

To: Fraser Valley Regional District Board  
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Subject: 2025 Service Area Establishment Bylaw Updates

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## RECOMMENDATION

**THAT** the Fraser Valley Regional District Board give three readings and adoption to *Fraser Valley Regional District Cultus Lake Integrated Water Supply and Distribution System Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 1781, 2025*;

**THAT** the Fraser Valley Regional District Board give three readings and adoption to *Fraser Valley Regional District Area A Garbage Disposal Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 1782, 2025*;

**AND THAT** the Fraser Valley Regional District Board give three readings and adoption to *Fraser Valley Regional District Townsite of Yale Water Supply and Distribution Local Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 1783, 2025*.

## BACKGROUND

The FVRD sets annual tax requisition levels through the Financial Planning Bylaw. As required by the Local Government Act (LGA), the FVRD is also required to adopt Service Area Establishment Bylaws, setting the maximum allowable requisition and method of collection for each Service Area, with some exceptions. As services and taxation evolve, Staff complete a review to ensure the Financial Plan does not exceed the maximum requisition stated in the Establishment bylaw.

## DISCUSSION

As part of the 2025 Financial Planning process an administrative review was conducted to ensure the proposed budgets are in compliance with each bylaw. Amendments to some Electoral Area Service Area Establishment bylaws are required to increase maximum allowable tax requisitions for the following Service Areas:

- Cultus Lake Integrated Water Supply and Distribution System Service Area
- Area A Garbage Disposal Service Area
- Townsite of Yale Water Supply and Distribution Local Service Area

The updated maximum requisitions will ensure the tax levels within the adopted 5-year plan are authorized by bylaw. In addition, the three bylaws now align to all be based on a property value rate, allowing for growth in the area.

The bylaws attached to this report, will be forwarded to the Ministry for Inspector Approval prior to coming back to the Board for final adoption.

## **COST**

**Tax requisition amounts are set through the Board's adoption** of the annual Financial Plan. The Service Area Establishment bylaw maximums provide the authority for the level of taxation each year.

## **CONCLUSION**

As a step in the 2025 Financial Planning process, there are three proposed bylaws to be amended, increasing the maximum requisition to ensure adequate taxation levels for the services provided.