



STAFF REPORT

To: Fraser Valley Regional District Board
From: Christina Vugteveen, Manager of Parks

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Subject: Vedder River Campground Bylaw Amendment

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RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board give three readings and adoption to the bylaw cited as *Fraser Valley Regional District Vedder River Campground Amendment Bylaw No. 1811, 2025*.

BACKGROUND

The Vedder River Campground is a family-friendly campground located on the banks of the Vedder River. **The campground is adjacent to the City of Chilliwack's Vedder Rotary Loop Trail, hosts a beautiful view of the Vedder River, provides central access to many outdoor activities in the region, excellent fishing opportunities along the world-renowned Vedder River, and offers several amenities to campers.**

The regulatory requirements and fees associated with the Vedder River Campground are provided within the Fraser Valley Regional District (FVRD) *Vedder River Campground Regulations, Fees and Other Charges Bylaw No. 1476, 2018*, and its amendments.

DISCUSSION

Bylaw No. 1476, 2018 was created when the FVRD purchased the Vedder River Campground and took over the operations and maintenance. Since this time, there have been several amendments changing some fee structures and providing further clarity with respect to interpretations and definitions of the bylaw. Based upon user trends and operational experience, further updates are recommended to align with the demand for site type and usage, remain comparable to other local campgrounds, and to support cost recovery.

The proposed amendment bylaw is comprised of housekeeping items that reflect operational changes, including:

- Updating site names for clarification
 - “large non-serviced **Campsite**” to “large Unserviced **Campsite**”
 - “large partial hook-up Campsite with a shelter” to “large Campsite with picnic shelter and **water**”
 - “regular non-serviced Campsite” to “tent Campsite”.

- Removing the term “group Campsite”.

- Changing the maximum number of adults on some sites from 6 to 4 to manage site capacity.

The proposed bylaw also includes fee amendments and two new fees (excluding taxes) which are summarized in the following table:

Item	Current Fee	Proposed 2026
Daily Visitor Vehicle	\$5	\$7
Partial Hook-Up Sites (electric & water) – nightly	\$45	\$47
Full Hook-Up Sites - nightly	\$52	\$55
Seasonal Pet*		\$150
Reservation Change Fee*		\$10

*New for 2026

The proposed fee changes are aligned with comparable facilities and will support continuing infrastructure upgrades and cost recovery for the day-to-day operations.

COST

Revenues from these proposed changes will be realized in the 2026 budget year.

CONCLUSION

The proposed amendments allow for additional revenue to be gained to support needed infrastructure upgrades and rising operational costs. Staff recommend proceeding with the adoption of *Fraser Valley Regional District Vedder River Campground Amendment Bylaw No. 1811, 2025*.