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To: Emergency Preparedness Committee

And To: Murray Daly, Chief Administrative Officer

From: Irene Israel, Manager of Emergency Program Services

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Short Summary:

2024 Community Resiliency Investment Program - FireSmart Community Funding and Supports Application

Voting:

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Memorandum:

The 2024 UBCM Community Resiliency Investment (CRI) FireSmart Community Funding and Supports provide funding to reduce the risk of wildfires and mitigate their impacts on communities. Emergency Program Services staff propose to submit an application that will seek funding to enhance FireSmart programming in the CRD.

This year's request includes funding for a FireSmart position and the development of Community Wildfire Resiliency Plans (CWRPs) for Electoral Areas D, E, F, G, H, and L. This will position the CRD to access future funding for FireSmart initiatives.

Attachments:

- 1) CRI 2024 FireSmart Community Funding and Supports

Financial Implications:

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Policy Implications:

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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. Other action at the discretion of the Emergency Preparedness Committee.

Recommendation:

That staff be authorized to proceed with the application for UBCM CRI – FireSmart Community Funding and Supports up to \$400,000.