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TOBIANO

Sales for Kamloops area resort expected to begin later this summer

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Plans are underway for one of Western Canada's most ambitious and largest recreational developments. Tobiano, a \$500 million master-planned lifestyle resort community near Kamloops, will boast more than 1,000 homes, a hotel, a retail shopping village, golf course, marina and equestrian centre. This master-planned resort lifestyle community, located in the picturesque Thompson-Okanagan tourist region in British Columbia will feature hundreds of incredible lakefront properties overlooking the majestic Kamloops Lake.

WITH MORE THAN 600 LAKE-VIEW residential lots included in the plan, which features various lot sizes from equestrian sized half an acre, to resort lots with 55 to 75 foot frontage, to cottage sized lots featuring 44 feet of lakefront, Tobiano is sure to become one of B.C.'s hottest new recreational property destinations.

Tobiano will be built on 1,000 acres of Kamloops' Six Mile Ranch, which was the site of a Jennifer Lopez film called *An Unfinished Life*. During an interview with Lopez about the site of the filming, late night talk show king David Letterman described the area as having "tremendous beauty."

For Mike Grenier of Six Mile Ranch, Letterman's comments were the equivalent of a two-thumbs-up from Hollywood on a ten-year endeavour to transform a 1,000-acre property into the future Tobiano residential resort.

Grenier, who runs 200 head of cattle on Six Mile Ranch, is a property developer who along with his father Bill, owns Pagebrook Inc. which has completed more than 37 residential, retail and hotel projects in the United States and Canada in the last four decades.

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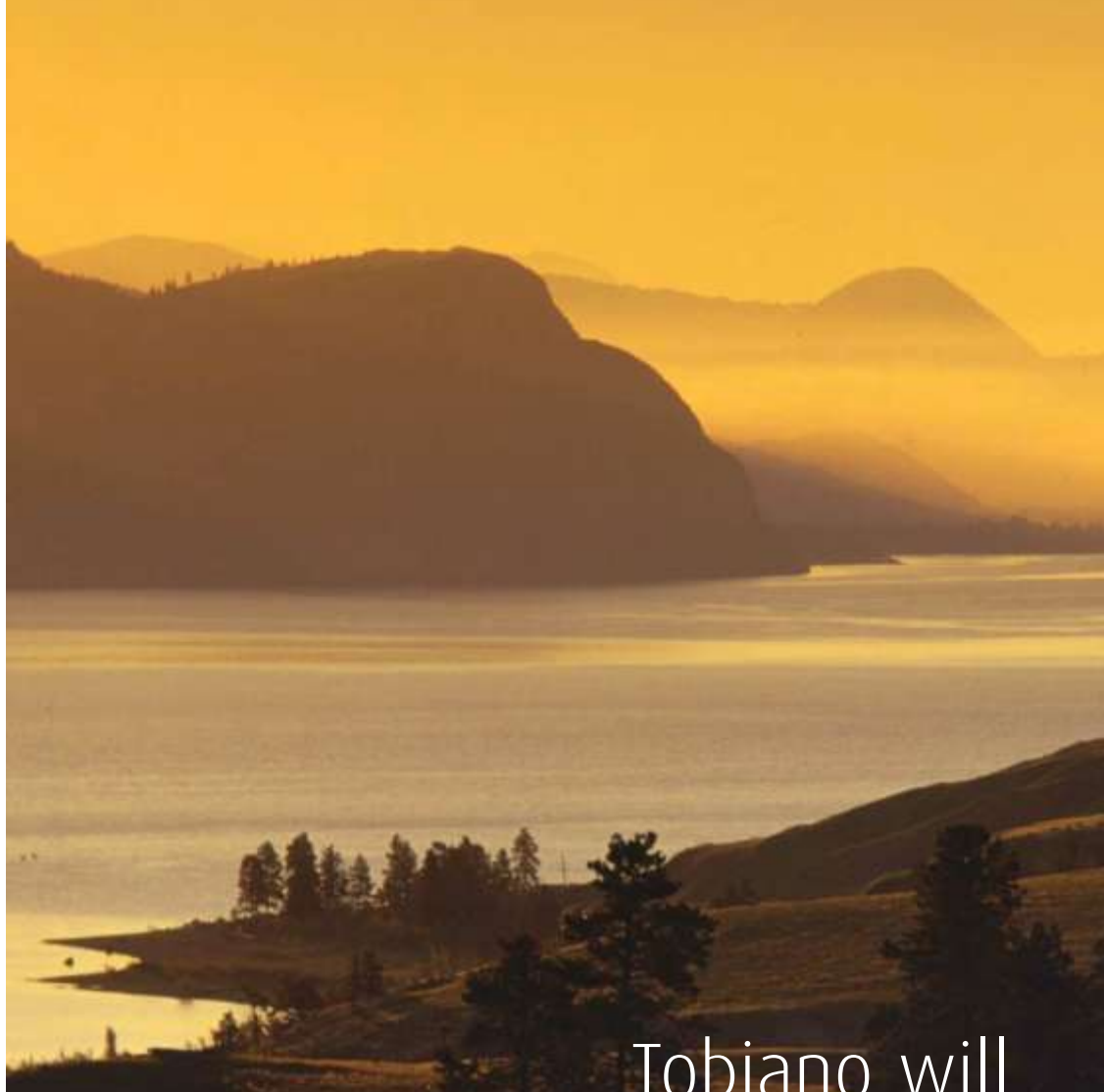
"We're now seeing Tobiano emerging from the dry plans. We have already roughed in all 18 holes in the golf course set to open in June 2007," says Mike, adding Tobiano will be open for sales sometime this summer.

In addition to the lakefront properties, nearly 500 multi-family residential units will be built on nine Tobiano sites, along with three hotels featuring a total of about 450 rooms.

Tobiano will truly be western Canada's next playground. Kamloops Lake spans more than 20 square miles, and is a recreational property owner's dream. The lake is great anyone who loves aquatic sports including swimming, windsurfing, sailing, kayaking, rafting and waterskiing. A golf course, marina and equestrian centre will also be built, along with a village centre featuring 40,000 square feet of retail development.

A mere 15 minutes from the City of Kamloops and less than an hour's drive to Sun Peaks Ski Resort, Tobiano will be an all-season resort village that offers residents and visitors stunning vistas, canyon-cut plateaus, rolling hills of sagebrush and ponderosa pine. And as one of Canada's sunniest sites, Tobiano's moderate climate makes it the perfect setting for a retreat back to nature. Hiking, bird watching and mountain biking opportunities will be just a stone's throw from the development.

Recently the company took a big step toward sharing its plans with the buying public, by engaging one of the world's leading marketers of singular properties, Sotheby's International Realty, to bring Tobiano to market. As North America's love for recreational property continues to grow, Tobiano is well positioned to offer baby boomers the best in vacation homes. It's also expected to become the principal residence and community of choice among professionals working within the City of Kamloops and the Thompson Nicola Regional District. ■



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