

# REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AGENDA

Thursday, January 14, 2016

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#### REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO

#### **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING**

#### Thursday, November 5, 2015

PRESENT: Chairperson Bill Miller

Directors Taylor Bachrach

Eileen Benedict Shane Brienen Tom Greenaway

Dwayne Lindstrom - left at 12:08 p.m.

Thomas Liversidge Rob MacDougall Rob Newell Mark Parker Jerry Petersen Darcy Repen

Luke Strimbold – left at 1:13 p.m.

Gerry Thiessen

Director Absent Mark Fisher, Electoral Area "A" (Smithers Rural)

Alternate

Stoney Stoltenberg, Electoral Area "A" (Smithers Rural)

Director

Staff

Gail Chapman, Chief Administrative Officer

Hans Berndorff, Financial Administrator

Janine Dougall, Director of Environmental Services - left at 2:56

p.m.

Deborah Jones-Middleton, Protective Services Manager – left at

2:56 p.m.

Jason Llewellyn, Director of Planning – left at 2:56 p.m.

Corrine Swenson, Manager of Regional Economic Development

- left at 2:56 p.m.

Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant

CALL TO ORDER Chair Miller called the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m.

AGENDA &

Moved by Alternate Director Stoltenberg

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA Seconded by Director Petersen

C.W.2015-8-1

"That the Agenda of the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Committee of the Whole meeting of November 5, 2015 be approved; and further that the Supplementary Agenda be

received."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



#### MINUTES

<u>Committee of the Whole</u>
<u>Minutes – October 8, 2015</u>

Moved by Director MacDougall
Seconded by Director Brienen

C.W.2015-8-2 "That the Committee of the Whole meeting minutes of October 8,

2015 be received."

(All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### PRE-BUDGET PLANNING SESSION

#### Chair Bill Miller, Electoral Area "B" (Burns Lake Rural)

Chair Miller mentioned that the pre-budget planning session is the first of the budget sessions. He spoke of the importance of the budget process and the intent to inform each of the Directors on the workings of Regional District budgets and financial statements. There are many intricacies of municipal, rural and general government and it is important to understand the process. Chair Miller noted that there are significant differences between a Regional District budget process and a municipal budget process. He also commented on the differences between a business budget process in comparison to a Regional District. It is important for the Regional Board to recognize the impact of Regional District taxation in relationship to the province and the actual impacts in regard to decisions made at the Board table. Chair Miller spent a considerable amount of time with Hans Berndorff, Financial Administrator when he was first elected to the RDBN to understand the complexity of a Regional District budget process. Every year Chair Miller has reviewed the budget in order to provide information to the residents of the region in regard to services provided. Communities within the region, along with the rural areas, have become much more robust and he noted that the information assists in reducing misunderstandings between municipal and rural taxpayers.

Each electoral area has individual, sub-regional and regional services that require individual consideration. It is important to investigate economies of scale throughout the whole region in order to minimize costs and provide a more efficient region.

Chair Miller noted that industrial development such as Mount Milligan and Endako Mine Expansion projects benefit the entire Regional District.

Chair Miller mentioned that Mr. Berndorff has a very deep understanding of the RDBN and the budget process and can provide information to the Regional Board that is easily understood. He encouraged the Regional Board to utilize Mr. Berndorff's expertise if they have questions.

#### Gail Chapman, Chief Administrative Officer

Ms. Chapman commented that there have been a number of ways that staff has presented the budget to the Regional Board in the past. Staff will provide an update of the projects that the Board has identified as priorities and provide an outline of projects for 2016. The pre-budget planning session provides the Board an opportunity to provide direction for staff in moving forward for the 2016 budget year. Staff are currently meeting regarding departmental budgets and the 1st draft is what is presented today. The prioritized budget can then be brought back with costs for the Regional Board to review.

#### Hans Berndorff, Financial Administrator

Mr. Berndoff meritioned that the pre-budget planning session provides an analysis of what has occurred thus far and hopefully will provide an opportunity for good interaction and discussion to provide guidelines from the Board to staff.



#### PRE-BUDGET PLANNING SESSION (CONT'D)

Background Statement: Integration of strategic, financial plans are vital to success in order to maximize current and financial performance.

#### <u>Administration - Gall Chapman, Chief Administrative Officer</u>

Ms. Chapman noted that the Administration Department are generalists and oversee the everyday workings of the RDBN.

Ms. Chapman provided an update in regard to the Strategic Priorities that were identified and adopted by the Regional Board in January, 2015

#### Now

- Fair Share Committee throughout the year:
  - Executive Discussion:
- Legacy Proposal Bulkley-Nechako Industrial Paper Complete:
  - o Forwarded to all municipalities for Mayor and Council approval;
  - o Presentation to municipalities;
  - o Executive Committee formulation of strategy:
  - o Discussion with companies;
- Work Camp Strategy:
  - Research and report completed Board Receipt;
- Waste Management Strategy:
  - o Board reading/reviewing.
- Internet/Cell Phone Connectivity:
  - Meeting scheduled at UBCM;

#### Next

- Diversification Strategy (Mid-Term Timbre Supply):
  - o Forestry Committee engagement with MFLNRO;

#### **Council Advocacy**

- Nechako Watershed:
  - Meeting attended;
- Wildfire Mitigation:
  - Workshop with Province/Industry/Local Government/OBAC/Fraser Fort George Regional District/COFI/Community Forest held October 13, 2015;
- CN Emergency Meeting and Exercise:
  - Region-Wide Meeting held and coordinated by Protective Services Manager March 25, 2015.

Ms. Chapman provided an overview of 2016 Projects and brought forward potential additional projects. Ms. Chapman noted that Parks/Roads/Docks/Recreation is being brought forward at a future Rural Directors Meeting for review and discussion.

Discussion took place regarding the 2016 RDBN Staff Compensation Report project. The report includes comparables to other Regional Districts of similar size and composition, industry, and the private sector. It was noted that due to privacy, industry is not always forthcoming with staff compensation information.

#### PRE-BUDGET PLANNING SESSION (CONT'D)

Director's Project Wish List

- 1. Healthcare/Seniors Services/Youth/Mental Health for Youth:
  - a. On Potential Additional Projects List;
  - SNRHD investigate number of beds being utilized in acute care facilities by seniors;
- 2. Re-use Shed:
  - i. Environmental Services.
- 3. Internet/Cell Phone Connectivity:
  - a. Strategic Priority.
- 4. Destination Tourism Website an inventory of tourism assets
  - a. Economic Development;
- Education
  - a. Research to determine the number of non-licensed teachers that are teaching
  - b. Important for individuals moving to the region to have good education;
- 6. Parks/Roads/Docks/Recreation:
  - a. On Potential Additional Projects:
  - b. Rural Directors Committee to discuss;
  - c. Focus on local residents utilizing the recreation in the region;
  - d. Increased impacts to roads with the amount of weight from industrial usage a concern.
- 7. Transportation
  - a. Omineca Beetle Action Coalition current priority;
  - b. Log hauling changes;
- 8. Agriculture Sector Engagement
  - a. 2016 Projects List;
  - b. Agriculture key to sustainable communities;
  - c. Planting of trees on Ag land;
  - d. Hay Compression Stations creating a hay shortage;
    - i. Causing hay prices to rise;
    - ii. Cattle becoming no longer sustainable due to the cost of feed;
  - e. Land being purchased for hunting by foreign individuals/groups;
    - i. Initiative in Saskatchewan to stop foreign ownership of land;
  - f. Lack of Ag land for sale.

Discussion took place regarding Board advocacy projects.

- Healthcare/Seniors Services/Youth/Mental Health for Youth;
  - o Community focus and give direction to staff;
  - o Don't lose sight of the issue.
- Education:
  - (Policing/Healthcare/Education linked together in attracting and retaining residents to the region)
- Transportation:
- Parks/Roads/Docks/Recreation;
- Agriculture;
- Internet/Cell Phone Connectivity.

Chair Miller commented that many of the items on the 2016 projects list and Potential Additional projects are Board advocacy items.

Director Bachrach noted that some issues are not entirely something the Regional Board can control and it is difficult to achieve measurable goals.

Director Petersen mentioned that there are a number of issues that can arise throughout the year that require staff time and it is important for the Regional Board to allow for these incidents in staff work plans.



#### PRE-BUDGET PLANNING SESSION (CONT'D)

Director MacDougall spoke of the importance of sharing successes throughout the region and utilizing best practices.

#### <u>Finance – Hans Berndorff, Financial Administrator</u>

Mr. Berndorff reviewed the Finance Department staff time allocation, daily tasks, 2015 Projects Completed and 2016 Projects.

Director Repen asked staff to highlight changes/increases/decreases in the budget to provide clear information. Mr. Berndorff mentioned that the quarterly reports provided to the Regional Board outline actual results in comparison to the budget and they could be colour coded to provide a clear outline of the changes.

Discussion took place regarding communication with the taxpayer. The RDBN has utilized different forms of communication. All budget meetings are held in a public forum, have had public meetings, met with municipal councils, and with any groups upon request such as the Bulkley Valley Pool Committee. Discussion took place regarding the Directors' responsibility to provide information to its electorate, and that communication may need to be customized in order to provide information for that particular region.

Mr. Berndorff mentioned that the RDBN utilizes a broker for its natural gas usage and has seen a notable decrease in cost.

Director Bachrach mentioned the Bulkley Valley Pool being one of the largest contributors to greenhouse gas emissions in the RDBN and that the possible usage of waste heat from the arena may alleviate the issue. Discussion took place regarding the completion of a feasibility study and the possible costs of completing a study for the Bulkley Valley Pool to utilize the waste heat from the arena. The Bulkley Valley Pool Committee has been provided the information for consideration in the past and it would be the committees' initiative if the project is to move forward.

Discussion took place regarding the proposed new street lighting service on Laidlaw Road in Electoral Area "A" (Smithers Rural). The possible usage of LED lighting and the process undertaken by BC Hydro to implement the lights were brought forward for discussion. Several communities are investigating changing street lighting to LED. The Regional District does not pay BC Hydro to install the lights but pays an electricity flat rate monthly fee for the lights. The Regional Board discussed advocating for street lighting to be converted to LED.

#### Break for Lunch at 12:08 p.m.

#### Reconvened at 12:53 p.m.

### Regional Economic Development – Corrine Swenson, Manager Regional Economic Development

Ms. Swenson noted that most Regional Economic Development initiatives are action based. She provided a review of 2015 Projects and 2016 Department Priorities and Projects.

Discussion took place regarding marketing initiatives that could promote the assets within the Regional District to appeal to individuals to work in the region. Director Repen mentioned the possibility of targeting agricultural schools. Ms. Swenson noted that the Regional Skills Gap Analysis Strategic Workforce Opportunities Team (SWOT) intends to complete and investment readiness initiative. Ms. Swenson is also moving forward with a SWOT Coordinator. Director Petersen noted that he has received positive feedback regarding the initiatives being under taken by the Regional Skills Gap Analysis SWOT.

#### PRE-BUDGET PLANNING SESSION (CONT'D)

Director Newell asked if the RDBN had a complete inventory of recreational and tourism assets within the region. Ms. Swenson commented that the last completed inventory was in the 2010 RDBN Tourism Plan. She also noted that the RDBN Planning Department has an inventory of trails and docks in the region.

Director Bachrach spoke of concerns regarding the two economic development functions for Smithers.

Discussion took place regarding the Parks/Roads/Docks/Recreation Project and information provided to the Regional Board. Chair Miller mentioned that the item will be discussed at a future Rural Directors Committee meeting.

Ms. Swenson spoke to the 2016 Agriculture project to investigate investment food processing companies who require a raw supply of produce. Ms. Swenson has spoken to Beyond the Market regarding the project and they have not completed such a project for produce. Discussion took place regarding the importance of agriculture and the stresses that are being imposed on the agriculture sector. The industry is finding it challenging to find qualified people to work in the sector.

#### Protective Services - Deborah Jones-Middleton, Protective Services Manager

Ms. Jones-Middleton provided an overview of percentage of staff resources, 2015 Projects Completed and 2016 Projects.

Director Newell mentioned that he had attended the Topley Rural Fire Protection Area Expansion and Road Rescue and Medical First Responder public meeting for the referenda and noted the positive response from those in attendance.

Director Petersen noted his concerns regarding the staff time required during an emergency operations activation and the challenges faced by staff with the increased work load from the province downloading emergency preparedness to local government.

Discussion took place regarding mass animal carcass disposal and the challenges encountered when there is an incident.

Director Parker spoke of the success of the 9-1-1 presentation to school children.

Discussion took place regarding the Regional Board continuing to advocate the federal government in regard to safety concerns regarding CN Rail.

#### Planning and Land Use Management - Jason Llewellyn, Director of Planning

Mr. Llewellyn provided an overview of the Planning and Land Use Management Function staffing and resources allocation, 2015 Notable Projects/Work and 2016 Notable Projects. Due to the number of pipeline development projects anticipated allowance has been made in the work plan.

The joint OCP (Official Community Plan) review of Electoral Areas "B" (Burns Lake Rural), "E" (Francois/Ootsa Lake Rural) and contract with Village of Burns Lake pilot project, as directed by the Regional Board is not currently on the 2016 Proposed Notable Projects list. The project will be revenue neutral and will be part of the 2<sup>nd</sup> draft budget process.



#### PRE-BUDGET PLANNING SESSION (CONT'D)

#### GIS and House Numbering Function – Jason Llewellyn, Director of Planning

Mr. Llewellyn provided an overview of the GIS and House Number Function and 2016 Proposed Notable Projects. He spoke of the First Nations reserve addressing capacity building project and that the RDBN is not being made aware of address changes and/or development of new housing thus the need for the project.

#### Building Inspection Function - Jason Llewellyn, Director of Planning

Mr. Llewellyn provided an overview of the Building Inspection Function and spoke to the recent changes to the *Building Act*. Municipalities will require building inspectors to have level three certification in the future.

#### Bylaw Enforcement Function - Jason Llewellyn, Director of Planning

Mr. Llewellyn noted the benefits of having a Bylaw Enforcement Officer present in the region.

Discussion took place regarding the ability to address non-compliance and a culture of disrespect for the rules. Director Bachrach spoke to the possibility of Planning Department staff completing an analysis of how many requests for variance are made prior to building, how many are made after the building is already in place and how many times enforcement action has been taken when non-compliance occurs.

Discussion took place regarding the Regional Board's past decisions in regard to variance applications. Mr. Llewellyn noted that in 2012 the Regional Board developed a policy that directs and outlines for staff its wishes on how to address bylaw enforcement issues. It clearly outlines the process for staff to try to resolve an issue and if the issue can't be resolved then seeking direction from the Board and a more formal enforcement process can be undertaken at the Board's direction. In situations wherein an application is made to correct an issue of noncompliance the Board can have a policy but due to legislative requirements it is illegal for the policy to direct the Board to make a certain decision. Each situation has to be dealt with on a case by case basis.

Reviewing the enforcement policy and adding it as a project for future review and discussion in the Planning Department's work plan was discussed. Discussion took place regarding the challenges of making decisions in respect to land use non-compliance. A fine schedule was discussed for variance, building and zoning infractions.

Discussion took place regarding water permitting regulations that the province has been discussing. Mr. Llewellyn noted that he has yet to receive formal specifications from the province and can follow-up further.

#### Environmental Services – Janine Dougall, Director of Environmental Services

Ms. Dougall noted that Environmental Services is an operational based department. She provided an overview of staffing allocation and equipment utilized in the department.

Ms. Dougall reviewed the services provided in the Environmental Services Department and that Solid Waste Management is the largest component. She reviewed the 2015 Projects Completed or Pending Completion in 2015. She noted that the infrastructure purchased to initiate Knockholt and Clearview Landfill Operations is currently under budget.



#### PRE-BUDGET PLANNING SESSION (CONT'D)

Ms. Dougall spoke of the Phase 3 development at Knockholt Landfill. The project was initially slated for 2017 but has been moved to 2016 due to the increased amount of industrial construction demolition for example the demolition of the Burns Lake Hospital. Potential pipeline and camp development may also increase the need for further capacity at Knockholt Landfill. She also noted that the Ministry of Environment is currently reviewing its new landfill guidelines and they may or may not impact the development of the Knockholt Landfill.

Ms. Dougall noted that the Environmental Services work plan is very aggressive and the department does not currently have the capacity to complete all the work. Consideration may need to be given to hiring a contractor to complete some of the work.

Director Repen spoke of tipping fees to offset the dumping of industrial demolition waste. Ms. Dougall noted that fees are currently charged at \$60 per metric tonne for Construction and Demolition (C&D) Waste and land clearing waste for anything over 2 m³ (level pickup box load). The RDBN also has fees for the removal of ozone depleting substances (ODS) at \$16 per item and for contaminated soils approved to be brought to RDBN Landfill sites. In the past the Regional Board implemented the fees in the attempt to subsidize the estimated landfill cost of approximately \$100 per metric tonne. That fee has not been reviewed or increased since implementation. Discussion took place regarding industry paying taxation to the RDBN and costs incurred for industrial waste. Discussion also took place regarding the possible increase to the ODS charge.

Director Repen commented that a regional hub for recycling may be beneficial for the region and there is ongoing conversation with the Smithers and Area Recycling Society regarding the idea of having a one stop shop.

Discussion took place regarding the usage of landfill gasses. The usage of wood waste to address methane gasses was discussed, but further investigation is required.

Chair Miller mentioned that the Burns Lake Chamber of Commerce has spoken to him regarding the 2016 cardboard ban. Ms. Dougall is meeting with the Burns Lake Chamber of Commerce on November 23, 2015.

Concerns were brought forward in regard to companies outside the RDBN bringing cardboard to RDBN Transfer Station sites due to the lack of a cardboard ban at the sites.

#### Break at 2:32 p.m.

#### Reconvened at 2:46 p.m.

#### Discussion:

#### RE: Additional Projects to be considered

Ms. Chapman provided an overview of additional projects. A number of the projects suggested are currently in departmental work plans and in the advocacy portion of work plans.



#### PRE-BUDGET PLANNING SESSION (CONT'D)

The following additional items for staff workplans:

#### Administration

- Education:
  - o Teacher shortage;
  - o Class sizes;
- Transportation Advocacy
  - Continuing to advocate;
  - o Log haul changes concern;
- Agricultural Sector (Admin/Planning) (on work plan)
  - Sustainability;
  - o Impacts of compression hay facilities;
  - o Planting of trees on Agricultural Land;
  - o Agricultural Sector Meetings;
- Health Services Community Based;
- Parks/Roads/Docks/Recreation on work plan;

#### **Finance**

- Highlight and colour code increases;

#### **Protective Services**

- Spill response;
- CN Rail issues;

#### **Bylaw Enforcement (Planning)**

- Review policy in regard to enforcement issues:
  - o Investigate a fine structure;

#### **Environmental Services**

- Regional hub for recycling;
- Review tipping fees Construction & Demolition and general tipping fees;
  - Solid waste management plan review tipping fee structure;
  - ODS and C&D investigate budget implications to revenue stream;
- Continue discussions regarding LNG development infrastructure implications:
  - o Work camps.
  - Researching the ability to address fees/bylaws for the development of work camps and waste generated.

Moved by Director Repen Seconded by Director Stoltenberg

#### C.W.2015-8-3

"That the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako include the following items for consideration on staff work plans:

#### Administration

- o Education:
  - Teacher shortage;
  - Class sizes;
- Transportation -- Advocacy
  - Continuing to advocate;
  - Log haul changes concern;
- o Agricultural Sector (Admin/Planning) (on work plan)
  - Sustainability:
  - Impacts of compression hay facilities;
  - Planting of trees on Agricultural Land;
  - Agricultural Sector Meetings;
- Health Services Community Based;
- o Parks/Roads/Docks/Recreation (on work plan)



#### PRE-BUDGET PLANNING SESSION (CONT'D)

#### Finance

Highlight and colour code increases;

#### **Protective Services**

- o Spill response:
- o CN Rail issues:

#### **Bylaw Enforcement (Planning)**

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  - Work camps.

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### INVITATION

Physical Activity and Health Summit - November 20, 2015 -Prince George, B.C.

Moved by Director Repen Seconded by Director Petersen

C.W.2015-8-4

"That the Committee of the Whole receive the invitation titled "Physical Activity and Health Summit on November 20, 2015 in Prince George, B.C."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

#### INVITATION

First Nations Health Authority/ B.C. Ministry of Transportation Seconded by Director Brienen And Infrastructure -Transportation Symposium

Moved by Director MacDougall

Invitation -Smithers, BC: Tuesday, November 24, 2015

C.W.2015-8-5

"That the Committee of the Whole receive the invitation from the First Nations Health Authority and B.C. Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure titled "Transportation Symposium Invitation in Smithers, B.C.: Tuesday, November 24, 2015."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure indicated the Symposium is for staff to attend. Director MacDougall is attending on behalf of the Omineca Beetle Action Coalition.

#### INVITATION (CONT'D)

Discussion took place regarding the number of people along the Highway 16 corridor living in rural areas and that there should be representation from rural areas. The invitation is for two representatives from communities. Concerns were brought forward in regard to addressing the transportation issues along Highway 16.

Discussion took place regarding the recommendation brought forward regarding the issue along with the endorsement at the Union of B.C. Municipalities Convention in the past.

Moved by Director Greenaway Seconded by Director Stotlenberg

C.W.2015-8-6 "That the Committee of the Whole recommend that the Regional

> District of Bulkley-Nechako authorize the attendance of Director Newell at the First Nations Health Authority and B.C. Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure Transportation Symposium in

Smithers, B.C. on Tuesday, November 24, 2015."

(All/Directors/Majority)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Re-use Shed Information Discussion took place regarding the timeline that the Regional

> Board will receive a summary of the Re-Use Shed public meeting information. Ms. Chapman noted that a report will be brought forward for consideration at the December 10th meeting date. Discussion took place in regard to having a Waste

Management Committee Meeting on December 10, 2015.

Spill Response Forum Director Newell will forward information he has received to staff

in regard to a Spill Response Forum.

Moved by Director MacDougall ADJOURNMENT

Seconded by Director Stoltenberg

C.W.2015-8-7 "That the meeting be adjourned at 3:10 p.m."

> (All/Directors/Majority) CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Wendy Wainwright, Executive Assistant

Bill Miller, Chair



### Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Memo – Committee of the Whole Agenda January 14, 2016

To: Chair Miller and the Committee of the Whole Laura O'Meara, Senior Financial Assistant

Date: January 4, 2016
Re: 2016 Draft Budget

The First draft of the 2016 budget for regional services is complete. As usual, the budgets for local services will be prepared after discussion with the Directors that participate in each local service.

#### **Underlying Basis**

The first draft of the 2016 budget is based on the proposed projects and work plans that were reviewed with the Board during the Pre-Budget discussions that took place during the November 5<sup>th</sup> Committee of the Whole meeting.

#### **Major Components of Taxation in 2016**

Schedule 1 is a graphic representation of the major components of taxation. It shows the percentage of our tax requisition that is taken up by each service in 2016. There is a separate chart for Region-wide Services and for Regional Rural Services. From this, it is easy to see how large an impact each service has relative to the other services.

#### **Tax Rate Trend**

Schedule 2 includes bar graphs showing our tax rates from 2012 to 2016 and the projected tax rate for 2016. The trend is measured separately for rural and municipal taxpayers because the number of regional services affecting rural taxpayers is greater than those affecting municipal taxpayers.

#### **Projected Tax Rates for 2016**

Schedule 3 summarizes projected 2016 taxation and projected residential tax rates for each region-wide and regional rural service, compared with 2015. The schedule shows an increase for Region-wide Services of 4.9% and a decrease of 0.3% for Regional Rural Services.

#### 2016 Initiatives

Schedule 4 is a listing of proposed initiatives included in the 2016 budget, costing \$1,396,150 in total.



#### Surplus from Prior Years

Schedule 5 is a comparison of the surplus from prior years for each Region-wide service and each Regional Rural service.

#### Comments on Specific Services

#### a) General Government

Taken as a whole, taxation for General Government, Rural Planning and Development Services combined is about \$17,000 less than last year. A \$102,000 increase in taxation in General Government is offset by a \$119,000 decrease in taxation for Rural Planning and Development Services as the salary and benefits of the Planning Director have shifted to General Government at a somewhat increased rate, first as Deputy CAO and then as Acting CAO. Changes in surpluses carried forward from last year also impact the change in taxation. Details are provided in Schedule 7.

#### b) **Environmental Services**

Landfill costs would have increased by \$489,000 if the lowest contractor bid had been accepted. Instead, by purchasing equipment and hiring landfill staff, landfill cost for 2016 is projected to increase by \$173,000, a savings of \$316,000 compared with contracting out. Also, annual landfill costs will decline by \$319,000 in 2021 when the debt is paid off after 5 years.

The other major components of the \$382,000 projected tax increase are a \$125,000 reduction in scrap metal revenue due to metal price declines, \$50,000 for Knockholt Landfill phase development in excess of capital reserve withdrawal, \$50,000 for the 2016 cost of the Solid Waste Management Plan Review and a \$50,000 operations contingency in the event we have to bring in a consultant to supplement current Environmental Services staff shortages. These items are partially offset by an increase in the surplus from the prior year. Details are provided in Schedule 14.

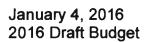
#### c) <u>9-1-1 Service</u>

Taxation is projected to decrease by \$152,000 due to a \$68,000 increase in the surplus from last year resulting from the change from the RCMP to Ecom as the Primary Service Answering Point provider and a \$78,000 decrease in Fire Operations Communications Centre costs resulting from a change in the fee basis to a usage-based fee. Details are provided in Schedule 16.

#### Projected Tax Changes for each Service

Schedules 6 through 17 highlight the major items affecting the projected tax change in each region-wide service and each regional rural service. The reasons behind these projected changes will be reviewed during the meeting.

#### 2016 Taxation by Property Class





Schedule 18 includes pie charts showing the percentage of taxation paid by each class of property for Region-wide services and Regional Rural services. Schedule 19 includes details for each service.

#### **Property Assessments**

Schedule 20 is a breakdown of property assessments by property class for each jurisdiction in the RDBN. In schedule 21, assessment data is converted to reflect property class multipliers. Converted assessments is the basis on which Regional District property taxes are apportioned where there is more than one participant in a service.

#### **Detailed Service Budgets**

If Directors would like copies of the detailed budgets for each service, these are available on request.

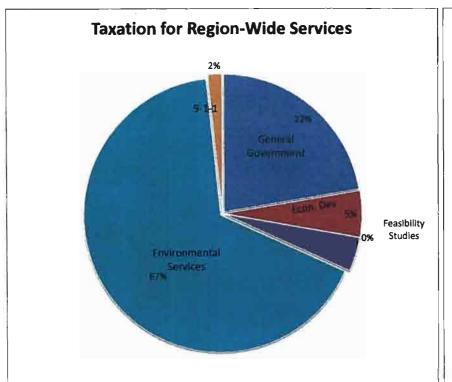
I would be pleased to answer any questions.

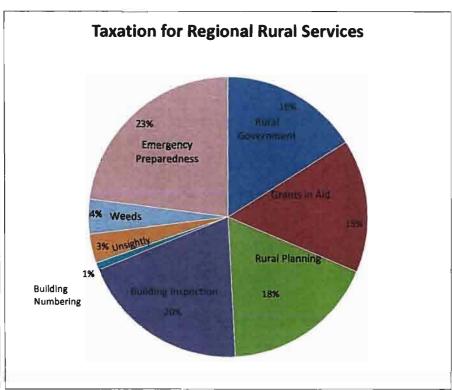
Recommendation:

(all/directors/majority)

That the Board of Directors receive the Senior Financial Assistant's January 4, 2016 memo titled "2016 Draft Budget" and provide direction regarding any changes to the draft budget.

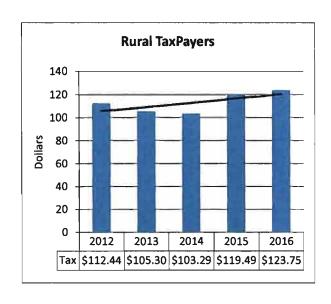
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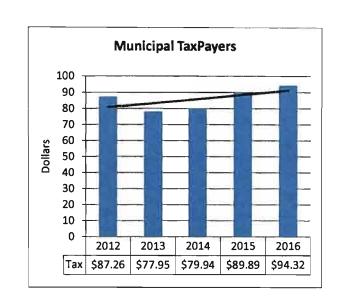




### RDBN 2016 Budget - Tax on a \$100,000 Property

(excludes local services)





Includes:

General Government

Regional Economic Development

**Feasibility Studies** 

**Planning** 

**Development Services** 

**Environmental Services** 

9-1-1 Service

**Rural Government** 

Rural Grants in Aid

**Building Inspection** 

**Building Numbering** 

**Unsightly Premises** 

**Noxious Weed Control** 

**Emergency Preparedness** 

**General Government** 

Regional Economic Development

**Feasibility Studies** 

**Planning** 

**Development Services** 

**Environmental Services** 

9-1-1 Service

## RDBN - 2016 Budget Projected Tax Rates for Regional Services (excludes local services)

	_							Tax on a \$	100,000 R	esidential	Property	ATT IT
			Taxation		Converted /	Assessments	Rui	rai Taxpay	ers	Munic	cipal Tax	payers
					2015 Revised	2016			2016 vs			2016 vs
Dept	Service	2015 Tax	2016 Tax	2015 vs 2016	Roll	Completed Roll	2015	2016	2015	2015	2016	2015
Region	-Wide Services											
1201	General Govt - Legislative	257,641	285,152	27,511	556,512,401	556,512,401	4.63	5.12	0.49	4.63	5.12	0.49
1202	General Govt - Administration	491,327	553,162	61,835	556,512,401	556,512,401	8.83	9.94	1.11	8.83	9.94	1.11
1203	General Govt - Finance	288,121	300,712	12,591	556,512,401	556,512,401	5.18	5.40	0.23	5.18	5.40	0.23
		1,037,089	1,139,026	101,937	556,512,401	556,512,401	18.64	20.47	1.83	18.64	20.47	1.83
1301	Feasibility Studies	_	_	_	556,512,401	556,512,401	_	-	_	_	_	-
2500	Regional Economic Development	294,550	275,190	(19,360)	556,512,401	556,512,401	5.29	4.94	(0.35)	5.29	4.94	(0.35)
4301	Development Serv	278,687	203,324	(75,363)	556,512,401	556,512,401	5.01	3.65	(1.35)	5.01	3.65	(1.35)
5000	Environmental Serv.	3,007,330	3,389,272	381,942	556,512,401	556,512,401	54.04	60.90	6.86	54.04	60.90	6.86
7501	9-1-1 Service	237,235	84,821	(152,414)	556,512,401	556,512,401	4.26	1.52	(2.74)	4.26	1.52	(2.74)
Total	Region-Wide Services	4,854,891	5,091,633	236,742	556,512,401	556,512,401	87.24	91.49	4.25	87.24	91.49	4.25
	_											
Region	nal Rural Services					1						
1101	Rural Govt - Legislative	79,152	84,465	5,313	275,651,333	275,651,333	2.87	3.06	0.19			
1102	Rural Govt - Administration	60,379	55,276	(5,103)	275,651,333	275,651,333	2.19	2.01	(0.19)			
		139,531	139,741	210	275,651,333	275,651,333	5.06	5.07	0.01			
1103	Rural Grant in Aid	134,381	134,381	_	275,651,333	275,651,333	4.88	4.88	_ [			
4101	Rural Planning	199,178	155,838	(43,340)	556,512,401	556,512,401	3.98	4.25	0.27	2.65	2.83	0.18
4201	Building Inspection	141,041	171,581	30,540	162.065.979	162,065,979	8.70	10.59	1.88	2.00	2.00	0.10
4401	Building Numbering	5,896	7,279	1,383	275,651,333	275,651,333	0.21	0.26	0.05	l		
4501	Unsightly Premises	36,131	29,351	(6,780)	255,798,754	255,798,754	1.41	1.15	(0.27)			
5901	Weed Control	38,602	35,284	(3,318)	275,651,333	275,651,333	1.40	1.28	(0.12)			
		400 400	400.000	(55.054)	075 054 000	075 054 000		4.00	(2.22)			
7601	Emergency Preparedness	182,180	126,929	(55,251)	275,651,333	275,651,333	6.61	4.60	(2.00)			
7602	Emergency Response	-	4,985	4,985	275,651,333	275,651,333	-	0.18	0.18			
7603	Rural Fire Dept Traing & Eval & Compliance		68,528	68,528	275,651,333	275,651,333	-	2,49	2.49			
		182,180	200,442	18,262								
Tota	Regional Rural Services	876,940	873,898	(3,042)			32.26	32.26	0.00			
		5,731,831	5,965,531	233,700			119.49	123,75	4.26	89.89	94.32	4.43
	Percentage Change - Region-wide Se	anvices		4.9%		Tax Rate	1.19	1.24	0.04	0.90	0.94	0.04
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Percentage Change - Regional Rural Services

Percentage Change - Total



### RDBN - 2016 Budget Initiatives for 2016

Administration & Finance	
Forestry Strategy	10,000
Legacy Funding	10,000
Northwest Resource Benefit Alliance	50,000
Education Strategy	5,000
Transportation Strategy	5,000
Agricultural Strategy	2,500
Records Management Software	25,000
Asset Management Software	30,000
Purchase Additional Main Server (funded from capital reserve)	12,100
Replace File Server (funded from capital reserve)	7,800
	157,400
Regional Economic Development	
Tourism Research (Profiles/Values of Tourism) - Funded 100% with grants	60,000
Investment Readiness Action Plan (funded 77% with grants)	40,000
Regional Skills Gap Analysis Implementation (Funded 100% with grants)	141,500
	241,500
<u>Planning</u>	
Plotter Purchase (Funding from Capital Reserve)	34,000
Property Database (funded from contingency built up in previous years)	50,000
	84,000
Environmental Services	
Increase contingency for carbon emissiion reduction initiatives	13,250
Update the Solid Waste Management Plan (\$100,000 over 2 years)	50,000
Final Closure at Fraser Lake Landfill (Topsoil and seed)	15,000
Final Closure at Vanderhoof Landfill (top soil, grass seed and rip-rap)	10,000
Post Closure activites at Former Smithers/Telkwa Landfill	50,000
Knockholt Phase Development, Scale Upgrade, lagoon desludging	300,000
Knockholt Scale Upgrade	40,000
Knockholt Lagoon Desludging	70,000
Clearview Landfill Scale Upgrade	40,000
Area "D" Transfer Station Recycling Area Upgrades	15,000
Well Remidiation at Vanderhoof Transfer Station	10,000
New Bobcat at VTS and FSJTS (\$60,000 X 2)	120,000
Increase Landfill Closure Reserve Contribution from \$75,000 to \$90,000	15,000
	748,250
Emergency Preparedness	
NESST Program	15,000
Consulting Fees - GIS Study (Fully funded by Grant)	150,000
	165,000
	1,396,150



#### Surplus Comparison

		Surplus from Prior Year		
		2015	2016	2015 vs 2016
Region-Wide	<del></del>	ŀ		
1201	General Govt - Legislative	68,725	49,881	(18, <b>844</b> )
1202	General Govt - Administration	98,648	192,406	93,758
1203	General Govt - Finance	30,411	39,586	9,175
		197,784	281,873	84,089
1301	Feasibility Studies	17,277	9,601	(7,676)
2500	Regional Economic Development	74,932	89,023	14,091
4301	Development Serv	65,933	66,207	274
5000	Environmental Serv.	859,604	955,213	95,609
7501	9-1-1 Service	32,795	101,430	68,635
Total Region	on-Wide Services	1,248,325	1,503,347	255,022
Regional Rui				
1101	Rural Govt - Legislative	46,481	48,153	1,672
1102	Rural Govt - Administration	3,582	9,311	5,729
		50,063	57,464	7,401
1103	Rural Grant in Aid	182,844	259,303	76,459
4101	Rural Planning	35,964	40,920	4,956
4201	Building Inspection	22,974	1,813	(21,161)
4401	Building Numbering	2,939	1,772	(1,167)
4501	Unsightly Premises	3,612	13,204	9,592
5901	Weed Control	6,757	11,622	4,865
7601	Emergency Preparedness	32,024	37,540	5,516
7602	Emergency Response	1,163	(0)	(1,163)
7602	Rural Fire Dept Traing & Eval & Compliance		(0)	(1,100)
7003	Rulai File Dept Fraing & Eval & Compliano	33,187	37,540	4,353
		· -		
Total Regio	onal Rural Services	338,340	423,637	85,297
		1,586,665	1,926,984	340,319



# Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako <u>Details of Projected Tax Changes</u> <u>Rural Government</u>

0045 Touris			(\$000s)
2015 Taxation			140
2016 Taxation			140
Increase (Decrease)			-
		(\$000's)	
Item	2015 Budget	2016 Budget	Tax Increase (Decrease)
Revenue			
Surplus from Prior Year	50	57	(7)
Expenditures			(7)
Directors remuneration	78	79	1
Directors travel	52	57	5
Liability Insurance	9	11	2
Other			<u>(1)</u>



## Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Details of Projected Tax Changes General Government

			(\$000s)
2015 Taxation			1,037
2016 Taxation			1,139
Increase (Decrease)			102
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		(\$000's)	
	2015	2016	Tax Increase
Item	Budget	Budget	(Decrease)
B			
Revenue Surplus from Prior Year	198	282	(84)
Investment Income	190	12	(2)
Other Grant Revenue	15	- 12	15
Transfer from Capital Reserve (Includes new phone system)	31	27	4
Transfer from Vehicle Reserve	11	-	11
Grant in lieu of Alcan taxes	107	114	(7)
Administration Recovery - SNRHD	12	15	(3)
			(66)
Expenditures	050	201	•
Directors remuneration	258	264	6
Directors CPP	4 84	7 86	3 2
Directors Travel Salaries & Benefits	798	971	173
Staff Travel	790	8	(1)
Allocated Building Occupancy Costs	49	50	1
Communications (Includes new phone system)	49	23	(26)
Newsletters	3		(3)
Sponsorship	4	3	(1)
Liability Insurance	10	11	1
Supplies	22	17	(5)
Special Projects	136	158	:22
Capital Expenditures	56	51	(5)
Interest Expense	4	8	4
Other			(3)
			168
			102
			102





## Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Details of Projected Tax Changes Feasibility Studies

			(\$000s)
2013 Taxation			-
2014 Taxation			
Increase (Decrease)			The Market
	2012	2013	Tax Increase
<u>Item</u>	Budget	Budget	(Decrease)
Feasibility Studies			



## Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Details of Projected Tax Changes Regional Economic Development

			(\$000s)
2015 Taxation			295
2016 Taxation			275
Increase (Decrease)			(20)
,			
	-	(\$'000\$)	
	2015	2016	Tax Increase
Item	Budget	Budget	(Decrease)
Revenue			
Surplus from Prior Year	75	89	(14)
Project Grants	113	269	(156)
Eveneralitures			(170)
Expenditures Salaries & Benefits	243	241	(2)
Staff Education	2 <del>4</del> 3 16	11	(5)
Allocated Building Occupancy Costs	27	22	(5)
Allocated Building Occupancy Costs	21	22	(12)
Projects			(12)
- Tourism	44	108	64
- Bulkley Nechako Directory	9	8	(1)
- Opportunities Website	5	6	1
- Agriculture Project	30	35	5
- Marketing Initiatives	10	6	(4)
- Business Forum	2	5	3
<ul> <li>Economic Development Workshops</li> </ul>	35	8	(27)
- Regional Skills Gap Analysis	68	142	74
- Action Plan	8	46	38
- Minerals North & Roundup	6	8	2
- Image Bank	29	40	11
			166
Other			(4)
Total Expenditures			150
			(20)



## Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Details of Projected Tax Changes Rural Planning

	(\$000s)_
2015 Taxation	199
2016 Taxation	156_
Increase (Decrease)	(43)

		(\$000's)	)
	2015	2016	Tax Increase
Item	Budget	Budget	(Decrease)
Revenue			
Transfer from Vehicle Reserve	11	-	11
Surplus from Prior Year	36	41	(5)
			6
Expenditures			
Salaries & Benefits	179	134	(45)
Associate Dues	1	2	1
Building Occupancy Costs	16	17	1
Computer Systems	3	5	2
Legal	16	21	5
Capital Expenditures	11	-	(11)
Other			`(2)
			(49)
			(10)
			(43)

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## Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Details of Projected Tax Changes Building Inspection

			(\$000s)
2014 Taxation			141
2015 Taxation			172
Increase (Decrease)			31
		(\$000's)	
		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Tax
	2014	2015	Increase
Item	Budget	Budget	(Decrease)
Revenue			
Surplus from Prior Year	23	2	21
Transfer from Vehicle Reserve	-	31	(31)
Building Permit Fees	70	60	10
Cost Sharing by Municipalities	90	103	(13)
			(13)
Expenditures			
Salaries & Benefits	211	225	14
Computer Systems	2	4	2
Special Projects	4	-	(4)
Liability Insurance	20	24	4
Capital Expenditures - Vehicle	-	31	31
Other			(3)
			44



# Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako <u>Details of Projected Tax Changes</u> <u>Development Services</u>

	(\$000s)_
2015 Taxation	279
2016 Taxation	203_
Increase (Decrease)	(76)

	(\$000's)					
	2015	2016	Tax Increase			
Item	Budget	Budget	(Decrease)			
Revenue						
Grants in Lieu of Alcan Taxes	29	31	(2)			
Expenditures			(2)			
Salaries & Benefits	241	178	(63)			
Computer Systems	74	67	(7)			
Contribution to Reserve	6	-	(6)			
Other			2			
			(74)			
			(76)			



# Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Details of Projected Tax Changes Unsightly Premises Regulatory Control

	(\$000s)_
2015 Taxation	36
2016 Taxation	29
Increase (Decrease)	(7)

		(\$'000°s)					
Item	2015 Budget	2016 Budget	Tax Increase (Decrease)				
Revenue Surplus from Prior Year	4	13	(9) (9)				
Expenditures Salaries & Benefits Other	27	29	2				
			2				
			(7)				



## Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Details of Projected Tax Changes Environmental Services

			(\$000s)
2015 Taxation			3,007
2016 Taxation			3,389
Increase (Decrease)			382
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		(\$000's)	
-	2015	2016	Tax Increase
Item	Budget	Budget	_(Decrease)
Pevenue			
Revenue Surplus from Prior Year	860	955	(95)
Transfer from Landfill Closure Reserve	950	420	530
Transfer from Capital Reserve	150	125	25
Transfer from Gas Tax Reserve	20	-	20
MFA Equipment Financing	1,547	-	1,547
Grants in lieu of Alcan Taxes	310	330	(20)
Metal Recycling Revenues	150	25	125
Bobcat Trade In Revenue	34	20	14
			2,146
Administration Expenditures			
Director's Remuneration & Benefits	9	7	(2)
Salaries & Benefits	486	497	11
Staff Travel	40	50	10
Contingency	-	50	50
Liability Insurance	15	18	3
Landfill Equipment Debt Payments	-	319	319
Debenture Repayment	256	176	(80)
Update of SWMP	-	50	50
Carbon Emission Reduction Initiatives	40	53	13
Allocated Building Occupancy Costs	32	36	4
Computer Network	-	3	3
Other			3
			384_
Operations	902	657	(146)
- Landfills	803	657	43
- Transfer Statiions	1,587 24	1,630 23	
- Operating Contingencies		138	(1) (27)
<ul> <li>Landfill Closure Costs</li> <li>Recycling Expenditures</li> </ul>	165 <b>8</b> 61	914	53
- Capital Expenditures	2,752	655	(2,097)
- Contributions to Reserves	131	159	28
- Other	151	100	(1)
- Other			(2,148)
			(2,110)
Total Expenditures			(1,764)
			382

# Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Details of Projected Tax Changes Weed Control

2015 Taxation 2016 Taxation Increase (Decrease)			(\$000s) 39 35 (4)
		(\$000's)	
	2015	2016	Tax Increase
Item	Budget	Budget	(Decrease)
Revenue			
Surplus from Prior Year	9	12	(3)
Grant in Lieu of Alcan Taxes	8	8	-
Expenditures			(3)
Other			(1)
			(1)
			(4)
		•	

# Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Details of Projected Tax Changes 9-1-1 Service

	(\$000s)_
2015 Taxation	237
2016 Taxation	85_
Increase (Decrease)	(152)

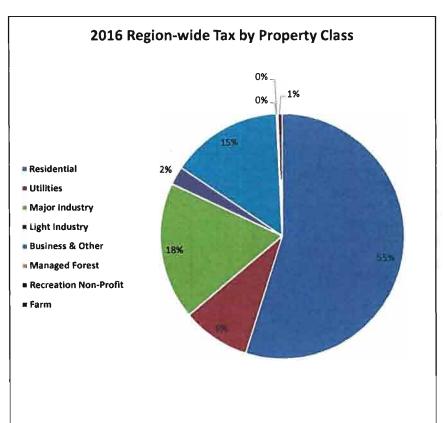
	(\$000's)					
	2015	2016	Tax Increase			
Item	Budget	Budget	(Decrease)			
Revenue						
Surplus from Prior Year	33	101	(68)			
Grants in Lieu of Alcan Taxes	21	22	(1)			
User Fees - Telus Land Lines	142	13 <b>8</b>	4			
			(65)			
<b>Expenditures</b>						
Salaries & Benefits	37	41	4			
Repairs & Maintenance	45	54	9			
PSAP Costs	55	50	(5)			
FOCC Operating Costs	223	145	(78)			
GIS Maintenance Costs	11	-	(11)			
RDFFG Technician & Administration	9	-	(9)			
Public Education & Kindergarten/Grade 1	2	4	2			
Other			1			
			(87)			
			(152)			

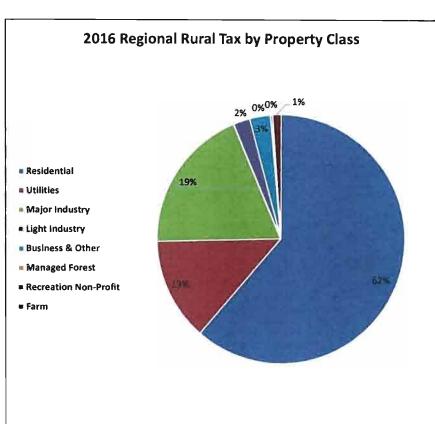
## Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Details of Projected Tax Changes Emergency Preparedness Planning

	(\$000s)_
2015 Taxation	182
2016 Taxation	200
Increase (Decrease)	18

_	(\$000's)					
_	2015	2016	Tax Increase			
Item	Bud <b>ge</b> t	Budget	(Decrease)			
Revenue						
Surplus from Prior Year	33	37	(4)			
Transfer from Vehicle Reserve	11	-	11			
Other Grant Revenue	76	150	(74)			
Donation Revenue	-	15	(15)			
Misc Revenue	14	-	14			
			(68)			
Expenditures						
Salaries & Benefits	170	184	14			
Staff Travel	5	4	(1)			
Computer Systems	-	4	4			
Consulting Fees - GIS Study	76	150	74			
Emergency Volunteer Program	25	14	(11)			
NESST Program	-	15	15			
Supplies	3	5	2			
Capital Expenditures	11	-	(11)			
Contribution to Emergency Response Re	-	5	5			
Costs allocated to Rural Fire Depts	-	(8)	(8)			
Other		` '	3			
			86			
		,				
			18			

#### **2016 Taxation by Property Class**





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#### <u>Taxation for Regional Services</u> <u>By Property Class</u>

			Class 1	Class 2	Class 4	Class 5	Classs 6	Class 7	Class 8	Class 9
Dept	Service	2016 Tax	Residential	Utilities	Major industry	Light Industry	Business & Other	Managed Forest	Recreation Non-Profit	Farm
Region	n-Wide Services									
1201	General Govt - Legislative	285,152	156,598	25,646	51,692	6,996	42,121	10	525	1,565
1202	General Govt - Administration	553,162	303,782	49,750	100,276	13,571	81,710	20	1,018	3,036
1203	General Govt - Finance	300,712	165,143	27,045	54,512	7,377	44,419	11	553	1,650
		1,139,026	625,523	102,441	206,479	27,944	168,250	41	2,096	6,251
1301	Feasibility Studies	_	_	-	-	-	_	-	_	
2500	Regional Economic Development	275,190	151,127	24,750	49,886	6,751	40,649	10	506	1,510
4301	Development Serv	203,324	111,660	18,286	36,858	4,988	30,034	7	374	1,116
5000	Environmental Serv.	3,389,272	1,861,301	304,822	614,398	83,150	500,643	123	6,236	18,600
7501	9-1-1 Service	84,821	46,582	7,629	15,376	2,081	12,529	3	156	465
Tota	! Region-Wide Services	5,091,633	2,796,193	457,928	922,997	124,914	752,105	184	9,368	27,943
Region	nal Rural Services									
1101	Rural Govt - Legislative	84,465	51,812	11,253	16,124	1,843	2,285	6	234	909
1102	Rural Govt - Administration	55,276	33,907	7,364	10,552	1,206	1,495	4	153	595
		139,741	85,718	18,618	26,675	3,049	3,780	10	387	1,504
		100,777	33,113	,		0,0,0	5,100		- 33:	1,004
1103	Rural Grant in Aid	134,381	82,430	17,904	25,652	2,932	3,635	10	372	1,446
4101	Rural Planning	155,838	95,592	20,762	29,748	3,400	4,216	11	431	1,677
4201	Building Inspection	171,581	105,249	22,860	32,753	3,744	4,641	13	475	1,847
<b>44</b> 01	Building Numbering	7,279	4,465	970	1,389	159	197	1	20	78
4501	Unsightly Premises	29,351	18,004	3,911	5,603	640	794	2	81	316
5901	Weed Control	35,284	21,643	4,701	6,735	770	954	3	98	380
7601	Emergency Preparedness	126,929	77,859	16,911	24,229	2,769	3,434	9	351	1,366
7602	Emergency Response	4,985	3,058	664	952	109	135	0	14	54
7603	Rural Fire Dept Traing & Eval & Comp	68,528	42,036	9,130	13,081	1,495	1,854	5	190	738
		200,442	122,953	26,705	38,262	4,373	5,422	15	555	2,157
Tata	I Degional Burni Services	972 909	E26 055	146 420	466 945	40.027	22.846		0.440	0.45-
lota	I Regional Rural Services	873,898 5,965,531	536,055 3,332,248	116,430 574,358	166,818	19,067	23,640	64	2,419	9,405
		0,800,001	3,332,240	3/4,356	1,089,816	143,981	775,745	248	11,787	37,348

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# Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako 2015 Revised Roll Total Assessments

	Class 1	Class 2	Class 4	Class 5	Classs 6	Class 7	Class 8	Class 9	
					Business &	Managed	Recreation		
	Residential	Utilities	Major Industry	Light Industry	Other	Forest	Non-Profit	Farm	Total
Houston	150,794,220	5,990,457	23,334,322	8,191,763	21,332,464	-	318,200	505,710	210,467,135
Smithers	496,498,700	8,614,641	12,694,152	6,839,243	83,740,522	-	855,600	-	609,242,858
Burns Lake	73,002,500	3,140,281	-	1,389,050	16,996,618	-	56,400	-	94,584,848
Fort St. James	103,494,100	6,485,248	14,968,697	722,731	12,780,9 <del>4</del> 2	-	230,100	-	138,681,818
Fraser lake	56,732,200	12,821,571	81,071,436	-	2,604,710	-	134,400	-	153,364,317
Granisle	16,518,900	459,375	-	189,006	384,040	-	-	-	17,551,321
Telkwa	114,724,650	1,538,047	-	64,042	2,357,841	-	-	6,660	118,691,240
Vanderhoof	352,774,380	7,467,233	31,963,978	8,576,133	43,109,715	-	1,008,000	322,520	445,221,958
	1,364,539,650	46,516,852	164,032,585	25,971,968	183,306,851		2,602,700	834,890	1,787,805,496
Percentage	76.3%	2.6%	9.2%	1.5%	10.3%	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	100.0%
Area "A"	615,992,080	27,324,924	-	1,415,060	5,068,170	-	1,133,000	7,055,290	657,988,524
Area "B"	144,722,160	28,458,710	3,405,807	11,179,907	1,706,800	-	429,800	863,800	190,766,984
Area "C"	190,945,000	17,203,925	147,896,559	2,530,484	4,488,346	-	1,085,400	1,037,550	365,187,264
Area "D"	170,090,840	20,506,857	12,037,428	510,721	2,667,016	10,440	1,501,100	3,530,650	210,855,052
Area "E"	135,552,790	1,222,113	15,060,830	978,785	1,802,659	-	1,451,350	4,203,530	160,272,057
Area "F"	359,865,580	22,031,258	-	1,036,007	1,067,112	39,690	556,600	11,680,750	396,276,997
Area "G"	77,839,950	12,105,548	942,487	2,847,806	1,513,654	10,350	1,490,300	1,367,930	98,118,025
	1,695,008,400	128,853,333	179,343,112	20,498,770	18,313,757	60,480	7,647,550	29,739,500	2,079,464,902
Percentage	81.5%	6.2%	8.6%	1.0%	0.9%	0.0%	0.4%	1.4%	100.0%
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Total	3,059,548,050	175,370,185	343,375,697	46,470,738	201,620,609	60,480	10,250,250	30,574,390	3,867,270,398
Percentage	79.1%	4.5%	8.9%	1.2%	5.2%	0.0%	0.3%	0.8%	100.0%

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# Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako 2015 Revised Roll Converted Assessments

ĺ	Class 1	Class 2	Class 4	Class 5	Classs 6	Class 7	Class 8	Class 9	
			Major	Light	Business &	Managed			
	Residential	Utilities	Industry	Industry	Other	Forest	Non-Profit	Farm	Total
Houston	15,079,422	1,711,559	6,863,036	2,409,342	8,707,128		31,820	50,571	34,852,878
Smithers	49,649,870	2,461,326	3,733,574	2,011,542	34,179,805		85,560		92,121,677
Burns Lake	7,300,250	897,223		408,544	6,937,395		5,640		15,549,052
Fort St. James	10,349,410	1,852,928	4,402,558	212,568	5,216,711		23,010		22,057,185
Fraser lake	5,673,220	3,663,306	23,844,540		1,063,147		13,440		34,257,653
Granisle	1,651,890	131,250		55,590	156,751				1,995,481
Telkwa	11,472,465	439,442		18,836	962,384			666	12,893,793
Vanderhoof	35,277,438	2,133,495	9,401,170	2,522,392	17,595,802		100,800	32,252	67,063,349
	136,453,965	13,290,529	48,244,878	7,638,814	74,819,123		260,270	83,489	280,791,068
Percentage	48.6%	4.7%	17.2%	2.7%	26.6%		0.1%	0.0%	100.0%
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Area "A"	61,599,208	7,807,121		416,194	2,068,641		113,300	705,529	72,709,993
Area "B"	14,472,216	8,131,060	1,001,708	3,288,208	696,653		42,980	86,380	27,719,205
Area "C"	19,094,500	4,915,407	43,498,988	744,260	1,831,978		108,540	103,755	70,297,428
Area "D"	17,009,084	5,859,102	3,540,420	150,212	1,088,578	3,480	150,110	353,065	28,154,051
Area "E"	13,555,279	349,175	4,429,656	287,878	735,779		145,135	420,353	19,923,255
Area "F"	35,986,558	6,294,645		304,708	435,556	13,230	55,660	1,168,075	44,258,432
Area "G"	7,783,995	3,458,728	277,202	837,590	617,818	3,450	149,030	136,793	13,264,606
	169,500,840	36,815,238	52,747,974	6,029,050	7,475,003	20,160	764,755	2,973,950	276,326,970
Percentage	61.3%	13.3%	19.1%	2.2%	2.7%	0.0%	0.3%	1.1%	100.0%
Totai	305,954,805	50,105,767	100,992,852	13,667,864	82,294,126	20,160	1,025,025	3,057,439	557,118,038
Percentage	54.9%	9.0%	18.1%	2.5%	14.8%	0.0%	0.2%	0.5%	100.0%



### Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Memo – Committee of the Whole Agenda January 14, 2016

To: Chair Miller and the Board of Directors
From: Hans Berndorff, Financial Administrator

**Date:** January 6, 2016

Re: Capital Reserves Analysis

Attached are the following Capital Reserve continuity schedules for region-wide and regional rural services:

Schedule A - Admin/Ec Dev/Planning/Emergency Preparedness Vehicle

Schedule B – Admin Electronic Equipment

Schedule C - Administration Building

Schedule D – Building Inspection Vehicle

Schedule E – Development Services Map Plotter

Schedule F – Environmental Services Capital

We are adequately reserved for full replacement cost except for the following:

- For the Administration Building, we are contributing to a reserve for large infrequent maintenance items such as roof replacement, HVAC replacement or interior and exterior painting. We are not reserving for end of life replacement. Replacement would be financed with debt or current taxation at the time.
- 2. We do not have any capital reserves for our transfer stations. These are simple buildings made of steel and concrete, but will require some maintenance from time to time. End of life would be a very long time in the future and replacement at that time would be financed with debt or current taxation in the future year.
- 3. Environmental Services
  - a. The hauling trucks were 100% financed with debt and their end of life replacement would also likely be financed with debt.
  - b. We are adequately reserved for vehicle (pick-up truck) replacement.
  - c. We are adequately reserved for landfill closure costs under the existing landfill closure guidelines.
  - d. The landfill equipment was planned to be financed 100% with debt. However, due to the age of our Solid Waste Management Plan (SWMP), the Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development would not allow us to use the SWMP exemption from public approval for loan



authorization bylaws because it is outdated. As a result, this project was financed by a combination of withdrawal from the landfill reserve and 5 year debt, which did not require a loan authorization bylaw. End of life replacement would likely be financed with debt.

e. Landfill Phase Development – The new landfill guidelines present a major challenge by increasing our phase development costs dramatically. The preliminary estimates shown in Schedule F indicate that, without taking some major actions, our costs will far exceed the amount available in the reserve. All other things being equal, we should significantly increase our contributions to build up the reserve.

However, we are within \$118,000 of our tax limit under the existing bylaw. This cannot be increased before 2020 without public approval by referendum, alternate approval process (AAP) or review and update of the SWMP. The latter is already in our plan, and it is recommended that this become a top priority. Not only does an outdated SWMP impede our ability to increase the tax limit, it also restricts us from any long term borrowing without public approval by referendum or AAP. Even short term borrowing, which does not require public approval, is restricted by our limited ability to repay any additional short term under the existing tax limit.

I would be pleased to answer any questions.

Recommendation:

(all/directors/majority)

That the memorandum from the Financial Administrator, dated January 6, 2016 regarding Capital Reserves be received.

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### Admin/Economic Development/Planning/Emergency Preparedness Vehicle Reserve

Contributions

						Contribution	oris				ı			
Year	Opening Balance	Admin	Finance	Ec Dev	Planning	Dev. Serv	Building Numbering	Unsightly Premises	911	Emerg	Subtotal	Interest	Withdrawals	Closing Balance
2015	79,347	1,093	1,725	1,725	2,415	863	230	1,725	863	863	11,500	1,190	(31,084)	60,953
2016	60,953	1,093	1,725	1,725	2,415	863	230	1,725	863	863	11,500	914		73,368
2017	73,368	1,093	1,725	1,725	2,415	863	230	1,725	863	863	11,500	1,101		85,968
2018	85,968	1,093	1,725	1,725	2,415	863	230	1,725	863	863	11,500	1,290	(31,000)	67,758
2019	67,758	1,093	1,725	1,725	2,415	863	230	1,725	863	863	11,500	1,016		80,274
2020	80,274	1,093	1,725	1,725	2,415	863	230	1,725	863	863	11,500	1,204	(31,000)	61,978
2021	61,978	1,093	1,725	1,725	2,415	863	230	1,725	863	863	11,500	930		74,408
2022	74,408	1,093	1,725	1,725	2,415	863	230	1,725	863	863	11,500	1,116	(31,084)	55,940
2023	55,940	1,093	1,725	1,725	2,415	863	230	1,725	863	863	11,500	839		68,279
2024	68,279	1,093	1,725	1,725	2,415	863	230	1,725	863	863	11,500	1,024		80,803
2025	80,803	1,093	1,725	1,725	2,415	863	230	1,725	863	863	11,500	1,212	(31,000)	62,515
2026	62,515	1,093	1,725	1,725	2,415	863	230	1,725	863	863	11,500	938		74,953
2027	74,953	1,093	1,725	1,725	2,415	863	230	1,725	863	863	11,500	1,124	(31,000)	56,577
2028	56,577	1,093	1,725	1,725	2,415	863	230	1,725	863	863	11,500	849		68,926
2029	68,926	1,093	1,725	1,725	2,415	863	230	1,725	863	863	11,500	1,034	(31,084)	50,376
2030	50,376	1,093	1,725	1,725	2,415	863	230	1,725	863	863	11,500	756		62,631
2031	62,631	1,093	1,725	1,725	2,415	863	230	1,725	863	863	11,500	939		75,071

Assumed Interest Rate 1.5%

## Administration Electronic Equipment Reserve Continuity

Year	Opening Balance	Contributions	Interest	Withdrawals	Closing Balance
2015	63,678	10,000	955	(26,888)	47,745
2016	47,745	10,000	716	(27,400)	31,061
2017	31,061	10,000	466	(27,100)	41,527
2018	41,527	10,000	623	(30,000)	22,150
2019	22,150	10,000	332	(5,000)	27,482
2020	27,482	10,000	412	(10,000)	27,895
2021	27,895	10,000	418	(10,000)	38,313
2022	38,313	10,000	575	(15,000)	33,888
2023	33,888	10,000	508	(5,000)	39,396
2024	39,396	10,000	591	(30,000)	19,987
2025	19,987	10,000	300	, , ,	30,287
2026	30,287	10,000	454	(10,000)	30,741
2027	30,741	10,000	461	(5,000)	36,202
2028	36,202	10,000	543	(15,000)	31,745
2029	31,745	10,000	476	, ,	42,221
2030	42,221	10,000	633	(30,000)	22,855
2031	22,855	10,000	343	(5,000)	28,198

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### Administration Admin Building Reserve Continuity

Year	Opening Balance	Contributions	Interest	Withdrawals	Closing Balance
2,015	30,190	15,000	453		45,643
2,016	45,643	15,000	<b>68</b> 5		61,327
2,017	61,327	15,000	920		77,247
2,018	77,247	15,000	1,159		93,406
2,019	93,406	15,000	1,401		109,807
2,020	109,807	15,000	1,647		126 <b>,45</b> 4
2,021	126,454	15,000	1,897		143,351
2,022	143,351	15,000	2,150		160,501
2,023	160,501	15,000	2,408	(40,000)	137,909
2,024	137,909	15,000	2,069		154,978
2,025	154,978	15,000	2,325		172,302
2,026	172,302	15,000	2,585		189,887
2,027	189,887	15,000	2,848		207,735
2,028	207,735	15,000	3,116	(115,000)	110, <b>8</b> 51
2,029	110,851	15,000	1,663	(95,000)	32,514
2,030	32,514	15,000	488		48,002
2,031	48,002	15,000	720		63,722
2,032	63,722	15,000	956		79,677
2,033	79,677	15,000	1,195		95,873
2,034	95,873	15,000	1,438		112,311
2,035	112,311	15,000	1,685		128, <b>99</b> 5
2,036	128,995	15,000	1,935		145,930
2,037	145,930	15,000	2,189		163,119
2,038	163,119	15,000	2,447	(40,000)	140,5 <b>66</b>
2,039	140,566	15,000	2,108		157,674
2,040	157,674	15,000	2, <b>36</b> 5		175,040
2,041	175,040	15,000	2,62 <b>6</b>		192, <b>66</b> 5
2,042	192,665	15,000	2,890		210,555
2,043	210,555	15,000	3,158		228,713
2,044	228,713	15,000	3,431		247,144
2,045	247,144	15,000	3,707		265, <b>8</b> 51
2,046	265,851	15,000	3,988		2 <b>84</b> ,83 <b>9</b>
2,047	284,839	15,000	4,273		304,112
2,048	304,112	15,000	4,562	(115,000)	208,673
2,049	208,673	15,000	3,130	(95,000)	131,803
2,050	131,803	15,000	1,977		148,781
2,051	148,781	15,000	2,232		166,012
2,052	166,012	15,000	2,4 <b>9</b> 0		183,502
2,053	183,502	15,000	2,753	(40,000)	161,255
2,054	161,255	15,000	2,419		178,674
2,055	178,674	15,000	2, <b>6</b> 80		196,354
2,056	196,354	15,000	2,945		214,299
2,057	214,299	15,000	3,214	(3,000,000)	(2,767,486)

## Building Inspection Vehicle Reserve Continuity

Year	Opening Balance	Contributions	Interest	Withdrawals	Closing Balance
1001					
2,015	46,396	8,000	696		55,092
2,016	55,092	8,000	826	(31,000)	32,918
2,017	32,918	8,000	494	(31,000)	10,412
2,018	10,412	8,000	156		18,568
2,019	18,568	8,000	279		26,847
2,020	26,847	9,000	403		36,250
2,021	36,250	9,000	544		45,793
2,022	45,793	9,000	687		55,480
2,023	55,480	9,000	832	(31,000)	34,312
2,024	34,312	9,000	515	(31,000)	12,827
2,025	12,827	9,000	192	,	22,019
2,026	22,019	9,000	330		31,350
2,027	31,350	9,000	470		40,820
2,028	40,820	9,000	612		50,432
2,029	50,432	9,000	756	(31,000)	29,189
2,030	29,189	9,000	438	(31,000)	7,627
2,031	7,627	9,000	114	, ,	16,741
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### <u>Development Services</u> <u>Map Plotter Reserve Continuity</u>

ear ear	Opening Balance	Contributions	Interest	Withdrawals	Closing Balance
2,015	29,403	6,000	441		35,844
2,016	35,844	6,000	538	(34,000)	8,382
2,017	8,382	6,000	126	(- 1, )	14,507
2,018	14,507	6,000	218		20,725
2,019	20,725	6,000	311		27,036
2,020	27,036	6,000	406		33,441
2,021	33,441	6,000	502		39,943
2,022	39,943	6,000	599		46,542
2,023	46,542	6,000	698		53,240
2,024	53,240	6,000	799		60,039
2,025	60,039	6,000	901		66,940
2,026	66,940	6,000	1,004	(34,000)	39,944
2,027	39,944	6,000	599	,	46,543
2,028	46,543	6,000	698		53,241
2,029	53,241	6,000	799		60,040
2,030	60,040	6,000	901		66,940
2,031	66,940	6,000	1,004		73,944
2,031	66,940	6,000	1,004		7

#### **Environmental Services Capital Reserve Continuity**

Knockholt Phase 3

	Closure & Post Closure Reserve					Phase Development Reserve				Vehicle Reserve					
Year	Opening Balance	Contributions	Interest	Withdrawal	Closing Balance	Opening Balance	Contributions	Interest	Withdrawal	Closing Balance	Opening Balance	Contributions	Interest	Withdrawal	Closing Balance
2015	624,638	75,000	9,370	(674,247)	34,761	533,687	40,000	8,005	(161,000)	420,692	45,382	15,000	681		61,063
2016	34,761	90,000	521	(125,000)	282	420,692	50,000	6,310	(420,000)	57,003	61,063	18,000	916		79,979
2017	282	75,000	4	(50,000)	25,286	57,003	55,000	855	(110,000)	2,858	79,979	18,000	1,200	(37,000)	62,178
2018	25,286	75,000	379	(50,000)	50,666	2,858	55,000	43		57,901	62,178	18,000	933	(37,000)	44,111
2019	50,666	75,000	760	(50,000)	76,425	57,901	55,000	869		113,769	44,111	18,000	662	(60,000)	2,773
2020	76,425	85,000	1,146	(50,000)	112,572	113,769	55,000	1,707		170,476	2,773	18,000	42		20,814
2021	112,572	85,000	1,689	(15,000)	184,260	170,476	55,000	2,557	(3,290,000)	(3,061,967)	20,814	18,000	312		39,126
2022	184,260	85,000	2,764	(15,000)	257,024	(3,061,967)	55,000	(45,930)	(180,000)	(3,232,897)	39,126	18,000	587		57,713
2023	257,024	85,000	3,855	(15,000)	330,880	(3,232,897)	55,000	(48,493)		(\$,226,390)	57,713	18,000	866	(37,000)	39,579
2024	330,880	85,000	4,963	(50,000)	370,843	(3,226,390)	55,000	(48,396)		(3\219,786)	39,579	18,000	594	(37,000)	21,173
2025	370,843	85,000	5,563	(15,000)	446,406	(3,219,786)	55,000	(48,297)		(3,213,083)	21,173	18,000	318		39,490
2026	446,406	85,000	6,696	(435,200)	102,902	(3,213,083)	55,000	(48,196)	(750,000)	(3,9\$6,279)	39,490	18,000	592		58,083
2027	102,902	90,000	1,544	(15,000)	179,445	(3,956,279)	55,000	(59,344)	1	(3,960,623)	58,083	18,000	871	(60,000)	16,954
2028	179,445	90,000	2,692	(15,000)	257,137	(3,960,623)	55,000	(59,409)		\(3, <b>965</b> \033)	16,954	18,000	254		35,208
2029	257,137	90,000	3,857	(15,000)	335,994	(3,965,033)	55,000	(59,475)	(315,000)	(4,284,508)	35,208	19,000	528	(37,000)	17,736
2030	335,994	90,000	5,040	(15,000)	416,034	(4,284,508)	55,000	(64,268)		(4,293,776)	17,736	19,000	266	(37,000)	2
2031	416,034	90,000	6,241	(15,000)	497,274	(4,293,776)	55,000	(64,407)		(4,303,182)	2	19,000	0		19,002
2032	497,274	90,000	7,459	(15,000)	579,733	(4,303,182)	55,000	(64,548)		(4,312,730)	19,002	19,000	285		38,288
2033	579,733	100,000	8,696	(15,000)	673,429	(4,312,730)	55,000	(64,691)		(4,322,421)	38,288	19,000	574		57,862
2034	673,429	100,000	10,101	(15,000)	768,531	(4,322,421)	55,000	(64,836)		(4\332,257)	57,862	19,000	868		77,730
2035	768,531	100,000	11,528	(15,000)	865,059	(4,332,257)	55,000	(64,984),	(315,000)	(4)657,241)	77,730	19,000	1,166	(97,000)	896
2036	865,059	100,000	12,976	(340,200)	637,835	(4,657,241)	55,000	(69,859)		(4,672,100)	896	19,000	13		19,909
2037	637,835	100,000	9,568	(340,200)	407,202	(4,672,100)	55,000	(70,081)	(160,000)	(4,847,181)	19,909	19,000	299	-	39,208

Knockholt Phase 3 Cell C

Clearylew Landfill \$1.54 million Leachata Collection System \$1.0 million Leachate Treatment System

Knockhoit \$750,000 Phase 3 Cell B Liner Development

Assumed Interest Rate 1.5%

Clearview Phase 2 Cell



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A Business Development Forum will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 19th from 8:30 - 3:15 at the Coast Inn of the North in Prince George.

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We are pleased to forward you notification that the BC Chamber of Commerce and the Prince George Chamber of Commerce are organizing a Business Development Forum to be held on Tuesday, Jan. 19th from 8:30am - 3:15pm at the Coast Inn of the North in Prince George. This timely event occurs just prior to the start of our Premier's BC Natural Resources Forum, which begins at 4:00 pm at the Civic Centre with the Trade Show Reception, followed by Dinner at 6:00pm.







"This event will focus on topics relevant to small and medium businesses servicing and supplying the natural resource sector. It will provide "golden nuggets" of information and ideas for easy implementation on current capital projects (and how to get a piece of them), available small business grants, navigating HR trends, and finding success in a changing economy."

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