



building communities together

2025 Business Plan Electoral Area J Community Halls Support Service (1563)

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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 Electoral Area J Community Halls Support Service was established through Bylaw No. 5470 in 2024.

The purpose of the service is to provide funds, by means of contribution contracts (January 1, 2024 - December 31, 2028), to support three community halls in Electoral Area J of the west Chilcotin. The halls are the Anahim Lake Community Hall, Nimpo Lake Community Hall and the Tatla Lake Community Hall. Support from this service is directed to the community associations which manage the properties for costs associated with owning and operating the facilities. The funds are to be expended on insurance, utilities and capital improvements. This contribution is in recognition of the important role the local halls play in the stability and healthy activity within communities.

The service area includes all Electoral Area J. Requisition is by way of a parcel tax which is applied to a maximum of two parcels per unique owner identifier. The requisition limit may not exceed the greater of \$30,000 or \$0.1394/\$1,000 of assessed value of land and improvements.

As the Electoral Area J 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

2025 Goals

- 1. Goal:** Establish a contribution agreement with the three community halls.
Rationale: The establishment bylaw and tax requisition for the new service were adopted in 2024 and the mechanics for delivery of the support funding are included in the contribution agreement.
Strategy: Regional District staff will meet with the community associations and confirm terms and conditions for the agreement.

Overall Financial Impact

2025 is the first year for requisition under this service and is set at \$30,000.

Significant Issues & Trends

Rising costs for insurance, utilities, renovation materials and labour may cause the goals for future years to be revisited. However, it is also expected that the improvements to the hall and recreation areas will increase community pride in the property and lead to better usage and more fundraising opportunities.

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 goals in 2024.