### **REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NANAIMO**

## SPECIAL BOARD MEETING TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2010

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#### COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE

2 **Brent Strank,** re Development Variance Permit Application No. PL2009-805 – Fern Road Consulting Ltd. – 6360 Island Highway West – Area 'H'.

### Armstrong, Jane

From:Leung, ElaineSent:October 12, 2010 8:51 AMTo:Armstrong, JaneSubject:FW: Urgent RDN Board of DirectorsImportance:HighAttachments:pond pictures.zip

From: BrentStrank Strank [mailto:brentstrank@yahoo.ca]
Sent: Thursday, October 07, 2010 2:08 PM
To: planning@rdn.bc.ca
Cc: Dave Bartram
Subject: Urgent RDN Board of Directors

RDN Board of Directors,

I send this in response to Notice of Amendment to Development Variance Permit Application # PL 2009-805. When Lot D is viewed from Linx Rd. it appears that the watercourse in question is just water running from ditches on Linx Rd. But if you follow the watercourse downstream to the property below (lot 25, 3874 Charlton Dr.) you will see the pond this stream feeds. My concern is any damage that may occur to my property by relaxing the exsisting 9m setback (Section 3.3.8 of the General Regulations-Setbacks).

Earlier this year the developer had a contractor install the waterline to service these lots. The first day the contractor started work my wife and I noticed mud and silt flowing into our pond and I approached the contractor and engineer who happened to be on site, and showed them the damage they were causing to my property (see attached pictures) shortly after work was stopped for the day. The next morning when I heard the equipment start up I went up to the work site to ask the contractor what he had planned to prevent further damage to my property, the contractor spoke to me as though I was nuts and indicated to me he was doing nothing wrong. At this time I asked him if he had a work plan and if I could see it, I was told he did not have one. I told him that Worksafe B.C. requires one and to the best of my knowledge so does the Ministry of Environment and also asked if he was aware of the term "due diligence" at this time work the stopped again. The contractor returned and placed pea gravel in the watercourse to filter the water, which should have been done in the first place!

I also contacted the realtor and explained the situation to him, he assured me the developer would be very concerned about what had happened, I asked the realtor to please have the developer contact me I never heard back from anyone. Before this amendment is considered I feel we need to ensure the developer will be held accountable for any damage that may happen to my property in the future and also when the developer's engineer viewed this watercourse and wrote the report did they even look downstream, I highly doubt it.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me @ 250-757-8895

Yours Truly Brent Strank