

To: Electoral Area Services Committee
From: Jaime Reilly, Director of Legislative Services and
Pam Loat, Legislative Coordinator
Subject: Electoral Areas E and H Bylaw Update Project

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RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board of Directors consider giving three readings to the following bylaws:

- *Fraser Valley Regional District Columbia Valley Fire Protection Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 1607 2020;*
- *Fraser Valley Regional District Cultus Lake Fire Protection Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 1608, 2020;*
- *Fraser Valley Regional District Yarrow/Ryder Lake Fire Protection Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 1371, 2020;*
- *Fraser Valley Regional District Frosst Creek Flood and Debris Control Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 1609, 2020;*
- *Fraser Valley Regional District Parkview Street Lighting Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 1610, 2020;*
- *Fraser Valley Regional District Electoral Areas E & H Community Parks Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 1611, 2020;*
- *Fraser Valley Regional District Building Numbering Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 1612, 2020;*
- *Fraser Valley Regional District Cultus Lake Seasonal Conventional Transit Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 1613, 2020; and*
- *Fraser Valley Regional District Cultus Lake and Chilliwack River Valley Paratransit Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 1614, 2020.*

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PRIORITIES

BACKGROUND

Upon the Fraser Valley Regional District's amalgamation in 1995, Electoral Area E encompassed Chilliwack River Valley, as well as the Cultus Lake, Columbia Valley and Lindell Beach. This large Electoral Area included two distinct geographical areas, which were located in two separate watersheds, divided by an extensive mountain range, each with individual and unique community issues and needs.

As there was community desire to have Electoral Area E split into two separate and distinct Electoral Areas, starting in 2011, the FVRD pursued a proposed reconfiguration with the Ministry of Community, Sport & Cultural Development.

On September 5, 2014, as part of Order in Council 501, the Province issued letters patent redefining the boundary for Electoral Area E (Chilliwack River Valley only), and establishing Electoral Area H (Cultus Lake, Columbia Valley and Lindell Beach).

DISCUSSION

Order in Council No. 501 required that the FVRD amend its bylaws to recognize the division of the former Electoral Area E of the FVRD into Electoral Areas E and H. There are no other changes to the above noted bylaws other than to clarify that the service areas are either in current Electoral Area E or H or in both. These bylaws are being brought forward purely for housekeeping purposes.

Section 4.24.10 of the Fraser Valley Regional District Board and Committee Procedures Bylaw No. 1305, 2015 notes that a series of bylaws with the same corporate vote may be taken together in one resolution. This allows the Board to give three readings to multiple bylaws, with the same vote, by way of one resolution.

Should the Board provide three readings of these nine service area amendment bylaws, all bylaws will be forwarded to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs for consideration of approval by the Inspector of Municipalities. Following Ministerial approval, the bylaws will be brought back to the Board for consideration of adoption.

COST

There are no costs associated with this report, or the amendment of these bylaws.

CONCLUSION

Following the division of the former Electoral Area E into Electoral Areas E and H, as a housekeeping matter, the FVRD is bringing forward a series of nine separate service area bylaws for amendment. These amendments are to recognize the division of Electoral Area E. There are no other changes to the service area bylaws.

COMMENTS BY:

Kelly Lownsbrough, Chief Financial Officer/ Director of Finance: Reviewed and supported.

Jennifer Kinneman, Chief Administrative Officer: Reviewed and supported.