

To: CAO for the Fraser Valley Regional District Board

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From:Carolynn Lane, Engineering and Community Services Technologist

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**Subject: Crown Land Tenure Application for Harrison Mills Transfer Station Relocation**

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## RECOMMENDATION

**THAT** the Fraser Valley Regional District Board direct staff to apply for crown land tenure on a parcel of land for the new Harrison Mills Transfer Station.

### STRATEGIC AREA(S) OF FOCUS

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

### PRIORITIES

Priority #1 Waste Mangement

## BACKGROUND

The Harrison Mills Transfer Station is currently situated at 14050 Chehalis Forest Service Road, just off of Highway #7 near Morris Valley. The existing license of occupation will be coming to an end in 2020, and as such, the FVRD must relocate the transfer station elsewhere. A new parcel of land has been selected, a 0.78 acre area, on the northwest corner of Morris Valley Road and Chehalis Forest Service Road. To obtain this parcel for a new transfer station, the FVRD must apply for Crown Land Tenure.

Staff applied for a grant under the Rural and Northern Communities Program in January, which will cover any capital construction costs if granted.

## DISCUSSION

Staff have determined that the proposed site, on the northwest corner of Morris Valley Road and Chehalis Forest Service Road, will be the most suitable location for moving the Harrison Mills Transfer Station. Due to the site's close proximity to other significant archaeological findings, it is anticipated that archaeological investigations will be required. Any archaeological work will be coordinated with local Sts'ailes First Nation representatives.

A map showing the location of the proposed site has been attached.

## COST

The cost to apply for crown land tenure is \$250.

## **CONCLUSION**

With Board approval, Staff will apply for Crown Land Tenure on a parcel of land on the northwest corner of Morris Valley Road and Chehalis Forest Service Road. This step is a component of the relocation of the Harrison Mills Transfer Station project.

## **COMMENTS BY:**

**Tareq Islam, Director of Engineering & Community Services:** Reviewed and supported.

**Mike Veenbaas, Chief Financial Officer:** Reviewed and supported.

**Paul Gipps, Chief Administrative Officer** Reviewed and supported