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2019 Business Plan Forest Grove Fire Protection (1319)

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Working in partnership with communities, large and small, to make the Cariboo Chilcotin a socially, economically and environmentally desirable region to live, work and play.

Department/Function Services



The Forest Grove Fire Protection service was established as a function of the Cariboo Regional District, by Bylaw No. 2438, in 1990. This service underwent a significant expansion in 2008, authorized by Bylaws No. 4397 and Bylaw No. 4459. It is funded by a combination of a taxation rate applied against the assessed value of improvements only, and a flat parcel tax fee of \$30 applied against every legal piece of property within the local service area. The maximum taxation rate that can be collected is the greater of \$165,000 or \$1.1317/\$1,000 of assessed value of land and improvements.

Bylaw No. 4399 (2008) also provided authority to borrow \$225,000. These funds were used to purchase the fire apparatus and do necessary work to Hall #2 in Canim Lake which was required to achieve certification from Fire Underwriters Survey. This loan will be retired in 2019.

The expansion amalgamated the Forest Grove and previously independent Canim Lake Fire Protection Society into one large fire protection area with two fire halls – a main and satellite hall. The services provided by this function are fire protection and first responder services.

The following fire apparatus is registered and licensed as part of this fire protection service:

Hall No. 1 (Forest Grove)

Unit 3195 - Engine 11 – 2007 Freightliner with compressed air foam unit, 600 gallon water capacity and a 1050 gpm pump (*replace in 2032*)

Unit 3193 - Engine 12 – 1976 Ford with 400 gallon water capacity and a 1050 gpm pump (*sell in 2019*)

Unit 3191 - Tender 11 – 1997 International 4900 with 1665 gallon water capacity and pumps (*replace in 2022*)

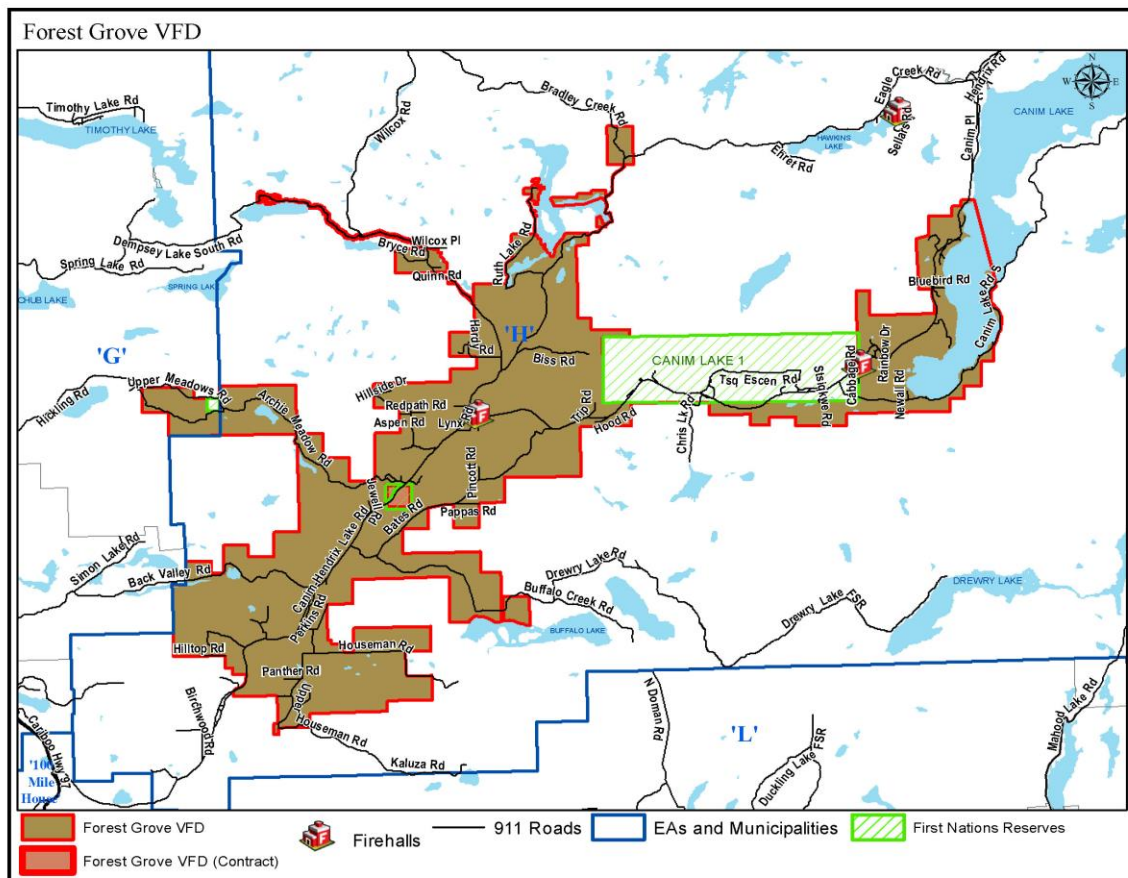
Hall No. 2 (Canim Lake)

Unit 3198 - Engine 21 – 1994 Freightliner with 500 gallon water capacity and a 1250 gpm pump (*replace in 2019*)

Unit 3190 - Tender 21 – 1998 International 4700 with 1665 gallon water capacity and pumps (*replace in 2023*)

Unit 3197 - Rescue 21 – 1981 Chevrolet, first responder/rescue vehicle

The Directors for Electoral Areas G and H are responsible for the governance of this service.



Business Plan Goals, Rationale & Strategies

2019 Goals

- Goal:** Replace Engine 21 for Hall #2.
Rationale: Required to retain FUS certification.
Strategy: Purchase a new engine through a combination of existing capital reserve funds and lease financing.

2. **Goal:** Sell Engine 12 in Hall #1. Engine 21 (from Hall #2) will take its place.
 Rationale: Apparatus has become surplus to needs.
 Strategy: Procurement department to assist in managing disposal.
3. **Goal:** Replace 6 sets of turn out gear.
 Rationale: Replace a few sets each year to meet the NFPA requirement of a ten-year lifespan for all turn out gear.
 Strategy: Use \$16,800.
4. **Goal:** Purchase 12 SCBA cylinders.
 Rationale: To replace old equipment and continue to meet NFPA requirements.
 Strategy: Use \$14,400.
5. **Goal:** Purchase 13 SCBA masks.
 Rationale: To provide PPE for all members, maintaining safety standards.
 Strategy: Use \$5,070.

2020 Goals

1. **Goal:** Replace 6 sets of turn out gear.
 Rationale: Replace a few sets each year to meet the NFPA requirement of a ten-year lifespan for all turn out gear.
 Strategy: Use operating funds.
2. **Goal:** Resurface Hall 1 parking lot and Hall 2 bay entry.
 Rationale: Parking lots need maintenance for safety reasons.
 Strategy: Use building and equipment funds.
3. **Goal:** Replace/upgrade compressor (if training to Interior level of service).
 Rationale: Compressor must be upgraded to properly fill newer MSA cylinders.
 Strategy: Use operating funds.

Significant Issues & Trends

The new BC Fire Service Training Playbook was introduced by the Office of the Fire Commissioner which set out new training and response standards for all structural firefighting departments in British Columbia. CRD departments have been working to ensure that all of their previous training has been properly documented, as required by the Playbook, and that any shortfalls in training are addressed as quickly as possible. The minimum standard for all CRD volunteer fire departments must be exterior firefighting capacity with standards above that being at the discretion and ability of each department to achieve.

Measuring Previous Years Performance

Goal: Construction of expansion of Hall #2.

- Cancelled.

Goal: Purchase a good used first responder vehicle for Hall #2.

- Cancelled.

Goal: Replace outdated radio/pager equipment.

- Completed.

Goal: Install exhaust system.

- Completed.

Goal: Purchase four G1 SCBA.

- Completed.

Goal: Flooring and painting upstairs of Hall #1.

- In progress November 2018, to be completed by Dec. 31, 2018.