**Fact Sheet:** Kamloops Office Move and

Access to Historic Records

**Office Move**

* In January 2022, the Land Title & Survey Authority of British Columbia (LTSA) is moving its Kamloops office from the current location at 115 – 455 Columbia Street to a new location in Kamloops.
* There will be no layoffs as a result of this move. All LTSA Kamloops-based staff will continue in their roles at the new location.
* The LTSA is seeking new office space because the lease at the current location is coming to completion. LTSA is using the opportunity to find a new location in Kamloops with a better fit for the organization and its employees.
* The City of Kamloops plays an important part for LTSA operations. We appreciate the support and positive relationship we have with the City of Kamloops and value our work together to provide exceptional services for its citizens and, more broadly, the province of British Columbia.

**Historic Records Preservation and Accessibility**

* LTSA recognizes the value of historic records and is committed to their preservation while ensuring wider access.
* Since 2005, LTSA has invested over $17M in the various technology, equipment and personnel required to ensure these records are available for the benefit of all British Columbians for generations to come.
* As a result of these ongoing efforts, LTSA historic records are now better organized and easier to find, including digital versions which can be available to multiple customers concurrently. Delicate paper copies are protected from regular handling, reducing wear and tear.
* Legal, digital versions of digitized records are available through the myLTSA portal, DocuWare, and/or Scan on Demand service requests. These digital versions provide greater access to records, and no longer limited to in-person presence. DocuWare is accessible by Direct Access pass holders, those accredited parties such as land surveyors, registry agents, and First Nations representatives who are permitted to enter restricted areas of LTSA offices to personally search and access land title and survey records.
* The current pandemic has shown the value of digital access. Kamloops records are currently being digitized, with bound volumes targeted for completion in March 2021. As part of this process, microfilm records are also being moved to an online solution and that is targeted to be completed by Fall 2021. Paper records will be relocated to LTSA’s Victoria office which has a custom designed vault and experts to store and conserve historical records. The Victoria archives vault currently houses Victoria, Prince George, and Prince Rupert land title district historic records (the New Westminster archives vault houses historic records from the Vancouver and New Westminster land title districts).