



REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY

YMIR WATER COMMISSION OF MANAGEMENT OPEN MEETING MINUTES

Time: 10:00 am PST

Date: Friday December 12, 2025

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Meeting ID: 924 4428 5701

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In-Person Location: Ymir Fire Hall, 7208 First Avenue, Ymir

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT

Director H. Cunningham	Electoral Area G	In-Person
Commissioner T. Nixon		In-Person
Commissioner J. Leus		In-Person
Commissioner S. Mountford		In-Person (RDCK)

COMMISSION MEMBERS ABSENT

Commissioner T. Kingsley
Commissioner L. Hamnett

STAFF

Uli Wolf	General Manager of Environmental Services
Alexandra Divlakovski	Water Operations Manager
Emma Clark	Meeting Coordinator

4 out of 6 voting Commission members were present – quorum was met.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Manager Wolf called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

1.1. TRADITIONAL LANDS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT

We acknowledge and respect the indigenous peoples within whose traditional lands we are meeting today.

1.2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOVED and seconded,
AND Resolved:

The Agenda for the December 12, 2025 Ymir Water Commission of Management meeting, be adopted as circulated.

Carried

1.3. RECEIPT OF MINUTES

The March 17, 2025 Ymir Water Commission of Management meeting minutes, have been received.

2. STAFF VERBAL REPORTS

2.1 OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE & CAPITAL UPDATE

Operations & Maintenance

- A new and more accurate level transmitter was installed in the intake weir for creek flow monitoring
- One significant service line leak was repaired by a customer this past spring
- Three hydrants were identified for repair during spring inspections and are now operational
- The intake pond was dredged to remove accumulated gravel and silt

Capital Projects

- No capital completed in 2025

Future Capital

- Replace obsolete UV units in 2027

2.3 QUARTZ CREEK NATURAL ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAN (NAMP)

The Quartz Creek NAMP provides a comprehensive assessment of Quartz Creek as a natural asset that underpins the Ymir water system, documenting existing conditions, anticipated land-use impacts, and the associated risks to water quality and supply continuity. It establishes a baseline for watershed condition and identifies priority monitoring, restoration, and risk-mitigation actions to help ensure long-term viability of the source water.

Overall, the NAMP reinforces that the watershed itself is a critical piece of infrastructure and that maintaining service levels requires both monitoring and ongoing engagement with upstream land-use activities. The NAMP provides additional technical information for future discussions with the Province and licensees regarding cumulative impacts and mitigation opportunities.

2.4 QUARTZ CREEK FLOW MONITORING SUMMARY

The 2024 Quartz Creek Flow and Water Quality Monitoring Report provides an updated picture of source conditions at the Ymir intake. Flow monitoring shows a wide seasonal range, with peak visually-recorded flows of approximately 395 L/s on April 30 and minimum flows of 8 L/s on September 16, reflecting the watershed's sensitivity to freshet and late-season low-flow periods. Data reliability improved in 2024 following controls upgrades in February, although visual readings were still used due to earlier level-sensor failures.

Water quality results remain consistent with prior years. Raw-water turbidity peaked at only 0.59 NTU during freshet (June 3), and pH values remained stable between 7.12 and 7.64. All raw and treated bacteriological samples were within acceptable limits, with no adverse treated-water results. Quarterly comprehensive chemistry results and disinfection-byproduct monitoring (THMs/HAA5s) also remained well below Canadian Drinking Water Quality guideline limits.

Overall, the 2024 monitoring indicates that Quartz Creek continues to provide high-quality source water, but also reinforces the need for ongoing flow measurement and watershed oversight, particularly given the sharp decline to late-summer low flows.

3. 2026-2030 DRAFT FINANCIAL PLAN

The 2026-2030- DRAFT Financial Plan for Service S244 Water Utility-Area G (Ymir), has been received.

MOVED and seconded,
AND Resolved:

That the Ymir Water Commission of Management approve the draft 2026-2030 Financial Plan for the Water Utility-Area G (Ymir) Service S244.

Carried

4. PUBLIC TIME

The Chair called for questions from the public at 10:44 a.m.

No public.

5. NEXT MEETING

The next Ymir Water Commission of Management meeting will be scheduled at the call of the Chair.

6. ADJOURNMENT
MOVED and seconded,
AND Resolved:

The Ymir Water Commission of Management meeting be adjourned at 10:46 a.m.

Carried

APPROVED BY

Director Cunningham, Chair