

To: Fraser Valley Regional District Board

Date: 2020-01-28

From: Dustin Zahara, Engineering & Community Services Tech.

File No: 3021-55

Subject: Hemlock Valley Transfer Station Crown Land Tenure

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board direct staff to proceed to obtain a Licence of Occupation for the new Hemlock Valley Transfer Station as offered by the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development.

STRATEGIC AREA(S) OF FOCUS

Support Environmental Stewardship
Support Healthy & Sustainable Community
Provide Responsive & Effective Public Services

PRIORITIES

Priority #1 Waste Management

BACKGROUND

The Hemlock Valley Transfer Station is currently situated at 47094 Laurel Road, Hemlock Valley, adjacent to the Hemlock Valley Volunteer Fire Department. The site does not provide sufficient space to allow for collection of separated solid wastes, and as such, the FVRD must relocate the transfer station elsewhere. A new parcel of land has been selected, a 0.185 hectare area, on the portion of unsurveyed Crown Land in the vicinity of District Lot 5671, Group 1, New Westminster District.

DISCUSSION

Staff have consulted with local residents, First Nations and the Berezan Group (Sasquatch Resort Owner) and have determined that the proposed site, will be the most suitable location for a new Hemlock Valley Transfer station. A map showing the location of the proposed site has been attached.

To obtain a Licence of Occupation on this parcel for a new transfer station, the Province requires a Board resolution in support.

COST

The cost of this Licence of Occupation is \$1.00.

COMMENTS BY:

Tareq Islam, Director of Engineering & Community Services

Reviewed and supported.

Mike Veenbaas, Director of Financial Services

Reviewed and supported. Any costs associated with the relocation and setup of the new transfer station will be borne by the local solid waste service area.

Jennifer Kinneman, Acting Chief Administrative Officer

Reviewed and supported.