



Comox Valley RD

RETHINK COMOX VALLEY



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2020

Adoption of
Rethink Comox Valley

Implement
immediate actions

2021

Financial Planning – Approve budgets
to fund medium and long term actions



SUMMER

Action

CVRD staff review relevance and priority of projects



Outcome

Identify **key actions** within context of CVRD strategic drivers



Fiscal Responsibility



Community & Social Wellbeing



Climate Crisis & Environmental Stewardship & Protection



Indigenous Relations

FALL

Action

CVRD Board reviews recommendations and finalizes the plan



Keep services affordable



Streamline processes



Protect quality of life



Care for the community

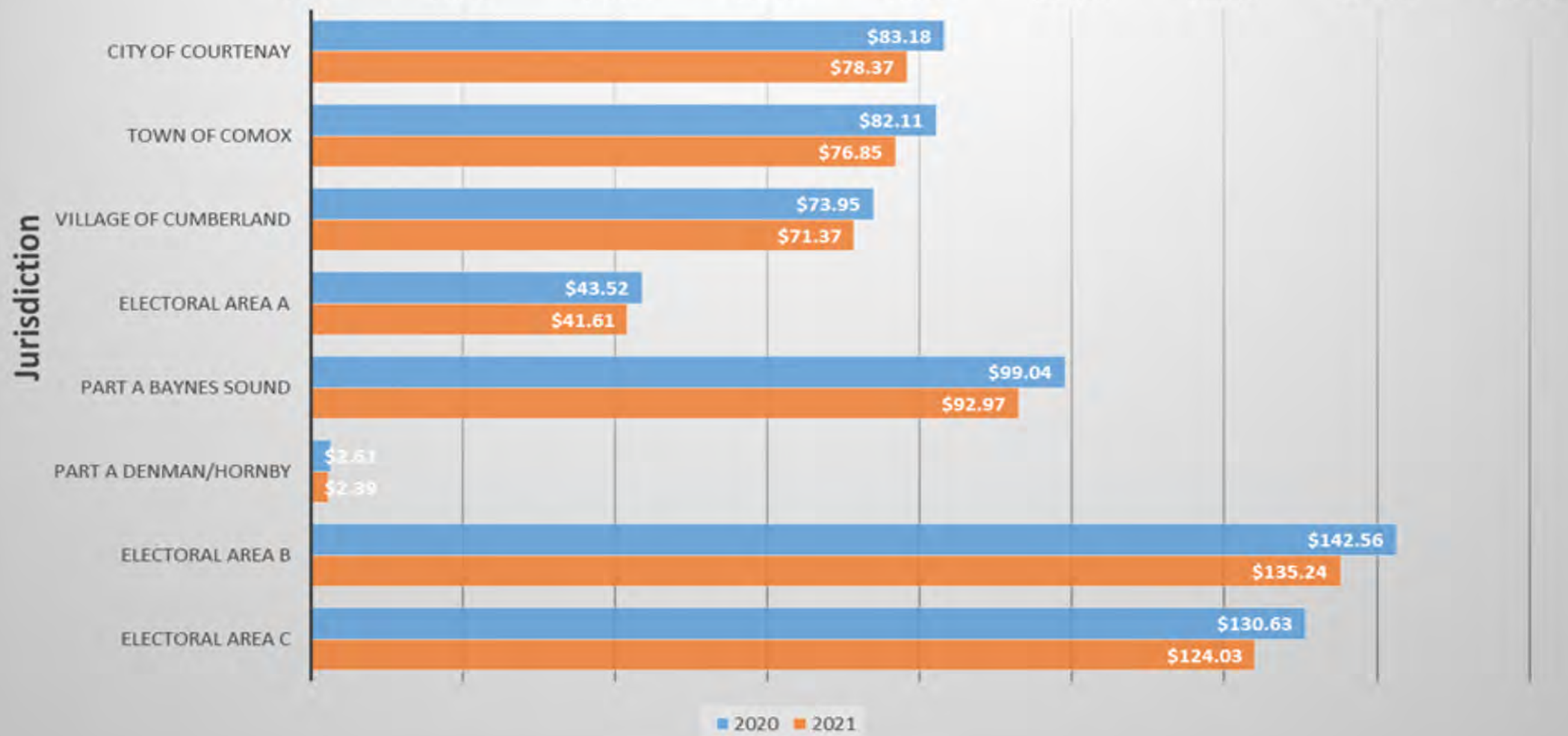
Outcome

Rethink Comox Valley is adopted and shared with the public

Year-over-Year Tax Impact Comparison by Jurisdiction

For every \$100K of Residential Assessed Value

\$0.00 \$20.00 \$40.00 \$60.00 \$80.00 \$100.00 \$120.00 \$140.00 \$160.00





Okanagan Similkameen RD

REGULATED LANDFILLS



East Kootenay RD

SHARED OPPORTUNITIES FOR GREENHOUSE GAS REDUCTION



Bulkley Nechako RD

FIRST NATION COLLABORATION AND OPPORTUNITIES



**FIRST NATION COLLABORATION AND
OPPORTUNITIES
April 2021**

*"A WORLD OF OPPORTUNITIES
WITHIN OUR REGION"*

The Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako (RDBN) is located on the traditional territories of the region's 14 First Nations as well as the Office of the Wet'suwet'en and Carrier Sekani Tribal Council.

Provincial Agreements currently being implemented:

- Pathways Forward 2.0 Agreement (Province and Carrier Sekani Tribal Council on their own behalf and on behalf of their members 2020)
- Lake Babine Nation Foundation Agreement (2020)
- Wet'suwet'en Memorandum of Understanding (Canada, British Columbia and Wet'suwet'en as agreed on February 29, 2020)
- Cheslatta Carrier Nation Interim Reconciliation Agreement (2019)



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Challenges for the RDBN–Capacity

- Regional District consultation by the Province took place near the completion of its process with First Nations and signing of agreements were imminent
 - Requires the RDBN to get up to speed, but with no input on impacts
 - RDBN continues to lobby Province to be part of the discussion at beginning
- First Nations with Agreements currently signed and being implemented have reached out to engage the Regional District
- Wet’suwet’en MOU Core Advisory Table
- First Nations formed alliances to build a strong voice on concerns and issues in the region
 - Nechako First Nations and support of the Nechako River



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How can the RDBN participate with its First Nations neighbours in building a strong and resilient region?

- RDBN Board Strategic Objective
- Build Capacity – to meet their demand and move forward together
- Northern Development Initiative Trust – Northern Healthy Communities Fund for First Nations Engagement Capacity Building Pilot Project



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THANK YOU!

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Central Coast RD & Alberni Clayoquot RD

INCLUSIVE GOVERNANCE



Central Coast
REGIONAL DISTRICT
That we may be good people together



ALBERNI-CLAYOQUOT
REGIONAL DISTRICT

Inclusive Governance

DOUGLAS HOLMES, CAO

ALBERNI-CLAYOQUOT REGIONAL DISTRICT

PREPARED WITH COURTNEY KIRK, CAO

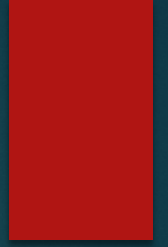
CENTRAL COAST REGIONAL DISTRICT

2018 UBCM CONVENTION

The conversation started at AVICC in 2018 and continued with...

- ▶ **Morning Panel – CCRD & ACRD with Guests describing the situation**
- ▶ **B150 Financing Reconciliation: Solutions for Local Communities (Central Coast RD)**
- ▶ Therefore be it resolved that UBCM request the Province of BC and the Government of Canada work with First Nations and local governments to explore and implement revenue solutions such as federal transfer payments, thereby supporting implementation of the Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Action and the commitments in UNDRIP;
- ▶ And be it further resolved that to ensure First Nation participation in the management of said payments, UBCM request British Columbia, in consultation with First Nations, amend the Local Government Act accordingly.
- ▶ On motion, was **Endorsed**

2018 UBCM CONVENTION



OF1 Building Understanding of Financing Reconciliation: Solutions Alberni-Clayoquot RD for Local Communities

- ▶ Therefore be it resolved, that UBCM work with the Central Coast Regional District and Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District to **host a provincial Community to Community Forum** on Resolution B150 Financing Reconciliation: Solutions for Local Communities, with local governments and appropriate First Nations governing bodies;
- ▶ And be it further resolved that UBCM hold a three hour workshop on Resolutions B150 Financing Reconciliation: Solutions for Local Communities at the 2019 Annual Convention.
- ▶ On motion, was **Endorsed**

FINANCING RECONCILIATION

(2019) pre session

- ▶ 9:00am – 4:30 pm
- ▶ In 2018, members endorsed resolution B150, calling on the Province and Federal Government to identify approaches to better finance local government and First Nation service delivery in ways that support the implementation of Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Action and the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. This session will bring together representatives from First Nations, local government and academia to consider opportunities and next steps for advancing new approaches to financing reconciliation. The session will also feature general updates on Indigenous relations in BC. Lunch will be provided.



Minister Robinson (letter December 13, 2019) to CCRD Chair Sam Schooner ACRD Chair John Jack

- ▶ *“In response to your request, I hope we can agree to use this opportunity to set up a staff-level working group, with the mandate to explore the governance and financial interest in non-treat First Nations seeking a stronger governance link with regional district boards”*

Where we are & Next Steps

- ▶ 3 meetings in 2020
- ▶ Pandemic, Election appropriately has delayed
- ▶ Developed ideas to explore when we reengage
 - ▶ Legislative change
 - ▶ Opportunities/Communities to 'Pilot-test'
 - ▶ Solutions for Federal Involvement
 - ▶ Honour the *Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act*



Kootenay Boundary RD

CURB-SIDE ORGANICS PROGRAM EXPANSION & FLEET CONVERSION
TO EVS

Regional District of
Kootenay Boundary

Climate Action Initiatives



RDKB EV Fleet Strategy

The RDKB was recently recognized by Government of B.C. for embracing the conversion to EVs in our fleet and including EV charging in all future facility projects.



RDKB EV Fleet Strategy

Corporate commitment towards Carbon Neutral

- In 2019, 44% below 2008 greenhouse gas emissions levels
- Our fleet & transport
 - ✓ EV pilot - bought EV and installed EV charger in 2019
 - ✓ Bought two more EVs in 2020 and plan to buy a fourth in 2021
 - ✓ Continue to install EV chargers at RDKB facilities
 - ✓ Completed EV infrastructure study & low carbon fleet plan = clear roadmap to full electrification & low carbon fleet
 - ✓ Building off the Accelerate Kootenays project, the network of charging stations along the Highway 3 corridor continues to grow

Expansion to Region-Wide Curbside Organics Collection



Highlights – West Side

- Currently, RDKB provides curbside organics collection and processing throughout the municipalities and electoral areas of the Boundary region (the western half of the RD) for household kitchen waste
- The Boundary Landfill organics processing facility being upgraded to accommodate commercial, industrial and institutional organics



Highlights – East Side

- The RDKB is expanding curbside organics collection program to all municipalities and electoral areas of the RD (the east side) by the fall of 2022.
- RDCK successful in receiving grant through CleanBC Organics Infrastructure Program for construction of an organics processing facility at the Central Landfill, near Salmo, BC.. RDKB has committed to supply and/or direct organic food waste to RDCK processing facility.
- RDKB has completed preliminary design for a transfer station at eastern landfill site and applied for a 90% funded grant for project construction, and an additional grant under the CleanBC Organic Infrastructure and Collection Program for residential curbside green bin collection programs.





Central Okanagan RD

FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT AS IT RELATES TO CLIMATE CHANGE

RDCO Strategic Planning Initiatives

Union of BC Municipalities - Regional District Chair & CAO Forum

April 13-14, 2021

1450 K.L.O. Road
Kelowna, BC, V1W 3Z4
rdco.com



Our Community




- **Description:**

- Vibrant
- Diverse
- Natural

- **Values:**

- Relationships
- Collaboration
- Natural Environment
- Sustainable Communities
- Regional Perspective


Climate Adaptation & Mitigation Planning



Climate Projections for the Okanagan Region


February 2020

In partnership with



Building Community Resilience in a Changing Climate

An evening with Sheila Watt-Cloutier and guests



The Regional District of Central Okanagan is hosting an event to explore the impacts of climate change, globally and locally, to provide opportunities for collaboration, enhance resilience, and inspire action and hope for the future.

Keynote speaker Sheila Watt-Cloutier, Environmental, Cultural and Human Rights Advocate and Nobel Peace Prize nominee will provide a global perspective on climate change and a shared vision for the future.

The event will feature a public launch of the Climate Projections Report for the Okanagan looking at how our climate is projected to change over the next 30-60 years.

Hear from a panel of local experts from health, agriculture and emergency response on how we're adapting to climate change in the Okanagan.



For more information, contact 250-469-6227 or planning@rdco.com

**Wednesday
February 26, 2020**

The Commons Lecture Hall
(COM 201)
UBC Okanagan Campus


6:30 pm Registration
7:00 pm Event

Tickets \$10
through Eventbrite



Connecting Our Region

Our first region-wide transportation plan




**Final Report
Regional
Transportation Plan**

Sustainable Transportation Partnership of
the Central Okanagan (STPCO)

HDR

November 2020



Okanagan Lake Protection Strategy

- Co-led by the Okanagan Nation Alliance, conservation organizations, and the Regional District
- Objectives:
 - Development of a strategy that will enhance the ways of caring for, protecting, and restoring the values and interests of Okanagan Lake foreshore and associated tributaries within the watershed
- Funded by the Province of B.C., Environment Canada, Vancouver Foundation, and the Okanagan Basin Water Board

Regional Floodplain Management Plan

- Honorable Mention 2020 UBCM Community Excellence Awards
- SILGA 2020 Community Excellence Award
- UBCM Community Emergency Preparedness Fund:
 - \$150k for Flood Hazard Mapping & Risk Assessments – Phase 2
 - \$150k for Flood Mitigation Planning – Phase 3
- Collaboration:
 - City of Kelowna, City of West Kelowna, District of Lake Country, District of Peachland, Westbank First Nation, Okanagan Indian Band
 - Regional District of North Okanagan, Regional District of South-Okanagan Similkameen
 - Okanagan Basin Water Board & valley-wide participation

Desired Outcomes of the Regional Floodplain Management Plan:

- Reduce flood risk
- Improve emergency response
- Increase resiliency to climate change



Emergency Preparedness

- UBCM Evacuation Route Planning

- Community Emergency Preparedness Fund
- \$25k to complete an Evacuation Route Plan

- Collaboration:

- Emergency Operations Centre, Fire Departments, RCMP, Westbank First Nation, and member municipalities

