

Considered at September 20, 2021 Environmental Protection Committee Meeting



Environmental Protection Committee Culverting Policy – DRAFT presentation

Environmental Services, September 20, 2021

Background

- Report from Councillor at the June 22, 2021, Regular Council meeting recommended:
 - THAT staff be directed to report back on using culverts to enable redevelopment of existing residential properties that contain non-fish bearing unmapped watercourses as recommended in the report dated June 10, 2021, from the Office of Councillor Steve Milani regarding Culvert Report;
 - AND THAT any future mapping of non-fish bearing Environmentally Sensitive Area watercourses exclude private residential properties.
- Council moved, seconded, and carried:
 - THAT this item be referred to the Environmental Protection Committee for review and comment.

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Port Moody's Watercourses

- Classified in the Official Community Plan
 - Class A – inhabited by salmonids or rare/endangered fish
 - Class B- contributes food and nutrients to downstream fish populations. No fish present.
 - Class C- does not contribute food and nutrients to downstream fish populations. No fish present.
 - Class D- lack of adequate fisheries or flow information to permit classification



Port Moody's Watercourses

Other definitions in Zoning Bylaw:

- Watercourse
- Ditch



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Current Policy



OCP Policy (Chapter 6, section 6.13, policy 53)
The City of Port Moody shall strive to manage all Class A and B natural watercourses as open streams (no culverting). Any proposals for culverting or realignment of streams shall require approval from all applicable authorities, in addition to City Council.

Other City Related Policies and Plans

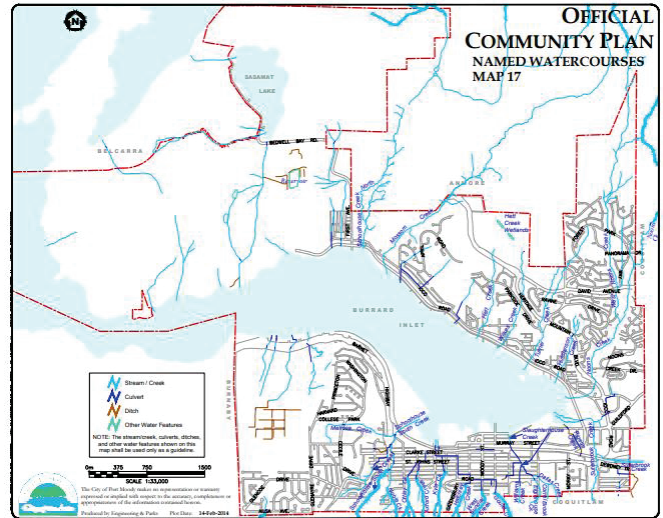


- OCP
- Moody Centre Stormwater Management Servicing Plan
- Climate Action Plan
- Chines ISMP

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Mapping of watercourses

- Majority of watercourses in Port Moody have been mapped since 1999.
- OCP recognizes that not all streams are mapped
- New technology has allowed the City to more accurately map and detect watercourses.



Thank you