



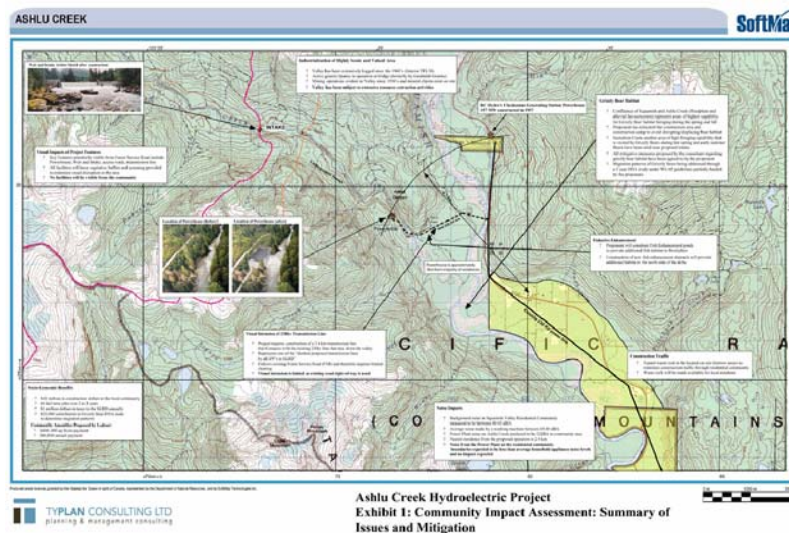
Planning Report: Squamish Lillooet Regional District

Issue

The Squamish Lillooet Regional District (SLRD) issued a planning report (SLRD report) summarizing the results of the November 17th public hearing for a proposed independent power project. The recommendation of the SLRD report (Bylaw 828, 2004) stated:

The Bylaw No. 828 not be given third reading and the rezoning application be denied based on:

- Lack of conformance with Area D OCP policy and SLRD IPP policy regarding community support for IPP projects;
- The extent of community concern and objection to the project;
- Lack of an overall strategy for IPP development in the SLRD;
- High value of Ashlu Creek as a tourism/recreation resource; and
- Potential or uncertain impacts on grizzly bear habitat and use.



Innovation

The planning report, prepared by TyPlan, responded to identified concerns from a planning principle perspective and cited studies completed confirming or denying the potential for such impacts. The report confirmed limited community impacts would be evident.

Solution

This report also illustrated how the proponent had met a high standard of care with respect to the planning requirements for such a project.

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