CURRENT POLICIES

Kelowna Official Community Plan

Chapter 5: Development Process



Policy 5.33.1 Protect Agricultural Land. Retain the agricultural land base by supporting the ALR and by protecting agricultural lands from development, except as otherwise noted in the City of Kelowna Agricultural Plan. Ensure that the primary use of agricultural land is agriculture, regardless of parcel size.

Policy 5.34.2 Farm Help Housing. Accommodation for farm help on the same agricultural parcel will be considered only where:

- Agriculture is the principal use on the parcel, and
- The applicant demonstrates that the additional housing is necessary to accommodate farm employee(s) whose residence on the farm property is considered critical to the overall operation of the farm. The primary consideration is whether the scale of the farm operation is large enough that permanent help is deemed necessary.

Policy 5.34.3 Homeplating. Locate buildings and structures, including farm help housing and farm retail sales area and structures, on agricultural parcels in close proximity to one another and where appropriate, near the existing road frontage. The goal should be to maximize use of existing infrastructure and reduce impacts on productive agricultural lands.

Chapter 15: Farm Protection Development Permit Guidelines

Guideline 1.2. On agricultural lands, where appropriate, locate all buildings and structures, including farm help housing and farm retail sales, within a contiguous area (i.e. homeplate). Exceptions may be permitted where the buildings or structures are for farm use only.

Guideline 1.8. Design temporary farm working housing such that:

- Temporary farm worker housing should use all existing dwellings within the farm unit, prior to building new temporary farm worker housing, unless the existing dwellings are used for a use consistent with the Agriculture Land Commission Act. Alternatively, the existing dwellings on the farm unit must be removed, decommissioned to an approved use or demolished including decommissioning the existing septic system, prior to the authorization of a new temporary farm worker housing structure.
- Temporary farm worker housing footprint should be contiguous with the residential footprint (i.e. homeplate) and / or within 50 metres of the road and / or located to maximize agricultural potential and limit negative impacts on the farm parcel.
- Temporary farm worker housing should have a minimum 3-metre-wide vegetated buffer for screening to adjacent property lines and between the temporary farm worker housing and active farming areas.

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K.L.O Road

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Main Dwelling (Dwelling 1)

Dwelling 2

Jrd Dwelling 3

Shed for Farm Use

