



REGIONAL DISTRICT OF KOOTENAY BOUNDARY

Regional District of Kootenay Boundary Waste Management Loan Authorization

NOTICE OF ALTERNATIVE APPROVAL PROCESS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to Section 269 of the *Local Government Act*, the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary is proposing to seek elector assent by alternative approval process in accordance with Section 86 of the *Community Charter*.

The question before the electors is whether they are opposed to the adoption of “Regional District of Kootenay Boundary Waste Management Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 1777, 2021” (Bylaw 1777).

SYNOPSIS OF BYLAW 1777 (the following synopsis of Bylaw 1777 is not intended as an interpretation of the Bylaw):

If adopted, Bylaw No. 1777 will authorize the Regional Board to borrow a sum of up to and not more than Four Million Six Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$4,600,000.00) to **undertake upgrades to the McKelvey Creek Landfill and to purchase organics processing equipment such as a wood grinder and/or a shredder**. The loan will be repaid over a period not to exceed 25 (twenty-five) years. The Regional Solid Waste Management Area is comprised of properties within the whole of the boundaries of the RDKB (see map below).

TAXPAYER IMPLICATIONS: The Regional District of Kootenay Boundary intends to recover the full cost through a property value tax imposed in accordance with Sections 378, 387 and 388 of the *Local Government Act*.

Based on the service bylaw (Bylaw No. 1090, 2000), the maximum amount of taxation that may be requisitioned in any one year for the service is \$1,000,000 or \$0.5/1000 of net taxable values, whichever is greater. In 2022, this resulted in a maximum taxation value of \$4,450,947.

The proposed 2022 tax requisition is \$1,714,085 (\$0.15429/1000). For the loan repayment years, the requisition amount **will increase by approximately \$305,635 per year** to cover the interest and principle payment (interest - \$126,720; principal - \$178,915). This amount may change depending on the timing of the purchases and interest rate at the time of borrowing. Based on this estimate and all other expenses being equal, the corresponding amount of the requisition rate will increase from \$1,714,085 to \$2,019,720.

The forecasted tax implication for property owners is as follows:

Residential Property Value*	2022 (\$)	2023 (\$)	2024 (\$)	2025 (\$)	2026 (\$)
\$100,000	0.29	2.75	2.75	2.75	2.75
\$250,000	0.71	6.88	6.88	6.88	6.88
\$500,000	1.43	13.76	13.76	13.76	13.76

\$750,000	2.14	20.63	20.63	20.63	20.63
\$1,000,000	2.85	27.51	27.51	27.51	27.51

**based on current assessment (2022 Completed Roll)*

ALTERNATIVE APPROVAL PROCESS: Under section 86 of the *Community Charter*, approval of the electors within the Regional Solid Waste Management Area is being obtained through the Alternative Approval Process. Therefore, eligible electors within the service area who are **OPPOSED** to the RDKB borrowing these funds may petition against the adoption of Bylaw No. 1777 by signing and submitting an Elector Response Form.

The Board of Directors has determined that a fair estimate of the total number of eligible electors within the Regional Solid Waste Management Area is **29,445**. Accordingly, pursuant to Section 86(1)(c) of the *Community Charter*, **2,945** or more electors must sign the Elector Response Form to prevent the Board from proceeding without the assent of the electors.

ELECTOR RESPONSE FORM: The Elector Response Form **must** be in the form approved by the Board of Directors. The form will be ready for distribution to any eligible elector as of the date the RDKB Board of Directors first publishes this Notice in the *Castlegar News* on February 7; on February 8 in the *Trail Times*; on February 9 in the *Grand Forks Gazette*; and in the *Rossland News, West Kootenay Advertiser* and *Boundary Creek Times* on February 10th. The notice will also be on the RDKB website. Forms and a copy of Bylaw No. 1777 are available in person at 202—843 Rossland Ave., Trail, BC; via email at corporate@rdkb.com; via phone at 250.368.9148 ex. 225; or on the RDKB website at <https://rdkb.com/Regional-Government/Elections-and-Other-Voting>.

WHO MAY SIGN THE ELECTOR RESPONSE FORM: Electors, either resident or owning property within the boundaries of the Regional Solid Waste Management Area, are the only persons entitled to sign the Elector Response Form. An elector is a person who meets the requirements and qualifications defined by the *Local Government Act* as described in detail on the Elector Response Form.

A Resident Elector must:

- be age 18 or older;
- be a Canadian citizen;
- have been a resident of British Columbia for at least 6 months immediately before signing the Elector Response Form;
- have been a resident of the Service Area for at least 30 days before signing the Elector Response Form; and
- not be disqualified by any enactment from voting in an election or otherwise disqualified by law.

A Non-Resident Property Elector must:

- not be entitled to register as a resident elector of the Service Area;
- be age 18 or older;
- be a Canadian citizen;
- have been a resident of British Columbia for at least 6 months immediately before signing the

Elector Response Form;

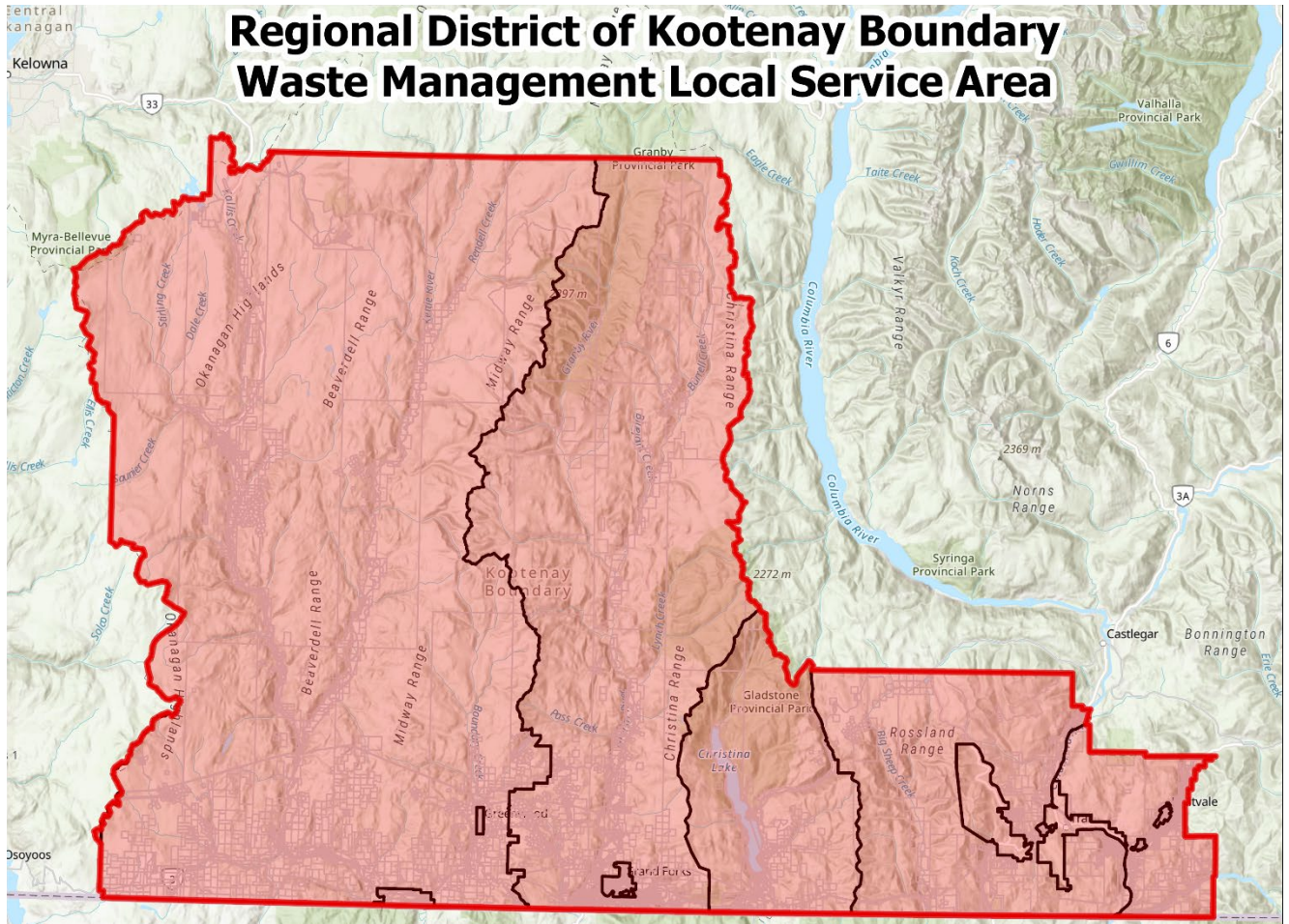
- have been a registered owner of real property within the Service Area for at least 30 days before signing the Elector Response Form;
- not be disqualified by any enactment from voting in an election or otherwise disqualified by law;
- be registered owners of the real property, either as joint tenants or tenants in common, and not be holding the property in trust for a corporation or another trust; and
- not be registered as a non-resident property elector in relation to any other parcel of real property within the jurisdiction.

Note: If there is more than one registered owner of the property (either as joint tenants or tenants in common), only one of those individuals, with the written consent of the majority of the owners, may register as a nonresident property elector.

No corporation is entitled to be registered as an elector of have a representative registered as an elector and no corporation is entitled to vote.

DEADLINE FOR RESPONSE: The Elector Response Form must be received by the undersigned before **4:30 pm. on Monday, March 21, 2022.** Original forms must be delivered to the Corporate Officer by either Canada Post mail or in person (drop box) at the Trail RDKB office at 843 Rossland Ave., Trail, BC. Alternatively, forms may be emailed to corporate@rdkb.com or faxed to 250.368.3990. The forms must be original forms signed by duly qualified electors as noted above.

If you have questions regarding this proposal or would like an Elector Response Form, please contact the undersigned. Information regarding this process can also be found at <https://rdkb.com/Regional-Government/Elections-and-Other-Voting>.



Dated at Trail, BC this 26th day of January, 2022.

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