

NOTICE OF ALTERNATIVE APPROVAL PROCESS

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given in accordance with section 345 of the Local Government Act and sections 86 and 94 of the Community Charter that the Squamish-Lillooet Regional District (the "SLRD") has proposed a new bylaw: Squamish-Lillooet Regional District Pemberton and District Recreation Contribution Service Establishing Bylaw No. 1784-2022 (the "**Proposed Bylaw**"). The participating area of the Proposed Bylaw is the entirety of Electoral Area C (the "**Proposed Service Area**"). The purpose of the Proposed Bylaw is to establish a financial contribution service for the Village of Pemberton to provide recreation services (the "**Proposed Service**") to the Proposed Service Area.

The Proposed Bylaw authorizes the SLRD to requisition up to the greater of \$600,000 or \$0.4919 per \$1,000 of net taxable assessed value of land and improvements in the Proposed Service Area. The SLRD is required to add a mandatory provincial fee of 5.25% to the stated rate per \$1,000, this coming to \$0.4919 + 5.25% = \$0.5177 per \$1,000. Therefore, the cost of the Proposed Service is to be borne by all taxable properties in the Proposed Service Area at a maximum annual tax requisition rate estimated as follows for residential properties:

Estimated maximum annual taxation (based on \$0.5177 per \$1,000)		
Property value (residential)	Rate per \$1,000	Annual tax requisition
\$100,000	\$0.5177	\$51.77
\$500,000	\$0.5177	\$258.85
\$1,000,000	\$0.5177	\$517.70

The Board is seeking participating area approval of electors in the Proposed Service Area by way of Alternative Approval Process. The number of eligible electors in the Proposed Service Area has been determined to be 3,028 and the number of elector responses required to prevent the Board from proceeding without the further assent of the electors is 302. **The deadline for elector responses for this Alternative Approval Process is 4:30 p.m. on June 12, 2023.** The Board may proceed with the Proposed Bylaw unless, by the deadline stated above, at least 10% (being 302) of the electors of the Proposed Service Area indicate that the Board must obtain approval by assent vote (referendum).

Elector responses must be given in the form established by the Board. Elector response forms are available on the SLRD website (www.slrd.bc.ca/Pemberton&DistrictRecServices) and at the SLRD office (1350 Aster Street in Pemberton, BC). The only persons entitled to sign the forms are electors of the Proposed Service Area. For more information about Resident Elector qualifications and Non-Resident Elector qualifications, please refer to the SLRD website (www.slrd.bc.ca/Pemberton&DistrictRecServices).

[PLEASE NOTE: The current recreation service is authorized by Pemberton / Area C Community Recreation Local Service Establishment Bylaw No. 646, 1997 ("Bylaw No. 646") with two participating areas (Electoral Area C & Village of Pemberton) and is currently being managed and operated by the Village of Pemberton pursuant to a 6-year agreement between the SLRD and the Village of Pemberton. With continued growth in the Village of Pemberton as well as the majority of recreation assets being located within Village boundaries, the Board has

directed that a proposed reorganization of the recreation service be undertaken on the basis that, upon completion of the reorganization, the intended total taxation from Electoral Area C is to remain consistent with the total taxation from Electoral Area C that occurred under Bylaw No. 646. A first step in the reorganization process is consideration of the Proposed Bylaw: the purpose of the Proposed Bylaw is for Electoral Area C to provide a financial contribution to the Village of Pemberton for providing recreation services to Electoral Area C on a long-term basis. The reorganization of the recreation service is intended to result in total taxation occurring under two bylaws instead of under one bylaw, with the two bylaws being: (1) the Proposed Bylaw - for recreation services to be delivered by the Village of Pemberton; and (2) Bylaw No. 646 - for recreation services limited to the (a) operating costs of Gates Lake Community Park; and (b) continuing debt obligations (until fully repaid in 2032) of the current recreation service. If the Proposed Bylaw is approved by the electors of Electoral Area C and adopted by the Board, the total taxation from Electoral Area C combined under the Proposed Bylaw and Bylaw No. 646 is intended to remain consistent with taxation that occurred under Bylaw No. 646. A second step in the reorganization process is consideration of an amendment of Bylaw No. 646 for the purpose of reducing the stated maximum annual tax requisition amount as the stated maximum annual tax requisition amount will be higher than needed. This bylaw amendment process requires the consent of the Electoral Area C Director and the Village of Pemberton Council and would be initiated after the Board adopts the Proposed Bylaw.]

For more information about the Alternative Approval Process and/or the proposed reorganization of the recreation service, please see www.slrd.bc.ca/Pemberton&DistrictRecServices or contact Corporate Officer A. Belsham by phone (604) 894-6371 (ext. 240) or by email (abelsham@slrd.bc.ca).