

2022 Business Plan Quesnel-Hixon Subdivision Erosion Protection Works Service (1390)

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Working in partnership with communities large and small to offer local, sub-regional, and regional services to ensure that the Cariboo Chilcotin is a socially, economically, and environmentally desirable region.

Department/Function Services

The Quesnel-Hixon Subdivision Erosion Protection Works Service was established in 2012 by Bylaw No. 4754 following a petition deemed valid and sufficient. The bylaw established the service within portions of Electoral Area B for the purpose of providing erosion protection works in the Quesnel-Hixon Subdivision. Taxation for this function is collected on the basis of parcel tax only as imposed by Parcel Tax Roll Bylaw No. 5165 (2018). The parcel tax of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) per parcel per year is the taxation imposed for the provision of this service.

As the Director for Electoral Area B is the only stakeholder, and the *Local Government Act* requires more than one vote, the entire Board is responsible for the governance of this service.

Business Plan Goals, Rationale & Strategies

Goal: Review service and engage with stakeholders.

Rationale: This service is complete in 2022 and a comprehensive review must be done in conjunction with the stakeholders to determine next best steps.

Strategy: Review the condition of the works and expected lifespan. Upon completion, engage with the stakeholders to determine if the service should be extended or terminated.

Overall Financial Impact

The requisition level has remained the same throughout the five-year financial plan. The annual cost of this service for each parcel is significant; however, the works were installed at the request of the property owners as the only viable option for protecting the properties. An agreement was entered with the provincial government to maintain the erosion works for a 10-year period. 2022 marks the end of the 10-year period, any unused funds collected as parcel tax may be available to refund to the property owners.

Significant Issues & Trends

The Cariboo Regional District is a signatory on the Province of BC/UBCM Climate Action Charter and has committed to continuing work towards carbon neutrality in respect of corporate operations.

