844-970), a 19-hectare former private lot acquired by BC Parks in January 2021; and
2. Lot 32, Block 2A, Cowichan Lake District, Plan 1789 (PID 006-775-632), a 2-hectare former private lot acquired by BC Parks in December 2019.

The proposed park additions protect riparian habitat directly adjacent to the Cowichan River and contribute to connectivity with Cowichan River Park. The designation of these former private land parcels as part of Cowichan River Park will protect natural values and make this land available for traditional use. Addition of the land to the park will require an act of the legislature through an amendment to the *Protected Areas of British Columbia Act*.

Purpose of the Proposal: Add two land parcels to Cowichan River Park

Agency Decision Maker: Legislative Decision

Decision Legislation: Protected Areas of *British Columbia Act*

Consultation Timeline: 30 Days

Response Date: March 7, 2026

Estimate Decision Date: Summer 2027

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We are suggesting a 30-day review period. BC Parks recognizes that the information available to us is not conclusive or exhaustive.

We are interested in understanding your perspective of potential impacts, proposed mitigation measures or other concerns about the proposal. If you have any questions, comments or concerns about the proposed works or need clarification of the attached information, please reach out to Katherine.Brandt@gov.bc.ca.

If no response is received by March 7, 2026, we will conclude that your agency is not affected by the proposal.

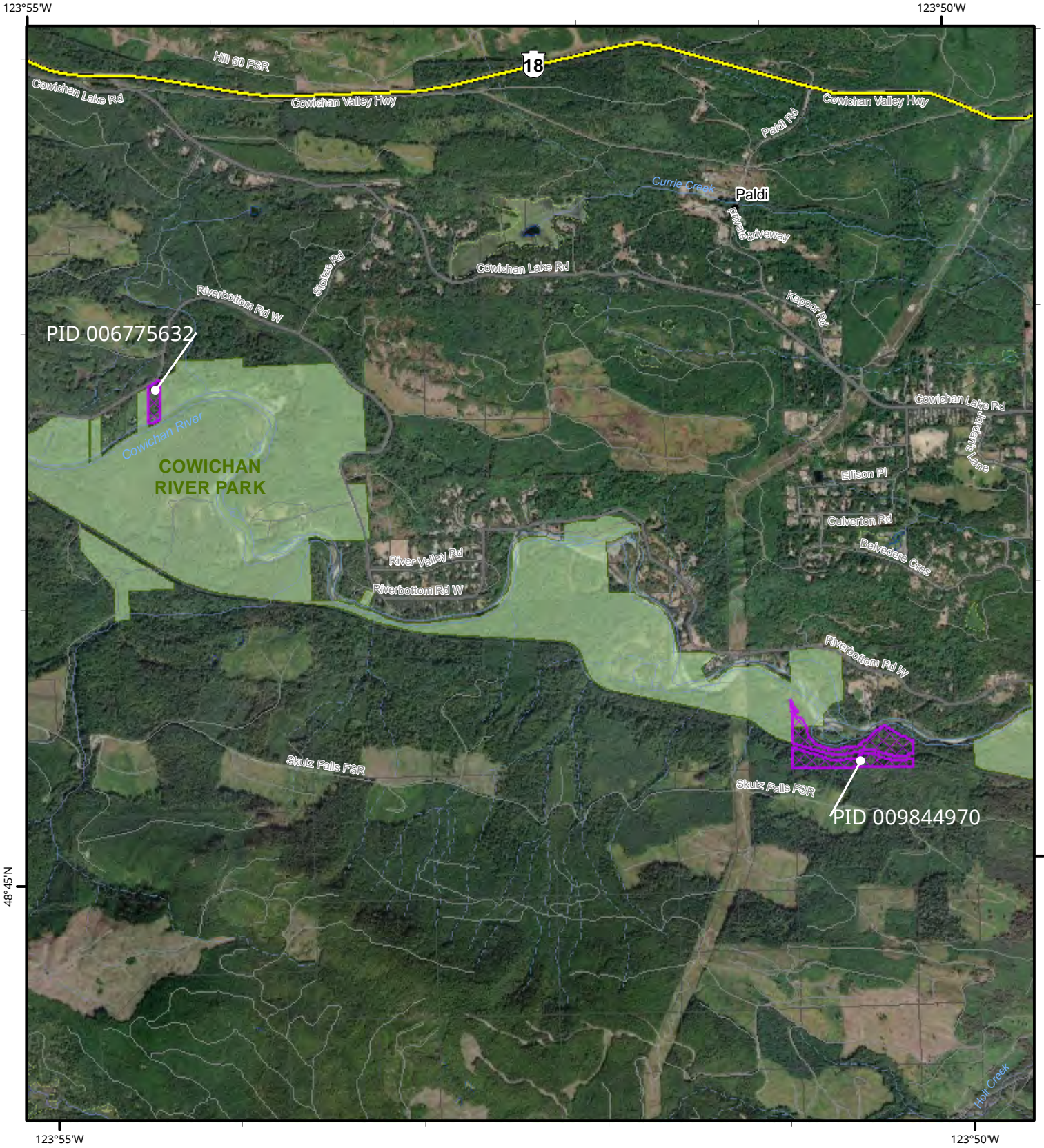
Yours truly,













Katherine Brandt
Planning Section Head, West Coast

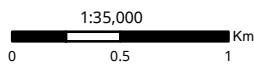
Attachment: Kmz File
Parcel map

Proposed Additions - Cowichan River Park



Data and Notes

-  Proposed Addition
-  BC Parks Protected Area
-  PMBC Parcel Cadastre
-  Populated Place
-  Highway
-  Road
-  Stream
-  Stream - Intermittent
-  River
-  Wetland



Disclaimer:
This map is a static representation of the spatial boundaries portrayed at the time of creation. It should not be used for legal purposes. It is intended for public information only. Accordingly, this map should only be used for general reference purposes.



Imagery: ESRI basemap
Datum: North American 1983
Projection: NAD 1983 BC Environment Albers
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