



Notice of Alternative Approval Process

Salmo and Electoral Area G Library Financial Aid Service Bylaw No. 2837, 2022

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Board of Directors (the Board) of the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) proposes to proceed with the repeal and replacement of Salmo and Portion of Electoral Area G Library Financial Aid Service Bylaw No. 791, 1999 with *Salmo and Electoral Area G Library Financial Aid Service Bylaw No. 2837, 2022*.

PURPOSE:

This bylaw replaces Bylaw 791 as the means by which Electoral Area G and the Village of Salmo fund the Salmo Valley Library. The Bylaw if adopted will expand the service area to include all of Electoral Area G and will require that service participants, the Village of Salmo and Electoral Area G, are requisitioned at the same rate per thousand of assessed value of land and improvements.

AREA:

The Bylaw No. 2837 will include Electoral Area G and the Village of Salmo.

ALTERNATIVE APPROVAL PROCESS (AAP):

Under Section 86 of the *Community Charter*, approval of the electors within the service area is being obtained by means of AAP. Therefore, eligible electors within the service area **opposed** to the RDCK adopting Bylaw No. 2837 may petition against the adoption by signing an **Elector Response Form**.

At least 10% of electors must petition against the proposal prior to the deadline date, which is at least 30 days after the last publication of the Notice, in order to prevent the Board from proceeding with the Bylaw.

ELECTOR RESPONSE FORM:

The Elector Response Form must be in the form established by the Board and is available at the RDCK Nelson Office at 202 Lakeside Drive, the Salmo Village Office or from the RDCK's website.

RATE IMPLICATIONS:

The proposed residential rate for the service is \$0.1262/\$1000 of assessed residential value.

This bylaw proposes to include 145 new properties from Area G into the service. In the table below this portion of Area G is referred to as Area G New.

| Participant | Average Value | 2023 Tax |
|----------------|---------------|----------|
| Salmo | \$288,152 | \$36.36 |
| Area G Current | \$268,054 | \$33.81 |
| Area G New | \$269,984 | \$34.05 |

In accordance with the 5 year (2022-2026) financial plan for the service the amount taxed in 2024, 2025, and 2026 for the average home would be as follows.

| Participant | Average Value | 2024-26 |
|-------------|---------------|---------|
| Area G | \$ 268,275 | \$33.86 |
| Salmo | \$ 288,152 | \$36.37 |

WHO MAY SIGN THE ELECTOR RESPONSE FORM:

Electors within the boundaries of the service area are the only persons entitled to sign the Elector Response Form. An elector is a person who meets the requirements and qualifications as described on the Elector Response Form. The Board has resolved that a fair estimate of the number of electors in the subject area is 2289. Accordingly, pursuant to Section 86 of the *Community Charter*, 229 or more electors must sign the Elector Response Form to prevent the Board from proceeding.

DEADLINE:

The Elector Response Form must be received by the undersigned before **4:30 p.m. on September 5, 2022**.

WHERE TO GET MORE INFORMATION:

Bylaw 2837 can be viewed on the RDCK website or at the RDCK Office at 202 Lakeside Dr, Nelson BC.

For information regarding the Alternative Approval Process or to request an Elector Response Form, please contact Tom Dool, Chief Elections Officer at 250.352.8173 or tdool@rdck.bc.ca.

For information regarding the proposed changes to the Salmo and Electoral Area G Library Financial Aid Service please contact Electoral Area G Director Hans Cunningham at 250.357.9996 or hcunningham@rdck.bc.ca or Mayor Diana Lockwood at 250.357.9257 or dlockwood@rdck.bc.ca.