

YUKON TERRITORY WATER BOARD

REASONS FOR DECISION

In the Matter of  
APPLICATION FOR WATER USE

AG87-03L

August 1987

The Yukon Territory Water Board has issued Licence AG87-03L to Rivendell Farm for the purpose of irrigation.

As required by Section 15(2) of the Northern Inland Waters Act, the Board called a public hearing for August 26, 1987. The hearing was subsequently cancelled with the consent of the applicant, since no person indicated an intention to appear and make representations at the hearing.

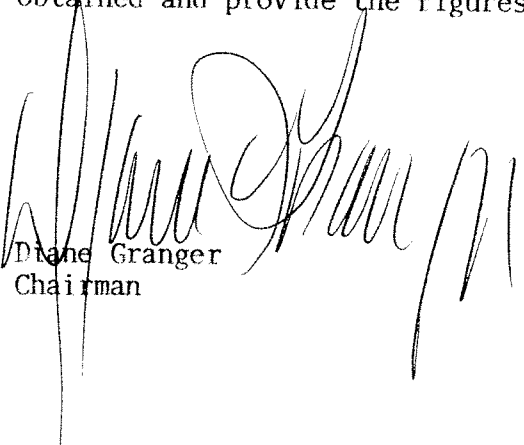
Written comments were received from various government departments.

The main area of concern was the impact on the fishery resource in the Takhini River.

Provisions were included in the licence for fish screens on pump intake pipes and unrestricted fish passage in response to the Department of Fisheries and Oceans written comments. The Department had also requested prior authorization for any modification of the banks of the Takhini River. In making their decision, however, the Board felt that this request was beyond their mandate.

Information obtained from the Yukon Government agricultural representative revealed that there is no anticipated impact on the Takhini River from the quantity of fertilizers to be used in this operation.

The Licensee has been required to monitor the daily volume of water obtained and provide the figures in an annual report.



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