



CORPORATE REPORT

To: CAO for the Fraser Valley Regional District Board

Date: 2019-12-03

From: Milly Marshall, Director of EA Special Projects

File No: 0870-25-BC

Subject: FVRD Regional Airpark (Hope) Rental Agreement with Forests, Lands and Natural Resources

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Recreation Culture and Airpark Services Commission recommend that the Fraser Valley Regional District Board authorize its signatories to enter into an agreement between the FVRD and the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations & Rural Development for use of the Yale School, Regional Airpark and Boston Bar Emergency Landing Strip.

STRATEGIC AREA(S) OF FOCUS

Provide Responsive & Effective Public Services

Support Healthy & Sustainable Community

BACKGROUND

The Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resources (FLNR) is provided access to the Airpark, Boston Bar Airstrip and Yale school, during annual fire season, typically, April 1st to October 31st, on an as needed basis, for the purposes of Provincial Wildfire Program implementation.

Fees identified for use of the land and facilities are as follows:

Airpark

Office Space \$96 per day

Apron/Runway \$203 per day

Boston Bar Emergency Airstrip

Runway \$85.00 per day

Yale School

Building \$96.00 per day

Yard \$96.00 per day

DISCUSSION

Revenues received through use under this agreement may fluctuate in any given year as use is dictated by the size, scope and location of seasonal wildfire management requirements. For example, in 2017, use of the Airpark alone generated \$2,200 in revenue under this agreement, while in 2018 and 2019; none of the facilities were accessed by FLNR, therefore, no revenues were received.

There have been no changes to the terms and conditions of the rental agreement from the previous year (2017).

COST

Outside of administrative time, there are no additional costs associated with the execution of the 2020 FVRD and FLNR rental agreement.

Please be made aware that any significant ground damage resulting from use by FLNR Operations is looked after by FLNR.

CONCLUSION

It is staffs' recommendation that FLNR continue to be enabled use of the facilities and lands in accordance with the terms and conditions identified within the rental agreement.

COMMENTS BY:

Mike Veenbaas, Director of Financial Services

Reviewed and supported. Revenues generated from the Airpark and Boston Bar Airstrip are allocated to the Airpark Service Area. Revenues generated from the Yale School are allocated to the Yale and District Community Use Facility Service Area.

Jennifer Kinneman, Acting Chief Administrative Officer

Reviewed and supported.