

Wakamow Valley

MOOSE JAW'S RIVER HERITAGE

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City of Moose Jaw
Department of Planning & Development
Michelle Sanson
228 Main St. N.
Moose Jaw, SK
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Re: Official Community Plan Amendment

Dear Ms. Sanson

The Board of Directors believe that Wakamow Valley Authority maintains and enhances Wakamow Valley as an urban ecological park to improve the quality of life for the Moose Jaw community.

The Wakamow Board wants to conserve the natural aspects of Wakamow Valley. They do this by maintaining the current balance when planning, designing and constructing future developments in a manner that minimizes impact on the natural environment. They help to protect and enhance natural areas recognizing legislated issues, flooding and slumping risks. The Wakamow Valley Authority serves as "Stewards of the Environment" - and utilize sound management techniques to provide a healthy, diverse and sustainable natural urban park for the City of Moose Jaw.

The Wakamow Valley Authority has been asked by the City of Moose Jaw to make comments about this project. Below are the Wakamow Valley Authorities comments and concerns:

What would be the positive influence for the Wakamow Valley if this project happens?

Is there Aboriginal history or significance for the land this project is on?

Wakamow is concerned about the protection of the current landscape where the project is located.

Wakamow is concerned about the location of the project as it is located next to a flood plain and slumping zone.

The construction noise and if it will disturb valley patrons, wildlife and ecozone.

Will there be traffic disruptions? This area is a highly used area by park patrons.

How will the flood history of this area be included in the decision?

How will this project deal with the displacement of wildlife?

With construction how will the extra waste and garbage be dealt with?

What will be the impact on the river if this project proceeds?

If flooding did occur what types of extra debris would enter the river?

How does this development affect the current Eco zone?

Wakamow Valley Authority appreciates the opportunity to communicate with the City of Moose Jaw on this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Todd Johnson', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Todd Johnson, MBA

General Manager

Wakamow Valley Authority