



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

BETWEEN:

Fraser Valley Regional District
45950 Cheam Avenue
Chilliwack, BC
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herein referred to as "FVRD"

AND:

Ministry of Environment
Parks and Protected Areas Division,
South Coast Region

herein referred to as "BC Parks"

together referred to as the "Parties"

I. PURPOSE

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) creates and defines the stewardship relationship between the FVRD and the Ministry of Environment, South Coast Region, for the purpose of the conservation of Cultus Lake. This will take place through the responsible disposal of sewage and regular lake water quality monitoring.

II. WHEREAS

The preferred method of responsibly disposing of sewage in the Cultus Lake area will be to develop community sewage treatment systems that achieve Class A+ effluent quality.

BC Parks will connect to the local service area for the sewage treatment systems after the existing BC Parks' septic systems have reached end of life.

III. COMMITMENTS

To this end, the FVRD and BC Parks agree to work cooperatively for the benefit of Cultus Lake and the people of British Columbia.

BC Parks commits to:

- Work with Environmental Protection Division of the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy to pursue adding Cultus Lake to the province-wide lake monitoring network.
- Pursue cost-sharing with FVRD for Cultus Lake water quality monitoring.
- When BC Parks is ready to connect to the local service area system, seek funding to contribute to the cost of a preliminary design study to detail the location, processes, quality parameters and facility requirements of sewage treatment plants for both north and south communities and their associated provincial campgrounds. Funding contributions from BC Parks would be proportional to usage and flow associated with BC Parks campgrounds.
- Seek funding to provide capital contributions to meet BC Parks fair share (based on usage and flow) of the costs to facilitate the implementation of a community sewer system operated by the FVRD.
- Upon request and when possible, meet FVRD representatives to discuss projects.

FVRD commits to:

- Cost-share with BC Parks for Cultus Lake water quality monitoring.
- Implement an elector assent process to establish an expanded service area for sewage treatment, including BC Parks.
- Shared funding to contribute to the cost of a preliminary design study to detail the location, processes, quality parameters and facility requirements of

- sewage treatment plants for both North and South communities and their associated provincial campgrounds.
- Operate North and South community sewage treatment plants that will service BC Parks when existing septic systems have reached end of life.

III. ADMINISTRATION

BC Parks designates Jennie Aikman, jennie.aikman@gov.bc.ca as its official representative of this MOU.

The FVRD designates Tareq Islam, tislam@fvr.ca as its official representative to BC Parks for the purposes of this MOU.

These representatives will be the spokespersons for all matters relating to this agreement and for the day-to-day coordination of activities involving the two parties. These designates may be changed at any time upon agreement of the parties.

BC Parks will send a copy of all written correspondence directed to **Tareq Islam** to: tislam@fvr.ca.

IV. TERMS OF MOU:

- The duration of this MOU is for 5 years commencing on January 1, 2020 and ending on December 31 2025 inclusive.
- Following this term the MOU may be reviewed and extended by both parties.
- This MOU is intended to indicate the Parties' intention to work together. It is not intended to be a legally binding agreement.
- Either party may terminate this MOU at any time upon giving 60 days written notice.

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Jennie Aikman
Regional Director, South Coast Region
BC Parks, Ministry of Environment

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