



The Corporation of the Village of Salmo

Request for Decision

Report Date: October 10, 2025
Meeting Date: October 14, 2025 (#17-25)
From: Derek Kwiatkowski, Chief Administrative Officer
Subject: Fire Truck Purchase- AAP Next Steps

OBJECTIVE

THAT Council pass resolutions to approve the number of eligible electors & to direct staff to initiate the public feedback portion of the Alternative Approval Process.

DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The Village has sent the Bylaw 767 to the Provincial Inspector & has received approval. The next steps are for Council to declare the number of eligible electors & pass a resolution to officially begin the electoral response timeframe.

The Village will be including a communication package with the Electoral Response Form that will include timelines & an explanation of the borrowing process.

The Village will be hand delivering the notices to each resident due to the Canada Post strike. If the AAP is successful, the Village may proceed with either an Equipment Loan or Long-Term Borrowing Loan through Municipal Finance Authority of BC. The load amortization will be for 20 years and there are differences for each type of borrowing for Council to consider. This will be brought to Council for consideration after the submission deadline.

The resolution calculates 41 days from the October 15, 2025 start date and an end date of November 24, 2025.

Council will have 2 resolutions to pass:

1. The first will be declaring the report for the number of eligible electors.
2. The second resolution will be to initiate the public feedback portion of the AAP.

RECOMMENDATION

First Resolution:

THAT Council approve the Report for Determining the Number of Eligible Electors.

Second Resolution:

WHEREAS the municipal council has given three readings to "*Fire Truck Loan Authorization Bylaw #767, 2025*" which proposes that a new fire truck be purchased and a debenture not to exceed \$1,020,000 be obtained to finance the purchase of the new fire truck which will be repaid over a period not to exceed 20 years;

AND WHEREAS the municipal council cannot adopt bylaw #767 until the approval of the electors has been obtained;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Corporate Officer undertake an alternative approval process to determine the opinion of the electors with regard to the matter.

AND THAT IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED that 41 days for submitting receiving elector response forms is established.

ALTERNATIVES

1. That Council table the discussion to a subsequent Council Meeting.



Village of Salmo

Alternative Approval Process

The purpose of this report is to show the basis for determining the total number of electors in relation to Fire Truck Loan Authorization Bylaw 767, 2025 that is the subject of an alternative approval process.

Section 86(3)(c) of the *Community Charter* requires the council to make a fair determination of the total number of electors of the area to which the approval process applies. In addition, the council must make available to the public, on request, a report respecting the basis on which the determination was made.

The number of people eligible to be a *resident elector* or a *non-resident property elector* is determined based on those individuals who *when signing an elector response form*:

- are 18 years of age or older;
- are a Canadian citizen;
- have been a resident of British Columbia for at least six months;
- be a resident of the jurisdiction (e.g., municipality or electoral area) where the AAP is being conducted, or a registered owner of real property in the jurisdiction for at least 30 days; live, or own property in the area defined for the AAP; and,
- are not disqualified under the *Local Government Act*, or any other enactment from voting in a local election or be otherwise disqualified by law.

The estimated number of eligible electors ***within the area defined for the AAP*** is based on information from various sources as indicated below, is calculated as follows:

1. Estimated population in the area	1140
2. Estimated number of people 18 years of age or older	941
3. Minus number of people estimated as not being Canadian citizens	0
4. Minus the number of people who are estimated not to be residents of British Columbia for the past six months	0
Add estimated number of eligible non-resident property electors	0
Estimated total number of eligible resident and non-resident electors in the area defined for the AAP	941
	=====
Ten percent of the total number of eligible electors is estimated to be:	94

The total estimated population of the jurisdiction was derived from information obtained from Provincial Voters List that was prepared on August 20, 2025. The rate of population growth for the jurisdiction is estimated to be 0% by October 14, 2025. Therefore, the estimated population is calculated as: 1140



The Corporation of the Village of Salmo

CAO Report

Report Date: October 10, 2025
Meeting Date: October 14, 2025 (#17-25)
From: Derek Kwiatkowski, Chief Administrative Officer
Subject: CAO Report- 2025 By-Election Update

BACKGROUND:

On October 3, 2025 the nomination submission deadline passed with one candidate submitting a nomination, Payton McKellar.

On October 3, the Village notified Elections BC & the Provincial government of the nomination. The last day to contest this nomination is October 10, 2025.

If the nomination is successful, Payton McKellar will be elected by acclamation & sworn in at the November 10, 2025 Special Council Meeting.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

That Council accepts the CAO report for information.

Village of Salmo
Accounts Payable September 5 to October 9, 2025

Cheque #	Pay Date	Vendor Name	Description	Paid Amount
018391	2025-09-09	Ace Courier Systems	Water Sample Shipping	\$48.22
018423	2025-09-17	Ace Courier Systems	Water Sample Shipping	\$25.79
018439	2025-10-02	Ace Courier Systems	Water Sample Shipping	\$48.64
EFT	2025-10-02	Air Liquide Canada Inc.	F.D. Supplies	\$18.06
018392	2025-09-09	Andrew Sheret Limited	WWTP Materials and Supplies	\$163.06
018395	2025-09-09	B A Benson & Son Ltd	WWTP Supplies	\$303.27
EFT	2025-09-10	B Speers Contracting	SVYCC Maintenance	\$2,050.05
018394	2025-09-09	Beaver's Septic Tank	WWTP Maintenance	\$1,930.05
018396	2025-09-09	Billy's Automotive Service Ltd.	Maintenance 2000 Ford F150	\$784.95
018422	2025-09-16	Billy's Automotive Service Ltd.	F.D. Vehicle Maintenance	\$1,507.29
018425	2025-09-17	Billy's Automotive Service Ltd.	Misc Equipment Supplies	\$43.36
018397	2025-09-09	BV Tool Rentals (2011) Ltd.	Sewer Collection Camera Rental	\$308.00
EFT	2025-09-10	Collabria	F.D. GPS/Mower Parts/WWTP/Adobe	\$965.30
EFT	2025-10-02	Collabria	Adobe/Hotel/Towing/Cemetery	\$1,006.18
018398	2025-09-09	Columbia Basin Broadband Corporation	Office Internet	\$280.00
018426	2025-09-17	Commissionaires British Columbia	Bylaw Enforcement	\$268.79
EFT	2025-09-10	Custom Dozing Ltd.	Road Gravel	\$1,881.60
EFT	2025-09-17	Eco/Logic Environmental	Q3 Effluent Testing	\$1,981.17
EFT	2025-10-02	Fortis BC - Natural Gas	Natural Gas Expense	\$58.50
EFT	2025-10-02	Fortis BC - Natural Gas	Natural Gas Expense	\$64.88
EFT	2025-10-02	Fortis BC - Natural Gas	Natural Gas Expense	\$73.41
EFT	2025-10-02	Fortis BC - Natural Gas	Electric Expense	\$78.19
EFT	2025-10-02	Fortis BC - Natural Gas	Natural Gas Expense	\$52.66
EFT	2025-10-02	Fortis BC - Natural Gas	Electric Expense	\$75.28
EFT	2025-09-10	Fortis BC Inc.	Electric Expense	\$1,906.36
EFT	2025-09-10	Fortis BC Inc.	Electric Expense	\$841.60
EFT	2025-09-10	Fortis BC Inc.	Electric Expense	\$838.50
EFT	2025-09-17	Fortis BC Inc.	Electric Expense	\$49.01
EFT	2025-10-02	Fortis BC Inc.	Electric Expense	\$485.78
EFT	2025-10-02	Fortis BC Inc.	Electric Expense	\$61.78
EFT	2025-10-02	Fortis BC Inc.	Electric Expense	\$1,254.32
EFT	2025-10-02	Fortis BC Inc.	Electric Expense	\$1,361.99
EFT	2025-10-02	Fortis BC Inc.	Electric Expense	\$487.16
EFT	2025-10-02	Fortis BC Inc.	Electric Expense	\$328.99
EFT	2025-10-02	Fortis BC Inc.	Electric Expense	\$333.95
EFT	2025-10-02	Fortis BC Inc.	Electric Expense	\$841.60
EFT	2025-10-02	Fortis BC Inc.	Electric Expense	\$70.64

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EFT	2025-09-10	GFL Environmental Inc. 2020	PW/WWTP Garbage Services	\$3,678.78
EFT	2025-09-10	GFL Environmental Inc. 2020	Residential Garbage Services	\$8,406.77
018427	2025-09-17	GFL Environmental Inc. 2020	Garbage Tags Expense	\$367.50
EFT	2025-10-02	Gilbert Parts Depot	F.D. Supplies	\$318.46
EFT	2025-09-17	Imperial Oil Esso	P.W/F.D Fleet Fuel	\$1,153.32
018399	2025-09-09	In-Gear Mechanical Services Ltd	2012 Ford F150 Parts & Repair	\$1,479.26
EFT	2025-10-02	Inland Allcare	Water Distribution System Supplies	\$759.36
EFT	2025-10-02	Inland Allcare	Gabage Collection/Shop/KP Supplies	\$278.28
EFT	2025-10-02	Inland Allcare	Water Distribution System Supplies	\$752.64
EFT	2025-10-02	Inland Allcare	Water Distribution System Supplies	\$1,505.28
018403	2025-09-09	Kelowna Barrette	Janitorial Services	\$409.50
018443	2025-10-02	Kelowna Barrette	Janitorial Services	\$409.50
EFT	2025-10-02	Kootenay Industrial Supply Ltd.	Shop Supplies	\$47.61
EFT	2025-10-02	Kootenay Industrial Supply Ltd.	Shop Supplies	\$616.00
018441	2025-10-02	Kootenay Sub-Surface Imaging Ltd	Sewer Line Inspections	\$10,503.15
018442	2025-10-02	Land Title & Survey Authority of BC	Tax Sale Land Title Fees	\$165.04
Pre-Authorized Debit	2025-09-09	Land Title & Survey Authority of BC	Service Fees	\$50.00
EFT	2025-09-17	Lidstone & Company	Legal Services	\$1,958.85
EFT	2025-09-17	Lidstone & Company	Legal Services	\$68.32
EFT	2025-09-17	Lidstone & Company	Legal Services	\$987.29
018400	2025-09-09	Lordco Auto Parts	1998 Loader, Shop Supplies	\$68.32
EFT	2025-10-02	Lordco Auto Parts	Ford Ranger/Trackless Supplies	\$178.04
EFT	2025-10-02	Lordco Auto Parts	Electric Hoist	\$3,951.94
EFT	2025-10-02	Lordco Auto Parts	Trackless Supplies	\$59.11
018401	2025-09-09	Martech	WWTP Maintenance	\$2,803.43
018402	2025-09-09	Ninco Construction Ltd.	Sidewalk Replacement Project	\$15,750.00
EFT	2025-09-10	Passmore Laboratory Ltd.	Water Sample Testing	\$260.00
EFT	2025-09-10	Passmore Laboratory Ltd.	Water Sample Testing	\$208.00
EFT	2025-09-10	Pennywise	Advertising Expense	\$301.67
EFT	2025-09-12	Receiver General for Canada	Payroll Remittance	\$15,091.24
EFT	2025-09-17	Redwood Engineering Ltd	Glendale Bridge Guardrails - Engineering	\$2,538.46
018404	2025-09-09	Regional District of Central Kootenay	Building Permit Fees, Bylaw 610/116 & 579/106 Remittance	\$35,159.64
018393	2025-09-09	Richens Ann	Campground Management	\$520.00
018424	2025-09-17	Richens Ann	Campground Management	\$650.00
018440	2025-10-02	Richens Ann	Campground Management	\$350.00
EFT	2025-09-10	Rogers	Cellphone Expense	\$391.58
EFT	2025-10-02	S.C. Mechanics	2007 GMC Dump Truck Maintenance	\$858.14

Village of Salmu
Accounts Payable September 5 to October 9, 2025

Cheque #	Pay Date	Vendor Name	Description	Paid Amount
018429	2025-09-17	Salmu Foods Ltd	KP Washroom Supplies	\$51.50
018430	2025-09-25	Salmu Lions Club	Railway Garden Maintenance Expense	\$134.15
018428	2025-09-17	Salmu Valley Youth & Community Centre	Community Grant Res. #11-15-25	\$300.00
018408	2025-09-10	Salmu Village Grocery	Office Supplies	\$72.91
018405	2025-09-09	Skyway Hardware (1985) Ltd.	Cemetery, Sewer, Shop, WWTP Supplies	\$590.96
EFT	2025-09-10	Startup HVAC Solutions LTD	WWTP Maintenance	\$626.58
EFT	2025-09-10	Sunco Communication & Installation	IT Services - Managed Services	\$1,512.00
EFT	2025-09-17	Telus	Alarm Monitoring	\$26.25
EFT	2025-09-17	Telus	Alarm Monitoring	\$31.50
EFT	2025-10-02	Yellow Pages Group	Advertising Expense	\$7.02
Employee Expenses, Reimbursements and Salaries (pp19, pp20, Council 9)				\$51,032.86
Total:				\$190,318.59

Credit Card Details:	
Adobe Subscription	\$47.02
F.D. GPS Subscription	\$72.74
Garbage Can Stickers	\$52.63
Mower Blade	\$96.89
Office Supplies	\$290.58
WWTP Supplies	\$405.44
	\$965.30

Adobe Subscription	\$47.02
Cemetery Supplies	\$127.71
F.D. GPS Subscription	\$72.74
PW Training	\$580.00
Towing Expense	\$178.71
	\$1,006.18



REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY

**Letter of Consent
Bylaw No. 3057**

We, the Council of the Village of Salmo in the Regional District of Central Kootenay, do hereby consent, on behalf of the Village of Salmo electors, to the Board of the Regional District of Central Kootenay adopting Bylaw No. 3057 being:

Salmo and Electoral Area G Swimming Pool Financial Aid Local Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 3057, 2025

which will increase the maximum requisition.

Derek Kwiatkowski, Chief Administrative Officer
Village of Salmo
Regional District of Central Kootenay

Director Diana Lockwood
Village of Salmo
Regional District of Central Kootenay



Board Report

September 18, 2025

Salmo and Electoral Area G Pool Financial Aid Service

Author: Tom Dool, Research Analyst
File Reference:
Electoral Area/Municipality: Salmo and Electoral Area G
Services Impacted: S225 Salmo and Electoral Area G Swimming Pool

1.0 STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That Village of Salmo and Electoral Area G Swimming Pool Financial Aid Local Service Area Amending Bylaw No. 3057, 2025 be read a FIRST, SECOND, and THIRD time by content.

2.0 BACKGROUND/HISTORY

At the January 1996 Board meeting the Board adopted Village of Salmo and Electoral Area G Swimming Pool Financial Aid Local Service Area Bylaw No. 1135, 1995 a bylaw to convert the Area G Swimming Pool Grant in Aid function to a local service within the Village of Salmo and Area G.

Bylaw 1135, 1995 established that:

- the maximum annual allowable requisition for the service to be the greater of \$19,500 or \$0.164/\$1000 of net assessed value of land and improvements;
- the cost of the service be apportioned 44% to the Village of Salmo and 56% to Area G; and
- that the cost of the service be recovered by a property value tax.

At the March 2025 Board meeting the Board resolved that:

140/25 The Board direct staff to review Salmo and Electoral Area G (REC #7) Recreational Program Service Establishment Bylaws 784, 1990 and the Village of Salmo and Electoral Area G Swimming Pool Financial Aid Local Service Area Bylaw No. 1135, 1995 and determine how to create efficiencies.

Staff have noted that the current maximum annual allowable requisition for the service has not been increased since service establishment. While comprehensive review of services S225 Salmo Swimming Pool and S230 Salmo and Area G (Rec 7) Recreation Commission are ongoing it is likely that the current requisition maximum will not support operating and capital plans for the service over the next Five (5) years.

Salmo and District Recreation services up and until 2018 primarily delivered community recreation and fitness programming. In 2018 the RDCK took over direct operations of the seasonal outdoor pool from the Salmo Valley Aquatic Society. The operation and the ongoing maintenance and capital reinvestment required became too complicated for volunteers to continue managing.

The community highly values the seasonal operation of the pool and the benefits to the community like water safety, adult fitness, and a place to recreate and socialize in the community.

The operations also came with challenges from staffing levels to asset management. The RDCK, through conversations with the Commission, have increased lifeguard salaries to be on par with other RDCK services and began reinvesting into the pool through increased maintenance from qualified staff. In 2021 the RDCK completed a comprehensive facility review which recommended over \$1,000,000 of capital investments. In 2023 over \$150,000 of mechanical systems capital work was completed that was partially funded by Columbia Basin Trust.

3.0 PROBLEM OR OPPORTUNITY DESCRIPTION

An analysis by staff of capital and operating plans for Service S225 Salmo and Electoral Area G Swimming Pool will require a requisition exceeding the current maximum annual allowable requisition for the service over the course of the 5-year financial plan for the service.

To avoid a potential funding shortfall the Board may consider amending Salmo and Electoral Area Swimming Pool Financial Aid Local Service Area Bylaw 1135, 1995 to increase the maximum annual allowable requisition amount.

3.1 Legislative Considerations

Changes to Establishing Bylaws

Local Government Act 349(1) allows that an establishing bylaw may be amended or repealed, at the option of the Board, in accordance with the requirements applicable to the adoption of the bylaw or with the consent of at least 2/3 of the participants.

Requirements For Passing Bylaws

The Community Charter Div 3 Section 135 requires at least one day between 3rd reading of a bylaw and it's adoption by the Board. Functionally this means that the Board requires at least two meetings between third reading and adoption.

4.0 PROPOSED SOLUTION

Increase the maximum annual allowable requisition for Service S225 Salmo and Electoral Area G Swimming Pool from the current maximum of \$0.164/\$1000 of net assessed value of land and improvements or \$19,500, whichever is greater; to \$0.20/\$1000 of net assessed value of land and improvements or \$136,000 whichever is greater.

4.1 Financial Considerations of the Proposed Solution

Staff have proposed a 20% increase in the maximum annual allowable requisition.

Current Maximum Annual Allowable Requisition

Participant	Assessment	Apportionment	\$ Amount	Rate/\$1000
Area G	\$ 463,331,641.00	56%	\$ 62,591.31	\$ 0.135
Salmo	\$ 218,193,942.00	44%	\$ 49,178.89	\$ 0.225
Total	\$ 681,525,583.00		\$ 111,770.20	\$ 0.164

Proposed Maximum Annual Allowable Requisition

Participant	Assessment	Apportionment	\$ Amount	Rate/\$1000
Area G	\$ 463,331,641.00	56%	\$ 76,160.00	0.164
Salmo	\$ 218,193,942.00	44%	\$ 59,840.00	0.274
Total	\$ 681,525,583.00		\$ 136,000.00	0.200

5.0 OPTIONS CONSIDERED BUT NOT PRESENTED

None.

6.0 OPTIONS SUMMARY**Preferred Option**

Increase the maximum annual allowable requisition for Service 225 Salmo and Electoral Area G Swimming Pool from the current maximum of \$0.164/\$1000 of net assessed value of land and improvements or \$19,500, whichever is greater; to \$0.20/\$1000 of net assessed value of land and improvements or \$136,000 whichever is greater.

Alternative Option

That staff take no further action on the matter.

7.0 RECOMMENDATION

That Village of Salmo and Electoral Area G Swimming Pool Financial Aid Local Service Area Amending Bylaw No. 3057, 2025 be read a FIRST, SECOND, and THIRD time by content.

Respectfully submitted,
Tom Dool, Research Analyst

CONCURRENCE

General Manager of Community Services – Joe Chirico
Chief Administrative Officer – Stuart Horn

Approved
Approved

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A – Salmo and Electoral Area G (Rec #7) Recreational Program Amending Bylaw No.3058, 2025
Attachment B – Village of Salmo and Electoral Area G Swimming Pool Financial Aid Local Service Area Bylaw No. 1135, 1995.

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY

Bylaw No. 3057

A Bylaw to amend Village of Salmo and Electoral Area G Swimming Pool Financial Aid Local Service Area Bylaw No. 1135, 1995 to increase the maximum annual allowable requisition.

WHEREAS the Board of the Regional District of Central Kootenay was granted, by way of supplementary Letters Patent dated April 28, 1989 the function of "Area G Swimming Pool Grant In Aid" for the participants of the Village of Salmo and Electoral Area G;

AND WHEREAS the Board of the Regional District of Central Kootenay converted the aforesaid "Area G Swimming Pool Grant In Aid" function to a local service with the adoption of Salmo and Electoral Area G Swimming Pool Financial Aid Local Service Area Bylaw No. 1135, 1995;

AND WHEREAS the Board of the Regional District of Central Kootenay wishes to increase the maximum annual allowable requisition for the service;

AND WHEREAS pursuant of the Local Government Act participating area approval has been obtained by consent from Village of Salmo and Electoral Area G;

NOW THEREFORE the Board of the Regional District of Central Kootenay, in open meeting assembled, HEREBY ENACTS as follows:

- 1 That Section 3 of Bylaw No. 1135 be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:
 3. The maximum amount that may be requisitioned annually for the service shall be an amount equal to \$0.20/\$1000 of net assessed value of land and improvements or \$136,000, whichever is greater.
- 2 This Bylaw may be cited as **"Salmo and Electoral Area G Swimming Pool Financial Aid Local Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 3057, 2025"**.

READ A FIRST TIME this 18th day of September, 2025.

READ A SECOND TIME this 18th day of September, 2025.

READ A THIRD TIME this 18th day of September, 2025.

ASSENT RECEIVED as per the Local Government Act-consent on behalf of the participating areas.

APPROVE by the Inspector of Municipalities on the _____ day of _____, 2025.

ADOPTED

day of

, 2025.

Aimee Watson, Board Chair

Mike Morrison, Corporate Officer

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY

BYLAW NO. 1135

A Bylaw to convert the "Area G Swimming Pool Grant-in-Aid" Function to a local service within the Village of Salmo and Electoral Area G.

WHEREAS under Section 767(4) of the Municipal Act, a regional district exercising a power to provide a service other than a general service, shall adopt a bylaw respecting that service which:

- (a) meets the requirements of Section 794 for an establishing bylaw, and
- (b) is adopted in accordance with the requirements of Section 802 as if it were a bylaw amending an establishing bylaw;

AND WHEREAS the Regional Board of the Regional District of Central Kootenay was granted, by way of supplementary Letters Patent dated April 28, 1989 and amendments thereto, the function of "Area G Swimming Pool Grant-in-Aid" for the participants of the Village of Salmo and Electoral Area G;

AND WHEREAS the Regional Board of the Regional District of Central Kootenay wishes to convert the aforesaid "Area G Swimming Pool Grant-in-Aid" function to a local service;

NOW THEREFORE THE REGIONAL BOARD OF THE REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY IN OPEN MEETING ASSEMBLED, ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. The "Area G Swimming Pool Grant-in-Aid" function, as established by way of supplementary Letters Patent dated April 28, 1989 and amendments thereto, is hereby established as a local service with the Regional Board authorized to grant financial aid to an organization responsible for the operation and maintenance of a swimming pool or pools within the participating area.
2. The boundaries of the local service area as established above shall include the Village of Salmo and Electoral Area G and shall be the participating areas for the local service and shall be known as the "Village of Salmo and Electoral Area G Swimming Pool Financial Aid Local Service Area".
3. The maximum amount that may be granted annually as financial aid for the service shall be Nineteen Thousand, Five Hundred (\$19,500.00) Dollars or \$.164/\$1000. of net taxable value of land and improvements, whichever is greater.
4. The annual requisition for the local service shall be apportioned 44% to the Village of Salmo and 56% to Electoral Area G.
5. The annual financial aid costs for this local service shall be recovered by the requisition money under Sections 809 and 809.1 of the Municipal Act to be collected by a property value tax apportioned by the method set out in Section 808(2) of the Municipal Act.
6. This Bylaw may be cited as "Village of Salmo and Electoral Area G Swimming Pool Financial Aid Local Service Area Bylaw No. 1135, 1995".

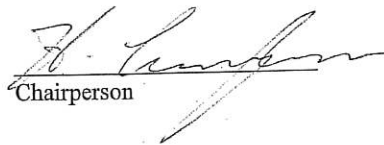
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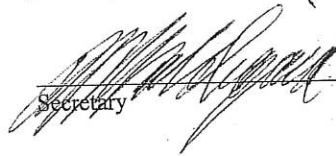
READ A SECOND TIME this 18th day of November, 1995.

READ A THIRD TIME this 18th day of November, 1995.

APPROVED by the Inspector of Municipalities on the 5th day of January, 1996.

ADOPTED this 13th day of January, 1996.


Chairperson


Secretary

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of
**"Village of Salmo and Electoral Area G Swimming Pool
Financial Aid Local Service Area Bylaw No. 1135, 1995"**
as read a third time by the Board on the _____ day of
_____, 1995.

DATED this _____ day of _____, 1995.

Secretary

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of
**"Village of Salmo and Electoral Area G Swimming
Pool Financial Aid Local Service Area Bylaw No. 1135,
1995"**.

DATED this _____ day of _____, 1996.

Secretary



REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY

**Letter of Consent
Bylaw No. 3058**

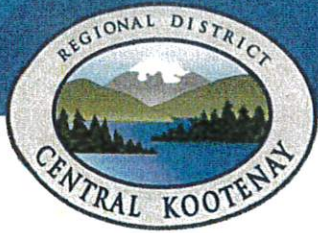
We, the Council of the Village of Salmo in the Regional District of Central Kootenay, do hereby consent, on behalf of the Village of Salmo electors, to the Board of the Regional District of Central Kootenay adopting Bylaw No. 3058 being:

Salmo and Electoral Area G (Rec #7) Recreational Program Amendment Bylaw No.3058, 2025

which increases the maximum requisition by 25% to a revised maximum amount of money that can be requisitioned annually under the *Local Government Act*.

Derek Kwiatkowski, Chief Administrative Officer
Village of Salmo
Regional District of Central Kootenay

Director Diana Lockwood
Village of Salmo
Regional District of Central Kootenay



Board Report

September 18th, 2025

S230 Salmo and Electoral Area G (Rec #7) Recreation Program Maximum Annual Allowable Requisition Increase

Author: Tom Dool, Research Analyst
File Reference:
Electoral Area/Municipality: Salmo and Electoral Area G
Services Impacted S230 Salmo and Electoral Area G (Rec #7) Recreation Program

1.0 STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That Village of Salmo and Electoral Area G (Rec #7) Recreation Program Amending Bylaw No. 3058, 2025 be read a FIRST, SECOND, and THIRD time by content.

2.0 BACKGROUND/HISTORY

At the March 1990 Board Meeting the Board adopted Salmo and Electoral Area G (Rec #7) Recreational Program Bylaw No. 784, 1990, a bylaw to convert the "Recreational Program" function to a local service in the Village of Salmo and Electoral Area G. Bylaw 784, 1990 established the maximum annual requisition amount as \$19,600.

Salmo and Electoral Area G (Rec #7) Recreational Program Tax Increase Amendment Bylaw No 953, 1993 removed clauses 3, 4, and 5 from bylaw 784, 1990 and replaced them with clauses 3, 4, 5, and 6 contained in Bylaw 953, 1993. The new clauses further defined taxation of the service by including that

- Cost recovery be provided through a property value tax on land and improvements;
- The maximum amount requisitioned increased to \$24,000;
- The apportionment of costs was split 35% to the Village of Salmo and 65% to Area G; and
- That the bylaw would be cited as Salmo and Electoral Area G (Rec #7) Recreation Program Bylaw No 784, 1990.

This renumbering of sections resulted in the maximum requisitions being defined in Section 4 as opposed to Section 3.

Salmo and Electoral Ara G (Rec #7) Recreational Program Service Establishment Amendment Bylaw No 1471, 2001 deleted and replaced sections 4 and 5 increasing the maximum annual allowable requisition to \$30,000 or \$0.22/\$1000 of the net taxable value of land and improvements, whichever is greater; and restating the apportionment as %35 Salmo and 65% Area G.

Salmo and Electoral Area G (Rec #7) Recreational Program Service Establishment Bylaw No 2384, 2014 increased the maximum annual allowable requisition to \$115,000 or \$0.36/\$1000 of the net taxable value of land and improvements, whichever is greater.

Salmo and District Recreation services up and until 2018 primarily delivered community recreation and fitness programming. In 2018 the RDCK took over direct operations of the seasonal outdoor pool from the Salmo Valley Aquatic Society. The operation and the ongoing maintenance and capital reinvestment required became too complicated for volunteers to continue managing.

The community highly values the seasonal operation of the pool and the benefits to the community like water safety, adult fitness, and a place to recreate and socialize in the community.

The operations also came with challenges from staffing levels to asset management. The RDCK, through conversations with the Commission, have increased lifeguard salaries to be on par with other RDCK services and began reinvesting into the pool through increased maintenance from qualified staff. In 2021 the RDCK completed a comprehensive facility review which recommended over \$1,000,000 of capital investments. In 2023 over \$150,000 of mechanical systems capital work was completed that was partially funded by Columbia Basin Trust.

3.0 PROBLEM OR OPPORTUNITY DESCRIPTION

In 2026, capital and operating plans for Service S230 Salmo and Electoral Area G (Rec #7) Recreation Program will require a requisition exceeding the current maximum annual allowable requisition for the service. To avoid a potential funding shortfall the Board may consider amending Salmo and Electoral Area G (Rec. #7) Recreational Program Bylaw No. 784, 1990 to increase the maximum annual allowable requisition amount.

3.1 Legislative Considerations

Changes to Establishing Bylaws

Local Government Act 349(1) allows that an establishing bylaw may be amended or repealed, at the option of the Board, in accordance with the requirements applicable to the adoption of the bylaw or with the consent of at least 2/3 of the participants.

Exemption From Inspector Approval

The inspector's approval under Section 349 (3) of the Local Government Act is not required for an amendment to an establishing bylaw that increases the maximum amount that may be requisitioned under the bylaw by an amount less than or equal to 25% of the Baseline Value. Baseline Value means the greater of the two amounts set under Local Government Act section 339 (1) (e) (iii), either the amount resulting from a rate per thousand of assessed value or a stated dollar value maximum.

Requirements For Passing Bylaws

The Community Charter Div 3 Section 135 requires at least one day between 3rd reading of a bylaw and its adoption by the Board. Functionally this means that the Board requires at least two meetings between third reading and adoption.

4.0 PROPOSED SOLUTION

Increase the maximum annual allowable requisition for Service S230 Salmo and Electoral Area G from the current maximum of \$0.36/\$1000 of net assessed value of land and improvements or \$115,000, whichever is greater; to \$0.45/\$1000 of net assessed value of land and improvements or \$305,545 whichever is greater.

4.1 Financial Considerations of the Proposed Solution

Application of the Regional District Establishing Bylaw Approval Exemption Regulation requires (LGA S349) requires:

The Baseline Date be the later of the date of service establishment bylaw adoption or 5 Years before third reading of the proposed amendment. The service establishment bylaw was adopted in 2014. There have been no subsequent amendments to the service establishment bylaw. The Baseline Date is 2020.

The Baseline Value be greater of the maximum amount set as dollar limit at the Baseline Date or the maximum amount obtained by multiplying the property value tax rate at the Baseline Date by the most recent taxable value of the service area.

The maximum requisition increase allowed under the Approval Exemption Regulation is an amount equal to 25% or less of the Baseline Value.

The maximum amount the annual allowable requisition may be increased to and qualify for exemption under the Regional District Establishing Bylaw Approval Exemption Regulation is \$0.45/\$1000 of net assessed value of land and improvements or \$305,545.

The proposed amount adequately meets the requisition amounts required by the capital and operating plans for the service.

5.0 OPTIONS CONSIDERED BUT NOT PRESENTED

That Village of Salmo and Electoral Area G (Rec #7) Recreation Program Amendment Bylaw No. 3058, 2025 amend the service establishment bylaw to increase by maximum annual allowable requisition by more than 25% over the Baseline Value.

Increasing the maximum annual allowable requisition beyond 25% above Baseline Value, as permitted by Regional District Establishing Bylaw Approval Exemption Regulation, would result in an extended bylaw adoption timeline poorly aligned with capital and operating plans for the service.

6.0 OPTIONS SUMMARY

Increase the maximum annual allowable requisition for Service S230 Salmo and Electoral Area G from the current maximum of \$0.36/\$1000 of net assessed value of land and improvements or \$115,000, whichever is greater; to \$0.45/\$1000 of net assessed value of land and improvements or \$305,545 whichever is greater.

7.0 RECOMMENDATION

That Village of Salmo and Electoral Area G (Rec #7) Recreation Program Amendment Bylaw No. 3058, 2025 be read a FIRST, SECOND, and THIRD time by content.

Respectfully submitted,
Tom Dool – Research Analyst

CONCURRENCE

General Manager of Community Services – Joe Chirico
CAO – Stuart Horn

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment A – **Salmo and Electoral Area G (Rec #7) Recreational Program Amending Bylaw No.3058, 2025**
Attachment B – Salmo and Electoral Area G (Rec #7) Recreational Program Amending Bylaw No.784, 1990 and subsequent amendments

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY

Bylaw No. 3058

A Bylaw to amend Salmo and Electoral Area G (Rec #7) Recreational Program Bylaw No. 784, 1990 to increase the maximum annual allowable requisition.

WHEREAS the Board of the Regional District of Central Kootenay was granted, by way of supplementary Letters Patent dated June 13, 1966 the function of "Recreational Program" for the participants of the Village of Salmo and Electoral Area G;

AND WHEREAS the Board of the Regional District of Central Kootenay converted the aforesaid "Recreational Program" function to a local service with the adoption of Salmo and Electoral Area G (Rec. #7) Recreational Program Bylaw No. 784, 1990;

AND WHEREAS the Board of the Regional District of Central Kootenay wishes to increase the maximum annual allowable requisition for the service in accordance with Regional District Establishing Bylaw Approval Exemption Regulation;

AND WHEREAS pursuant of the Local Government Act participating area approval has been obtained by consent from Village of Salmo and Electoral Area G;

NOW THEREFORE the Board of the Regional District of Central Kootenay, in open meeting assembled, HEREBY ENACTS as follows:

- 1 That Section 4 of Bylaw No. 784 be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:
 4. The maximum amount that may be requisitioned annually for the service shall be an amount equal to \$0.45/\$1,000 of net assessed value of land and improvements or \$305,545.00, whichever is greater.
- 2 That Section 5 of Bylaw No. 784 be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:
 5. The annual cost of providing the service shall be apportioned 35% to the Village of Salmo and 65% to Electoral Area G.
- 3 This Bylaw may be cited as **"Salmo and Electoral Area G (Rec #7) Recreational Program Amendment Bylaw No.3058, 2025"**

READ A FIRST TIME this 18th day of September, 2025.

READ A SECOND TIME this 18th day of September, 2025.

READ A THIRD TIME this 18th day of September, 2025.

ASSENT RECEIVED as per the Local Government Act-consent on behalf of the participating areas.

ADOPTED day of , 2025

Aimee Watson, Board Chair

Mike Morrison, Corporate Officer

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY

BYLAW NO. 784

A Bylaw to convert the "Recreational Program" function to a local service in the Village of Salmo and Electoral Area G (Recreation Commission No. 7).

WHEREAS under Section 767(4) of the Municipal Act, a regional district exercising a power to provide a service other than a general service, shall adopt a bylaw respecting that service which:

- (a) meets the requirements of Section 794 for an establishing bylaw, and
- (b) is adopted in accordance with the requirements of Section 802 as if it were a bylaw amending an establishing bylaw.

AND WHEREAS the Regional Board of the Regional District of Central Kootenay was granted by way of supplementary Letters Patent dated June 13, 1966 and amendments thereto, the function of "Recreational Program" for the participants of the Village of Salmo and Electoral Area G;

AND WHEREAS the Regional Board of the Regional District of Central Kootenay wishes to convert the aforesaid "Recreational Program" function to a local service;

NOW THEREFORE, THE REGIONAL BOARD OF THE REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY IN OPEN MEETING ASSEMBLED ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. The "Recreational Program" function as established by way of supplementary Letters Patent dated June 13, 1966 and amendments thereto is hereby established as a local service with the Regional Board authorized to exercise those powers relating to recreation services set out in Section 690 of the Municipal Act.
2. The boundaries of the local service area as established above shall include the Village of Salmo and Electoral Area G which shall be the participating areas for the local service and shall be known as Recreation Commission No. 7.
3. The maximum amount that may be expended for annual operating costs for the service shall be Nineteen Thousand, Six Hundred (\$19,600.00) Dollars.
4. The annual operating and debt servicing costs for this local service shall be recovered by the requisition of money under Sections 809 and 809.1 of the Municipal Act to be collected by a property value tax apportioned by the method set out in Section 808(2) of the Municipal Act.
5. This Bylaw may be cited as "Salmo and Electoral Area G (Rec. #7) Recreational Program Bylaw No. 784, 1990".

READ A FIRST TIME this 27th day of January, 1990.


READ A SECOND TIME this 27th day of January, 1990.

READ A THIRD TIME this 27th day of January, 1990.

APPROVED by the Inspector of Municipalities on the 21st day of
March, 1990.

RECONSIDERED AND ADOPTED this 24th day of March, 1990.


Chairperson


Secretary

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of "Salmo and Electoral Area G (Rec. #7) Recreational Program Bylaw No. 784, 1990" as read a third time by the Regional District of Central Kootenay Board on the day of , 1990.

DATED this day of , 1990.

Secretary

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of "Salmo and Electoral Area G (Rec. #7) Recreational Program Bylaw No. 784, 1990".

DATED this day of , 1990.

Secretary

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY

BYLAW NO. 953

A bylaw to amend Bylaw No. 784 being a conversion bylaw to establish a local service for a Recreation Program function in the Village of Salmo and Electoral Area G (Recreation Commission No. 7).

WHEREAS under the authority of Bylaw No. 784 cited as "Salmo and Electoral Area G (Rec. #7) Recreational Program Bylaw No. 784, 1990" the Regional District established a local service for the purpose of providing a Recreation Program;

AND WHEREAS the annual cost attributable to the operation of the Recreation Program exceeds the product of a levy of Nineteen Thousand Six Hundred (\$19,600.00) Dollars;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Village of Salmo and the Director of Electoral Area G have requested Bylaw No. 784 be amended to authorize an annual tax requisition not to exceed Twenty-Four Thousand (\$24,000.00) Dollars to be apportioned Village of Salmo Eight Thousand, Three Hundred (\$8,300.00) Dollars and Electoral Area G Fifteen Thousand, Seven Hundred (\$15,700.00) Dollars;

NOW THEREFORE THE BOARD OF THE REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY IN OPEN MEETING ASSEMBLED, ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. "Salmo and Electoral Area G (Rec. #7) Recreational Program Bylaw No. 784, 1990" be amended as follows:
 - a) Clauses 3, 4 and 5 be deleted in their entirety and the following be substituted therefor:
 3. The cost of providing the service established under section 1 shall be recovered by requisition of money to be collected by a property value tax on land and improvements.
 4. The maximum amount that may be requisitioned annually under Section 804(1) of the Municipal Act for the service shall be Twenty-Four Thousand (\$24,000.00) Dollars.
 5. The annual cost of providing the service shall be apportioned amongst participant members on the following basis:

Village of Salmo = 35% (\$ 8,300.00 max.)
Electoral Area G = 65% (\$15,700.00 max.)
 6. This bylaw may be cited as "Salmo and Electoral Area G (Rec. #7) Recreational Program Bylaw No. 784, 1990".

2. This bylaw may be cited for all purposes as the "Salmo and Electoral Area G (Rec. #7) Recreational Program Tax Increase Amendment Bylaw No. 953, 1993."

READ A FIRST TIME this 13th day of February , 1993.


READ A SECOND TIME this 13th day of February , 1993.

READ A THIRD TIME this 13th day of February , 1993.

APPROVED by the Inspector of Municipalities the 17th day of March , 1993.

RECONSIDERED, FINALLY PASSED AND ADOPTED this 27th day of March , 1993.


Chairperson


Secretary

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of the "Salmo and Electoral Area G (Rec. #7) Recreational Program Tax Increase Amendment Bylaw No. 953, 1993" as read a third time on the day of , 1993.

DATED this day of , 1993.



Secretary

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of the "Salmo and Electoral Area G (Rec. #7) Recreational Program Tax Increase Amendment Bylaw No. 953, 1993".

DATED this day of , 1993.

Secretary

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY

BYLAW NO. 1471

A Bylaw to amend Bylaw No. 784, being the
"Salmo and Electoral Area G (Rec. #7) Recreational
Program Bylaw No. 784, 1990"

WHEREAS a local service has been established by the Regional District of Central Kootenay by Bylaw No. 784, being the "Salmo and Electoral Area G (Rec. #7) Recreational Program Bylaw No. 784, 1990", as amended;

AND WHEREAS the Regional District of Central Kootenay deems it expedient to provide for an increase in the maximum annual requisition limit for the service;

AND WHEREAS consent has been received from at least two-thirds of the participants to amend Bylaw No. 784.

NOW THEREFORE the Board of the Regional District of Central Kootenay in open meeting assembled enacts as follows:

1. Section 4 of Bylaw No. 784, being the "Salmo and Electoral Area G (Rec. #7) Recreational Program Bylaw No. 784, 1990", is hereby deleted and the following is substituted therefore:
 4. *The maximum amount that may be requisitioned annually for the service shall be \$30,000 or \$0.22 / \$1,000 of net taxable value of land and improvements, whichever is greater.*
2. Section 5 of Bylaw No. 784, being the "Salmo and Electoral Area G (Rec. #7) Recreational Program Bylaw No. 784, 1990", is hereby deleted and the following is substituted therefore:
 5. *The annual cost of providing the service shall be apportioned amongst participant members on the following basis:*

<i>Village of Salmo</i>	<i>=</i>	<i>35%</i>	<i>(\$10,500)</i>
<i>Electoral Area G</i>	<i>=</i>	<i>65%</i>	<i>(\$19,500)</i>
3. This Bylaw may be cited as the "Salmo and Electoral Area G (Rec. #7) Recreational Program Service Establishment Amendment Bylaw No. 1471, 2001".

READ A FIRST TIME this 27th day of January , 2001.

READ A SECOND TIME this 27th day of January , 2001.

READ A THIRD TIME this 27th day of January , 2001.

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of the
"Salmo and Electoral Area G (Rec. #7) Recreational Program
Service Establishment Amendment Bylaw No. 1471, 2001" as
read a third time by the Regional District of Central Kootenay
Board on the 27 day of January, 2001.

C. Maxhuan
SECRETARY

APPROVED by the Inspector of Municipalities on the 20th day of February , 2001.

ADOPTED this 24th day of February , 2001.

H. Hughes
CHAIR

C. Maxhuan
SECRETARY

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of the "Salmo and
Electoral Area G (Rec. #7) Recreational Program Service Establishment
Amendment Bylaw No. 1471, 2001".

DATED this day of , 2001.

SECRETARY

REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY

BYLAW NO. 2384

A Bylaw to amend Bylaw No. 784, being the
"Salmo and Electoral Area G (Rec. #7)
Recreational Program Bylaw No. 784, 1990"

WHEREAS a local service has been established by the Regional District of Central Kootenay by Bylaw No. 784, being the "Salmo and Electoral Area G (Rec. #7) Recreational Program Bylaw No. 784, 1990", as amended;

AND WHEREAS the Regional District of Central Kootenay deems it expedient to provide for an increase in the maximum annual requisition limit for the service;

AND WHEREAS consent has been received from at least two-thirds of the participants to amend Bylaw No. 784.

NOW THEREFORE the Board of the Regional District of Central Kootenay in open meeting assembled enacts as follows:

1. Section 4 of Bylaw No. 784, being the "Salmo and Electoral Area G (Rec. #7) Recreational Program Bylaw No. 784, 1990", is hereby deleted and the following is substituted therefore:
 4. *The maximum amount that may be requisitioned annually for the service shall be \$115,000.00 or \$0.36/ \$1,000 of net taxable value of land and improvements, whichever is greater.*
2. Section 5 of Bylaw No. 784, being the "Salmo and Electoral Area G (Rec. #7) Recreational Program Bylaw No. 784, 1990", is hereby deleted and the following is substituted therefore:
 5. *The annual cost of providing the service shall be apportioned amongst participant members on the following basis:*

Village of Salmo	=	35%	(\$40,250)
Electoral Area G	=	65%	(\$74,750)
3. This Bylaw may be cited as the "**Salmo and Electoral Area G (Rec. #7) Recreational Program Service Establishment Amendment Bylaw No. 2384, 2014**".

READ A FIRST TIME this 16th day of January, 2014

READ A SECOND TIME this 16th day of January, 2014

READ A THIRD TIME this 16th day of January, 2014

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of the
"Salmo and Electoral Area G (Rec. #7) Recreational
Program Service Establishment Amendment Bylaw No.
2384, 2014" as read a third time by the Regional District
of Central Kootenay Board on the 16th day of January,
2014.

SECRETARY

APPROVED by the Inspector of Municipalities on the 15th day of September, 2014.

ADOPTED this 16th day of October, 2014.

CHAIR

SECRETARY



DATE Sep. 10/25
NO 37 TO McC-OCT. 14
FILE NO 1850-30

Brandy Jessup

From: Derek Kwiatkowski
Sent: September 10, 2025 4:46 PM
To: Brandy Jessup
Subject: FW: Western Communities Foundation - Request for Support from Salmo Village Council

VILLAGE OF SALMO

Importance: High

From: Selina Birk <Selina.Birk@westernfg.ca>
Sent: September 10, 2025 4:43 PM
To: Derek Kwiatkowski <cao@salmo.ca>
Cc: Ashley Taylor <Ashley.Taylor@westernfg.ca>
Subject: Western Communities Foundation - Request for Support from Salmo Village Council
Importance: High

Dear Council Members,

For over 20 years, the Western Financial Group Communities Foundation has proudly supported the development and enhancement of community spaces across Canada through our **Community Infrastructure Grant Program**. Each year, we award **\$5,000 grants** to projects that strengthen community resilience, sustainability, accessibility, health and safety, and foster meaningful connections.

Since 2004, we have contributed over **\$2.4 million** to more than **490 community projects**, including several in Salmo such as the **Salmo Ski Hill, Salmo BMX Park, Salmo Pool, Salmo Golf Course, Salmo Elementary School, and Salmo Community Services**.

This year, we are excited by the opportunity to support the **Salmo Climbing Society** in their initiative to build a climbing wall—an inspiring project that will bring new recreational opportunities to our vibrant town.

As our foundation can only issue grant cheques to **Registered Charities or Municipalities**, we are respectfully requesting the **Village of Salmo's assistance** in receiving and dispersing the funds on behalf of the Salmo Climbing Society, should their application be successful.

We kindly ask that you review and consider this request. Your continued partnership is deeply appreciated and plays a vital role in helping us support meaningful projects that benefit our community.
Thank you for your time and consideration. Please feel free to reach out with any questions or to discuss further.

The application deadline is November 3, 2025

Western Financial Group | Communities Foundation Infrastructure Grants

Warm Regards,

Selina Birk
Insurance Advisor, Personal Insurance
Western Financial Group
118 Main Street, Salmo BC V0G1Z0
Phone: (877)-721-3030 ext 46203 | Fax (250)357-2280
selina.birk@westernfg.ca



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NO 38 TO MAC - Oct. 14/25
FILE NO 0230-20

Brandy Jessup

From: Mayor Diana Lockwood
Sent: September 16, 2025 2:23 PM
To: Laura Stavast
Cc: Derek Kwiatkowski; Brandy Jessup
Subject: RE: Community Development Grant Proposal

VILLAGE OF SALMO

From: Laura Stavast <laura@svycc.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, September 16, 2025 2:16 PM
To: Mayor Diana Lockwood <mayor.lockwood@salmo.ca>
Subject: Community Development Grant Proposal

Dear Mayor Lockwood and Council

I am writing to ask for the support of the Mayor and Council of the Village of Salmo for a proposed project at SVYCC that would replace 90 fluorescent fixtures with high efficient LED lights.

Through the CBT non profit smart grant we had an energy efficiency audit completed and are in the process of applying for the funds to retrofit the lights which was the primary opportunity identified by the audit. The lights have a 25 year projected life and estimate 66% energy savings so they have a positive ROI. In addition to the financial and environmental impacts, retrofitting the lighting will increase safety and improve the atmosphere for our users.

The financial contribution I am seeking is \$1000 roughly 5% of the estimated \$20,000 cost.

The proposed budget is as follows:

\$14,500 CBT
\$3500 Fortis
\$1000 SVYCC
\$1000 Village of Salmo Community Development

I believe the ability to demonstrate the support of the building owner and local community is very important to the success of the project.

Thank you for your consideration

Laura Stavast
Executive Director
Salmo Valley Youth & Community Centre
250-357-2320
250-551-4252
laura@svycc.ca

DATE Oct. 9/25
NO 46 TO M&C - Oct. 14/
FILE NO 1850-30

Brandy Jessup

VILLAGE OF SALMO

From: Derek Kwiatkowski
Sent: October 9, 2025 8:48 AM
To: Brandy Jessup
Subject: FW: Request for Letter of Support – Acceptance of Donation for the Salmo Climbing Gym Project

From: Salmo Climbing Society <salmoclimbingsociety@gmail.com>
Sent: October 8, 2025 8:31 PM
To: Derek Kwiatkowski <cao@salmo.ca>
Cc: Mayor Diana Lockwood <mayor.lockwood@salmo.ca>
Subject: Request for Letter of Support – Acceptance of Donation for the Salmo Climbing Gym Project

Dear CAO, Mayor, and Council,

On behalf of the Salmo Climbing Society, I am writing to request a letter of support from the Village of Salmo confirming your willingness to accept a donation from the Salmo Valley Fund on behalf of the Salmo Climbing Society. The funds will be used to support the development of an indoor climbing gym at the Salmo Valley Youth and Community Centre, specifically for the purchase of rental climbing shoes and equipment.

This project will create a safe, inclusive, and year-round recreation space that promotes youth engagement, community health, and local tourism. Having the Village accept the funds and provide a letter of support will help facilitate the donation process and demonstrate community backing for this initiative.

We believe the project aligns with the Village's goals for recreation and community development.

Thank you for your consideration and for your ongoing support of community-led projects in Salmo.

Please find a link to the grant below.

(no title)
salmovalleyfund.org



Linnet Fox

SCS President

Sent from my iPhone

Brandy Jessup

From: Salmo Climbing Society <salmoclimbingsociety@gmail.com>
Sent: October 9, 2025 4:18 PM
To: Brandy Jessup
Cc: Derek Kwiatkowski
Subject: Re: Request for Letter of Support – Acceptance of Donation for the Salmo Climbing Gym Project

Hi Brandy, we will be applying for a grant and asking for \$2000. The Salmo Climbing Society will be requesting the funds and is asking that the village receive it on our behalf as is required by the Salmo Valley Fund.

Linnet
Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 9, 2025, at 2:49 PM, Brandy Jessup <brandy.jessup@salmo.ca> wrote:

Hi Linnet,

I have a few questions regarding the below before it is put forward to Council at the Oct. 14 meeting. Can you please clarify the following:

1. Is the request from the Salmo Valley Fund for an actual donation or is the Climbing Society applying for a grant?
2. Also, regardless of either scenario, the amount of the request needs to be stated.

Please let me know the answers to the above asap as I will be compiling the package tomorrow and want to ensure the correct information is on the agenda.

Regards,
Brandy

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Brandy Jessup | Deputy Corporate Officer
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From: Salmo Climbing Society <salmoclimbingsociety@gmail.com>
Sent: October 8, 2025 8:31 PM
To: Derek Kwiatkowski <cao@salmo.ca>
Cc: Mayor Diana Lockwood <mayor.lockwood@salmo.ca>
Subject: Request for Letter of Support – Acceptance of Donation for the Salmo Climbing Gym Project



Diana L.D. Lockwood
Mayor

Date: October 9, 2025

To: Salmo Valley Fund

Re: Letter of Support for the Salmo Climbing Society Indoor Climbing Gym Project

Dear Salmo Valley Fund Committee,

On behalf of the Village of Salmo, Council is pleased to offer its full support for the Salmo Climbing Society's initiative to develop an indoor climbing gym at the Salmo Valley Youth and Community Centre.

We understand that the Salmo Climbing Society has applied for funding from the Salmo Valley Fund to assist with the purchase of rental climbing shoes and equipment for this project. We are also aware that the Society has requested that the Village of Salmo act as the recipient of these funds on their behalf, and we are happy to confirm our willingness to do so.

Council recognizes the many benefits of this community-led project, including the creation of a safe, inclusive, and year-round recreation space that promotes youth engagement, physical activity, and social connection. In addition, this initiative supports local tourism and aligns with the Village's ongoing commitment to fostering community health, youth opportunities, and recreational infrastructure.

We commend the Salmo Climbing Society for their vision and dedication, and we thank the Salmo Valley Fund for considering this important investment in our community.

Sincerely,

Mayor, Village of Salmo
On behalf of Salmo Village Council

DATE Oct. 10/25
NO 48 TO M+C-Oct. 14/25
FILE NO 1850-30

VILLAGE OF SALMO



Salmo Ski Team
PO Box 673
Salmo, BC
V0G 1Z0
salmosnowghosts@gmail.com
250-357-2928

To: Mayor and Council
Village of Salmo

Subject: Request for Support Through the Salmo Valley Fund

Dear Mayor and Council,

On behalf of the Salmo Ski Team, Snow Ghosts, I am writing to request the Village's support for our project through the Salmo Valley Fund in the amount of \$1,000.

This funding would help offset the rising cost of insurance for our program. We were informed last year that insurance rates would increase per participant, and this added expense has placed a significant strain on our ability to keep the program affordable and accessible to our members.

Our goal is to continue offering opportunities for local youth to participate without financial barriers, and support from the Village through the Salmo Valley Fund would greatly assist us in maintaining that commitment.

Thank you for your time and consideration of our request, and for your ongoing support of community initiatives that enrich life in Salmo.

Sincerely,
Jillian Russell
Treasurer
Salmo Ski Team Snow Ghost
jillianrussell777@gmail.com

250-357-2928



Diana L.D. Lockwood
Mayor

Date: October 10, 2025

To: Salmo Valley Fund

Re: Letter of Support for the Salmo Ski Team,

I am writing to express our strong support for the Salmo Ski Team, Snow Ghosts, and to encourage you to approve their request for \$1,000 through the Salmo Valley Fund.

The Snow Ghosts play an important role in our community by providing affordable, inclusive access to skiing and snowboarding for Salmo youth. As you may know, the costs associated with running a safe and well-organized program—particularly insurance—have risen significantly. This increase puts pressure on volunteer-run programs like the Snow Ghosts, which are already working hard to keep participation fees low and ensure no child is turned away due to financial constraints.

Beyond physical activity, the team offers our youth a chance to build confidence, develop lifelong skills, and form strong community connections in a supportive outdoor environment. These kinds of grassroots programs are vital in rural communities like ours, and they deserve our support.

Council believes that a contribution from the Salmo Valley Fund would have a meaningful and lasting impact, helping ensure that this valuable program remains accessible to all families in Salmo.

Thank you for your time and consideration, and for your continued commitment to supporting community initiatives.

Sincerely,

Mayor, Village of Salmo
On behalf of Salmo Village Council

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October 10, 2025

Mayor and Council

Village of Salmo

423 Davies Avenue

Salmo, BC V0G 1Z0

Dear Mayor and Council,

Re: Request for Support from The Salmo Valley Fund— \$2,000 For Trail Maintenance

On behalf of the Salmo Valley Trail Society, I am writing to request the Village's support for our project through the Salmo Valley Fund in the amount of \$2,000.

As you know, our trail network is one of the jewels of the Salmo Valley—offering residents and visitors access to nature, recreation, and physical activity year-round. The maintenance of these trails ensures they remain safe, accessible, and enjoyable for users of all ages and abilities. It also protects the surrounding environment from erosion and degradation.

Each year, our small but dedicated crew puts in countless hours to clear brush, repair damage, improve signage, and upgrade trail infrastructure. This work not only supports tourism and community wellness but also aligns with the Village's own values of sustainability and healthy living.

This funding would directly contribute to wages for our seasonal maintenance team, enabling us to continue this essential work through the 2026 trail season.

We greatly value the Village's past support and collaboration, and we hope you will consider this request as an investment in the quality of life and vibrancy of our community.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or require additional information. Thank you for your time and consideration.



Diana L.D. Lockwood
Mayor

Date: October 10, 2025

To: Salmo Valley Fund

Re: Letter of Support for Salmo Valley Trail Society.

On behalf of the Council of the Village of Salmo, I am pleased to write in support of the Salmo Valley Trail Society's request for \$2,000 in funding from the Salmo Valley Fund to support trail maintenance in our region.

The Salmo Valley Trail Network is an invaluable asset to our community, offering safe and accessible outdoor recreation opportunities for residents and visitors alike. These trails promote active lifestyles, community wellness, and tourism, while also preserving the natural environment through thoughtful planning and responsible stewardship.

Council appreciates the hours that the Trail Society's team contributes each season to ensure our trail system remains in excellent condition. Their work directly supports the Village's strategic priorities around sustainability, health, and enhancing quality of life in the Salmo Valley.

The requested funding will go directly toward wages for the seasonal maintenance team—an essential resource that ensures the continuation of vital upkeep efforts through the 2026 trail season. This investment will not only benefit current users but also help protect the trail infrastructure for generations to come.

We fully support this funding application and encourage the Salmo Valley Fund Committee to give it every consideration.

Sincerely,

Mayor, Village of Salmo
On behalf of Salmo Village Council

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Brandy Jessup

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From: Derek Kwiatkowski
Sent: September 17, 2025 2:04 PM
To: Brandy Jessup
Subject: FW: Cathy Peters- 3 ASKS to Stop Child Sex Trafficking in British Columbia

VILLAGE OF SALMO

From: ca.peters@telus.net <cathy@telus.net>
Sent: September 17, 2025 1:50 PM
To: Derek Kwiatkowski <cao@salmo.ca>; Mayor Diana Lockwood <mayor.lockwood@salmo.ca>
Cc: Trish.Smillie@sd8.bc.ca
Subject: Cathy Peters- 3 ASKS to Stop Child Sex Trafficking in British Columbia

Dear Mayor Diane Lockwood and Salmo Village Council, (School Superintendent)
The Province (RCMP HQ) has recently announced a **BC Counter Human Trafficking Unit (CHTU)** of 12 officers.
Please access their expertise. For example, Prince George hosted their team for Human Trafficking presentations.

The second edition of my new book is now available: **Child Sex Trafficking in Canada and How to Stop It.**

Please consider having it available for City Hall, local police, educators, hospital staff, library, frontline service providers.

It is an invaluable resource with **strategies for prevention**. **It is the only book of its kind in Canada.**

Backgrounder: **CBC released a 2023 documentary on human trafficking in Canada called "Human Trafficking is one of the fastest growing crimes in Canada and anyone can be a target."**

BC is behind every province in addressing this crime.

The **full decriminalization of hard drugs** has exacerbated this crime.

Drug and sex trafficking are linked. **Organized crime and international crime syndicates** are involved.

Gang recruitment is occurring in schools in BC, including elementary schools.

(School Liaison Officer programs are key to stopping this crime.)

A faltering economy and increasing massive debt is exacerbating crime in the Province as well.

3 ASKS:

1. Please write to the Premier and ASK the government to **reverse the harmful policy that fully decriminalizes hard drugs.**
2. Please ask the Premier to **remove phones from all schools**. This is occurring in many States and countries around the world.
(Australia has brought in the law for no social media for under 16 years of age- The Online Safety (*Social Media Minimum Age*) Amendment Act).
3. Enforce and educate about the **Federal Protection of Communities and Exploited Persons Act (2014) PCEPA** in British Columbia that criminalizes the root cause of human trafficking, the sex buyers and profiteers.

Please contact me for more information.

Sincerely, Cathy Peters

BC anti human trafficking educator, speaker, advocate

beamazingcampaign.org

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phone: 604-828-2689

Queen's Platinum Jubilee Medal recipient for my anti human trafficking advocacy work

Author: **Child Sex Trafficking in Canada and How to Stop It- second edition**



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VILLAGE OF SALMO
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September 16, 2025

Dear Mayor and Councillors,

We look forward to seeing you at the UBCM conference next week. It has been a busy year that has brought many challenges including heightened trade tensions that are generating uncertainty about our economic security. These pressures highlight the importance of building energy resiliency here at home and collaborating to advance technologies and energy solutions that can benefit our communities.

FortisBC is proud to be B.C.'s largest integrated energy provider, delivering natural gas and electricity and continuing to acquire renewable and lower-carbon energy to communities across the province. Guided by our commitment to sustainability, we invest, operate and continuously improve our business, providing energy safely, affordably and reliably. We value our collaboration with local governments and Indigenous communities and remain dedicated to serving nearly 1.3 million customers across 135 communities and 58 First Nation communities across 150 Traditional Territories.

We share the goals of local government to build infrastructure in communities that is affordable, reliable and takes steps to help lower emissions. We believe these goals can best be achieved by making full use of both the gas and electricity systems to deliver practical, cost-effective solutions. Together, these systems provide the flexibility and resilience that neither can achieve alone, ensuring British Columbians have safe and dependable energy even during peak demand and extreme weather.

On the coldest day of the year in January 2024, FortisBC's gas system delivered nearly twice the energy of all electricity providers combined, underscoring the essential role of both systems in keeping homes warm and businesses running. Using the infrastructure we already have in this way eases the challenge of serving new loads like transportation. As an example, use of FortisBC's EV charging network grew by more than 40 per cent in 2024.

We continue to invest in energy efficiency and new technologies to help customers take steps to lower their associated emissions and manage their energy costs. By 2027, we plan to invest \$690 million in demand-side management programs, to help our customers use less energy and lower their emissions. For example, in 2024 we invested \$24 million in deep energy retrofit pilot projects, and through our dual fuel rebate program, we are helping households adopt systems that combine electric heat pumps with high-efficiency gas furnacesⁱ, ensuring comfort, lower emissions and reliability even in cold snaps.

Renewable Natural Gasⁱⁱ (RNG) is another important part of our strategy. By capturing methane from landfills, farms and wastewater treatment plants, RNG helps lower emissionsⁱⁱⁱ that would otherwise escape into the atmosphere. It blends seamlessly into our existing gas system without requiring customers to replace their appliances. As of

July 2025, most of our customers have three per cent of their gas use designated as RNG, and we have added new supply projects at the Hartland Landfill in Victoria and the Vancouver Landfill in Delta.

We are modernizing our system through initiatives such as our Gas Advanced Metering Infrastructure project, which will replace over one million meters by 2028. This upgrade will enhance safety and help our customers make informed decisions about their energy use.

The communities we serve across B.C. are also the places we call home. We're passionate about supporting initiatives that make a positive difference. Through our Community Investment Program, FortisBC provides funding for a variety of grassroots initiatives that work towards improving communities and a stronger, thriving B.C. In 2024, we invested a total of \$5.6 million; these investments come from our [Community Investment Program](#) donations, in-kind contributions and sponsorships.^{iv}

Our commitment to Indigenous Relations guides us as we build a shared energy future. We are proud to have earned Silver-level certification in the Partnership Accreditation in Indigenous Relations program, which recognizes meaningful action in employment, business development, leadership and community relationships. Serving 58 First Nations communities across the province, we remain committed to reconciliation through respectful engagement, shared opportunities and lasting partnerships.

We welcome the opportunity to meet you during the UBCM Convention in Victoria next week to discuss how we can work together on the priorities that matter most to your community.

Sincerely,



Doug Slater
Vice President
Indigenous Relations and Regulatory Affairs

ⁱ A gas furnace that operates at 95 per cent efficiency or above.

ⁱⁱ FortisBC uses the term renewable and lower carbon gas to refer collectively to the lower carbon gases or fuels that the utility can acquire under the Greenhouse Gas Reduction (Clean Energy) Regulation, which are: Renewable Natural Gas (also called RNG or biomethane), hydrogen, synthesis gas (from wood waste) and lignin. FortisBC's renewable and lower carbon gas portfolio currently includes only Renewable Natural Gas. Other gases and fuels may be added to the program over time. Depending on their source, all of these gases have differing levels of lifecycle carbon intensity. However, all of these gases are lower carbon when compared to the lifecycle carbon intensity of conventional natural gas. The current burner tip emission factor of RNG is 0.27 grams of carbon dioxide equivalent per megajoule of energy (gCO₂e/MJ) and the current renewable and lower carbon gas portfolio lifecycle emissions for stationary combustion are -22 gCO₂e/MJ. This is below B.C.'s lifecycle carbon intensity threshold of 30.8 gCO₂e/MJ as set out in the [2024 Greenhouse Gas Reduction Regulation amendments](#).

ⁱⁱⁱ When compared to the lifecycle carbon intensity of conventional natural gas. The burner tip emission factor of FortisBC's current Renewable Natural Gas (also called RNG or biomethane) portfolio is 0.27 grams of carbon dioxide equivalent per megajoule of energy (gCO₂e/MJ). FortisBC's current RNG portfolio lifecycle emissions for stationary combustion are -22 gCO₂e/MJ. This is below B.C.'s lifecycle carbon intensity threshold of 30.8 gCO₂e/MJ as set out in the [2024 Greenhouse Gas Reduction Regulation amendments](#).

^{iv} Source: [FortisBC's 2024 Sustainability Report](#), page 24.

Brandy Jessup

VILLAGE OF SALMO

From: Derek Kwiatkowski
Sent: September 21, 2025 4:42 PM
To: Brandy Jessup
Subject: Fwd:

From: Andy Thomsen <andersethomsen@gmail.com>
Date: September 21, 2025 at 3:36:23 PM PDT
To: Derek Kwiatkowski <cao@salmo.ca>
Reply-To: andersethomsen@gmail.com

Dear Mayor and Municipal councillors.

Reflecting on the recent, arbitrary and highly contentious court ruling that awarded the Cowichan Tribes titles on lands that already were registered fee simple land without restrictions, will be a huge concern for millions of home owners, who could become affected by that ruling, yours and mine included.

Why are municipal Councillors still broadcasting those insidious Land Acknowledgement Declaration (LADs), insinuating they have precedence over well established long-term registered home ownership.

Migrants with ever-changing genetic profiles have been grazing Canada over the millennia, and the 'I was here first' begs the questions, who really was, at what point in time, what was the qualifying distinction, and why would that make any difference? We all have the same rights to occupy the land, and to harvest and consume the resources.

By now it is very likely every square foot of Canada has been occupied by waves of immigrants, for shorter and longer periods of time, searching for food and shelter, making your proclamation irrelevant, not to mention thoughtless.

Those declarations are also insinuating ownership of about 10 million Canadian homes, valued at about 4.2 trillion dollars could be in jeopardy,

making it another ugly hoax perpetrated on Canadian homeowners, and an incredible assault on their peace of mind of ownership.

Andy Thomsen

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Brandy Jessup

From: Derek Kwiatkowski
Sent: September 23, 2025 9:02 AM
To: Brandy Jessup
Subject: FW: SocialBC.ca - the time is now for a BC Alternative

VILLAGE OF SALMO

From: SocialBC - SOSSBC <help@socialbc.org>
Sent: September 23, 2025 8:40 AM
To: cityclerk@richmond.ca
Subject: SocialBC.ca - the time is now for a BC Alternative

Dear Elected Chiefs, Mayors, Councillors, Directors, and Staff,

Good Morning,

My name is Chris Alemany. I am a former City Councillor at the City of Port Alberni. I respect that you are extremely busy, especially with the ongoing UBCM conference. Please contact me if you have any questions at all.

I am here to introduce you to [SocialBC.ca](https://socialbc.ca), an alternative to the Twitter/X platform. I am a member of the Board of Directors of the Society of Open Social Servers of BC which runs this platform as a non-profit.

Many people, communities, and organizations are looking for other options to X, Meta/Facebook, and TikTok, for many reasons.

SocialBC (<https://socialbc.ca/about>) is a grassroots, non-profit, Twitter/X alternative right here in British Columbia. It uses the Mastodon network of open social servers, accessing millions of people in BC, Canada, and around the world. While many people are jumping to Bluesky, we urge you to consider that Bluesky has the same fundamental financial and control structures that are now compromised by US and Chinese government restrictions in traditional social media platforms. We are in a time reminiscent of the Patriot Act after 9/11; local control of your message, and your data, is now critical and may become even more-so with the trade war with the USA. That said, you can connect your SocialBC account to Bluesky so that you can post and share and interact to both with your SocialBC username. Your staff can also use popular social media management tools to add Mastodon/SocialBC to your regular suite of social media accounts.

Our platform is public and free though we do request donations/subscriptions. It is moderated, and controlled by people from around the province. We are not billionaires. We have no plans for world or even BC domination. We just want people to have reliable access to information and interaction from and about their province. Your "feeds" can also be embedded on your local webpages (a feature Twitter took away a few years ago) so that **anyone**, no matter if they have an account on socialbc or not, can see your information all the time as soon as you post it.

The Town of Gibson (socialbc.ca/@townofgibsons) and Esquimalt (socialbc.ca/@esquimaltbc) have joined SocialBC. Minister Josie Osborne and MLA Rob Botterril have joined SocialBC. We are party-

agnostic. We want everyone to connect in a place they know is in BC, for BC. There are BC-related information sources using Mastodon generally, including publications like the [Tyee](#) and community related news from [CivicInfoBC](#). We're trying to create a space where everyone in BC can come together and get reliable, factual, information. Perhaps in time, organizations will create their own community spaces on Mastodon and the Fediverse as well. We want to encourage that network.

We, like you, believe in the strength of building local communities and we hope that in this time of upheaval and change, you will consider using this platform for part of your communications with your residents and constituents. And by the way, we even created [an emoticon for every flag of every municipality, First Nation, and regional district in BC](#)! But you can only use them on SocialBC.ca! :+)

Thank you very much for your time and commitment to serving your communities and have a great UBCM.

Cheers

Chris

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Youth Parliament of British Columbia



Alumni Society

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15 September 2025

Village of Salmo
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DATE Sep. 23/25
NO 43 TO M+C OCT. 14/2
FILE NO 0230-01
VILLAGE OF SALMO

Dear Mayor and Council:

Re: British Columbia Youth Parliament, 97th Parliament

The British Columbia Youth Parliament will hold its 97th Parliamentary Session in Victoria at the Provincial Legislative Chambers from December 27 to 31, 2025.

The Youth Parliament is a province-wide non-partisan organization for young people ages 16 to 21. It teaches citizenship skills through participation in the parliamentary session in December and continuing involvement in community service activities throughout the year. **Youth Parliament is a one-year commitment.**

I invite you to encourage eligible youth from your municipality or region to apply to sit as members of the Youth Parliament. BCYP is non-partisan, and applicants need only be interested in learning more about the parliamentary process and in serving their community. If your municipality sponsors a "youth of the year" award or has a municipal youth council, young people with that sort of initiative and involvement are ideal candidates for BCYP.

Each applicant who is accepted to attend as a member of BCYP must pay a **\$545** registration fee. Thanks to private donations and fundraising, a portion of the cost is subsidized and includes transportation and accommodation for all members. We encourage municipalities or youth councils to contribute towards the application fee for applicants who are in financial need.

If the approval of financial support causes any delay, we encourage the applicant to send in their forms on time along with a note saying that the cheque will arrive after the deadline. In this case, if we receive the completed form and personal statement before the deadline, it will be considered received on time. If you are not able to aid, a limited number of bursaries are available for applicants who cannot meet the expense of the registration fee. Requesting financial assistance will not affect an applicant's chance of being selected as a member. (See <https://bcyp.org/session>)

Members will sit and debate in the Legislative Chambers for five days and will be accommodated for four nights at the Marriott Hotel in Victoria. During that time, participants are supervised by members of the Board of Directors of the Youth Parliament of B.C. Alumni Society and other youth parliament alumni. In addition, transportation to and from Victoria will be provided for all members who require it.

This year, the application is an online application and can be found on our website at <https://bcyp.org/applying/>. I have included a brochure about BC Youth Parliament with this letter. Our promotional poster is also available online on our website, which I encourage you to display in your school, and to make the application form and brochure available to interested students. If you require more forms, please feel free to make copies, and if you require more brochures or posters, please contact me.

All application forms must be received by October 31, 2025. Selected applicants will be notified in mid-November. If you require more information, please contact me by e-mail as indicated above. You may also visit our website at www.bcyp.org.

Yours truly,

Ambrose Yung
Registrar, Youth Parliament of BC Alumni Society

Who We Are

British Columbia Youth Parliament (BCYP) is about youth taking responsibility and initiative to make a positive impact in their communities. BCYP is a non-profit, non-partisan parliamentary education and service organization. BCYP is an extraordinarily unique organization - for youth and by youth.

For a full year, 97 members pool their resources, creativity and determination for a common purpose: to advance, better and improve the youth of British Columbia. BCYP bring together youth from across the Province and unites them to fulfill the motto of "Youth Serving Youth". The youth

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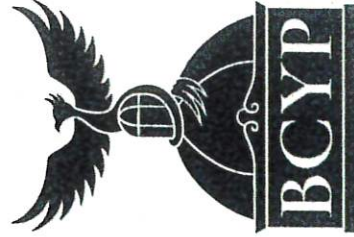
BCYP reach out and make a difference across British Columbia.

Why?

Because they can!

And more importantly, because they care.

BCYP is unique in that it is not simply a "mock" or model parliament - the legislation members debate translate into real action in the community.



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CONTACT US

For more information on BCYP and its projects, visit our website:

www.bccp.org

or contact the Premier:

premier@bccp.org

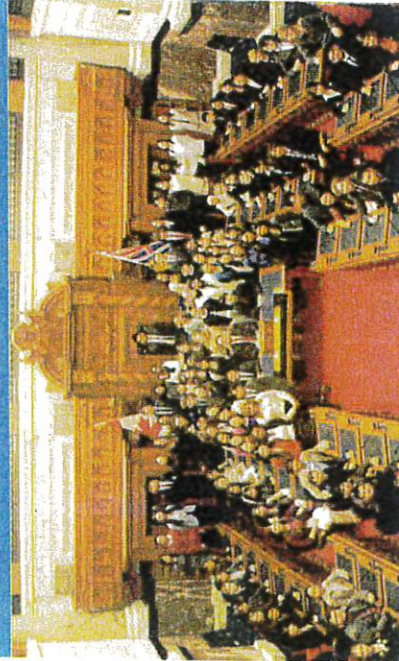
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BRITISH COLUMBIA YOUTH PARLIAMENT

Youth Serving Youth

for over 95 years



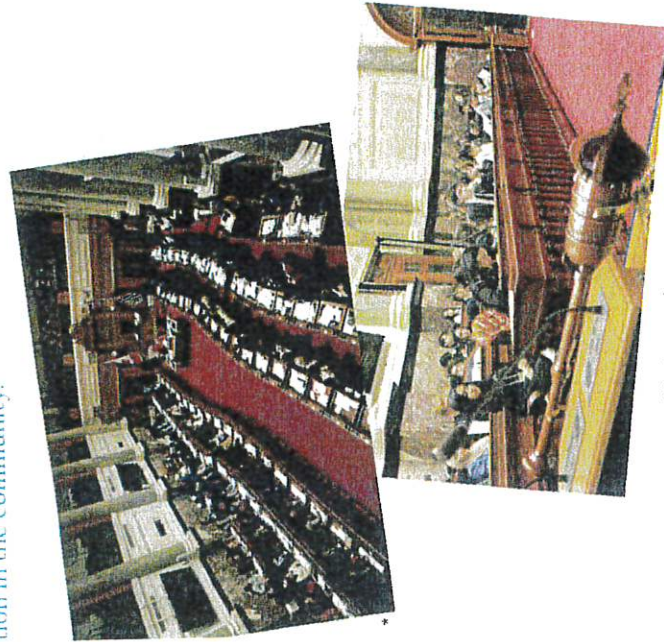
BCYP's Origin

British Columbia Youth Parliament (BCYP) began as the XIXS Older Boy's Parliament in 1924. It became the BC Youth Parliament in 1974, upon the admittance of girls, and 25 marked its 96th Session.

Each year, between December 27th and 31st, 97 youth from across BC gather at the Legislative Chambers in Victoria for BCYP's annual session. Members sit as independents; they do not represent any political party and they vote according to their own consciences. They learn about parliamentary process, debate topics of interest, and plan activities for the coming year.

Proposed activities are presented in the form of government bills. The date is led by a Cabinet of experienced youth parliamentarians who spend months preparing to present their plans. First-time members are also able to raise issues through debate on government legislation and by writing and presenting private Members' Resolutions dealing with issues ranging from local to international in scope.

BCYP's bills are passed they must be put into effect. As where BCYP differs from other youth parliaments in BCYP is not a "model" or "mock" parliament - the legislation members pass translates directly into positive action in the community.



Regional Youth Parliaments

To increase the number of youths who are able to participate in Youth Parliament activities, BCYP members organize and run Regional Youth Parliaments (RYPs) in various regions of the province. Through these events, BC Youth Parliament furthers its goals of promoting community service, education in the parliamentary process, and training in public speaking and debating.

More local in scope than BCYP, RYPs are weekend-long Sessions aimed at high school students between ages of 14 and 18. RYP members gather to discuss local, national, and international issues in a parliamentary setting.



Camp Phoenix

Camp Phoenix is BCYP's most ambitious project. It involves BCYP members organizing and running a summer camp for children from across BC who would otherwise be unable to live the summer camp experience. It is about pushing our limits and redefining terms like "hard work" and "commitment". It is about truly making a huge difference in the community.

This project is fully initiated, developed, and staffed by volunteer members of our organization. Our fundraising and efforts throughout the year come together to send up to 50 children, aged 8-12 to enjoy a very special week of their summer and their lives. Camp Phoenix moves to different campsites across BC so that it provides the opportunity for children from all regions of the province to attend. This major project can comprise almost half of BCYP's annual budget.



Youth Serving Youth

BCYP members organize and execute group service projects around the province. Members come together to volunteer with different organizations, special events or provide service to the community. They volunteer with summer camps, food banks, charity walks, soup kitchens, community support services, and other service organizations.

Additionally, across British Columbia through the year, individual members of BCYP perform solo acts of service in their communities and lend a hand through their involvement with other organizations. BCYP members help others in their communities in a myriad of ways, limited only by their imaginations and the will to carry out the projects they envision.



Fundraising

Each year, BCYP organizes a variety of fundraising events across the province. Members work in groups and in their communities to raise funds required to run BCYP projects and cover operations costs. They also engage in service-related fundraising working in groups and individual to raise money for a variety of causes.

Members participate in a variety of fundraisers such as pledge events, Krispy Kreme donut sales, and silent auctions. Members also solicit donations from local businesses and prominent members of their local communities.

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DATE Oct. 8/25
NO 45 TO MAC-DEC. 14/25
FILE NO 0220-01
VILLAGE OF SALMO

Dear Mayor and Council,

Over the past year, I have submitted several letters to mayors and councils across our province, warning of unethical behavior by senior levels of government. Taken together, they paint a troubling picture: our system of governance is beginning to resemble that of a *totalitarian regime*.

Whether we were merely drifting toward authoritarianism before the COVID-19 pandemic, or whether the crisis accelerated that descent, is debatable. What is not debatable is this: *democratic principles have been sidelined in favor of unchecked institutional control*.

For too long, systemic failures — many of them intentional — have eroded public trust. Institutions meant to protect the people have become opaque, inefficient, and at times dangerous. Authority figures now test the limits of their power, exploiting loopholes and division while avoiding accountability.

And yet, throughout this, *local leadership has remained a light in the dark* — demonstrating integrity, resilience, and vision.

It is now time to **unify**.

A Municipal-Led Movement for Systemic Reform

We propose a province-wide municipal endorsement campaign supporting **Mayor Sid Tobias of View Royal** as the next *Premier of British Columbia*. This campaign will not require municipal funds or new resources. All we ask is that local leaders speak candidly with their communities — about the need for principled reform, the dangers of provincial overreach, and the opportunity to lead change with courage and integrity.

The goal is simple: **return power to the people** by reforming the systems that have betrayed our values.

The Reform Cabinet: Principled Leaders for a Just Province

These individuals have already demonstrated unwavering commitment to ethical leadership:

Mayor Sid Tobias, Premier

Mayor of View Royal, a military veteran and advocate for emergency services reform who has consistently demonstrated a servant-leader ethos. I know that he is a Guardian who will protect future generations of British Columbians from all manner of threats by enacting true systemic change in the province.

Nicole Duncan, Minister of Education

Former SD61 Trustee, removed for defending proper school funding and resisting harmful stigma campaigns. I believe she will ensure proper funding for school safety and protect education from unaccountable external influence.

Dr. Jessica Wilder, Minister of Health

Pushed out for proposing a supervised consumption site near a hospital — a life-saving initiative amid an ongoing opioid crisis. I believe she will protect lives and reduce trauma with compassionate, evidence-based policy.

Mayor Doug Kobayashi, Minister of Housing

Mayor of Colwood, who defied convention in order to secure a doctor for his growing community. I believe he will ensure our housing strategy grows alongside essential public services.

Several of these leaders have been punished — politically or institutionally — for doing what was right. That alone reveals the system's brokenness. It also confirms their worthiness.

The Urgency

Likely anticipating the rise of a movement like this, the provincial government enacted the *Eligibility to Hold Public Office Act*, which disqualifies municipal officials from holding provincial office.

If their strategy to offload emergency service costs onto municipalities didn't make their motives clear, *this law* should. The battle for our democracy is already underway — and it is happening with or without your consent.

The reality is this: *voters no longer have a credible option*. The current provincial political landscape has collapsed back into an awkward two-party system with a disfigured opposition-based coalition — a misguided “unity” that robbed the electorate of viable alternatives.

We don't need a *deformed* party. We need a **reform party**.

Key Reforms Upon Election

- Replace the RCMP with accountable, locally governed police forces to restore public trust.
- Overhaul oversight bodies like the OPCC to ensure independence, transparency, and accessibility.
- Embed principled leadership in law, including mechanisms to remove public officials who violate public trust.
- Mandate destigmatization training for all public servants — to modernize governance and reduce harm.
- Protect municipal autonomy and enshrine the dignity of local self-governance.

Why Municipalities Must Lead

You, our municipal leaders, are closest to the people. You see the failures. You also see the potential. I believe that's why you chose to serve in the first place.

This is not about partisanship. It is about **restoring democratic values**: fairness, transparency, accountability. It is about building institutions that serve people — not the other way around.

We ask you only to inform your residents, foster solution-focused dialogue, and help prepare the ground for real change. In doing so, you offer your communities a choice: to vote for accountability, to vote for reform, and to vote for hope.

This is the right way to enact systemic change. If we do not act now, future generations may be left without the viable options that we have today. That is my greatest fear — and it is one we can still prevent.

Should this movement become a reality — and receive municipal support — *then and only then* will informing the public truly lead to change. While it's true that knowledge is power, knowledge without viable options is inertia.

Without the support of every municipality in this province, it would be far too easy for stigma and division to be weaponized against this movement. *This* is where your voices matter most.

I call on you now to speak together, act together, and lead together — for a brighter future for all British Columbians.

With deepest respect,

Philip Perras

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P.S. You must act quickly if you plan to take this action, otherwise the movement may be further undermined.



Board Report – For Information

September 18, 2025

Flood Hazard Policy & Regulations Review

Author: Stephanie Johnson, Planner MCIP RPP
File Reference: 10\5110\20\RDCK Floodplain Management
Electoral Area/Municipality: All Electoral Areas and Village of Salmo
Services Impacted: Planning and Land Use/S104

DATE Oct. 9/25
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FILE NO 0400-60
VILLAGE OF SALMO

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to provide the Regional Board with an overview of the Regional District's Floodplain Bylaw Review project, including the Village of Salmo. This report provides context in advance of the consulting team presenting at the September 18, 2025 Board meeting to launch this project.

2.0 BACKGROUND AND UPDATE

The RDCK has undertaken several studies to characterize flood and steep creek (debris-flood and debris flow) geohazards, including an initial regional scale study in 2019 under the National Disaster Mitigation Program (NDMP) that identified over 400 clear-water flood and steep creek geohazards across the entire District. From the prioritization work, six floodplains and ten alluvial fans were selected for detailed hazard mapping, completed in 2021, as well as risk assessment for Kootenay Lake inundation scenarios. Further risk assessment and mitigation option work was completed in 2023.

Recent floods in 2018, 2020, 2021, and 2023, along with the fatal landslide at Johnson's Landing and flooding along Kootenay Lake's shoreline in 2012, have highlighted flood and steep creek hazard risks at community, regional, and provincial levels, and led to evacuation alerts, orders, and emergency response efforts. Flood and steep creek hazards continue to persist with events growing more frequent and potentially more damaging due to climate change. Flood and steep creek hazards have been characterized for the entire District, including an alluvial fan inventory for developed fans and flood inundation scenarios for Kootenay Lake. 16 areas have advanced to detailed (Tier 3) hazard mapping, including 10 steep creeks and 6 floodplains with Flood Construction Level (FCL) maps. These studies provide the basis for updating regulation and adapting the hazard mapping to a regulatory context.

The RDCK began its most recent floodplain work in 2017 by pursuing funding under the National Disaster Mitigation Program (NDMP) to better understand geohazards in the Region. The following activities have been completed either under this program or as a follow-up to the foundational work completed in 2019:

- 2019, Risk Prioritization Study – *"to characterize and prioritize flood and steep creek (debris-flood and debris-flow) geohazards in the RDCK that might impact developed properties"*¹ (NDMP, Stream 1).

¹ BGC Engineering Inc., March 31, 2019. *Regional District of Central Kootenay Flood and Steep Creek Geohazard Risk Prioritization*: <https://www.rdck.ca/assets/Government/Documents/RDCK%20Risk%20Prioritization%20Study%20-%20FINAL.pdf>

- 2020, Floodplain and Steep Creek Study – “detailed assessments and mapping of six floodplains and ten steep creeks... [focused] on high priority areas identified [in the Risk Prioritization Study]”² (NDMP, Stream 2).
- 2021-2023, Flood and Geohazard Mitigation Planning – to explore and, where appropriate, design options to mitigate potential impacts from flood and geohazard in the highest risk locations identified during the NDMP Stream 1 & 2 studies (NDMP, Stream 3).

Reviewing and updating the RDCK’s Floodplain Management Bylaw was identified as a key consideration for long-term policy integration of the updated information contained in these studies. Additionally, having the proper regulatory tools in place, such as an up-to-date floodplain bylaw, was identified as a key recommendation for the RDCK and Village of Salmo in the Salmo River-Eerie Creek Flood Mitigation Approach and Concepts Study completed as part of the NDMP Stream 3 work in January 2023. Updating the RDCK’s policies and regulatory framework for floodplains and steep creeks has been on the work plan since 2020. This project will also inform the work on developing an RDCK Risk Tolerance Policy if approved by the Board, which together will foster land use development that is more resilient to climate change in our region.

On September 11, 2024, the Village of Salmo’s Council passed the following resolution at its Regular meeting:

R3-13-24 That Council provide approval for the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) to apply to the Ministry of Emergency Management and Climate Readiness Disaster Resilience and Innovation Funding (DRIF) Program, in support of updating the Village of Salmo’s floodplain mapping and Floodplain Management Bylaw, for the full amount of eligible costs, and that such funding be received and managed by the RDCK in partnership with the Village of Salmo.

Previous RDCK Board resolutions regarding the Ministry of Emergency Management and Climate Readiness’s Disaster Resilience and Innovation Funding (DRIF) Program are provided below.

October 17, 2024, Regular Open Meeting

564/24 That the Board direct staff to submit a full proposal to the Disaster Resilience and Innovation Funding (DRIF) Program, if invited to do so by the Ministry of Emergency Management and Climate Resilience, as described in the staff report “Floodplain Bylaw Review and Mapping Update – Disaster Resilience and Innovation Funding Grant Opportunity”, dated October 2, 2024.

February 20, 2025, Regular Open Meeting

95/25 That the Board supports the January 31, 2025, Ministry of Emergency Management and Climate Readiness’s Disaster Resilience and Innovation Funding (DRIF) Program proposal submission for the Flood Hazard Policy and Regulations Update; and that the Board supports the project and commits to cost overruns.

The Board also provided the following direction to staff regarding at what dollar amount potential cost overruns would need to be brought back to the Board for direction on how best to proceed:

The Board request staff bring a recommendation to the March 20, 2025, Board meeting to identify a certain limit.

² BGC Engineering Inc., March 31, 2020. RDCK Floodplain and Steep Creek Study:
https://www.rdck.ca/assets/Government/Documents/2020-07-17-RDCK_Summary_Report.pdf

June 19, 2025, Regular Open Meeting

339/25 That the Board approve the RDCK to enter into a Consulting Services Agreement with BGC Engineering Inc. and Pinna Sustainability Inc. for the Flood Hazard Policy and Regulations Review project;

AND FURTHER, that the Chair and Corporate Officer be authorized to sign the necessary documents to a maximum value of \$174,000.00 exclusive of GST;

AND FURTHER, that the funds be paid by the Service S104 Planning and Land Use.

Project Overview

The RDCK and Village of Salmo administer policies and bylaws that rely on flood hazard information and reference flood-related terminology. The main policy documents referencing flood hazard information include each local government's Floodplain Management and land use bylaws (e.g., Comprehensive Land Use Bylaws and Official Community Plans). The RDCK's Floodplain Management Bylaw was adopted in 2009 and last amended, with minor amendments, in 2019. The Village of Salmo's Floodplain Management Bylaw was adopted in 1994. As such, the bylaws do not integrate the extensive hazard mapping and risk assessments completed since 2019 and contain outdated regulations and terminology about hazards and risk.

Not all of the RDCK's electoral areas are zoned or have official community plans (OCPs), therefore development in floodplains is regulated by the Floodplain Management Bylaw, which applies to all rural areas of the RDCK. In addition to the Floodplain Management Bylaws, the RDCK and Village of Salmo's OCPs have policies related to natural hazards. Policies and bylaws related to flood and steep creek hazards provide the essential instruments to improve disaster resilience through informed development decisions.

The project seeks to guide and modernize the RDCK and Village of Salmo's community land use policies and regulations (and associated mapping) related to flood and steep creek hazards, which have not yet been updated to integrate the extensive hazard mapping and risk assessments completed since 2019 and contains outdated regulations and terminology about hazard and risk.

Upon completion, the Flood Hazard Policy and Regulations Review project through its high-level recommendations could be used as an opportunity to develop a consistent approach to floodplain management between the RDCK and its other interested member municipalities. This type of regional approach would also strengthen the ability across jurisdictions in striving toward more climate resilient communities.

3.0 NEXT STEPS AND TIMELINE

The consulting team will be presenting (as a delegation) at the September 18, 2025, Regular Open Meeting an expanded overview of the Flood Hazard Policy and Regulations Review project, including next steps, engagement and timeline/deliverables as outlined generally in the Table 1.0 below.

Table 1.0 Summary of Schedule and Workplan Items

Key Milestone/Deliverable	Anticipated Delivery Date
Project Overview Presentation to RDCK Board	September 18, 2025
Stakeholder Engagement and associated materials (e.g., development of an engagement plan, including RDCK Board, First Nations, Stakeholders and staff sessions)	Ongoing
Information Gathering and Policy and Bylaw Review: Comparative analysis and best practice review summary	October/November 2025
Draft Policy, Regulations and Bylaw Recommendations	January/February 2026
Regulatory Map Development	March/April 2026
Draft final report, including final draft floodplain bylaw, mapping, schedules and policy recommendations, including legal review	June 2026
Project Completion and Funding Reporting	July 2026

Respectfully submitted,
Stephanie Johnson, MCIP RPP

CONCURRENCE

Planning Manager – Nelson Wight
General Manager Development & Sustainability – Sangita Sudan
Chief Administrative Officer – Stuart Horn

Approved
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RDCK Floodplain Management Bylaw Review: Project Introduction

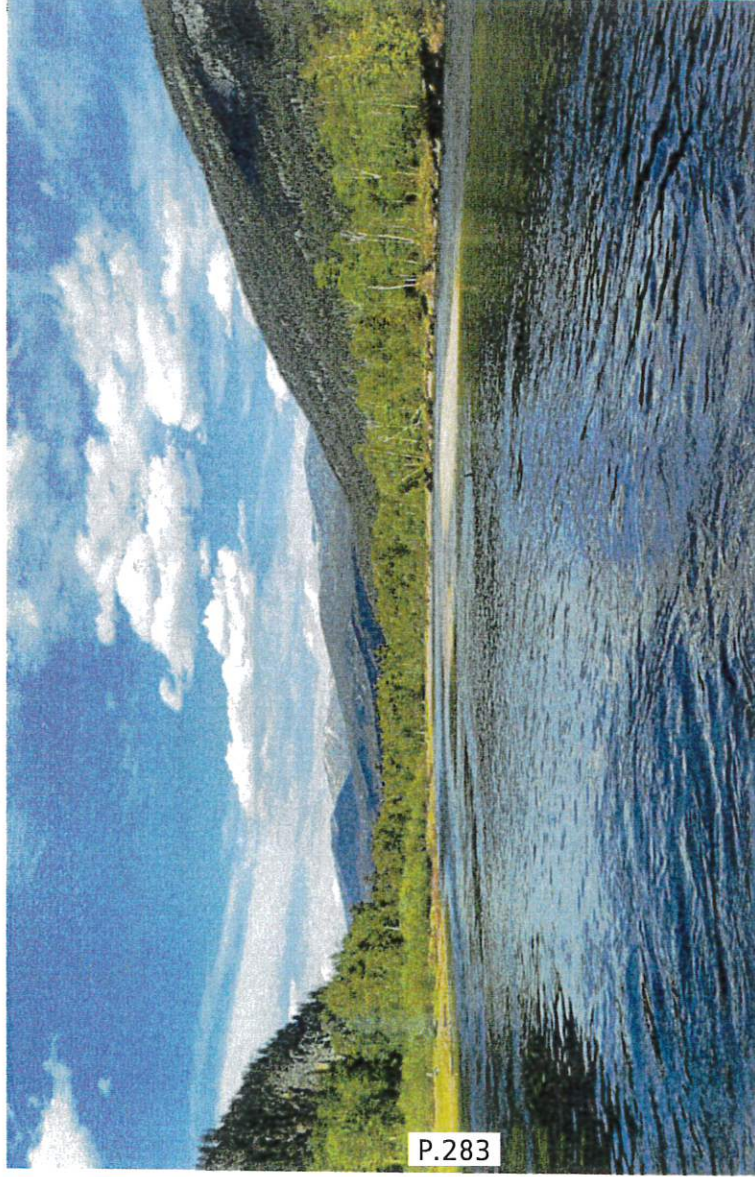
RDCK and Village of Salmo

Presented by:

BGC Engineering & Pinna Sustainability

Date:

September 18, 2025



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Slu7kír (Slocan) River

BGC & Pinna Team



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Principal Hydrologist (BGC)
Flood Lead, PM

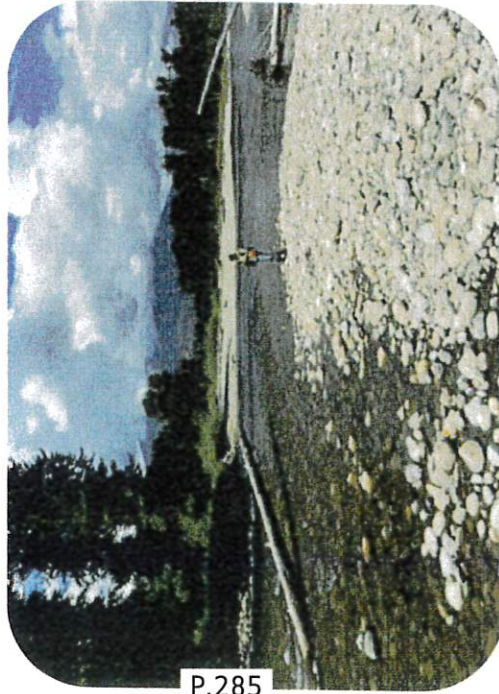


Tamsin Mills, M.Sc., R.P.P.
Director, Climate Resilience (Pinna)
Planning Lead



Kris Holm, M.Sc., P.Geo
Principal Geoscientist (BGC)
Steep Creeks, Project Review

RDCK is subject to a range of geohazards. RDCK's Floodplain Management Bylaw is applied to regulate development on floodplains and alluvial fans [steep creeks].



Floods
(e.g., Goat River)



Debris Floods
(e.g., Kemp Creek)

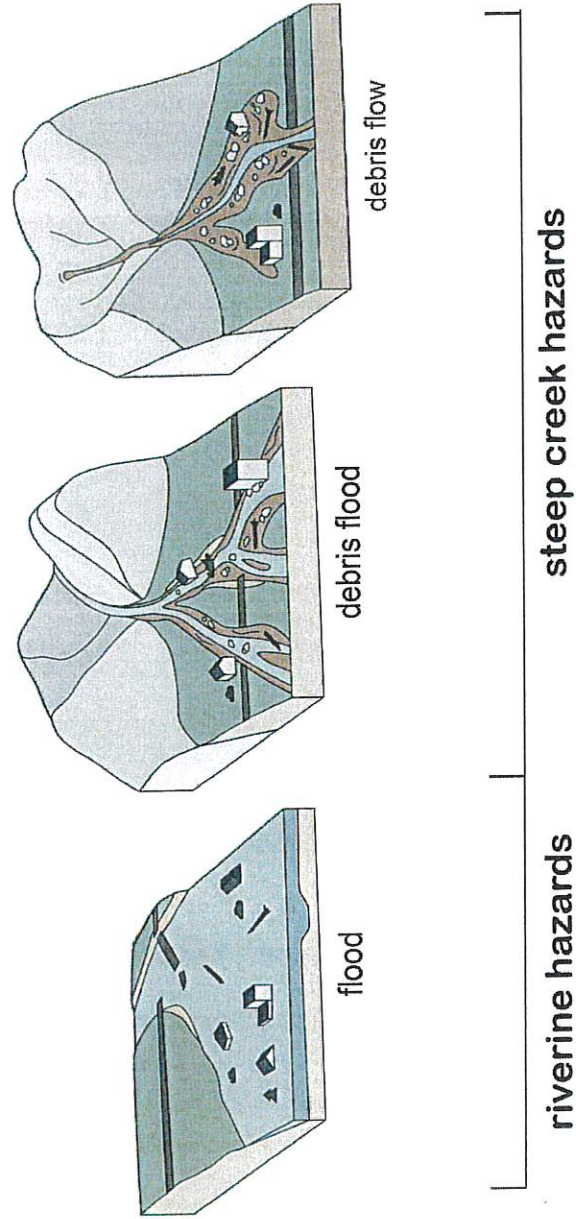


Debris Flows
(e.g., Kuskanook Creek)

Steep Creeks or "Non-Standard
Flood and Erosion Areas (NSFEAs)"

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The Floodplain Management Bylaw and associated hazard maps are foundational for land use decisions across the RDCK, informing building permit and subdivision approvals, hazard policy in Official Community Plans and zoning regulations.



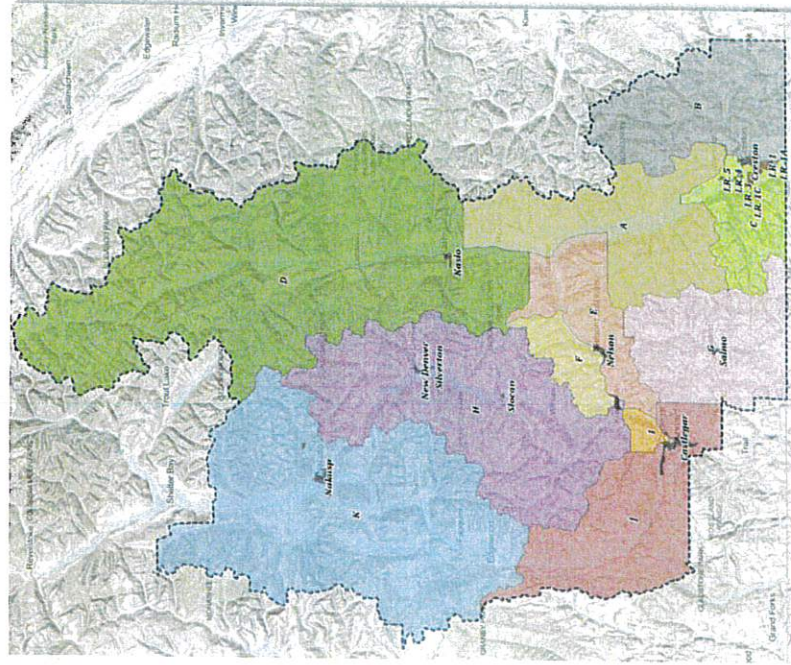
The project is intended to support the development of updated floodplain bylaws for RDCK and Salmo that incorporate hazard mapping completed since 2019 and considers best practices related to hazard and risk management.



REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY
FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT BYLAW NO. 2080, 2009

MAPPING SCHEDULES are available on the RDCK's WebMap (PIMS), please refer to the [tutorial](#) on the WebMap (PIMS) site for instructions on how to view the mapping. Printable copies are available by contacting the RDCK GIS department.

ADOPTION DATE NOVEMBER 26, 2009



Key project tasks include:

- Comparative analysis and best practice review:
 - Review of member municipalities bylaws
 - Review of relevant hazard & risk policies adopted in BC, nationally and internationally
 - Compiling related engineering standards & applicable climate change assessment tools
- Stakeholder engagement (e.g., First Nations, RDCK Staff, Qualified Professionals)
- Regulatory map development from available flood and steep creek hazard mapping
- Draft bylaw language and recommendations for RDCK and Salmo

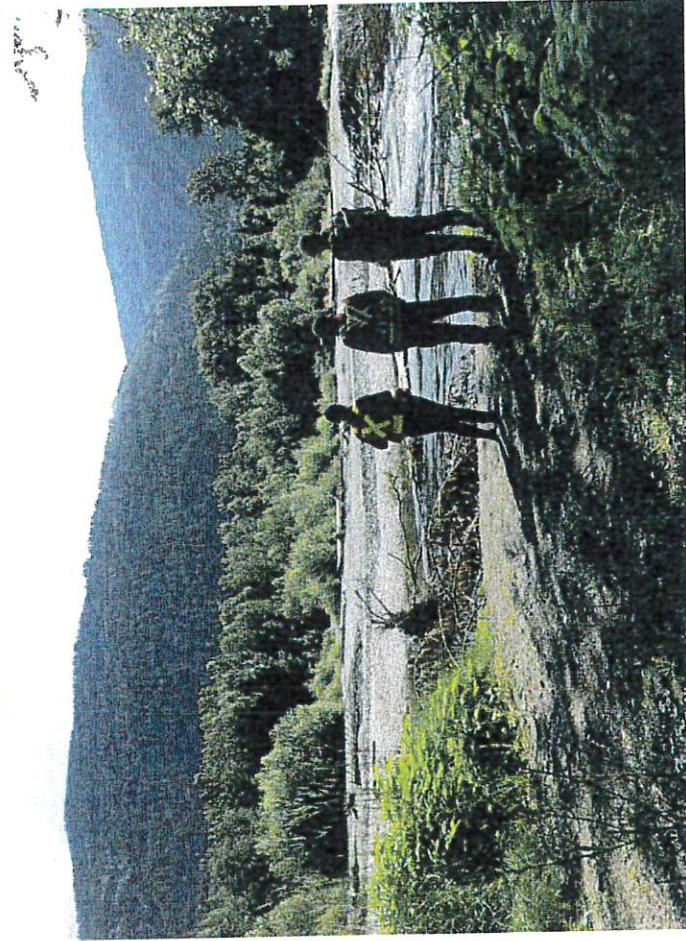


Source: RDCK Public Web Map

The project began in July 2025 and is scheduled to be complete for June 2026:



Thank you!



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Salmo River



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October 10th, 2025

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Attention: Mayor and Council

Re: Sheep Creek Nutrient Addition Program

On behalf of BC Hydro, I am excited to announce that we plan to resume operations of the Sheep Creek Nutrient Addition Program in Spring 2026. As you may know, the program's objective is to improve the Bull Trout population by adding fertilizer to the creek. The fertilizer boosts the growth of small organisms such as plants and insects, which are a food source for the Bull Trout.

Bull Trout are a species of special concern in the Salmo River Watershed and throughout B.C. The overall outcome of nutrient addition programs is more food and better growing conditions for fish, which helps to ensure a healthy and robust population.

Originally created by the Salmo Watershed Streamkeepers Society (SWSS) 20 years ago, this program was transferred to BC Hydro in 2018 as part of our Fisheries Act Authorization commitment. This program was reviewed by a panel of experts from Fisheries and Oceans Canada, the Ministry of Environment, and local First Nations before it was accepted.

The program was paused last year after hearing concerns from local residents about potential impacts to the water quality in Sheep Creek as a result of the program. BC Hydro takes all concerns very seriously, and in response, we conducted water quality testing through an independent laboratory. The results of the water quality testing showed that the water in Sheep Creek meets all Canadian drinking water guidelines. This information was shared with local government, property owners, tenure holders, and other stakeholders in the vicinity of Sheep Creek in August of 2024.

BC Hydro is committed to continuing its positive relationship with the Village of Salmo and its residents. If you have any questions or would like BC Hydro to present a summary of the project at a council meeting, please don't hesitate to contact me.



Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a large, stylized loop followed by a horizontal line extending to the right.

Dudley Coulter



THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF SALMO **REPORT FROM COUNCIL**

COUNCILLOR NEIL

Council Report for Council Meeting held on October 14, 2025.

PORTFOLIOS

Library Director's Report – September Highlights at the Library

Community, Events, & Programs

The Iona Wishaw reading was great and was well attended, with 30 people coming out on a sunny Friday afternoon. We currently have 12 of her books, and they have circulated 398 times!

Lyn Hango and Mandy Kreiser presented their interesting debut book, Not So Common, to a small group of 8 people. Very interesting conversation about common thinking!

Doug Jameison's 40 Words for Yes was a beautiful event held in the Reading Garden. | 15 people came out to enjoy this immersive sound experience

We have interfiled all the Scifi, Fantasy, and Western paperbacks with the fiction. | am trying to make more room for the library of things and to potentially move things around when we start with the accessibility grant funds.

The \$100,000 Accessibility grant has been submitted and should hear back in December.

The Magazine Drive is underway. If you sponsor a magazine, | will be in touch soon with the amount. if you would like to make a general donation to the library, this is a great time of year to do it! Reminder, you get a tax receipt for all donations over \$20 'Sidewalk booksales! For July — September made \$562.20!

Student Avalea Ray is back volunteering.

Kanopy is up and Live! Please help spread the word about this free streaming service

The lovely plants all around the library were brought in and cared for by volunteer Lorraine Kreuzer.

Gareth has been cleaning up the drywall around the library.

Taylor attended a luncheon at SCRS that was organized by Helen Oldershaw with the Salmo Seniors group. This is a space for community groups to network ideas and

events, so we are working together to support the community.

Grants and Funding.

Grant Work — currently working on funding for the Roof

October is Magazine Drive Month!

Upcoming Events

Oct 9 | Richard Rowberry Author talk at 6:30 - cancelled

Oct 11 | Closed for Thanksgiving weekend

Oct 16 | Nidus event 6:30-7:30

Oct 23 | CBAL Tech Support starts back up 1-3

Oct 23 | CBAL Rhythms and Rymes starts back up 10:30-11:30

Oct 28 | BC Libraries presents - Universal: Renewing Human Rights in a Fractured World.

Oct 31 | Friends Tea

Oct 31 | Library Bookclub

Nov 6 | Teresa Southam: Transforming Trauma through Social Change.

Nov 21 | BC Libraries presents - Enshittification: Why the Internet Sucks and How to Fix it

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor Neil



THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF SALMO **REPORT FROM MAYOR/DIRECTOR**

MAYOR LOCKWOOD

Mayor Report for Council Meeting held on October 14, 2025.

Salmo & Area G Emergency Preparedness Committee: We got an update about the weather outlook for winter and where we need to be focused around, update on the emergency program, its operational centre and the emergency support services. On the Salmo Webpage there is a link to sign up for ESS.

Fire Department: The conversation needs to be around how long do you want to pay for the new fire truck. In five years or 20 years? Taxation will have to go up but it will depend by how much by your response.

Citizen Engagement: Complaint from a resident over the recycling depot.

Salmo & District Arts Council: Next meeting TBD

RDCK:

Board: Bylaw 3057(swimming pool) and 3058(recreation program) have had three readings does not need ministry approval as it is under 25% increase. Permissive Tax Exemption has had two readings and needs to be adopted by the end of October.

I have put the report from RDCK staff for the Flood Hazard Policy that Salmo is working with them on.

A very lengthy discussion about climate actions and this is where it ended for now.

WHEREAS the RDCK is a signatory to the BC Climate Action Charter and a participant in the Partners for Climate Protection (PCP) program, both voluntary frameworks that promote net-zero targets; AND

WHEREAS participation in these programs incurs ongoing financial, staffing, and administrative obligations driven by top-down targets which may not align with local realities or infrastructure-based emissions reductions, and for which a comprehensive cost-benefit analysis has not yet been presented to the Board; and RDCK residents lifestyle desires may not align with these high-density, urbanfocused mitigation strategies; Regional District of Central Kootenay September 18, 2025 16

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. That staff prepare and present to the Board a comprehensive cost-benefit analysis, including but not limited to: all financial obligations, staff/resource allocation, and other measurable costs and benefits incurred since RDCK's enrollment in the PCP program through to projections for 2050;

2. That this analysis include benchmark metrics and clarify how local infrastructure renewals and stewardship compare to program-mandated emissions targets in terms of cost and effectiveness.
3. That a “localized environmental stewardship” approach be defined and maintained until the Board has reviewed and approved the analysis and made further decisions;
4. That the Board will reconsider its continued participation in the PCP program upon review of the completed cost-benefit assessment.

All Recreation: Next meeting October 29, 2025

Salmo & Area G Recreation Commission: The Salmo Climbing Society was approved by the commission for a \$5000 grant for the development.

The Conversion and Establishment Bylaws 1135/1988 and 2384/2014 will see increase requestions for the next meeting.

Fitness Centre Hours will continue as is along with adding back the hour on Mondays and Wednesdays 3-8 and commission will review the demographics using the space going forward.

I have a motion for Council to use Community Development Funds to help with this and commission will review going forward.

Next meeting November 10, 2025

Economic Trust of the Southern Interior – BC (ETSI-BC): Was help at the new Chamber of Commerce’s building in Castlegar. We heard from organizations that have benefitted from ESTI-BC through the grant funding and how collaboration has happened through many different organizations to make things happen here in the Kootenays. Next meeting December 5, 2025.

Central/Joint Resource Recovery: Next meeting October 15, 2025

West Kootenay Hospital Board: Next meeting October 22, 2025

Nelson, Salmo, E, F, & G Regional Parks: Next meeting November 26, 2025

West Transit: Next meeting December 16, 2025

Other meetings of note:

Mayor’s and chair Highway 3 Coalition: We met with the Ministry of Transportation and Transit at UBCM

Next meeting September 21, 2025

Community Collaboration Meeting: This group focuses on how to partner with each other to benefit the community. Next meeting TBD

UBCM was a week packed full of learning and networking. I also supported the Save our Streets (SOS) in front of Parliament along with 7 MLA’s, about 50 Mayor’s, and a bunch more concerned citizens. The message was clear what we are doing now is not working and we need

to change direction. Jess Ketchum along with London Drug's started this coalition on October 30, 2023. Two years later we still have not seen changes.

Health Care: The Heart of the Community

This session explored the challenges we face in rural areas and some opportunities for improving healthcare. Talks about family doctors, ambulance services, and how to improve the needs in rural areas so we all thrive.

Resilient Local Leaders: Charting the Course to Support Mental Health in Elected Officials

A description of the session: Local elected leaders are increasingly called upon to deliver complex, high-demand services while navigating a climate of growing public frustration. At times, that frustration has escalated into abuse or threats - both online and in person. As this environment starts to take a toll, many leaders are experiencing mental health challenges, and the public nature of their roles can make seeking help especially difficult. In response to this, over the past year, a small group of elected officials has been meeting to share experiences and build a peer-support network aimed at strengthening and sustaining each another. I belong to this small group that meet every couple of months for the last four years and we talk out situations and sometimes just be a listening board.

Smart Governance - Leveraging AI to Serve Communities Better Room

Artificial intelligence (AI) is emerging as a powerful tool and may be a tool to help local governments meet the growing demands for efficiency, responsiveness and transparency. AI can help with better public engagement and building permits (Kelowna uses it) for example although I feel we still need to be cautious what we use it for making sure there is a human element for people. Enhancing public services at the local level is a good tool as each community is unique and when using AI, it can take that away.

Manufacturing Homes, Jobs & Prosperous Communities Room:

Offsite construction is emerging as a top senior government solution to multiple problems. There is a lot less disturbance in a neighborhood when construction happens offsite while succeeding in driving growth through manufactured homes. Housing can go up quickly and affordable.

Building Mass Timber:

Local governments are on the frontlines of the climate crisis, development pressure, and a changing economic landscape. Mass timber is a low-carbon building technology that can reduce construction-related community impacts and timelines, while supporting B.C.'s forestry, manufacturing, construction, and design services sectors - a multi solving tool for issues facing our province. By developing mass timber friendly land use plans, zoning bylaws, and approval processes, local governments can help unlock mass timber's benefits for British Columbians. Right in our back yards (Kalesnikoff) can build housing inside their building and deliver the product.

Keynote Address: Marcy Grossman, Canadian Media Personality Marcy Grossman is a globally respected leader whose distinguished career in Canadian diplomacy has left an indelible mark on the international stage. Her leadership is instrumental in fostering peace, cooperation, and mutual understanding across cultures and borders. Marcy is a pioneer in international business development. She was a driving force behind the launch of Invest in Canada and the creator of Innovation Nation, a bestselling publication highlighting Canada's evolving role in the global economy. Today, as a Senior Fellow at the Atlantic Council, Marcy continues to shape the global conversation on leadership, women's empowerment, and peacebuilding. She is a passionate advocate for breaking barriers and empowering the next generation of changemakers. Through her powerful storytelling and belief that "if you can see it, you can be it," Marcy inspires individuals and institutions alike to lead with purpose, act with courage, and create lasting impact.

Representatives acclaimed and/or elected for 2025/2026.

President, Councillor Cori Ramsay (Prince George).

First Vice President, Councillor Jenna Stoner (Squamish).

Second Vice President, Mayor Sarrah Storey (Fraser Lake).

Third Vice President, Councillor Aimee Grice (Oliver).

Electoral Area Representative, Director Jerrilyn Kirk (Regional District of Fraser-Fort George).
Vancouver Metro Area Representatives, Councillor Pete Fry (Vancouver) and Councillor Tasha Henderson (New Westminster).

Small Communities Representative, Councillor Aidan McLaren-Caux (Nakusp).

Directors at Large, Sheila Boehm (Williams Lake), Councillor Vicki Brown (Cumberland),
Councillor Gord Klassen (Fort St John), Councillor Keith Page (Nelson), Director Roberta Schider (RDEK).