

How to Apply for Compensation

If a landowner has not previously applied for compensation for missed rental payments, they may apply to the Commission or SRB.

1. To the BC Oil and Gas Commission

If the landowner wants their compensation automatically processed annually, they must apply to the Commission. If approved, the Commission will automatically assess and determine eligibility for further payment(s) on each anniversary date of the surface lease agreement. No further applications are required by the Commission.

2. To the Surface Rights Board

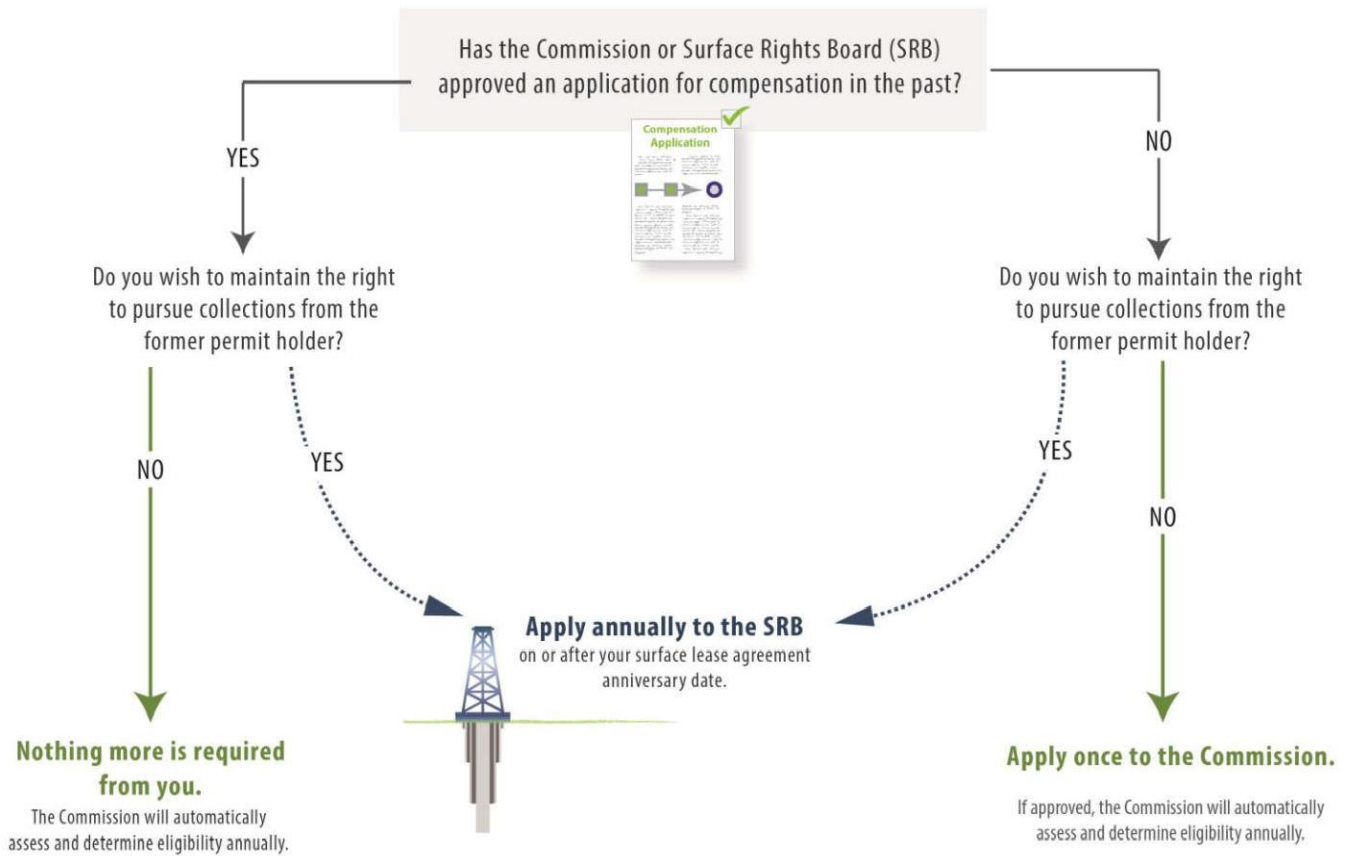
If a landowner wants to maintain the right to pursue collections from the former permit holder for missed rental payments (subject to any assignment), they must make an application to the SRB every year in accordance with SRB requirements. The landowner can provide a copy of the SRB payment order to the Commission, and we will review in order to determine whether compensation is payable. A landowner is not required to obtain an SRB payment order for rental payments that are owned after the date of orphan designation, but can do so if they choose. However, an SRB payment order is required if a landowner wants to apply for missed rental payments that were owed prior to the site being designated as an orphan.

Applicable to both Options

Following any initial payment, any further annual payment(s) would be subject to eligibility and availability of funds, any future transfer of the assets, and ultimate restoration of an orphan site.

Landowners must promptly notify the Commission if they no longer own the lands or change their contact information.

Each individual surface lease agreement requires a separate single application to the Commission, or annual application to the SRB.



APPLICATION PROCESSES

1. To the BC Oil and Gas Commission

- Download 'Statement for Compensation under S. 46' (Statement) and 'Assignment of Overdue Payments' from <https://www.bco.gc.ca/land-owners-and-compensation/>.
- Complete and return both documents, together with all *supporting documentation* as outlined in the 'Statement', to the Commission.

Or

2. To the Surface Rights Board

- Download 'Form 1F' and 'Form 6' from www.surfacerightsboard.bc.ca/ResourcesForParties/Forms.aspx.
- Complete and return both documents, together with all *supporting documentation* as outlined in 'Form 1F', to the SRB.

If you have questions related to compensation or general orphan site inquiries send a message to OrphanRestoration@bcogc.ca.