

**To:** Chair and Directors, Cariboo Regional District Board **And To:** John MacLean, Chief Administrative Officer

**From:** Alice Johnston, Corporate Officer

**Date of Meeting:** Cariboo Regional District Board\_Aug24\_2018

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## **Short Summary:**

Request from Director Forseth – Service Levels at Rural Transfer Stations

## **Voting:**

Corporate Vote - Unweighted

### **Memorandum:**

Director Forseth has requested the following to be placed on this agenda for consideration of the Board:

#### "PURPOSE:

To discuss current service levels at the Rural Transfer Stations with the exception of the 5 manned transfer stations at Wildwood, Frost Creek, 150 Mile House, Lac La Hache and Forest Grove and the challenges of current usage and determine next steps, if appropriate

### BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION:

The Regional District operates a number of "unmanned" transfer stations across the Region including McLeese Lake among many others. As well, the Regional District operates 5 "manned" transfer stations at Wildwood, Frost Creek, 150 Mile House, Lac La Hache and Forest Grove.

At the McLeese Lake Transfer Station since 2015 – the Transfer Station is usually serviced each 5 days or so. Usage at the McLeese Lake Transfer Station is by residents' at McLeese Lake/Tyee Lake/Soda Creek Valley and thus, the servicing schedule was quite sufficient. However, since the 2017 Wildfires, the McLeese Lake Transfer Station, for whatever reason, has seen an exponential increase in use and the bin at the McLeese Lake Transfer Station is often overflowing within 1 day (and sometimes two on occasion). While it would very difficult to quantify the reasoning, the fact remains is that it is happening, based on what is being reported to me by local McLeese Lake residents'

I have explored with Staff the possible option of a 2nd bin at the McLeese Lake Transfer Stations however this is very costly (\$300,000) and would need to be a budgetary consideration among the stakeholders of the Rural Refuse Function during 2019 Budget discussions.

I would respectfully request the Board to consider referring this to Staff to explore if this is a "one off" or is this happening at other rural unmanned transfer stations and report back to the Board with both short term and long term options

#### **OPTIONS:**

- 1) Refer to Staff to investigate increased servicing at McLeese Lake Transfer Station and report back to Board
- 2) Refer to Staff to investigate current use at all unmanned transfer stations and report back with options to the Board
- 3) Receive only
- 4) Any other action the Board determines to be appropriate"

### **Attachments:**

n/a

# **Financial Implications:**

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## **Policy Implications:**

n/a

## **Alignment with Strategic Plan:**

☐ Ensuring Sufficient and Sustainable Fur	ıding
☐ Building on our Relationships	
$\square$ Providing Cost Effective High Quality S	Services
☐ Focusing on Being Well Governed	

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### **CAO Comments:**

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# **Options:**

- 1) Receipt
- 2) Receipt and other action
- 3) Defer

### **Recommendation:**

That the agenda item summary from Alice Johnston, Corporate Officer, dated August 14, 2018, regarding a request from Director Forseth for the Board to discuss the current service levels at rural transfer stations, be received. *Further action at the discretion of the Board*.