



**To:** Curtis Slingerland, CAO  
**CC:** Board of Directors, CCRD  
**From:** Evangeline Hanuse, Corporate Officer  
**Meeting Date:** March 10, 2022  
**Subject:** Referral – Shearwater Marine Limited Licence of Occupation

Board Meeting  
MAR 10 2022  
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**Recommendation:**

**THAT the Board of Directors of the Central Coast Regional District submits no comments to the Province on Shearwater Marine Limited Licence of Occupation referral.**

**Summary:**

Crown land can be purchased or leased for Commercial use by: Canadian citizens or permanent residents, partnerships and corporations registered in BC, and/or non-Canadians, provided the tenure is on aquatic land and the applicant owns the adjacent upland.

Depending on the intended use, the services and access available, and the required tenure term, a lease, licence of occupation or temporary licence may be issued by the Province.

A Licence of Occupation is available in remote areas or where the lands are needed for uses that are not permanent or where there are specific restrictions or management objectives. A licence is normally issued for a term of 10 years.

A Lease is issued where substantial improvements to the land are to be made, or where boundaries are necessary to avoid conflicts with neighbouring operators. A lease is issued for up to 30 years and thus can be adjusted to fit an applicant's needs (<https://www2.gov.bc.ca>).

This application is for renewal of existing community waste facility and to amend tenure area to include that portion of the waste facility that is unauthorized.

**Discussion:**

Staff have evaluated the proposal and there are no relevant bylaws for Denny Island, including an Official Community Plan or zoning bylaws. As such, the Regional District has limited grounds for opposing this application. It is recommended that the Regional District not comment on the

application, which signal neither approval or disapproval of the project. If the Board has misgivings about the venture, Administration can be directed to comment on those issues.

Alternative Options:

1. Direct Administration to write a letter outlining the concerns of the Board.

**Referral Details:**

Referral Number: 139795054-003  
Request Sent: January 19, 2022  
Response Due: February 18, 2022

You are invited to comment on the following Crown land industrial application. A response is optional. If no response is received by the deadline, the application and adjudication process will move forward.

Proponent: Shearwater Marine Limited

Legal Description: Unsurveyed Crown land situated on Denny Island, laying in the vicinity of Shearwater, Range 3, Coast District

Submitted by:   
Evangeline Hanuse, Corporate Officer

Approved by:   
Curtis Slingerland, Chief Administrative Officer