



Board Highlights

June 18, 2026

2025 Statement of Financial Information Report

The Board approved the release of the 2025 Statement of Financial Information (SOFI) Report. In accordance with the Financial Information Act, the RDCK must make the SOFI available to the public each year. The purpose of the reporting is to ensure the transparency and accountability of the local government financial system. [Click here](#) to view the 2025 report.

Added funding for Castlegar and District Arena and Walking Track Project

The Board approved an additional \$2,509,000 in taxation funding to be included in the Draft Financial Plan for the Castlegar and District Arena and Walking Track Project. These additional costs include obtaining a building permit, watermain and hydrant relocation, and a 10% contingency fund. By covering these additional costs through taxation, rather than reducing the \$15,000,000 design-build budget, the goal is to improve the likelihood of attracting qualified proponents and receiving a compliant proposal. The proposed approach would spread taxation impacts over the first three years of the new service (subject to voter approval), resulting in an estimated annual cost of about \$168 for the average residential property, which aligns with prior public engagement feedback.

[Click here](#) for the latest information on the Castlegar & District Arena and Walking Track

Electoral Areas A, B, and C Dangerous and Aggressive Dog Control Service Establishment

The Board adopted Electoral Areas A, B, and C Dangerous and Aggressive Dog Control Service Establishment Bylaw No. 3067, 2026. Elector approval for the new bylaw was obtained through the Alternative Approval Process (AAP). A total of 175 qualified electoral response forms were received, well below the 787 (representing 10% of eligible electors) opposition threshold that would stop the Board from proceeding with bylaw adoption. Taxation for the new service will start in January 2027, with the service beginning in 2027 after the regulatory bylaw is adopted later in 2026.

[Click here](#) for the official results.

Goat River Watershed Water Sustainability Project

The RDCK Board received for information the draft Terms of Reference and 2026 Workplan for the Goat River Watershed Collective Conversations Working Group and formally acknowledged it as a tripartite, recommendation making body involving yaqan nuʔkiy, the RDCK, and the Province of British Columbia.

For more information

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Established in response to ongoing water scarcity challenges in the Goat River Watershed, the working group provides a structured, collaborative approach to developing water management solutions that balance domestic, agricultural, and ecological needs. The group will assess watershed conditions, define shared values, and evaluate tools under the Water Sustainability Act, while incorporating input from elected officials and the public.

The Board also received the “What We Heard” findings from initial community engagement for the Goat River Watershed Water Sustainability Project. The findings showed widespread concern about declining water availability, seasonal shortages, and impacts on wells, ecosystems, and agriculture. Key themes include infrastructure gaps, land use impacts, governance concerns, and the need for better communication, alongside a shared interest in practical solutions and long-term stewardship. The findings will be used to guide the next phase of planning, with further updates expected later in 2026.

For more information on the project and to provide your feedback [click here](#).

Marblehead Transfer Station – Retaining Wall Repair

The Board awarded the Marblehead Transfer Station retaining wall replacement project to Brenton Industries Ltd. for \$172,509. The retaining wall originally collapsed in December 2025, creating safety risks and reducing site capacity and efficiency. The replacement is essential for the site to return to normal operations. The project is expected to be completed by early September.

RDCK Quarterly Report

The RDCK Quarterly Report provides a condensed summary of active projects and initiatives within the RDCK. The report includes a clear and concise understanding of each project and its connection to the Board’s strategic priorities. [Click here](#) to view the latest quarterly report, including the most recently completed projects.

[Click here](#) to view the quarterly report page on the RDCK website.

Director’s Reports

RDCK Directors provide monthly reports outlining what they have been working on. [Click here](#) to read the June reports in the Board minutes.

RDCK Board Meeting Video Recording

To view a recording of this month’s meetings, [click here](#).

Discretionary Grants

[AREA A](#)

Alice Siding Water Society – Strengthening Awareness to our goal \$350

[AREA E](#)

Nelson and District Chamber of Commerce – Canada Day Regional Celebration \$1,000

AREA H

Slocan Solutions Society – Friends of the Valley Voice Celebration	\$1,500
Treehugger Events Society – HARMONY	\$500

AREA J

City of Castlegar – Canada Day Celebration	\$2,000
The Just Bee Cause Society – Petrykivka Traditional Ukrainian Folk Art Workshop	\$150

Community Development Grants

AREA A

Crawford Bay & District Hall & Parks Association – Crawford Bay Hall Rejuvenation Project	\$20,000
Creston Valley Chamber of Commerce – 301 Suite Coworking Space	\$10,000

AREA C

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AREA D

Lardeau Valley Opportunity LINKS Society – LINKS Operations and Project Supports	\$15,000
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AREA E

Nelson & District Chamber of Commerce – Canada Day Regional Celebration	\$1,000
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AREA H

Nelson Public Library – Library Services for Area H	\$3,400
Rosebery-Bonanza Summit Trail Alliance – Rosebery-Bonanza Summit Trail Improvements	\$5,000
Slocan Valley Community Service Society – Seniors Transportation	\$7,000

AREA I

Destination Castlegar (Castlegar & District Chamber of Commerce) – Fish Out Derby	\$1,500
Shoreacres Hall Society – Community Development	\$2,000

AREA J

Cops for Kids – Annual Bike Ride	\$3,000
Deer Park Recreation Society – Major Tanker Truck Repair	\$7,912.01
Destination Castlegar (Castlegar & District Chamber of Commerce) – Fish Out Derby	\$1,500
Grand Forks ATV – Clearing trails in RDCK Area J	\$5,000

AREA K

Emergency Support Services – Area K – Emergency preparedness presentations	\$1,000
Fauquier Communications Centre Society – Fauquier Centre Concert Series	\$1,200
Fauquier Community Club – Pavilion Upgrades	\$2,870
Nakusp and Area Bike Society – Beyond the Trails: Expanding Campground Access at Mt. Abriel	\$20,000

VILLAGE OF SALMO

Salmo Emergency Support Services Team – Support Services	\$500
Village of Salmo – Salmo's 80 th Birthday Celebration	\$2,000

VILLAGE OF SLOCAN

Village of Slocan – Harmony Festival

\$950

Village of Slocan – Legion Heating

\$1,382.37

Village of Slocan – WEG Community Garden

\$1,000