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AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

To: Chair and Directors, Cariboo Regional District Board

And To: John MacLean, Chief Administrative Officer

From: Stephanie Masun, Manager of Protective Services

Date of Meeting: Cariboo Regional District Board_Dec07_2018

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Short Summary:

2019 Community Resiliency Investment Program – FireSmart Community Funding and Supports Application

Voting:

Corporate Vote - Unweighted

Memorandum:

The UBCM 2018 Community Resiliency Investment Program (CRI) is accepting applications for FireSmart Community funding support up to \$100,000. The creation of a Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP), or the updating of an outdated plan, is an eligible project. The CRD's current CWPP was created in 2006, is outdated, does not properly reflect current conditions, and is a barrier to applying for fuel treatment and FireSmart project funding opportunities.

The CRD is applying to the CRI for the full funding amount of \$100,000 to support the development of an updated region wide Community Wildfire Protection plan with in kind staff time contributions to see the project succeed in 2019. With CRI funding secured, the project will be put out for tender in line with CRD procurement policies and processes.

An up-to-date Community Wildfire Protection Plan will provide the planning basis for decision making and future project priorities throughout the region while enabling the CRD to apply for wildfire risk reduction fuel treatment project funding and subsequent CRI FireSmart programs.

Attachments:

N/A

Financial Implications:

In kind contribution of staff time.

Policy Implications:

N/A

Alignment with Strategic Plan:

- ☐ Ensuring Sufficient and Sustainable Funding
- ☐ Building on our Relationships
- ☒ Providing Cost Effective High Quality Services
- ☐ Focusing on Being Well Governed

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CAO Comments:

This is a good regional project that will enable us to work with our member Municipalities, our rural communities and the First Nations in fuel treatment projects that will benefit all. I concur with and fully support this recommendation.

Options:

- 1) Endorse recommendation
- 2) Receipt

Recommendation:

That the agenda item summary, from Stephanie Masun, Manager of Protective Services, dated November 26, 2018, regarding UBCM Community Resilience Investment Program funding, be received. Further, that the 2018 application under the UBCM Community Resilience Investment Program for updating the CRD's Community Wildfire Protection Plan dated 2006 be supported.