3.8 Real Property Disposal Policy

Disposal of surplus land will be based on market value.

All files will contain a report indicating the market value of the lands.

Departmental policies regarding land disposal will be open for public review.

All "surplus lands" identified by originating departments shall be identified to all other government departments, agencies and the municipal unit by the originating department to determine whether the lands are indeed surplus to the province, with the proviso that government departments have first preference for all surplus lands. A copy of the notice shall be sent to the Crown Land Information Management Centre, which shall be responsible for maintaining the contact list. Service of notice by e-mail is an acceptable form of delivery.

Departments will determine the most appropriate method of sale under the circumstances in each instance.

Acceptable methods are

- public tender
- draw
- listing with a licensed real estate agent
- sold directly by government, based on market value
- court-ordered sale

Properties may be sold at less than market value, if it is shown to be in the best interest of the Province, i.e., the social and/or financial impact dictates the property should be sold for less. The sale must be evaluated by the Director of Finance of the applicable department to determine the operational impact.

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