



building communities together

2023 Business Plan South Cariboo Transit Service (1028)

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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 South Cariboo Transit Service function was established through Bylaw No. 3282 in 1997.

This service is provided by means of a contract with the District of 100 Mile House. The contract is based on ridership from a local service area, which is a portion of Electoral Area G in the 108 Mile Ranch and Lac La Hache areas. Under the terms of the contract, the Regional District pays 50 percent of the net municipal cost of the service. The current contract has a three-year term from 2020-2023.

Requisition is by way of a parcel tax. The maximum requisition is \$25,000 or \$0.14/\$1,000 of assessment.

As the Electoral Area G Director 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

2023 Goal

Goal: Review the Contribution Agreement with the District of 100 Mile House.

Rationale: The current three-year agreement expires on December 31, 2023.

Strategy: The agreement will be renewed if there are no material changes.

Overall Financial Impact

In 2023, the requisition was raised by 4.5%, amounting to an increase of \$2,634 for a total requisition of \$61,160.

The 2024–2027 requisitions are stabilized at \$64,000 annually with an appropriate operating surplus in place to accommodate mid-term inflationary cost increases and vehicle replacement from BC Transit.

Significant Issues & Trends

Revenues and operations have recovered from COVID-19 and are expected to stabilize to pre-pandemic levels in 2023.

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.

Measuring Previous Years Performance

There were no new goals in 2022.

Other Accomplishments

A transit feasibility study by BC Transit, for service to Lone Butte and Forest Grove, was initiated in 2014 and completed in March 2015. It was determined that the service is not cost effective and will not be pursued.