



City of Richmond

Report to Committee

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Re: Dike Master Plan – Phases 3 and 5

Staff Recommendation

That the public and key external stakeholders be consulted as identified in the staff report titled “Dike Master Plan – Phases 3 and 5” from the Director, Engineering, dated November 30, 2018.

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Staff Report

Origin

The Council endorsed 2008 – 2031 Richmond Flood Protection Strategy identified the need to prepare and implement a comprehensive dike improvement program. Dike Master Plan Phase 1, adopted by Council on April 22, 2013, focussed on Steveston and a portion of the West Dike south of Williams Road. Dike Master Plan Phase 2, adopted by Council on April 23, 2018 focussed on the north portion of Richmond's west dike between Williams Road and Terra Nova Rural Park and part of Richmond's north dike between Terra Nova Rural Park and No. 6 Road. Preparation of Dike Master Plan Phase 4, focusing on the North Dike between No. 6 Road and Boundary Road, is underway and will be brought forward to Council in early 2019.

This staff report presents the recommended dike upgrading concepts that are required to address climate change induced sea level rise along the following dike reaches:

- Dike Master Plan Phase 3
 - South dike between No. 2 Road and Boundary Road
- Dike Master Plan Phase 5
 - Sea Island between the Sea Island Connector Bridge to the south end of 3800 Cessna Drive, Mitchell Island and Richmond Island

On October 24, 2016, Council endorsed the City's submission to the National Disaster Mitigation Program requesting funding for Dike Master Plan Phase 3. The project was approved and is 100% funded through the grant to a maximum of \$250,000. The funding deadline for completion of Dike Master Plan Phase 3 is March 31, 2019.

On December 11, 2017, Council approved \$200,000 through the 2018 Capital Budget to prepare Dike Master Plan Phase 5 which was subsequently approved to be 100% funded by the Province of British Columbia through the 2017 Flood Risk Assessment, Flood Mapping & Flood Mitigation Planning Program. The funding deadline for completion of Dike Master Plan Phase 5 is March 31, 2019.

This report supports Council's 2014-2018 Term Goal #6 Quality Infrastructure Networks:

Continue diligence towards the development of infrastructure networks that are safe, sustainable, and address the challenges associated with aging systems, population growth, and environmental impact.

6.1. Safe and sustainable infrastructure.

The purpose of this staff report is to present the recommended dike upgrading concepts to address climate change induced sea level rise for the reaches described in Dike Master Plan Phases 3 and 5 and seek Council's endorsement to engage the public and key stakeholders for feedback on the proposed concepts.

Analysis

Background

The City of Richmond is approximately 1.0 meter above mean sea level and protected by 49 kilometers of dike on Lulu Island, 1.1 kilometers of dike on Sea Island and 3.5 kilometers of flood protection structural works on Mitchell Island. Climate change scientists estimate that sea level will rise approximately 1.0 meters by the year 2100 and 0.2 meters of land subsidence is forecast during that same time period, for a combined 1.2 meters of relative sea level rise. The 2008 – 2031 Richmond Flood Protection Strategy identifies the perimeter dike system as the primary flood protection system to protect against climate change induced sea level rise. The City's target dike elevation for 2100 is 4.7 meters geodetic west of Nelson Road and increases linearly from 4.7 meters geodetic to 5.0 meters geodetic between Nelson Road and Boundary Road. All new dikes are designed for a further height increase of 0.8 meters to address sea level rise beyond 2100.

Dike improvements are ongoing through the Council approved Capital Program and through development partnerships. Climate change forecasts have a high degree of variability in terms of timing and magnitude of sea level rise; the current forecasts indicate that dike raising will need to be completed in the next 25 to 75 years. This range will be refined over time as sea level rise is realized and climate change forecasts converge. Staff will continue to monitor actual sea level rise and climate change forecasts and report significant updates to Council as required.

The Dike Master Plan is intended to be a comprehensive guide to upgrade the City's dikes to:

- Protect Richmond from both storm surges and Fraser River freshet events;
- Adapt to sea level rise;
- Be seismically resilient;
- Integrate the Ecological Network Management Strategy principles and goals;
- Follow the five strategic directions of the City's 2009 Waterfront Strategy (Working Together, Amenities and Legacy, Thriving Eco-Systems and Community, Economic Vitality, Responding to Climate Change and Natural Hazards); and
- Prioritize dike improvement phasing to efficiently use resources.

Dike Master Plan Phase 1 and Phase 2 have been adopted by Council; preparation of Dike Master Plan Phase 4 is underway. Figure 1 shows the study areas of Dike Master Plan Phases 3 and 5 as described below:

- Dike Master Plan Phase 3
 - South dike between No. 2 Road and Boundary Road
- Dike Master Plan Phase 5
 - Sea Island from the Sea Island Connector Bridge to the south end of 3800 Cessna Drive, Mitchell Island and Richmond Island.

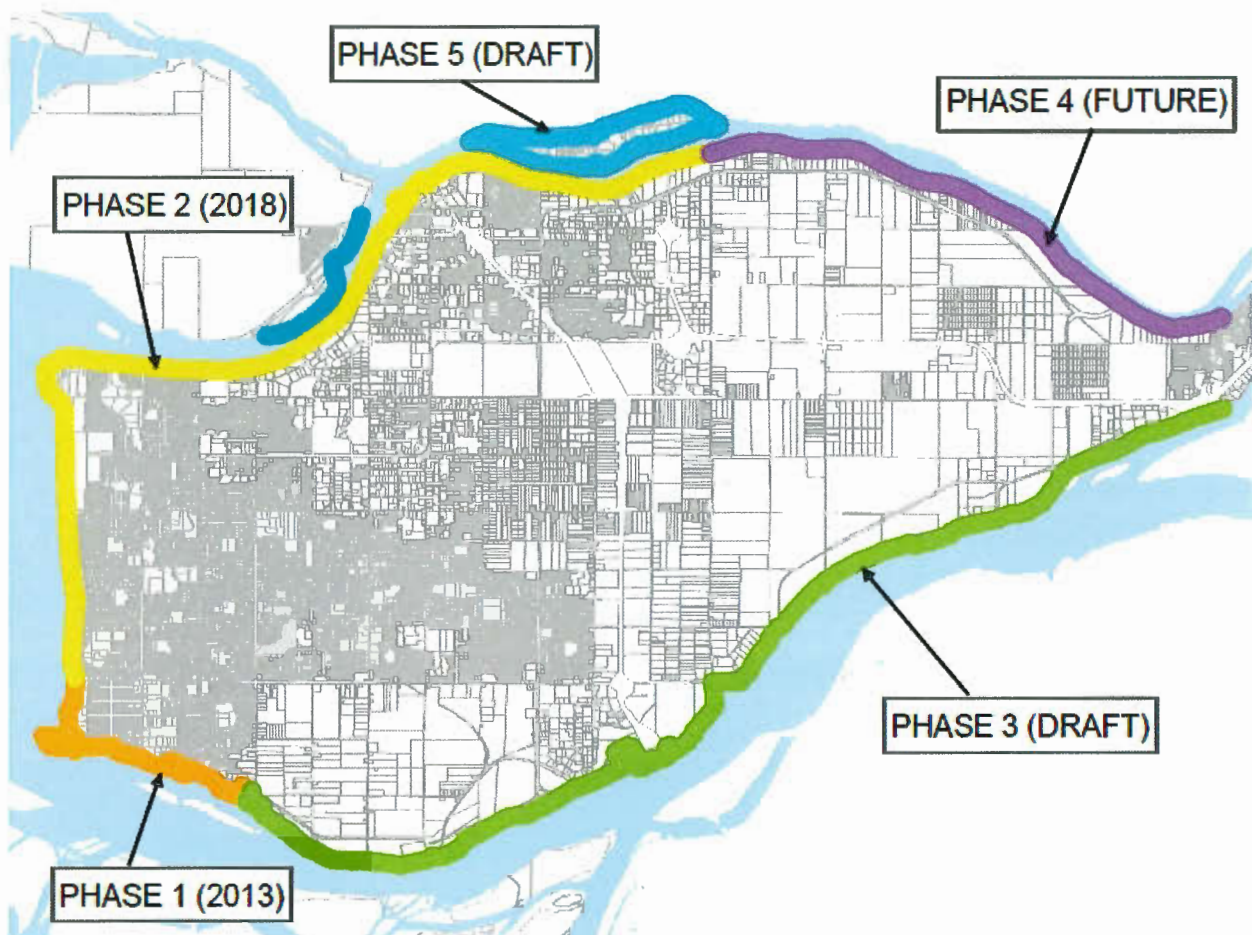


Figure 1: Dike Master Plan Phases 3 and 5 Study Areas

The City engaged Kerr Wood Leidal (KWL) as the lead consultant to complete Dike Master Plan Phases 3 and 5 (Attachments 1 and 2). In order to meet grant funding conditions, the final report for Dike Master Plan Phase 3 is due to the Province of British Columbia and Public Safety Canada no later than March 31, 2019. Similarly, the final report for Dike Master Plan Phase 5 is due to the Province of British Columbia through the Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) on March 31, 2019 to meet grant funding conditions.

Typical Dike Upgrade Options

The Dike Master Plan recommends diking improvements based on a number of factors including adjacent land use, available land for diking, environmental conditions, and potential amenity improvements. Dike configurations generally fall within 3 categories: dike with roadway, dike with development or planned development, and standard dike (no roadway). The following are typical dike upgrade concepts recommended in Dike Master Plan Phases 3 and 5.

Separated Dike and Road

There are a significant number of dike reaches on Lulu Island where a roadway is currently situated on top of the dike. Staff generally recommend separating the road from the dike as an objective of the dike upgrading program identified in Dike Master Plan Phases 3 and 5 (Figure 2). This option relocates the road from the top of the dike to a location inland, adjacent to the dike.

Road elevations can be adjusted to facilitate access to adjacent properties or be at a similar elevation as the improved dike, which would provide additional stability for the dike.

Advantages to this option include:

- improved dike stability;
- the ability to develop the new road in advance of upgrading the dike, which significantly lowers the impact to vehicle traffic during construction;
- allows for future dike upgrading without impacting the road;
- the ability to adjust road elevation to facilitate access to existing adjacent properties;
- an opportunity to separate cyclists and pedestrians from roadway traffic;
- aligns with the 2010 Richmond Trail Strategy; and
- removal of utilities from the dike core for improved dike reliability.

Disadvantages to this option include:

- higher capital cost; and
- larger land requirement.

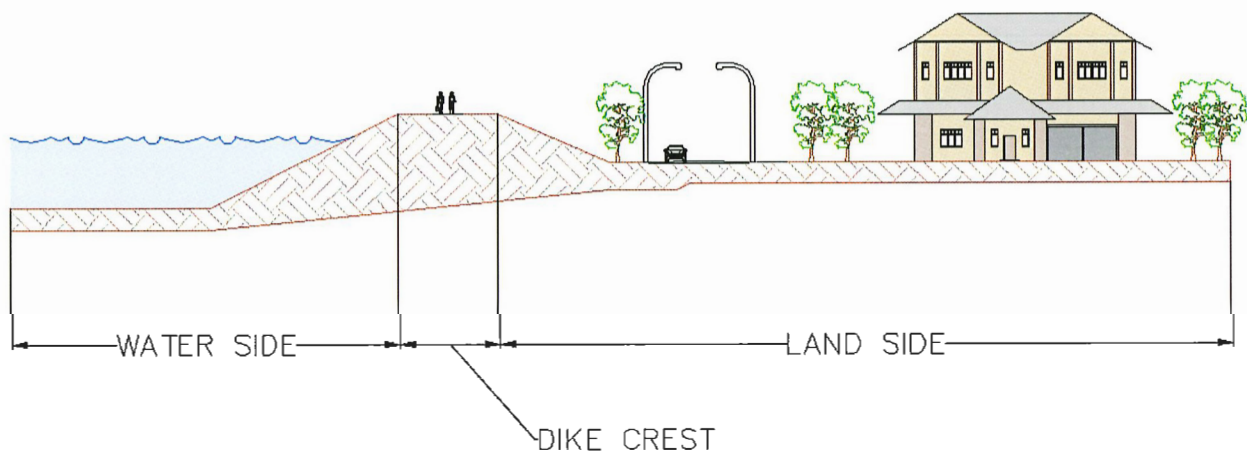


Figure 2: Separated Dike and Road

Superdike

Superdikes are dikes where the land behind the dike is built up to the same elevation as the dike. The City has been successful in implementing superdikes through development and superdikes are recommended where land adjacent to the dike is likely to re-develop.

Advantages to this option include:

- robust and wide dike crests;
- multi-functional landscapes that can be tailored to area requirements including industrial, multi-family, and commercial developments;
- can accommodate separated road and dike;

- aligns with the 2010 Richmond Trail Strategy;
- lower impact and fewer visual obstructions to development when implementing future dike upgrades; and
- reduced grading issues.

Disadvantages to this option include:

- requires significant design and planning to customize for each eligible site; and
- dike upgrades need to be timed with development and lease agreements for eligible properties.

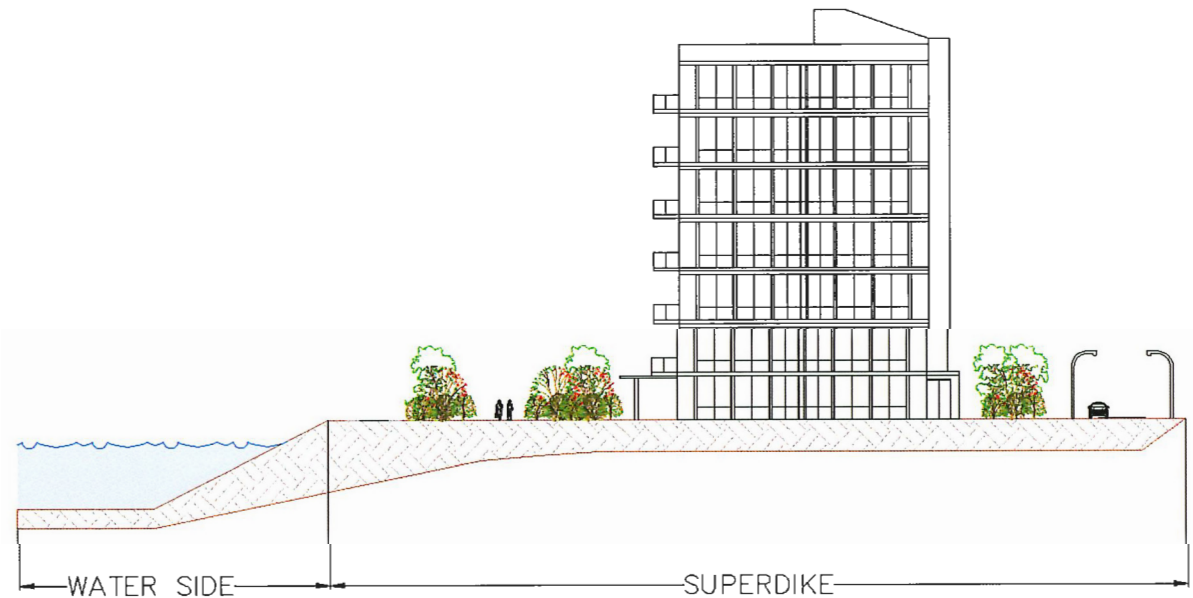


Figure 3: Superdike

Standard Dike

This concept is recommended where there is no road on top of the dike. A standard dike raises the dike crest to design elevation and extends the footprint to either the land side or water side. Standard dikes can incorporate multi-use pathways and green space.

Advantages of this option are:

- lowest site preparation and installation cost compared to other long term options;
- established construction procedures with City crews who are familiar with the work;
- easiest to repair due to the lightest infrastructure footprint and land usage out of the recommended long term options; and
- aligns with the 2010 Richmond Trail Strategy.

Disadvantages of this option are:

- limited development and construction options on the dike; and
- larger grade differences adjacent to the dike when upgrades occur.

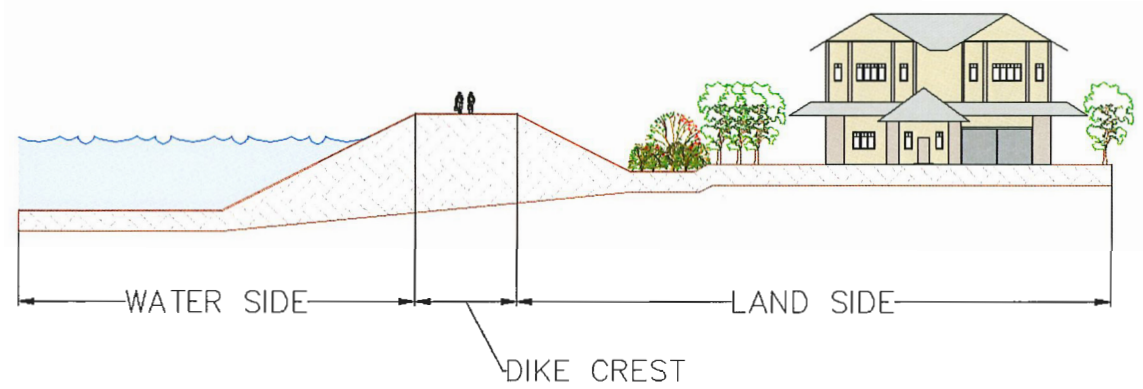


Figure 4: Standard Dike

Interim Dike Upgrade

Interim dike upgrade options are considered in areas where there is not enough space (due to existing land use) to build one of the other options listed above. They are intended to function as medium term temporary measures until land becomes available or re-development occurs. The two interim options include setback sheet pile walls (Figure 5) and riverside sheet pile walls (Figure 6).

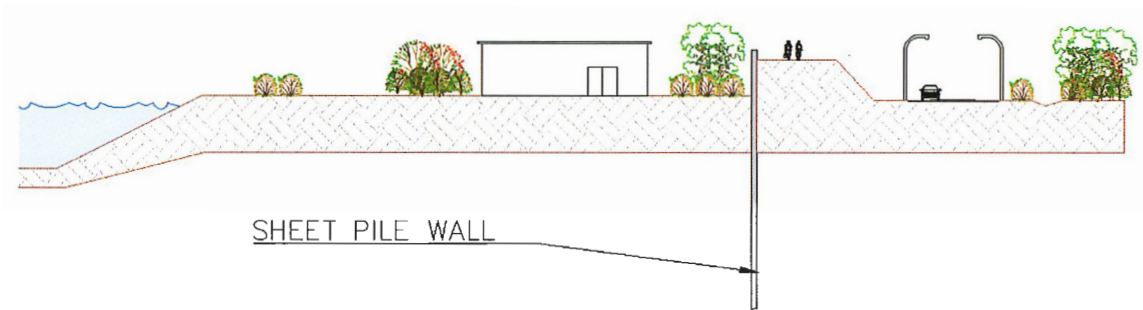


Figure 5: Setback Sheet Pile Wall

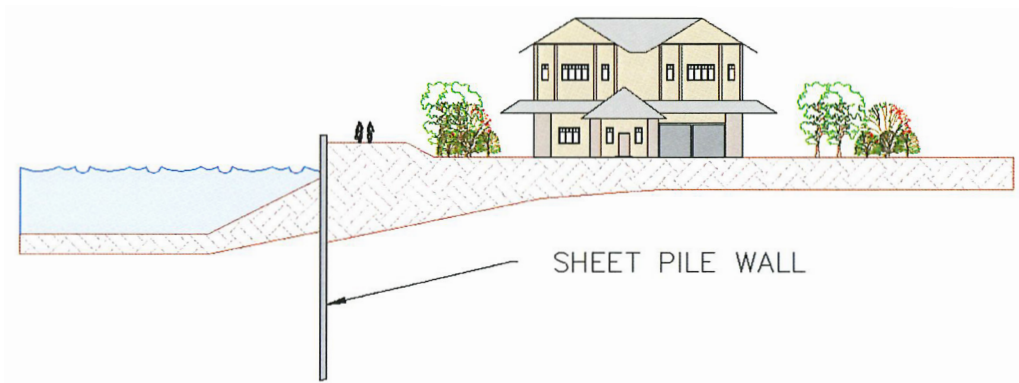


Figure 6: Riverside Sheet Pile Wall

Dike Master Plan Phase 3

The Dike Master Plan Phase 3 study area is from No. 2 Road to Boundary Road along Richmond's south dike. Land use adjacent to the dike in Phase 3 includes single and multi-family residential, industrial and agricultural. There are marine-based industries along the Phase 3 study area that either require access to the river over the dike or may be outside of the City's dike. The adjacent land use in the Phase 3 study area is:

- residential from No. 2 Road to Gilbert Road;
- parks and agricultural land from Gilbert Road to No. 5 Road; and
- industrial from No. 5 Road to Boundary Road.

Staff recommends a separated dike and road from No. 2 Road to Highway 99 and from Graybar Road to Boundary Road as these segments are currently road on dike. The separated dike and road will facilitate improved traffic safety for motorists, cyclists and pedestrians along these sections.

Between Highway 99 and Graybar Road, there are a number of sites that require specific, non-standard strategies. These locations and the recommended strategies are outlined in Table 1 below.

Table 1: Phase 3 Non-Standard Reaches

Location	Interim and Long-Term Dike Upgrade Solution
Crown Packaging	The recommended interim dike upgrade solution is a combination of earth dike and sheet pile walls that allow continued operation of the current business. Crown Packaging's lease on the property expires in 2035 and the site will likely re-develop at that time. Staff recommends pursuing a superdike as part of future re-development. A separate Report to Council on this matter is forthcoming.
Finn Slough	There are a number of buildings on and outside of the dike at Finn Slough. The recommended interim dike upgrade solution is to build a sheet pile wall along the south edge of the dike crest, parking on the land side of the dike and pedestrian access to Finn Slough.
Mainland Sand and Gravel	Mainland Sand and Gravel have an agreement with the City to maintain a given elevation of material on their property to provide flood protection. The City will set higher elevations for this site ahead of sea level rise and require Mainland Sand and Gravel to achieve those elevations through the current agreement. Should Mainland Sand and Gravel cease operation or refuse to improve the site when requested, a standard dike with a 4.7 m crest elevation will be built in the City's existing road dedication.
Deas Dock (BC Ferries)	Staff have been working with BC Ferries on their long-term redevelopment strategy which includes a flood protection strategy.

George Massey Tunnel	The George Massey Tunnel Replacement project is on hold with an announcement expected before the end of 2018. Staff will continue to work with the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure to ensure future dike improvements are consistent with the future George Massey Tunnel transportation solution.
Canadian Fishing Company	The interim dike upgrade solution is to build a dike using a setback sheet pile wall. This will allow the property to maintain business operations and use of their docking facility. The long-term diking solution here is to raise the property through redevelopment and build a superdike.
Fraser Wharves (Port of Vancouver)	The property is an active works yard and barge facility. The dike is located in an active port facility and has restricted maintenance access. The dike will be raised through redevelopment.
Lafarge	The City is actively working with Lafarge to coordinate dike upgrades fronting the property. In 2018, City crews performed maintenance activity along approximately 600 meters of dike fronting Lafarge. City crews will be raising the dike along this same stretch by 1.3 meters in 2019.

Dike Master Plan Phase 5

The Dike Master Plan Phase 5 study area includes Sea Island from the Sea Island Connector Bridge to the south end of 3800 Cessna Drive, Mitchell Island and Richmond Island. Each of these islands has distinctly different diking issues and are individually addressed below.

Sea Island

The City shares flood protection responsibility on Sea Island with the Vancouver Airport Authority. The City's is responsible for the dike on the eastern edge of Sea Island between BCIT (3800 Cessna Drive) and the Airport Connector Bridge.

The dike adjacent to the Pacific Autism Centre at 3600 Lysander Lane was improved to the 4.7 m geodetic standard through a recent development, and the dike adjacent to the BCIT Aerospace Campus was upgraded to 4.0 m through development.

A standard dike upgrade is recommended for the majority of dikes on Sea Island as there is enough space for this option on the land side. The dike adjacent to the Pacific Gateway Hotel is an exception, given the existing hotel's location and connection to a marina. The recommended interim solution for the hotel frontage is a sheet pile wall that will be in place until such time as the hotel re-develops, with a superdike to be secured should the hotel re-develop.

The Moray Bridge deck is below the recommended 4.7 m geodetic dike level and will need to be considered as part of the dike raising program. The bridge belongs to the Ministry of Transportation and it is recommended that the City pursue replacement of this bridge with the ministry.

Mitchell Island

Ground level on Mitchell Island is currently above typical King Tide/storm surge high water levels (2.2 m geodetic) and does not currently have a protective dike. However, there are a number of properties on the island that are below the City's flood elevation level (3.5 m geodetic) and are prone to flooding during long return period high water level events.

Development of a standard dike on Mitchell Island would require significant land acquisition around the perimeter of the island, which would significantly reduce the amount of property available for industrial or commercial utilization. Additionally, most of the properties are water front properties and some businesses on Mitchell Island use the waterfront to support their business activities. Separating these businesses from the water could be detrimental to their economic activity.

Given the type of activity on Mitchell Island, the size of the island and the current lack of a protective dike, staff's recommended Mitchell Island climate change induced sea level rise adaptation program includes raising Mitchell Island to 4.7 m geodetic and acquiring right of ways that will facilitate a future dike to 5.5 m geodetic through re-development. The current flood construction level required by Bylaw 8204 for Mitchell Island is 4.35 m geodetic. Should Council endorse Dike Master Plan Phase 5, staff will bring forward an amendment bylaw that updates this level to 4.7 m geodetic. Staff further recommends maintaining the roadways on Mitchell Island at an elevation that is above the flood plain and maintaining access to all of the properties on the island regardless of the state of re-development of each individual property.

Richmond Island

Richmond Island is above the City's current and 100 year flood elevation of 4.7 m. The island is a single lot owed by North Fraser Terminals Inc. and leased to Milltown Marina & Boatyard Ltd. There is a registered covenant on title that acknowledges the risk of flooding and erosion on Richmond Island, identifies that the City has no plans to protect the island from flood and erosion and releases the City from any damage or losses caused by flooding or erosion.

Land Acquisition

There are a number of areas where the existing dike corridor is confined on both sides by private property and will likely require land acquisition to facilitate dike raising. Land acquisition will primarily be achieved through re-development, however, where re-development does not occur; Staff will recommend strategic land purchases to advance the necessary flood protection measures. The Dike Maintenance Act allows the City, through the Provincial Inspector of Dikes, to access the entire dike protecting Lulu Island for the purpose of dike maintenance or improvement, regardless of land ownership. However, long term strategic acquisition of land and cooperative work with the development community will reduce the impact of dike improvements on the community as compared to reliance on the Dike Maintenance Act.

Public Consultation - Next Steps

Staff recommend consultation with key external stakeholders and the public on the preferred diking upgrade concepts in the Phases 3 and 5 study areas. Key stakeholders include:

- Adjacent residences and the general public
- Agricultural Advisory Committee
- CN Rail
- Environment Canada
- Port of Vancouver
- Department of Fisheries and Oceans
- BC Inspector of Dikes
- Advisory Committee on the Environment
- Urban Development Institute
- Lafarge
- BC Ferries
- Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure
- City of New Westminster
- Crown Packaging
- Canadian Fishing Company
- Finn Slough Heritage & Wetland Society
- Mitchell Island Businesses
- Vancouver Airport Authority
- Milltown Marina
- Translink
- City of Vancouver
- Sea Island Community Association

The key external stakeholder group will be engaged through ongoing meetings, social media, and LetsTalkRichmond.ca. Public consultation will include two public open houses. The results of external stakeholder consultation and any updates to Dike Master Plan Phases 3 and 5 will be presented to Council in a subsequent report for Council's consideration.

Flood Protection Financing

The City has three basic sources for funding the implementation of the Dike Master Plan:

- The Drainage and Diking Utility;
- Senior government grant funding; and
- Development.

The City's Drainage and Diking Utility currently dedicates \$11.9 million per year for drainage and diking improvements. Staff will continue to assess utility funding requirements through ageing infrastructure studies and the utility rates budgeting process and provide recommendations to Council for consideration on an annual basis.

The 2008-2031 Richmond Flood Protection Strategy indicates that the City should pursue a minimum of 50% funding for dike raising from senior government to assist with this program. The

City has successfully secured over \$18 million in senior government grants in the last three years for drainage and diking improvements. Staff will continue to pursue senior government grants as they become available.

The City has successfully partnered with a number of developments to build superdikes. Staff estimates that up to 20% of Dike Master Plan implementation will be completed through development.

Financial Impact

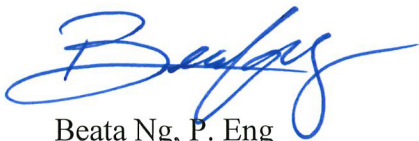
Project costs will be presented for Council consideration as individual initiatives and programs through the annual budget process. Funding for this program will be dependent on how quickly climate change induced sea level rise occurs through the year 2100.

Conclusion

Consistent with the City's 2008 – 2031 Richmond Flood Protection Strategy, Phases 3 and 5 of Dike Master Plans has been drafted to address climate change induced sea level rise. Dike Master Plan Phases 3 and 5 present the City's preferred dike upgrade concepts for:

- the south dike from No. 2 Road to Boundary Road;
- Sea Island from the Sea Island Connector Bridge to the south end of 3800 Cessna Drive;
- Mitchell Island; and
- Richmond Island.

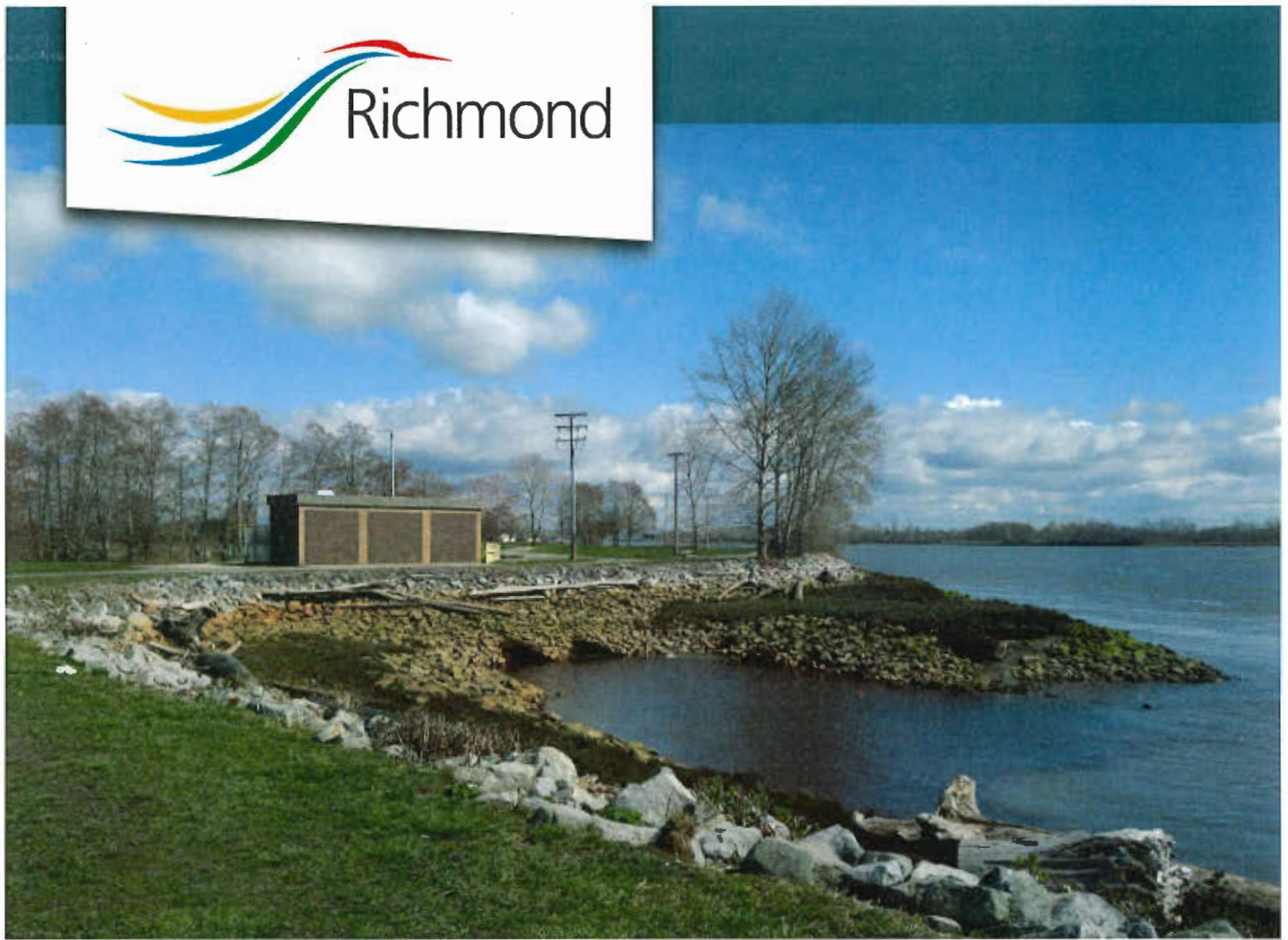
Staff request Council's endorsement to consult public and external stakeholders regarding the recommended dike upgrading concepts and obtain their feedback. Feedback will be utilized to update and finalize the Dike Master Plans, which will subsequently be presented to Council for consideration.



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Att. 1: Dike Master Plan – Phase 3 Draft
Att. 2: Dike Master Plan – Phase 5 Draft



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Executive Summary

The City of Richmond uses a Dike Master Planning program to guide future dike upgrading projects, and to ensure that land development adjacent to the dike is compatible with flood protection objectives. The program includes 4 phases for the 49 km of the Lulu Island perimeter dike that is within Richmond, plus another phase for Sea Island, Mitchell Island, and Richmond Island. The goal is to raise the dikes to allow for 1 m of sea level rise plus 0.2 m of land subsidence, and to allow for further upgrading in the future. The ultimate goal is to provide the City with a world class level of flood protection to keep pace with the rapidly growing community that relies on the dikes.

Dike Master Plan Phase 3 covers approximately 20 km of the Lulu Island perimeter dike along the Fraser River, on the south side of the island between Gilbert Road and Boundary Road. The dike within Phase 3 crosses through a variety of land uses, including roads, parks, and industrial land. Challenges along the dike alignment include conflicts with roads, drainage channels, utilities, and industrial development. There are also challenges with residential and commercial development outside the dike, and liquefiable soils beneath the dike. There are opportunities to construct at least some dike works through redevelopment, and to create linked trail networks for a full trail loop around Lulu Island.

This report describes existing conditions, develops an ideal vision for dike upgrading, presents design criteria, identifies options for dike upgrading, and presents recommended dike upgrading options that appropriately address the challenges. This work can be used as a basis for design of dike upgrading projects, recognizing that site-specific refinement of recommended options will be required in some areas. This work can also be used to assist with land use planning activities along the dike corridor. The main features of the recommended options to dike upgrading in Phase 3 are described below.

- Raise the dike crest to allow for 1 m of sea level rise plus 0.2 m of land subsidence. West of Nelson Road, the raised dike crest would be 4.7 m (CGVD28). East of Nelson Road, the raised dike crest would increase to 5.1 m at Boundary Road. The plan also allows for longer term upgrading to accommodate a further 1 m of sea level rise (i.e. 2 m of sea level rise).
- Widen the dike on the land side rather than into the Fraser River.
- Move Dyke Road inside the dike to facilitate short-term and long-term dike upgrading. This will require the road to be reconfigured and reconstructed, with some additional need for land tenure. Moving the road will allow removal of utilities within the dike.
- Raise the relocated Dyke Road to the dike crest elevation. This will facilitate driveway access over the dike to riverside properties. It will also be compatible with the desire to raise land inside the dike.
- Pursue individual industrial site strategies depending on the existing rights and agreements, the urgency of the works, and opportunities for redevelopment for each site.
- Replace the drainage channels immediately inside the dike with storm sewers and swales. This will improve dike stability, and will provide some of the land needed to relocate Dyke Road.
- Raise land and roads immediately inside the dike (during redevelopment) to improve seismic resilience. This will also improve liveability by allowing residents to look down over the water.
- Improve pedestrian and cyclist safety by constructing a separate multi-use path along the dike. This would be consistent with the City Parks vision for a perimeter trail system.
- Construct the south section of a secondary dike near Boundary Road.

It is also recommended that the City prepare a comprehensive implementation plan for dike upgrading that incorporates the elements of the Phase 3 Dike Master Plan, and the elements of the other Dike Master Plans.

To address habitat compensation issues associated with dike upgrading, it is further recommended that the City consider development of a habitat banking program that could provide effective large-scale compensation.



1. Introduction

Flood protection in Richmond is guided by the City's 2008-2031 Flood Protection Management Strategy which includes a comprehensive suite of measures including structural measures (e.g., dikes and pump stations), non-structural measures (e.g., flood construction levels), and flood response and recovery plans.

Dike Master Plans are critical components of the City's 2008-2031 Flood Protection Management Strategy, and are used to guide the implementation of long-term dike upgrades.

The City of Richmond (City) has retained Kerr Wood Leidal (KWL) to prepare the Richmond Dike Master Plan Phase 3.

Phase 3 covers the south-eastern portion of the Lulu Island perimeter dike from No. 2 Road to Boundary Road (City of New Westminster). Figure 1-1 presents the extent of the City's Dike Master Plan phases. Figure 1-2 shows the reaches of the Phase 3 Dike Master Plan.

1.1 Background

Richmond has a population of about 220,000 and is situated entirely on islands within the overlapping Fraser River and coastal floodplains (Lulu Island, Sea Island, Mitchell Island, Richmond Island, etc.). The City's continued success is due in part to its flat, arable land and its strategic location at the mouth of the Fraser River and on the seashore. The low elevation of the land and its proximity to the water comes with flood risks.

Lulu Island is the most heavily developed part of Richmond. Lulu Island is bounded by the Fraser River and the Strait of Georgia, and is subject to flood risks from the Fraser River and the sea. Lulu Island is also subject to other flood-related hazards, including dike breach, seismic effects, extreme rainfall, wave action, and river instability. The typical natural ground elevation is in the range of 1 m to 2 m as shown on Figure 1-1.

The cornerstone of the Lulu Island flood defenses is a 49 km long perimeter dike. Internal drainage is provided by an integrated system of channels and storm sewers that drain to 39 pump stations / floodboxes. Richmond occupies over 90% of Lulu Island. The balance of Lulu Island (the upstream end) is occupied by the Queensborough neighbourhood of the City of New Westminster.

As Richmond is fully situated within the river/coastal floodplain, there is no option to locate development out of the floodplain. The continued success of the City depends on providing a high level of structural and non-structural flood protection measures. Without continued improvements, the flood risk within the City would progressively rise as a result of rising flood levels (due to sea level and climate change), subsiding land, and increasing development.

The 2008-2031 Flood Protection Management Strategy guides the City's flood risk reduction activities across the City's organizational structure and across the spectrum of structural and non-structural flood protection measures.

The Lulu Island perimeter dike is the most critical structural flood protection measure, and improvement of this asset is identified as the priority action in the Flood Protection Management Strategy.



1.2 Purpose and Objectives

The purpose of the Dike Master Plan is to guide the implementation of dike upgrades and provide a starting point for the City to work with proposed developments adjacent to the dike. The master plan defines the City's preferred and minimum acceptable dike upgrading concepts.

The Dike Master Plan facilitates the City's annual dike upgrading program by providing critical information for the design of dike upgrades, including:

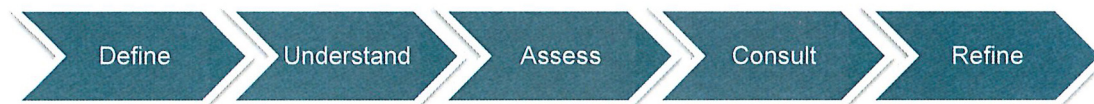
- general design concept;
- alignment;
- typical cross-section (conceptual design);
- footprint and land acquisition and tenure needs;
- design and performance criteria;
- infrastructure changes required for dike upgrading;
- operation and maintenance considerations;
- environmental features and potential impacts;
- social and public amenity considerations;
- guidance for future development adjacent to the dike; and
- guidance on interaction with other structural flood protection measures (e.g. secondary dikes).

The Dike Master Plan is intended to guide dike upgrading over the next 20 to 30 years.

Other flood protection measures, including non-structural measures, are identified in the City's 2008-2031 Flood Protection Management Strategy.

1.3 Approach and Methodology

The Dike Master Plan has been developed using a 5-step approach presented and described below.



Define: Confirm Dike Master Plan objectives and design/performance criteria.

Understand: Collect and compile relevant information, including spatial data and background reports from the City and several other parties (City of New Westminster, provincial regulators, the port, etc.).

Assess: Develop dike upgrading options and identification of constraints and potential impacts. Desktop and field review of options with City staff to identify preferred options.

Consult: Present to and gather feedback from council and stakeholders on preferred options.

Refine: Develop the master plan informed by consultation and review by the City.

The scope for the Dike Master Plan includes the following main tasks:

- goals and objectives development;
- background data collection and review;
- design criteria development and identification of constraints;
- options development and review;
- site visits;



- drainage impacts assessment;
- desktop habitat mapping and impacts review;
- geotechnical assessment;
- public amenity review;
- stakeholder consultation; and
- report preparation.

1.4 Report Format

This report is organized as follows:

- The executive summary provides a high-level overview of the master plan and key features;
- Section 1 introduces the master plan context and process;
- Section 2 documents the existing conditions;
- Section 3 documents the options development and assessment, and presents the recommended options;
- Section 4 is a compilation of 2-page summary sheets highlighting existing conditions and key features of the preferred option for each reach; and
- Section 5 provides implementation strategy, including costs, phasing, and coordination; and
- Section 6 provides general and reach specific recommendations for next steps and implementation.

Appendix A provides figures showing conditions along the existing dike alignment, and the preliminary design footprint for of the recommended upgrading options discussed in Section 3.

1.5 Project Team

The KWL project team includes the following key individuals:

- Colin Kristiansen, P.Eng., MBA – Project Manager;
- Mike Currie, M.Eng., P.Eng., FEC – Senior Engineer and Technical Reviewer;
- Sarah Lawrie, M.A.Sc., P.Eng. – Project Engineer;
- Laurel Morgan, M.Sc., P.Eng., P.E. – Drainage Engineer;
- Daniel Brown, B.Sc., B.Tech., BIT – Project Biologist; and
- Jack Lau - GIS/CAD Analyst.

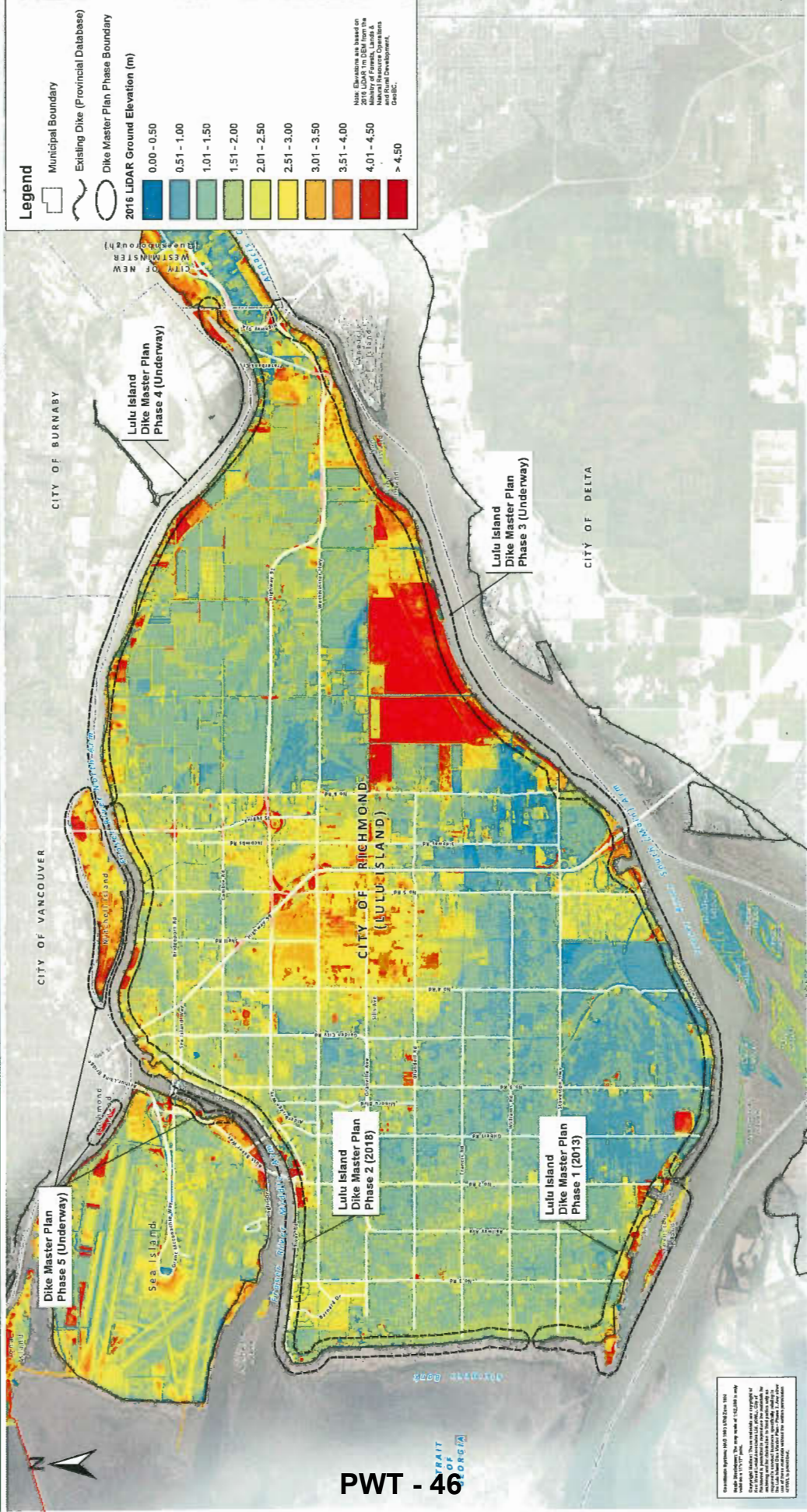
This report was primarily written by Sarah Lawrie. The report was reviewed by Mike Currie and Colin Kristiansen.

Thurber Engineering Ltd. (Steven Coulter, M.Sc., P.Eng.) provided geotechnical engineering services and Hapa Collaborative (Joseph Fry, BCSLA) provided landscape architecture services.

The project was guided on behalf of the City by:

- Lloyd Bie, P.Eng. – Manager, Engineering Planning;
- Corrine Haer, P.Eng. – Project Engineer, Engineering Planning; and
- Pratima Milaire, P.Eng., PMP - Project Engineer, Engineering Planning.

Many additional City staff contributed to the project during workshops, site visits, and in reviewing draft report materials.



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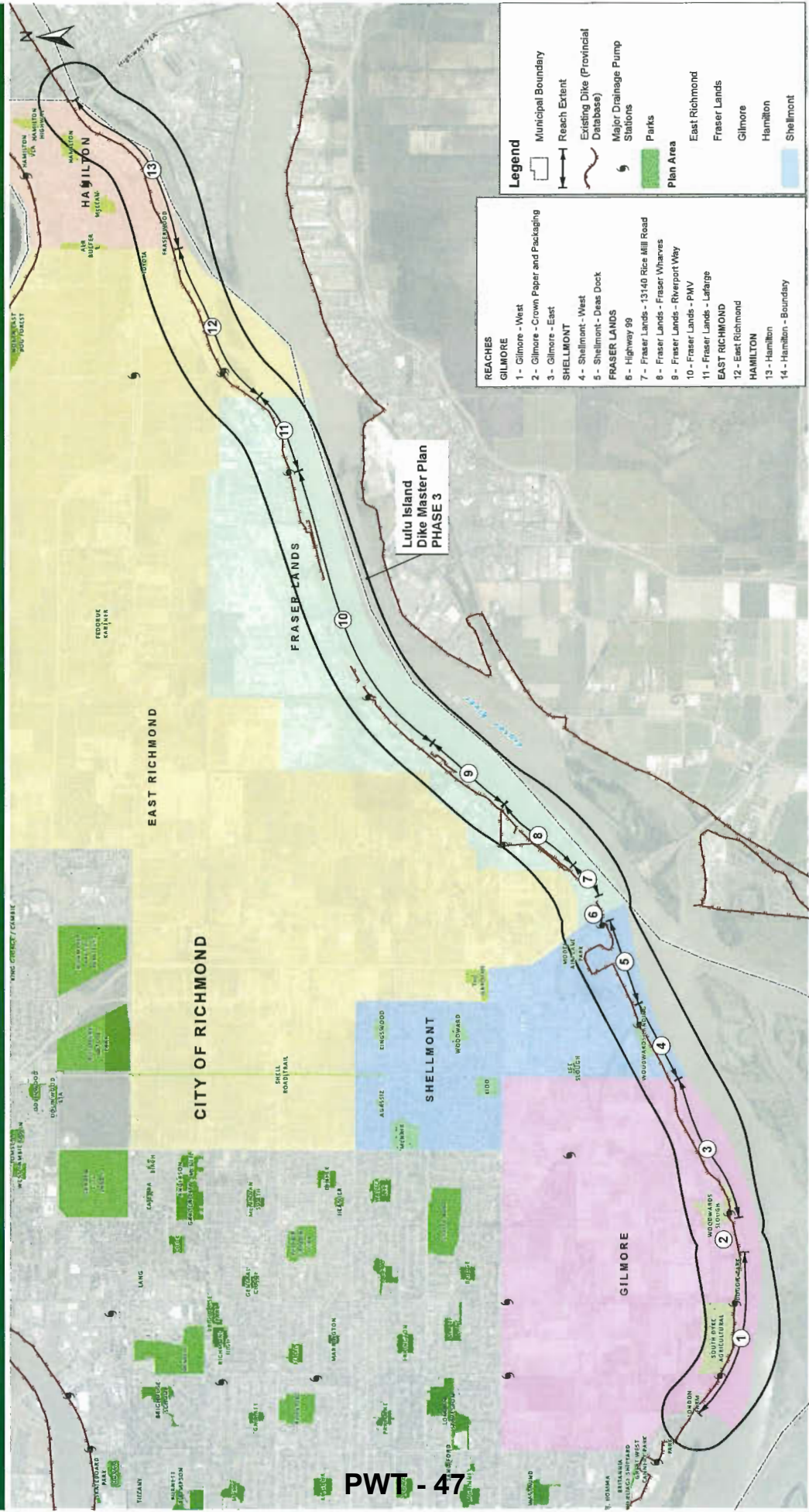
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Note: Elevations are based on the datum used in the Ministry of Forests, Lands & Natural Resource Operations Geospatial Development Database.

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Dike Master Plan Phase 3 Reaches

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Figure 1-2



2. Existing Conditions

This section summarizes the options development process undertaken, including the following components:

- review of existing conditions;
- design considerations;
- upgrading strategies; and
- preferred options and concepts.

2.1 Reaches and Major Features

The dike in Phase 3 is characterized as a dike in the road alignment (predominantly in Dyke Road), a dike through park space and a dike through industrial lands. A variety of land uses, structures and infrastructure are located on either side of the road/dike.

Space is limited in the road corridor presenting unique challenges for the master plan. City staff has identified road safety, including pedestrian and cyclist safety, as an important consideration for the Dike Master Plan.

In the active works yards and port facilities, space can be limited and industrial activities, such as the need for river access and site grading constraints due to specialized machinery, present unique challenges for the master plan. City staff has identified access for dike maintenance and inspection as an important consideration for the Dike Master Plan.

Land uses adjacent to the dike in Phase 3 comprise industrial, agricultural, and single and multi-family residential. The setback between the river bank and the dike varies from more than 15 m to none where the edge of the dike/road is the river bank and riprap bank protection is in place.

There are marine-based industries in Phase 3, including shipbuilding and repair, barge on/off-loading, port facilities, tour operations, and marinas. These operations typically require access to the river over the dike, or they are set outside of the dike and are unprotected.

There are residential settlements on the river-side of the dike. Finn Slough heritage community is a residential community situated on the river, outside of the protection of the dike (Reach 3). And, a recent townhome development (23740 and 23580 Dyke Road, Reach 13) is on the river, outside of the protection of the dike.

Phase 3 has been subdivided into 14 reaches with relatively uniform conditions. Reach extents are presented on Figure 1-2.

Table 2-1 describes the existing conditions and features of each reach. It is anticipated that these defined reaches can be subsequently used for dike upgrading implementation phasing.



Table 2-1: Phase 3 Reaches and Features

Reach # and Name	Extent / Length	Existing Dike Alignment	Major Features
1 – Gilmore West	No. 2 Road to Crown Packaging (2.7 km)	Dyke Road Dyke Trail Dog Park (trail)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dike in road with utilities • Habitat, trail, and park amenities on water side • Farms, residences, and channels on land side • London Heritage Farm, a historical site featuring a 19th-century farmhouse and barn, is located on the landside of the dike at approximate chainage 68+500. Dike upgrades need to protect this area without impacting the existing structures • South Dyke Trail runs along the crest of the dike from No. 2 Road to No. 5 Road • No. 3 Road Pier, a public amenity on the water side of the dike, at chainage 67+400 • Lulu Island Waste Water Treatment Plant is located approximately 200 m inland of the dike at chainage 68+100 • Dike upgrade project between Gilbert Road and No. 3 Road under construction 2018 (approximate chainage 68+100 to 67+300) • Fish habitat compensation site at the base of Gilbert Road • Drainage channel along the landside toe of the road/dike • Gilbert Road South pump station • No. 3 Road South pump station
2 – Crown Packaging	66+500 to 66+150 (350m)	Adjacent to the River Riverside of Crown Packaging	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Active industrial site and barge facility with restricted maintenance access • Rail and road access issues limit options to go around the site • Property is leased to Crown Packaging with 18 years left on the lease • Restricted City maintenance access • Dike crest elevation is approximately 2.75 m to 3.5 m • Crown Packaging operates a large cardboard production plant on the site (60 to 65 m from top of bank) • Rail line is located on the property (below the dike crest elevation) with rail access from the east



Reach # & Name	Extent / Length	Existing Dike Alignment	Major Features
3 – Gilmore East	Crown Packaging to Shell Road (1.75 km)	Dyke Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dike in road with utilities • Habitat and Finn Slough on water side • Farms and residences on land side • Woodwards Slough pump station • South Dyke Trail runs along the crest of the dike from No. 2 Road to No. 5 Road • Drainage channel on the land side adjacent to the existing road/dike • Large, newly built homes and farm structures (barns etc.) near the toe of the existing dike/road
4 – Shellmont West	Shell Road to No. 5 Road (1 km)	Dyke Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dike in road with utilities • Industrial/commercial buildings and parks on land side • South Dyke Trail runs along the crest of the dike from No. 2 Road to No. 5 Road and provides connection to the Horseshoe Slough Trail • Woodward’s Landing park space • Horseshoe Slough pump station • Existing drainage channel along the landside toe of the road/dike • Habitat, trail, and park amenities on water side
5 – Shellmont Deas Dock	No. 5 Road to Rice Mill Road (1 km) (1.6 km of dike)	Adjacent to the River	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Port facilities under redevelopment • Active marine work yard and shipyard facilities with restricted maintenance access • Rail and road access issues limit options to go around the site • Active redevelopment activities • Mainland Sand and Gravel have an agreement with the City to maintain a given elevation of the material to provide flood protection (not a defined dike structure on the site) • Fish habitat compensation site (plantings along Deas Dock area) • BC Ferries, Deas Pacific Marine, have a flood response plan for high water events



Reach # and Name	Extent / Length	Existing Dike Alignment	Major Features
6 – Highway 99	Rice Mill Road (250 m)	Adjacent to the River	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mainland Sand and Gravel have an agreement with the City to maintain a given elevation of the material to provide flood protection (not a defined dike structure on the site) Fish habitat compensation site (plantings along Deas Dock area) BC Ferries, Deas Pacific Marine, have a flood response plan for high water events Dike in road Peace Arch (Hwy 99) pump station Flood protection needs to integrate with the George Massey Tunnel Unique risks associated with having a tunnel under the dike
7 – Fraser Lands – 13140 Rich Mill Road	Rice Mill Road to Fraser Wharves (500 m)	Adjacent to the River	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Active industrial site, dock and barge facility with restricted maintenance access Rail and road access issues limit options to go around the site Fish habitat compensation site (plantings on the river-side of the property) Dike crest elevation ranges from less than 3 m to up to 3.5 m
8 – Fraser Lands Fraser Wharves	Fraser Wharves to Steveston Hwy (1 km)	Adjacent to the River	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Active ship to land car unloading facilities Habitat on water side with limited or no community access Near-term potential redevelopment Active redevelopment activities No. 6 Road South pump station
9 – Fraser Lands Riverport Way	Steveston Hwy to Williams Road (1 km)	Adjacent to the River	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dike in road with utilities and dike trail Residential and commercial development Some recently constructed improvements challenging to raise Redevelopment offers opportunity to raise site (superdikes) and provide community amenities Fish habitat compensation site in front of the Riverport Way development



Reach # and Name	Extent / Length	Existing Dike Alignment	Major Features
10 – Fraser Lands Port Metro Vancouver	Williams Road to Nelson Road (3.5 km)	Adjacent to the River	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PMV development, barge facilities, dredged material and construction material stockpiles on extensive high ground due to historic landfill • Stability concerns due to proximity to narrow section of river with deep dredging • Development offers opportunities for creating superdike improvements and raising the land behind the dike • Opportunities for dike material stockpile areas, and increased public amenities • Three (3) Fish habitat compensation sites: front face of the loading area in the Port, and two (2) intertidal areas near No. 8 Road • City-owned property along the waterfront provides recreational opportunities • No. 7 Road South pump station • Nelson Road South pump station
11 – Fraser Lands Lafarge	Nelson Road to Dyke Road (1.5 km)	Adjacent to the River	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Active industrial site and barge facility with restricted maintenance access • Rail and road access issues limit options to go around the site • Dike upgrade project under construction 2018
12 – East Richmond	Dyke Road to Fraserwood Way (1.8 km)	Dyke Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dike in the road with utilities • Commercial development on land side • Existing drainage channel along the landside toe of the road/dike • Marinas with access over dike on water side • Shelter Island Marina and Boatyard needs low gradient access across the dike for the Travelifts to haul out or launch boats • East Richmond Trail and Fraserwood Trail run along the dike crest, or adjacent to the road from No. 9 Road to Boundary Road • Ewen Road Irrigation pump station
13/14 – Hamilton/Boundary	Fraserwood Way to Boundary Road	Fraserwood Way Dyke Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dike in the road with utilities • Commercial development on land side • Existing drainage channel along the landside toe of the road/dike



Reach # and Name	Extent / Length (1.7 km)	Existing Dike Alignment	Major Features
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marinas and float homes with river access over the dike on both the land side and river side • East Richmond Trail and Fraserwood Trail run along the dike crest, or adjacent to the road from No. 9 Road to Boundary Road • Final 500 m of dike is set back on the land side of Fraserwood Way (Fraserwood Trail) and road and buildings are on the river side of the dike • Townhome complex at 23740 and 23580 Dyke Road outside of the dike • Fish habitat compensation site on either side of the Queensborough Connector • Highway 91 and City of New Westminster dike interface



2.2 Land Tenure

The majority of the existing dike footprint is located within the City’s road dedication, on a right-of-way, or on City-owned land parcels. However, there are several areas where the existing dike footprint encroaches onto private property or where space is very limited such that any upgrading would encroach onto private property.

The existing land tenure in Phase 3 is presented on Figure 2-1 and in more detail in Appendix A.

2.3 Infrastructure

There are considerable infrastructure and utilities associated with the existing dike corridor in Phase 3. In addition to the road that runs along the top of the dike for much of the reach, there are also watermains, sanitary mains and forcemains, drainage channels, and storm mains that run parallel to the dike, predominantly at the landside toe. This infrastructure will need to be moved to accommodate any increases to the dike footprint.

There are nine (9) pump stations that cross through the dike in Phase 3. The pump stations and the associated reach are summarized in Table 2-2. The condition of the pump stations was not assessed as part of preparing the master plan.

Table 2-2: Phase 3 Pump Stations and Reach Locations

Pump Station	Reach
Gilbert Road South	1
No. 3 Road South	1
Woodwards Slough	3
Horseshoe Slough	4
Peace Arch (Hwy 99)	6
No. 6 Road South	8
No. 7 Road South	10
Nelson Road South	10
Ewen Road Irrigation	12

There are a number of parks and public spaces associated with the existing dike (Table 2-3). The dike crest provides recreation opportunities and connection for the public to the waterfront. The South Dyke Trail runs along the crest of the dike from No. 2 Road to No. 5 Road (Reaches 1 through 4), with a short detour around Crown Packaging (Reach 2). The South Dyke Trail provides connection to inland trails, including the Horseshoe Slough Trail.

The East Richmond Trail and Fraserwood Trail run along the dike crest, or adjacent to Fraserwood Way and Dyke Road, from No. 9 Road to Boundary Road (Reaches 12 and 13).

In addition to the official City parks and trails, there are portions of the dike which is City-owned land and is used by the public as an unofficial trail and recreational area (Reach 10).



Table 2-3: Phase 3 Parks and Reach Locations

Park Name	Reach
No. 2 Road Pier/London's Landing	1
Gilbert Beach	1
London Heritage Farm	1
Dyke Trail Dog Park	1
No. 3 Road Waterfront Park / No. 3 Road Fishing Pier	1
Woodward's Landing	4

2.4 Habitat

Methodology

A desktop review was conducted to the ecological setting along and adjacent to the length of proposed dike upgrades. The Phase 3 study area includes the existing dike and adjacent land or intertidal area on the south side of Lulu Island between Princess Lane and Boundary Road and is split into 14 reaches. Spatial data were used to identify overlap of known environmental values with the Phase 3 study area, which will inform development of the detailed design for dike improvements.

Spatial data reviewed in the desktop study includes:

- Fraser River Estuary Management Program mapping (FREMP 2012, 2007) mapping used to identify riparian and intertidal habitat types and quality;
- iMapBC web application (iMapBC 2017);
- Richmond Interactive Map web application (City of Richmond 2018) and
- City of Richmond aerial photographs (Richmond Interactive Map 2017).

The location and extent of high quality Fraser River riparian and intertidal habitat was identified to inform development of dike upgrade options and their potential impacts. FREMP habitat polygons were assigned the following categories: high quality riparian, high quality intertidal, or other. Deciduous tree woodland polygons were categorized as high quality riparian habitat because these communities provide cover and nutrients to fish using nearshore habitat. Mud, sand, and marsh polygons were categorized as high quality intertidal habitat because of the foraging and nesting habitat they provide for bird species and the foraging, egg deposition and rearing habitat they provide for fish species. Aquatic and riparian habitat on the land side of the existing dike was identified and mapped using the Riparian Area Regulation buffer layers from the Richmond Interactive Map (City of Richmond 2018) and interpretation of recent aerial photography (City of Richmond 2017).



Fish and Aquatic Habitat

High quality intertidal and riparian habitat is present in 12 of 13 Phase 3 reaches on the Fraser River side of the dike. This important habitat provides forage and cover habitat as well as a staging area for anadromous salmonids transitioning from saltwater to freshwater. Conversely, armoured sections of shoreline on the Fraser River side of the existing dike are present in Reaches 1, 2, 3, 7, 8, 9, 11, and 12. These sections provide limited habitat value and construction here would have less of a negative impact on fish.

On the land-side of the dike, drainage channels are present in 7 of 13 reaches (Reaches 1, 3, 4, 5, 10, 12, 13). These channels provide low to moderate quality aquatic and riparian habitat for fish and amphibians.

Seven fish habitat compensation are present in the Phase 3 study area. Completed between 1979 and 2004, these projects included the creation of intertidal marsh habitat to compensate for damage to habitat elsewhere. The reaches where these habitat compensation projects are located are listed in Table 2-4.

Wildlife and Terrestrial Habitat

Terrestrial habitat types in Phase 3 include deciduous tree woodland, tall shrub woodland, low shrub woodland, and vascular plant meadow, as well as uncategorized sections (e.g. paved lots; FREMP 2007). These habitat types have potential to provide nesting habitat to migratory birds in all reaches of Phase 3. Orthoimagery review identified potential raptor nesting trees in all reaches of the Phase 3 study area.

The internal drainage channels that are mentioned above and are present in six of the thirteen reaches of Phase 3 (Reaches 1, 3, 4, 10, 12, and 13) are likely used by native amphibian species as breeding habitat as well as by fish species. It is possible that additional amphibian habitat is present in small ponds or channels along the dike that were not identified in the desktop review.

Species and Ecological Communities at Risk

No known occurrences of terrestrial wildlife species at risk are present in the Phase 3 study area but several occurrences exist nearby, on islands in the Fraser River or on the river banks across from Richmond. It is possible that individuals of these species also occur on the Richmond side of the Fraser River. The Lower Fraser River population of White Sturgeon (*Acipenser transmontanus* pop. 4) is known to occur in the Fraser River next to the dike. Mapped critical habitat for at-risk species is not present within 500 m of the study area.

FREMP mapping (2007) shows the presence of intertidal marsh communities in eight of thirteen reaches of the Phase 3 study area (Reaches 1, 2, 3, 8, 9, 10, 12, and 13). Many of these communities in British Columbia are considered at-risk (i.e. Blue-Listed; special concern, or Red-Listed; threatened, or endangered). No ecological communities at-risk are shown in either the study area on BC iMap (2017), but it is likely that some are present in the Phase 3 study area.

Table 2-4 presents the findings of the desktop review on a reach-by-reach basis and separates Fraser River side results from land-side results.

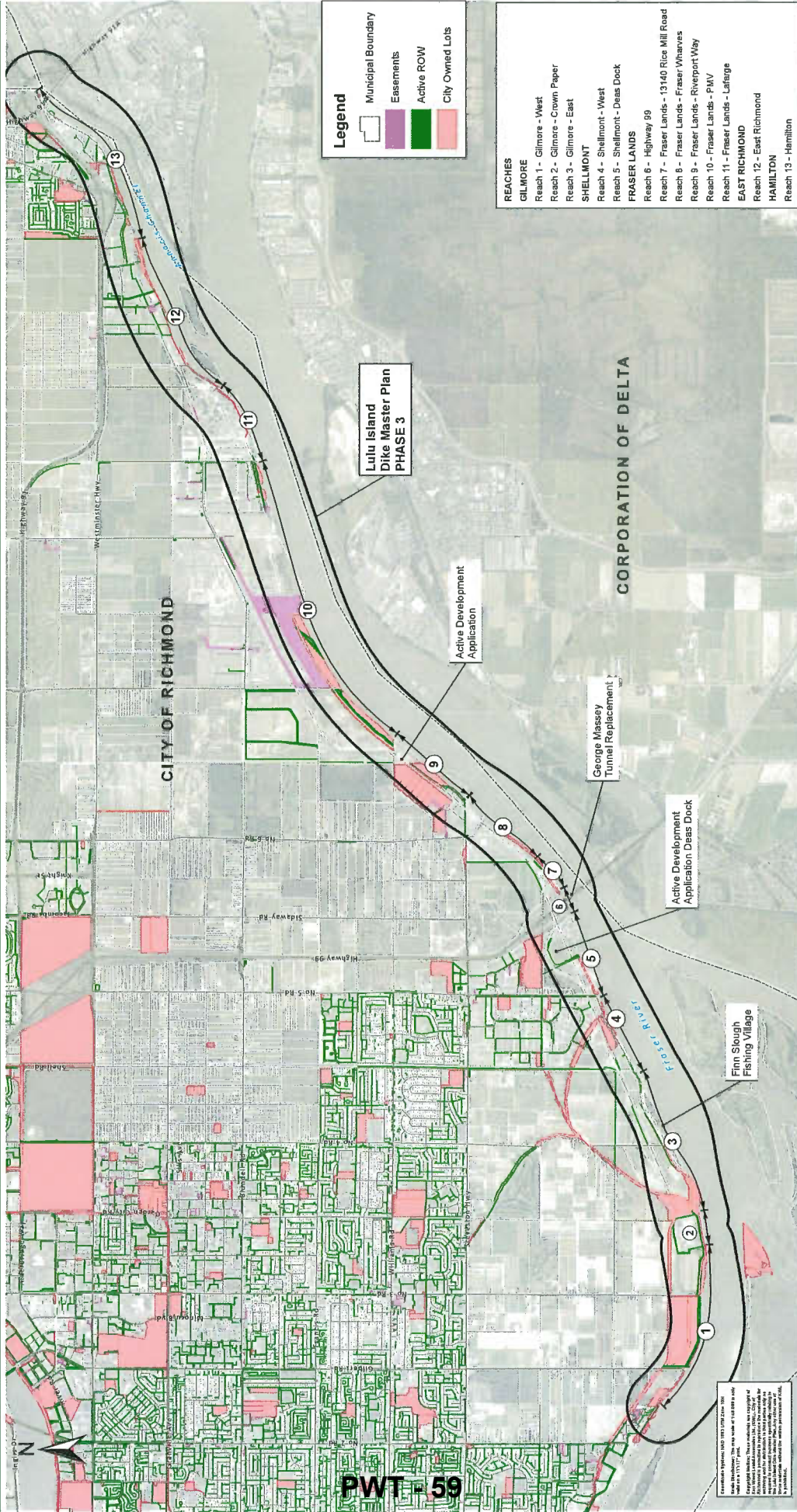


Table 2-4: Environmental Values

Reach #	Location	Environmental setting (organized by inland side and shoreline side of existing dike)	Construction Constraints	Construction Opportunities	FREMP Habitat Types	Known Species at Risk Occurrence Near Dike Alignment	Potential Raptor Nesting Trees	Potential Migratory Bird Nesting Habitat	Existing Habitat Compensation Sites Present
1 Gilmore - West	Land Side	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Most of reach bordered by low-quality fish-bearing, and amphibian habitat drainage channel Moderate quality deciduous woodland, tall shrub woodland, and meadow present on inland bank of drainage channel Western third of reach is bordered by high quality marsh and mudflat habitat Middle third of reach is low quality habitat armoured bank Eastern third of reach has narrow strip of marsh habitat 	Drainage channel full length of reach	East end of reach, dike is set back from watercourse	Deciduous free woodland Tall shrub woodland Meadow	Henderson's Checker-mallow (<i>Sidacea hendersonii</i>) Joe-pye Weed (<i>Eurochium maculatum</i> var. <i>brunerifolium</i>) Vancouver Island bogwartick (<i>Bolbitis ampulliformis</i>) White Sturgeon (Lower Fraser River population) (<i>Acipenser transmontanus</i> pop. 4)	Y	Y	Project: Lulu Island Sewer Treatment Plant Upgrade Replacement Year Created: 1993
	Fraser River Side	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paved parking lot Armoured bank with small area of high quality riparian deciduous tree woodland habitat 	High quality habitat at west end	Existing dike is set back from the shoreline in portions of this reach	Marsh Meadow Mudflat	White Sturgeon (Lower Fraser River population) (<i>Acipenser transmontanus</i> pop. 4)	Y	Y	N
2 Gilmore - Crown Paper	Land Side	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drainage channel bordering agricultural fields along entire length of reach (Potential amphibian breeding habitat) Fish species presence not recorded) 	Private property	n/a	Unvegetated	White Sturgeon (Lower Fraser River population) (<i>Acipenser transmontanus</i> pop. 4)	Y	Y	N
	Fraser River Side	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Small area of high quality habitat 	Small area of high quality habitat	n/a	Marsh Meadow	White Sturgeon (Lower Fraser River population) (<i>Acipenser transmontanus</i> pop. 4)	Y	Y	N
3 Gilmore - East	Land Side	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Habitat in West quarter of reach is low quality (landscaped grasses and walking trails, set back from armoured slope) Middle section adjacent to Gilmour Slough, (records of threespine stickleback and carp) Habitat on banks of Gilmour slough is high quality marsh Riparian habitat on south side of Gilmour slough is high quality (tall shrubby woodland) 	Drainage channel bordering dike	n/a	Meadow Low shrub woodland Deciduous free woodland	Flowering Quillwort (<i>Utricularia scilloides</i>) White Sturgeon (Lower Fraser River population) (<i>Acipenser transmontanus</i> pop. 4)	Y	Y	N
	Fraser River Side	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Low quality habitat, walking path and maintained lawn at east and west end of reach Drainage channel adjacent to middle of reach (Threespine stickleback, amphibian habitat) 	Gilmour slough (high quality habitat) bordering dike	Dike is set back from shoreline at west end	Meadow Marsh Deciduous free woodland Mud flat	White Sturgeon (Lower Fraser River population) (<i>Acipenser transmontanus</i> pop. 4)	Y	Y	N
4 Shelmont - West	Land Side	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mostly paved, some low quality herbaceous habitat present 	Drainage channel in middle of reach	Absence of watercourses in east and west ends	Deciduous free woodland Meadow	White Sturgeon (Lower Fraser River population) (<i>Acipenser transmontanus</i> pop. 4)	Y	Y	N
	Fraser River Side	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High quality marsh habitat in Fraser River in east half of Reach 	High quality riparian habitat at west end. Marsh at east half	Low quality riparian habitat in middle third	Deciduous free woodland Sand Meadow	White Sturgeon (Lower Fraser River population) (<i>Acipenser transmontanus</i> pop. 4)	Y	Y	N
5 Shelmont - Deas Dock	Land Side	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High quality riparian habitat in Fraser River in east half of Reach 	n/a	Low quality habitat and absence of watercourses along full length	Meadow Unvegetated	White Sturgeon (Lower Fraser River population) (<i>Acipenser transmontanus</i> pop. 4)	Y	Y	Project: Richmond Plywood Year Created: 1989
	Fraser River Side	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dike is set back approx. 100 m from High Quality marsh habitat in west half of reach High quality mudflats and marsh bordering dike in east third of reach 	High quality habitat at east end	Absence of riparian habitat on east side of bay Dike is set back from riparian habitat on west end	Sand Meadow Mud flat	White Sturgeon (Lower Fraser River population) (<i>Acipenser transmontanus</i> pop. 4)	Y	Y	Year Created: 1989
6 Highway 99	Land Side	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Low quality gravel parking lots 	n/a	Low quality habitat along full length	Deciduous free woodland	White Sturgeon (Lower Fraser River population) (<i>Acipenser transmontanus</i> pop. 4)	Y	Y	N
	Fraser River Side	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High quality deciduous free riparian woodland, mostly at west end 	High quality riparian habitat	n/a	Deciduous free woodland	White Sturgeon (Lower Fraser River population) (<i>Acipenser transmontanus</i> pop. 4)	Y	Y	N
7 Fraser Lands - 13140 Rice Mill Road	Land Side	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some deciduous trees, but mostly paved of buildings 	Private property, buildings Some trees at east end	Mostly low quality paved	Meadow Unvegetated	Pointed Rush (<i>Juncus oxymeris</i>) White Sturgeon (Lower Fraser River population) (<i>Acipenser transmontanus</i> pop. 4)	Y	Y	Project: Ocean Fisheries Limited Year Created: 1987
	Fraser River Side	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Low quality habitat armoured slopes or pier 	Pier	Low quality riparian habitat	Meadow Unvegetated	White Sturgeon (Lower Fraser River population) (<i>Acipenser transmontanus</i> pop. 4)	Y	Y	Year Created: 1987



Reach #	Location	Environmental setting (organized by inland side and shoreline side of existing dike)	Construction Constraints	Construction Opportunities	FREMP Habitat Types	Known Species at Risk Occurrence Near Dike Alignment	Potential Riparian Nesting Trees	Potential Migratory Bird Nesting Habitat	Existing Habitat Compensation Sites Present
8 Fraser Lands - Fraser River Wharves	Land Side	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paved Parking Lot, some low quality shrub habitat between dike and pavement High quality deciduous forest riparian habitat in east half and small patch in west half-armed slope and pier in middle of reach 	n/a	Low quality habitat along full length	Meadow Unvegetated	White Sturgeon (Lower Fraser River population) (Acipenser transmontanus pop. 4)	Y	Y	N
	Fraser River Side	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintained lawn or gravel lot, low quality habitat 	Private property	Low quality habitat along full length	Meadow Deciduous tree woodland Marsh	White Sturgeon (Lower Fraser River population) (Acipenser transmontanus pop. 4)	Y	Y	Project: Legacy Park Lands Year Created: 2003
9 Fraser Lands - Riverport Way	Fraser River Side	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High quality deciduous forest riparian habitat in middle of reach Low quality habitat armoured bank at east and west ends 	High quality riparian habitat in middle of reach	Low quality riparian habitat at east and west ends of reach	Meadow, deciduous tree woodland Marsh Unvegetated	White Sturgeon (Lower Fraser River population) (Acipenser transmontanus pop. 4)	Y	Y	Project: Range Facility Year Created: 2003
	Land Side	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drainage channel at east end (Slickleback, amphibian habitat) Paved lots at east and west ends Large, seasonally flooded area in middle of reach (Potential for overwintering habitat creation) 	Drainage channel at east end flooded area in middle of reach	Sections of low quality habitat at west end and east ends	Meadow Tall shrub woodland	Three-flowered (Waterwort <i>Elatine rubella</i>) White Sturgeon (Lower Fraser River population) (Acipenser transmontanus pop. 4)	Y	Y	Project: Fraser Richmond Landfill Compensation Sites (2) Year Created: 1979
10 Fraser Lands - PMW	Fraser River Side	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Large areas of high quality riparian forest, intertidal marsh along full length of reach 	Large areas of high quality riparian habitat intertidal marsh along full length of reach	n/a	Deciduous tree woodland Marsh Sand bar Meadow	Three-flowered (Waterwort <i>Elatine rubella</i>) White Sturgeon (Lower Fraser River population) (Acipenser transmontanus pop. 4)	Y	Y	Project: Fraser Richmond Landfill Compensation Sites (2) Year Created: 1979
	Land Side	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Low quality habitat paved lots and buildings 	Private property	Low quality habitat, absence of watercourses	None (Paved)	Three-flowered (Waterwort <i>Elatine rubella</i>) White Sturgeon (Lower Fraser River population) (Acipenser transmontanus pop. 4)	Y	Y	N
11 Fraser Lands - L'Arrage	Fraser River Side	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some high quality forested riparian habitat at east end Low quality habitat armoured bank at west end 	High quality habitat at east end of reach	Low quality armoured bank at west end of reach	Meadow Deciduous tree woodland Sand	Three-flowered (Waterwort <i>Elatine rubella</i>) White Sturgeon (Lower Fraser River population) (Acipenser transmontanus pop. 4)	Y	Y	N
	Land Side	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drainage channels adjacent to dike at east and west ends of reach (amphibian habitat) Low quality habitat paved or maintained lawn in middle of reach 	Drainage channel at east and west ends	Paved or maintained lawn in middle of reach	Meadow Low shrub woodland Deciduous tree woodland Unvegetated	White Sturgeon (Lower Fraser River population) (Acipenser transmontanus pop. 4)	Y	Y	N
12 East Richmond	Fraser River Side	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High quality habitat mud flats at middle and east end of reach Deciduous forest woodland high quality habitat at west end of reach 	High quality habitat along almost full length of reach	Small section of low quality armoured bank in western portion of reach	Deciduous tree woodland Meadow Mud flat Marsh	White Sturgeon (Lower Fraser River population) (Acipenser transmontanus pop. 4)	Y	Y	N
	Land Side	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drainage channels at very west end and in middle of reach (amphibian habitat) Low quality paved or landscaping shrubs at west end of reach habitat High quality shrubland habitat at east end of reach 	Drainage channel at very west end and in middle of reach	Low quality habitat in west end of reach	Meadow	White Sturgeon (Lower Fraser River population) (Acipenser transmontanus pop. 4)	Y	Y	Project: Former Queensborough Shipyard Restoration Year Created: 2004
13/14 Hamilton/Bowdury	Fraser River Side	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High quality mud flats and marsh at west end of reach Patches of high quality marsh and riparian deciduous woodland along east end of reach Small patches of unvegetated low quality habitat along reach 	High quality habitat at west end of reach	Small patches of low quality habitat	Deciduous tree woodland Marsh Mudflat Meadow Sandbar	White Sturgeon (Lower Fraser River population) (Acipenser transmontanus pop. 4)	Y	Y	Project: Former Queensborough Shipyard Restoration Year Created: 2004



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Figure 2-1

Existing Land Tenure

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3. Options Assessment

This section summarizes the options development process, including the following components:

- design considerations and design criteria;
- upgrading strategies;
- upgrading options and concepts; and
- recommended options for implementation

The next version of the draft report will include a summary of external stakeholder engagement results.

3.1 Design Considerations

This section summarizes the main themes and issues that have informed the development of upgrading strategies and options for Phase 3.

Dike Performance, Maintenance, and Upgrading

Dike performance, maintenance, and upgrading are the most important design considerations for the Dike Master Plan.

The following themes define the ideal vision for dike upgrading:

1. **Level of Protection:** The City's 2008-2031 Flood Protection Management Strategy sets a target level of protection for structural measures. The City is presently developing an updated flood protection management strategy that will have an even more ambitious flood protection level target. The level of protection translates to a hazard-based design flood scenario to be incorporated into the Dike Master Plan. At this time, the proposed design flood scenario for the Lulu Island perimeter dike is the 500-year return period flood event (0.2 % annual exceedance probability, AEP) with climate change allowances including 1 m of sea level rise. However, the Dike Master Plan should be flexible to accommodate a future change in the design flood scenario.
2. **Form and Performance:** The preferred form of the dike is a continuous, compacted dike fill embankment with standard or better geometry. Walls and other non-standard forms are less reliable and are not preferred. The level of performance of the dike should be in line with the significant population and assets that the dike protects. The dike should meet all relevant design guidelines of the day and in some cases, exceed guidelines to provide a higher level of performance. Dike performance can be expressed in terms of freeboard above the design flood scenario water level and factors of safety against various failure processes, including flood conditions and internal erosion (piping).
3. **Passive Operation:** Minimal human or mechanical intervention or operation should be required to achieve full dike performance. To achieve this, the dike should not have any gaps, gates, or stop log structures.
4. **Enhance Performance (slow failure):** The likelihood of a catastrophic dike failure causing significant flood damages can be reduced by design features that aim to slow down failure processes, provide redundancy, and provide time to implement emergency repairs. In general, failure can be slowed or controlled with additional setback, crest width, and armouring of the river side slope, crest, and land-side slope. Such measures can slow the impacts of river erosion, overtopping erosion, and stability failures. Increased monitoring approaches and technology may also be helpful.



5. **Post-earthquake Protection:** The dike should provide adequate protection following a major earthquake until permanent repairs can be implemented. In general, this means avoiding dike conditions where a major earthquake would result in a sudden and full failure of the dike cross-section into the river, referred to as a ‘flow-slide failure’. Other conditions where the dike crest settles, but still provides sufficient freeboard and factors of safety until repairs can be conducted may be tolerable. In general, increased crest width, crest elevation, and setback from the river may be undertaken to help achieve adequate post-earthquake protection. In some cases, improved seismic performance will also require ground improvement and densification works.
6. **Future Upgrading:** Uncertainty in climate change, particularly sea level rise timing, may require the City to further upgrade the dike sooner or higher than anticipated by current guidelines and policies. Sufficient space should be reserved under secured land tenure for future upgrading based on standard geometry. Conceptual design is provided for design flood levels which incorporate 1 m of sea level rise, and proof-of-concept design is provided for design flood levels which incorporate another 1 m water level increase for further climate change impacts (i.e. 2 m of sea level rise).

Some specific design considerations related to the above principles are presented in Table 3-1.

Table 3-1: Ideal Dike Design Principles and Considerations

Design Principle	Ideal Design Principles and Considerations
Level of Protection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Based on 2008-2031 Flood Protection Management Strategy Currently proposed: 500-year return period (0.2% AEP) with climate change allowances as per provincial studies
Form and Performance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continuous, compacted dike fill with standard or better geometry Crest elevation and adequate freeboard Factors of safety for stability Minimal infrastructure within the dike corridor Adequate bank protection or setback
Passive operation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No gaps, gates, or stop logs Passive monitoring (e.g. SCADA water levels)
Enhance Performance (slow failure)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wide dike crest Armoured river-bank slope to resist erosion Paved/armoured crest and/or land-side slope to resist overtopping Wide setback from the river
Post-earthquake Protection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No loss of full dike geometry into the river (“flowslide failure”) up to a return period to be determined Adequate post-earthquake freeboard and stability until repairs Wide dike crest and/or wide setback from the river
Future upgrading	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Space and tenure for upgrading (standard or better geometry) Avoid need for future infrastructure relocation or land acquisition



Road Safety and Access

The safety of drivers, cyclists, and pedestrians using Dyke Road, Fraserwood Way and the dike trail system in south Richmond is a significant consideration in Phase 3. City transportation engineering staff were consulted during the master plan development to provide input on dike upgrading concepts that will also improve road safety. The City's preferred concept for Dyke Road is to provide wider vehicle travel lanes and separated multi-use paths, which may be located on the dike crest. Preferred travel lane and multi-use path widths are documented in the design criteria in Section 3.2.

Vehicle access to the properties located on both sides of Dyke Road is also a significant consideration. Dike raising alignments will impact driveway access for both residential and commercial landowners. Land use on these properties includes industrial / port-related uses, residential, and agricultural. As such, a variety of vehicles, including semi-trailer trucks, need safe access from Dyke Road to these properties. Currently, these properties are generally at grade with or slightly below the road and access is provided via asphalt or gravel driveways.

Driveway access was considered in options development by identifying several access upgrading concepts including upgrading driveways, land filling to raise sites to the dike / road level, and providing vehicle parking at the dike / road level.

Land Raising and Acquisition

Land acquisition is an important consideration for the development and evaluation of dike upgrading options. In many areas, the existing dike corridor is confined on both sides by private property with no room for expansion of the dike footprint.

The figures in Appendix A present the overlap between the proposed dike footprint and private property for select upgrading options discussed in Section 3. This overlap can be used to produce a land acquisition plan.

In some locations, an alternative to land acquisition may be to raise private property lots up to the dike elevation to create a much wider land raising platform (similar to recent developments along the Middle Arm (e.g. Olympic Oval). The active redevelopment activities through the Fraser Lands (Reaches 7 – 11) offer opportunities for land raising to create so-called "superdikes".

Industrial Operations and River Access

South Richmond (Phase 3) is an important industrial area in the City. Existing industrial operations and river access for marine operations is an important consideration for developing and evaluating the dike upgrading options. In particular, landowners and leaseholders at Crown Packaging (Reach 2), Mainland Sand and Gravel (Reach 5), BC Ferries Richmond (Reach 5), Canadian Fishing Company (Reach 7), Fraser Wharves ship-to-land car unloading facilities (Reach 8), Port Metro Vancouver (Reach 10), Lafarge (Reach 11), Shelter Island Marina and Boatyard (Reach 12), and various small marine operations (Reach 12 and Reach 13).

In these locations, alternative dike geometries may be considered in the interim until redevelopment allows for land acquisition or land raising activities.



Internal Drainage System

As with any diked area, drainage for the interior protected area must be integrated with the flood protection measures such that the protected area does not experience flooding due to conflicting functions between the drainage of water from the interior area and prevention of flooding from water exterior to the dike system.

There are several smaller drainage channels and drainage pipes located at the landside toe of the existing dike providing local surface drainage for the area. As part of any upgrades, the existing drainage channel along the landside toe will need to be moved out of the proposed dike section or replaced with a pipe and inlets for local drainage. Additionally, the existing drainage pipes located within the proposed dike section may need to be relocated or upgraded to accommodate the proposed dike section.

The existing intakes and outfalls for the pump stations may need to be modified or extended and the pump station piping should be reviewed to consider structural impacts of the preferred dike section.

Tie-in with City of New Westminster Dike

The Phase 3 dike needs to tie into the City of New Westminster portion of the Lulu Island perimeter dike.

Approximately 500 m of the current dike in the boundary area is set back from Dyke Road so that the road and riverside townhomes (23740 and 23580 Dyke Road) are outside of the protection of the dike. The dike then ties back into the road at the Boundary Road and continues as part of South Dyke Road in the City of New Westminster.

Coordination between the City and the City of New Westminster is needed to confirm the dike tie-in design at the boundary.

Potential Future Secondary Dikes

The City's 2008-2031 Flood Protection Management Strategy identifies potential secondary dike concepts which are important considerations for Phase 3, including the proposed mid-island dike and the proposed Richmond-New Westminster boundary dike. The purpose of these secondary dikes is to limit flood damages by creating flood cells on Lulu Island which would contain flooding to smaller areas and prevent complete flooding of the island if dike breaches were to occur.

The Phase 3 Dike Master Plan has been developed to allow tie-ins with the possible mid-island dike and the proposed Richmond-New Westminster boundary dike. The possible mid-island dike is not addressed because it is linked to changes to the George Massey Tunnel and the tunnel's potential replacement. It is understood the City is also considering the implementation of both of these proposed dikes through gradual land raising through development as opposed to a dedicated dike corridor. The City's 2008-2031 Flood Protection Management Strategy provides additional information regarding potential future secondary dikes.

Environmental Considerations

The City's Official Community Plan (OCP) bylaw (2011) includes an Environmental Management Strategy (ENMS) that identifies ecologically important areas in the City's Ecological Network (EN). These areas include Environmentally Sensitive Areas (ESAs) and Riparian Management Areas (RMAs), and EN components (hubs, sites, and corridors, shoreline, city parks).



ESAs are designated as Development Permit Areas (DPAs) with specific restrictions and guidelines for development controlled through a review and permitting process (HB Lanarc-Golder and Raincoast Applied Ecology 2012). There are five ESA types, based on habitat, each with specific management objectives. These are summarized in Table 3-2 and more detailed guidelines can be found in HB Lanarc-Golder and Raincoast Applied Ecology (2012). According to Richmond’s OCP dike maintenance is exempt from development permits in ESAs. However, the guidelines provide useful direction that can be used to minimize impacts to these areas and provincial and federal legislation (see below) still applies to these areas.

RMA are setbacks that were implemented in accordance with the Provincial *Riparian Areas Protection Act* and act as pre-determined Streamside and Protection Areas (SPEAs) under the Act. They extend 5 m or 15 m back from the top of bank of the City’s channelized watercourses and are to remain free from development unless authorized by the City (City of Richmond, 2017). RMA are present in 10 of 13 Phase 3 reaches (Reaches 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, and 13).

Hubs, sites, and corridors are components of the City of Richmond’s EN, which are not specifically afforded protection, but often overlap ESAs and RMAs, which are protected. These components are present in 11 of 13 reaches of Phase 3 (Reaches 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 12, and 13).

Dike upgrade options will consider the potential impacts to these areas.

Table 3-2: City of Richmond ESA Type Management Objectives

ESA Type	Reaches Where Present	Management Objectives
Intertidal	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prevent infilling or direct disturbance to vegetation and soil in the intertidal zones Maintain ecosystem processes such as drainage or sediment that sustain intertidal zones
Shoreline	1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preserve existing shoreline vegetation and soils, and increase natural vegetation in developed areas during development or retrofitting
Upland Forest	1, 10, 12, 13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintain stands or patches of healthy upland forests by preventing or limiting tree removal or damage, and maintaining ecological processes that sustain forests over the long term
Old Fields and Shrublands	None	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintain the extent and condition of old fields and shrublands, while recognizing the dynamic nature of these ecosystems Preservation should recognize the balance between habitat loss and creation with the overall objective of preventing permanent loss of old fields and shrublands
Freshwater Wetland	3, 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintain the areal extent and condition of freshwater wetland ESAs by preserving vegetation and soils, and maintaining predevelopment hydrology, drainage patterns, and water quality

Source: (HB Lanarc-Golder and Raincoast Applied Ecology 2012)



Fish Habitat and Offsetting

Fish and aquatic habitat is protected by the federal *Fisheries Act*. Under the Act, *serious harm to fish* must be authorized by the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans and impacts that cannot be avoided or mitigated must be balanced through offsetting. Offsetting plans are negotiated on a case-by-case basis and may require consultation with aboriginal groups and the Province. Offsetting options include habitat restoration, enhancement, habitat creation (or a combination of the three) and must be proportional to the loss caused by the project. The area of offsetting may need to be increased to account for uncertainty of effectiveness and time lag between impacts and offsetting. Often, the offset area is equal to an area greater than that of the impacted area.

Wildlife Considerations

Migratory birds, their eggs, and active nests are protected by the *Migratory Birds Convention Act* and appropriate measures must be taken to avoid incidental take. The most effective and efficient of these measures includes scheduling vegetation clearing outside of the migratory bird nesting season. If this is not possible, bird nest surveys can be completed immediately prior to vegetation clearing to identify active nests and delay vegetation clearing until the nest is no longer active.

The nests of Bald Eagles, herons and other raptors (both active and inactive) are protected under the Provincial *Wildlife Act*. It is also prohibited under the *Wildlife Act* to harm an active bird nest, birds, and their eggs. The detailed design stage for dike upgrading should attempt to avoid the removal of trees where bald eagle nests are located.

Native amphibian species are likely use the drainage channels at the toes of the land side of the dike. These species are protected by the provincial *Wildlife Act* and detailed design should consider potential impacts to these species.

Public Realm and Ecological Enhancement

The dike is a major existing public realm feature providing a variety of recreation opportunities. The Dike Master Plan provides an opportunity to significantly enhance the public amenity of the dike system. Additionally, the dike upgrading provides an opportunity to enhance ecological value through the landscaping treatments that will define the dike surface and edges.

Appendix B presents a suite of landscape concepts prepared by landscape architects at Hapa to supplement the Dike Master Plan. These include landscape design principles, an overall network connectivity concept for the Lulu Island perimeter dike trail, and design toolkits for ecological enhancement and public realm features. Additionally, the Appendix B presents a suite of landscape concepts to supplement the upgrading options presented in Section 3.6.



3.2 Design Criteria

This section describes the main design criteria used in the Dike Master Plan.

Table 3-3 presents a summary of the criteria and is followed by additional discussion. The criteria are presented in terms of both what is the minimum acceptable level and the preferred level.

Table 3-3: Design Criteria Summary

Item	Value and Description	
	Minimum Acceptable	Preferred
Proposed Dike Crest Elevation	4.7 m CGVD28 downstream of Nelson Road 4.7 m CGVD28 to 5.0 m CGVD28 between Nelson Road and Boundary Road	
Future Dike Crest Elevation (for proof-of-concept design)	5.5 m CGVD28 downstream of Nelson Road 5.5 m CGVD28 to 6.0 m CGVD28 between Nelson Road and Boundary Road	
Geometry and Stability	4 m wide crest with dike fill core 3H:1V land-side slope 3H:1V river-side slope (or 2H:1V with riprap revetment) Retaining walls minimized Sheetpile walls acceptable only with minimum 4 m wide dike fill core behind wall No standalone flood walls Meet minimum geotechnical factors of safety	Meets or exceed provincial dike standard and City dike standard
Land Tenure	Registered standard right-of-way	Dike located on City-owned land
Infrastructure in Dike	Crossings designed with seepage control Locate parallel infrastructure to land-side away from dike core	No infrastructure in dike
Vegetation on the Dike Slopes and Crest	Minimize shrubs and trees on the dike crest and slopes Operation and maintenance procedures need to deal with excessive vegetation	With overwide dike, it may be appropriate to allow for some relaxation of vegetation guidelines
Land Adjacent to Dike	Land is raised as much as is practical	Land is raised to meet or exceed dike crest elevation



Item	Value and Description	
	Minimum Acceptable	Preferred
Seismic Performance	Minimum 3.2 m CGVD28 post-earthquake dike crest elevation and maintain dike core integrity	No damage to dike from earthquakes up to a return period to be determined
River-side Slope and Setback	2H:1V bank slope with riprap revetment	>10 m setback between river top of bank and dike river-side slope toe 3H:1V river-side bank slope with acceptable vegetation
Crest Surfacing and Land-side Slope Treatment	Crest surfacing: 150 mm thick road mulch Land-side slope treatment: hydraulically seeded grass	Meet or exceed provincial dike standard and City dike standard Consider paved crest and land-side slope vegetation/armouring to add robustness against overtopping
Dyke Road Design Width	From river-side to land-side: 0.5 m allowance for barrier 0.6 m min horizontal clearance Two 3.7 m travel lanes 0.6 m min horizontal clearance 0.5 m allowance for barrier Total width: 9.6 m	From river-side to land-side: 4.0 m multi-use path 0.5 m min horizontal clearance 0.5 m allowance for barrier 0.6 m min horizontal clearance Two 3.7 m travel lanes 0.6 m min horizontal clearance 0.5 m allowance for barrier 2.0 m pedestrian walkway Total width: 16.1 m

Dike Crest Elevation

At this time, the Province has not established a Fraser River flood profile and dike design profile that considers sea level rise and climate change. It is understood that the Fraser Basin Council's Lower Mainland Flood Management Strategy project may produce a recommended future flood profile. The most recent available flood profile information is provided in the Province's 2014 study of climate change and sea level rise effects on the Fraser River flood hazard.

The designated flood profile for developing the master plan is proposed as the maximum of the following flood scenarios:

- 500-year return period coastal water level with 1 m of sea level rise (no wave effects); and
- 500-year return period freshet with moderate climate change impacts and 1 m of sea level rise.

Figure 3-1 shows the estimated flood profile water levels (in CGVD28 vertical datum, excluding freeboard) along the river in the study area. As shown on the figure, the coastal flood scenario governs from the ocean upstream to approximately Nelson Road.



Dike crest elevations are derived by adding freeboard and an allowance for land subsidence to the flood level. Table 3-4 presents the components that sum to the proposed dike crest elevation.

Table 3-4: Flood Levels and Dike Crest Elevations

Item	Downstream of Nelson Road (flat profile)	Upstream of Nelson Road (sloped profile)		
		Nelson Road	Boundary Road (Border with City of New Westminster)	Eastern Tip of Lulu Island
Governing Flood Hazard	tide + storm surge	Fraser River freshet		
Level of Performance	500-year return period (0.2% annual exceedance probability)			
Climate Change Allowance	1 m sea level rise	1 m sea level rise and 20% freshet flow increase		
Design Flood Level (m, CGD28) ¹	3.8	4.2	4.6	
Wave Effects Allowance	None			
Freeboard (m)	0.6			
Land Subsidence Allowance (m)	0.2			
Dike Crest Elevation ² (m)	4.6	5.0	5.4	
Notes:				
1. From (BC MFLNRO, 2014).				
2. The City's adopted downstream design crest elevation (4.7 m) exceeds the minimum required elevation (4.6 m). This is a result of updated coastal water level analysis methods (joint probability analysis) that result in a discrepancy when compared to previous methods (additive method).				

The master plan also allows for further upgrading by providing proof of concept for raising to between 5.5 m downstream of Nelson Road and 6.0 m at the boundary with the City of New Westminster.

Seismic Performance *guidelines*

The current provincial seismic performance criteria for dikes are generally difficult to meet without costly and impractical ground improvement works. Additionally, the guidelines are considered very conservative in some situations because they require performance under extremely rare scenarios. For example, the guidelines require dikes to maintain 0.3 m freeboard in the event of a 10-year return period flood occurring following a 2,475-year return period earthquake which has a probability of 0.004% in a 1-year period. This is significantly rarer than the design event for the dike crest elevation (500-year return period event has a 0.2% annual exceedance probability). It is understood that the Province is conducting a review of the current criteria and associated guidelines.

An alternative seismic performance approach that focuses on failure mechanisms and post-earthquake level of protection is proposed, subject to any higher-level direction that may be forthcoming in the ongoing Richmond 2008-2031 Flood Protection Management Strategy Update. The alternative criteria are presented in Table 3-5.



Table 3-5: Proposed Alternative Seismic Performance Criteria

Criteria	Description / Value
Failure Mechanisms	Flowslides (resulting in full loss of dike cross-section into the river or channel) are not acceptable up to a return period to be determined (e.g. 2,475-year return period)
Maximum post-earthquake overtopping probability	0.2% Annual exceedance probability Calculate probability through comparison of various post-earthquake dike crest elevations and future flood levels + 0.3 m freeboard Assume a minimum 1-year exposure period for dike repairs, or longer if local site conditions warrant. In general, this results in a minimum post-earthquake dike crest elevation of 3.2 m which corresponds to the governing scenario of an average annual maximum coastal water level (1.9 m) with 1 m of sea level rise occurring within 1 year of a 475-year return period earthquake.

This approach would make the service level of the dike in a seismic scenario consistent with the service level for the dike crest elevation which is set based on a 500-year return period flood or a 0.2% annual exceedance probability.

For the coastal design dike crest elevation of 4.7 m CGVD28, this approach would allow for up to 1.5 m of vertical settlement, as long as core dike integrity is maintained.

The length of time between earthquake and dike repair will be a critical assumption for analysis to support this approach. The City may wish to specify consistent assumptions through the Dike Master Plan to ensure consistent analyses. For example, reconstruction of a dike that has failed into the river channel following a flowslide failure from an extreme earthquake may take up to 2 years or more, whereas more straightforward compaction and raising of a settled dike could be done in less than a year after an earthquake.

In addition, it should be noted that meeting the seismic performance criteria through increasing the dike crest elevation and crest width, as opposed to ground densification, has the added benefit of increasing the level of protection against flood events.

3.3 Alternative Upgrading Strategies

Several high-level dike upgrading strategies, summarized in Table 3-6, were considered to inform the development of specific options for the Dike Master Plan.



Table 3-6: High-level Dike Upgrading Strategies

Strategy	Advantages	Disadvantages
Road Dike <i>Raise road to dike crest elevation</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Smaller footprint Wider crest (more robust) Smaller impacts to habitat 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Operation and maintenance challenges Infrastructure within dike High cost to raise dike in the future Possible conflicts with recreational cyclists/pedestrians and vehicles – recreational users may need to be rerouted along inland routes
Separated Dike and Road <i>Conventional dike adjacent to road</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Operation and maintenance separated from road No infrastructure within dike 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Larger footprint and impact to infrastructure and habitat
Raise River-side Dike <i>Conventional dike along riverbank</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimize footprint 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limited space Impacts to Fraser River riparian and intertidal habitat and drainage channel side riparian and aquatic habitat Reduced seismic performance Erosion hazard
Fill River-side Dike <i>Build into river to achieve conventional dike</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Less impacts to existing development and on-shore infrastructure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Impacts to Fraser River riparian and intertidal habitat Reduced seismic performance Erosion hazard
Setback Dike <i>Realign significantly away from river</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increased seismic performance Reduced erosion hazard Increased opportunities for riparian and intertidal habitat enhancement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase in unprotected development High infrastructure impacts High cost to construct new dike alignment Would result in 2 dikes (existing and setback) to maintain
Land Raising (“superdike”) <i>Raise development and roads adjacent to dike</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wider crest (more robust) Reduced grading issues (after implementation) Less impacts to raise a dike in the future 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Timing and phasing depends on development High cost to raise large lots with low density land use Grading and access issues for water-oriented developments Impacts to Fraser River riparian and intertidal habitat and drainage channel side riparian and aquatic habitat



3.4 Options and Concepts

Through a series of meetings and site visits with City staff, the high-level upgrading strategies have been narrowed down to a set of options and concepts for each reach.

The main options developed for Phase 3 Dike Master Plan include:

- Option 1: Separated dike and road (Figure 3-2): raise dike and road, extend land-side;
- Option 2: Riverbank dike (Figure 3-3): raise dike only and extend land-side; and
- Option 3: Superdike (Figure 3-4): raise land behind the dike.

In addition to the above long-term options, additional interim options are being considered for areas where there is not enough space to build a standard dike and/or current operations at the site preclude the landowner from constructing a standard dike. These options are intended to function as temporary measures until the land behind the dike can be raised to an appropriate level, or leaseholders and landowners change, and the site can be redeveloped. These interim options are:

- Option 4: Road dike (Figure 3-5): keep the dike within the road footprint and raise the road and associated dike, extend land-side;
- Option 5: Setback sheetpile wall (Figure 3-6): raise the dike with sheetpile retaining wall behind existing development to minimize footprint and allow for access to the water;
- Option 6: Riverside sheetpile wall (Figure 3-7); raise the dike with sheetpile retaining wall along the riverside to minimize footprint

Table 3-7 presents a summary of the options for each reach. Appendix B includes landscape concepts prepared by Hapa associated with the cross-section options.

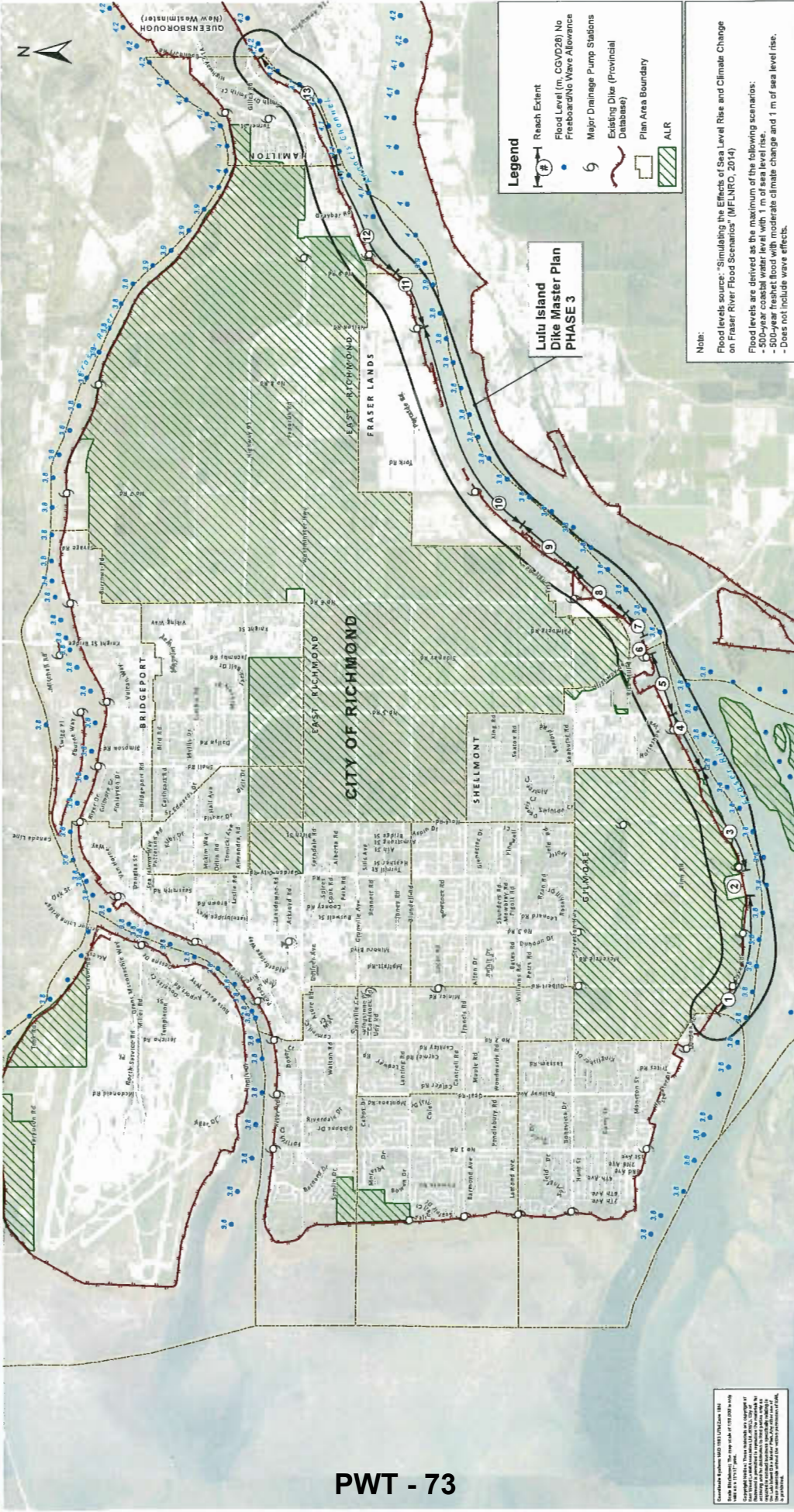
Table 3-7: Dike Upgrading Options

Reach # and Name	Options
1 – Gilmore West	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Option 1: Separated dike and road • Option 2: Riverbank dike • Option 3: Superdike
2 – Crown Packaging	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Option 2: Riverbank dike • Option 3: Superdike <p><i>Site-specific interim options:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Option 6: Riverside sheetpile wall • Combined with site grading and Option 2
3 – Gilmore East	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Option 1: Separated dike and road • Option 2: Riverbank dike • Option 3: Superdike <p><i>Site-specific interim options:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Option 4: Road Dike
4 – Shellmont West	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Option 1: Separated dike and road



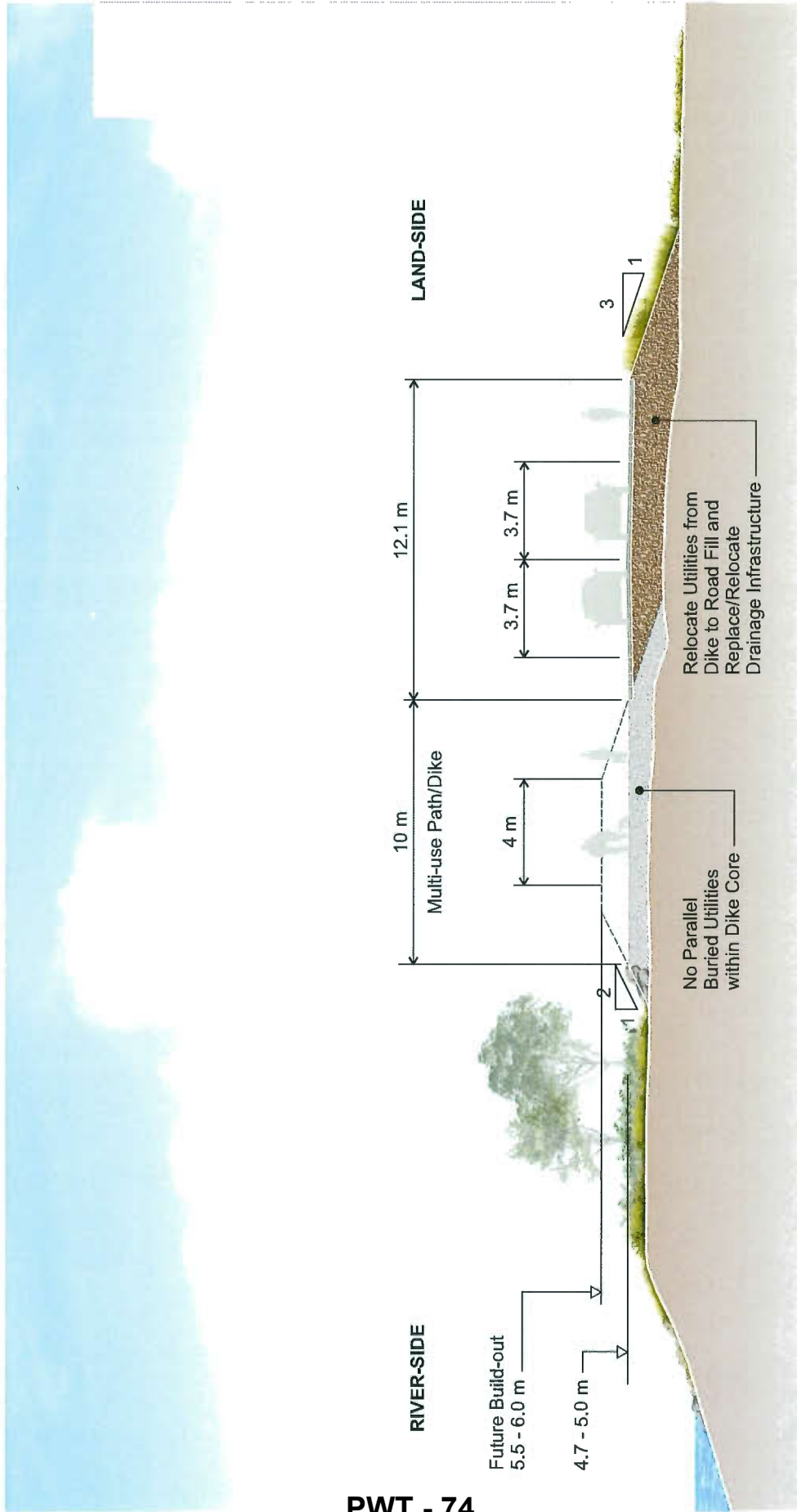
Reach # and Name	Options
5 – Shellmont Deas Dock	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Option 1: Riverbank dike Option 3: Superdike <p><u>Site-specific interim options:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Option 5: Setback sheetpile wall Combined with site grading and Option 1 Combined with site-specific flood response
6 – Highway 99	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Option 1: Separated dike and road Option 3: Superdike <p>Note: the link to the potential mid-island secondary dike is not shown or addressed because it is dependent on changes to the George Massey Tunnel</p>
7 – Fraser Lands – 13140 Rice Mill Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Option 2: Riverbank dike Option 3: Superdike <p><u>Site-specific interim options:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Option 5: Setback sheetpile wall Combined with site grading and Option 1
8 – Fraser Lands Fraser Wharves	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Option 2: Riverbank dike Option 3: Superdike
9 – Fraser Lands Riverport Way	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Option 2: Riverbank dike Option 3: Superdike
10 – Fraser Lands Port Metro Vancouver	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Option 2: Riverbank dike Option 3: Superdike
11 – Fraser Lands Lafarge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Option 2: Riverbank dike Option 3: Superdike
12 – East Richmond	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Option 1: Separated dike and road Option 2: Riverbank dike Option 3: Superdike <p><u>Site-specific interim options:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Option 4: Road Dike
13– Hamilton	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Option 1: Separated dike and road Option 2: Riverbank dike Option 3: Superdike <p><u>Site-specific interim options:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Option 4: Road Dike Option 6: Riverside sheetpile wall around townhomes outside of the current dike
14 – Boundary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Option 1: Separated dike and road Option 3: Superdike Site-specific option to include a secondary dike to tie into the higher elevations of the Hwy 91 interchange <p><u>Site-specific interim options:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Option 4: Road Dike (tie into New Westminster’s dike system at South Dyke Road)

The plan view and typical sections on a reach-by-reach basis are shown in Appendix A.



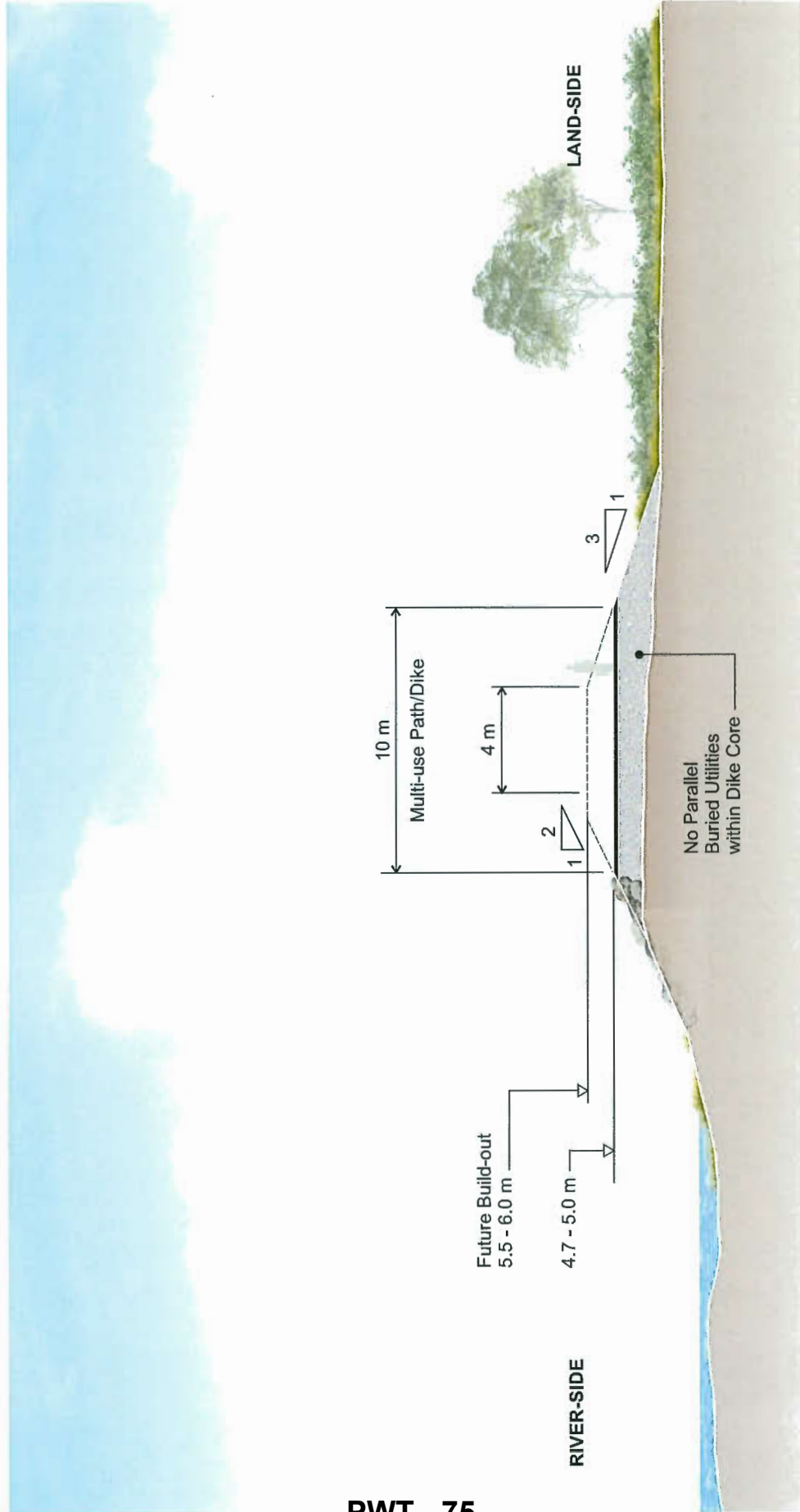
Fraser River Flood Elevations

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Figure 3-1



**Option 1: Separated Dike and Road
Raise Dike and Road, Extend Land-side**

Figure 3-2

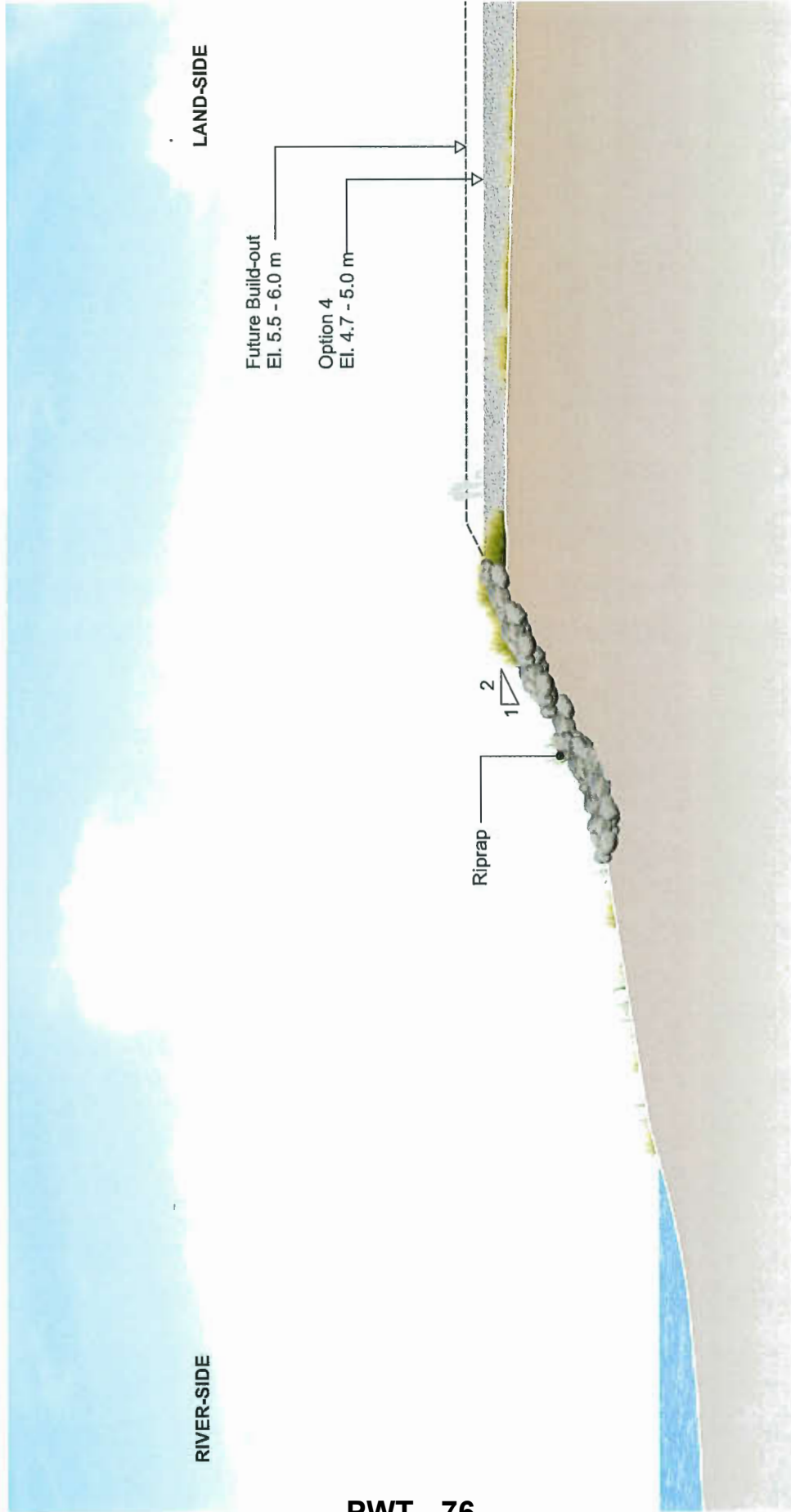


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Option 2: Riverbank Dike
Raise Dike Only and Extend Land-side

Figure 3-3

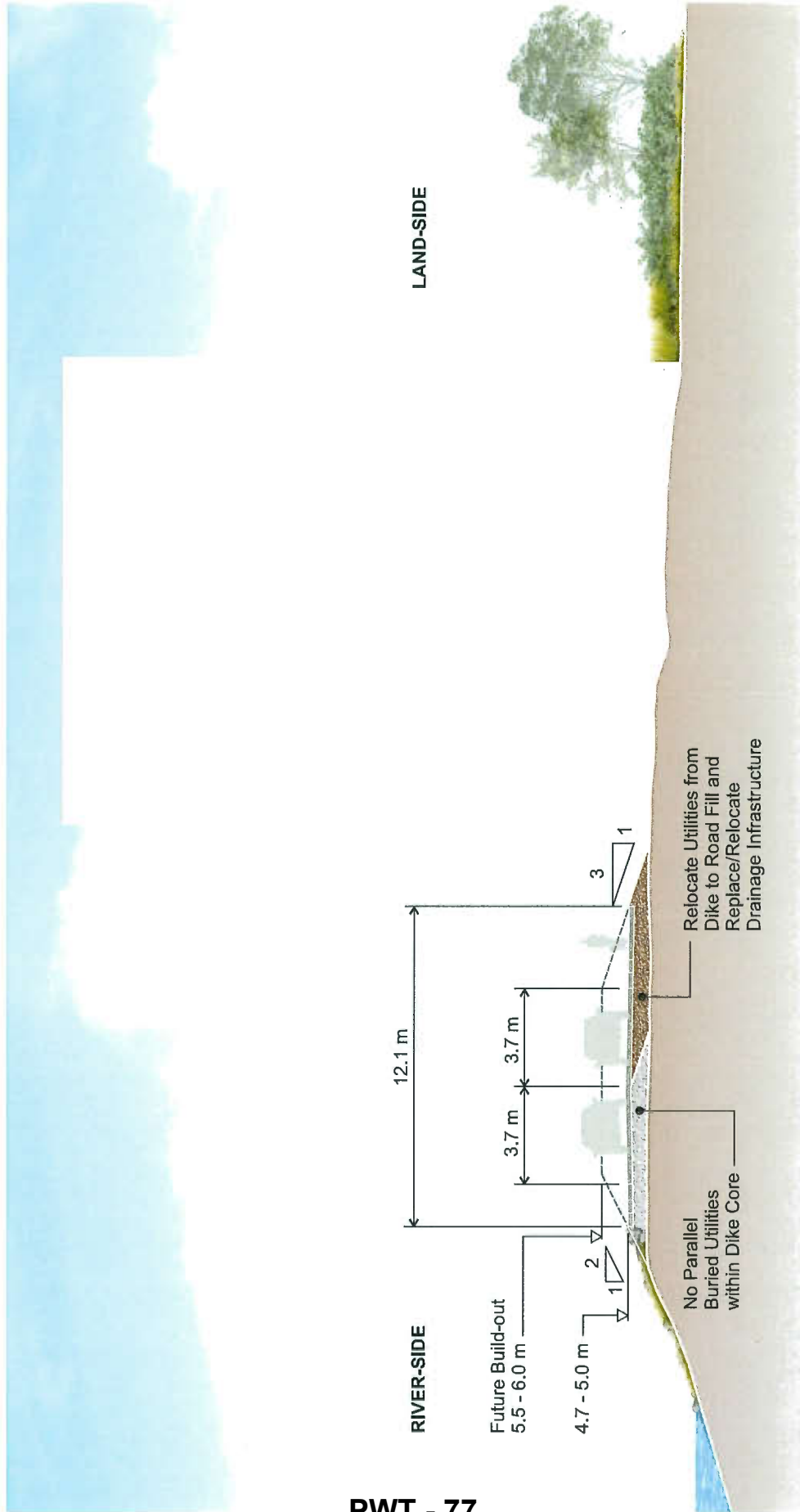


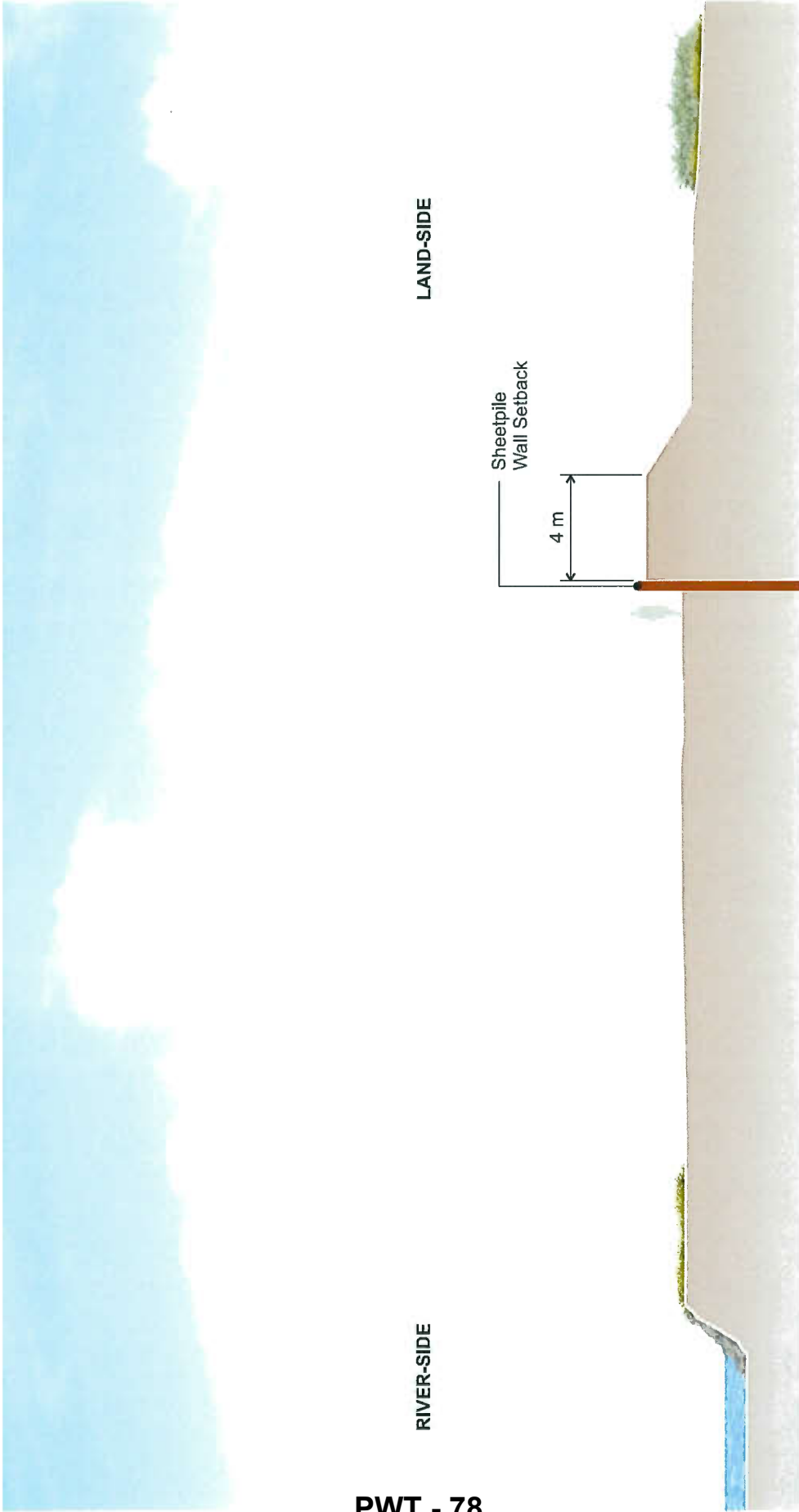
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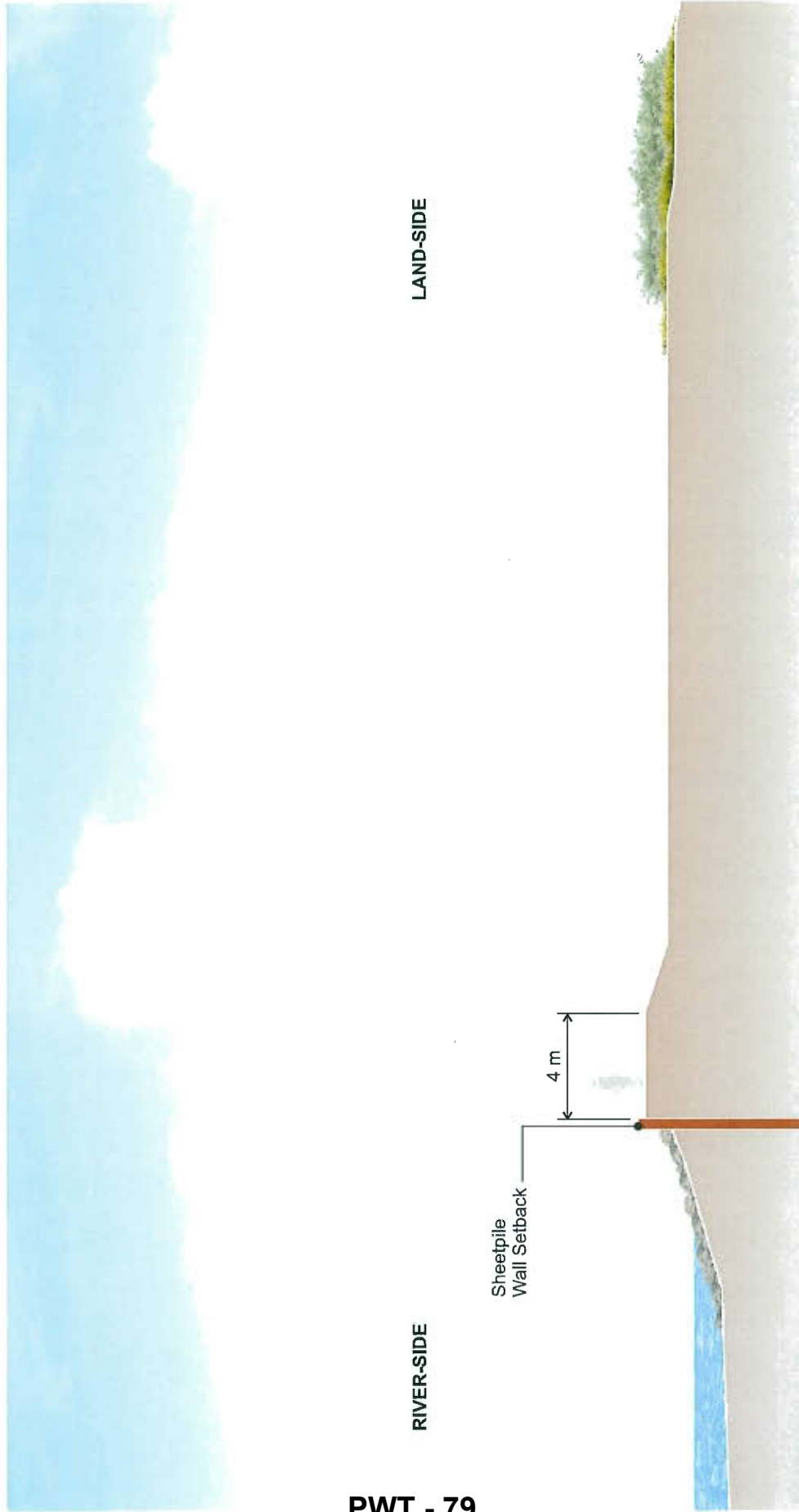
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Option 3: Superdike
Raise Land Behind Dike

Figure 3-4









Option 1: Separated Dike and Road: Separate Dike and Road, Raise Dike and Road, and Extend Land-side

The primary option developed for Phase 3 involves separating the dike and Dyke Road, raising both to the dike crest elevation, and extending the footprint of the fill towards the land-side. Figure 3-2 presents a typical cross-section for this option.

This option addresses several of the main design considerations including providing a substantially wide dike and improving road safety by separating vehicles and cyclists/pedestrians.

In some reaches, extending the footprint towards the land-side requires filling in the existing channel and replacing or relocating the drainage conveyance and storage. The preferred approach is to replace the channels with pipes. This will result in a loss of aquatic and riparian habitat and will require habitat creation, restoration, or enhancement (or a combination of the three) to be completed elsewhere to offset the loss.




Extending the footprint towards the land-side will require land acquisition where the existing corridor width is insufficient. In general, this would affect a narrow strip of land on the frontage of large lots and should be feasible to implement.

However, there are also areas on both the land-side and the river-side where the upgrade will result in access issues. The areas with the most severe space limitations and potential options to address the access issues are presented in Table 3-8.

Table 3-8: Space Limitations and Access Issues

Reach / Location / Description	Photo	Options to Address Footprint and Access
Reach 3 Finn Slough		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Steeper driveway access • Provide parking on land-side • Steeper or longer road ramps up to the new road elevation
Reach 11 Shelter Island Marina and Boatyard		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Steeper driveway access • Steeper or longer road ramps up to the new road elevation • Coordinate with industry to raise the site or to raise the ship crane and associated river access infrastructure • Raise land at time of redevelopment



Reach / Location / Description	Photo	Options to Address Footprint and Access
Reach 13 Intersection with Fraserwood Way		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Steeper or longer road ramps up to the new road elevation • Raise land at time of redevelopment
Reach 13 - Hamilton		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Steeper driveway access • Provide parking on land-side (instead of driveway down to lot) • Raise land at time of redevelopment • Steeper or longer road ramps up to the new road elevation • Managed retreat (buy-out, relocate, or do not allow redevelopment)
Reach 13 – Hamilton 23700 blk of Dyke Road		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Steeper driveway access • Provide parking on land-side (instead of driveway down to lot) • Leave existing road as a low “local road” and provide access to the new road at an intersection near Boundary Road • Managed retreat (buy-out, relocate, or do not allow redevelopment)

Note: Images from Google Street View

Option 2: Riverbank Dike: Raise Dike, and Extend Land-Side

The primary option developed for Phase 3 where there is no road associated with the dike, is to raise the dike crest elevation and extend the footprint of fill towards the land-side. Figure 3-3 presents a typical cross-section for this option.

Extending the footprint towards the land-side will require land acquisition where the existing corridor width is insufficient. In general, this would affect a narrow strip of land on the frontage of large lots and should be feasible to implement. Extending the dike footprint to the land-side decreases the amount of Fraser River riparian and river habitat that is impacted, but may result in the loss aquatic and riparian habitat from drainage channels on the land side of the dike.



Option 3: Superdikes: Land Raising

Another option that is being considered for Phase 3 is the raising of lands behind the dike to the dike crest elevation. This creates a more robust flood protection structure and has the potential to improve site grading issues and river access constraints. The option to raise the land behind the dike is most appropriate for areas that are contemplated for short-term redevelopment.

This option will result in a loss of aquatic and riparian habitat and will require habitat creation or enhancement to be completed elsewhere to offset the loss.

Option 4: Road Dike: Raise Dike and Road, and Extend Land-side (Interim Solution)

An interim option is being considered where the existing development encroaches on the dike/road corridor such that separating the dike from the road and raising both structures is not immediately feasible. This option is to continue to have the dike in the road, while raising the road to the design dike crest elevation and extending the footprint of fill towards the land-side.

This option addresses several of the main design considerations; however, it does not allow for complete separation of pedestrians and bikes from the roadway and does not address concerns of complexities of future dike raising if the road infrastructure is integrated into the dike structure.

This option will result in a loss of aquatic and riparian habitat and will require habitat creation or enhancement to be completed elsewhere to offset the loss.

Option 5 & 6: Sheetpile Walls (Interim Solution)

Site-specific interim solutions are considered where a site is not scheduled for short-term redevelopment and site constraints such as rail lines, barge access and site grading for specialized equipment do not allow for constructing a standard dike as per the options discussed previously. Two sheetpile wall configurations (Figure 3-6 and Figure 3-7) are considered to address short-term flood protection at two sites:

- Crown Packaging (Reach 2); and
- 13140 Rice Mill Road, Canfisco (Reach 7).

For both of these sites, the sheetpile wall would bring the dike crest to the design elevation. The dike width would be narrower than the preferred options but could allow for raising the dike to an acceptable level where there is minimal room on the site for additional dike footprint. For those locations where a setback dike is constructed, the landowner would need to develop and implement a flood response plan and reasonable floodproofing measures would be required. Retaining walls should consider the need for handrails for safety, in accordance with applicable regulations. Loss of aquatic and riparian habitat may be reduced with this option.



3.5 Stakeholder Engagement

Stakeholder engagement for Phases 3, 4, and 5 of the Dike Master Plan is being completed jointly in two stages. Prior to City Council review, initial stakeholder engagement was completed that included meetings with internal City departments and government agencies. This initial stakeholder engagement allows for input from City groups on options developed, additional background, and future coordination, with the goal of informing the recommended upgrade options. Following Council review, additional stakeholder engagement is planned, which will include meetings with specific stakeholder groups and a public consultation event. The second stage of stakeholder engagement is intended to inform the public on the draft preferred options and seek any feedback the City may wish to consider in finalizing the Dike Master Plan to implementation.

For Phase 3, the parties consulted to date include the following.

- City of Richmond Transportation;
- City of Richmond Parks, Planning, and Sustainability;
- City of New Westminster; and
- Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations, and Rural Development (MFLNRORD)
 - Included Inspector of Dikes, Flood Safety, and Water Authorizations staff

Meetings were held following options development.

The City requested a meeting with the Department of Fisheries and Oceans (DFO) who declined, stating that their input would be provided during later stages in the established review and approvals process.

Additional stakeholder consultation following Council review for Phase 3 is planned to include the following parties, which will be confirmed with the City following review:

- Port Metro Vancouver,
- Lafarge and Armtec,
- Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure (MOTI),
- Crown Paper,
- Deas Dock (BC Ferries),
- Canfisco (13140 Rice Mill Road),
- Finn Slough Heritage and Wetland Society, and
- General public

3.6 Options Evaluation and Selection

General Recommendations

The options described in Section 3.4 have been assessed considering the feedback from the stakeholder meetings and the following:

- dike design criteria;
- impacts to habitat;
- cost implications;
- robustness of flood protection;
- impacts to existing properties and operations; and
- ability to accommodate further long-term upgrading.



The recommended options are based on a vision of Richmond progressively improving its level of flood protection ahead of the pace of development and rising sea level. Recommended dike design features include the following for Phase 3.

High and Wide Earth Fill – Favour earth fill dike construction where possible since it is more robust, flexible, and expandable than other types of structures. Build to 4.7 m crest elevation (higher upstream), expandable to 5.5 m to accommodate additional sea level rise. Build the 4.7 m crest elevation with a crest width of 10 m to make it expandable to 5.5 m crest elevation without the need for further road reconstruction or land acquisition.

Separate Roads and Utilities – Utilities pose an unnecessary risk to the dikes. Along with roads, they also increase the complexity and cost of dike maintenance and expansion. The City should seek to separate roads with utilities away from the dike structure, preferably on the land-side the dike, and put the road elevation at dike crest height to be compatible with raised land use behind the dike and road.

Raised Development – Raise the land on the land-side of the dike to facilitate existing and future raised land use. This supports a vision of a waterfront community that has adjacent development above and looking down over the dike instead of behind it. It also reduces the amount of land acquisition required to support dike raising by eliminating the land-side slope.

Land Acquisition for Full Future Needs - Acquire enough land or rights-of-way at first reasonable opportunity to facilitate full width of the future 5.5 m crest height. Land acquisition and rights-of-way may be a condition of redevelopment, or land could be purchased specifically for planned dike construction. For industrial sites, access for inspection, maintenance and future raising is required. For other sites, public use of the dike is also needed. Where land acquisition opportunities can not keep pace with dike requirements, interim narrower dike options may be considered.

Habitat Balance – Dike widening is typically recommended to be on the land-side of the existing dike, as opposed to projecting further toward the river. This is due to a preference to preserve or enhance river riparian habitat. However, there are some cases where inland channel habitat may be impacted or where moving the dike towards the river may be the best option to reduce large impacts to roads. Where habitat and drainage channels would be impacted by dike upgrading, their hydraulic function and habitat value is recommended to be compensated by other means. This may include storm sewers, channels relocated inland, and separate habitat enhancement projects.

Recommended Options

The various high-level dike upgrading strategies and potential dike upgrading options have been distilled to two main recommended options for long-term dike planning, as described below.

- **Separated dike and road (Option 1):**
 - Use in locations where there is a road associated with the dike.
 - Separate the dike and roadway such that there is an over-wide dike and separate travel areas for vehicles and cyclists/pedestrians.
 - Raise the dike crest and road surface to the design dike crest elevation and extend the footprint of fill towards the land-side.
 - Install bank protection works on the river side to match existing.



- **Riverbank dike** (Option 2):
 - Use in locations where there is no road associated with the dike.
 - Raise the dike crest to the design elevation and extend the footprint of fill towards the land-side.
 - Install bank protection works on the river side to match existing.

In general, the two above options are recommended because they are the most robust of the options considered. They produce a wide dike crest at a stable geometry that is set back from the river. The dike portion of the overall crest would be 10 m wide to accommodate future dike raising without having to modify the road. The “separated dike and road” option is recommended in areas where there is currently a road associated with the dike because it is the most robust of the options considered as it produces an earth fill embankment (dike and road) that is approximately 22 m wide at the crest. This is a significant increase above the standard dike crest width of 4 m and is expected to reduce the likelihood of failure across a variety of processes.

Additionally, separating the dike and road provides several community benefits including improved pedestrian, cyclist, and vehicle safety, and the opportunity for a linear park / multi-use path. Other interim options are recommended in areas which are constrained and do not allow for the separated dike and road option.

In addition to the two options listed above, another recommendation for flood protection in all areas of Phase 3 is to target land raising of the areas behind the dike. This is shown as Option 3: Superdike. It should be considered for all reaches.

Interim Options

The two recommended options will require land acquisition and phased implementation as existing development and current land use limit the existing dike corridor and some existing industries need access to the river for operations. To address this phased implementation, additional interim options are recommended, as described below.

- **Road Dike** (Option 4):
 - Use at sites not scheduled for short-term redevelopment.
 - Continue to have the dike in the road where existing development encroaches on the corridor.
 - Raise the road surface to the design dike crest elevation and extend the footprint of fill towards the land-side.
 - Install bank protection works on the river side to match existing.
- **Setback Sheetpile Wall** (Option 5):
 - Use at sites not scheduled for short-term redevelopment where site constraints such as rail lines, barge access and site grading for specialized equipment do not allow for construction of a standard dike.
 - Raise the dike to the design dike crest elevation using sheetpile walls to minimize the encroachment of fill on the property.
 - Use site specific flood response plans to address flood hazards on the site.



- **Riverside Sheetpile Wall (Option 6):**
 - Use at sites not scheduled for short-term redevelopment where site constraints such as rail lines, barge access and site grading for specialized equipment do not allow for construction of a standard dike.
 - Raise the dike to the design dike crest elevation using sheetpile walls to minimize the encroachment of fill on the property.

Summary of Recommended Options by Reach

Table 3-9 presents a summary of the recommended options for each reach as well as the recommended interim options to address site specific concerns. For all reaches, Option 3: Superdike, raising the land for approximately 200 m inland of the dike, is recommended for related flood protection and seismic stability reasons. Because Option 3 is a global recommendation for Phase 3 Dike Master Plan, it has not been included in Table 3-9. The recommended options are shown in Appendix A.

Table 3-9: Recommended Dike Upgrading Options (Phase 3)

Reach # and Name	Recommended Options
1 – Gilmore West	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Option 1: Separated dike and road • Option 2: Riverbank dike (park area)
2 – Crown Packaging	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Option 2: Riverbank dike <p><u>Site specific interim options:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Option 6: Riverside sheetpile wall • Combined with site grading and Option 2
3 – Gilmore East	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Option 1: Separated dike and road • Option 2: Riverbank dike (park area) <p><u>Site specific interim options:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Option 4: Road dike (Finn Slough)
4 – Shellmont West	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Option 1: Separated dike and road
5 – Shellmont Deas Dock	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Option 2: Riverbank dike <p><u>Site specific interim options:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Option 5: Setback sheetpile wall • Combined with site grading and Option 2 • Combined with site specific flood response
6 – Highway 99	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Option 2: Riverbank dike <p>Note: the link to the potential mid-island secondary dike is not shown or addressed because it is dependent on changes to the George Massey Tunnel</p>
7 – Fraser Lands – 13140 Rice Mill Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Option 2: Riverbank dike <p><u>Site specific interim options:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Option 5: Setback sheetpile wall • Combined with site grading and Option 2
8 – Fraser Lands Fraser Wharves	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Option 2: Riverbank dike



Reach # and Name	Recommended Options
9 – Fraser Lands Riverport Way	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Option 2: Riverbank dike
10 – Fraser Lands Port Metro Vancouver	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Option 2: Riverbank dike
11 – Fraser Lands Lafarge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Option 2: Riverbank dike
12 – East Richmond	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Option 1: Separated dike and road Option 2: Riverbank dike <p><u>Site specific interim options:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Option 4: Road dike
13– Hamilton	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Option 1: Separated dike and road <p><u>Site specific interim options:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Option 4: Road dike
14 – Boundary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Option 1: Separated dike and road Site specific option to include a secondary dike to tie into the higher elevations of the Hwy 91 interchange <p><u>Site specific interim options:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Option 4: Road dike (tie into New Westminster’s dike system at South Dyke Road)

Drainage Impact Assessment

The internal drainage system of Lulu Island provides irrigation service as well as drainage service. The system of channels allows water from intakes on the Fraser River to flow into Lulu Island and distribute through the drainage conveyance system to provide irrigation water to the farmlands. This use of the drainage conveyance system relies on the storage capacity within the channels to provide adequate water to the farmlands.

There are two large, agricultural drainage channels adjacent to Dyke Road that would potentially be impacted by the proposed increase in road and dike footprint. These include the area adjacent to Finn Slough and the area near London Heritage Farm. The option expected to be both the simplest to implement and the least cost is to replace the existing channels that would be impacted by the dike and road upgrades along Dyke Road with pipes. The replacement pipes would be located within the cross-section of the road and outside of the dike cross-section.

The approach of filling the existing drainage channel and replacing it with a pipe is limited by the size of the pipe that can fit within the road cross-section and the invert elevations of the existing internal agricultural drainage infrastructure (culverts, drainage channels and drain tiles). Multiple connections and or inlets to the pipe may be required to replace existing drainage and irrigation functions for the adjacent agricultural fields. The new pipes would drain to the existing north-south channels that convey runoff to the pump stations.

No detailed drainage assessment has been completed for this study and further work would be needed to assess if replacing the existing drainage channels with pipes is feasible and to size and design the pipes. If feasible, drainage from both Dyke Road and the interior lots adjacent to the road would be directly connected to the new drainage pipes. If the required capacity or depth cannot be provided in a pipe, then replacement open channels would have to be located adjacent to the toe of the upgraded road section.



Habitat Impact Assessment

In total, the estimated impact for the selected Phase 3 options is 19,300 m² of high-quality Fraser River intertidal habitat, 27,500 m² high quality Fraser River riparian habitat, 14,200 m² drainage channel aquatic habitat, and 48,500 m² drainage channel riparian habitat.

These areas reflect an estimate of impact area based on FREMP habitat mapping from 2007, and orthoimagery interpretation. Not all Fraser River riparian and intertidal habitat was quantified. The desktop review only quantified high-quality riparian and intertidal habitat types on the Fraser River side of the existing dike. The remaining habitat area, while not calculated here, would also be required in calculations for determining offsetting requirements. A detailed aquatic effects assessment is required to calculate the actual area of impact to fish habitat and to determine potential offsetting requirements.

The impact area presented above represents a significant area of impact that will require major offsetting effort. Estimated reach-by-reach impact areas are presented below.

Table 3-10: Reach-by-Reach Summary of Habitat Impacts

Reach # and Name	High-Quality Fraser River Intertidal (m ²)	High Quality Fraser River Riparian (m ²)	Drainage Channel Aquatic (m ²)	Drainage Channel Riparian (m ²)
1 – Gilmore West	9,900	-	4,400	21,000
2 – Crown Packaging	600	-	-	-
3 – Gilmore East	6,700	2,400	3,100	14,200
4 – Shellmont West	-	200	1,200	4,400
5 – Shellmont Deas Dock	1,000	-	< 100	< 100
6 – Highway 99	-	200	-	-
7 – Fraser Lands – 13140 Rice Mill Road	-	-	-	-
8 – Fraser Lands Fraser Wharves	200	100	-	-
9 – Fraser Lands Riverport Way	100	100	-	-
10 – Fraser Lands Port Metro Vancouver	700	17,000	1,300	900
11 – Fraser Lands Lafarge	-	900	-	-
12 – East Richmond	-	2,500	3,200	5,500
13/14– Hamilton/Boundary	100	4,200	1,100	2,400



Geotechnical Considerations for Recommended Options

The proposed dike improvements were assessed with consideration for the BC Seismic Design Guidelines for Dikes.

Thurber Engineering Ltd. (Thurber) assessed three sample cross-sections to estimate the potential deformation resulting from seismic events. The cross-sections were based on the recommended cross-section at what was judged to be the most susceptible areas for deformation. Soil conditions were determined by cone penetration tests. Seismic performance was assessed on the basis of existing foundation conditions, (i.e. no additional ground improvement/densification) to determine the need for ground improvement or alternative approaches. The analysis included seismic events representing 100, 475 and 2,475-year return period events. Seismic performance was assessed using two methods: 1-D (i.e. flat ground) liquefaction assessment to estimate reconsolidation settlements, and 2-D numerical deformation assessment to estimate dynamic deformations. The methods are complimentary, and the results are interpreted together.

The preliminary geotechnical report is attached in Appendix C.

The key results of the geotechnical analysis are summarized below.

- Proposed dike cross-sections will not meet the performance requirements of the seismic design guidelines, without ground improvement or alternative approaches, based on the results of both assessment methods.
- The liquefaction hazard is considered insignificant for earthquakes up to the 100-year return period event.
- The liquefaction hazard is considered moderate and high for the 475 and 2,475-year return period events respectively. The resulting deformations would be large.
- Liquefaction may result in a flowslide into the river for dike alignments along the river-bank due to lateral spreading, whereas it would result only in vertical deformation for dike alignments significantly set back from the river bank.
- The deformation analysis indicates that dikes may meet the performance requirements of the seismic design guidelines if they are typically set back 50 m to 100 m from the river-bank and have flat slopes or some localized ground improvement.

Options to address seismically induced deformations, and opinions on each, include:

- **Densification** – The typical approach to densification is to install stone columns. To be effective against the liquefaction expected to follow the 2,475-year return period event, densification would have to extend the depth of the liquefaction zone, and for a similar width. In a typical scenario, this can be considered as a 30 m (width) by 30 m (depth) densification located at the river-side toe of the dike. Densification can be very costly (e.g. \$9,000 to \$18,000 per lineal metre of dike). Alternate experimental techniques are being tested by the City that may offer a more economic solution.
- **Higher Crest** – For the 100-year return period event, additional crest elevation may compensate for deformations caused by settlement. For events that cause liquefaction, added height results in added deformation, so it would be less effective. This is not an effective strategy by itself for return periods above 100-year due to lateral spreading and large vertical deformations.



- **Setback and Slope** – Flatter side slopes on the dike improves seismic stability. However, to prevent large deformations in the 2,475-year return period event, the maximum acceptable slope between the river channel invert and the dike crest would need to be approximately 2%, which would require a significant setback between the dike and river.
- **Wide Crest** (“superdikes”) – A very wide dike (e.g. crest width of 100 m to 200 m) could be used to extend the dike beyond the limit of significant lateral spreading due to liquefaction. A portion of the wide crest could be considered sacrificial in the event of major lateral spreading. Raising the land for approximately 200 m inland of the dike is desirable for related flood protection reasons, and may be desired by the City for other reasons such as land use planning. It has already been done as part of multiple family, commercial, and industrial development projects along the waterfront. Buildings within this area must already account for liquefaction in their foundation design.
- **Dike Relocation / Secondary Dikes** – Place the dike inland of the liquefaction lateral spreading zone (similar to set back approach) or place a secondary dike inland of the liquefaction lateral spreading zone. The wider option above would essentially include a secondary dike. Relocating the primary dike inland would be a form of retreat and would leave existing property and buildings exposed outside of the dike.
- **Post-earthquake Dike Repair** – Dike reach specific plans could be developed for post-earthquake dike repairs. These would need to consider the feasibility of dike repair construction following a major earthquake. In general, it is likely not feasible to quickly repair a dike that has failed due to a flowslide induced by liquefaction lateral spreading, especially if the breach results in flooding from regular high tides. However, it may be feasible to prepare dike repair plans for dikes where a flowslide is not anticipated.

Additionally, the City may wish to use alternative seismic performance criteria, such as the criteria discussed in section **Error! Reference source not found.** which aims to develop a consistent level of performance between seismic scenarios and flood level scenarios (i.e. an overall 0.2% annual exceedance probability of failure across all hazards).

Recommendations to manage the seismic risk include:

- Consider the proposed alternative seismic performance criteria provided in Section **Error! Reference source not found.**. Review the criteria if/when the Province issues updated guidelines for seismic performance of dikes.
- Fill land for approximately 200 m inland of the dike to dike crest elevation. Buildings in this zone should be built above the dike crest elevation and have densified foundations capable of withstanding liquefaction. The required distance requires some additional evaluation and may be addressed in the pending update to the Flood Protection Management Strategy.
- Continue to investigate practical densification options and consider earthquake induced dike deformations in emergency response and recovery planning.



3.7 Cost Opinions

Cost opinions for the recommended option in each reach are provided to help the City consider the financial implications for planning and comparing options. A breakdown is provided to help understand the proportional cost for recommendations such as separating and raising the road.

Costs are based on unit rate cost estimates and tender results for similar works. The most relevant rates are from the City's Gilbert Road dike project. The City provided a summary of the cost estimate prepared by WSP for this project.

Rates from recent tenders for diking on the Lower Fraser River and other locations within the Lower Mainland were used to check the reasonableness of the rates and estimate other features such as sheet piles or large diameter drain pipes.

The costs were broken down by reach so that unit rates could be applied to similar typical cross-sections. They were also broken down into the main features that coincide with options that the City may wish to consider further. These features are described below.

- **Dike Raising** – this is the core element required to provide flood protection. It includes a 10 m crest width at 4.7 m elevation that can be raised while still achieving a 4 m crest width for future raising to 5.5 m. This includes site preparation, fill, and erosion protection.
- **Road Structure and Utilities** – this includes stripping, subgrade preparation, pavement structure, drainage and utilities. Where the existing road is atop the dike, most of this cost would be incurred regardless of where it gets relocated.
- **Road Raising to Dike Crest** – this includes the additional fill required to raise the road to the dike crest elevation.
- **Other** – features such as landscaping, habitat improvements, multi-use paths, driveway ramps and other amenities typically have a combined impact of less than 10%, so are lumped together for conciseness.
- **Contingency** – A 40% contingency is provided because the costs are based on concept plans only.
- **Interim Measures** – some industrial sites may not redevelop within the time frame that dike improvements are planned for. The City can either proceed with the improvements with accompanying disruptions to the existing land use, or proceed with interim measures that provide a reasonable level of protection until the recommended high level of protection can be achieved during redevelopment. These costs are listed separately because they may or may not be needed depending on the timing of redevelopment.

Table 3-11 presents a summary of all reaches with cost breakdowns for the items described above. Costs for each reach are also provided in the Reach Summary Sheets in Section **Error! Reference source not found.** Table 3-13 presents a summary of the potential interim measures.



Table 3-11: Summary of Construction Costs (\$ in Millions)

Item	Reach 1	Reach 2	Reach 3	Reach 4	Reach 5	Reach 6	Reach 7	Reach 8	Reach 9	Reach 10	Reach 11	Reach 12	Reach 13/14	Total
Dike Raising	\$12.5 Million	\$1.6 Million	\$7.9 Million	\$4.5 Million	\$7.2 Million	\$1.1 Million	\$2.3 Million	\$4.5 Million	\$4.5 Million	\$15.8 Million	\$6.8 Million	\$8.1 Million	\$7.7 Million	\$84.3 Million
Road Structure & Utilities	\$16.8 Million		\$4.9 Million	\$3.9 Million		\$7.7 Million						\$3.9 Million	\$6.6 Million	\$36.7 Million
Raise Road to Dike Height	\$4.4 Million		\$6.6 Million	\$5.3 Million								\$5.3 Million	\$9.0 Million	\$30.6 Million
Driveways, Ramps or Road Intersection Reconstruction	\$0.4 Million		\$0.3 Million	\$0.4 Million	\$0.3 Million	\$0.1 Million		\$0.8 Million	\$0.1 Million	\$0.2 Million	\$0.4 Million	\$0.4 Million	\$1.2 Million	\$4.5 Million
Other*	\$3.8 Million	\$1.0 Million	\$2.9 Million	\$1.2 Million	\$6.8 Million	\$1.1 Million	\$1.5 Million	\$2.9 Million	\$2.9 Million	\$10.2 Million	\$4.4 Million	\$3.5 Million	\$5.5 Million	\$41.5 Million
Contingency (40%)	\$15.1 Million	\$1.0 Million	\$9.0 Million	\$6.1 Million	\$5.7 Million	\$8.0 Million	\$1.5 Million	\$3.3 Million	\$3.0 Million	\$10.5 Million	\$4.6 Million	\$6.5 Million	\$10.0 Million	\$79.0 Million
Total	\$53.0 Million	\$3.6 Million	\$31.5 Million	\$21.3 Million	\$20.0 Million	\$2.7 Million	\$5.2 Million	\$11.5 Million	\$10.5 Million	\$36.6 Million	\$16.1 Million	\$29.7 Million	\$35.0 Million	\$276.6 Million

Table 3-12: Summary of Costs for Interim Measures (\$ in Millions)

Item	Reach 2	Reach 3	Reach 5	Reach 7	Reach 12	Reach 13/14	Total
Dike Raising	\$2.0 Million	\$0.5 Million	\$2.3 Million	\$0.9 Million	\$0.7 Million	\$9.2 Million	\$33.7 Million
Road Structure & Utilities	\$1.0 Million	\$0.5 Million	\$2.9 Million	\$0.9 Million	\$7.0 Million	\$6.6 Million	\$20.5 Million
Raise Road to Dike Height		\$6.8 Million			\$7.0 Million	\$9.0 Million	\$27.8 Million
Driveways, Ramps or Road Intersection Reconstruction	\$0.3 Million		\$0.3 Million		\$0.4 Million	\$1.2 Million	\$2.1 Million
Other*	\$1.5 Million	\$0.5 Million	\$6.8 Million	\$2.1 Million	\$0.5 Million	\$0.5 Million	\$12.0 Million
Contingency (40%)	\$1.2 Million	\$10.5 Million	\$4.0 Million	\$1.2 Million	\$10.9 Million	\$10.6 Million	\$38.4 Million
Total	\$4.3 Million	\$36.9 Million	\$13.9 Million	\$4.2 Million	\$38.1 Million	\$37.1 Million	\$134.5 Million



Costs that are not included are noted below.

- Land acquisition is not included. Ideally, land will be acquired during redevelopment. Similarly, there may be opportunities to have dike improvements tied to adjacent development.
- Densification is not included. The recommendation is to fill 200 m back from the dike face as a preferred strategy to deal with liquefaction. If the road and land behind the dike is not raised, then densification is recommended. Current techniques such as stone columns would cost approximately \$9,000 to \$18,000 per metre of dike.
- Off-site habitat projects (that may be needed beyond the habitat enhancement provided along the dike corridor) are not included. Such cost could be roughly 5% of the construction cost. It is understood that a separate Dike Master Plan may be prepared to address habitat compensation by identifying and developing medium to large habitat compensation concepts.
- Raising the land behind the dike is not included. This is proposed to be a condition of development behind the dike, with the cost and benefit attributed to the property owner.
- Professional fees (engineering, surveying, environmental, archeological, etc.) are not included. Such costs could be in the range of 10% to 15% of the construction cost.



4. Implementation Strategy

The implementation strategy has three parts:

- Pre-design measures;
- Construction sequencing for a typical reach; and
- Prioritization of reaches for construction.

4.1 Pre-design Measures

Before construction can be implemented, the following steps are recommended:

- Use the Dike Master Plan as a planning tool with City land use planning to acquire land during redevelopment, and to rezone land with conditions for land raising inland of the dike.
- Acquire land prior to construction.
- Seek habitat compensation projects to bank credits in preparation for drainage channel and associated riparian area impacts. A separate master plan for habitat compensation could be prepared to identify and develop medium to large habitat enhancement concepts to serve as compensation for multiple reaches.
- Assess required drainage system modifications (e.g. filling drainage channels and constructing a piped drainage system) in additional detail.
- Design with consideration for construction sequencing noted below.
- Advance public space and multi-use path design concepts further.
- Consider the need for an appropriate building setback from the land-side toe of any future flood protection works in view of the current BC setback guideline of 7.5 m. This should consider the planned dike upgrade to 4.7 m CGVD28, as well as future buildout to 5.5 m CGVD28. This may require consultation with the Inspector of Dikes.

4.2 Construction Sequence

The construction sequence for a typical reach is provided below. A typical reach currently has a road atop the dike, and utilities within the dike.

1. Secure land.
2. Coordinate third party utility relocations. This is mainly hydro on poles, Fortis gas infrastructure, and CN and local rail lines.
3. Install storm sewer (diameter to be confirmed at detailed design) in proximity to existing channel.
4. Fill over storm sewer to underside of road structure. The fill placement may be followed by a settlement period depending on geotechnical recommendations. If so, this fill may include a preload depth in excess of the road fill.
5. Install new utilities (typically water and hydro, with some sewer).
6. Construct new road with parking where access outside the dike will be impacted.
7. Divert traffic to new road.
8. Remove existing road and utilities. Do not abandon utilities within dike.



9. Fill dike to crest elevation. Excavation of sub-grade may be required to remove unsuitable materials.
10. Complete armouring, trail, and landscaping.

Larger projects will result in less temporary road diversion works. As an alternate, the entire road could be reconstructed first, in phases, before the dike is built later. This would work with the new road being raised to dike crest elevation.

4.3 Prioritization

Priority for construction will depend on which section is the lowest and therefore most urgent to raise, opportunities such as site development or road improvement plans, level of preparedness for issues such as land acquisition and habitat offsets, and adjacent residents' receptiveness to a higher dike. A preliminary priority list is provided below. Opportunities may shift the order, and the reaches may be broken down into smaller or larger projects.

Table 4-1: Priority by Reach

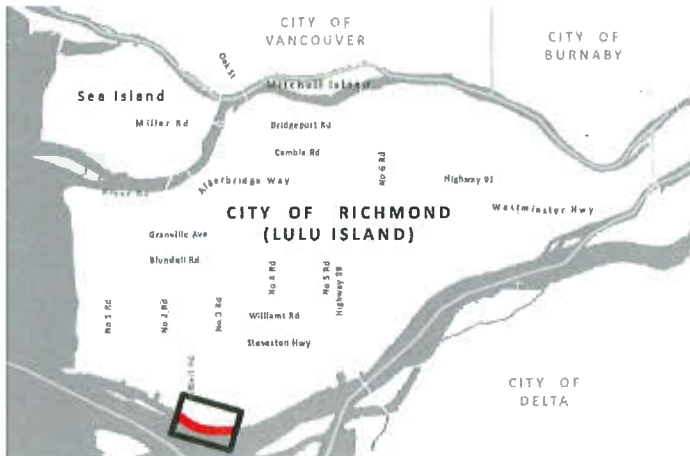
Priority	Reach # and Name	Extent / Length	Major Features
1	1 – Gilmore West	No. 2 Road to Crown Packaging (2.7 km)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Designed and tendered.
2	2 – Crown Packaging	66+500 to 66+150 (350m)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low section. Interim measures planned.
3	7 – Fraser Lands – 13140 Rich Mill Road	Rice Mill Road to Fraser Wharves (500 m)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low section. Interim measures likely.
4	3 – Gilmore East	Crown Packaging to Shell Road (1.75 km)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relatively straightforward
5	6 – Highway 99	Rice Mill Road (250 m)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Await MOTI opportunity.
6	8 – Fraser Lands Fraser Wharves	Fraser Wharves to Steveston Hwy (1 km)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seek redevelopment opportunities with Port Metro Vancouver (PMV)
7	4 – Shellmont West	Shell Road to No. 5 Road (1 km)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seek redevelopment opportunities for land acquisition and to resolve access issues.
8	5 – Shellmont Deas Dock	No. 5 Road to Rice Mill Road (1 km) (1.6 km of dike)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seek redevelopment opportunities with BC Ferries.
9	11 – Fraser Lands Lafarge	Nelson Road to Dyke Road (1.5 km)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seek redevelopment opportunities with Lafarge, else install interim measures.
10	12 – East Richmond	Dyke Road to Fraserwood Way (1.8 km)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seek redevelopment opportunities for land acquisition and to resolve access issues.
11	13/14 – Hamilton/Boundary	Fraserwood Way to Boundary Road (1.7 km)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seek redevelopment opportunities for land acquisition and to resolve access issues.
12	10 – Fraser Lands Port Metro Vancouver	Williams Road to Nelson Road (3.5 km)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Most Land is high. Coordinate with PMV
13	9 – Fraser Lands Riverport Way	Steveston Hwy to Williams Road (1 km)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is newer and higher section.
14	Boundary Secondary Dike	Dike Road to Hwy 91	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is a back up to New Westminster dikes



5. Reach Summary Sheets

The following section contains 2-page, reach-by-reach summary sheets that summarize the existing conditions, design considerations and potential constraints for each reach of Phase 3. The second sheet will summarize the features of the master plan through each reach including typical cross-sections, plan features, costs and priority for upgrade. The second sheet will be completed after stakeholder consultation and option selection.

Reach 1: Gilmore West



Existing Conditions

This reach of the dike is characterized as a dike in the roadway (Dyke Road). There is riparian habitat on the water side of the dike along with a public trail and park amenities. The land side of the dike is predominantly farmland with a drainage channel adjacent to the road. There are utilities (a watermain) within the land side toe of the road between chainage 69+000 to No 3 Road at chainage 67+100.

The final approximately 550 m of dike is along the river through the Dyke Trail Dog Park. This section of dike does not include a road, it is a multi-use trail.

The master plan must balance road, habitat interests, trail and park amenities, while still providing room to expand and minimizing utility risks.

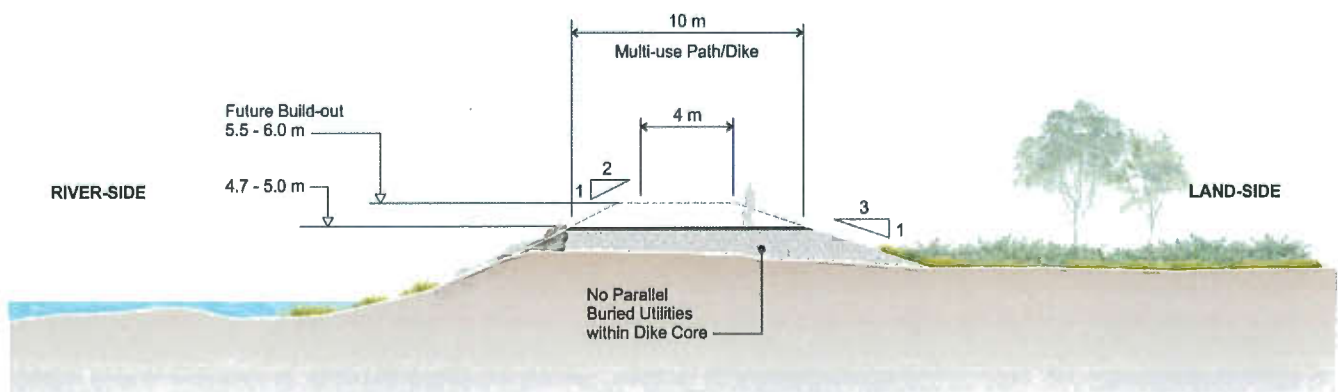
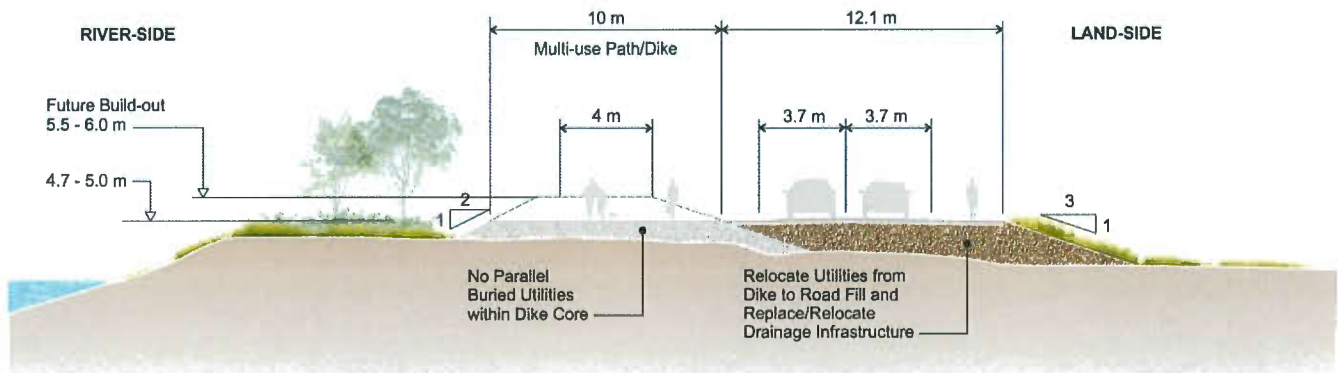
Unique Features

- London Heritage Farm, a historical site featuring a 19th-century farmhouse and barn, is located on the landside of the dike at approximate chainage 68+400. Dike upgrades need to protect this area without impacting the existing structures
- No 3 Road Waterfront Park and Fishing Pier, a public amenity on the water side of the dike, at chainage 67+150
- South Dyke Trail on the dike crest from No. 2 Road to Crown Packaging (then detours inland)
- Lulu Island Waste Water Treatment Plant is located approximately 200 m inland of the dike at chainage 67+950
- Dike upgrade project between Gilbert Road and No 3 Road under construction 2018 (approximate chainage 68+000 to 67+000)
- FREMP habitat compensation site at the base of Gilbert Road
- Gilbert Road South pump station
- No. 3 Road South pump station

Considerations





Flood Protection	Industrial and Infrastructure	Social	Environmental
Dike alignment Dike crest elevation Erosion protection Seismic performance Static stability and seepage River toe stability and setbacks Boat waves	Infrastructure in the dike Dyke Road Dike cross-section at the pump station will have to be expanded and modified. Future pump station upgrades need to consider the planned dike upgrades to allow enough room for pumping infrastructure	No. 2 Road Pier / London's Landing Gilbert Beach London Heritage Farm historical site Dyke Trail Dog Park South Dyke Trail No. 3 Road Waterfront Park/Pier Wayfinding and public information signs Traffic and road safety	Land side is bordered by a drainage channel that is fish bearing with amphibian habitat. Moderate quality deciduous woodland, tall shrub woodland, and meadow present on inland bank of the drainage channel. Fraser River side habitat includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • high quality marsh and mudflat habitat, • low quality habitat armoured bank, and • a narrow strip of marsh habitat.

Reach 1: Gilmore West - Recommended Improvements



Reach 1: Gilmore West - Recommended Improvements

Master Plan Features

 Flood Protection	 Industrial and Infrastructure	 Social	 Environmental
<p>Maintain existing alignment Dike crest elevation: 4.7 m, with future buildout to 5.5 m Dike crest width: 10 m, future buildout to 4 m Dike side slopes: 2H:1V on waterside (with erosion protection) and 3H:1V on landside Structure will be over-wide with the adjacent Dyke Road, and to accommodate future dike raising to 5.5 m</p>	<p>Relocate parallel infrastructure in the dike corridor to landside, outside of the dike footprint Infrastructure crossing the dike will be designed with seepage control Separate the dike from the road Dyke Road to be relocated to the land side of the dike, and the dike crest will be a dedicated dike/multi-use path Relocate and reduce the landside drainage channel, while maintaining internal drainage</p>	<p>Align with 2009 Waterfront Strategy Traffic and road safety – separate Dyke Road from the multi-use path and include allowances for barricades and road shoulders Construct multi-use path separate from road Link to parks, trails, public amenities, and wayfinding, per Lululoop concept</p>	<p>Building the dike to the landside, where possible, to minimize impact to Fraser River aquatic and riparian habitat The proposed footprint would impact an estimated 9,900 m² of high-quality Fraser River intertidal habitat, 4,400 m² of drainage channel aquatic habitat, and 21,100 m² drainage channel riparian habitat* Relocating the drainage channel further inland and including appropriate plantings to the land side *NOTE: This is an estimate based on 2007 FREMP mapping and 2017 orthoimagery interpretation. Exact numbers will require an aquatic habitat survey and aquatic effects assessment</p>

Priority

This section is first priority due to relative preparedness to proceed. The works are already designed and tendered. The road is planned to remain atop the dike, but utilities are being removed. Road relocation can be reconsidered at a future date as a low priority.

Construction Cost

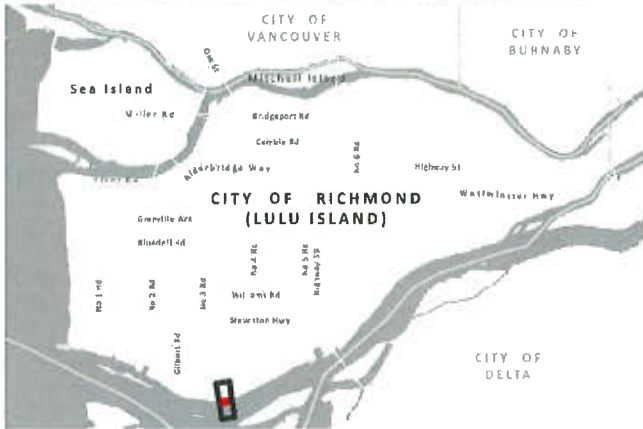
Costs below are for 2700 m of dike similar to cross-sections above.

Item	Cost per metre	Cost
Dike Raising	\$5,400	\$12.5 Million
Road Structure and Utilities	\$7,300	\$16.8 Million
Raise Road to Dike Height	\$1,900	\$4.4 Million
Driveways, Ramps or Road Intersection Reconstruction		\$.4 Million
Other*		\$3.8 Million
Contingency (40%)		\$15.1 Million
Total		\$53 Million

*Other – Pathways, Utilities, Furnishings & Bollards

Cost opinions are in 2018 Canadian Dollars.

Reach 2: Gilmore Crown Packaging



Existing Conditions

This reach of the dike is characterized as a dike through an active works yard with barge facilities. The land side of the dike consists of paved areas with offices, warehouses and loading facilities. A warehouse structure sits at the landside toe of the dike and there is a barge loading/unloading facility on the river side of the dike.

Site grading needs to accommodate specialized vehicle traffic on the site (*i.e.*, forklifts, semi-trucks, rail cars).

The master plan must balance existing operations and access to barge facilities with improved City maintenance access, while still providing room to expand and minimizing utility risks.

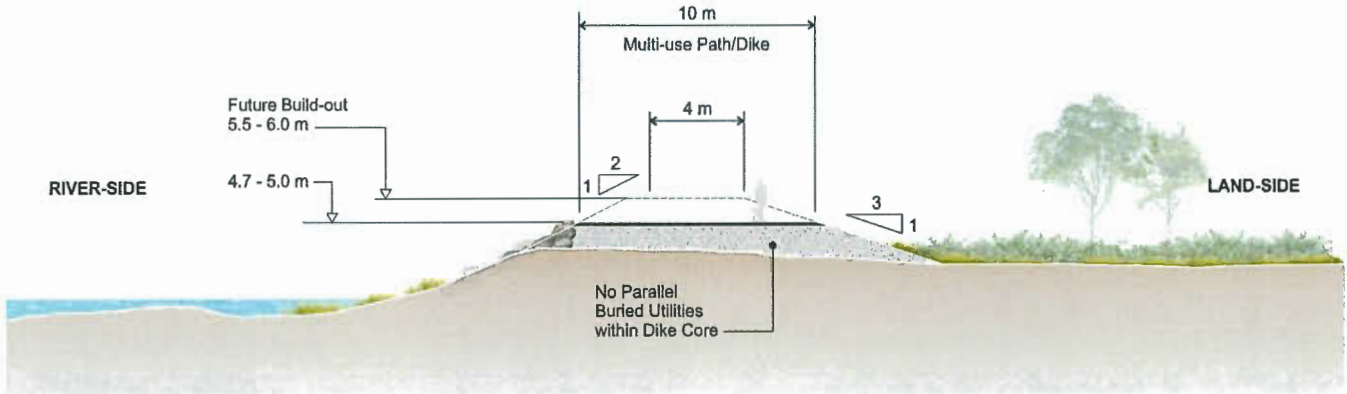
Unique Features

- Active works yard and barge facility
- Restricted City maintenance access with dike crest elevation below 3.5 m
- Rail and road access issues limit options to go around the site
- Property is leased to Crown Packaging with 18 years left on the lease
- Crown Packaging operates a large cardboard production plant on the site (60 to 65 m from top of bank)
- Rail line is located on the property (below the dike crest elevation) with rail access from the east
- Sub-leased shore area to a shipping/receiving company that uses sea-cans, large forklifts, semi-trucks and rail cars as part of their operations

Considerations

Flood Protection	Industrial and Infrastructure	Social	Environmental
Dike alignment Dike crest elevation Erosion protection Seismic performance Static stability and seepage River toe stability and setbacks Boat waves	Marine operations and access to the Fraser River Forklift, rail and semi-truck access to warehouses Site grading constraints for vehicle traffic		Land-side is a paved parking lot. Fraser River-side habitat includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • low quality habitat armoured bank, and • small area of high quality riparian deciduous treed woodland habitat

Reach 2: Gilmore Crown Packaging - Recommended Improvements



Master Plan Features

Flood Protection	Industrial and Infrastructure	Social	Environmental
<p>Maintain existing alignment Dike crest elevation: 4.7 m, with future buildout to 5.5 m Dike crest width: 10 m, future buildout to 4 m Dike side slopes: 2H:1V on waterside (with erosion protection) and 3H:1V on landside Structure will be over-wide to accommodate future dike raising to 5.5 m This site will include a phased plan to increase flood protection to a minimum of 3.9 m in the near-term with long-term flood mitigation to include construction of a standard dike to 4.7 m design elevation at the end of the current lease (2036)</p>	<p>Short term phasing (to 2036):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> construct a standard dike (where possible) on the west side of the property construct a steel sheetpile wall to 3.9 m elevation to accommodate the narrow area construct a narrow (approx. 2 m wide), paved access ramp with 12% grade to allow for barge access by forklifts <p>Long term (2036)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Raise dike and full site to 4.7 m with redevelopment 	<p>Align with 2009 Waterfront Strategy Maintain and improve multi-use path around the site</p>	<p>Building the dike to the landside, where possible, to minimize impact to Fraser River aquatic and riparian habitat The proposed footprint would impact an estimated 600 m² of high-quality Fraser River intertidal habitat * *NOTE: This is an estimate based on air photo interpretation. Exact numbers will require an aquatic habitat survey and aquatic effects assessment</p>

Reach 2: Gilmore Crown Packaging - Recommended Improvements

Priority

Interim improvements to 3.9 m are high priority due to low elevation of this section of dike.

Full raising to 4.7 m is planned for 2036.

Construction Cost

Costs below are for 350 m of dike similar to cross-section above.

Item	Cost per metre	Cost
Dike Raising	\$4,500	\$1.6 Million
Other*	\$2,900	\$1 Million
Contingency (40%)		\$1 Million
Total		\$3.6 Million

*Other – Pathways, Utilities, Furnishings & Bollards

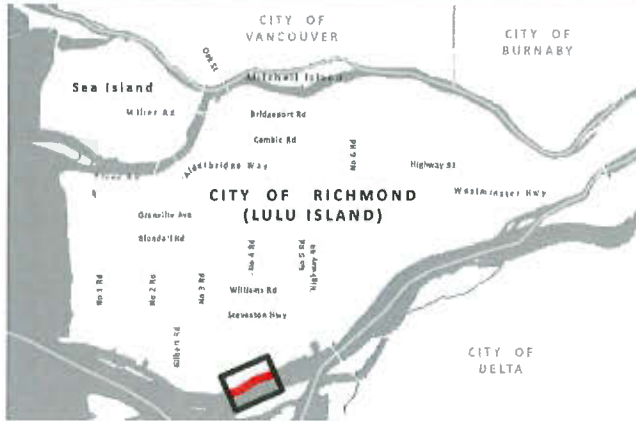
Interim

Item	Cost per metre	Cost
Dike Material	\$1,800	\$.6 Million
Other*	\$4,240	\$1.5 Million
Contingency (40%)		\$.8 Million
Total		\$3 Million

*Other – Pathways, Utilities, Furnishings & Bollards

Cost opinions are in 2018 Canadian Dollars.

Reach 3: Gilmore East



Existing Conditions

The first approximately 500 m of this reach is characterized as a dike only section through a City park from Crown Packaging by Woodward's Slough pump station to Dyke Road.

The second portion of this reach of the dike is characterized as a dike in the roadway (Dyke Road). There is riparian habitat on the water side of the dike along with the historical community of Finn Slough. The land side of the dike is predominantly farmland with a drainage channel adjacent to the road.

There are utilities (a watermain) within the land side toe of the road from No. 4 Road (approximate chainage 65+300) onwards.

The master plan must balance drainage and community needs, road, habitat interests, and trail and park amenities, while still providing room to expand and minimizing utility risks.

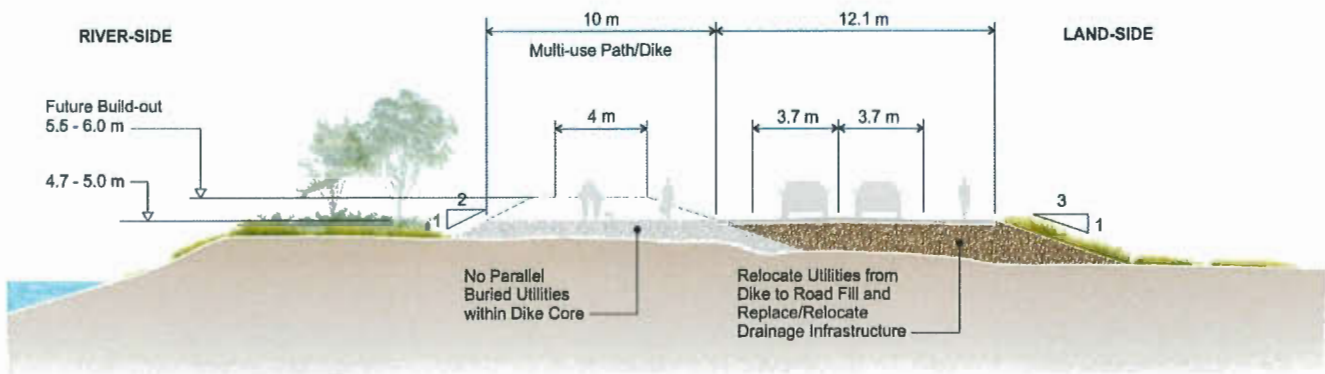
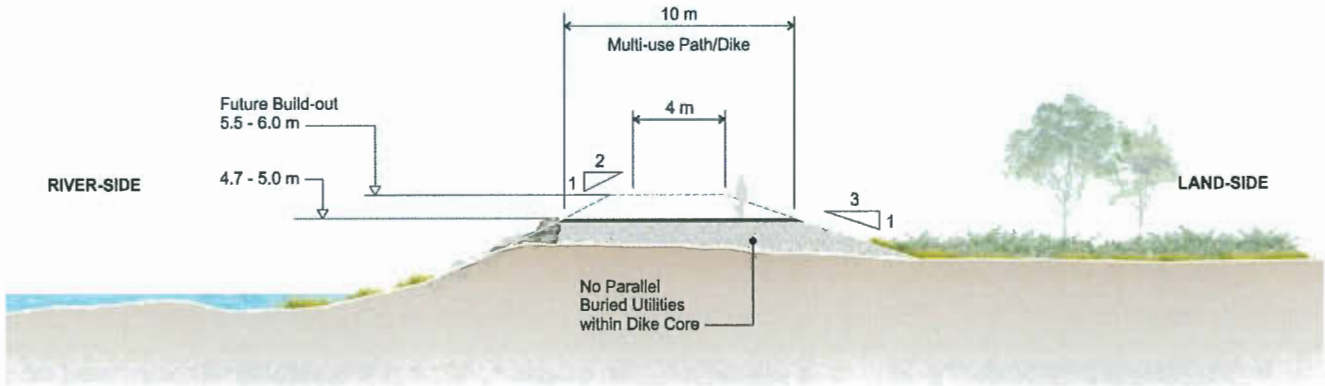
Unique Features

- Woodward's Slough pump station
- South Dyke Trail runs along the dike crest to No. 5 Road
- Finn Slough heritage community sits on the river side of the dike. The community consists of homes on piles, floating homes, boats, docks and storage sheds with access by a pedestrian-only, wooden draw-bridge
- Drainage channel adjacent to the existing road/dike
- Homes and farm structures (barns etc.) on the land side near the toe of the existing dike/road

Considerations

Flood Protection	Industrial and Infrastructure	Social	Environmental
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dike alignment Dike crest elevation Erosion protection Seismic performance Static stability and seepage River toe stability and setbacks Boat waves 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Infrastructure in the dike Dyke Road Dike cross-section at the pump station will have to be expanded and modified Future pump station upgrades need to consider the planned dike upgrades to allow enough room for pumping infrastructure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> South Dyke Trail Traffic and road safety Finn Slough heritage values 	<p>Land-side is bordered by a drainage channel that is potential amphibian breeding habitat. Fish species presence not recorded.</p> <p>Fraser River-side habitat includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • low quality landscaped grasses and walking trails setback from armoured slopes • high quality marsh habitat on the banks of Finn Slough, and • high quality riparian habitat on the south side of Finn Slough (tall shrubby woodland)

Reach 3: Gilmore East - Recommended Improvements



Master Plan Features

Flood Protection	Industrial and Infrastructure	Social	Environmental
<p>Maintain existing alignment Dike crest elevation: 4.7 m, with future buildout to 5.5 m Dike crest width: 10 m, future buildout to 4 m Dike side slopes: 2H:1V on waterside (with erosion protection) and 3H:1V on landside Structure will be over-wide to accommodate future dike raising to 5.5m</p>	<p>Separate the dike from the road Dyke Road to be relocated to the land side of the dike, and the dike crest will be a dedicated dike/multi-use path Relocate parallel infrastructure in the dike corridor to landside, outside of the dike footprint Infrastructure crossing the dike will be designed with seepage control Relocate and reduce the landside drainage channel, while maintaining internal drainage</p> <p>Short term phasing: Combine Dyke Road with the dike to minimize the footprint of the proposed master plan</p>	<p>Align with 2009 Waterfront Strategy Construct multi-use path separate from road Link to parks, trails, public amenities, and wayfinding, per Lululoop concept Finn Slough habitat and heritage features preserved</p>	<p>Building the dike to the landside, where possible, to minimize impact to Fraser River aquatic and riparian habitat The proposed footprint would impact and estimated 2,400 m² of high-quality Fraser River riparian habitat, 6,700 m² of high-quality Fraser River intertidal habitat, 3,100 m² of drainage channel aquatic habitat, and 14,200 m² drainage channel riparian habitat* Relocating the drainage channel further inland and including appropriate plantings to the land side</p> <p>*NOTE: This is an estimate based on air photo interpretation. Exact numbers will require an aquatic habitat survey and aquatic effects assessment</p>

Reach 3: Gilmore East - Recommended Improvements

Priority

High priority due to relative preparedness to proceed. There are driveway coordination details, and there would be some benefit to waiting for adjacent redevelopment. However, redevelopment is likely too far off and the dike and road can be raised without impacting structures. The Finn Slough and housing can remain, although access will change.

Construction Cost

Costs below are for 1750 m of dike similar to cross-section above.

Item	Cost per metre	Cost
Dike Raising	\$4,500	\$7.9 Million
Road Structure and Utilities	\$3,900	\$4.9 Million
Raise Road to Dike Height	\$5,300	\$6.6 Million
Driveways, Ramps or Road Intersection Reconstruction		\$.3 Million
Other*	\$1,150	\$2.9 Million
Contingency (40%)		\$9 Million
Total		\$31.5 Million

*Other – Pathways, Utilities, Furnishings & Bollards

Interim

Item	Cost per metre	Cost
Dike Raising	\$5,400	\$9.5 Million
Road Structure and Utilities	\$3,900	\$6.8 Million
Raise Road to Dike Height	\$5,300	\$9.3 Million
Driveways, Ramps or Road Intersection Reconstruction		\$.3 Million
Other*	\$300	\$.5 Million
Contingency (40%)		\$10.5 Million
Total		\$36.9 Million

*Other – Pathways, Utilities, Furnishings & Bollards

Cost opinions are in 2018 Canadian Dollars.

Reach 4: Shellmont West



Existing Conditions

This reach of the dike is characterized as a dike in the roadway (Dyke Road). The land side of the dike is predominantly light industrial for the first and last approximately 300 m of the reach. These sites do not have river access as part of their operations; however, they do require semi-trailer access to the sites from Dyke Road.

The middle portion of the reach on the landside of the dike is characterized as a park or greenspace called: Woodward's Landing Campground.

There are utilities (a watermain and a stormdrain) within the land side toe of the road. There is also a small surface drainage channel along the Woodward's Landing Campground property.

The master plan must balance road, trail and park amenities, and habitat interests, while still providing room to expand and minimizing utility risks.

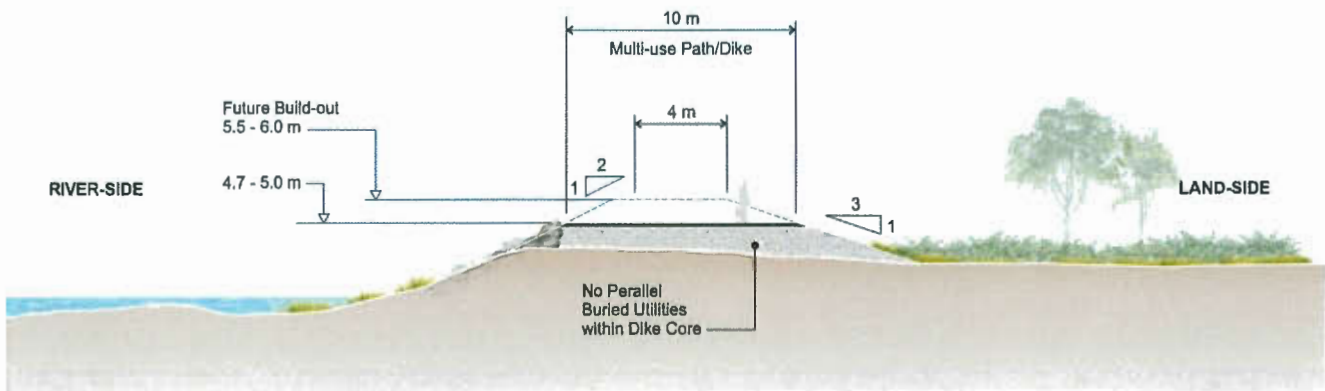
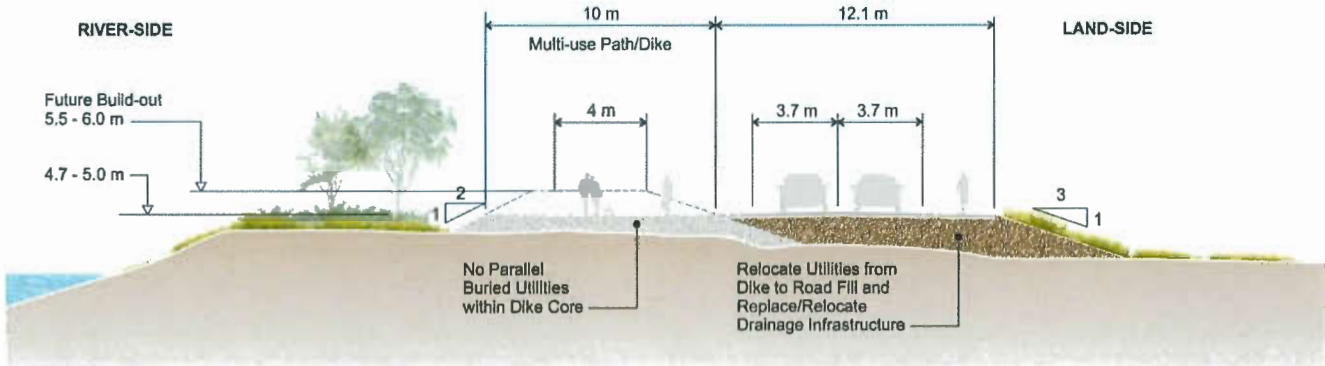
Unique Features

- Horseshoe Slough pump station
- South Dyke Trail runs along the dike crest to No. 5 Road and provides connection to Horseshoe Slough Trail
- Log boom mooring dolphins in the Fraser River from Shell Road to No 5 Road
- First and last 300 m (approx.) of the reach is light industrial with no river operations, but building access required for semi-trailers
- Middle 300 m (approx.) of the reach is Woodward's Landing Campground on the landside of Dyke Road

Considerations

Flood Protection	Industrial and Infrastructure	Social	Environmental
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dike alignment Dike crest elevation Erosion protection Seismic performance Static stability and seepage River toe stability and setbacks Boat waves 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Infrastructure in the dike Dyke Road Dike cross-section at the pump station will have to be expanded and modified Future pump station upgrades need to consider the planned dike upgrades to allow enough room for pumping infrastructure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> South Dyke Trail (provides connection to inland trail system) Woodward's Landing Park Wayfinding and public information signs Traffic and road safety 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Land-side habitat includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • low quality habitat (walking path and lawn) at east and west end of reach • drainage channel adjacent to middle of reach (Threespine stickleback, amphibian habitat) Fraser River-side habitat includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • low quality paved or gravel surfaces setback from armoured slopes • very west end of reach is set back from Fraser River • high quality marsh habitat in Fraser River in east half of reach

Reach 4: Shellmont West - Recommended Improvements



Master Plan Features

Flood Protection

Maintain existing alignment
 Dike crest elevation: 4.7 m, with future buildout to 5.5 m
 Dike crest width: 10 m, future buildout to 4 m
 Dike side slopes: 2H:1V on waterside (with erosion protection) and 3H:1V on landside
 Structure will be over-wide with the adjacent Dyke Road and to accommodate future dike raising to 5.5m

Industrial and Infrastructure

Relocate parallel infrastructure in the dike corridor to landside, outside of the dike footprint
 Infrastructure crossing the dike will be designed with seepage control
 Relocate and reduce the landside drainage channel, while maintaining internal drainage
 Dike cross-section at the pump station will have to be expanded and modified
 Future pump station upgrades need to consider the planned dike upgrades to allow enough room for pumping infrastructure

Social

Align with 2009 Waterfront Strategy
 Construct multi-use path separate from road
 Link to parks, trails, public amenities, and wayfinding, per Lululoop concept

Environmental

Building the dike to the landside, where possible, to minimize impact to aquatic and riparian habitat
 The proposed footprint would impact an estimated 200 m² of high-quality Fraser River riparian habitat, 1,200 m² of drainage channel aquatic habitat, and 4,400 m² drainage channel riparian habitat*
 Relocating the drainage channel further inland and including appropriate plantings to the land side
 * NOTE: This is an estimate based on air photo interpretation. Exact numbers will require an aquatic habitat survey and aquatic effects assessment

Reach 4: Shellmont West - Recommended Improvements

Priority

High priority due to relative preparedness to proceed. There are driveway coordination details, and there would be some benefit to waiting for adjacent redevelopment. However, redevelopment is likely too far off and the dike and road can be raised without impacting structures.

Construction Cost

Costs below are for 1000 m of dike similar to cross-sections above.

Item	Cost per metre	Cost
Dike Raising	\$4,500	\$4.5 Million
Road Structure and Utilities	\$3,900	\$3.9 Million
Raise Road to Dike Height	\$5,300	\$5.3 Million
Driveways, Ramps or Road Intersection Reconstruction		\$1.2 Million
Other*	\$1,150	\$.4 Million
Contingency (40%)		\$6.1 Million
Total		\$21.3 Million

*Other – Pathways, Utilities, Furnishings & Bollards

Cost opinions are in 2018 Canadian Dollars.

Reach 5: Shellmont Deas Dock



Existing Conditions

This reach of the dike is characterized as a dike through an active port facility. The land side of the dike consists of paved areas with offices, warehouses and loading facilities.

Current stakeholders include: Mainland Sand and Gravel (No. 5 Rd Depot) and BC Ferries Richmond (Deas Pacific Marine).

The master plan must balance existing operations and access to the river with improved City maintenance access, while still providing room to expand and minimizing utility risks.

Redevelopment offers the opportunity to raise the site (super-dikes) and improve access.

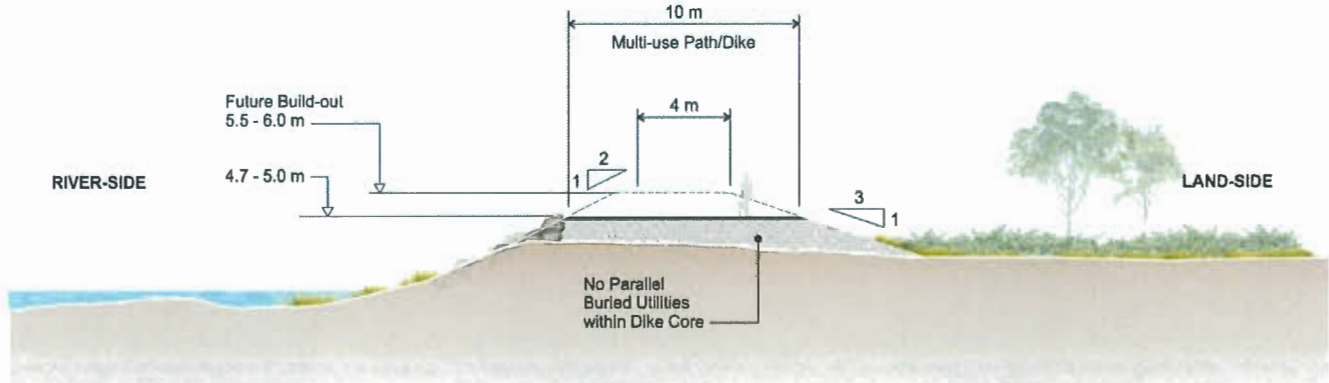
Unique Features

- Port facilities under redevelopment
- Active marine work yard and shipyard facilities with restricted maintenance access
- Rail and road access issues limit options to go around the site
- Active redevelopment activities
- FREMP habitat compensation site (plantings) in the Deas Dock area

Considerations

Flood Protection	Industrial and Infrastructure	Social	Environmental
Dike alignment Dike crest elevation Erosion protection Seismic performance Static stability and seepage River toe stability and setbacks Boat waves	Marine operations and access to the Fraser River Forklift, rail and semi-truck access to warehouses Site grading constraints for vehicle traffic No defined dike structure in Mainland Sand and Gravel depot with the active movement of material and loading of barges	Connect to existing and planned trails and public amenities Wayfinding and public information signs	Land-side is mostly paved with some low-quality herbaceous habitat present Fraser River-side habitat includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • high quality marsh habitat where the dike is setback approx. 100 m in west half of reach • high quality mudflats and marsh habitat bordering dike in the east third of reach

Reach 5: Shellmont Deas Dock - Recommended Improvements



Master Plan Features



Flood Protection

Maintain existing alignment
 Dike crest elevation: 4.7 m, with future buildout to 5.5 m
 Dike crest width: 10 m, future buildout to 4 m
 This site will include an interim measure for non-standard cross-section (setback sheetpile wall) to accommodate space constraints and operations until site can be raised to final elevation

Industrial and Infrastructure

Short term phasing:

- construct a standard dike (where possible); and
- construct a steel sheetpile wall to 4.7 m elevation to accommodate the narrow area
- potential for building a structure around the site and allow the stakeholder to address the flood hazards with site-specific response plans

Social

Align with 2009 Waterfront Strategy
 Maintain and improve multi-use path around the site
 This path will divert around the Deas Dock



Environmental

The proposed footprint would impact an estimated 1,000 m² of high-quality Fraser River intertidal habitat, less than 100 m² of drainage channel aquatic habitat, and less than 100 m² drainage channel riparian habitat*
 * NOTE: This is an estimate based on air photo interpretation. Exact numbers will require an aquatic habitat survey and aquatic effects assessment

Reach 5: Shellmont Deas Dock - Recommended Improvements

Priority

Medium priority. Timing will depend on coordination with BC Ferries and the potential raising of the dike and site along with redevelopment of Deas Dock. If improvements don't proceed in a reasonable timeframe, interim measures such as raising the road around the site, may need to proceed before site redevelopment.

Construction Cost

Costs below are for 1600 m of dike similar to cross-section above.

Item	Cost per metre	Cost
Dike Raising	\$4,500	\$7.2 Million
Driveways, Ramps or Road Intersection Reconstruction		\$.3 Million
Other*	\$2,900	\$4.6 Million
Contingency (40%)		\$4.8 Million
Total		\$17 Million

*Other – Pathways, Utilities, Furnishings & Bollards

Interim

Item	Cost per metre	Cost
Dike Raising	\$1,800	\$2.9 Million
Driveways, Ramps or Road Intersection Reconstruction		\$.3 Million
Other*	\$4,240	\$6.8 Million
Contingency (40%)		\$4 Million
Total		\$13.9 Million

*Other – Pathways, Utilities, Furnishings & Bollards

Cost opinions are in 2018 Canadian Dollars.

Reach 6: Highway 99



Existing Conditions

This reach of the dike is characterized as a dike and a dike in a road (Rice Mill Road). The land side of the dike consists of gravel parking lots and infrastructure for the George Massey Tunnel.

The master plan must balance the unique risks of having a tunnel through the dike with habitat interests, trail and park amenities, while still providing room to expand.

Unique Features

- Flood protection needs to integrate with the George Massey Tunnel
- Unique risks associated with having a tunnel under the dike
- Peace Arch (Hwy 99) pump station

Considerations



Flood Protection

- Dike alignment
- Dike crest elevation
- Erosion protection
- Seismic performance
- Static stability and seepage
- River toe stability and setbacks
- Boat waves



Industrial and Infrastructure

- Dike cross-section at the pump station will have to be expanded and modified
- Future pump station upgrades need to consider the planned dike upgrades to allow enough room for pumping infrastructure



Social

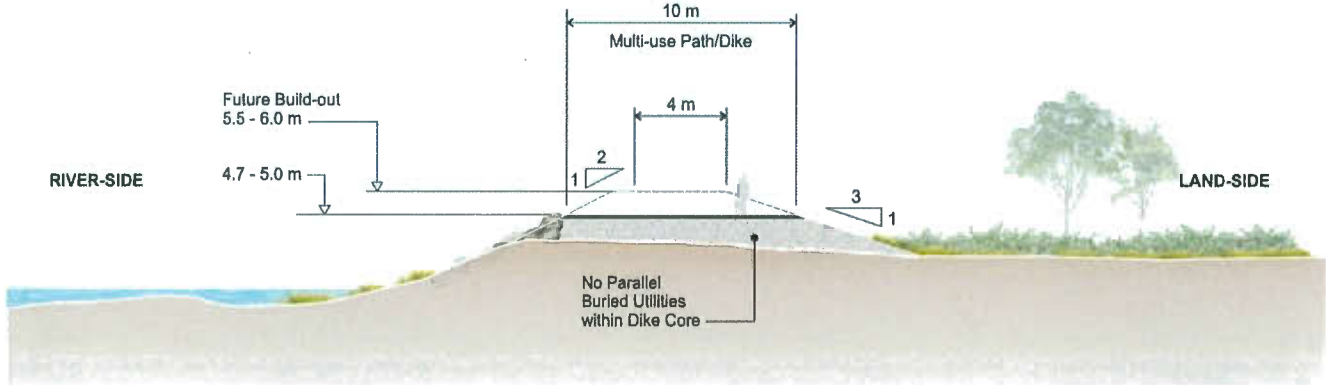
- Connect to existing and planned trails and public amenities
- Wayfinding and public information signs



Environmental

- Land-side is mostly low-quality gravel parking lots
- Fraser River-side habitat includes high quality deciduous tree riparian woodland (at the west end)

Reach 6: Highway 99 - Recommended Improvements



Master Plan Features



Flood Protection

Maintain existing alignment
 Dike crest elevation: 4.7 m, with future buildout to 5.5 m
 Dike crest width: 10 m, future buildout to 4 m
 Design to respond to Massey tunnel replacement. Previous plans included sealing off the tunnel and constructing a bridge



Industrial and Infrastructure

Relocate parallel infrastructure in the dike corridor to landside, outside of the dike footprint
 Infrastructure crossing the dike will be designed with seepage control
 Relocate and reduce the landside drainage channel, while maintaining internal drainage
 Dike cross-section at the pump station will have to be expanded and modified
 Future pump station upgrades need to consider the planned dike upgrades to allow enough room for pumping infrastructure
 If a bridge is selected to replace the tunnel, seal off the tunnel
 If a tunnel is selected, the approach should rise to 4.7m with berms leading up to it as a barrier to tunnel collapse and flooding



Social

Align with 2009 Waterfront Strategy
 Construct multi-use path separate from road
 Link to parks, trails, public amenities, and wayfinding, per Lululoop concept



Environmental

The proposed footprint would impact an estimated 200 m² of high-quality Fraser River riparian habitat*
 * NOTE: This is an estimate based on air photo interpretation. Exact numbers will require an aquatic habitat survey and aquatic effects assessment

Reach 6: Highway 99 - Recommended Improvements

Priority

Medium priority. Timing will depend on coordination with BC Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure.

If improvements don't proceed in a reasonable timeframe, interim measures such as sheetpile walls, may need to proceed before the tunnel replacement.

Construction Cost

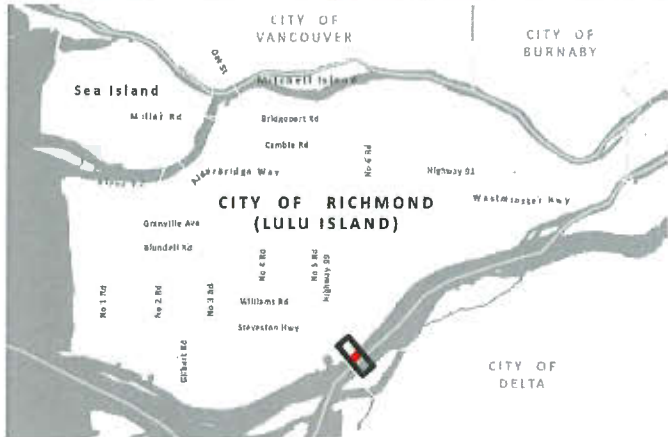
Costs below are for 250 m of dike similar to cross-section above.

Item	Cost per metre	Cost
Dike Raising	\$4,500	\$1.1 Million
Road Structure and Utilities	\$2,600	\$.7 Million
Driveways, Ramps or Road Intersection Reconstruction		\$.1 Million
Other*	\$300	\$.1 Million
Contingency (40%)		\$.8 Million
Total		\$2.7 Million

*Other – Pathways, Utilities, Furnishings & Bollards

Cost opinions are in 2018 Canadian Dollars.

Reach 7: Fraser Lands 13140 Rice Mill Road



Existing Conditions

This reach of the dike is characterized as a dike through an active works yard with barge facilities (Canadian Fishing Company). The land side of the dike consists of paved areas with offices, warehouses and loading facilities. Current buildings are located on the dike, with no access for City maintenance crews to inspect or maintain the area.

Rail lines are located north of the property and limit the options for routing a standard dike around the property.

Site grading needs to accommodate specialized vehicle traffic on the site (*i.e.*, forklifts and semi-trucks).

The master plan must balance existing operations and access to barge facilities with improved City maintenance access, while still providing room to expand and minimizing utility risks.

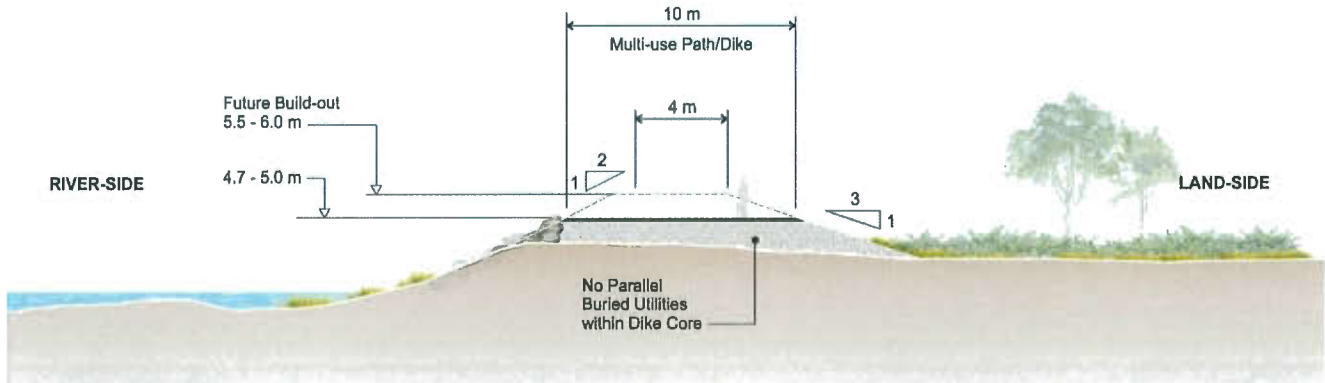
Unique Features

- Active works yard and barge facility
- Restricted City maintenance access with dike crest elevation below 3.5 m
- Rail and road access issues limit options to go around the site
- FREMP habitat compensation site in the area

Considerations

Flood Protection	Industrial and Infrastructure	Social	Environmental
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dike alignment Dike crest elevation Erosion protection Seismic performance Static stability and seepage River toe stability and setbacks Boat waves 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Marine operations and access to the Fraser River Forklift, rail and semi-truck access to warehouses Site grading constraints for vehicle traffic 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Connect to existing and planned trails and public amenities Wayfinding and public information signs Traffic and road safety 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Land-side has some deciduous trees, but most of the area is paved or has buildings Fraser River-side habitat is low quality habitat with armoured slope or pier

Reach 7: Fraser Lands 13140 Rice Mill Road - Recommended Improvements



Master Plan Features



Flood Protection

Maintain existing alignment
 Dike crest elevation: 4.7 m, with future buildout to 5.5 m
 Dike crest width: 10 m, future buildout to 4 m
 Dike side slopes: 2H:1V on waterside (with erosion protection) and 3H:1V on landside
 Structure will be over-wide to accommodate future dike raising to 5.5 m
 This site will include a phased plan to increase flood protection to a minimum of 3.9 m in the near-term with long-term flood mitigation to include construction of a standard dike to 4.7 m design elevation at the end of the current lease

Industrial and Infrastructure

Short term phasing:

- construct a standard dike (where possible); and
- Interim
- construct a steel sheetpile wall to 3.9 m elevation to accommodate the narrow area north of the site, between it and the rail ROW
 - potential for building a structure around the site and allow the stakeholder to address the flood hazards with site-specific response plans
 - Relocate site access to the west in order to install dike across current entrance



Social

Align with 2009 Waterfront Strategy
 Construct multi-use path separate from road
 Link to parks, trails, public amenities, and wayfinding, per Lululoop concept
 This path will divert north around this site



Environmental

Building the dike to the landside, where possible, to minimize impact to Fraser River aquatic and riparian habitat
 The proposed footprint would not impact fish or aquatic habitat

Reach 7: Fraser Lands 13140 Rice Mill Road - Recommended Improvements

Priority

High priority due to low elevations. This may be limited to interim measures until the full standard dike can be coordinated with future site redevelopment.

Construction Cost

Costs below are for 500 m of dike similar to cross-section above.

Item	Cost per metre	Cost
Dike Raising	\$4,500	\$2.3 Million
Driveways, Ramps or Road Intersection Reconstruction		\$. Million
Other*	\$2,900	\$1.5 Million
Contingency (40%)		\$1.5 Million
Total		\$5.2 Million

*Other – Pathways, Utilities, Furnishings & Bollards

Interim

Item	Cost per metre	Cost
Dike Raising	\$1,800	\$.9 Million
Other*	\$4,240	\$2.1 Million
Contingency (40%)		\$1.2 Million
Total		\$4.2 Million

*Other – Pathways, Utilities, Furnishings & Bollards

Cost opinions are in 2018 Canadian Dollars.

Reach 8: Fraser Lands Fraser Wharves



Existing Conditions

This reach of the dike is characterized as a dike through an active port facility. The land side of the dike consists of paved areas with offices, warehouses and loading facilities.

The master plan must address existing operations and access to unloading facilities, and balance existing operations and access to the river with improved City maintenance access, while still providing room to expand and minimizing utility risks.

Redevelopment offers the opportunity to raise the site (super-dikes) and improve access, habitat and community amenities.

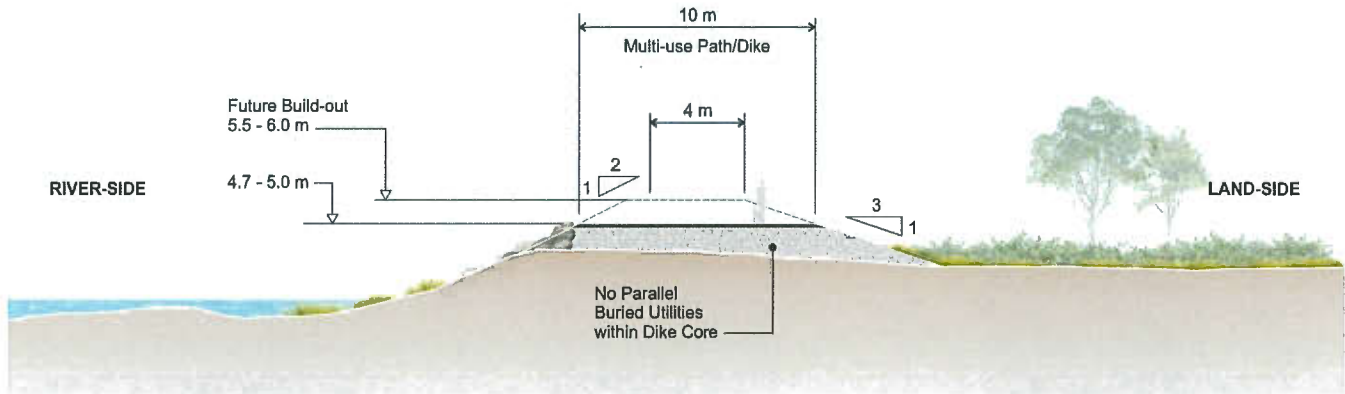
Unique Features

- Active ship-to-land car unloading facilities
- Active redevelopment activities
- No 6 Road South pump station

Considerations

Flood Protection	Industrial and Infrastructure	Social	Environmental
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dike alignment Dike crest elevation Erosion protection Seismic performance Static stability and seepage River toe stability and setbacks Boat waves 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Marine operations and access to the Fraser River Site grading constraints for vehicle traffic No defined dike structure in Mainland Sand and Gravel depot with the active movement of material and loading of barges Dike cross-section at the pump station will have to be expanded and modified Future pump station upgrades need to consider the planned dike upgrades to allow enough room for pumping infrastructure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Connect to existing and planned trails and public amenities Wayfinding and public information signs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Land-side is mostly paved with some low-quality shrub habitat between dike and pavement. Fraser River-side habitat includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • high quality deciduous treed riparian habitat in east half and small patch in west half • armoured slope and pier in middle of reach

Reach 8: Fraser Lands Fraser Wharves - Recommended Improvements



Master Plan Features

Flood Protection	Industrial and Infrastructure	Social	Environmental
Maintain existing alignment Dike crest elevation: 4.7 m, with future buildout to 5.5 m Dike crest width: 10 m, future buildout to 4 m	Coordinate improvements with Port Metro Vancouver Dike runs through active port operations, so is expected to be gated	Align with 2009 Waterfront Strategy Construct multi-use path separate from road Link to parks, trails, public amenities, and wayfinding, per Lululoop concept This path will divert north around this site	The proposed footprint would impact an estimated less than 100 m ² of high-quality Fraser River riparian habitat, and 200 m ² of high-quality Fraser River intertidal habitat* *NOTE: This is an estimate based on air photo interpretation. Exact numbers will require an aquatic habitat survey and aquatic effects assessment

Priority

Medium priority due to need to coordinate with PMV. Improvements may be achieved through site redevelopment.

Construction Cost

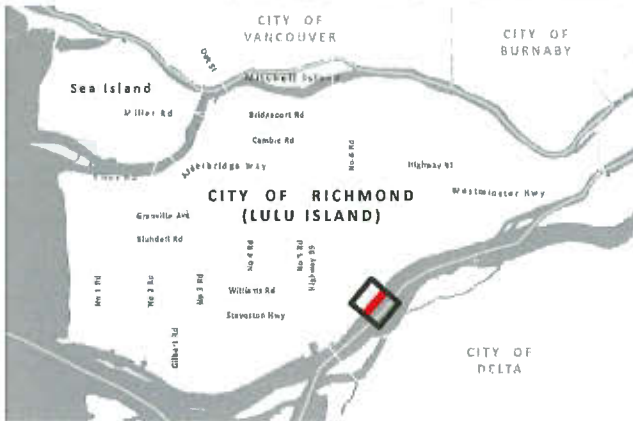
Costs below are for 1000 m of dike similar to cross-section above.

Item	Cost per metre	Cost
Dike Raising	\$4,500	\$4.5 Million
Driveways, Ramps or Road Intersection Reconstruction		\$.8 Million
Other*	\$2,900	\$2.9 Million
Contingency (40%)		\$3.3 Million
Total		\$11.5 Million

*Other – Pathways, Utilities, Furnishings & Bollards

Cost opinions are in 2018 Canadian Dollars.

Reach 9: Fraser Lands Riverport Way



Existing Conditions

This reach of the dike is characterized as a dike with a pedestrian walkway and path. There is riparian habitat on the water side of the dike along with a public trail and park amenities.

The master plan must balance recent development, habitat interests, trail and park amenities, while still providing room to expand.

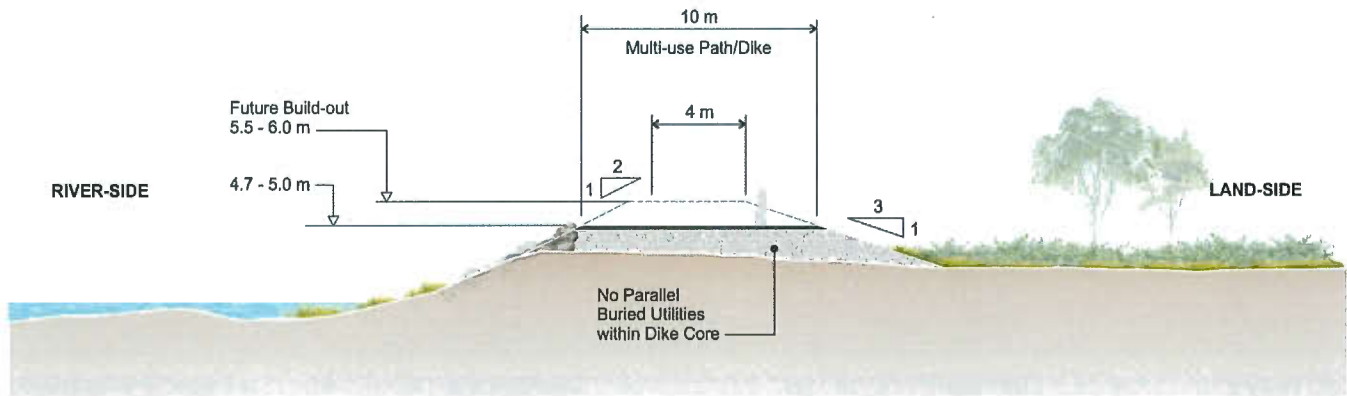
Unique Features

- FREMP habitat compensation site in front of the Riverport Way development
- Recent Riverport Way development includes some recently constructed improvements (paved pedestrian pathway) that are challenging to raise
- Redevelopment activities along the eastern portion of the reach

Considerations

Flood Protection	Industrial and Infrastructure	Social	Environmental
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dike alignment Dike crest elevation Erosion protection Seismic performance Static stability and seepage River toe stability and setbacks Boat waves 	<p>Pedestrian pathway in front of Riverport Way development is paved and buildings open directly onto the dike</p>	<p>Connect to existing and planned trails and public amenities</p> <p>Wayfinding and public information signs</p>	<p>Land-side is characterized by lawn or gravel lot with low quality habitat.</p> <p>Fraser River-side habitat includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • high quality deciduous forest riparian habitat in middle of reach • low quality habitat armoured bank at east and west ends a narrow strip of marsh habitat

Reach 9: Fraser Lands Riverport Way - Recommended Improvements



Master Plan Features

<p> Flood Protection</p> <p>Maintain existing alignment Dike crest elevation: 4.7 m, with future buildout to 5.5 m Dike crest width: 10 m, future buildout to 4 m Dike side slopes: 2H:1V on waterside (with erosion protection) and 3H:1V on landside Structure will be over-wide to accommodate future dike raising to 5.5m.</p>	<p> Industrial and Infrastructure</p> <p>No existing infrastructure within the dike</p>	<p> Social</p> <p>Align with 2009 Waterfront Strategy Construct multi-use path separate from road Link to parks, trails, public amenities, and wayfinding, per Lululoop concept</p>	<p> Environmental</p> <p>Building the dike to the landside, where possible, to minimize impact to aquatic and riparian habitat The proposed footprint would impact an estimated 100 m² of high-quality Fraser River riparian habitat, and 100 m² of high quality Fraser River intertidal habitat * * NOTE: This is an estimate based on air photo interpretation. Exact numbers will require an aquatic habitat survey and aquatic effects assessment</p>
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Priority

Low priority. This portion of dike is newer and relatively high. Improvements can be deferred until the higher priority sections are addressed.

Construction Cost

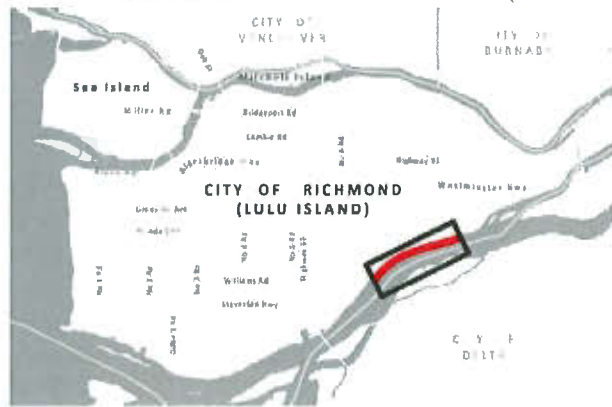
Costs below are for 1000 m of dike similar to cross-section above.

Item	Cost per metre	Cost
Dike Raising	\$4,500	\$4.5 Million
Driveways, Ramps or Road Intersection Reconstruction		\$.1 Million
Other*	\$2,900	\$2.9 Million
Contingency (40%)		\$3 Million
Total		\$10.5 Million

*Other – Pathways, Utilities, Furnishings & Bollards

Cost opinions are in 2018 Canadian Dollars.

Reach 10: Fraser Lands Port Metro Vancouver (PMV)



Existing Conditions

Much of this reach of the dike is characterized as a dike through an active port facility. Some locations within the reach have the dike in the road (Dyke Road) and in some locations, the dike is a trail through area.

The master plan must balance existing operations and access to the river with improved City maintenance access, while still providing room to expand and minimizing utility risks.

Redevelopment offers the opportunity to raise the site (super-dikes) and improve access. Continued development offers opportunities for dike material stockpile areas and some public amenities.

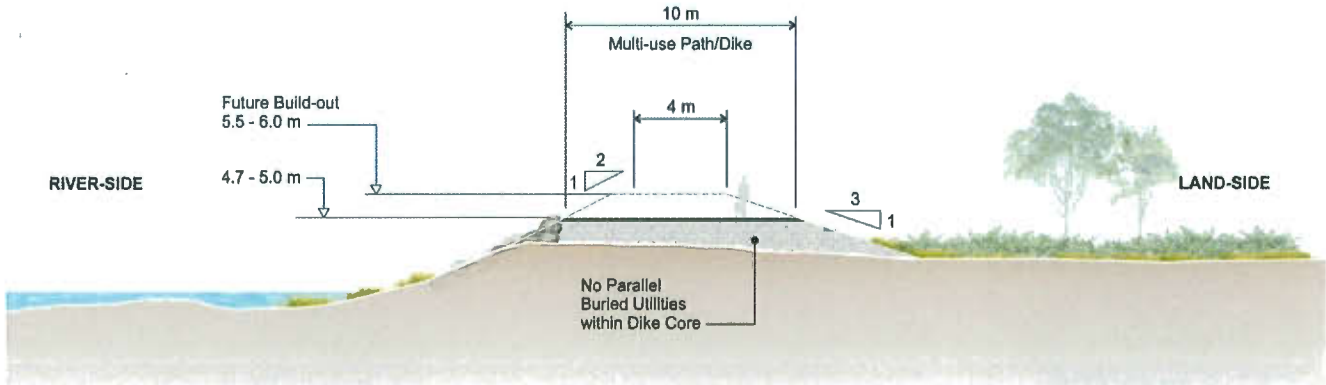
Unique Features

- Port facilities under redevelopment
- Active marine work yard and shipyard facilities with restricted maintenance access
- Active redevelopment activities
- City-owned waterfront between Williams Road and Coast 2000 terminals
- Three (3) FREMP habitat compensation sites: front face of the loading area in the Port, and two (2) intertidal areas near No. 8 Rd
- No. 7 Road South pump station
- Nelson Road South pump station

Considerations

Flood Protection	Industrial and Infrastructure	Social	Environmental
Dike alignment Dike crest elevation Erosion protection Seismic performance Static stability and seepage River toe stability and setbacks Boat waves	Marine operations and access to the Fraser River Forklift, rail and semi-truck access to warehouses Site grading constraints for vehicle traffic No defined dike structure or rights of way in some areas	City owns portion of the waterfront that is used as an unofficial recreation area Connect to existing and planned trails and public amenities Wayfinding and public information signs	Land side has: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • drainage channel at east end (Stickleback, amphibian habitat), • paved lots at east and west ends, and • large, seasonally flooded area in middle of reach (Potential for overwintering habitat creation). Fraser River side habitat includes large areas of high-quality riparian forest, intertidal marsh along full length of reach

Reach 10: Fraser Lands PMV - Recommended Improvements



Master Plan Features

Flood Protection	Industrial and Infrastructure	Social	Environmental
<p>Maintain existing alignment</p> <p>Dike crest elevation: 4.7 m, with future buildout to 5.5 m</p> <p>Dike crest width: 10 m, future buildout to 4 m</p>	<p>Most of the Port Metro Vancouver lands are high and above the proposed dike crest height</p> <p>Fill remaining low areas above dike elevations during redevelopment</p> <p>Seek rights of way or agreement for inspection, maintenance, and construction of dikes or erosion protection along section that isn't within the City's jurisdiction</p>	<p>Align with 2009 Waterfront Strategy</p> <p>Construct multi-use path separate from road</p> <p>Link to parks, trails, public amenities, and wayfinding, per Lululoop concept</p> <p>This path will divert north up the east bank of the No. 7 Rd. drainage channel and north around the PMV lands</p>	<p>The proposed footprint would impact an estimated 17,000 m² of high-quality Fraser River riparian habitat, 700 m² of high quality Fraser River intertidal habitat, 1,300 m² of drainage channel aquatic habitat, and 900 m² drainage channel riparian habitat*</p> <p>Opportunities for habitat improvements or creation of overwintering habitat in the middle of the reach</p> <p>*NOTE: This is an estimate based on air photo interpretation. Exact numbers will require an aquatic habitat survey and aquatic effects assessment</p>

Priority

Low priority because most of the land and dikes are high. Coordinated planning with PMV should proceed earlier to develop and plan to deal with future site development, land raising, and responsibility or rights of way over federal portion of waterfront.

Construction Cost

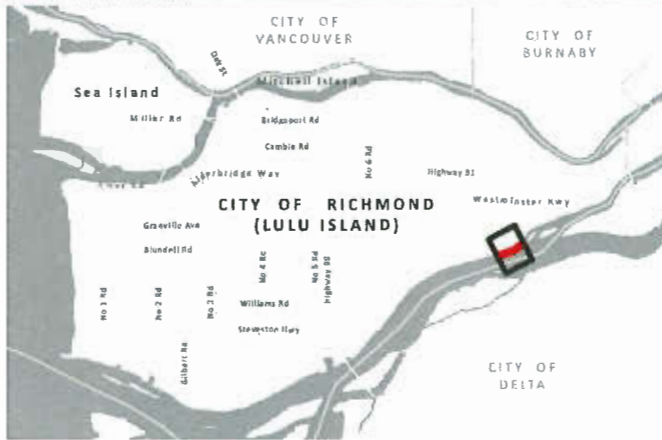
Costs below are for 3500 m of dike similar to cross-section above.

Item	Cost per metre	Cost
Dike Raising	\$4,500	\$15.8 Million
Driveways, Ramps or Road Intersection Reconstruction		\$.2 Million
Other*	\$2,900	\$10.2 Million
Contingency (40%)		\$10.5 Million
Total		\$36.6 Million

*Other – Pathways, Utilities, Furnishings & Bollards

Cost opinions are in 2018 Canadian Dollars.

Reach 11: Fraser Lands Lafarge



Existing Conditions

Much of this reach of the dike is characterized as a dike through an active port facility.

The master plan must balance existing operations and access to the river with improved City maintenance access, while still providing room to expand and minimizing utility risks.

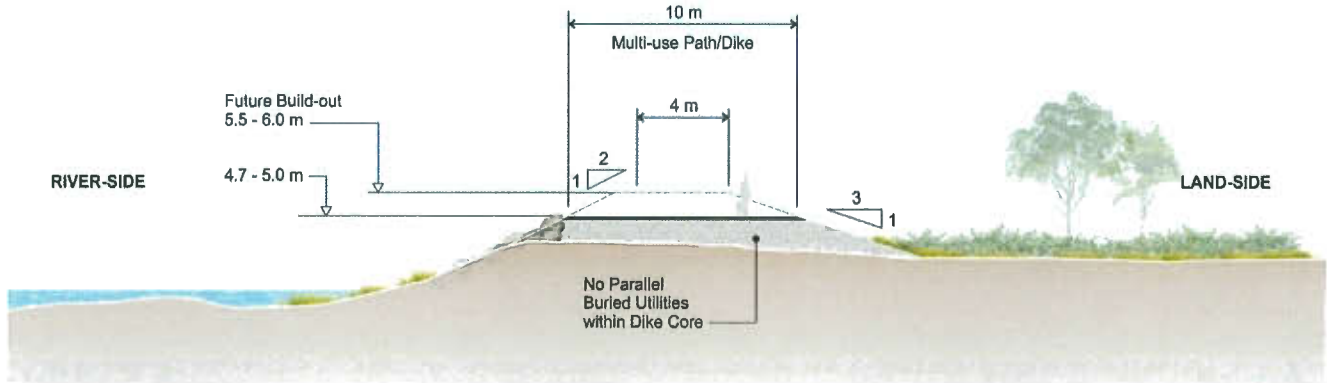
Unique Features

- Active works yard and barge facilities with restricted maintenance access.
- Restricted access for City maintenance
- Rail and road access issues limit options to go around the site
- Dike upgrades designed 2018

Considerations

Flood Protection	Industrial and Infrastructure	Social	Environmental
Dike alignment Dike crest elevation Erosion protection Seismic performance Static stability and seepage River toe stability and setbacks Boat waves	Marine operations and access to the Fraser River Forklift, rail and semi-truck access to warehouses Site grading constraints for vehicle traffic No defined dike structure in some areas	Connect to existing and planned trails and public amenities Wayfinding and public information signs	Land-side has low quality habitat with paved lots and buildings. Fraser River-side habitat includes some: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • high quality forested riparian habitat at the east end, and • low quality habitat armoured bank at the west end

Reach 11: Fraser Lands Lafarge - Recommended Improvements



Master Plan Features

Flood Protection	Industrial and Infrastructure	Social	Environmental
<p>Maintain existing alignment through site, or negotiate a change in alignment that is favourable to the City and adjacent land owner</p> <p>Dike crest elevation: 4.7 m, with future buildout to 5.5 m</p> <p>Dike crest width: 10 m, future buildout to 4 m</p>	<p>Raising the dike in its current location will be very disruptive to Lafarge</p> <p>Relocation to the water's edge would provide better control over erosion inspection and maintenance</p> <p>Alternatively, relocation along the north perimeter of their site would limit the conflict of land use to access ramps</p>	<p>Align with 2009 Waterfront Strategy</p> <p>Construct multi-use path separate from road. Link to parks, trails, public amenities, and wayfinding, per Lululoop concept. This path will run along the north side of the Lafarge lands</p>	<p>The proposed footprint would impact an estimated 900 m² of high-quality Fraser River riparian habitat *</p> <p>Opportunities for habitat improvements or creation of overwintering habitat in the middle of the reach</p> <p>* NOTE: This is an estimate based on air photo interpretation. Exact numbers will require an aquatic habitat survey and aquatic effects assessment</p>

Priority

Medium to low priority because the land is relatively high. However, raising the land and dike will be challenging with the current operations, so negotiated changes may take time. Seek redevelopment opportunities. Consider interim measures if opportunities not forthcoming.

Construction Cost

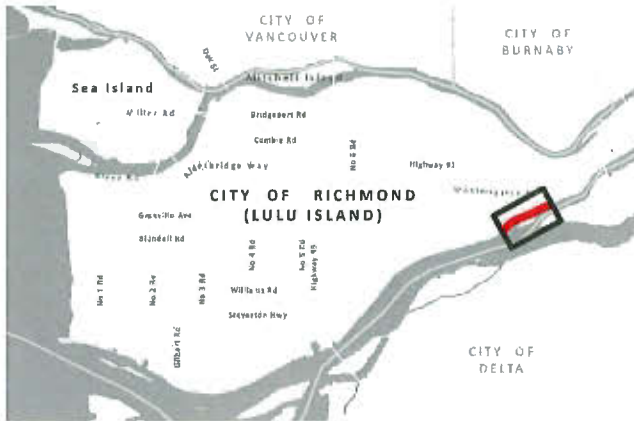
Costs below are for 1500 m of dike similar to cross-section above.

Item	Cost per metre	Cost
Dike Raising	\$4,500	\$6.8 Million
Driveways, Ramps or Road Intersection Reconstruction		\$.4 Million
Other*	\$2,900	\$4.4 Million
Contingency (40%)		\$4.6 Million
Total		\$16.1 Million

*Other – Pathways, Utilities, Furnishings & Bollards

Cost opinions are in 2018 Canadian Dollars.

Reach 12: East Richmond



Existing Conditions

This reach of the dike is characterized as a dike in the roadway (Dyke Road).

There are utilities (a watermain and storm main) within the land side toe of the road as well as local drainage provided by surface channels at the toe of the slope.

The master plan must balance drainage and community needs, road, habitat interests, and trail and park amenities, while still providing room to expand and minimizing utility risks.

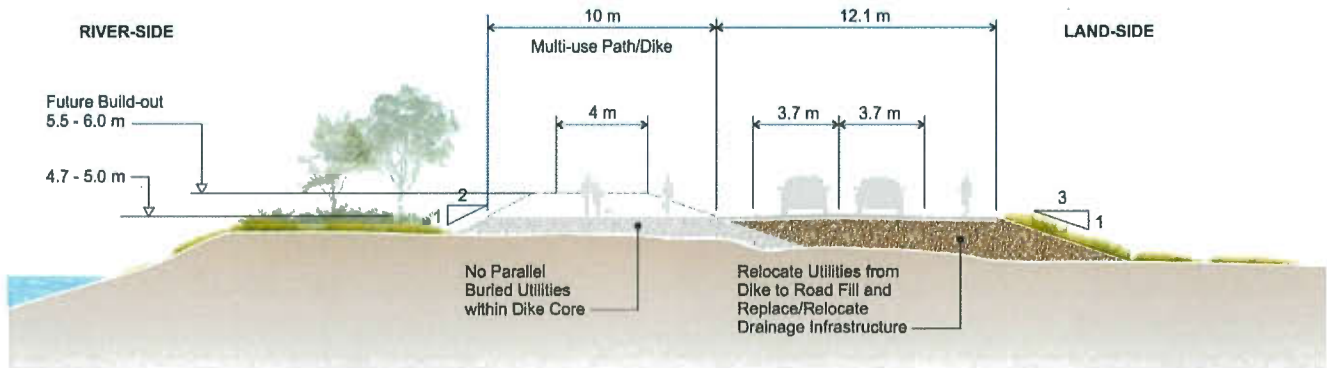
Unique Features

- Ewen Road Irrigation pump station
- Commercial development on the land side
- East Richmond Trail runs along the dike crest adjacent to Dyke Road from No. 9 Road
- Very little room for dike works
- Multiple marinas with access over the dike on the water side
- Shelter Island Marina and Boatyard needs low gradient access across the dike for the Travelifts to haul out or launch boats

Considerations

Flood Protection	Industrial and Infrastructure	Social	Environmental
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dike alignment Dike crest elevation Erosion protection Seismic performance Static stability and seepage River toe stability and setbacks Boat waves 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Infrastructure in the dike Dyke Road Dike cross-section at the pump station will have to be expanded and modified Future pump station upgrades need to consider the planned dike upgrades to allow enough room for pumping infrastructure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> East Richmond Trail Connect to existing and planned trails and public amenities Wayfinding and public information signs Traffic and road safety 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Land-side includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • drainage channel adjacent to dike at east and west ends of reach (amphibian habitat) • low quality habitat paved or maintained lawn in middle of reach Fraser River-side habitat includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • high quality habitat mud flats at middle and east end of reach • deciduous treed woodland high quality habitat at west end of reach

Reach 12: East Richmond - Recommended Improvements



Master Plan Features

Flood Protection	Industrial and Infrastructure	Social	Environmental
<p>Maintain existing alignment Dike crest elevation: 4.7 m, with future buildout to 5.5 m Dike crest width: 10 m, future buildout to 4 m Dike side slopes: 2H:1V on waterside (with erosion protection) and 3H:1V on landside Structure will be over-wide to accommodate future dike raising to 5.5m</p>	<p>Relocate parallel infrastructure in the dike corridor to landside, outside of the dike footprint Infrastructure crossing the dike will be designed with seepage control Relocate and reduce the landside drainage channel, while maintaining internal drainage Combine Dyke Road with the dike to minimize the footprint of the proposed master plan</p>	<p>Align with 2009 Waterfront Strategy Construct multi-use path separate from road Link to parks, trails, public amenities, and wayfinding, per Lululoop concept</p>	<p>Building the dike to the landside, where possible, to minimize impact to aquatic and riparian habitat The proposed footprint would impact an estimated 2,500 m² of high-quality Fraser River riparian habitat, 3,200 m² of drainage channel aquatic habitat, and 5,500 m² drainage channel riparian habitat* Relocating the drainage channel further inland and including appropriate plantings to the land side * NOTE: This is an estimate based on air photo interpretation. Exact numbers will require an aquatic habitat survey and aquatic effects assessment</p>

Reach 12: East Richmond - Recommended Improvements

Priority

Medium to low priority due to the many property access conflicts to be resolved. Raise and acquire land over time along with redevelopment to prepare for dike raising and road relocation and raising.

Construction Cost

Costs below are for 1800 m of dike similar to cross-section above.

Item	Cost per metre	Cost
Dike Raising	\$4,500	\$8.1 Million
Road Structure & Utilities	\$3,900	\$3.9 Million
Raise Road to Dike Height	\$5,300	\$5.3 Million
Driveways, Ramps or Road Intersection Reconstruction		\$.4 Million
Other*	\$1,150	\$3.5 Million
Contingency (40%)		\$8.5 Million
Total		\$29.7 Million

*Other – Pathways, Utilities, Furnishings & Bollards

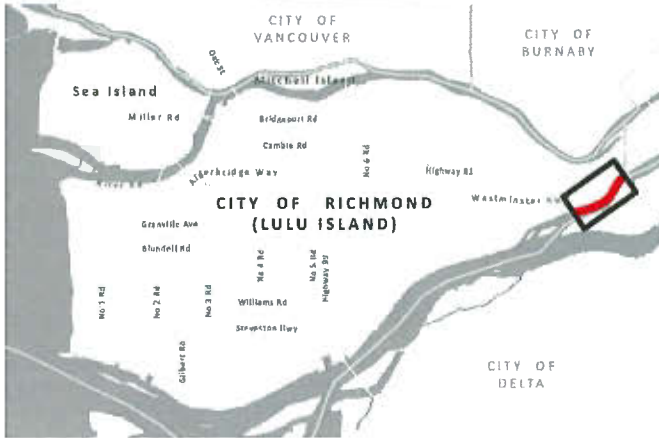
Interim

Item	Cost per metre	Cost
Dike Raising	\$5,400	\$9.7 Million
Road Structure & Utilities	\$3,900	\$7 Million
Raise Road to Dike Height	\$5,300	\$9.5 Million
Driveways, Ramps or Road Intersection Reconstruction		\$.4 Million
Other*	\$300	\$.5 Million
Contingency (40%)		\$10.9 Million
Total		\$38.1 Million

*Other – Pathways, Utilities, Furnishings & Bollards

Cost opinions are in 2018 Canadian Dollars.

Reach 13/14: Hamilton/Boundary



Existing Conditions

This reach of the dike is characterized as a dike in the roadway (Fraserwood Way and Dyke Road) with utilities. The land side of the dike is predominantly commercial developments with marinas, businesses and houses with river access over the dike.

There are utilities (a watermain and storm main) within the land side toe of the road as well as local drainage provided by surface channels at the toe of the slope.

The master plan must balance drainage and community needs, road, marina, habitat interests, and trail and park amenities, while still providing room to expand and minimizing utility risks.

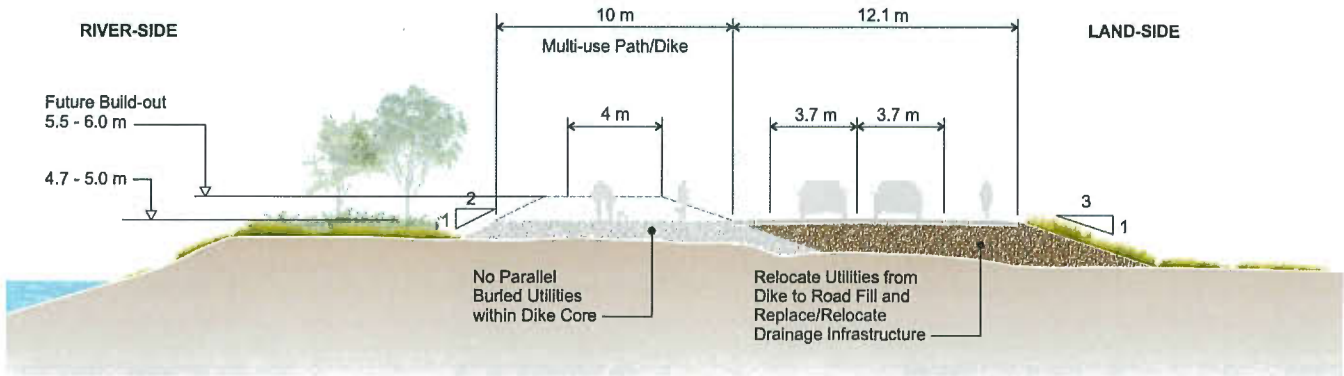
Unique Features

- Dike is set back for the final 500 m before the connection with New Westminster
- Newly developed townhouses on the river, outside of the dike (23740 and 23580 Dyke Road)
- FREMP habitat compensation site plantings in front of Townhome complex at 23740 and 23580 Dyke Road
- Commercial development on land side
- Marinas and float homes with river access over the dike on both the land side and river side
- East Richmond Trail and Fraserwood Trail run along the dike crest on or adjacent to the roadway to Boundary Road
- Highway 91 and City of New Westminster dike interface

Considerations

Flood Protection	Industrial and Infrastructure	Social	Environmental
Dike alignment Dike crest elevation Erosion protection Seismic performance Static stability and seepage River toe stability and setbacks Boat waves	Infrastructure in the dike Fraserwood Way	East Richmond Trail Fraserwood Trail Connect to existing and planned trails and public amenities Wayfinding and public information signs Traffic and road safety Finn Slough heritage values	Land-side includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • drainage channels at very west end and in middle of reach (amphibian habitat) • low quality paved or landscaping shrubs at west end of reach habitat • high quality shrubland habitat at east end of reach Fraser River-side habitat includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • high quality mud flats and marsh at west end of reach • patches of high quality marsh and riparian deciduous woodland along east end of reach • small patches of unvegetated low quality habitat along reach

Reach 13/14: Hamilton/Boundary - Recommended Improvements



Master Plan Features

Flood Protection	Industrial and Infrastructure	Social	Environmental
<p>Maintain existing alignment Dike crest elevation: 4.7 m, with future buildout to 5.5 m Dike crest width: 10 m, future buildout to 4 m Dike side slopes: 2H:1V on waterside (with erosion protection) and 3H:1V on landside Structure will be over-wide to accommodate future dike raising to 5.5m</p>	<p>Separate the dike from the road Road to be relocated to the land side of the dike, and the dike crest will be a dedicated dike/multi-use path Relocate parallel infrastructure in the dike corridor to landside, outside of the dike footprint Infrastructure crossing the dike will be designed with seepage control Relocate and reduce the landside drainage channel, while maintaining internal drainage Short term phasing: Combine Fraserwood Way and Dyke Road with the dike to minimize the footprint of the proposed master plan</p>	<p>Align with 2009 Waterfront Strategy Construct multi-use path separate from road Link to parks, trails, public amenities, and wayfinding, per Lululoop concept</p>	<p>Building the dike to the landside, where possible, to minimize impact to aquatic and riparian habitat The proposed footprint would impact an estimated 4,200 m² of high quality Fraser River riparian habitat, 100 m² of high quality Fraser River intertidal habitat, 1,100 m² of drainage channel aquatic habitat, and 2,400 m² drainage channel riparian habitat*. Relocating the drainage channel further inland and including appropriate plantings to the land side * NOTE: This is an estimate based on air photo interpretation. Exact numbers will require an aquatic habitat survey and aquatic effects assessment</p>

Reach 13/14: Hamilton/Boundary - Recommended Improvements

Priority

Low priority due to the many property access conflicts to be resolved inside and outside the dike. Raise and acquire land over time along with redevelopment to prepare for dike raising and road relocation and raising.

The proposed secondary dike near Boundary road is a low priority because it provides back-up to the primary defenses. However, it is relatively simple to construct, but requires coordination and agreement with MoTI.

Cost

Costs below are for 1700 m of dike similar to cross-section above.

Item	Cost per metre	Cost
Dike Raising	\$4,500	\$7.7 Million
Road Structure & Utilities	\$3,900	\$6.6 Million
Raise Road to Dike Height	\$5,300	\$9 Million
Driveways, Ramps or Road Intersection Reconstruction		\$1.2 Million
Other*	\$1,150	\$2 Million
Contingency (40%)		\$10.6 Million
Total		\$37 Million

*Other – Pathways, Utilities, Furnishings & Bollards

Interim

Item	Cost per metre	Cost
Dike Raising	\$5,400	\$9.2 Million
Road Structure & Utilities	\$3,900	\$6.6 Million
Raise Road to Dike Height	\$5,300	\$9 Million
Driveways, Ramps or Road Intersection Reconstruction		\$1.2 Million
Other*	\$300	\$.5 Million
Contingency (40%)		\$10.6 Million
Total		\$37.1 Million

*Other – Pathways, Utilities, Furnishings & Bollards

Cost opinions are in 2018 Canadian Dollars.



6. Recommendations

It is recommended that the City adopt the Phase 3 Dike Master Plan as documented in this report, including the main features described below.

- Raise the dike crest to allow for 1 m of sea level rise. West of Nelson Road, the raised dike crest would be 4.7 m (CGVD28). East of Nelson Road, the raised dike crest would increase to 5.1 m at Boundary Road. The plan also allows for longer term upgrading to accommodate a further 1 m of sea level rise (i.e. 2 m of sea level rise).
- Widen the dike on the land side rather than into the Fraser River.
- Move Dyke Road inside the dike to facilitate short-term and long-term dike upgrading. This will require the road to be reconfigured and reconstructed, with some additional need for land tenure. Moving the road will allow removal of utilities within the dike.
- Raise the relocated Dyke Road to the dike crest elevation. This will facilitate driveway access over the dike to riverside properties. It will also be compatible with the desire to raise land inside the dike.
- Pursue individual industrial site strategies depending on the existing rights and agreements, the urgency of the works, and opportunities for redevelopment for each site. These include:
 - Crown Packaging – construct interim improvements to 3.5 m to correct low spot. Raise dike and full site to 4.7m during redevelopment expected in 18 years.
 - Deas Dock – seek improvement opportunities with BC Ferries. Raise full site, else raise road behind the site.
 - Canfisco 13140 Rice Mill Road – determine redevelopment opportunities with owner. Plan for interim improvements within limited space including new access from west and sheet pile wall between site and rail ROW.
 - Port Metro Vancouver Lands – Where rights exist, coordinate improvements with adjacent PMV operations. Where no rights exist, collaborate with PMV to either acquire rights or develop agreement on responsibility to inspect, maintain, and improve dikes and shoreline protection.
 - Lafarge – Either raise the dike within the current City property that bisects their site, or negotiate land swap to place and build dike improvements at the riverside. Raise entire site with future redevelopment.
- Replace the drainage channel immediately inside the dike with storm sewers and swales. This will improve dike stability, and will provide some of the land needed to relocate Dyke Road.
- Raise land and roads immediately inside the dike (during redevelopment) to improve seismic resilience. This will also improve liveability by allowing residents to look down over the water, rather than at the backside of a dike.
- Improve pedestrian and cyclist safety by constructing a separate multi-use path along the dike. This would be consistent with the City Parks vision for a perimeter trail system (“Lululoop” perimeter trail network envisioned in Appendix B)
- Construct the south section of a secondary dike near Boundary Road.



It is also recommended that the City prepare a comprehensive implementation plan for dike upgrading that incorporates the elements of the Phase 3 Dike Master Plan, and the elements of the other Dike Master Plans.

To address habitat compensation issues associated with the Dike Master Plans, it is further recommended that the City consider development of a habitat banking program that could provide effective large-scale compensation for the environmental impacts of dike upgrading.



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Executive Summary

The City of Richmond uses a Dike Master Planning program to guide future dike upgrading projects, and to ensure that land development adjacent to the dike is compatible with flood protection objectives. The program includes 4 phases for the 49 km of the Lulu Island perimeter dike in Richmond and an additional 5th phase for Sea Island, Mitchell Island, and Richmond Island. The goal is to raise the dikes to 4.7 m CGVD28 to allow for 1 m of sea level rise and 0.2 m of land subsidence, while allowing for further upgrading in the future. The vision is to provide the City with a world-class level of flood protection to keep pace with the rapidly growing population and assets within the dikes.

Phase 5 covers Sea Island, Mitchell Island, and Richmond Island. The Sea Island 15 km perimeter ring dike is shared with Vancouver Airport Authority (YVR), with the City managing a 1.1 km section south of the Moray Channel Bridge plus three road rights-of-way through the YVR sections of the dike. Mitchell Island is not currently protected by a dike, although most of the island is above 2.5 m CGVD28. Richmond Island is a single property that is above the floodplain with flood protection responsibility remaining with the property owner.

This report describes existing conditions, develops an ideal vision for dike upgrading, presents design criteria, identifies options for dike upgrading, and presents recommended dike upgrading options that appropriately address the challenges. This work can be used as a basis for design of dike upgrading projects, recognizing that site-specific refinement of recommended options will be required in some areas. This work can also be used to assist with land use planning activities along the dike corridor. The main features of the recommended options to dike upgrading in Phase 5 are described below.

Mitchell Island

- Raise all land on the island above flood levels including private property and roadways.
- Raise all roadways to dike elevation to provide emergency egress (consider partial raises in low areas).
- During redevelopment, require private properties to be raised to dike elevation and acquire rights-of-way along the river bank. Such rights-of-way will allow for a future dike and/or bank protection works.
- Work with low elevation properties in the short term to mitigate flood and associated contamination risks.

Sea Island

- Widen the dike on the land side rather than into the Fraser River Middle Arm. Retaining walls or extending the dike towards the riparian area may be considered in site-specific constrained areas.
- Coordinate upgrades to the dike with upgrades to Miller Road Pump Station and the Moray Channel Bridge.
- As an interim measure along the Pacific Gateway Hotel, raise the dike to 4.7 m CGVD 28 with a sheetpile wall embedded along the river bank and a land-side retaining wall, until the site redevelops.
- Coordinate dike improvements with YVR and establish agreed upon dike jurisdictions.

Richmond Island

- No changes by the City are proposed as the island is almost entirely above the future dike elevation (5.5 m CGVD28). Flood protection responsibility is recommended to remain with the property owner.

For all phases of the Dike Master Plan, the City should continue to research alternative densification strategies for seismic stability, consider the proposed alternative seismic performance criteria in Section 3.2, and plan to fill land for approximately 200 m inland of the dike to dike elevation. The required fill distance requires additional evaluation and may be addressed in the pending update to the Flood Protection Management Strategy.



1. Introduction

Flood protection in Richmond is guided by the City's 2008-2031 Flood Protection Strategy which includes a comprehensive suite of measures including structural measures (e.g. dikes and pump stations), non-structural measures (e.g. flood construction levels), and flood response and recovery plans.

Dike Master Plans are critical components of the City's 2008-2031 Flood Protection Strategy and are used to guide the implementation of long-term dike upgrades.

The City of Richmond (City) has retained Kerr Wood Leidal (KWJ) to prepare the Richmond Dike Master Plan Phase 5.

Phase 5 encompasses the islands on the north side of Lulu Island within the City of Richmond, along the Fraser River North Arm. This includes Richmond Island, Mitchell Island, and Sea Island (primarily under Vancouver Airport Authority (YVR) jurisdiction). These are three distinct islands that require consideration of separate constraints and opportunities, independent of each other, but within the overall context of the Dike Master Plan. Figure 1-1 presents the extent of the City's Dike Master Plan phases and existing ground elevation, based on Emergency Management BC (EMBC) 2016 LiDAR. Figure 1-2 shows the reaches of the Phase 5 Dike Master Plan.

1.1 Background

Richmond has a population of about 220,000 and is situated entirely on islands within the overlapping Fraser River and coastal floodplains (Lulu Island, Sea Island, Mitchell Island, Richmond Island). The City's continued success is due in part to its flat, arable land and its strategic location at the mouth of the Fraser River and on the seashore. The low elevation of the land and its proximity to the water comes with flood risks.

As Richmond is fully situated within the river/coastal floodplain, there is no option to locate development out of the floodplain. The continued success of the City depends on providing a high level of structural and non-structural flood protection measures. Without continued improvements, the flood risk within the City would progressively rise as a result of rising flood levels (due to climate change), subsiding land, and increasing development.

The 2008-2031 Flood Protection Strategy guides the City's flood risk reduction activities across the City's organizational structure and across the spectrum of structural and non-structural flood protection measures. The Flood Protection Strategy is currently in the process of being updated.

While Lulu Island is the most populous and developed Richmond island, Mitchell Island and Sea Island are also very important to the success of Richmond and the region. Mitchell Island and Sea Island are economic and employment hubs with light to medium industrial uses on Mitchell Island and the Vancouver International Airport and associated industries located on Sea Island. There is also a residential community (Burkeville) located on Sea Island. Richmond Island is currently occupied by a single business operating a marina and a pub.



1.2 Purpose and Objectives

The purpose of the Dike Master Plan is to guide the implementation of dike upgrades and provide a starting point for the City to work with proposed developments adjacent to dikes. Unlike the previous Dike Master Plan phases, which focus on the Lulu Island perimeter dike, Phase 5 focuses on areas outside of Lulu Island, including both diked and undiked islands. In diked areas (Sea Island), the Phase 5 Dike Master Plan will focus on upgrading of the City's portion of the existing perimeter dike. In undiked areas (Mitchell Island and Richmond Island), alternative flood protection strategies may be warranted, such as land raising or relying only on non-structural measures (Flood Construction Levels (FCLs), covenants, flood insurance).

The master plan defines the City's preferred and minimum acceptable structural flood protection works upgrading concepts (dikes, land raising, erosion protection). The Dike Master Plan facilitates the City's annual dike upgrading program by providing critical information for the design of dike upgrades, including:

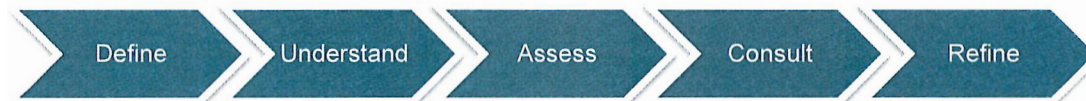
- general design concept;
- alignment;
- typical cross-section (conceptual design);
- footprint and land acquisition and tenure needs;
- design and performance criteria;
- infrastructure changes required for dike upgrading/construction;
- operation and maintenance considerations;
- environmental features and potential impacts;
- social and public amenity considerations;
- guidance for future development adjacent to the dike; and
- guidance on interaction with other structural flood protection measures (e.g. secondary dikes).

The Dike Master Plan is intended to guide dike upgrading over the next 20 to 30 years.

Other flood protection measures, including non-structural measures, are addressed in the City's 2008-2031 Flood Protection Strategy.

1.3 Approach and Methodology

The Dike Master Plan has been developed using a 5-step approach presented and described below.



Define: Confirm Dike Master Plan objectives and design/performance criteria.

Understand: Collect and compile relevant information, including spatial data and background reports from the City and several other parties (Vancouver Airport Authority, provincial regulators, the port, etc.).

Assess: Develop dike upgrading options and identification of constraints and potential impacts. Desktop and field review of options with City staff to identify preferred options.

Consult: Present to and gather feedback from council and stakeholders on preferred options.

Refine: Develop the master plan informed by consultation and review by the City.



The scope for the Dike Master Plan includes the following main tasks:

- goals and objectives development;
- background data collection and review;
- design criteria development and identification of constraints;
- options development and review;
- site visits;
- drainage impacts assessment;
- desktop habitat mapping and impacts review;
- geotechnical assessment;
- public amenity review;
- stakeholder consultation; and
- report preparation.

1.4 Report Format

This report is organized as follows:

- The executive summary provides a high-level overview of the master plan and key features;
- Section 1 introduces the master plan context and process;
- Section 2 documents the existing conditions;
- Section 3 documents the options development and assessment, and presents the recommended options;
- Section 4 provides implementation strategy, including costs, phasing, and coordination;
- Section 5 is a compilation of 2-page summary sheets highlighting existing conditions and key features of the preferred option for each reach; and
- Section 6 provides general and reach specific recommendations for next steps and implementation.

Appendix A provides figures showing conditions along the existing dike alignment, and the preliminary design footprint for a number of upgrading options discussed in Section 3.

1.5 Project Team

The KWL project team includes the following key individuals:

- Colin Kristiansen, P.Eng., MBA – Project Manager;
- Mike Currie, M.Eng., P.Eng., FEC – Senior Engineer and Technical Reviewer;
- Amir Taleghani, M.Eng., P.Eng. – Water Resources Engineer;
- Allison Matfin, EIT – Project Engineer
- Laurel Morgan, M.Sc., P.Eng., P.E. – Drainage Engineer;
- Daniel Brown, B.Sc., B.Tech., BIT – Project Biologist; and
- Jack Lau - GIS/CAD Analyst.

This report was primarily written by Allison Matfin with direction from Amir Taleghani. The report was reviewed by Mike Currie and Colin Kristiansen.

Thurber Engineering Ltd. (Steven Coulter, M.Sc., P.Eng.) provided geotechnical engineering services.

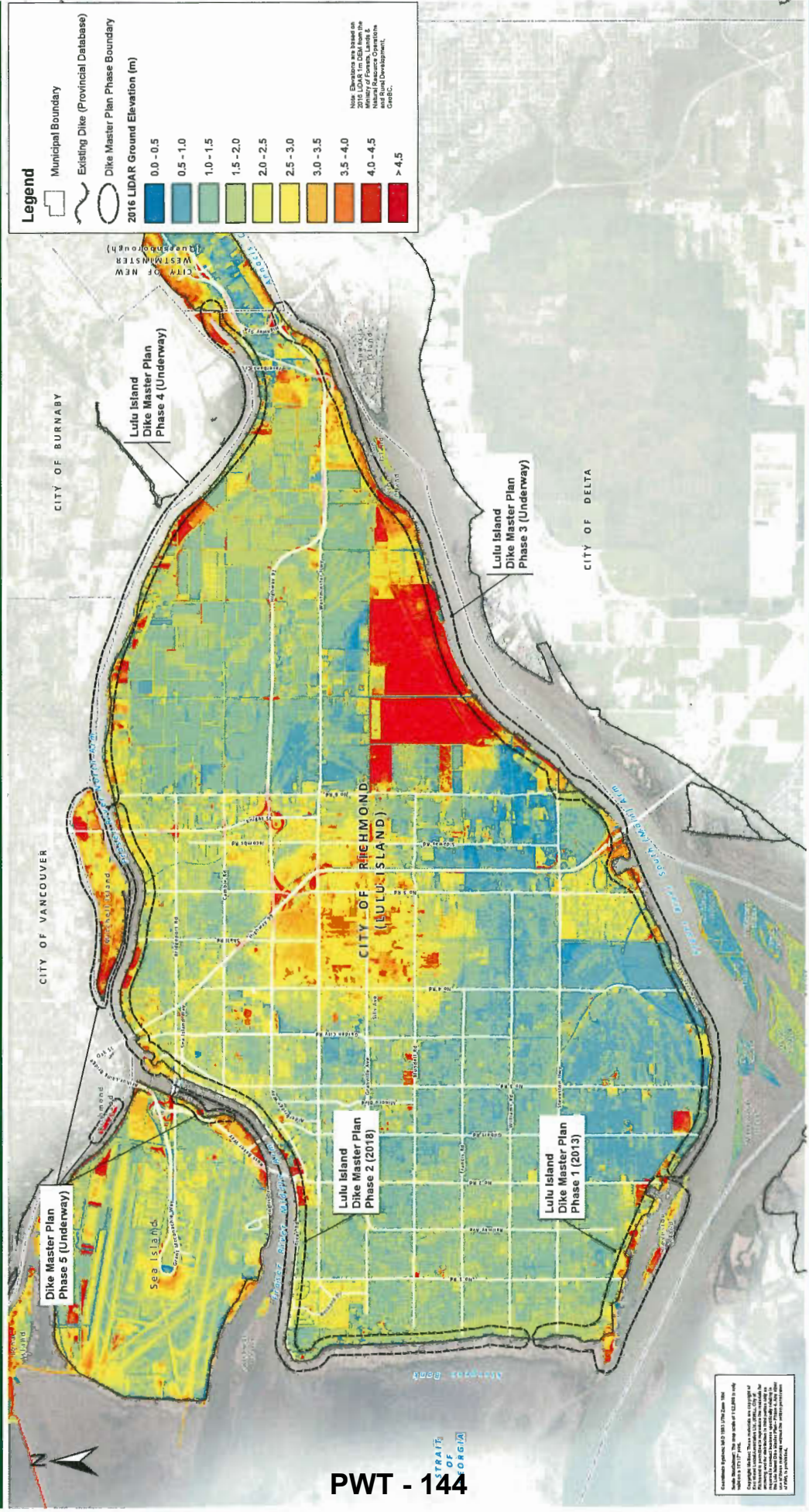


The project was guided on behalf of the City by:

- Lloyd Bie, P.Eng. – Manager, Engineering Planning; and
- Corrine Haer, P.Eng. - Project Engineer, Engineering Planning.

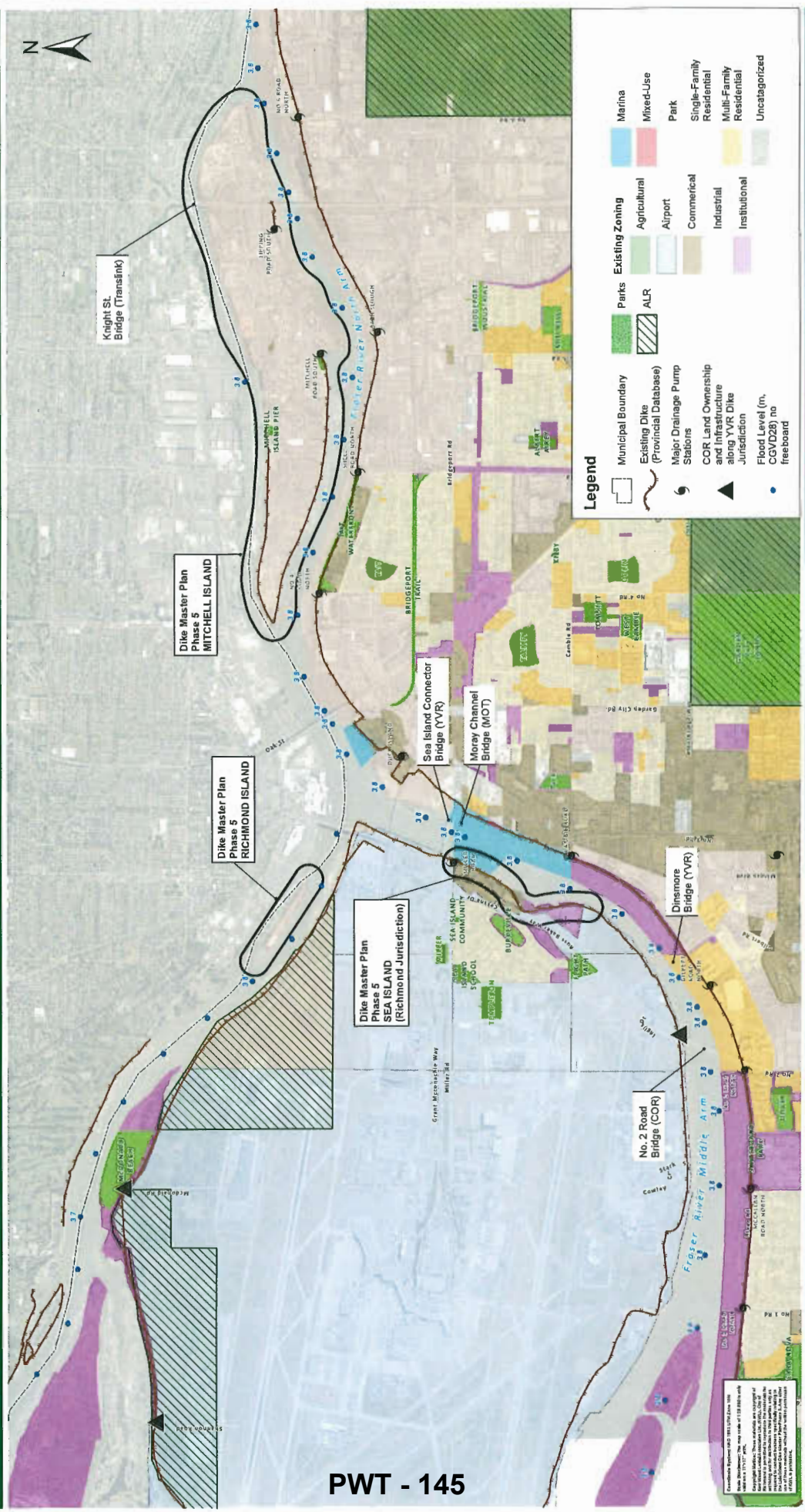
Many additional City staff contributed to the project during workshops, site visits, and in reviewing draft report materials.

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2. Existing Conditions

This section summarizes the options development process undertaken, including the following components:

- review of existing conditions;
- design considerations;
- upgrading strategies; and
- preferred options and concepts.

2.1 Reaches and Major Features

Mitchell Island, Sea Island, and Richmond Island are unique areas with varying types and degrees of flood protection. Mitchell Island has an old and unmaintained private dike along the western extent, with areas of private erosion protection and small sections of sheetpile elsewhere on the island. Conversely, Richmond Island has no flood protection works, though private bank protection works is in place. Sea Island is protected by an approximately 15 km long perimeter dike, though diking responsibility largely rests with the Vancouver Airport Authority (YVR) with one eastern reach as the City's responsibility. As a result, these three distinct islands require consideration of separate constraints and opportunities, independent of each other, but within the overall context of the Dike Master Plan.

Phase 5 is divided by Island as each Island has relatively uniform conditions with several locations with unique constraints. Islands/reaches are presented on Figure 1-2.

The sections below and Table 2-1 describe the existing conditions and features of each island. Mitchell Island may need to be further subdivided for future dike upgrading implementation phasing.

Appendix A provides a set of figures showing the existing dike alignment, proposed standard dike raise/construction, adjacent land tenure, municipal infrastructure, and existing habitat.

Reach 1 - Mitchell Island

Mitchell Island was created by filling in the river between three separate islands (Twigg, Eburne, and Mitchell Islands).

Mitchell Island is densely developed with industrial and commercial businesses, and some residences that are not in compliance with current zoning. The City's Official Community Plan (OCP) indicates that Mitchell Island will be maintained as industrial and commercial zoning, to preserve space in the City for these types of economic activities. A private dike was constructed on the western end of Mitchell Island many decades ago and was passed to the City by the Province of British Columbia (the Province); however, the dike has been unmaintained and uninspected and is no longer apparent on the island. The elevation of the island ranges from 2.5 to 4.5 m CGVD28 generally, and private bank protection works and sheetpile walls are in place in many locations.

Implementing structural flood protection works on Mitchell Island would have a significant impact on the existing conditions, as no access or rights-of-way currently exists for the City to complete these works. However, flood protection for Mitchell Island is beneficial as not implementing flood protection would result in economic loss for the region, risk public life at current residences, and could result in contamination from flooding of industrial sites.



Reach 2 - Sea Island

Sea Island has an existing perimeter dike that is largely under the responsibility of YVR. Only one eastern reach is under the City's responsibility, from the Moray Channel Bridge to the southern property boundary of BCIT (approximately 1.1 km). The exact extent boundaries are not clearly defined, and the City and YVR are expected to discuss agreed upon boundaries as part of the consultation for the Phase 5 Dike Master Plan. Dike crest elevation in this reach ranges from 4.7 m to as low as 2.7 m CGVD28 and is set back from the river in a few locations. Little to no bank protection is in place, and ongoing knotweed treatment is resulting in damage to the river bank near the setback dike. The current dike alignment ties into the Moray Channel Bridge, owned by the City of Richmond. Based on 2016 EMBC LiDAR data, the bridge deck on Sea Island is below 4.7 m CGVD28 and would not be sufficient for dike upgrades. The dike borders four large commercial lots with major transportation corridors and the community of Burkeville located behind the commercial areas.

The City also owns the land the dike traverses at McDonald Beach Park road, the No. 2 Road Bridge, and Shannon Road, though YVR is responsible for the dike in these locations. In addition to these noted locations of Richmond ownership with YVR dike responsibility, there may be additional locations where Richmond owns the land the dike crosses (such as Grauer Road or Ferguson Road). This mixed ownership and uncertainty is the result of historic proposed and completed land exchanges with the federal government on Sea Island, as part of the development of the airport. The Phase 5 Dike Master Plan is not expected to resolve long-standing land ownership uncertainties on Sea Island; however, known locations of Richmond ownership will be noted in the final report and consultation may contribute to the process of resolving dike land ownership.

Reach 3 - Richmond Island

No existing dike is in place on Richmond Island. The only flood protection works is riprap bank protection works along the southern bank. The total perimeter of Richmond Island is approximately 1.2 km. The land elevation of Richmond Island ranges from 6.4 m CGVD28 at the north end to 3.4 m CGVD28 at the south end, where the Island is connected to the City of Vancouver. The entire island is one lot leased by Milltown Marina & Boatyard Ltd. which includes a restaurant, marina, and private utilities. Richmond Island is not included in the current OCP.

A covenant¹ was created in November 27, 2012 with North Fraser Terminals Inc., the Milltown Marina & Boatyard Ltd., and the City of Richmond that:

- acknowledges the risk of flooding and erosion on Richmond Island;
- notes that the City has no plans to protect the island from flood and erosion; and
- releases the City from any damage or losses caused by flooding or erosion.

As a result of the terms of this covenant, the City may consider implementing no flood protection measures for Richmond Island.

¹ CA2885848. RCVD: 2012-11-27.



Table 2-1: Phase 5 Reaches and Features

Reach ID and Name	Extent / Length	Existing Dike Alignment	Major Features
1- Mitchell Island	Entire Island (7.8 km perimeter)	None	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Condition and elevation of existing dike and bank protection on western half of Mitchell Island is unknown (no available background information, no inspections or maintenance) Dense industrial development on the entire island Mitchell Road South Drainage Pump Station Tipping Road South Drainage Pump Station Large number of industries and businesses as stakeholders Active water lots used by industry Two City water mains to Mitchell Island from Lulu Island Metro Vancouver Twigg Island Forcemain underneath existing dike on north side Land elevation generally between 2.5 m and 4.5 m CGVD28 but as low as 1.5 m CGVD28 Intermittent bank protection works in some locations Two City parks along the river bank, no other public access to the river bank Bathymetry suggests potential scour on the foreshore and scour holes on the north side
2 - Sea Island	South end of BCIT to south side of Airport Connector Bridge (1.1 km)	Walking and cycling trail	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dike is a pedestrian path Miller Road Drainage Pump Station Commercial development directly abuts existing dike in several locations Marina and restaurant access on the river-side Tie in and jurisdiction boundaries with YVR adjacent to the Airport Connector Bridge and South of BCIT Lowest area of dike north of Lysander Lane (<3.5 m CGVD28 elevation) Low area directly adjacent to Cessna Drive with no established dike right-of-way One section of dike already upgraded to 4.7 m CGVD28 elevation at 3600 Lysander Lane Drainage outfall with flap gate at North end of BCIT campus not identified in City drainage utilities



Reach ID and Name	Extent / Length	Existing Dike Alignment	Major Features
3 - Richmond Island	Entire Island (0.55 km length)	None	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sanitary for main crossing near BCIT • Little to no bank protection • High value marsh habitat from BCIT to hotel • North of BCIT, there is an old water connection to the foreshore where industrial activity used to take place on the river • The Moray Channel Bridge that the dike currently connects to is below 4.7 m CGVD28 (based on 2016 EMBC LIDAR).
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No existing dike • Connected to City of Vancouver via a short causeway, which provides utilities from Vancouver • Majority of the land is higher than the current dike elevation of 4.7 m CGVD28 and future elevation of 5.5 m CGVD28. The only exception is the causeway to Vancouver. • Existing private bank protection works visible on the south side • The north arm of the Fraser River along Richmond Island is a location of channel scour, with elevations as low as -11 m CGVD28. • All of the land on Richmond Island is one lot and is owned by Milltown Marina Moorage Co Ltd. • Restrictive covenant in place as of 2012 (CA2885848): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>“the City currently does not have any plans to install a Dike system on or near the Lands or to otherwise protect the lands from flooding and/or erosion.”</i>



2.2 Land Tenure

Land tenure on each island in Phase 5 includes a mixture of rights-of-way, private property, and City-owned land. Flood and erosion covenants have been established in the past for various properties in Phase 5, which are summarized in Table 2-2. Land tenure along the river bank or existing dike is described below for each island and shown on Figure 2-1.

Mitchell Island

Though a private dike was constructed in the past, no land tenure is established on Mitchell Island for a dike. The majority of the river bank is located on either private property or on aquatic Crown land (designated as Fraser River foreshore) where the City has no existing right-of-way. The City owns land along the river bank at two-small parks and at the Knight Street Bridge off-ramps, and there is a short right-of-way immediately west of the Knight Street Bridge on the south side of the island.

Sea Island

Sea Island is protected by an approximately 15 km long perimeter dike, but diking responsibility largely rests with the Vancouver Airport Authority (YVR). Only one eastern reach is under the City's responsibility, from the Moray Channel Bridge to the southern property boundary of BCIT (approximately 1.1 km). The exact extent boundaries are not clearly defined, and the City and YVR are expected to discuss agreed upon boundaries as part of the consultation with YVR for the Phase 5 Dike Master Plan. An active right-of-way is in place from BCIT to Lysander Lane, with one gap north of BCIT, but there is no right-of-way north of Lysander Lane.

The City also owns the land the dike traverses at McDonald Beach Park road, the No. 2 Road Bridge, and Shannon Road, though YVR is responsible for the dike in these areas. In addition to these noted locations of Richmond ownership with YVR dike responsibility, there may be additional locations where Richmond owns the land the dike crosses (such as Grauer Road or Ferguson Road). This mixed ownership and uncertainty is the result of historic proposed and completed land exchanges with the federal government on Sea Island, as part of the development of the airport. The Phase 5 Dike Master Plan is not expected to resolve long-standing land ownership uncertainties on Sea Island, however consultation may contribute to the process of resolving dike land ownership.

Richmond Island

Richmond Island has no existing land tenure in favour of the City (ownership or right-of-way). Richmond Island is one lot owned by North Fraser Terminals Inc., which is leased by Milltown Marina & Boatyard Ltd. The development is connected to the City of Vancouver and its utility network.

A covenant² was created in November 27, 2012 with North Fraser Terminals Inc., the Milltown Marina & Boatyard Ltd., and the City of Richmond that:

- acknowledges the risk of flooding and erosion on Richmond Island;
- notes that the City has no plans to protect the island from flood and erosion; and
- releases the City from any damage or losses caused by flooding or erosion.

² CA2885848. RCVD: 2012-11-27.



Flood and Erosion Covenants

The City provided a title and covenant information for properties along the Phase 5 dike sections under their authority. This information was provided to the City by Dye and Durham. The following table summarizes the covenants that pertain to flood and erosion protection, for future awareness and consideration while developing flood protection works.

Table 2-2: Existing Flood and/or Erosion Covenants

Covenant ID	Date Established	PIDs	Address
Mitchell Island			
BB2020219	2012/08/22	None	11060 & 11200 Twigg Place
BK187446	1996/06/17	003-684-539 003-684-547 003-684-652 003-684-687	Group 1 New Westminster District Lots: 528, 5587, 1014, 459, 5091, 5782
BP304365	2000/12/19	008-591-857	Group 1 New Westminster District Lots 459, 1014
BX10111	2005/09/06	003-679-837	Group 1 New Westminster District Lot 459
Sea Island			
BB843923	2006/03/25	017-560-616	3800 Cessna Drive
CA3630774	2014/03/13	None	3600 Lysander Lane
CA3630776	2014/03/13	026-601-621	3600 Lysander Lane
Richmond Island			
CA2885848	2012/11/27	025-409-018 003-335-232	Richmond Island and Group 1 New Westminster District Lots 3869 and 3871

2.3 Infrastructure

There is limited municipal infrastructure along the existing dike corridor / island perimeters. This includes pump stations summarized in the table below.

Table 2-3: Phase 5 Pump Stations and Locations

Pump Station	Location
Miller Road	Sea Island - North end of City reach
Tipping Road South	Mitchell Island – South end of Tipping Road
Mitchell Road South	Mitchell Island – South end of Mitchell Road

On Mitchell Island, there may be private infrastructure associated with industrial uses, particularly water-oriented industries, which may conflict with potential diking options. This will be explored through stakeholder consultation.



2.4 Habitat

Desktop Review

A desktop review was conducted the ecological setting along and adjacent to the existing dikes in Phase 5. The study area includes the existing dike alignment and adjacent land or intertidal area. Spatial data were used to identify overlap of known environmental values with the study area.

Spatial data reviewed in the desktop study includes:

- Fraser River Estuary Management Program mapping (FREMP 2012, 2007) mapping used to identify riparian and intertidal habitat types and quality,
- iMapBC web application (iMapBC 2017), and
- City of Richmond aerial photographs and Riparian Area Regulation 5 m and 15 m buffer layers (Richmond Interactive Map 2017).

For the purposes of the desktop review, and to allow for a concise description of the different habitat types in the locations within the Phase 5 study area, seven discrete focal areas were defined. Results of the desktop review are presented below and listed by focal area in Table 2-3.

The location and extent of high-quality Fraser River riparian and intertidal habitat were identified to inform the development of dike upgrade options and their potential impacts. FREMP habitat polygons were assigned the following categories: high quality riparian, high quality intertidal, or other. Deciduous tree woodland polygons were categorized as high-quality riparian habitat because these communities provide cover and nutrients to fish using nearshore habitat. Mud, sand, and marsh polygons were categorized as high-quality intertidal habitat because of the foraging and nesting habitat they provide for bird species and the foraging, egg deposition and rearing habitat they provide for fish species. Aquatic and riparian habitat on the land side of the existing dike was identified and mapped using the Riparian Area Regulation buffer layers and interpretation of recent aerial photography (City of Richmond 2017).

Aquatic and Riparian Habitat

High quality intertidal and riparian habitat is present in all three Phase 5 reaches on the Fraser River side of the dike. This important habitat provides forage and cover habitat as well as a staging area for anadromous salmonids transitioning from saltwater to freshwater. Conversely, armoured sections of shoreline on the Fraser River side of the existing dike are present in Reaches 1 and 3. These sections provide limited habitat value and construction here would have less of a negative impact on fish.

Seven fish habitat compensation projects have been completed between 1988 and 2007 in the Phase 5 study area. These included the creation of intertidal marsh and mudflat habitat and riparian habitat to compensate for damage to habitat elsewhere. More information on these compensation projects is provided in Table 2-4.



Wildlife and Terrestrial Habitat

Terrestrial habitat types in Phase 4 include deciduous tree woodland, tall shrub woodland, low shrub woodland, and vascular plant meadow, as well as uncategorized sections (e.g. paved lots; FREMP 2007). These habitat types have potential to provide nesting habitat to migratory birds in all six reaches of Phase 4. Orthoimagery review identified potential raptor nesting trees in all three reaches of the Phase 5 study area.

Drainage channels that may serve as amphibian breeding habitat were not identified in orthoimagery used for the desktop review. It is possible that amphibian habitat is present in small ponds or ditches along the dike that were not identified in the desktop review.

Species and Ecological Communities at Risk

No known occurrences of terrestrial wildlife species at risk are present in the Phase 5 study area, but several occurrences exist on nearby islands in the Fraser River or on the river banks across from Richmond. It is possible that individuals of these species also occur on the Richmond side of the Fraser River. The Lower Fraser River population of White Sturgeon (*Acipenser transmontanus* pop. 4) is known to occur in the Fraser River next to the dike. Mapped critical habitat for at-risk species is not present within 500 m of the Phase 5 study area.

FREMP mapping (2007) indicates the presence of intertidal marsh communities in Reaches 2 and 3. Many of these communities in British Columbia are considered at-risk (i.e. Blue-Listed; special concern, or Red-Listed; threatened, or endangered). No ecological communities at-risk are shown in either the study area on BC iMap (2017), but it is likely that some are present.

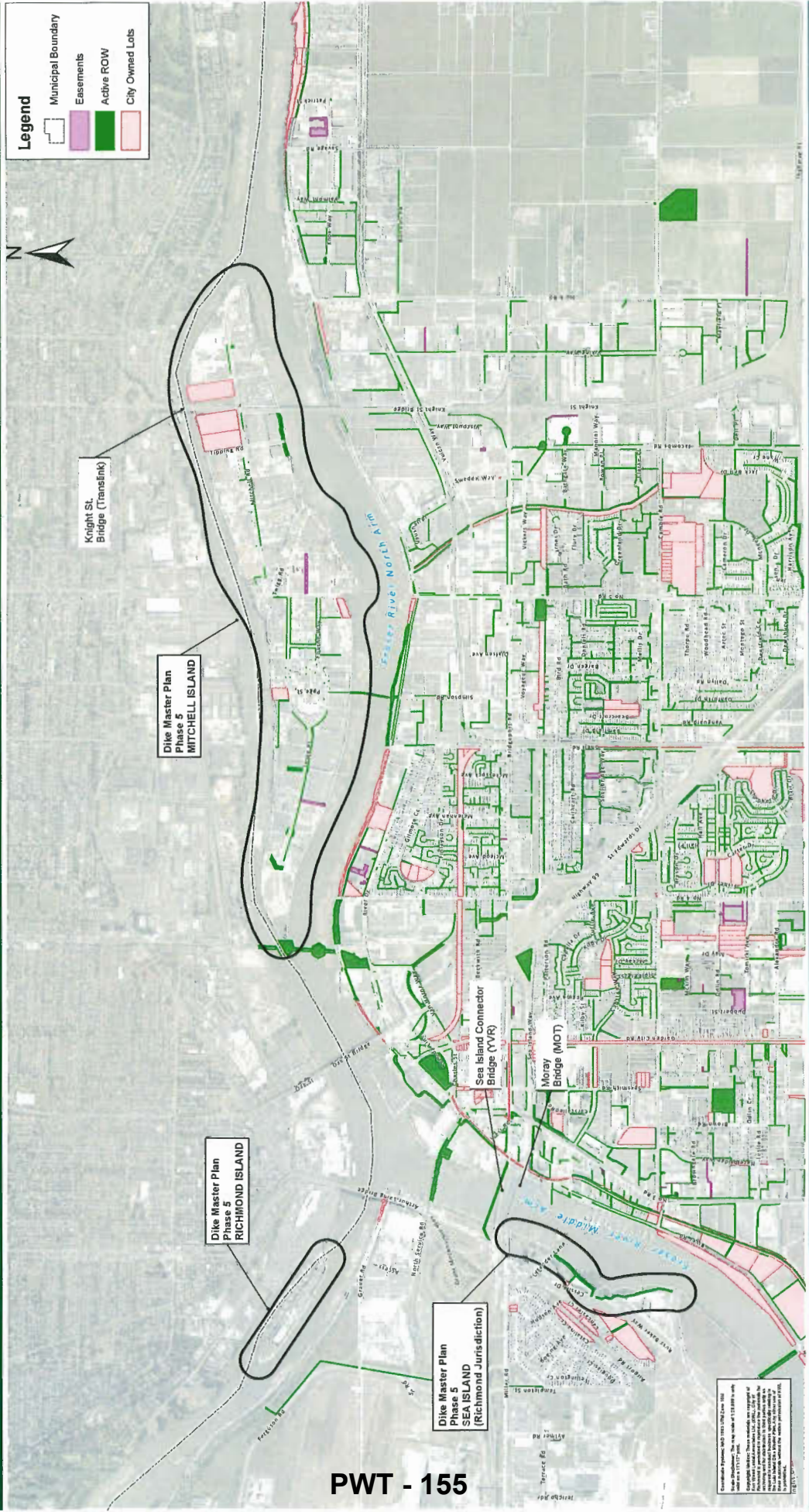
Table 2-4 presents the findings of the desktop review on a reach-by-reach basis and separates Fraser River side results from land-side results.



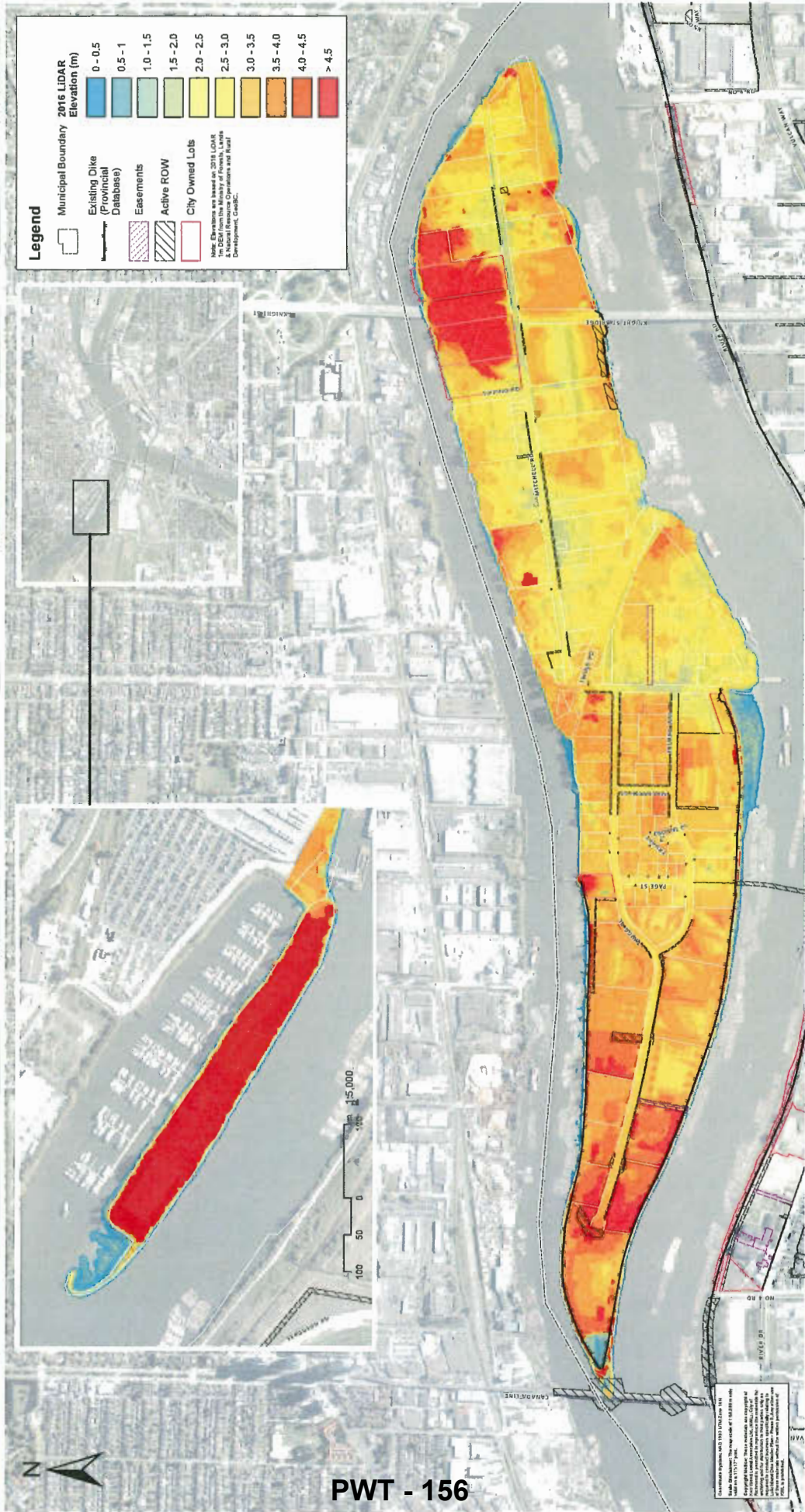
Table 2-4: Environmental Values

Reach ID and Name	Location	Environmental Setting (organized by inland side and shoreline side of existing dike)	Construction Constraints	Construction Opportunities	FREMP Habitat Types	Known Species at Risk Occurrence Near Dike Alignment	Potential Raptor Nesting Trees	Potential Migratory Bird Nesting Habitat	Existing Habitat Compensation Sites Present
1 - Mitchell Island	Inland Side	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Low-quality herbaceous habitat at the west end of the island Small patch of deciduous treed woodland near centre of south side Sections with no existing dike Low quality disturbed habitat or paved (no habitat value) along rest of reach 	Existing infrastructure Existing habitat compensation site	n/a	Paved Vascular meadow Deciduous tree woodland	White Sturgeon (Lower Fraser River population) (Acipenser transmontanus pop. 4)	Y	Y	Project: Canada Line Year Created: 2005 Industrial development Year Created: 2007 McQueen's Boat Works Year Created: 1989
	Fraser River Side	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High quality deciduous tree riparian habitat in patches along length north side of island Moderate quality low shrub riparian habitat for most of length north side of island Sections of moderate quality riparian habitat along south-east side of island (low shrub woodland, deciduous tree woodland) Sections of high quality mudflat and sandflat intertidal habitat along north and south sides of island High quality intertidal marsh, on southwest side of island Low quality armored bank along south west side of island 	Moderate-quality riparian along most of length of shoreline on north side of island High-quality intertidal habitat along majority of length of shoreline	n/a	Paved Mud Sand Marsh Graminoids and forbs Vascular meadow Low shrub woodland Tall shrub woodland Deciduous tree woodland	White Sturgeon (Lower Fraser River population) (Acipenser transmontanus pop. 4)	Y	Y	Project: Miller Road Pump Station Year Created: 1991 Bridgeport Market Year Created: 1988 Project: Arrow Transportation Soil Remediation Year Created: 2007
2 - Sea Island	Inland Side	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sections of low quality lawn Sections of paved parking lots with no habitat value 	Existing infrastructure	n/a	Mowed grass Mostly parking lot	White Sturgeon (Lower Fraser River population) (Acipenser transmontanus pop. 4)	Y	Y	
	Fraser River Side	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sections high quality marsh and mudflat intertidal habitat concentrated around centre of reach High quality deciduous woodland riparian habitat at south half of reach 	High-quality riparian and intertidal habitat in centre of reach Existing habitat compensation site at north end of reach	n/a	Mud Marsh Deciduous tree woodland Shoreline in front of Marina not included in FREMP mapping	White Sturgeon (Lower Fraser River population) (Acipenser transmontanus pop. 4)	Y	Y	
3 - Richmond Island	Inland Side	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No existing dike 	No existing dike	n/a	Not included in FREMP mapping	White Sturgeon (Lower Fraser River population) (Acipenser transmontanus pop. 4)	Y	Y	Project: Canfor Year Created: 1988
	Fraser River Side	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High quality mudflat intertidal habitat along full length on north side Moderate quality low shrub woodland riparian habitat above armored bank on south side low quality armored bank along full length of south side 	High-quality intertidal habitat along full length north side Moderate-quality riparian habitat along south side Existing habitat compensation site	n/a	Mud Low shrub woodland Sand	White Sturgeon (Lower Fraser River population) (Acipenser transmontanus pop. 4)	Y	Y	

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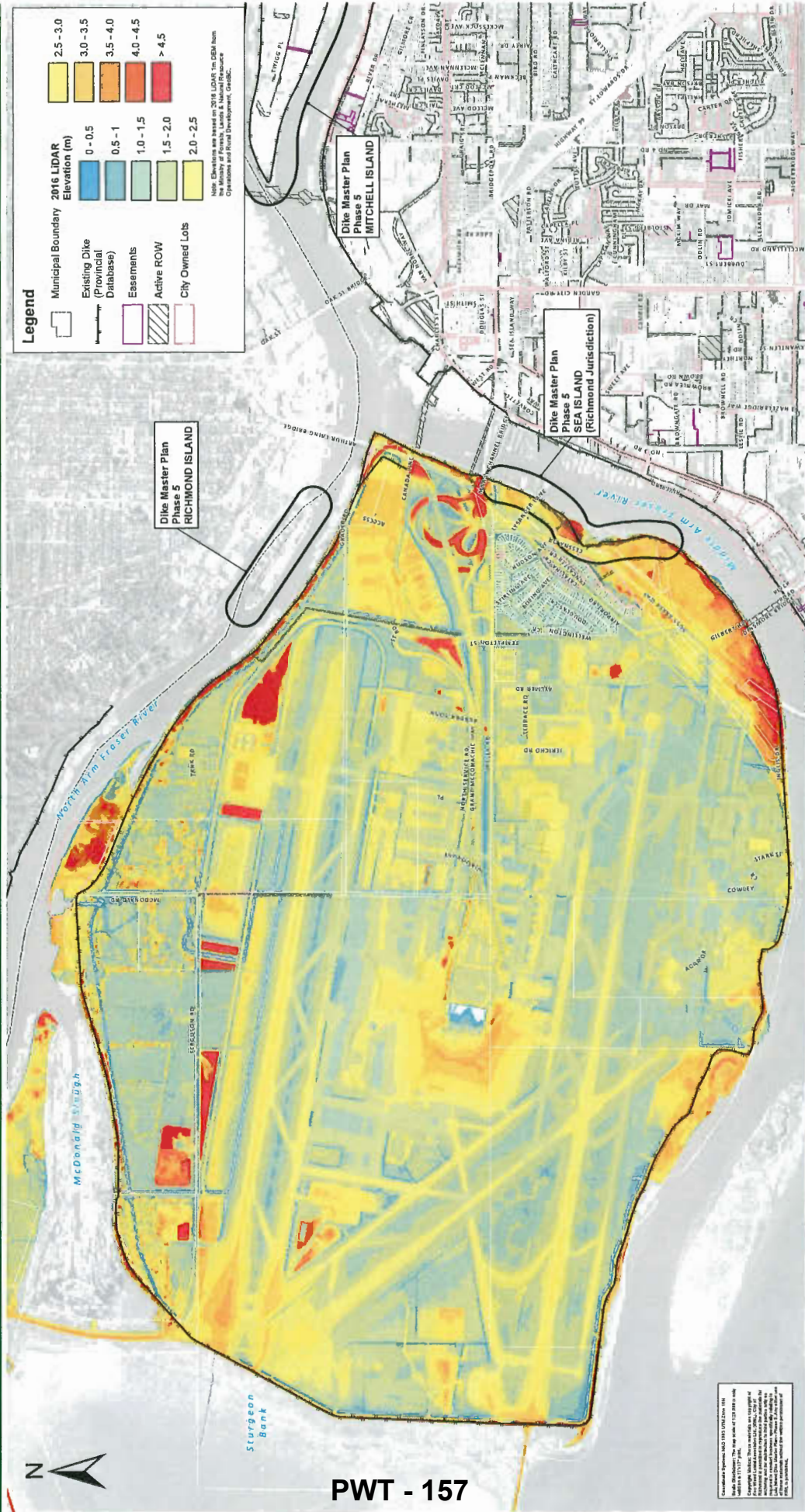


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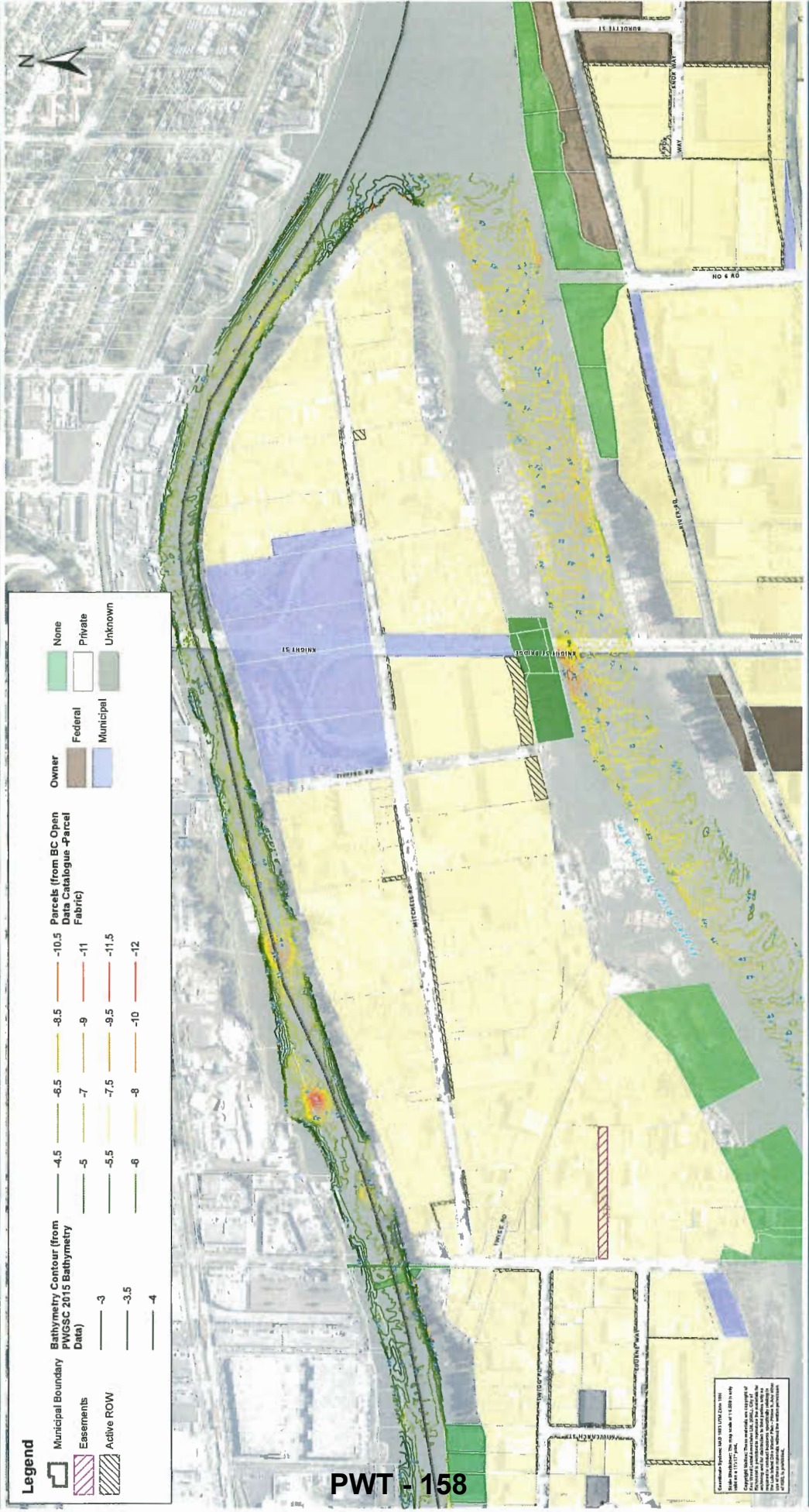
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Mitchell Island and Richmond Island Existing Ground Elevations

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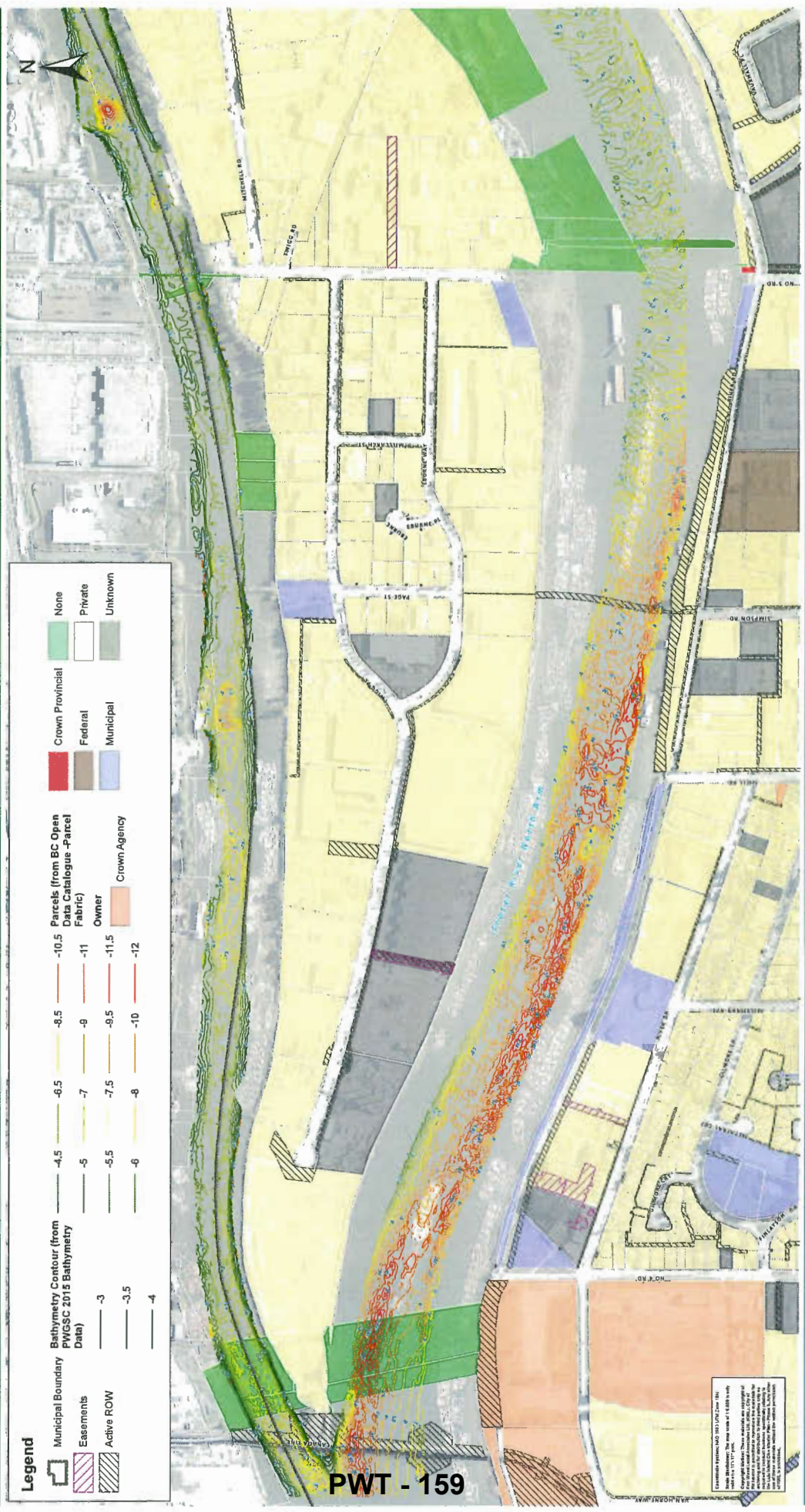
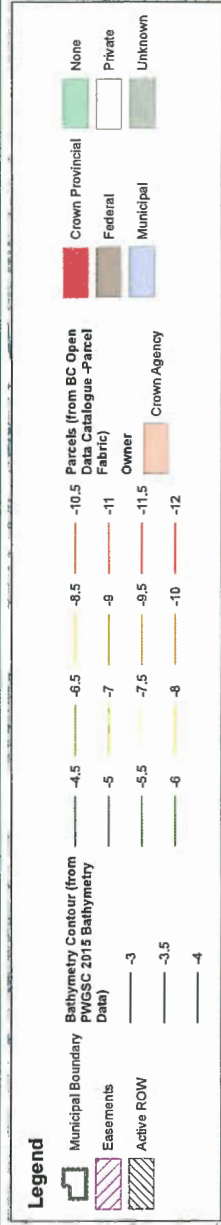
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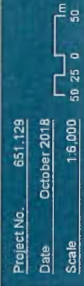
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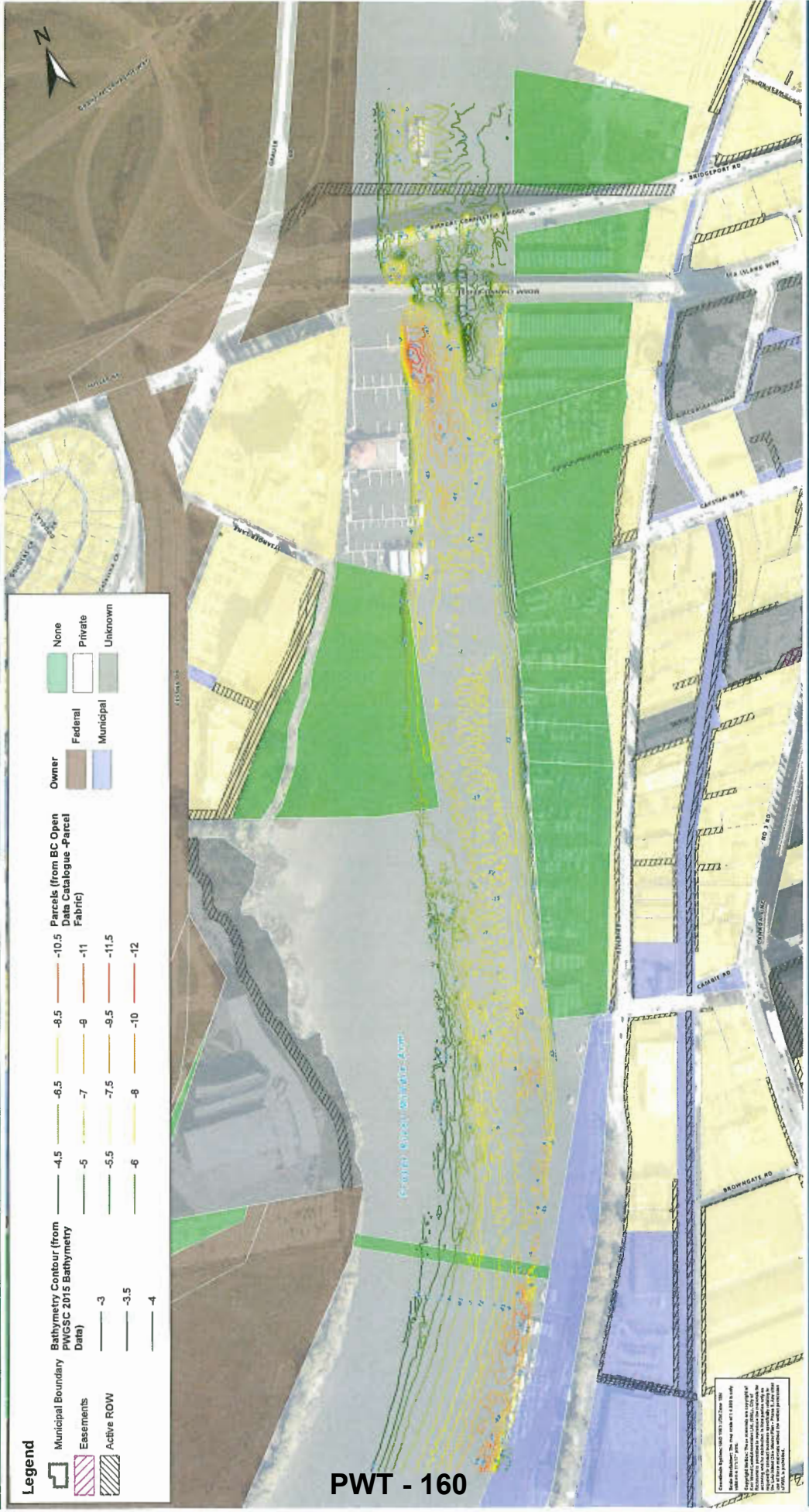


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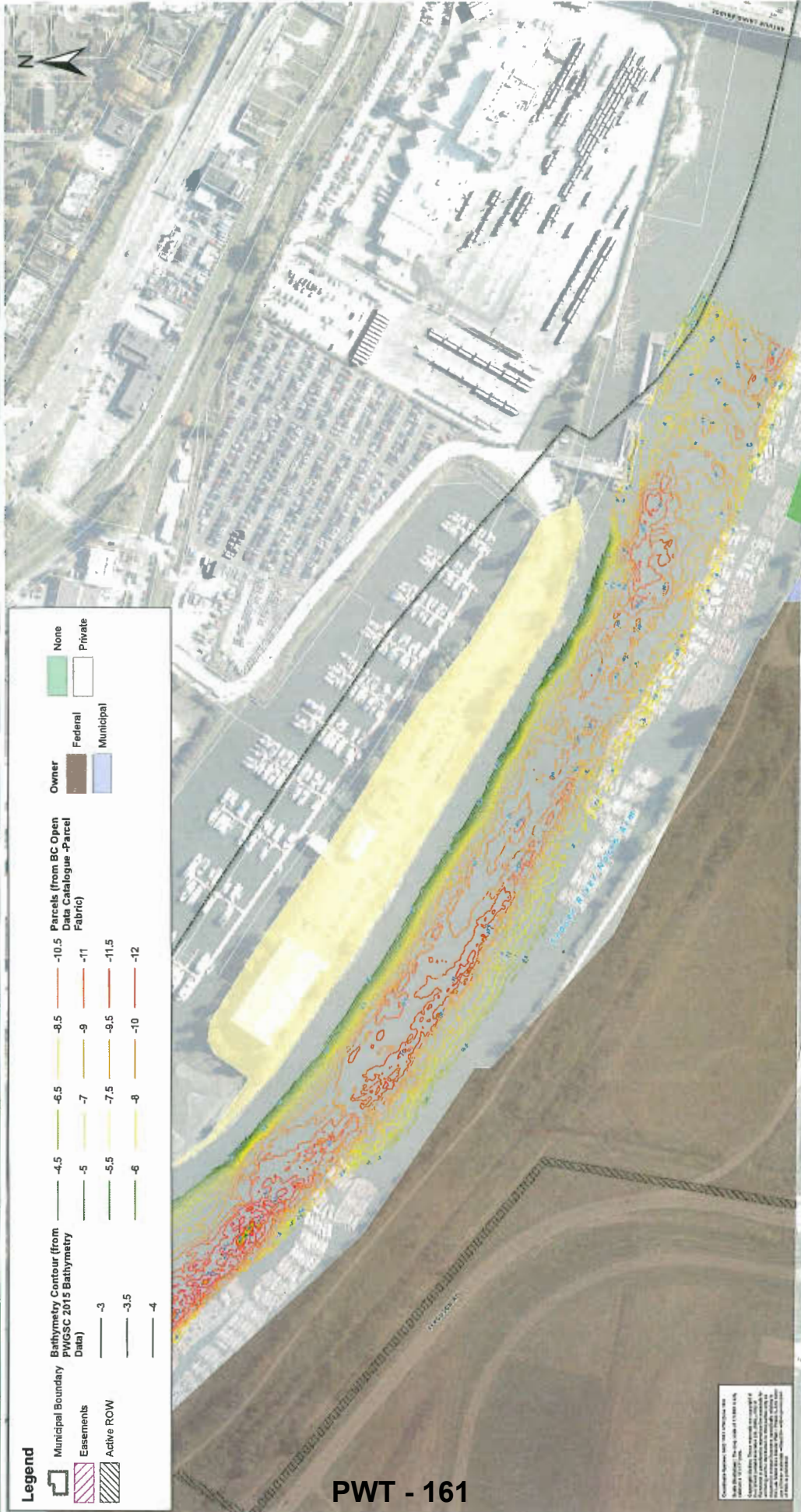
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	Municipal Boundary (from PWGSC 2015 Bathymetry Data)		-4.5		-6.5		-8.5		-10.5
	Easements		-5		-7		-9		-11
	Active ROW		-5.5		-7.5		-9.5		-11.5
			-6		-8		-10		-12
			-3		-3.5		-4		

	None		Private
	Federal		Municipal

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Bathymetry Contours - Richmond Island

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3. Options Assessment

This section summarizes the options development process, including the following components:

- design considerations and design criteria;
- upgrading strategies;
- upgrading options and concepts;
- options evaluation; and
- recommended options for implementation.

The next version of the draft report will include a summary of external stakeholder engagement results.

3.1 Design Considerations

This section summarizes the main themes and issues that have informed the development of upgrading strategies and options for Phase 5. This includes general design considerations applicable for all three islands, and site-specific considerations for each island as described below.

Dike Performance, Maintenance, and Upgrading

Dike performance, maintenance, and upgrading are the most important design considerations for the Dike Master Plan.

The following themes define an ideal vision for dike upgrading:

1. **Level of Protection:** The City's 2008-2031 Flood Protection Management Strategy sets a target level of protection for structural measures. The City is presently developing an updated flood protection management strategy that will have an even more ambitious flood protection level target. The level of protection translates to a hazard-based design flood scenario to be incorporated into the Dike Master Plan. At this time, the proposed design flood scenario for the City's perimeter dikes is the 500-year return period flood event (0.2 % annual exceedance probability, AEP) with climate change allowances including 1 m of sea level rise. However, the Dike Master Plan should be flexible to accommodate a future change in the design flood scenario in the future.
2. **Form and Performance:** The preferred form of a dike is a continuous, compacted dike fill embankment with standard or better geometry. Walls and other non-standard forms are less reliable and are not preferred. Phase 5 considers alternative structural flood protection options apart from a dike in undiked areas. The level of performance of flood protection works for Sea Island, Richmond Island, and Mitchell Island should be in line with the moderate population (mainly Sea Island) and assets that the dike protects. The dike should meet all relevant design guidelines of the day and in some cases, exceed guidelines to provide a higher level of performance. Dike performance can be expressed in terms of freeboard above the design flood scenario water level and factors of safety against various failure processes, including flood conditions and internal erosion (piping).
3. **Passive Operation:** Minimal human or mechanical intervention or operation should be required to achieve full dike performance. To achieve this, the dike should not have any gaps, gates, or stop log structures.



4. **Enhance Performance (slow failure):** There will always be uncertainties in dike design and performance, and completely preventing any dike failures cannot be guaranteed. However, the likelihood of a catastrophic dike failure causing significant flood damages can be reduced by design features that aim to slow down failure processes, provide redundancy, and provide time to implement emergency repairs. In general, failure can be slowed or controlled with additional setback, crest width, and armouring of the river-side slope, crest, and land-side slope. Such measures can slow the impacts of river erosion, overtopping erosion, and stability failures. Increased monitoring approaches and technology may also be helpful.
5. **Post-earthquake Protection:** The dike should provide adequate protection following a major earthquake until permanent repairs can be implemented. In general, this means avoiding dike conditions where a major earthquake results in a sudden and full failure of the dike cross-section into the river, referred to as a ‘flowslide failure’. Other conditions where the dike crest settles, but still provides sufficient freeboard and factors of safety until repairs can be conducted may be acceptable. In general, increased crest width, crest elevation, and setback from the river may be undertaken to help achieve adequate post-earthquake protection. In some cases, improved seismic performance will also require ground improvement and densification works.
6. **Future Upgrading:** Uncertainty in climate change, particularly sea level rise timing, may require the City to further upgrade the dike sooner or higher than anticipated by current guidelines and policies. Sufficient space should be reserved under secured land tenure for future upgrading based on standard geometry. Conceptual design is provided for design flood levels which incorporate 1 m of sea level rise, and proof-of-concept design is provided for design flood levels which incorporate another 1 m water level increase for further climate change impacts (i.e. 2 m of sea level rise).

Some specific design considerations related to the above principles are presented in Table 3-1.

Table 3-1: Ideal Dike Design Principles and Considerations

Design Principle	Ideal Design Principles and Considerations
Level of Protection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Based on 2008-2031 Flood Protection Management Strategy • Currently proposed: 500-year return period (0.2% AEP) with climate change allowances as per provincial studies
Form and Performance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continuous, compacted dike fill with standard or better geometry • Crest elevation and adequate freeboard • Factors of safety against stability • Minimal infrastructure within the dike corridor • Adequate bank protection works or setback
Passive operation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No gaps, gates, or stop logs • Passive monitoring (e.g. SCADA water levels)
Enhance Performance (slow failure)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wide dike crest • Armoured river-bank slope to resist erosion • Paved/armoured crest and/or land-side slope to resist overtopping • Wide setback from the river



Design Principle	Ideal Design Principles and Considerations
Post-earthquake Protection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No loss of full dike geometry into the river ("flowslide failure") up to a return period to be determined Adequate post-earthquake freeboard and stability until repairs Wide dike crest and/or wide setback from the river
Future upgrading	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Space and tenure for upgrading (standard or better geometry) Avoid need for future infrastructure relocation or land acquisition

Road Safety and Access

The safety of drivers, cyclists, and pedestrians on existing roadways is a consideration in Phase 5, though to a lesser extent than Phases 3 and 4, which are located along River Road or Dyke Road. In Phase 5, some design options consider relocating the dike to an existing roadway (Sea Island) or raising roads to provide emergency egress (Mitchell Island). This includes Cessna Drive, Russ Baker Way, Lysander Lane, and Hudson Avenue on Sea Island, and potentially the entire road network on Mitchell Island.

City transportation engineering staff were consulted during the master plan development to provide input on dike upgrading concepts that will also improve road safety. Current options include providing the same level of service for vehicles, pedestrians, and cyclists as already provided. Travel lane and multi-use path widths are documented in the design criteria in Section 3.2.

Vehicle access to properties located along proposed upgrade areas is also an important consideration. Dike raising alignments that raise roadways will impact driveway access for commercial and industrial landowners. Land-use on these properties includes industrial and commercial. As such, a variety of vehicles, including semi-trailer trucks, need safe access from the roadways to these properties. Currently, these properties are generally at grade with and access is provided via asphalt or gravel driveways.

Driveway access was considered in options development by identifying several access upgrading concepts including land filling to raise sites to the dike/road level and raising driveways to tie-in with the upgraded roadways.

Shared Dike Responsibility with YVR on Sea Island

As previously noted, YVR and the City of Richmond share responsibility for the Sea Island perimeter dike. The options development and assessment only include concepts for the reach of the dike the City is responsible for: from the Moray Channel Bridge to the southern property boundary of BCIT (approximately 1.1 km). The boundaries of YVR and Richmond jurisdiction should be further discussed during consultation before finalization of the Dike Master Plan. Shared responsibility requires coordination with YVR at tie-in locations, and to ensure consistent dike upgrade criteria are used for the dike system.

Other reaches of the dike where the City owns land (discussed in Section 2) are understood to be YVR's responsibility, and the City will be consulted as YVR plans upgrades to the dike on City land. YVR has met with the City and noted its plans and progress to upgrade the Sea Island dike to 4.7 m CGVD28. YVR has already upgraded portions of the dike to this elevation along the south airfield and near Grauer Road. YVR plans to complete its own Dike Master Plan in the coming years to guide long-term dike upgrades.



Existing Commercial and Industrial Developments

Sea Island

The dike on the eastern side of Sea Island is closely hemmed in by the river and existing development. Dike improvements will impact waterfront access, the existing developments, and pedestrian access. Major developments along the dike include BCIT, Pacific Autism Family Center, Lysander Holdings Ltd, and the Pacific Gateway Hotel (Van-Ari Holdings Ltd). In addition, the dike closely parallels Cessna Drive in one location with no established dike right-of-way and a low crest elevation. Dike upgrading options consider limiting impacts to these developments while maintaining flood protection.

Mitchell Island

Mitchell Island is tightly constrained by industrial and commercial facilities, including private water-oriented industries and other commercial and industrial sites along the river bank with little setback or access. Dike construction would require significant land acquisition (discussed further below), and consideration of the functionality of industrial sites.

Future dike construction on Mitchell Island may be challenging due to conflicts with site functionality for water-oriented industries as the dike height increases, lack of existing or need for new dike rights-of-way, and limited access to the river bank. The Dike Master Plan considers non-standard dike structures to reduce space required, opportunities to separate the dike alignment from water-oriented industries, and land raising by property owners to allow for continued use of the industrial spaces.

Internal Drainage System

As with any diked area, the drainage for the protected interior area must be integrated with the flood protection measures such that the protected area does not experience flooding due to conflicting functions between the drainage of water from the interior area and prevention of flooding from water exterior to the dike system.

The Phase 5 islands have limited locations where drainage infrastructure is located within likely dike upgrade / construction areas. Drainage infrastructure along the current or potential future dike alignment is limited to pump stations with associated drainage ditches and several drainage pipes that cross the dike with outfalls in the Fraser River. Existing drainage pipes that cross dike upgrades may need to be relocated or upgraded to accommodate the proposed section. As part of upgrades at pump stations, the existing intakes, associated ditch, and outfall may need to be modified or extended, and the pump station piping should be reviewed to consider structural impacts of the preferred dike section. In addition, pump station upgrades in the future should consider higher outfall water levels due to sea level rise and the associated higher required pump capacity.

Land Raising and Acquisition

Land acquisition is an important consideration for the development and evaluation of dike upgrading options. In many areas, the existing dike corridor and river bank (in undiked areas) is confined on both sides by private property with little to no room for expansion of the dike footprint or construction of a new dike. On Mitchell Island in particular, the river bank is very densely developed with no existing dike corridor and minimal land tenure in favour of the City. In options development, the City noted it would prefer securing rights-of-way over acquiring land.

The master plan identifies land acquisition needs for various upgrading options for comparison.

An alternative to land acquisition may be to raise private property lots up to the dike elevation to create a much wider land raising platform (similar to recent developments along the Middle Arm (e.g. Olympic Oval).



River Scour

Dike design along the Fraser River should consider the potential for scour that may undermine the dike. Bathymetry data is collected by the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority (“Port”) in the main channel of the river to ensure navigation is unimpeded. Due to the navigational focus of the data collection, near-shore bathymetry along the islands in the Fraser River is not collected. In further stages of design beyond the Dike Master Plan, dike upgrades should consider local scour risks and potential collection of additional near-shore bathymetry data where the Port data indicates scour may be occurring. Due to the large size of the river, constructing bank protection works (riprap or other), below the scour depth is often not practical. Design could consider filling scour holes (see existing scour holes on Figures 2-4 to 2-7), or investigation of site-specific scour protection.

Sea Island Bridges

The Sea Island dike alignment at the north end of the City’s reach ties into the Moray Channel Bridge (Ministry of Transportation ownership). The land between the Moray Channel Bridge and the Airport Connector Bridge (YVR ownership) is above the current dike level of 3.5 m CGVD28, based on 2016 EMBC LiDAR data. For future raises, the land between the bridges would need to be raised, but more significantly, the Moray Channel Bridge deck is below 4.7 m CGVD28 and poses a gap in the dike for the future design flood level. In the long term, it would be preferred if the bridge was replaced with a higher deck structure that at least meets the upgrade dike elevation of 4.7 m CGVD28 and exceeds the future dike elevation of 5.5 m CGVD28. In the interim, the City could consider raising the dike and the land between the two bridges until the bridge is replaced.

Mitchell Island Contamination

As a result of the long history of industry and fill from unknown sources, it is expected that a significant portion of Mitchell Island may be contaminated (according to City staff). This has implications for dike design in that material excavated may be contaminated and land acquisition would have greater cost and liability to address potential contamination. In addition, current land use on the island includes industries with oil, fuel, metals, and other potential pollutants, which present an environmental risk if the island were flooded.

Environmental Considerations

City of Richmond Bylaws

The City’s Official Community Plan (OCP) bylaw (2011) includes an Ecological Network Management Strategy (ENMS) that identifies ecologically important areas in the City’s Ecological Network (EN). These areas include Environmentally Sensitive Areas (ESAs), Riparian Management Areas (RMAs), and EN components (hubs, sites, and corridors, shoreline, city parks).

ESAs are designated as Development Permit Areas (DPAs) with specific restrictions and guidelines for development controlled through a review and permitting process (HB Lanarc-Golder and Raincoast Applied Ecology 2012). There are five ESA types, based on habitat, each with specific management objectives. These are summarized in Table 3-2 and more detailed guidelines can be found in HB Lanarc-Golder and Raincoast Applied Ecology (2012). According to Richmond’s OCP, dike maintenance is exempt from development permits in ESAs. However, the guidelines provide useful direction that can be used to minimize impacts to these areas and provincial and federal legislation (see below) still applies to these areas.



RMA's are setbacks that were implemented in accordance with the provincial *Riparian Areas Protection Act* and act as pre-determined Streamside and Protection Areas (SPEAs) under the Act. They extend 5 m or 15 m back from the top of bank of the City's higher value drainage channels or more natural watercourses and are to remain free from development unless authorized by the City (City of Richmond, 2017). RMA's are not present in Phase 5 reaches.

Hubs, sites, and corridors are components of the City of Richmond's EN, which aren't specifically afforded protection, but often overlap ESAs and RMA's, which are protected. These components are present on Sea Island and Richmond Island.

Dike upgrade options will consider the potential impacts to these areas.

Table 3-2: City of Richmond ESA Type Management Objectives

ESA Type	Reaches Where Present	Management Objectives
Intertidal	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prevent infilling or direct disturbance to vegetation and soil in the intertidal zones Maintain ecosystem processes such as drainage or sediment that sustain intertidal zones
Shoreline	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preserve existing shoreline vegetation and soils, and increase natural vegetation in developed areas during development or retrofitting
Upland Forest	None	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintain stands or patches of healthy upland forests by preventing or limiting tree removal or damage, and maintaining ecological processes that sustain forests over the long-term
Old Fields and Shrublands	None	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintain the extent and condition of old fields and shrublands, while recognizing the dynamic nature of these ecosystems Preservation should recognize the balance between habitat loss and creation with the overall objective of preventing permanent loss of old fields and shrublands
Freshwater Wetland	None	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintain the areal extent and condition of freshwater wetland ESAs by preserving vegetation and soils, and maintaining predevelopment hydrology, drainage patterns, and water quality

Source: (HB Lanarc-Golder and Raincoast Applied Ecology 2012)



Fish Habitat and Offsetting

Fish and aquatic habitat is protected by the federal *Fisheries Act*. Under the Act, *serious harm to fish* must be authorized by the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans and impacts that cannot be avoided or mitigated must be balanced through offsetting. Offsetting plans are negotiated on a case-by-case basis and may require consultation with aboriginal groups and the Province. Offsetting measures include habitat restoration or enhancement and habitat creation and must be proportional to the loss caused by the project.

Often, the amount of offsetting habitat created is greater than the area of habitat impacted. The area of offsetting may need to be increased to account for uncertainty of effectiveness and time lag between impacts and offsetting. Selecting offsetting locations and beginning habitat creation works prior to all impacts occurring can help to reduce requirements for additional offsetting area required due to lag time. Creation of a smaller number of larger area habitat restoration, enhancement, or creation sites would allow for a more efficient use of resources and potentially reduce uncertainty.

Wildlife Considerations

Migratory birds, their eggs, and active nests are protected by the *Migratory Birds Convention Act* and appropriate measures must be taken to avoid incidental take. The most effective and efficient of these measures includes scheduling vegetation clearing outside of the migratory bird nesting season. If this is not possible, bird nest surveys can be completed immediately prior to vegetation clearing to identify active nests and delay vegetation clearing until the nest is no longer active.

The nests of Bald Eagles, herons and other raptors (both active and inactive) are protected under the provincial *Wildlife Act*. It is also prohibited under the *Wildlife Act* to disturb or harm birds and their eggs. The detailed design stage for dike upgrading should attempt to avoid the removal of trees where bald eagle nests are located.

Native amphibian species may use the drainage channels on the land side of the dike at certain times of year. These species are protected by the provincial *Wildlife Act* and detailed design should also consider potential impacts to these species

3.2 Design Criteria

This section describes the main design criteria used in the Phase 5 Dike Master Plan. These criteria were developed and reviewed by the City in KWL's memorandum *Richmond Dike Master Plan – Phase 5: Objectives, Key Issues, and Criteria*.

Table 3-3 presents a summary of the criteria and is followed by additional discussion. The criteria are presented in terms of both what is the minimum acceptable level and the preferred level.



Table 3-3: Phase 5 Design Criteria Summary

Item	Value and Description	
	Minimum Acceptable	Preferred
Proposed Dike Crest Elevation	4.7 m CGVD28 downstream of Nelson Road (all of Phase 5)	
Future Dike Crest Elevation (for proof-of-concept design)	5.5 m CGVD28 downstream of Nelson Road (all of Phase 5)	
Geometry and Stability	4 m wide crest with dike fill core 3H:1V land-side slope 3H:1V river-side slope (or 2H:1V with riprap revetment) Retaining walls minimized Sheetpile walls acceptable only with minimum 4 m wide dike fill core behind wall No standalone flood walls Meet minimum geotechnical factors of safety	Meets or exceed provincial dike standard and City dike standard
Land Tenure	Registered standard right-of-way	Dike located on City-owned land
Infrastructure in Dike	Crossings designed with seepage control Locate parallel infrastructure to land-side away from dike core	No infrastructure in dike
Land Adjacent to Dike	Land is raised as much as is practical	Land is raised to meet or exceed dike crest elevation
Seismic Performance	Minimum 3.2 m CGVD28 post-earthquake dike crest elevation and maintain dike core integrity	No damage to dike from earthquakes up to a return period to be determined
River-side Slope and Setback	2H:1V bank slope with riprap revetment designed for freshet flow velocities and vessel-generated waves	>10 m setback between river top of bank and dike river-side slope toe 3H:1V river-side bank slope with acceptable vegetation
Crest Surfacing and Land-side Slope Treatment	Crest surfacing: 150 mm thick road mulch Land-side slope treatment: hydraulically seeded grass	Meet or exceed provincial dike standard and City dike standard Consider paved crest and land-side slope vegetation/armouring to add robustness against overtopping
Road Design Width ^a To be Confirmed with City Staff	0.5 m allowance for barrier & 0.6 m min horizontal clearance on road shoulders 3.5 m travel lanes (to existing service level) 3.0 m multi-use path for non-industrial Total width (2-lanes): 9.2 m	0.5 m allowance for barrier & 0.6 m min horizontal clearance on road shoulders 1.5 m min. boulevard along shoulders 1.5 m sidewalks or 3 m two-way path ^b 3.0 m two-way cycling path to replace existing facilities ^b 3.5 m travel lanes (to existing service level)
<p>a. Based on City of Richmond Engineering Design Specifications for Roadworks (2008). https://www.richmond.ca/shared/assets/Roadworks20127.pdf</p> <p>b. For industrial areas (Mitchell Island), cycling facilities and two-way paths are not included (maintains current level of service).</p>		



Dike Crest Elevation

At this time, the Province has not established a Fraser River flood profile and dike design profile that considers sea level rise and climate change. It is understood that the Fraser Basin Council's Lower Mainland Flood Management Strategy project may produce a recommended future flood profile. The most recent available flood profile information is provided in the Province's 2014 study of climate change and sea level rise effects on the Fraser River flood hazard.

The designated flood profile for developing the master plan is proposed as the maximum of the following flood scenarios:

- 500-year return period coastal water level with 1 m of sea level rise (no wave effects); and
- 500-year return period freshet with moderate climate change impacts and 1 m of sea level rise.

Figure 3-1 shows the estimated flood profile water levels (in CGVD28 vertical datum, excluding freeboard) along the river in the study area. As shown on the figure, the coastal flood scenario governs from the Ocean upstream to approximately Nelson Road.

Dike crest elevations are derived by adding freeboard and an allowance for land subsidence to the flood level. Table 3-4 presents the components that sum to the proposed dike crest elevation for Phase 5, which is entirely located in the area governed by the coastal flood hazard.

Table 3-4: Phase 5 Flood Levels and Dike Crest Elevations

Item	Downstream of Nelson Road
Governing Flood Hazard	Tide + storm surge
Level of Performance	500-year return period (0.2% annual exceedance probability)
Climate Change Allowance	1 m sea level rise
Designated Flood Level (m, CGVD28) ^a	3.8
Wave Effects Allowance (m)	None
Freeboard (m)	0.6
Land Subsidence Allowance (m)	0.2
Minimum Dike Crest Elevation (m, CGVD28) ^b	4.7
Future Dike Crest Elevation (m, CGVD28) ^c	5.5
Notes:	
a) From (BC MFLNRO, 2014).	
b) The City's adopted downstream design crest elevation (4.7 m) exceeds the minimum required elevation (4.6 m). This is a result of updated coastal water level analysis methods (joint probability analysis) that result in a discrepancy when compared to previous methods (additive method).	
c) Expandable for an additional 1 m of sea level rise (no additional freeboard or land subsidence allowance).	

The master plan also allows for further upgrading by providing proof of concept for raising to between 5.5 m downstream of Nelson Road (coastal).



Seismic Performance

The current provincial seismic performance criteria for dikes are generally difficult to meet without costly and impractical ground improvement works. Additionally, the guidelines are considered very conservative in some situations because they require performance under extremely rare scenarios. For example, the guidelines require dikes to maintain 0.3 m freeboard in the event of a 10-year return period flood occurring following a 2,475-year return period earthquake which has a probability of 0.004% in a 1-year period. This is significantly rarer than the design event for the dike crest elevation (500-year return period event has a 0.2% annual exceedance probability). It is understood that the Province is conducting a review of the current criteria and associated guidelines.

An alternative seismic performance approach that focuses on failure mechanisms and post-earthquake level of protection is proposed. The alternative criteria are presented below.

Table 3-5: Proposed Alternative Seismic Performance Criteria

Criteria	Description / Value
Failure Mechanisms	Flowslides (resulting in full loss of dike cross-section into the river or ditch) are not acceptable up to a return period to be determined (e.g. 2475-year return period).
Maximum post-earthquake overtopping probability	0.2% Annual exceedance probability. Calculate probability through comparison of various post-earthquake dike crest elevations and future flood levels + 0.3 m freeboard. Assume a minimum 1-year exposure period for dike repairs, or longer if local site conditions warrant. In general, this results in a minimum post-earthquake dike crest elevation of 3.2 m which corresponds to the governing scenario of an average annual maximum coastal water level (1.9 m) with 1 m of sea level rise occurring within 1 year of a 475-year return period earthquake.

This approach would make the service level of the dike in a seismic scenario consistent with the service level for the dike crest elevation which is based on a 500-year return period flood or a 0.2% annual exceedance probability.

For the coastal design dike crest elevation of 4.7 m CGVD28, this approach would allow for up to 1.5 m of vertical settlement, as long as core dike integrity is maintained.

The length of time between earthquake and dike repair will be a critical assumption for analysis to support this approach. The City may wish to specify consistent assumptions through the Dike Master Plan to ensure consistent analyses. For example, reconstruction of a dike that has failed into the river channel following a flowslide failure from an extreme earthquake may take up to 2 years or more, whereas more straightforward compaction and raising of a settled dike could be done in less than a year after an earthquake.

The seismic performance criteria may need to be further reviewed if/when the Province issues updated guidelines for seismic performance of dikes.



3.3 Alternative Upgrading Strategies

Several high-level upgrading strategies, summarized in Table 3-6, were considered to inform the development of specific options for the Dike Master Plan.

Table 3-6: High-level Dike Upgrading Strategies

Strategy	Advantages	Disadvantages
Road Dike <i>Raise road to dike crest elevation</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Smaller footprint Wider crest (more robust) Smaller impacts to habitat 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Operation and maintenance challenges Infrastructure within dike High cost to raise dike in the future
Raise Riverbank Dike <i>Conventional dike along riverbank extending land-side</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimize footprint 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limited space Impacts to river side riparian and intertidal habitat and land side riparian and aquatic habitat Reduced seismic performance Erosion hazard
Fill River-Side Dike <i>Build into river to achieve conventional dike</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Less impacts to existing development and on-shore infrastructure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Larger impacts to river side riparian and intertidal habitat Reduced seismic performance Erosion hazard
Setback Dike <i>Realign significantly away from river</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increased seismic performance Reduced erosion hazard Increased opportunities for riparian and intertidal habitat enhancement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase in unprotected development High infrastructure impacts High cost to construct new dike alignment
Land Raising (“superdike”) <i>Raise development and roads adjacent to dike</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wider crest (more robust) Reduced grading issues (after implementation) Less impacts to raise a dike in the future 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Timing and phasing depends on development High cost to raise large lots with low-density land use Grading and access issues for water-oriented developments
Bank Protection Works Only <i>Protect the river bank from erosion</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No City responsibility for a dike Reduced impacts to industrial and commercial activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reliance on private development reliance for land raising Acceptance by property owners of flood risk Environmental impact (river works and flooding related contamination)



3.4 Options and Concepts

Through a series of meetings and site visits with City staff, the high-level upgrading strategies have been narrowed down to a set of options and concepts that may be appropriate for each island. The broad overall options developed for Phase 5 are listed below, with specific options by island in the following sections.

- Option 1: Build/raise dike
 - Option 1a: Build/raise standard river dike and extend land-side
 - Option 1b: Build/raise standard river dike and extend river-side
 - Option 1c: Build/raise dike with land-side retaining wall
- Option 2: Raise land
 - Option 2a: Raise land to dike elevation
 - Option 2b: Raise land to acceptable level of flood protection
- Option 3: Maintain/install bank protection works only
- Option 4: No structural improvements

In addition to the above general options, the following options have been developed to address site-specific issues at water-oriented industries and at select other locations.

- Option 1d: Build/raise dike with sheetpile wall on river-side
- Option 1e: Build setback dike along Cessna Drive North of BCIT
- Option 1f: Build setback dike around hotel
- Option 1g: Raise dike with river-side sheetpile wall and land-side retaining wall (interim option)
- Option 2c: Raise roadways with required land raising on private property

Table 3-7 presents a summary of the options as applied to each island based on discussions with City staff and is followed by a discussion of the options.

Table 3-7: Major Dike Alignment and Cross-section Options

Reach ID & Name	Alignment and Cross-section Options
Mitchell Island: General	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Option 1a: Build standard river dike and extend land-side • Option 1b: Build standard river dike and extend river-side • Option 1c: Build dike with land-side retaining wall • Option 2a: Raise land to dike elevation • Option 2b: Raise land to acceptable flooding level • Option 2c: Raise roadways with required land raising on private property • Option 3: Maintain/install bank protection works only • Option 4: No structural improvements
Mitchell Island: Water Oriented Industries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Option 1d: Build dike with sheetpile wall on river-side
Sea Island: General	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Option 1a: Raise standard river dike and extend land-side • Option 1b: Raise standard river dike and extend river-side • Option 1c: Raise dike with land-side retaining wall (at constrained locations) • Option 2a: Raise land to dike elevation



Reach ID & Name	Alignment and Cross-section Options
Sea Island: Pacific Gateway Hotel and at Cessna Drive north of BCIT	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Option 1e: Build setback dike on Cessna Drive North of BCIT• Option 1f: Build setback dike around hotel• Option 1g: Raise dike with sheetpile wall on river-side and land-side retaining wall (interim option)
Richmond Island: General	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Option 2a: Raise land to dike elevation• Option 2b: Raise land to acceptable flooding level• Option 4: No structural improvements

Option 1A: Build/Raise Standard River Dike and Extend Land-side

The primary option developed for Mitchell Island and Sea Island involves raising or constructing a standard dike and extending the footprint of the fill towards the land-side. Figure 3-2 presents a typical cross-section for this option, and Appendix A contains plan and section views of the footprint of this option for Sea Island.

Figure 3-2 shows a 10 m wide dike crest for a dike elevation of 4.7 m CGVD28. This overwide dike allows for raising to 5.5 m CGVD28 without additional dike footprint needs. Alternatively, the dike could be narrowed to a 4 m crest initially, which would require additional land for future raises. The river bank slope of the dike would include riprap bank protection works. This option is favourable as it would provide a standard dike as per the provincial dike design guidelines without impacting the foreshore beyond the installation of bank protection works. Where bank protection works is not already present, its installation will result in the loss of riparian habitat, which will require offsetting. There is no loss of riparian or aquatic habitat anticipated on the land side of the dike.




On Sea Island, this option is feasible for the majority of the City's dike reach and requires on average an additional 10 to 12 m beyond the current dike toe. However, there are several locations where this dike option could not currently be constructed due to limited space available for the dike (near hotel buildings/infrastructure, the marina, and Cessna Drive immediately north of BCIT). There may also be insufficient space in some additional locations for the future raise to 5.5 m CGVD28 (along BCIT and near Lysander Lane). Rights-of-way or land acquisition is required north of Lysander Lane and for a small section immediately north of the BCIT property. The dike upgrade may require upgrades at the Miller Road Drainage Pump Station, and relocation existing utilities and lighting along the dike path. The existing multi-use path would be maintained at the crest.

On Mitchell Island, there is currently no dike (or the previous dike has not been maintained or inspected). As a result, building a standard dike would require land acquisition or right-of-way for the entire perimeter of the island, with the exception of one small section where a right-of-way already exists. On average, this option would require 7 to 8 m of land from the riverbank landwards. There are several locations on Mitchell Island where construction of a dike would impact permanent or temporary structures, and many more where it would impact industrial operations. For some industrial sites, water access is required, and a standard dike may not be preferable. Any dike upgrade would require upgrades at the Tipping Road South and Mitchell Road South drainage pump stations. For all options, the Twigg Island sanitary forcemain (north side) and a watermain south of Paige Street underly the proposed dike and would need to be considered during detailed design. As Mitchell Island is industrial, a multi-use path would not be included along the dyke crest.





The areas with the most severe space limitations and potential options to address the access issues are presented in Table 3-8.



Table 3-8: Significant Space Limitations and Access Issues

Reach / Location / Description	Photo	Options to Address Footprint and Access
<p>Sea Island</p> <p>Cessna Road north of BCIT property</p> <p>STA 0+430 to 0+460 (refer to Appendix A)</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Retaining wall on landside • Move dike towards River (see Option 1B) • Replace pump station during dike upgrades
<p>Sea Island</p> <p>Pacific Gateway Hotel and Marina</p> <p>STA 0+850 to 1+000 (refer to Appendix A)</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Retaining walls and raised Marina access (see Option 1C) • Relocation of existing utilities and movement of temporary infrastructure
<p>Sea Island</p> <p>Moray Channel Bridge and Airport Connector Bridge</p> <p>STA 1+070 to 1+130 (refer to Appendix A)</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider dike elevation in future bridge replacement deck elevation • Raise the land between the two bridges to dike elevation in the interim






Reach / Location / Description	Photo	Options to Address Footprint and Access
<p>Mitchell Island</p> <p>Lafarge</p> <p>13340-13360 Mitchell Rd</p> <p>STA 0+320 to 0+520 (refer to Appendix A)</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raise parcel of land at time of redevelopment (see Option 2) • Install sheetpile wall on the riverbank to allow continued river access (see Option 1D)
<p>Mitchell Island</p> <p>Terminal Forest Products Ltd. (south side)</p> <p>12480-12380 Mitchell Rd</p> <p>STA 1+200 to 1+350 (refer to Appendix A)</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raise parcel of land at time of redevelopment (see Option 2) • Install sheetpile wall on the riverbank to allow continued river access (see Option 1D)
<p>Mitchell Island</p> <p>Richmond Steel Recycling - Broadway Properties Ltd</p> <p>11760 Mitchell Road</p> <p>STA 1+400 to 1+450 (refer to Appendix A)</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raise parcel of land at time of redevelopment (see Option 2) • Install sheetpile wall on the riverbank to allow continued river access (see Option 1D)
<p>Mitchell Island</p> <p>Ontrack Systems Inc. (Container West & Platinum Marine)</p> <p>11660-11580 Mitchell Rd</p> <p>STA 1+900 to 1+700 (refer to Appendix A)</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raise parcel of land at time of redevelopment (see Option 2) • Install sheetpile wall on the riverbank to allow continued river access (see Option 1D)



Reach / Location / Description	Photo	Options to Address Footprint and Access
<p>Mitchell Island</p> <p>Tipping Road South Drainage Pump Station</p> <p>STA 2+000 (refer to Appendix A)</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Replace pump station during dike upgrades
<p>Mitchell Island</p> <p>Mitchell Road South Drainage Pump Station</p> <p>STA 2+000 (refer to Appendix A)</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Replace pump station during dike upgrades
<p>Mitchell Island</p> <p>Grand Hale Marine Products Ltd. 11551-11571 Twigg Pl</p> <p>STA 5+150 to 5+400 (refer to Appendix A)</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raise existing access points and provide dike crest access • Raise parcel of land at time of redevelopment (see Option 2) • Install sheetpile wall on the riverbank to allow continued river access (see Option 1D)
<p>Mitchell Island</p> <p>Terminal Forest Products Ltd. (south side) 12191 Mitchell Rd</p> <p>STA 5+800 to 5+950 (refer to Appendix A)</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raise parcel of land at time of redevelopment (see Option 2) • Install sheetpile wall on the riverbank to allow continued river access (see Option 1D)



Reach / Location / Description	Photo	Options to Address Footprint and Access
<p>Mitchell Island</p> <p>Lehigh Hanson Materials Ltd. 12571 Mitchell Rd</p> <p>STA 6+150 to 6+350 (refer to Appendix A)</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raise parcel of land at time of redevelopment (see Option 2) • Install sheetpile wall on the riverbank to allow continued river access (see Option 1D)
<p>Mitchell Island</p> <p>Goldwood Industries Ltd. 12691 Mitchell Rd</p> <p>STA 6+350 to 6+520 (refer to Appendix A)</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raise parcel of land at time of redevelopment (see Option 2) • Install sheetpile wall on the riverbank to allow continued river access (see Option 1D) <p>*currently operating partially on City of Richmond road dedication</p>
<p>Mitchell Island</p> <p>Savo Lazarian (owner) 13611 Mitchell Rd</p> <p>STA 7+300 to 7+400 (refer to Appendix A)</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raise existing access points and provide dike crest access • Raise parcel of land at time of redevelopment (see Option 2) • Install sheetpile wall on the riverbank to allow continued river access (see Option 1D)



Option 1B: Build/Raise Standard River Dike and Extend River-Side

A secondary option developed for Mitchell Island and Sea Island involves raising or constructing a dike by extending the footprint of the fill towards to the river-side (onto the Fraser River foreshore in some locations. Figure 3-3 presents a typical cross-section for this option.

Figure 3-3 shows a 10 m wide dike crest, which would be wide enough to accommodate a dike upgrade to 5.5 m CGVD28 without increasing the footprint. This approach would reduce the frequency of impact to the riparian or intertidal habitat by disturbing it more initially to prevent disturbance again when it is upgraded. Alternatively, the dike could be only 4 m wide initially, and require extension for future upgrades. Option 1B would result in the loss of aquatic habitat, which would need to be offset. The river bank slope of the dike would include riprap bank protection works at a minimum, but it could also include a riparian planting bench, saltmarsh, or bioengineering bank protection works to offset riparian habitat impacts. Work in the foreshore would require land acquisition, rights-of-way, or lease from the Province. This option provides a standard dike as per the provincial dike design guidelines and reduces impacts to adjacent properties; however, it would have negative environmental impacts and is not preferred for stability considerations building onto the river foreshore.

On Sea Island, this option could be considered in specific locations that are presently constrained (Cessna Drive north of BCIT), or locations that will be constrained in the future (Lysander Lane and BCIT). This option is generally not preferred for the entire dike reach, due to constraints near the hotel and at the Miller Road pump station, stability building on the foreshore, and habitat impacts. At Cessna Drive north of BCIT, only a small length of the dike runs directly along Cessna Drive and the dike is set back from the river bank. As a result, Option 1B could be selected for a short length in this location with relatively limited environmental impacts and without requiring any construction down the river bank itself. The existing multi-use path would be maintained at the crest.

On Mitchell Island, this option would reduce the need for land acquisition but the need for rights-of-way and access remains the same, given the present lack of access to the riverbank. Option 1B could be considered to reduce impacts to existing operations, though it was not preferred by the City in options development. As Mitchell Island is industrial, a multi-use path would not be included along the dyke crest.

The significant access and space constraints described in Table 3-8 are generally applicable to Option 1B as well.

Option 1C: Build/Raise Dike with Land-Side Retaining Wall

Option 1C involves building a dike with a landside retaining wall. This option was developed for specific locations on Mitchell Island and Sea Island where space is constrained by existing buildings on the land-side. No habitat impacts are anticipated on the land side of the dike in these locations. Riprap installation would, however, impact riparian habitat on the river side. Figure 3-4 presents a typical cross-section for this option.

Figure 3-4 shows a 7 m wide dike crest and retaining wall, which would be wide enough to accommodate a dike upgrade to 5.5 m CGVD28 without increasing the footprint. Alternatively, a narrower (~4.5 m) retaining wall dike could be considered as an interim measure and an alternative option be implemented when a site is redeveloped. Retaining walls should consider the need for handrails for safety, in accordance with applicable regulations.

On Sea Island, this option could be considered in several locations, as described below. The existing multi-use path would be maintained at the crest.



- Along the northern end of the BCIT building where the existing space may not be sufficient for a future raise to 5.5 m CGVD28.
- Immediately north of the BCIT property at Cessna Dr, where the existing space is not sufficient for a dike upgrade without impacting Cessna Dr. or moving the dike towards the river side. A retaining wall would likely not be sufficient to raise to 5.5 m without moving the dike towards the river.

On Mitchell Island, retaining walls are commonly used, and the City has recently approved a development with lock block walls used to reach the required elevation for flood protection. Dikes with retaining walls could be considered as an interim measure until redevelopment, or in locations where water access for industry is not required but the footprint needs to be narrower than a standard dike. As Mitchell Island is industrial, a multi-use path would not be included along the dyke crest.

The significant access and space constraints described in Table 3-8 are generally applicable to Option 1B as well, though it may be able to address some of the concerns on Sea Island.

Option 1D: Build/Raise Dike with Sheetpile Wall on River-Side

Option 1D involves building a dike with a river-side sheetpile wall. This option is only considered for specific locations on Mitchell Island where access is required for water-oriented industries (see Table 3-8), or potentially at pump stations to reduce space requirements. Figure 3-5 presents a typical cross-section for this option.

Figure 3-5 shows a 4 m wide dike crest and sheetpile wall, which would require raising and an increase in footprint for future upgrades. This approach reduces the overall footprint at first. Alternatively, the dike could be widened to a 7 m crest initially, which would allow for future upgrading to 5.5 m CGVD28 without extending the footprint. The sheetpile wall could provide a vertical surface for easier barge access (as it is in several locations currently on Mitchell Island), or it could be setback and the existing river bank slope maintained. A sheetpile wall could also be considered in conjunction with land raising (Option 2). This option would limit impacts to riparian and aquatic habitat. As Mitchell Island is industrial, a multi-use path would not be included along the dyke crest.

Option 1E: Build Setback Dike on Cessna Drive North of BCIT (Sea Island)

This option considers an alternative dike alignment on Sea Island that follows Cessna Drive from the northern end of the BCIT property to Miller road and ties back into the dike at the Miller Road drainage pump station. Figure 3-6 presents a typical cross-section and Figure 3-7 presents a plan conceptual alignment.

Cessna Drive directly parallels Russ Baker Way with only a concrete no-post barrier between, and as a result, creating a setback dike along Cessna Drive would also require raising Russ Baker Way. An alternative to raising Russ Baser Way would be to construct a retaining wall for Cessna Drive, which has not been shown in the attached figures. Figure 3-6 shows Cessna Drive raised with an 11.7 m wide crest, with two driving lanes and a sidewalk on the east side, to match existing amenities. The existing utilities that run along Cessna Drive would need to be relocated. Russ Baker Way would be raised to the 4.7 m CGVD28, with three lanes of traffic on either side of the road and a 1.2 m wide median diving the road. The raised road would tie into the existing high-ground/berm that around the eastern side of Burkeville. To better allow for future raises on Cessna Drive and to improve cycling safety, this option proposes that the north and southbound bike lanes be separated from the roadway and located on the berm above Burkeville. This option would require realignment of the existing drainage ditch and pump station, or relocation closer to Russ Baker Way.



The benefits of this option are that it creates a wide “superdike” (more stable), reduces the risk of dike erosion by setting it back from the river bank, does not require impacts to aquatic or riparian vegetation, and raises an important transportation corridor that could provide egress in a dike breach scenario. However, this option has significant drawbacks as it would be a significant cost to raise such a major roadway and relocate utilities, disrupt traffic on a busy corridor, and it would leave four properties outside of the dike without City flood protection, one of which recently built a 4.7 m CGVD dike.

Option 1F: Build Setback Dike around Hotel (Sea Island)

Option 1F considers an alternative dike alignment on Sea Island around the Pacific Gateway Hotel, which would place the hotel outside of the dike. The existing dike is closely hemmed in by the hotel and the marina and restaurant on the landside. There is no room for a standard dike raise in this location without relocating buildings and infrastructure or constructing a non-standard dike with a retaining wall or similar. In the long term (to achieve 5.5 m CGVD28), maintaining the current dike alignment would require removal or relocation of some buildings and on-site infrastructure, which could occur when the site is eventually redeveloped. In addition, ongoing work along this section has installed infrastructure in or along the dike without consideration of impacts to the dike. Figure 3-7 presents a plan conceptual alignment for the setback dike.

Figure 3-7 shows the setback dike following Lysander Lane, connecting to Cessna Drive, and tying back into the existing dike alignment at the Miller Road drainage pump station. Land acquisition on the border of the hotel property could be considered to avoid raising Cessna Drive where it is directly adjacent to Russ Baker Way, to avoid also needing to raise Russ Baker Way. Alternatively, Russ Baker Way could also be raised, similar to the description in Option 1E. The existing utilities that run along Cessna Drive, and Lysander Lane would need to be relocated to the water or landside toe. This option would require realignment of the existing drainage ditch and pump station or relocation closer to Russ Baker Way.

This option could provide a wider and more stable dike setback from the river and associated erosion risk and impacts to riparian and aquatic habitat would be limited. However, the dike in its current location is already afforded some protection by the adjacent Marina and setting back the dike leaves the hotel property unprotected from flooding.

Option 1G: Raise Dike with River-Side Sheetpile Wall and Land-Side Retaining Wall (Interim Option on Sea Island by Hotel and Marina)

Option 1G involves an interim non-standard dike raise to 4.7 m CGVD28 with a sheetpile wall on the along the river bank and a landside retaining wall. This option would only be appropriate for the Sea Island dike along the Pacific Gateway Hotel and adjacent marina, where the developments limit raising a standard dike without redevelopment. When the site is developed, a standard dike (Option 1A) could be established. An interim option is considered for this location as it is currently one of the lowest elevation areas on the Sea Island dike, with several locations below the current dike design elevation of 3.5 m CGVD28. Figure 3-8 presents a conceptual cross-section for the interim dike.

Figure 3-8 shows a 4 m wide dike crest with sheetpile wall along the top of the existing river bank and a landside retaining wall. Retaining walls should consider the need for handrails for safety, in accordance with applicable regulations. The existing multi-use path would be maintained at the crest. This option would require raising the access ramps to the marina restaurant. This reduced footprint would result in less loss of riparian and aquatic habitat area.



Option 2: Raise Land to Dike Elevation (2A) or Lower Acceptable Level (2B)

Option 2A and 2B both involve raising the land adjacent to the riverbank, rather than building a dike. For option 2A, land would be raised to the dike elevation or higher, and in Option 2B land would be raised to a lower level that would result in an acceptable level of flood protection, which could be determined by the City during the Dike Master Plan and through stakeholder consultation. It is expected that land raising would either be required by the City when sites redevelop (cost to owners) or that the City would purchase land, raise it, and resell it as improved land. This could be considered on Mitchell Island or Richmond Island. Option 2B would not be considered for Sea Island. Figure 3-9 shows a typical section of land raising.

In both options, bank protection works would be recommended, and it could be installed and maintained by property owners or by the City. The benefit of this option is that it would provide more robust flood protection by raising all of the land on the river bank rather than constructing only a perimeter dike; however, the City would likely need to stipulate acceptable fill and compaction standards to avoid the use of unacceptable or contaminated fill. The downside of this option is that it would likely delay flood protection upgrades until a site develops (in some instances this may not occur for a significant length of time. In such instances, the City may need to consider interim flood protection options or purchasing of the land to expedite upgrades. Riprap bank protection works would result in the loss of riparian habitat which will need to be offset.

On Sea Island, Option 2A could be considered along the entire reach in the long-term, but it might be particularly applicable for the hotel property due to the tight constraints for the existing dike alignment. In this location, the dike could be raised with a retaining wall or similar in the short-term, with a long-term plan to raise the property. On Mitchell Island, raising the land is favourable as the City does not have access or a right-of-way to establish a dike. In addition, land raising by owners would likely have fewer impacts on water-oriented industries than a perimeter dike, which would require appropriate access for the industrial activities. Land raising in these instances could be considered with a sheetpile wall along the waterfront, as exists in several locations already.

Option 2C: Raise Roadways with Required Land Raising on Private Property (Mitchell Island)

Option 2C involves raising the entire road network on Mitchell Island to the dike elevation or lower level and providing access to property owners, with the requirement for private properties to raise their land to dike elevation through redevelopment. This would provide flexibility to properties where land raising is in conflict with industrial activities, but it would maintain an egress route (raised road) for all properties. In addition, this option would include progressive right-of-way acquisition for a future perimeter dike as properties redevelop. Figures 3-10 and 3-11 show a conceptual plan and section of raising the roads on Mitchell Island to 4.1 m CGVD28 (dike elevation less freeboard of 0.6 m); raising roads to the full dike elevation of 4.7 m CGVD28 could be considered in the longer term as sites raise land. Figure 3-12 shows a typical cross-section for right-of-way acquisition along the river.

Figures 3-10 and 3-11 show a 12 m wide roadway with sidewalks and boulevards on both sides, to match existing conditions, which results in an approximately 18 m wide roadway, as per the City of Richmond Engineering Design Specifications for Roadworks. No cycling facilities would be provided given the industrial zoning of Mitchell Island. Driveway accesses would be 13 m wide at a maximum grade of 8%. The current road elevations are 2 to 3 m CGVD28, and as a result raising the roads to the dike elevation would 1 to 2 m of road raising, as shown on Figure 3-10. For road raising with adjacent low properties, the design would need to consider narrowing roadways or constructing retaining walls to avoid impacting private property. Right-of-way acquisition around the riverbank would allow for



maintenance or construction of bank protection works if required and construction of a perimeter dike in the future for dike elevations beyond 4.7 m CGVD28.

The most challenging aspects of this option would be balancing road raising with site access and existing building located along the roadways. As the island is largely industrial, acceptable grades and widths are important for industrial traffic and operations, and there are many locations where current buildings are located directly along the roads with little to no setback. As a result, the implementation would need to consider impacts to adjacent properties, timing of property redevelopment with roadways, and acceptable access. However, this option would provide a raised emergency egress in the event of a flood and allows property owners to raise lands to meet the road over time. Fraser River riparian or aquatic habitat are not anticipated to be impacted by this option, though impacts of private property raising would need to be assessed by land owner.

Option 3: Maintain/Install Bank Protection Works Only (Mitchell Island)

Option 3 considers the alternative where the only flood protection works the City is responsible for is installation and maintenance of bank protection works. This is only considered an option for Mitchell Island, as Sea Island has an existing dike, and Richmond Island is one private lot. On Mitchell Island, all bank protection works are private works and there is no requirement for owners to protect their properties from erosion. However, erosion starting at one unprotected property may place adjacent properties at risk as erosion progresses. City installation and maintenance of bank protection works would provide consistent protection around the island and reduce the risk of erosion and damage to adjacent property as a result of a neighbouring property's negligence. Figure 3-13 shows a section of Option 3.

This option could be considered in conjunction with other flood protection strategies, such as land raising and FCL's or covenants (covered in the 2008-2031 Flood Protection Strategy and not the Dike Master Plan). Bank protection works in areas where not already present would result in impact to riparian habitat and require offsetting.

Option 4: No Structural Improvements

Option 4 is considered to be the status quo for Mitchell Island and Richmond Island, both of which only have private flood protection infrastructure in place. The Province's dike database indicates an unregulated dike on Mitchell Island under Richmond's authority, though no evidence of a dike is apparent on the island.

On Richmond Island, as described previously, a covenant is in place that acknowledges that the City has no plans to protect the Island from flooding and releases the City from any damage or losses caused by flooding or erosion. In addition, the majority of Richmond Island is located above 5.5 m CGVD28, with the exception of the causeway that connects the island to the City of Vancouver. The more significant flooding and erosion concern is expected to be the ongoing scour along the Fraser River North Arm in this location, which the City may wish to notify the owner of, if they are not already aware.

On Mitchell Island, this option would maintain status quo and would not infringe on industrial and commercial operations. In the absence of structural flood mitigation works, consideration could still be given to non-structural measures such as increasing FCL's or covenants that acknowledge that the property is not protected against flooding or erosion. For Mitchell Island, this option is not expected to be preferred as it does not meet the City's general vision of not allowing any part of Richmond to flood. In addition, flooding of the island would have economic and property losses and may cause environmental contamination.



3.5 Stakeholder Engagement

Stakeholder engagement for Phases 3, 4, and 5 of the Dike Master Plan is being completed jointly in two stages. Prior to City Council review, initial stakeholder engagement was completed that included meetings with internal City departments and government agencies. This initial stakeholder engagement allows for input from City groups on options developed, additional background, and future coordination, with the goal of informing the preferred upgrade options. Following Council review, additional stakeholder engagement is planned, which will include meetings with specific stakeholder groups and a public consultation event. The second stage of stakeholder engagement is intended to inform the public on the draft recommended options and seek any feedback the City may wish to consider in finalizing the Dike Master Plan and moving toward implementation.

For Phase 5, the parties consulted to date include the following.

- Vancouver Airport Authority (YVR);
- City of Richmond Transportation;
- City of Richmond Parks, Planning, and Sustainability; and
- Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations, and Rural Development (MFLNRORD), including Inspector of Dikes, Flood Safety, and Water Authorizations staff.

The Department of Fisheries and Oceans (DFO) declined to meet with the City, stating that input would be provided during later stages in the established review and approvals process. Additional stakeholder consultation following Council review is planned to include the public and specific groups and properties who may be uniquely impacted by dike upgrades.

3.6 Options Evaluation and Selection

The options described in Section 3.4 have been evaluated based on the design considerations and feedback from the stakeholder meetings held to date. Draft recommended options have been identified and are described below. As noted previously, the recommended options are intended to provide a basis for dike upgrades and planning, with the immediate goal is to raise the dikes to allow for 1 m of sea level rise, and to allow for further upgrading in the future. Environmental impacts, drainage impacts, and geotechnical considerations associated with the recommended options are also summarized below.

It is understood that the recommended options will be confirmed through Council, and additional stakeholder consultation.

The recommended options are summarized in Table 3-9 and Figure 3-14, and further described in the following sub-sections.



Table 3-9: Recommended Dike Upgrading Options (Phase 5)

Reach # and Name	Recommended Options
1 – Mitchell Island	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Option 2C: Raise roadways with required land raising on private property
2 – Sea Island	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Option 1A: Raise standard river dike and extend land-side <p><i>Site specific options in constrained locations:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Option 1B: Raise standard river dike and extend river-side Option 1C: Raise dike with land-side retaining wall <p><i>Site specific interim option at hotel and marina:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Option 1G: Raise dike with river-side sheetpile wall and land-side retaining wall
3 – Richmond Island	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Option 4: No flood protection works

Recommended Option: Reach 1 - Mitchell Island

Mitchell Island has no existing flood protection works other than private bank protection works (riprap and sheetpiles) around most of the island. Due to this, the City is in a position to consider alternatives to diking. There are many locations around the perimeter of the island that are well below the current design dike crest elevation of 3.5 m CGVD28 (in some locations as low as approximately 2.5 m). The island is densely developed with industrial and commercial operations, many of which actively access the Fraser River for their businesses.

As a result, a perimeter dike would be highly disruptive to business and would require significant right-of-way or land acquisition. Alternatively, progressive land raising by redevelopment would provide the benefit of flood protection at a timeline that is not disruptive to business. By raising roadways and providing driveways, the City can provide emergency egress and access for properties as they are gradually raised. This would also reduce cost to the City by requiring developments to cover the cost of raising the majority of the land. The drawback to this approach is that in the short term, low properties below the current dike elevation will continue to be at risk of flooding and related environmental contamination. This may warrant short-term collaboration with owners to reduce these risks. Raising roads in advance of property raising would also require trade-offs between reduced road size and amenities, or infringement onto private properties. To partially address this, road raising could initially be conducted to 4.1 m CGVD28 (dike elevation less freeboard) or a lower elevation selected by the City.

The following option is recommended for Mitchell Island.

- **Raise Roadways with Required Land Raising on Private Property (Option 2C):**
 - Raise all roadways to dike elevation by the City to provide emergency egress (considering partial raises in low areas to reduce impacts to operations).
 - Require owners to raise parcels to dike elevation during redevelopment.
 - Acquire rights-of-way and access during redevelopment along the riverbank for a future dike to 5.5 m CGVD28 and bank protection works.
 - Work with low elevation (below current dike crest elevation of 3.5 m CGVD28) property owners in the short term to mitigate flood and related environmental contamination risks.

The recommended approach, and properties below the current dike elevation of 3.5 m CGVD28, are shown in Figures 3-10, 3-11, and 3-12. Appendix A shows potential right-of-way acquisition around the perimeter of the island.



Recommended Option: Reach 2 - Sea Island

Responsibility for flood protection on Sea Island is shared by YVR and the City. Jurisdictional boundaries and land ownership along the dike are unclear in some locations, including several spots where the City either owns land or has a road dedication along a section of the dike that YVR has assumed responsibility for. The City's portion of the Sea Island dike is generally agreed to be along the eastern portion of the island from BCIT to the Airport Connector Bridge.

The dike within this reach can be upgraded with a standard dike, with the exception of a few locations where space is constrained by existing buildings or roadways. In these locations, moving the dike alignment towards the river, or using retaining walls can be considered. This would limit infrastructure impacts and cost. In particular, the dike between the hotel and marina is below the current dike crest elevation of 3.5 m CGVD28, and there is not enough space to raise any standard form of dike to 4.7 m or 5.5 m CGVD28. As a result, an interim solution would be required for this location until the site redevelops. This could include either a setback dike around the building or a narrower dike with retaining walls.

The following option is recommended for the majority of City's portion of the Sea Island dike.

- **Raise Standard River Dike and Extend Land-Side (Option 1A):**

- Work with a legal land surveyor and YVR to establish clear jurisdiction boundaries for the dike.
- Raise the existing dike along the current alignment with a standard dike wide enough to accommodate a raise to 5.5 m CGVD28 (except in the short-term along the hotel and marina). At the northern end of the BCIT building, at Cessna Drive, and at Lysander Lane, this would require either moving the dike towards the river (Option 1B), building retaining walls (Option 1C), and/or raising the road for short sections.
- When the Miller Road Drainage Pump Station is upgraded (planned for 10 to 15 years in the future), provide structural capacity for loading due to the dike raise and ensure there is sufficient space for the dike raise.
- Consult with MOT to have the Moray Channel Bridge replaced with a higher structure that is above 5.5 m CGVD28 (when it is at the end of its design life) and raise the land between the two bridges.
- Acquire and widen existing rights-of-way for City access to the dike.

The following option is recommended as an interim solution at the hotel and marina.

- **Raise Dike with River-Side Sheetpile Wall and Land-Side Retaining Wall (Options 1G):**

- At the hotel and marina, raise the dike to 4.7 m CGVD 28 with a sheetpile wall embedded along the river-side and a land-side retaining wall.
- When the hotel area is redeveloped, establish a standard dike in accordance with the remainder of the reach.

The recommended options are shown in Figures 3-2, 3-3, 3-4, and 3-8. Appendix A contains plans and sections of the long-term upgrading recommendation.

A general recommendation for flood protection on Sea Island is to target land raising of the areas behind the dike. For areas where City property is located on the YVR portion of the dike, it is recommended that the City works with YVR to raise the dike at Richmond road crossings.



Recommended Option: Reach 3 - Richmond Island

The majority of Richmond Island is currently above the 5.5 m CGVD28 future dike crest elevation. Richmond Island is a single lot owned by North Fraser Terminals Inc., and leased to Milltown Marina & Boatyard Ltd. The development is connected to the City of Vancouver and its utility network and does not pay the City of Richmond Drainage Utility tax.

A covenant³ was registered against the land title in November 27, 2012 (between North Fraser Terminals Inc., the Milltown Marina & Boatyard Ltd., and the City of Richmond) that:

- acknowledges the risk of flooding and erosion on Richmond Island;
- notes that the City has no plans to protect the island from flood and erosion; and
- releases the City from any damage or losses caused by flooding or erosion.

The following option is recommended for Richmond Island.

- **No Structural Flood Protection Works (Option 4)**
 - The covenant appropriately addresses the existing situation. In the event of future redevelopment, flood protection on Richmond Island could be reconsidered.

The City may wish to inform/consult with the owners regarding scour in the North Arm.

Drainage Impact Assessment

Mitchell Island

The Mitchell Road South and Tipping Road South Drainage Pump Stations may be impacted by the road upgrades. Considerations for these two pump stations may include structural review and upgrade of the inlet bays and piping, as well as the outfall elevations of the pumps relative to projected sea level rise.

The drainage system within Mitchell Island would also be affected by the proposed road upgrades. The increase in road surface elevations would require adjustments to catch basin inlets and manholes on all roads where the surface would be raised. Some roads currently have drainage in roadside ditches with culverts at driveway crossings. These ditches would likely be required to be either replaced with storm sewer pipes beneath the roadway and additional catch basin inlets to collect runoff or be filled in and moved to be outside the new toe of the raised roadway.

Sea Island

The drainage system on Sea Island is not complete in the City's GIS database and the full range of potential impacts from proposed dike upgrading are not known at this time. The Miller Road Drainage Pump Station will be impacted by dike upgrades, where structural changes may be required to accommodate the increased dike section. In addition, extension of the pump station outlet and review of outfall elevations relative to projected sea level rise should be completed. There may also be impacts to the drainage system where the dike is constrained by Cessna Drive between chainage 0+400 and 0+450, but there is no drainage shown for the road in this location.

Richmond Island

On Richmond Island, no changes are proposed and there is therefore no impact on drainage.

³ CA2885848. RCVD: 2012-11-27.



Habitat Impact Assessment

Mitchell Island

Based on initial desktop review, road raising on Mitchell Island is not anticipated to result in impacts to riparian or aquatic habitat. Future raising of land parcels by landowners will need to consider environmental impacts including impacts to riparian and aquatic habitat, and the need for offsetting.

Sea Island

The recommended option for Sea Island will result in an estimated impact of 1,100 m² of high-quality Fraser River intertidal habitat and 1,900 m² of high-quality Fraser River riparian habitat. These areas represent an estimate based on FREMP habitat mapping (2007), and City of Richmond orthoimagery interpretation (2017). Not all Fraser River riparian and intertidal habitat was quantified. The desktop review only quantified high-quality riparian and intertidal habitat types on the Fraser River side of the existing dike. The remaining habitat area, while not calculated, would also be required in calculations for determining offsetting requirements. A more precise calculation of the area of impact would require an aquatic habitat survey, and an aquatic effects assessment.

Richmond Island

As no structural flood protection works are proposed for Richmond Island, no associated impacts to riparian and aquatic habitat will occur.

Geotechnical Considerations for Recommended Options

The proposed dike improvements were assessed with consideration for the BC Seismic Design Guidelines for Dikes.

Thurber Engineering Ltd. (Thurber) assessed 2 sample river dike cross-sections (one for Sea Island and one for Mitchell Island) to estimate the potential deformation resulting from seismic events. The cross-sections were provided by KWL based on a standard river dike cross-section at what was judged to be the most susceptible areas for deformation. Soil conditions were determined by cone penetration tests conducted by Thurber. The analysis included seismic events representing 100, 475 and 2475-year return period events. Seismic performance was assessed using 2 methods: 1-D (i.e. flat ground) liquefaction assessment to estimate reconsolidation settlements, and 2-D numerical deformation assessment to estimate dynamic deformations. The methods are complimentary, and the results are interpreted together.

The preliminary geotechnical report is attached in Appendix B.

The key results of the geotechnical analysis are summarized below.

- Proposed dike cross-sections will not meet the performance requirements of the seismic design guidelines, without ground improvement or alternative approaches, based on the results of both assessment methods.
- The liquefaction hazard is considered insignificant for earthquakes up to the 100-year return period event.
- The liquefaction hazard is considered moderate and high for the 475 and 2475-year return period events respectively. The resulting deformations would be large.



- Liquefaction may result in a flowslide into the river for dike alignments along the river-bank due to lateral spreading, whereas it would result only in vertical deformation for dike alignments significantly set back from the river bank.
- The deformation analysis indicates that dikes may meet the performance requirements of the seismic design guidelines if they are typically set back 50 m to 100 m from the river-bank and have flat slopes or some localized ground improvement.

Options to address seismically induced deformations, and opinions on each, include:

- **Densification** – The typical approach to densification is to install stone columns beneath a dike. To be effective against the liquefaction expected to follow the 2475-year return period event, densification would have to extend the depth of the liquefaction zone, and for a similar width. In a typical scenario, this can be considered as a 30 m (width) by 30 m (depth) densification located at the river-side toe of the dike. Such densification can be very costly (e.g. \$9,000 to \$18,000 per lineal metre of dike). Alternate experimental techniques are being tested by the City that may offer a more economic solution.
- **Higher Crest** – For the 100-year return period event, additional crest elevation may compensate for deformations caused by settlement. For events that cause liquefaction, added height just results in added deformation, so it is less effective. This is not an effective strategy by itself for return periods above 100-year due to lateral spreading and large vertical deformations.
- **Setback and Slope** – Flatter dike side slopes improve seismic stability. However, to prevent large deformations in the 2475-year return period event, the maximum acceptable slope between the river channel invert and the dike crest would need to be approximately 2%, which would require a significant setback between the dike and river.
- **Wide Crest (“superdikes”)** – A very wide dike (e.g. crest width of 100 m to 200 m) could be used to extend the dike beyond the limit of significant lateral spreading due to liquefaction. A portion of the wide crest could be considered sacrificial in the event of major lateral spreading. Raising the land for approximately 200 m inland of the dike is desirable for related flood protection reasons, and may be desired by the City for other reasons such as land use planning. It has already been done as part of multiple family, commercial, and industrial development projects in some waterfront areas. Buildings within such areas must account for liquefaction in foundation design.
- **Dike Relocation** – Place the dike inland of the liquefaction lateral spreading zone (a setback dike approach) or place a secondary dike inland of the liquefaction lateral spreading zone. The wider option above would essentially include a secondary dike. Relocating the dike inland would be a form of retreat and would leave property and buildings exposed outside the dike.

Additionally, the City may wish to use alternative seismic performance criteria, such as the criteria discussed in section 3.2 which aims to develop a consistent level of performance between seismic scenarios and flood level scenarios (i.e. an overall 0.2% annual exceedance probability of failure across all hazards).



Recommendations to manage the seismic risk include:

- Consider the proposed alternative seismic performance criteria provided in Section 3.2. Review the criteria if/when the Province issues updated guidelines for seismic performance of dikes.
- Fill land for approximately 200 m inland of the dike to dike crest elevation. Buildings in this zone should be built above the dike crest elevation and have densified foundations capable of withstanding liquefaction. The required distance requires some additional evaluation and may be addressed in the pending update to the Flood Protection Management Strategy.
- Continue to investigate practical densification options, and consider earthquake induced dike deformations in emergency response and recovery planning.

3.7 Cost Opinions

Cost opinions for the recommended option in each reach are provided to help the City consider the financial implications for planning and comparing options. A breakdown is provided to help understand the proportional cost for items such as separating and raising the road.

Costs are based on unit rate cost estimates and tender results for similar works. The most relevant rates are from the City's Gilbert Road dike project. The City provided a summary of the cost estimate prepared by WSP for this project.

Rates from recent tenders for diking on the Lower Fraser River and other locations within the Lower Mainland were used to check the reasonableness of the rates and estimate other features such as sheet piles or large diameter drain pipes.

The costs were estimated for each island. They were also broken down into the main features that coincide with options that the City may wish to consider further. These features are described below.

- **Dike Raising** – this is the core element required to provide flood protection. It includes a 10 m crest width that can be raised while still achieving a 4 m crest width. This includes site preparation, fill, and erosion protection.
- **Road Structure and Utilities** – this includes stripping, subgrade preparation, pavement structure, drainage and utilities.
- **Road Raising** – this includes the additional fill required to raise the road to the dike crest elevation (4.1 m CGVD28 road raising initially).
- **Other** – features such as landscaping, habitat improvements, multi-use paths, driveway ramps and other amenities typically have a combined impact of less than 10%, so are lumped together for conciseness. This category was used to capture utilities if the option did not include road construction.
- **Contingency** – A 40% contingency is provided because the costs are based on concept plans only.

Table 3-10 presents a summary of all reaches with cost breakdowns for the items described above. Costs for each reach are also provided in the Reach Summary Sheets in Section 5.



Table 3-10: Summary of Construction Costs (\$ in Millions)

Item	Mitchell Island ^b	Sea Island ^c	Sea Island Interim Works ^d	Richmond Island 4	Total
Dike Raising	-	\$3.6 M	\$.8 M	No Flood Protection Works	\$4.4 M
Road Structure and Utilities	\$15. M	\$0.1 M	-		\$15.1 M
Road Raising	\$36.5 M	\$0.2 M	-		\$36.7 M
Other ^a	\$8.3 M	\$0.8 M	\$.1 M		\$9.1 M
Contingency (40%)	\$23.9 M	\$1.9 M	\$.3 M		\$26.1 M
TOTAL	\$83.6 M	\$6.5 M	\$1.2 M		\$91.4 M

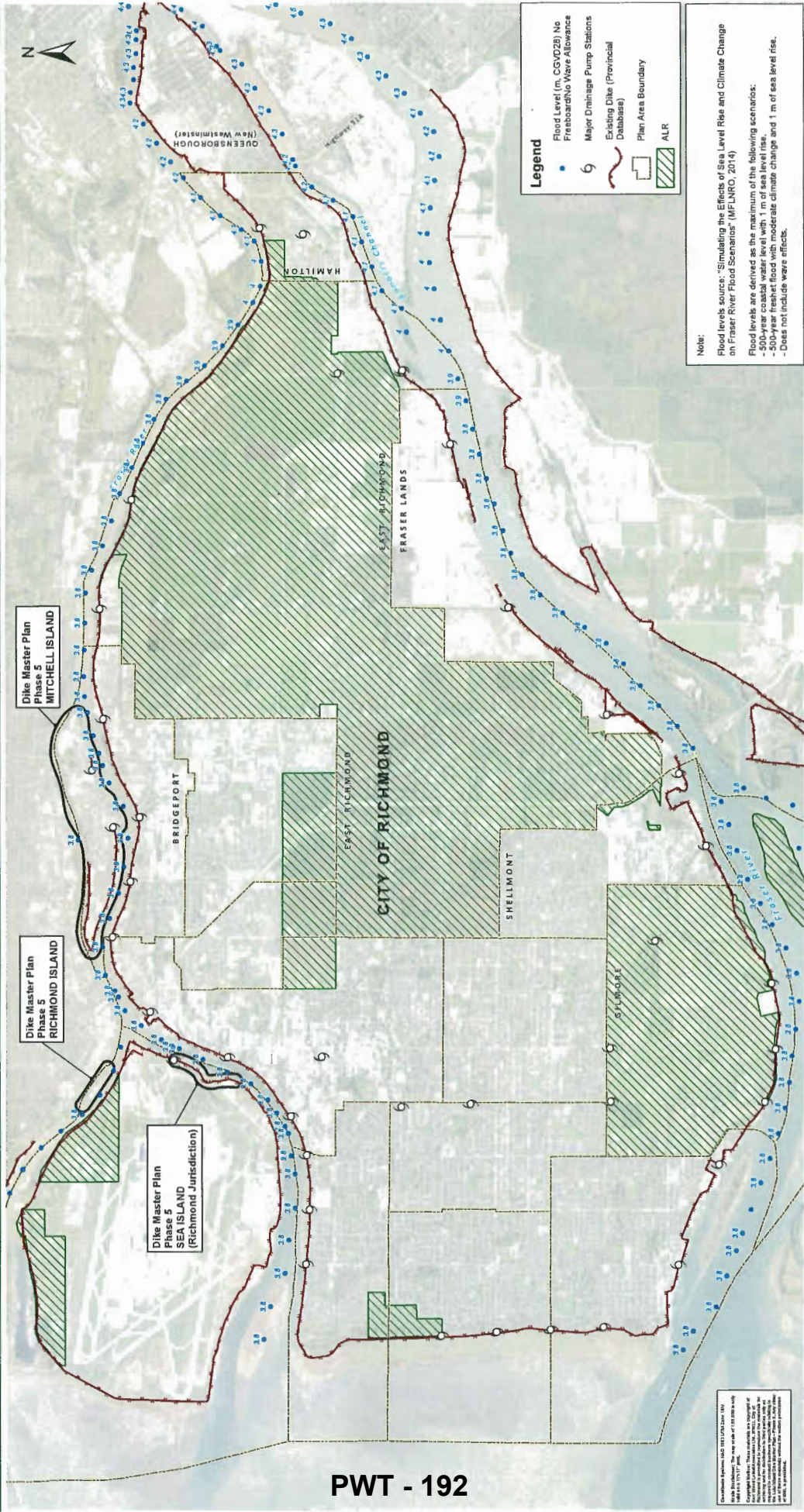
a. Driveway ramps and pathways
 b. Includes approximately 5.3 kilometres of road raising, reconstruction, and industrial driveway ramps.
 c. Includes approximately 0.9 km of dike raising and road raising at McDonald and Shannon Roads.
 d. Interim works refer to 150 m long sheetpile and retaining wall dike along the Pacific Gateway Hotel with access to the marina and hotel land.

Costs that are not included are noted below:

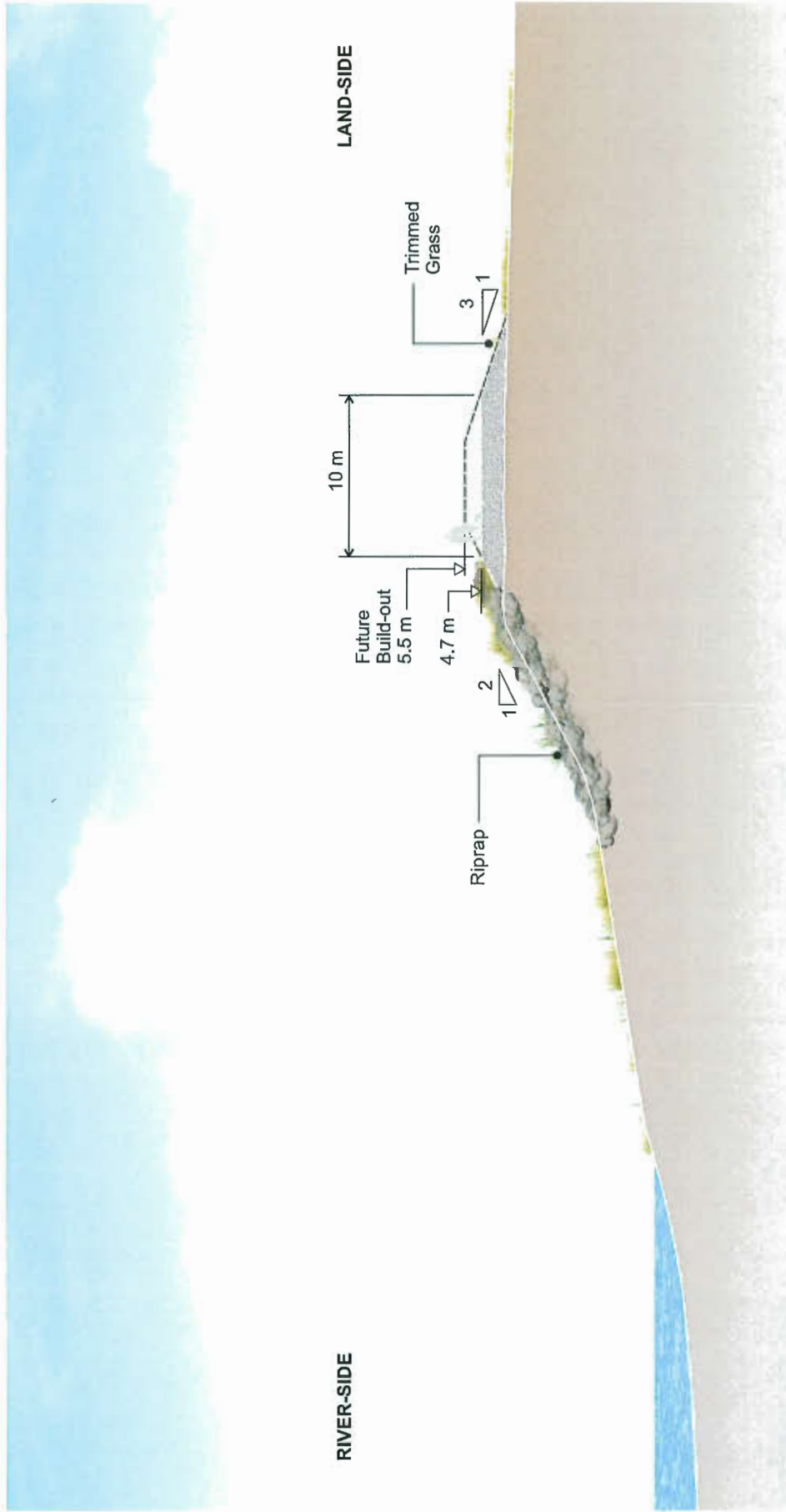
- Land acquisition is not included. Rights-of-way either exist or will be acquired during redevelopment. Similarly, there may be opportunities to have dike improvements tied to adjacent development.
- Densification is not included. The recommendation is to fill 200 m back from the dike face as a preferred strategy to deal with liquefaction. If the road and land behind the dike is not raised, then densification is recommended. Current techniques such as stone columns would cost approximately \$9,000 to \$18,000 per metre of dike.
- Off-site habitat projects (that may be needed beyond the habitat enhancement provided along the dike corridor) are not included. Such cost could be roughly 5% of the construction cost. It is understood that a separate Dike Master Plan may be prepared to address habitat compensation by identifying and developing medium to large habitat compensation concepts.
- Professional fees (engineering, surveying, environmental, archeological, etc.) are not included. Such costs could be in the range of 10% to 15% of the construction cost.
- Shoreline protection works and land raising on industrials sites on Mitchell Island are not included. Similarly, raising the land behind the dike is not included on Sea Island. These costs are proposed to be a condition of development behind the dike, with the cost and benefit attributed to property owners.
- Contaminated site remediation on Mitchell Island is not included. To ensure land raising keeps pace with increasing flood risk and sea level rise, the City may consider acquiring, raising, and reselling select properties. Based on historical land use on Mitchell Island, land acquisition is expected to involve site investigation for contamination. Contaminated sites investigations include the following, with approximate average cost estimates provided by City staff⁴:
 - Phase 1 Site Investigation (desktop) - \$1,500 per property;
 - Phase 2 Site Investigation (sampling) - \$25,000 per property; and
 - additional investigation and remediation for a Certificate of Compliance - \$250,000 per property.

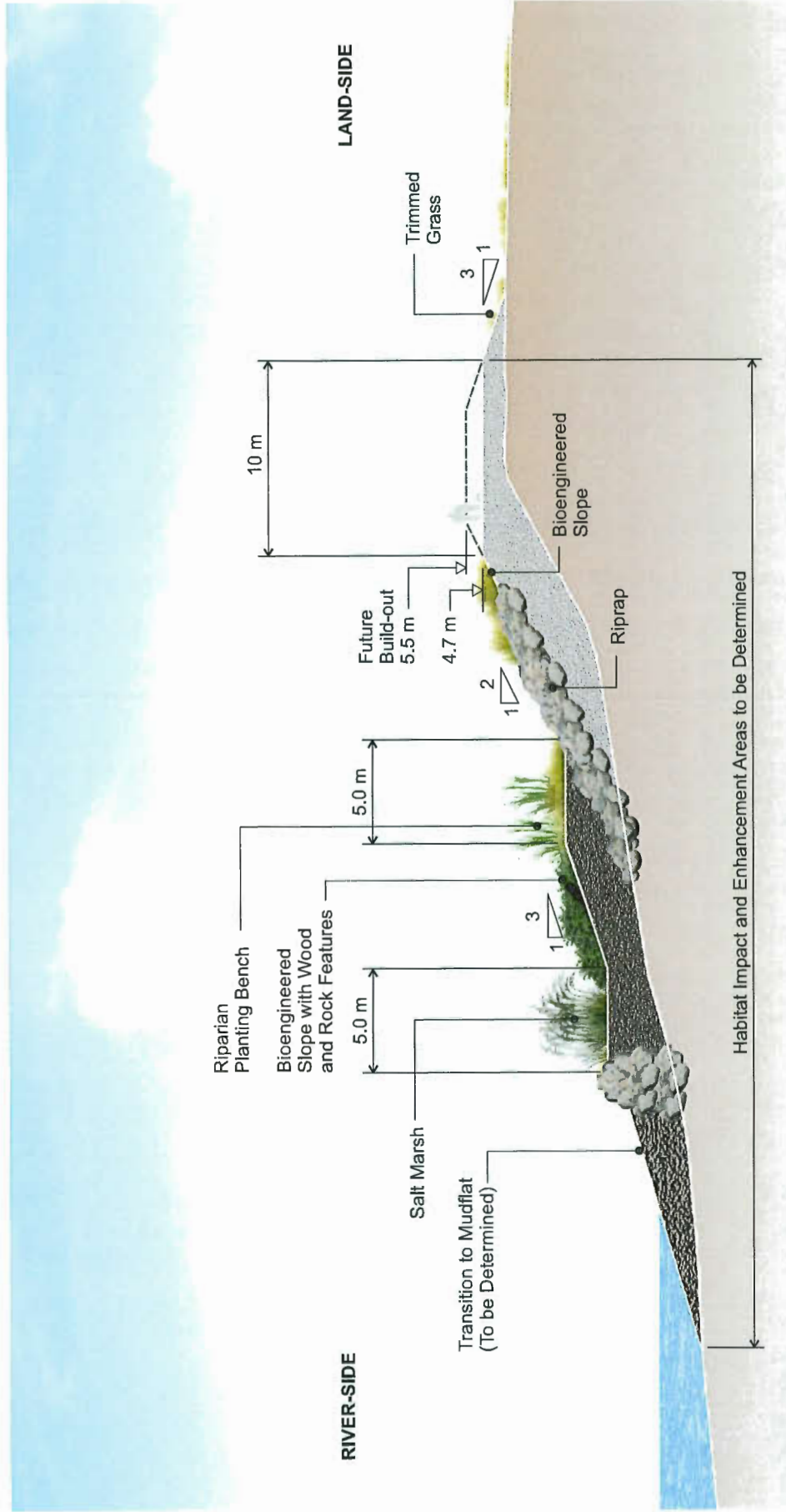
City staff estimate that all properties on Mitchell Island will require Phase 1 investigations, approximately 75% of properties may require Phase 2 investigations, and approximately 40% of properties may require additional investigation and remediation.

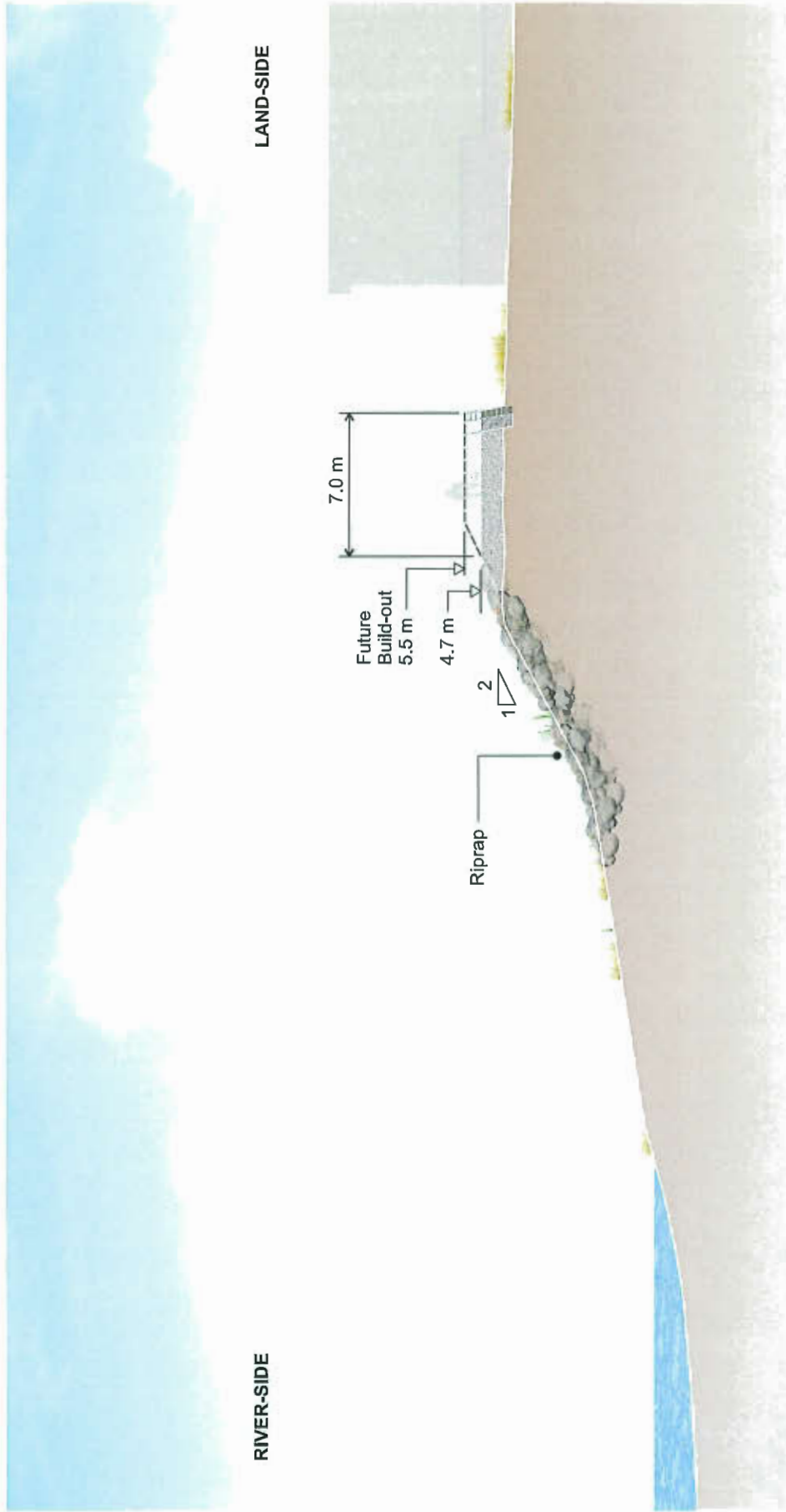
⁴ City Hall Transmittal #5905343 Mitchell Island Pollution Prevention and Known Contamination



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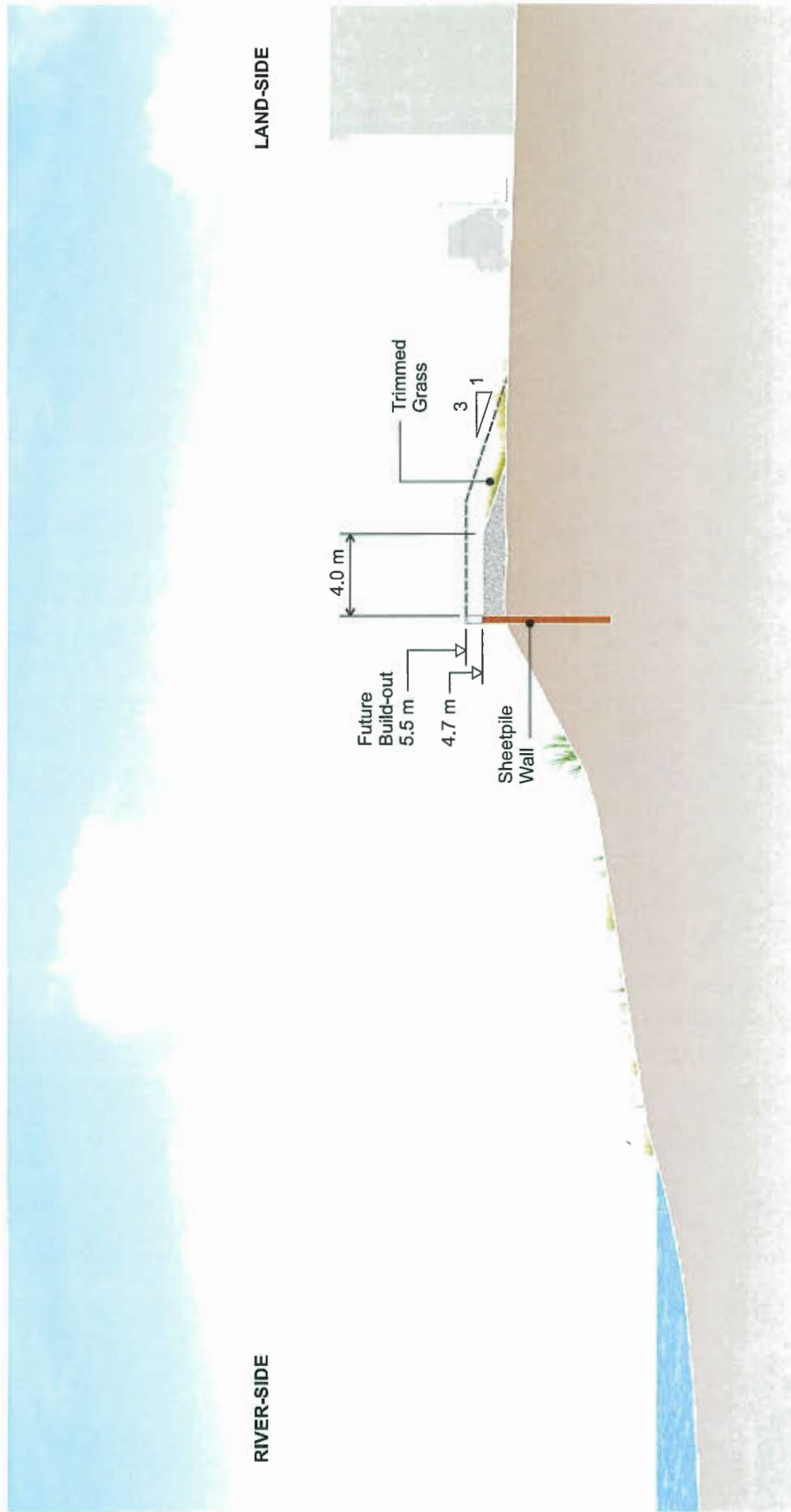


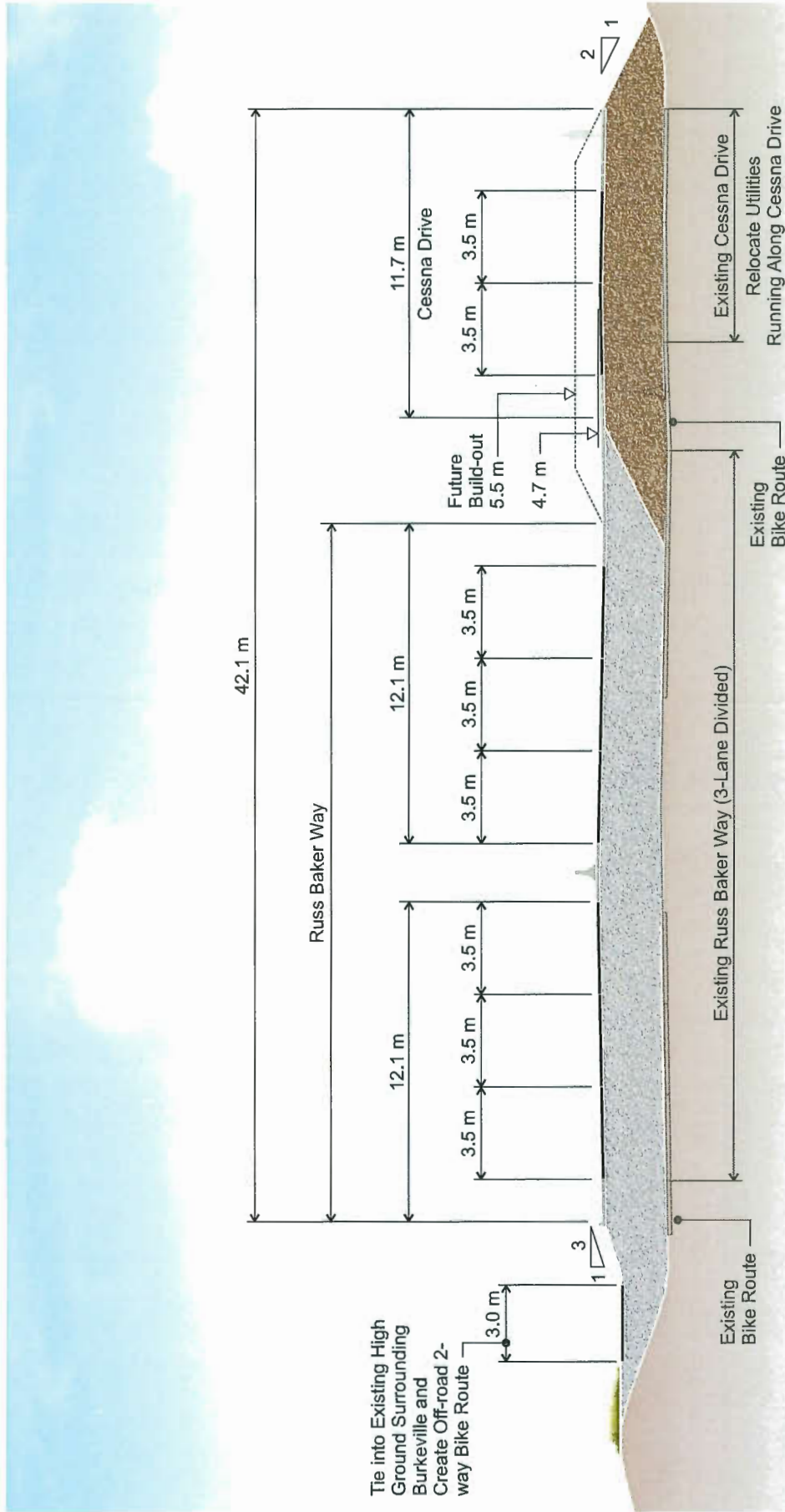
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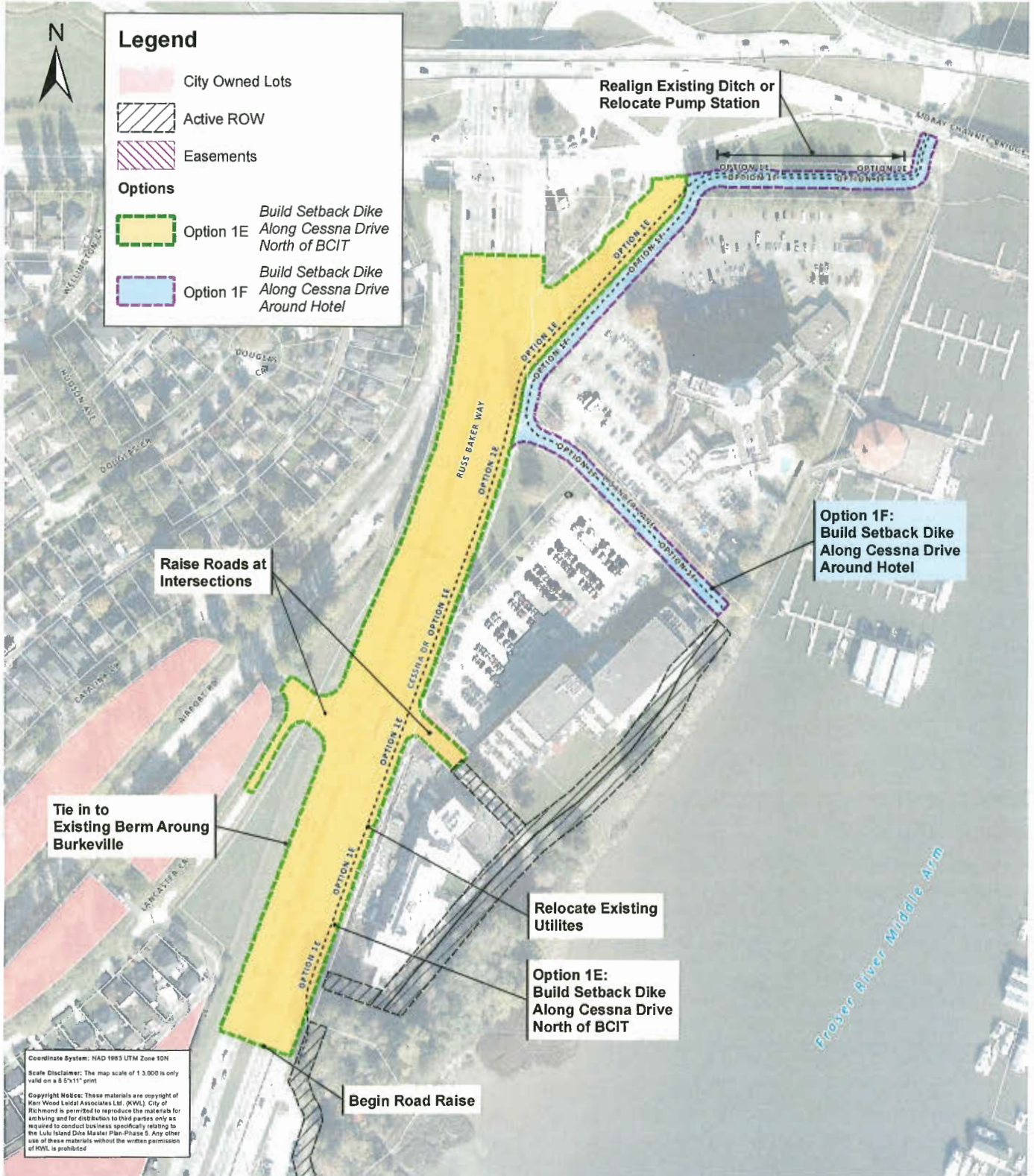
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Option 1C: Build/Raise Dike with Land-Side Retaining Wall

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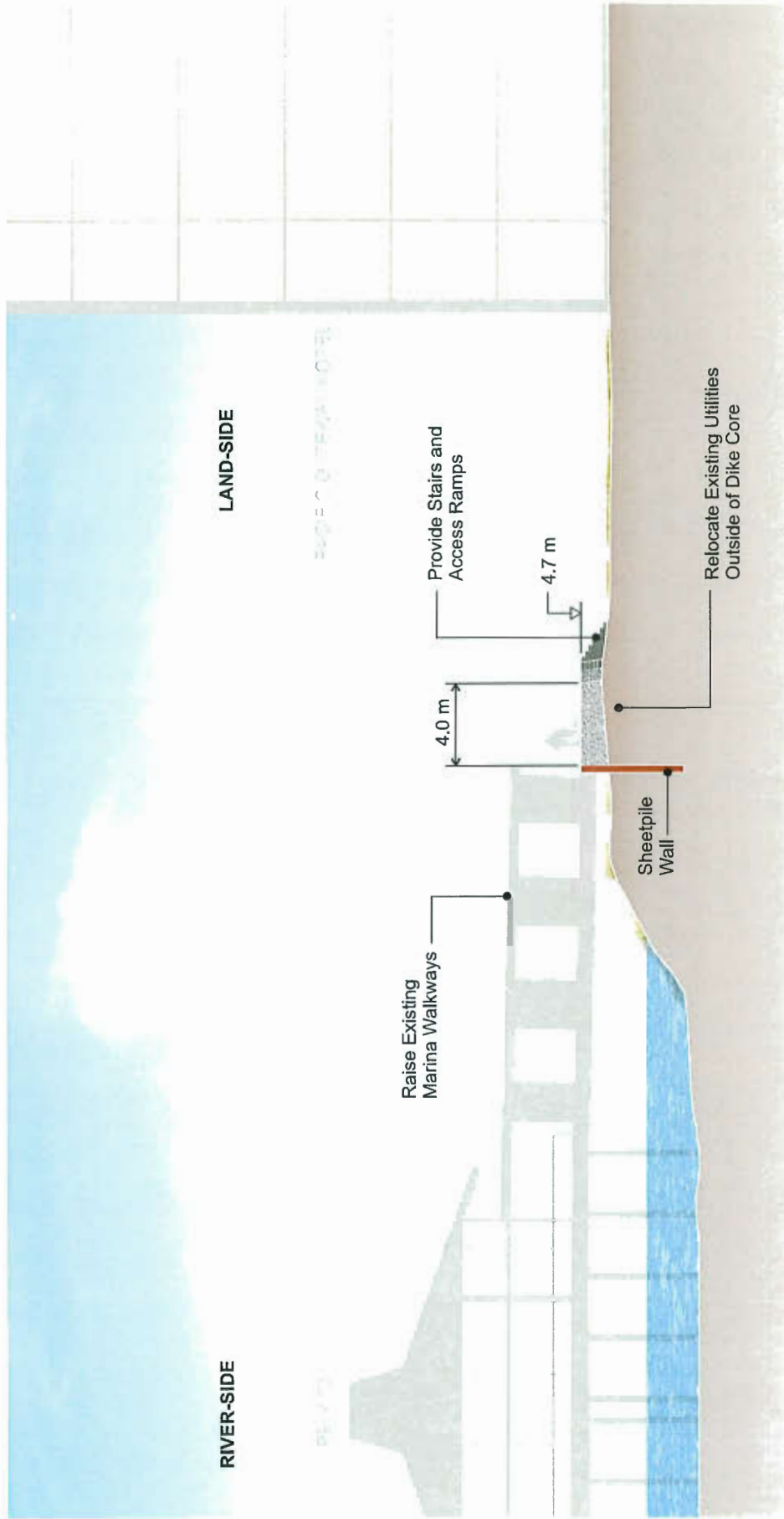


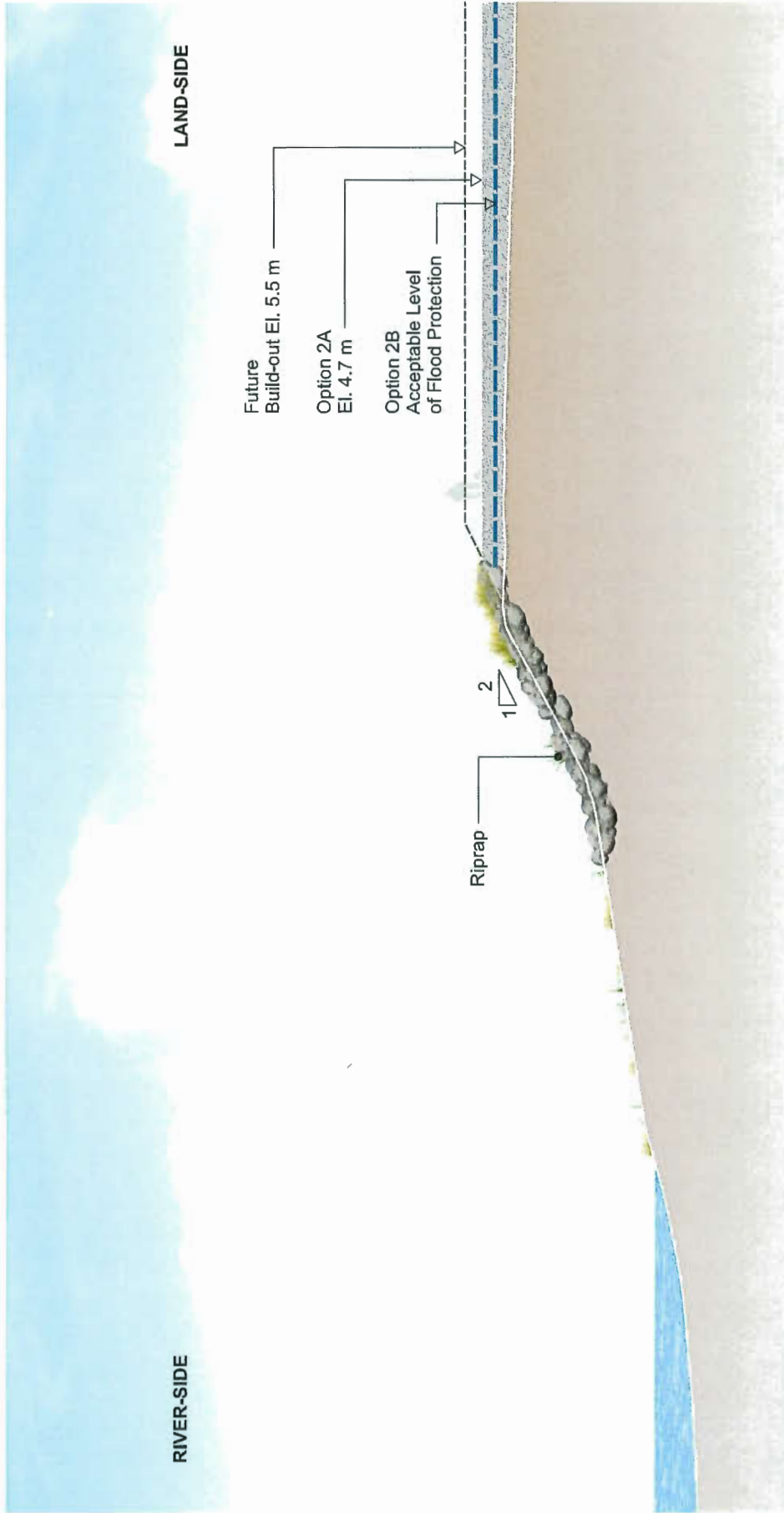


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**Option 1E and 1F:
Build Setback Dike Along Cessna Drive**

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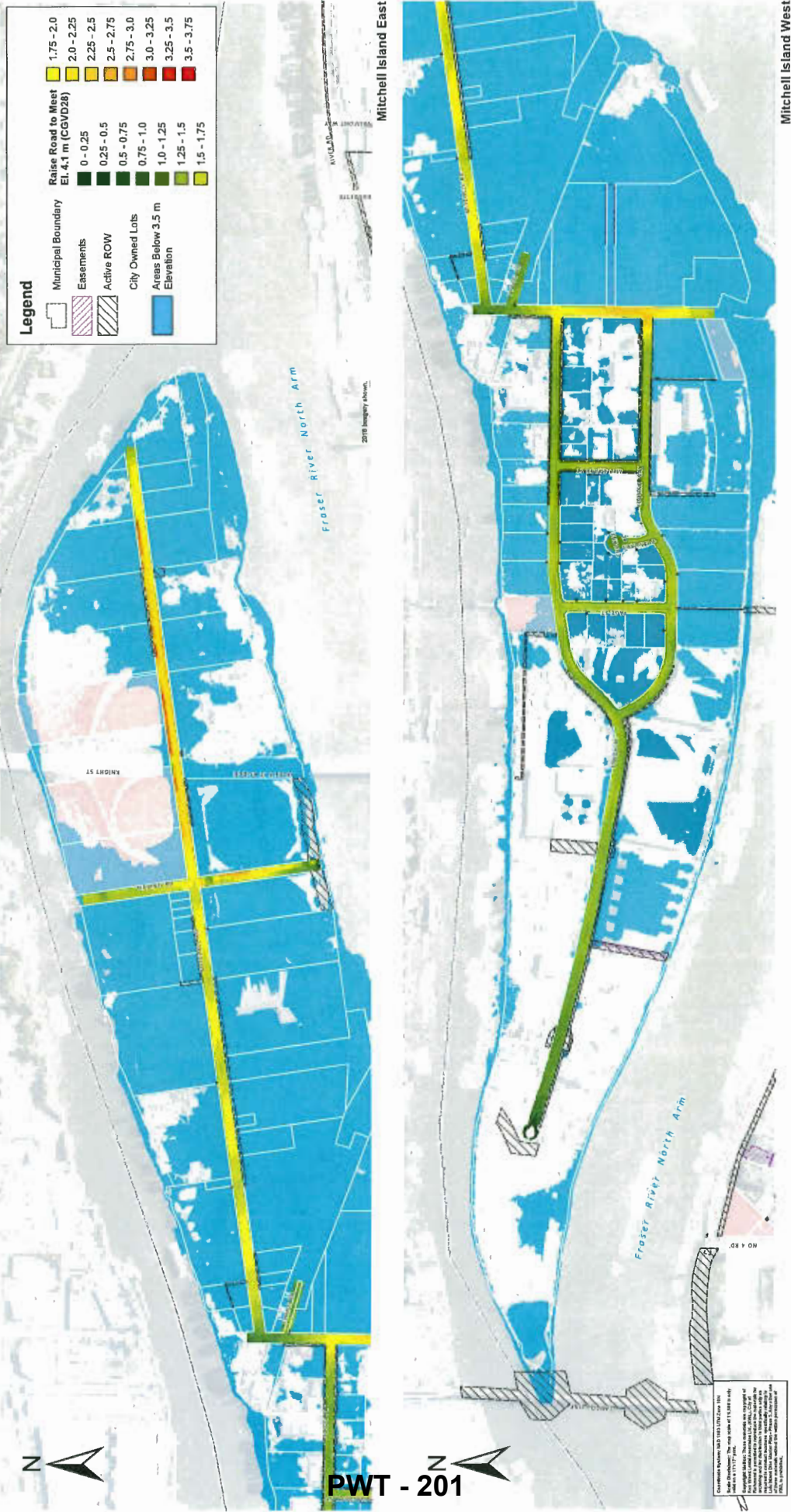
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Option 2A and 2B: Raise Land

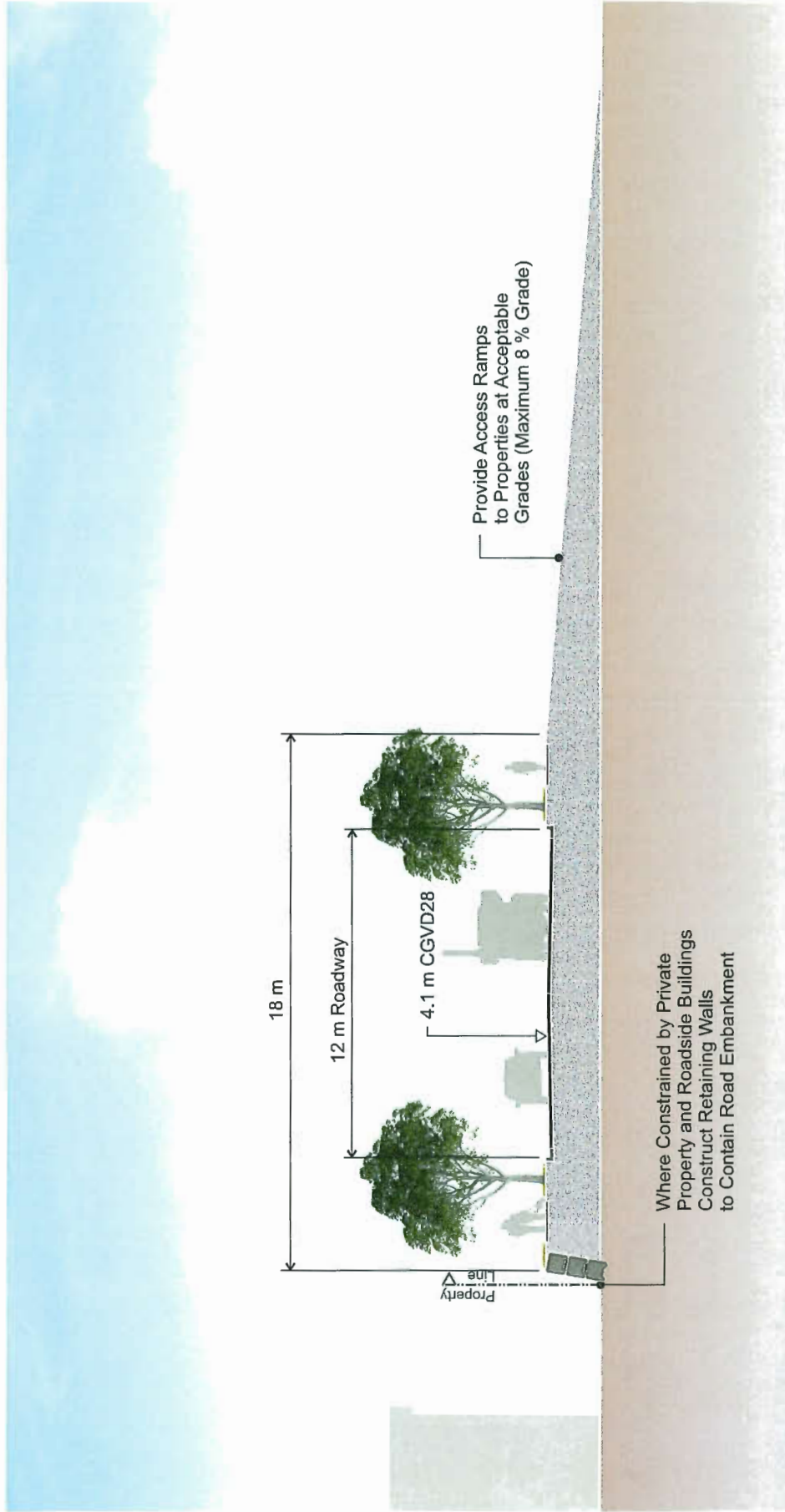
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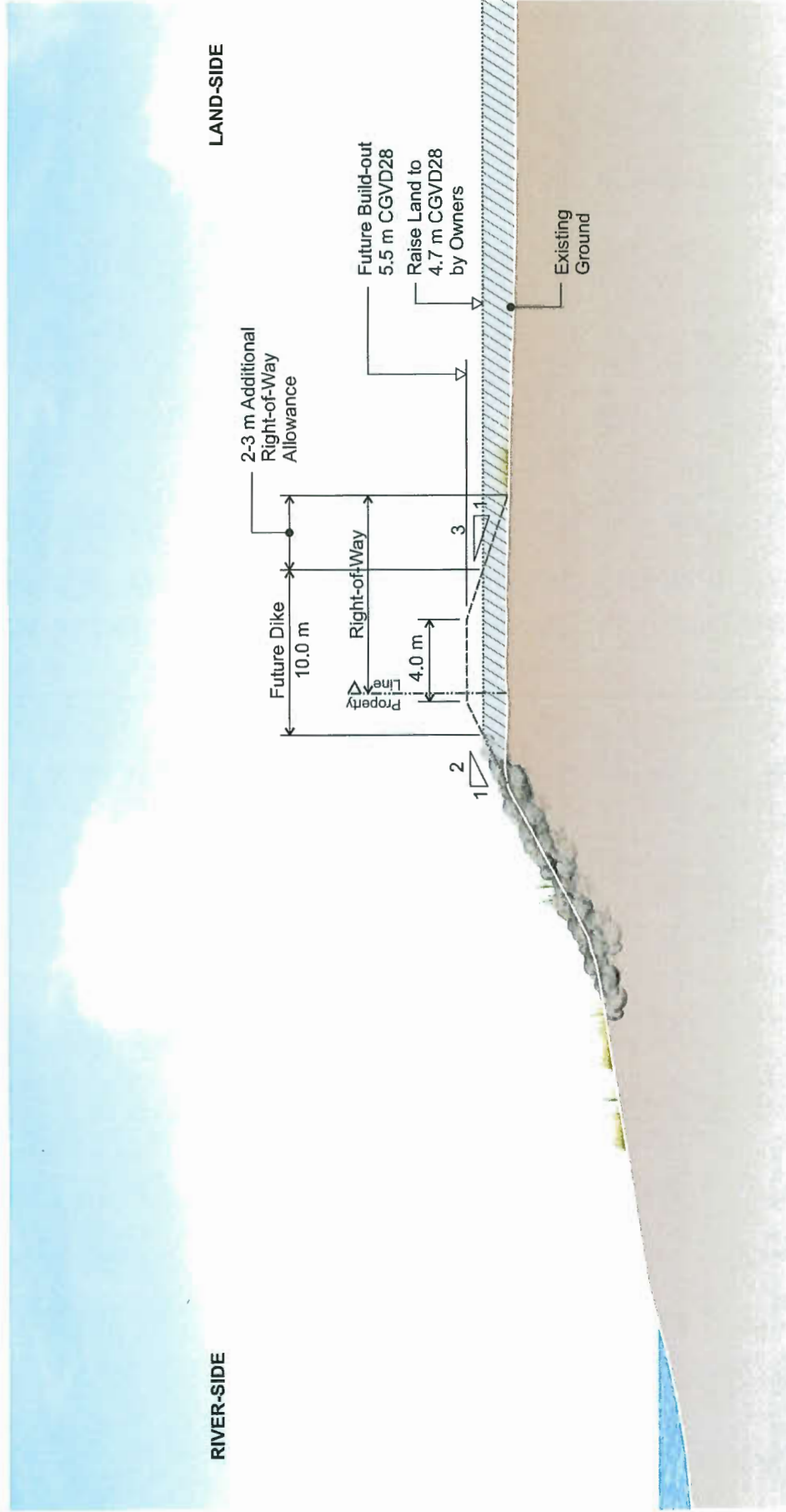


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Option 2C: Raise Roadways with Required Land Raising on Private Property (Plan)

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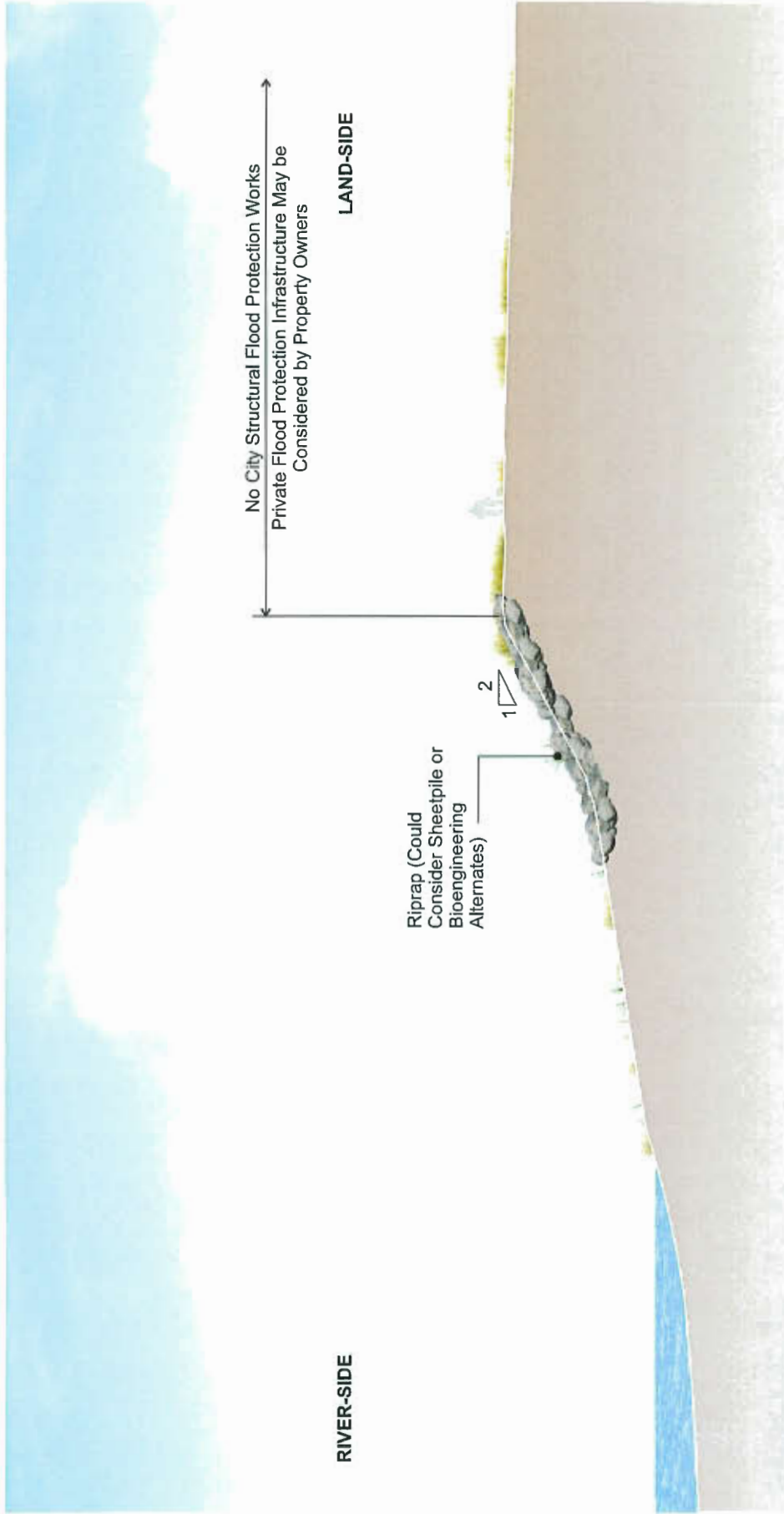


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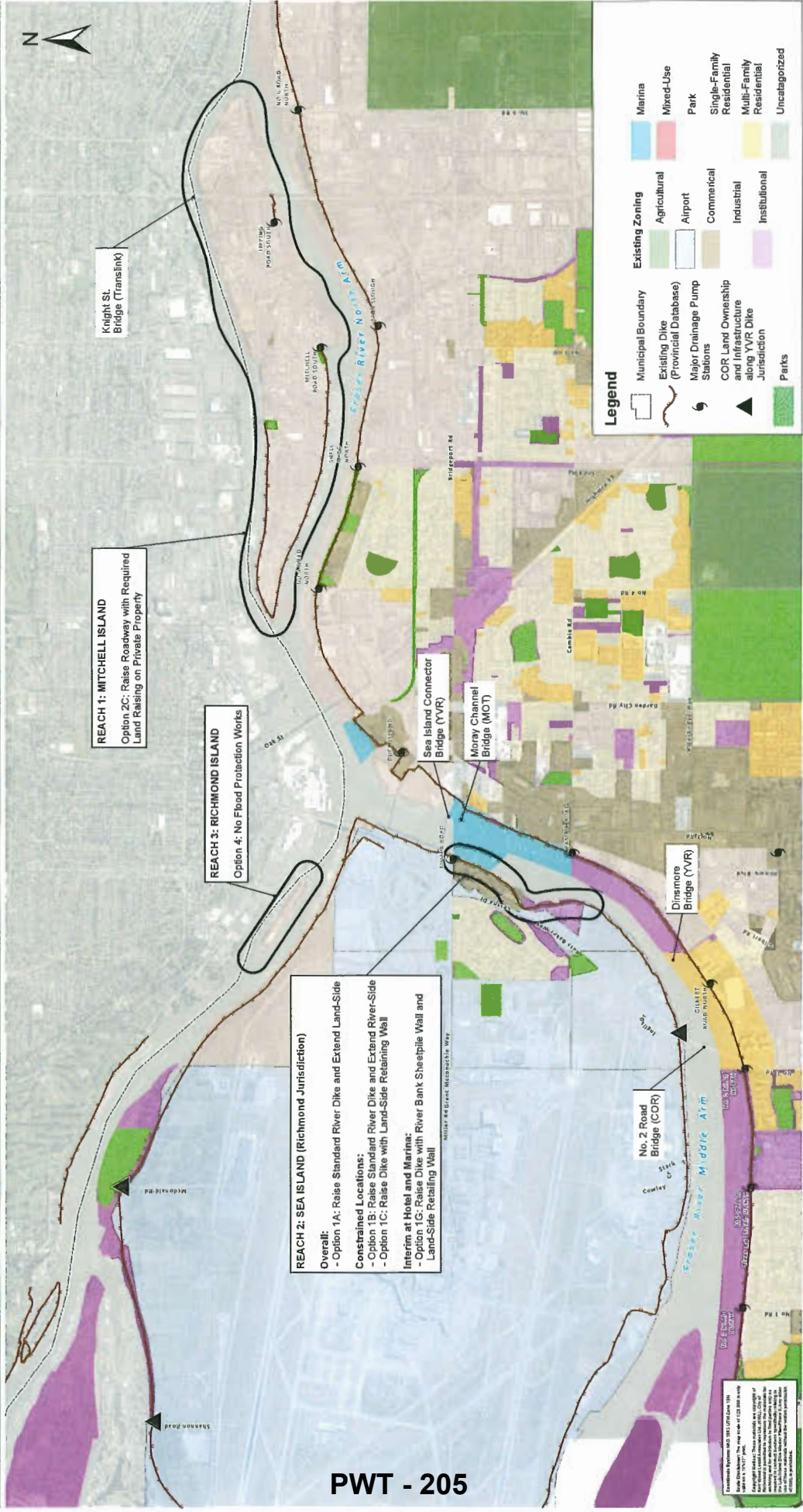
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Option 2C: Raise Roadways with Required Land Raising on Private Property (Riverbank Section)

Figure 3-12



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4. Implementation Strategy

The implementation strategy is intended to guide the City in progressing the Dike Master Plan from an engineering planning document to constructed works. It suggests priority within Phase 5, key considerations moving forwards, coordination with other parties, and it addresses potential challenges. The implementation strategy for Phase 5 is described below by Island, given the unique recommendations for each area.

4.1 General

1. Use the Dike Master Plan as a planning tool with City land use planning to acquire land during redevelopment, and to rezone land with conditions for land raising inland of the dike.
2. Prioritize implementation in areas below the current design dike elevations of 3.5 m CGVD28.
 - a. This includes low-lying properties on Mitchell Island, and the dike on Sea Island from Lysander Land northwards.
3. In conjunction with other Dike Master Plan phases, develop habitat compensation opportunities in Richmond. By considering all Dike Master Plan phase impacts together, habitat compensation work could be completed at a larger scale and provide more significant habitat, as opposed to small site-by-site compensation.
 - a. Consult and coordinate this work with MFLNRORD to develop compensation opportunities amenable to the Province, to streamline and reduce uncertainty during the approvals process.
4. Develop an overall phasing strategy and timeline for dike upgrades for all of Richmond, considering other phases of the Dike Master Plan.
5. Consider the need for an appropriate building setback from the land-side toe of any future flood protection works in view of the current BC setback guideline of 7.5 m. This should consider the planned dike upgrade to 4.7 m CGVD28, as well as future buildout to 5.5 m CGVD28. This may require consultation with the Inspector of Dikes.

4.2 Mitchell Island

1. Work with low elevation (below current dike crest elevation of 3.5 m CGVD28) property owners in the short term to mitigate flood and related environmental contamination risks. This could include consultation, development of emergency policies, and short-term private flood protection measures. Consultation with low properties may also inform the sequencing of road raising.
2. Establish development policies on Mitchell Island that require the following at redevelopment:
 - a. right-of-way acquisition along the riverbank to provide a 12 m wide band of access for the City along the entire perimeter of Mitchell Island, and
 - b. land raising to 4.7 m on all properties (including considerations for excavation of contaminated soil and fill quality to reduce environmental contamination).
3. Consult with IOD regarding removal of listed flood protection infrastructure on Mitchell Island from the provincial inventory.



4. Progressively raise all roadways to dike elevation. Newer developments on Mitchell Island are relatively high, given the current Mitchell Island FCL of 4.35 m CGVD28, and as a result, raising the roads in these areas may improve access. Conversely, low lying areas (as low as 2 to 2.5 m CGVD28) would require access ramps to allow for continued operations and retaining walls or narrower roads to avoid impacts to private property. To address access challenges in low areas, the City could consider progressive raising or raising in conjunction with redevelopment. A road elevation of 4.1 m CGVD28 (dike elevation less freeboard) would be appropriate as an initial target, with refinement for specific areas.
5. As rights-of-way are acquired around the perimeter of the island, assess the need for additional bank protection works. Consider whether bank protection works should be the responsibility of the City or private land owners.
6. In the long term, if low-lying sites are not redeveloping or raising land and may be putting other property at risk as sea levels rise, consider purchasing and raising the land to be resold.
7. To achieve the future scenario dike elevation of 5.5 m CGVD28, consider further land raising or establish a perimeter dike.

4.3 Sea Island

1. Work with a legal land surveyor and YVR to resolve long-standing dike jurisdiction and land ownership uncertainties as they relate to the dike on Sea Island.
2. Work with YVR to raise the dike at Richmond road crossings. This includes the jurisdiction boundaries of the City's dike and agreements for locations where City land is located along a portion of the dike that is operated by YVR (such as at McDonald Beach Park).
3. Raise the existing dike along the current alignment, prioritizing dike upgrades from Lysander Lane northwards first, to target low areas below the current dike design elevation of 3.5 m CGVD28.
4. Consult with YVR regarding opportunities to raise the dike at Cessna Drive to 4.7 m CGVD28 in conjunction with planned bike path improvements.
5. Consult with the Pacific Gateway Hotel and marina to develop an interim design to raise the dike to 4.7 m CGVD28 along the current alignment, while allowing for access for each business. When the site eventually redevelops, establish a standard dike in accordance with the remainder of the reach.
6. At Lysander Lane, consider either raising the road or constructing a retaining wall to avoid moving the dike towards the river.
7. When the Miller Road drainage pump station is upgraded (planned for 10 to 15 years in the future), provide structural capacity for loading due to the dike raise and ensure there is sufficient space for the dike raise. To reduce overall construction costs, consider designing and constructing pump station and floodbox upgrades in conjunction with dike raising.
8. When the Moray Channel Bridge is at the end of its design life, replace it with a higher structure that is above 5.5 m CGVD28 and raise the land between the two bridges.
9. The current dike along BCIT limits the recommended dike upgrade option and would require moving the dike towards the river or retaining walls. Consider raising dike with a landside retaining wall, moving towards the river, or raising with a narrower crest initially until the site redevelops in the long term.
10. Consider establishing development policies on Sea Island that require land raising to dike elevation during site redevelopment.



4.4 Richmond Island

1. No flood protection works are recommended as the island is predominantly above 5.5 m CGVD28.
2. Consider informing the owner of Richmond Island of the scour risk that has been identified in the North Arm of the Fraser River adjacent to the Richmond Island.

5. Reach Summary Sheets

The following section contains 2-page, reach-by-reach summary sheets that summarize the existing conditions, design considerations and potential constraints for each reach of Phase 5. The second sheet summarizes the features of the master plan through each reach including typical cross-sections, plan features, costs and priority for upgrade. The second sheet will be completed after stakeholder consultation and option selection.

Mitchell Island



Existing Conditions

The island is heavily developed with industrial and commercial operations, including sawmills, cement manufacturing, recycling, mechanics, warehouses, and more. Water oriented lots often have sheetpile walls along the river bank that allow for easier access and riprap bank protection works along the bank in adjacent areas.

An unmaintained private dike is located on the western perimeter of the island. There is no existing dike on Mitchell Island that meets current standards. Private bank protection works installed on the majority of the river bank, with sheetpile walls in several locations.

Unique Features

- Complex patchwork of properties with full occupancy of the lot right up to the river bank.
- Drainage pump stations at Tipping Road South and Mitchell Road South.
- No access to the riverbank for dikes except at a few isolated locations.
- Industrial operations that use the river to conduct their work, with sheetpile walls and barge facilities.
- Twigg Island sanitary forcemain crosses from Vancouver.
- Watermain below Page Street.
- Limited riparian habitat around the island.
- Two small existing Richmond parks.
- Log boom storage along the river bank.
- Two sawmills located directly on the water.

Considerations

Flood Protection

- Dike alignment
- Dike crest elevation
- Erosion protection
- Seismic performance
- Static stability and seepage
- River toe stability and setbacks
- Boat waves

Industrial

- Water access for industrial sites along the Fraser River
- Land acquisition or rights-of-way required to build and maintain flood protection works
- Road design and driveway grade to accommodate large trucks

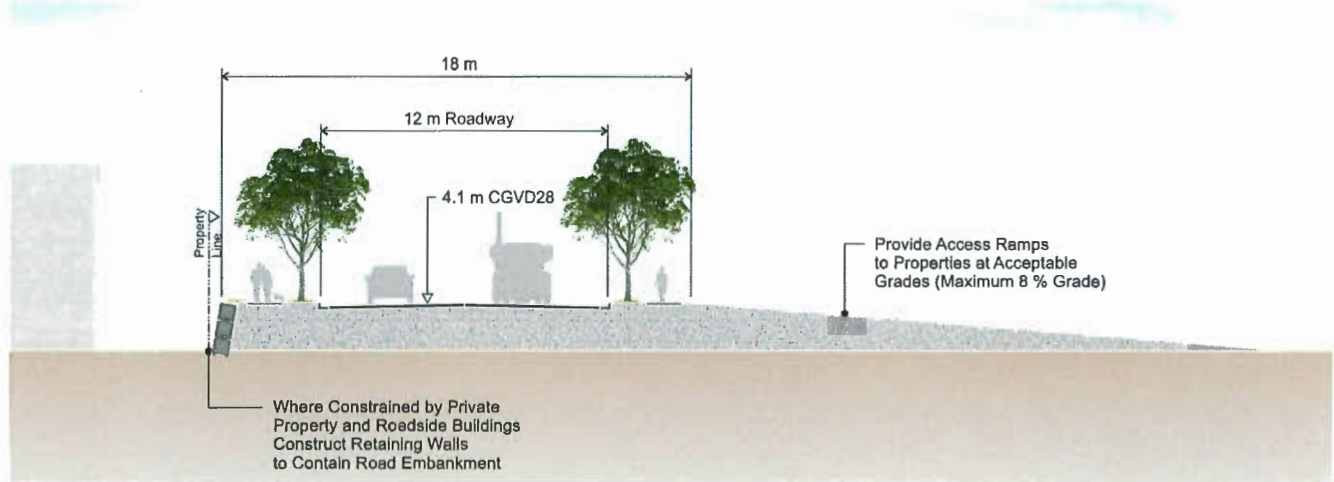
Social

- Mitchell Island Pier
- Park at south end of Mitchell Road
- Align with 2009 Waterfront Strategy
- Connect to existing and planned trails and public amenities
- Wayfinding and public information signs

Environmental

- High quality intertidal habitat in many locations
- Limited riparian habitat
- Log boom storage along the foreshore in many locations
- Several large habitat compensation projects completed around Mitchell Island

Mitchell Island - Recommended Improvements



Master Plan Features

Flood Protection

- Raise roads to dike elevation to provide emergency egress
- Require landowners to raise land to dike elevation at redevelopment
- Acquire rights-of-way around the island perimeter for future bank protection works or perimeter dike

Industrial

- Work with low industrial properties to mitigate short term flood and environmental contamination risks
- Provide access driveways to properties during road raising

Social

- No plans for additional parks or trails around Mitchell Island
- Raise land at current parks and trails and reconstruct as needed

Environmental

- No anticipated impacts to riparian or aquatic habitat caused by road raising
- Landowner management of environmental impacts during raising
- Excavation and fill standards to consider historical contamination risks

Priority

Priority is secondary to Sea Island as the majority of Mitchell Island is higher than Sea Island. Implementation priority on Mitchell Island is described below.

1. Work with low properties to mitigate flood and related environmental contamination risks.
2. Establish redevelopment policies on Mitchell Island that require right-of-way acquisition along the riverbank and land raising to 4.7 m on all properties.
3. Progressively raise roads to dike elevation, considering interim raises in low areas to reduce impacts to access and operations.
4. As rights-of-way are acquired around the perimeter of the island, assess the condition and presence of existing bank protection and consider the need for City-owned and maintained bank protection works.
5. In the long term, if low-lying sites are not redeveloping or raising land, consider purchasing and raising the land to be resold.

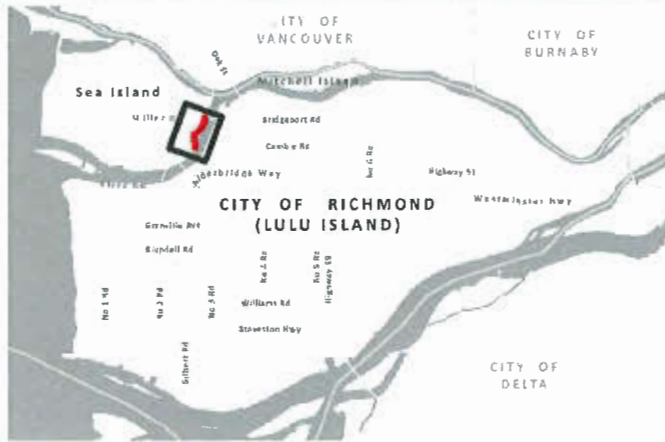
Construction Cost

Dike works are proposed to be fully funded as part of site raising with redevelopment over long term. 5.3 km of road costs for are expected to be borne by the City that would include driveway access ramps for private properties.

Item	Cost per metre	Cost
Road Structure	\$2,900	\$15,000,000
Raise Road to Dike Height	\$6,900	\$36,500,000
Other (Driveways)	\$1,600	\$8,300,000
Contingency (40%)	\$4,500	\$23,900,000
Total	\$15,900	\$83,600,000

Cost opinions are in 2018 Canadian Dollars.

Sea Island



Existing Conditions

The City of Richmond reach of the Sea Island dike stretches from BCIT north to the YVR Connector Bridge. The remainder of the dike is YVR responsibility.

This reach has a gravel/paved walking path along the crest and is bordered by four large commercial lots including BCIT, the Pacific Autism Family Centre, and the Pacific Gateway Hotel.

The Moray Channel Bridge located at the north end of the reach is lower than the proposed future dike elevation.

The dike is tightly hemmed in by the hotel and adjacent marina with private utilities installed along it. There is little to no bank protection works along the dike.

Unique Features

- Dike tie in at the Moray Channel and YVR Connector Bridges
- Miller Road drainage pump station
- Sanitary forcemain crossing
- Lack of right of way north of BCIT with low spot in the dike near Cessna Drive
- One section of the dike has already been raised to 4.7 m CGVD28 (design elevation)
- Evidence of old timber crib wall

Considerations

Flood Protection

- Dike alignment
- Dike crest elevation
- Erosion protection
- Seismic performance
- Static stability and seepage
- River toe stability and setbacks
- Boat waves

Industrial

- Commercial and institutional space
- Russ Baker Way borders the existing dike
- Access and use of the marina

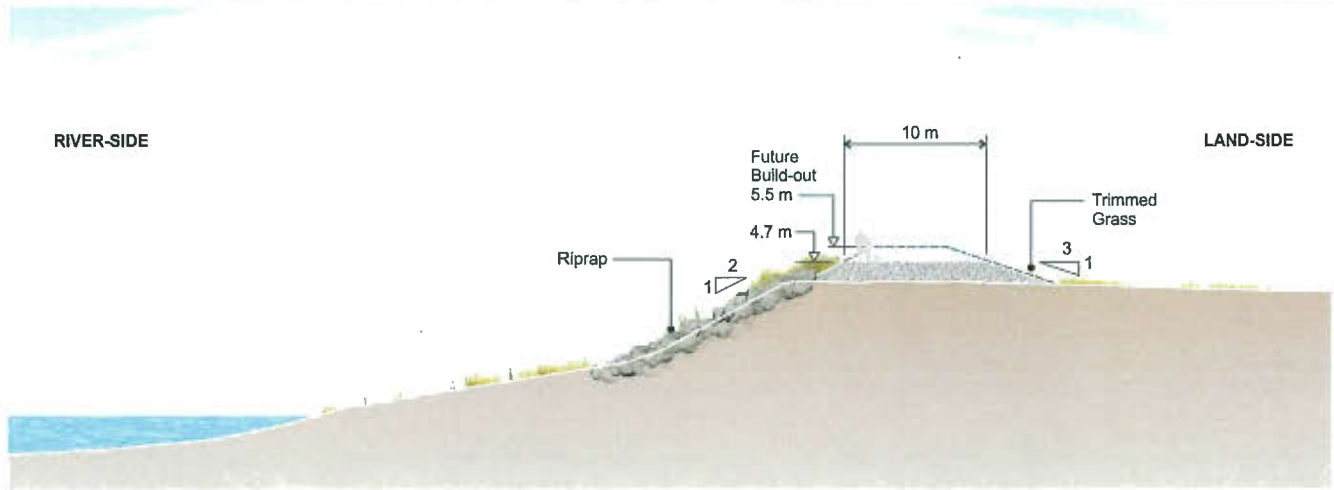
Social

- Align with 2009 Waterfront Strategy
- Connect to existing and planned trails and public amenities (consideration for YVR trails)
- Wayfinding and public information signs

Environmental

- High quality intertidal habitat for majority of the reach
- High quality riparian habitat for majority of the reach
- FREMP habitat mapping did not include the area in front of the hotel and marina. Further investigation would be required to characterize this area.
- One existing habitat compensation site near the Miller Road Drainage Pump Station

Sea Island - Recommended Improvements



Master Plan Features

Flood Protection Raise dike along existing alignment wide enough to accommodate future raise Consider moving dike towards river-side or building retaining walls in constrained locations Along the hotel and marina, raise the dike with sheetpile and retaining wall in the interim At end of life, replace the Moray Channel Bridge with a higher structure Acquire and widen rights-of-way	Industrial Raise access ramps at Marina during dike raise Reduce impacts to infrastructure along hotel with interim non-standard dike raise	Social Provide landside pedestrian access to the dike along the hotel Maintain existing multi-use path on the dike crest	Environmental Dike raise towards the landside where feasible to reduce habitat impacts The proposed footprint would impact an estimated 1,100 m ² of high quality Fraser River intertidal habitat and 1,900 m ² high quality Fraser River riparian habitat An aquatic habitat survey and aquatic effects assessment would need to be completed to confirm impacts during design
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Priority

Sea Island is the first priority reach in Phase 5. Implementation priority on Sea Island is described below.

1. Work with a legal land surveyor and YVR to resolve dike jurisdiction and land ownership uncertainties.
2. Raise the existing dike along the current alignment, prioritizing dike upgrades from Lysander Lane northwards first (below 3.5 m CGVD28).
3. Consult with the Pacific Gateway Hotel and marina to develop an interim design to raise the dike to 4.7 m CGVD28 along the current alignment.
4. At the Miller Road drainage pump station, consider designing and constructing pump station and floodbox upgrades in conjunction with dike raising.
5. Work with MOT to have the Moray Channel Bridge replaced with a higher structure that is above 5.5 m CGVD28 and raise the land between the two bridges.
6. Establish development policies that require land raising to dike elevation for river bank properties.

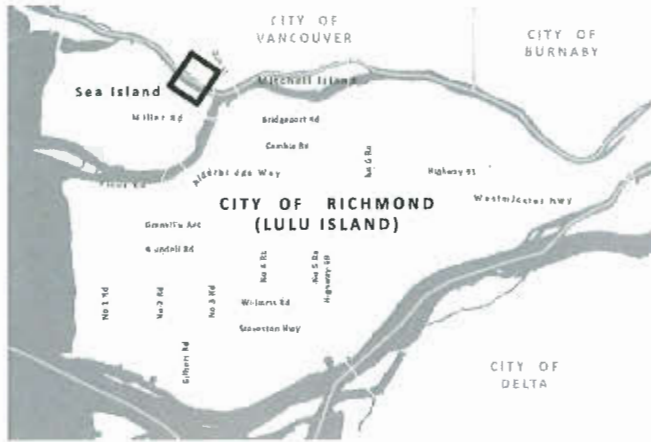
Cost

1.1 km of dike works may be funded as part of site raising with redevelopment or by the City, with 200 m that has already been raised to 4.7 m CGVD28. 40 m of dikes in City road rights-of-way may be covered as part of YVR dike improvements (Shannon and McDonald Roads). 150 m of interim works along the hotel.

Item	Cost per metre	Cost
Interim Dike Raising at Pacific Gateway Hotel	\$6,000	\$900,000
Dike Raising	\$4,500	\$3,600,000
Road End Improvements (McDonald Beach, Shannon Road)	\$7,200	\$300,000
Other (Pathway and access)	\$1,000	\$800,000
Contingency (40%)	\$2,100	\$2,200,000
Total	\$7,100	\$7,800,000

Cost opinions are in 2018 Canadian Dollars.

Richmond Island



Existing Conditions

Richmond Island is connected to the City of Vancouver via a small causeway. There is no existing dike on Richmond Island. The majority of the island is above both the dike upgrade elevation of 4.7 m CGVD28 and the future allowance to 5.5 m CGVD28, with the exception of the causeway. The entire Island is one private lot.

In 2012, a covenant was established that acknowledges that the City has not plans to protect the island from flooding and releases the City from any damage or losses covered by flooding or erosion.

The Fraser River North Arm is deep, and bathymetry indicates scour along this section. Riprap bank protection is in place around the island.

Utilities are provided by the City of Vancouver.

Unique Features

- Richmond Island is one private lot with a restaurant and marina that is serviced by the City of Vancouver.
- Covenant in place that acknowledges Richmond has no plans to protect the island from flooding or erosion.
- Fraser River north arm along this reach is deep due to scour.
- The majority of the island is above the dike elevation of 4.7 m CGVD28.

Considerations

Flood Protection

- Dike alignment
- Dike crest elevation
- Erosion protection
- Seismic performance
- Static stability and seepage
- River toe stability and setbacks
- Boat waves

Industrial

- Private marina on north side of the island.
- Road design and driveway grade

Social

- Align with 2009 Waterfront Strategy
- Connect to existing and planned trails and public amenities
- Wayfinding and public information signs







Environmental

- High quality intertidal habitat around the island
- FREMP mapping did not include riparian area, though based on orthimagery interpretation, riparian habitat is present
- Large habitat compensation project is located at the western tip of the island

Richmond Island - Recommended Improvements

No Works Proposed

Master Plan Features

 <p>Flood Protection</p> <p>No flood or erosion protection works by the City Inform property owner of scour risk in the North Arm</p>	 <p>Industrial</p> <p>No impacts to business or industry</p>	 <p>Social</p> <p>No impacts to public infrastructure</p>	 <p>Environmental</p> <p>No impacts to existing habitat</p>
 <p>Priority</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Consider informing the property owner on Richmond Island of the scour risk that has been identified in the North Arm of the Fraser River adjacent to the Richmond Island. 	 <p>Cost</p> <p>No works are proposed. Flood protection to remain the responsibility of this single lot.</p>		



6. Recommendations

It is recommended that the City adopt the Phase 5 Dike Master Plan as documented in this report, including the main features described below.

Mitchell Island

- During redevelopment, require private properties to be raised to dike elevation and acquire rights-of-way along the river bank. Rights-of-way allow for a future dike and bank protection works.
 - As rights-of-way are acquired around the perimeter of Mitchell island, assess the condition of existing bank protection works and consider whether the works should be the responsibility of the City or private land owners.
- Raise roadways to dike elevation to provide emergency egress (consider partial raises in low areas to reduce impacts to operations).
- Work with low elevation properties to mitigate flood and associated contamination risks.

Sea Island

- Raise the dike crest to 4.7 m CGVD28 to allow for 1 m of sea level rise. Widen the dike on the land side rather than into the Fraser River Middle Arm. Retaining walls or extending the dike towards the riparian area may be considered in site-specific constrained areas. Recent raises have been completed on some sections of the dike, including up to 4.7 m CGVD28 in one location.
- Establish development policies on Sea Island that require land raising to dike elevation during site redevelopment.
- Coordinate dike upgrades with upgrades to the Miller Road Drainage Pump Station and the Moray Channel Bridge.
- As an interim measure along the Pacific Gateway Hotel, raise the dike to 4.7 m CGVD 28 with a sheetpile wall embedded along the river-side and a land-side retaining wall.
- Coordinate dike improvements with YVR and establish agreed upon dike jurisdictions.

Richmond Island

- No changes by the City are proposed as the island is predominantly above 5.5 m CGVD28. Flood protection responsibility is recommended to remain with the property owner.
- Inform the property owner on Richmond Island of the scour risk that has been identified in the North Arm of the Fraser River adjacent to the Richmond Island.

For all phases of the Dike Master Plan, continue to research alternative densification strategies for seismic stability, consider the proposed alternative seismic performance criteria in Section 3.2, and plan to fill land for approximately 200 m inland of the dike to crest elevation. The required fill distance requires additional evaluation and may be addressed in the pending update to the Flood Protection Management Strategy.

It is also recommended that the City prepare a comprehensive implementation plan for dike upgrading that incorporates the elements of Phase 5 and the other Dike Master Plans. To address habitat compensation issues associated with the Dike Master Plans, it is further recommended that the City consider development of a habitat banking program that could provide effective large-scale compensation for the environmental impacts of dike upgrading.



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