

How property values and services shape your property taxes in the SLRD



1 Service costs are determined

The Squamish-Lillooet Regional District calculates the cost of providing regional and local services within each electoral area and service area. Each electoral area funds a distinct mix of services based on local needs, and only properties within a service area contribute to the cost of that service.

2 Assessing property value

BC Assessment determines the assessed value of each property based on factors such as location, size, age, condition, improvements and market value.

3 Calculating and collecting property taxes

Unlike municipalities, where property taxes are billed directly by the municipality, property tax notices in Electoral Areas are issued and collected by the Province of British Columbia through the BC Surveyor of Taxes. The Surveyor of Taxes applies the tax apportionment method set out in the applicable service establishment bylaw. The SLRD is not provided with detailed information about individual property tax bills.



Why property taxes differ

Property values vary, and not all properties receive the same combination of SLRD services. As a result, property tax amounts differ from property to property, and no two properties within a regional district pay the same amount of property tax.