

**Date:** 14/09/2023

**To:** Chair and Directors, Cariboo Regional District Board

**And To:** Murray Daly, Chief Administrative Officer

**From:** Stephanie Masun, Manager of Emergency Program Services

**Date of Meeting:** Cariboo Regional District Board\_Sep28\_2023

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## Short Summary:

2023 UBCM CRI FireSmart Community Funding and Supports Application

## Voting:

Stakeholder Vote – Weighted – All Electoral Areas

## Memorandum:

The 2023 UBCM Community Resiliency Investment FireSmart Funding and Supports funding stream is currently accepting applications. In line with the 2023 business plan goal to develop a FireSmart program in the Cariboo Regional District's South Cariboo Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) area of interest, Emergency Program Services staff propose an application be submitted to:

- fund a full-time FireSmart position,
- establish a Community Wildfire Resiliency Committee,
- conduct FireSmart activities within the South Cariboo CWPP area,
- provide a FireSmart education program throughout the CRD.

## Attachments:

2023 CRD CRI FireSmart Application Summary

## Financial Implications:

Contribution of staff time.

## Policy Implications:

N/A

## Alignment with Strategic Plan:

- ☐ **Infrastructure and Asset Management:** To establish a systematic, predictable approach to managing the regional district's assets and infrastructure that builds on current asset management data and condition assessments.

- ☐ **Enhanced Communications and Engagement:** To build trust and credibility of the regional district by enhancing our communications and engagement with citizens, stakeholders, and volunteers.
- ☒ **Effective and Responsive Land Use Planning and Development:** To ensure our land use planning and development is responsive to future growth and housing needs, anticipates risks and hazards associated with climate change and provides efficient and consistent processes for landowners and developers.
- ☐ **Relationships with First Nations:** To foster a healthy and inclusive region by building and strengthening our relationships with First Nations and embracing the principles of reconciliation.

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### **CAO Comments:**

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### **Options:**

- 1) Endorse recommendation;
- 2) Receipt and other action.

### **Recommendation:**

That the agenda item summary from Stephanie Masun, Manager of Emergency Program Services, dated September 14, 2023, regarding the 2023 UBCM CRI FireSmart Community Funding and Supports Application, be received. Further, that staff be authorized to proceed with an application of up to \$312,700 under the 2023 UBCM CRI FireSmart Community Funding and Supports Stream.