

To: Electoral Area Services Committee

Date: 2025-09-04

From: Trevor Lucy, Accountant

Subject: 2025 Grant-In-Aid Request – Lake Errock Community Association, Electoral Area C

Reviewed by: Beth Klein, Controller/Deputy CFO

Jennifer Kinneman, Chief Administrative Officer

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board approve a grant-in-aid in the amount of \$3,000 to the Lake Errock Community Association, funded from the 2025 Electoral Area C grant-in-aid budget, to help offset costs associated with community events and the lake stewardship and education program.

BACKGROUND

The Fraser Valley Regional District ("FVRD") Electoral Area Grant-in-Aid program is available to non-profit community groups or individuals who provide a service or benefit to their Electoral Area community. Funding is available year-round to all applicants who meet the criteria and eligibility requirements as outlined in the Electoral Area Grant-in-Aid Policy & Application Form.

The Electoral Areas have an annual Grant-in-Aid budget, which is set through the Financial Planning process. This budget considers the expected aspirations of the communities and must not exceed the calculated maximum value based on the net taxable property values of the area.

All funding requests must be supported by the Electoral Area Director and approved by the Board.

DISCUSSION

The Lake Errock Community Association (LECA) is a registered non-profit society and community group of volunteers whose purpose is to provide benefits and services within Electoral Area C, meeting the eligibility criteria of being submitted by a community group of the benefiting electoral area. LECA has a website and is responsive to questions; therefore, it is considered financially and administratively sound.

LECA is requesting a \$4,000 grant-in-aid to offset costs associated with an end of summer BBQ, a fall clean-up event, and the lake stewardship and education program. Director Waardenburg is in support of this request for \$3,000.

This request for funding is eligible under the following Electoral Area Grant-in-Aid policy options: promotion of volunteer participation and citizen involvement, use of net approaches /techniques in solving community challenges, and activities/programs which are accessible to a large portion of the electoral area.

Please refer to the completed Grant-in-Aid application attached and note that financial statements/reports have not been requested as the application is not greater than \$4,000

COST

The \$3,000 cost will be funded from the 2025 Electoral Area C Grant-in-Aid budget, which has funds available to support this request.

CONCLUSION

A grant-in-aid application has been received on behalf of Lake Errock Community Association to help offset costs associated with community events and a lake stewardship and education program, including lake health testing. The application is complete and meets the eligibility criteria and approval criteria as outlined in the Policy. No application restrictions are noted and the Electoral Area Director is supportive of providing \$3,000 to the association.