

# **Unified Alternative Approval Process**

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Comox Vallev Regional District An Alternative Approval Process (AAP) is a way for local governments to directly engage citizens and determine support for certain initiatives through a public voting format. An AAP is an alternative to a referendum, which is a very costly process.

The unified AAP brings together various initiatives at the same time to save taxpayers money, support increased engagement and transparency and ensure residents are aware of ways to get involved.

> Go online for more information when considering the following initiatives in your community www.comoxvalleyrd.ca/aap

#### Bylaw No. 636

#### **Baynes Sound Community Facilities Support Service**



3,901 eligible voters with 10% being 390

Purpose: Provide consistent funding for the maintenance and operation of community halls within the local area, including Royston, Fallen Alders, Union Bay, Fanny Bay and Ships Point.

Taxpayer Impact: As community halls within the local community currently receive funding annually from the CVRD's Electoral Areas Grants-in-Aid Services, this initiative is projected to be property tax neutral as the existing tax requisition for the Grant-in-Aid Services would be redirected to the proposed Baynes Sound Community Facilities Support Service. The proposed maximum requisition is the greater of \$45,425 or \$0.02617 per \$1,000 of assessed value which would be equivalent to \$13,31 for a property with an assessed value of \$500,000. This does not mean that taxes for this service will increase to the maximum available as financial plans are adopted annually based on the service needs at the time. Rather, this creates the flexibility for the service to respond to public expectations and demands over time.

#### Bylaw No. 637

#### **Black Creek Community Centre Contribution Service Establishment** Bylaw No. 47, 2009, Amendment No. 2



10,785 eligible voters with 10% being 1,079

Purpose: Expand the service area and rename the service as the Puntledge North Community Facilities Support Service for the purpose of providing consistent funding to support the maintenance and operation of community halls within the local area, including Black Creek, Halbe, Dove Creek and Merville.

Taxpayer Impact: Local community halls receive funding annually from the CVRD's Electoral Areas Grants-in-Aid Services, this initiative is projected to be property tax neutral as the existing tax requisition for the Grant-in-Aid Services would be redirected to the proposed Puntledge North Community Facilities Support Service. The proposed maximum requisition would be equivalent to \$28.38 for a property with an assessed value of \$500,000. This does not mean that taxes for this service will increase to the maximum available as financial plans are adopted annually based on the service needs at the time. Rather, this creates the flexibility for the service to respond to public expectations and demands over time.





1,083 eligible voters with 10% being 108



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#### Saratoga Beach Community Mosquito Management Service



Purpose: Provide a mosquito control program within the service area in accordance with an Integrated Pest Management Plan (PMP).

Taxpayer Impact: The proposed maximum requisition is the greater of \$36,800 or \$0.09638 per \$1,000 of assessed value which would be equivalent to \$48.19 for a property with an assessed value of \$500,000. This does not mean that taxes for this service will increase to the maximum available as financial plans are adopted annually based on the service needs at the time. Rather, this creates the flexibility for the service to respond to public expectations and demands over time.



#### Bylaw No. 647



30,736 eligible voters with 10% being 3.074

### Sewer System Conveyance Project Loan Authorization

Purpose: To borrow fifty-two million dollars (\$52,000,000) to be repaid over a maximum 30 years to replace and upgrade the pipes and related pump stations that convey wastewater from Courtenay, the K'ómoks First Nation, and Comox to the Comox Valley Water Pollution Control Centre.

Taxpayer Impact: The Comox Valley Sewerage Service comprises the Town of Comox and the City of Courtenay and the average cost for the loan would be approximately \$150 per household per year.

Eligible electors of the proposed initiatives below can voice opposition by submitting an Elector Response Form. Eligible electors may be part of one or more of the initiatives. Forms can be picked up at the CVRD office or online at comoxvalleyrd.ca/aap



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Deadline for delivering signed Elector Response Forms to the CVRD is 4:30 pm on July 5, 2021



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Email administration@comoxvalleyrd.ca

Fax 250-334-4358



Drop off at CVRD Offices

770 Harmston Avenue, Courtenay, BC 8 am - 4:30 pm (Mon. - Fri., except holidays)

Emailed or faxed copies must include the eligible elector's signature. Forms must be received by the deadline in order to be counted.

#### Bylaw No. 648

#### **CVRD Northern Garbage Collection Service**



3,370 eligible voters with 10% being 337

Purpose: Establish a service for the roadside collection of garbage and recyclable materials within the service area.

**Taxpayer Impact:** The service would provide a convenient Waste Management Program for residents that supports increased waste diversion, reduced greenhouse gas emissions as well as reductions in the long-term costs of the Comox Valley Waste Management Centre landfill. The service is proposed to be fully funded through utility fees estimated to a maximum of \$250 annually. A property tax will not be used to recover any of the costs for this service with the final utility fees being confirmed following a public procurement process for a collection contractor(s).

#### Bylaw No. 649

#### **CVRD Central Garbage Collection Service**



**10,678** eligible voters with 10% being **1,067** 

Purpose: Establish a service for the roadside collection of garbage and recyclable materials within the service area.

**Taxpayer Impact:** The service would provide a convenient Waste Management Program for residents that supports increased waste diversion, reduced greenhouse gas emissions as well as reductions in the long-term costs of the Comox Valley Waste Management Centre landfill. The service is proposed to be fully funded through utility fees estimated to a maximum of \$250 annually. A property tax will not be used to recover any of the costs for this service with the final utility fees being confirmed following a public procurement process for a collection contractor(s).



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#### Bylaw No. 650

#### **CVRD Southern Garbage Collection Service**



Purpose: Establish a service for the roadside collection of garbage and recyclable materials within the service area.

**Taxpayer Impact:** The service would provide a convenient Waste Management Program for residents that supports increased waste diversion, reduced greenhouse gas emissions as well as reductions in the long-term costs of the Comox Valley Waste Management Centre landfill. The service is proposed to be fully funded through utility fees estimated to a maximum of \$250 annually. A property tax will not be used to recover any of the costs for this service with the final utility fees being confirmed following a public procurement process for a collection contractor(s).

With respect to each of the initiatives contained in this notice, copies of the bylaws and reports concerning the determination of the number of eligible electors and other documents relating to these bylaws may be obtained from the CVRD website or inspected at the office at the address below between 8 am - 4:30 pm (Mon. - Fri., except holidays).

Elector response forms must be submitted in the form established by the CVRD and the only persons entitled to sign the forms are the eligible electors of the area to which the AAP applies.

The CVRD will proceed with adopting each bylaw, unless, by the deadline date, at least 10% of eligible electors indicate that the CVRD Board must obtain the elector approval by assent voting. The total number of eligible electors and the number of valid elector response forms required to prevent adoption of each bylaw are noted on the previous page and above.

#### For more information

Comox Valley Regional District 770 Harmston Avenue, Courtenay, BC V9N 0G8 Phone: **250-334-6000** Toll free: **1-800-331-6007** 

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