

CONSENT ORDER

Made pursuant to s. 73(2) of the *Professional Governance Act*, S.B.C. 2018, c. 47

IN THE MATTER OF:

THE COLLEGE OF APPLIED BIOLOGISTS

and

VITALI OSTROOUMOV (Sr.), RPBio #2046

Background

1. In April 2023, the College of Applied Biologists (the "College") received a complaint regarding Vitali Ostrooumov (Sr.). The complaint alleged that there were deficiencies in Mr. Ostrooumov's preparation of nine Riparian Areas Protection Regulation ("RAPR") assessment files and their associated RAPR assessment reports, along with two Conditions and Impact Assessment reports.
2. Mr. Ostrooumov agreed that in conducting the work that was the subject of the complaint he failed to meet the standard of care set out in Schedule 1 of the *College Bylaws* (the Code of Ethics and Professional Conduct), which constitutes professional misconduct.
3. On June 4, 2024, Mr. Ostrooumov and the Investigation Committee agreed to a consent order to voluntarily resolve the complaint file. The consent order included the requirement for Mr. Ostrooumov to complete the *Riparian Area Protection Regulation* course through Vancouver Island University, as well as readings foundational to the performance of *Riparian Area Protection Regulation* assessments.
4. Mr. Ostrooumov has advised the College that he was unable to successfully complete the *Riparian Area Protection Regulation* course through Vancouver Island University; but has completed the readings required by the June 4, 2024, consent order.
5. The Investigation Committee and Mr. Ostrooumov have agreed to the terms of this Consent Order pursuant to s. 73(2) of the Professional Governance Act S.B.C. 2018, c.47 (the "Act") and s.9-16 of the *College Bylaws*.

Disposition

6. Mr. Ostrooumov admits:
 - a. He failed to successfully complete the *Riparian Area Protection Regulation* course through Vancouver Island University.

- b. The above constitutes a breach of the June 4, 2024, Consent Order.
7. Mr. Ostrooumov agrees that the following conditions be imposed on his registration:
- a. Mr. Ostrooumov will not perform *Riparian Area Protection Regulation* work, including but not limited to:
 - i. *Riparian Area protection Regulation* assessments;
 - ii. *Riparian Area protection Regulation* reports;
 - iii. *Riparian Area protection Regulation* condition and impact assessments;
 - iv. *Riparian Area protection Regulation* applicability assessments or opinions;
 - i. Work required by a local government (on behalf of the local government, or a client) related to riparian protection under section 12(4)(b) of the Riparian Protection Act.
8. The condition in (7) will be removed if Mr. Ostrooumov provides evidence to the registrar that he has successfully completed and passed the *Riparian Area Protection Regulation* course through Vancouver Island University; or a course that meets the requirements of 20(b) of the *Riparian Area Protection Regulation* (currently the Vancouver Island University is the only course that meets this requirement).
9. If Mr. Ostrooumov completes the course described in (8), he agrees to undergo a practice review, within one year of completion, conducted by the Audit and Practice Review Committee and to pay the costs associated with the practice review, the timing and process of which will be determined by the Audit and Practice Review Committee.
10. Mr. Ostrooumov acknowledges that the College is required by section 82(1) of the Act to make this Consent Order publicly available on the College's website.
11. Mr. Ostrooumov agrees that the College has recommended that he receive independent legal advice regarding this Consent Order and that the College has given him the opportunity to obtain independent legal advice.

This Consent Order is approved and accepted by Mr. Ostrooumov and the Investigation Committee this ___ day of ___ 2026

October 02, 2026

Vitali Ostrooumov (Sr.), PhD, RPBio #2046

Name of Witness

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Signature

The Investigation Committee of the
College of Applied Biologists

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Per: Alexandra de Jong Westman, Chair