

**NOTICE: That a Regular Meeting of the District of Barriere Municipal Council will be held at District Hall, 4936 Barriere Town Road, in Barriere, B.C. on July 21, 2025, at 5:30pm for the transaction of business listed below.**

*Daniel Drexler, Chief Administrative Officer*

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## **AGENDA**

*"We acknowledge and respect the indigenous peoples of Simpcw First Nation within whose lands we are meeting today."*

### **1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

That Council approve the July 21, 2025, Regular Council Meeting Agenda.

### **2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

- a. That Council adopt the minutes of the June 23, 2025, Regular Council Meeting.

### **3. PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS**

- a. Shane Baykey – re: Wastewater Service Connection

### **4. STAFF REPORTS**

- a. Departmental Updates – Department Heads  
*\*submitted for information*
- b. Finance Quarterly 2 Update – D. Drexler, CAO  
*\*submitted for information*
- c. Permissive Tax Exemption Application (LNTCFS) – T. Buchanan, Corporate Officer
- d. Development Permit Application: DP-25-01 BMI – T. Buchanan, Corporate Officer  
***Recommendation: That Development Permit Application No. 25-02 BMI be approved as presented.***
- e. Strategic Planning – D. Drexler, CAO  
***Recommendation: THAT Council instructs Staff to include, in addition to the "ATV/Side by Side on District Roads" item, the following items for discussion at the Strategic Planning Update workshop to be held later this year:***
  - 1. Dog/Animal Control Options;***
  - 2. Dumpster rental program.***

### **5. BYLAWS and POLICIES – none scheduled**

- a. DRAFT Zoning Bylaw No. 111, Amendment Bylaw No. 257 – 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> readings & adoption  
*\*with attached staff report – re: General Amendments*
- b. DRAFT Zoning Bylaw No. 111, Amendment Bylaw No. 258 – 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> readings & adoption  
*\*with attached staff report – re: RZ-25-01*



## 6. CORRESPONDENCE

a. For Information

b. For Action

i. North Thompson Fall Fair & Rodeo – re: Request for solid waste collection at 2025 event.

ii. CN Rail – re: National Rail Safety Week Support Request

***Recommendation: THAT Council support national Rail Safety Week to be held from September 15 to 21, 2025.***

## 7. COUNCIL REPORTS

## 8. MAYOR'S REPORT

## 9. PUBLIC INQUIRIES

## 10. NOTICE OF MOTION

## 11. CONVENE INTO CLOSED SESSION

*Pursuant to Sections 90(1)(c)(k)(f) of the Community Charter, that the public interest requires that persons other than Council Members and required staff be excluded from the meeting and that Council continues the meeting in closed session to discuss confidential matters.*

## 12. RECONVENE OPEN MEETING

## 13. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION (if required)

## 14. NEXT MEETING – Regular Council Meeting – August 18, 2025 @ 5:30pm

## 15. ADJOURNMENT



**DISTRICT OF BARRIERE**  
**MINUTES OF A REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

Held on Monday, June 23, 2025 at 5:30pm in the Council Chambers at Municipal Hall  
4936 Barriere Town Road, Barriere, B.C.

*“We acknowledge and respect the indigenous peoples of Simpcw First Nation  
within whose traditional lands we are meeting today.”*

Present:                    Acting Mayor Councillor Scott Kershaw  
                                 Councillor Judy Armstrong  
                                 Councillor Donna Kibble  
                                 Councillor Louise Lodge  
                                 Councillor Colin McInnis  
                                 Councillor Brody Mosdell

Regrets:                   Mayor Rob Kerslake

Staff:                     Daniel Drexler, Chief Administrative Officer  
                                 Chris Matthews, Public Works Manager  
                                 Tasha Buchanan, Corporate Officer  
                                 Alexis Hovenkamp, Fire Chief

*Acting Mayor Kershaw called the meeting to order at 5:30pm*

**1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Moved by Councillor Lodge  
Seconded by Councillor McInnis  
That Council approve the June 23, 2025, Regular Council Meeting Agenda.

CARRIED

**2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

- a. Moved by Councillor Mosdell  
Seconded by Councillor Lodge  
That Council adopt the minutes of the June 9, 2025, Regular Council Meeting.

CARRIED

**3. PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS**

- a. Barriere Foodbank – Sherrie Dilley re: Barriere Foodbank Statistics and Overview

Ms. Dilley provided a handout to Council that included the facility’s statistics and a “How to Donate” flyer. In addition, Ms. Dilley provided a report on the changes that the Barriere Foodbank has seen lately which include an increased trend of use of the Foodbank.

Highlighted in the report include:

- Barriere’s Foodbank is now accredited with Foodbanks Canada.
- Expenses equal roughly \$3,000 a month.
- Hampers are based on household size.
- User base is increasing significantly



It was suggested to Ms. Dilley that the Food Bank consider partnering with other organizations such as Community Futures to help run campaigns.

#### 4. **BYLAWS and POLICIES – none scheduled**

- a. DRAFT Zoning Bylaw No. 111, Amendment Bylaw No. 257 – 1<sup>st</sup> reading  
*\*with attached staff report*

**Moved by Councillor Lodge**

**Seconded by Councillor Mosdell**

**That Zoning Bylaw No. 111, Amendment Bylaw No. 257 be formally advertised and brought back to the July 21, 2025 Meeting for consideration.**

**CARRIED**

#### 5. **STAFF REPORTS**

- a. Departmental Updates – Department Heads  
*\*submitted for information*

An overview of the written report was provided to Council with the following additions:

- Fire Chief, Alexis Hovenkamp, has completed the Emergency Scene Management (ESM) Level 1 – NFPA 1021 course which is an exceptional accomplishment.
- Yard Waste Day has been rescheduled to November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025.
- The District's contractor who constructs the memorial benches on order, is retiring. It was reported that the District is nearing its capacity for installed benches on public property but other memorial options remain available. In addition, the proposed cemetery memorial wall project may provide the public with an additional memorial option going forward.
- In regard to the five, newly acquired commercial dumpsters, it was suggested that they be made available (when not spoken for) to rent by the public.

**Moved by Councillor Lodge**

**Seconded by Councillor McInnis**

**That staff be directed to research the feasibility of developing a temporary rental program for available, commercial dumpsters.**

**CARRIED**

- Council agreed that staff have the authority to adjust the bandshell public washroom opening/closing hours as needed throughout the summer and asked staff to keep Council informed of any changes.



- The CAO provided a PowerPoint presentation titled “***Year in Review – June 2024 – June 2025***’ marking a year that he has been in the position with an overview of the year’s accomplishments.

b. Strategic Priorities Fund – D. Drexler, CAO

An overview of the written report was provided to Council.

**Moved by Councillor McInnis**

**Seconded by Councillor Lodge**

**THAT Council instructs Staff to pursue Capital Option Fire Hall for the Strategic Priorities Fund application and prepare the necessary cost estimates to be funded from operating funds or surplus.**

**AND FURTHER THAT Council instructs Staff to pursue a wastewater and/or water utility infrastructure development plan under the Capacity Building stream.**

**CARRIED**

c. 2024 Annual Water Report – C. Matthews, Public Works Manager

A copy of the full document is available at the District Office and on the District’s website.

**Moved by Councillor Armstrong**

**Seconded by Councillor Lodge**

**THAT Council approve the 2024 Annual Water Report.**

**CARRIED**

## 6. CORRESPONDENCE

a. For Information

b. For Action

i. Yellowhead Pioneer Residence Society – Grant Application

**Moved by Councillor McInnis**

**Seconded by Councillor Kibble**

**That Council approve up to \$500 grant funding, in the form of a combination of funds and material donations to the Yellowhead Pioneer Residence Society.**

**CARRIED**

## 7. COUNCIL REPORTS

a. Councillor Mosdell provided a verbal report on the following:

- Volunteered at the 2025 Block Party

b. Councillor Lodge provided a verbal report on the following:



- Attended the 2025 Grade 12 Graduation Ceremony
- Attended the Fire Department Car Wash & BBQ fundraiser
- Volunteered at the 2025 Block Party and commended District staff and Council for all of the hard work and support provided to assist in making the event as successful as it was.

c. Councillor Kibble provided a verbal report on the following:

- Volunteered at the 2025 Block Party
- Museum Demo Day was a great success and is planning a community kite making day.

d. Councillor Armstrong provided a verbal report on the following:

- Volunteered at the 2025 Block Party
- NTACS is losing their Office Manager, Mary Martin, who is moving to the Lower Mainland.

## 8. **MAYOR'S REPORT**

a. Acting Mayor Kershaw provided a verbal report on the following:

- Volunteered at the 2025 Block Party
- Attended the 2025 "Keeping it Rural" Conference in Kelowna

b. Mayor Kerslake provided a written report in his absence that was read on his behalf by the CAO which will be added to the published agenda for the record.

9. **PUBLIC INQUIRIES** – *none presented.*

10. **NOTICE OF MOTION** – *none presented.*

11. **CONVENE INTO CLOSED SESSION**

**Moved by Councillor Lodge**

**Seconded by Councillor McInnis**

**That pursuant to Sections 90(1)(c)(k)(2)(b) of the Community Charter, that the public interest requires that persons other than Council Members and required staff be excluded from the meeting and that Council continues the meeting in closed session to discuss confidential matters at 7:38p.m.**

**CARRIED**

12. **RECONVENE OPEN MEETING** – *the meeting reconvened into open session at 8:45p.m.*

13. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM CLOSED SESSION** *(if required)*

14. **NEXT MEETING** – *Regular Council Meeting – July 21, 2025 @ 5:30pm*



## 15. **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Councillor Lodge that the meeting adjourn at 8:45p.m.

CARRIED

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Scott Kershaw, Acting Mayor

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Tasha Buchanan, Corporate Officer





## DISTRICT OF BARRIERE

# Application to Appear Before Council or Committee

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4936 Barriere Town Road, P.O. Box 219, Barriere, B.C., V0E 1E0

Phone: 250-672-9751, Email: inquiry@barriere.ca

**FAX: (250) 672-9708**

**Date:** June 19, 2025

**Name of Applicant:** Shane Baykey

**On Behalf of:** S. J. Baykey Ltd  
(Organization, Business, Self. etc.)

**Mailing Address:** 5471-184 St. Sry. B.C. V3E 1E1

**Local Street Address:** 4639 Barriere Town Rd.

**Telephone Number:** ( ) or ( )

**Issue Applicant Wishes Addressed:**

CONNECTING TO DISTRICT WASTE WATER VIA DISTRICT PROPERTY AND HOW CAN DISTRICT HELP OUT WITH EXPENSES.

**Applicant's Relevant Information:**

(Provide additional information in an attachment if required)

**Preferred Forum (Council or Committee) Appearance Date:** July 21/25

- Note:**
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  - \* This form will become part of the public record and will be distributed to Council, staff, media and the public.
  - \* The information on this form is collected in order to respond to your request to appear before Council. If you have any questions about the collection and use of this information, please contact the Chief Administrative Officer, Municipal Hall.
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### FOR DISTRICT USE ONLY

Scheduled Council or Committee Appearance Date:

Agenda Number:

Back-Up Received



District of Barriere

# REPORT TO COUNCIL

<b>Date:</b> July 21, 2025	
<b>To:</b> Council	<b>From:</b> Department Heads
<b>Re: Departmental Updates</b>	

## **CORPORATE OFFICER:**

### **General:**

- Responded to 11 Bylaw Enforcement calls
- Participated in two development meetings
- Responded to three subdivision/planning inquiries
- The District's contractor who constructs the concrete memorial benches that initially communicated retirement as reported at the last Council Meeting, has had a change of heart and will still be available for memorial orders as well as is providing potential design options for the proposed Memorial Wall project.
- Completed LGCAP Climate Adaptation annual reporting.

### **Recreation:**

- Along with members of Council, Staff, and the Rec Committee, facilitated the 2025 Canada Day Celebration on July 1st.
- The first Bandshell Friday event was held with success on July 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025 and the first Movie Night was held, but subject to unagreeable weather, on July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2025.
- Participated in a Rec Committee Working Group Session

## **PUBLIC WORKS MANAGER:**

Operations			
Public Works			
	June	2025 YTD	2024
Potholes Filled	12	30	130
Pavement Repairs (ft2)	3210	12928	17657
Burials	0	0	1
Cremations	1	4	7
Vandalism/Graffiti/Break-ins	1	12	n/a
Deceased Animal Recovery	0	1	4
After Hours Call Outs	0	2	n/a
Water Distribution			
	June	2025 YTD	2024
New Construction Service Connections	0	0	4
Water Service On/Off Request	2	20	33
Interior Health Water Quality Tests	12	72	156
Water Usage (m3)	61,149	228,833	441,825
Waterline Repairs	0	2	6
After Hours Call Outs	1	~8	~15



Wastewater Collection & Treatment			
	June	2025 YTD	2024
New Construction Service Connections	0	0	5
Ministry of Environment Wastewater Tests	7	42	84
After Hours Call Outs	0	0	0
General			
	June	2025 YTD	2024
BC One Calls Supported	6	20	31
Events Supported	2	5	5

- Implemented 30 Km/Hr signage in Greentree Estates
- Awarded LCIP watermain extension Phase 3 contract to Borrow Enterprises
- Received final authorization letter from MOE for new WWTP project
- Bandshell washroom repairs on-going - painting completed
- Hall Road track crossing replacement tentatively scheduled for September
- Bi-annual water system inspection conducted by Interior Health - not anticipating any major issues
- Received Flood Mitigation Plan project update from TRUE Consulting.

## **FIRE CHIEF:**

### **Fire Department Updates:**

- Calls: 8: 1 Vehicle Fire, 1 Vehicle Fire in the Interface, 1 Miscellaneous (Assist for RCMP), 1 Fire Investigation and 4 Fire Burning Complaints
- Training: 2 Wildland Training Nights and 2 Rope Training Nights
- Volunteer levels remain low during the weekends and while volunteers are on vacation and during regular business hours

### **FireSmart:**

- FSC has officially signed paperwork with Simpcw First Nation to become their FSC
- Attending the Teniye Market (July 19<sup>th</sup> from 10AM-2PM)
- FireSmart Assessments: Sunset Heights Trailer Park: 43 Mobile Homes and several outbuildings

### **Weather:**

- Weather changing daily, consistently staying in the 'Moderate' Fire Danger Rating
- Drought: Consistently in level 2



## **CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER:**

### **Finance:**

Financial Services			
	June	2025 YTD	2024
Cash Collected	\$ 1,310,876	\$ 2,753,554	\$ 4,613,799
Cash Disbursed	\$ 411,084	\$ 2,481,132	\$ 5,507,994
ICIP Wastewater Treatment Grant Funds Received		\$ 186,018	

- Additional financial details can be found in the Q2 update memorandum.
- Focus for the department is on on-boarding of 2 new staff and transitioning to audit needs.
- Reserve Bylaw structure is under review – see Bylaws under Governance below.

### **Development:**

Development Activity			
Construction Activity:	June	2025 YTD	2024
Total Building Permit Applications:	0	11	
Total Construction Value:	\$0	\$1,385,325	

- We issued no building permits in the month of June but had a decent quarter overall with the start of 2 new single-family buildings as well as a new modular on a foundation and a large, detached shop.
- The construction value for the Q2 quarter is \$978,225 for 5 permits.

### **Governance:**

- Agreements / Contracts:
  - Community Hall Lease Agreement – complete
  - TNRD – Structure Fire Protection Service Agreement – in progress, recommended changes are submitted to TNRD
- Policies / Bylaws:
  - Reserve Bylaw structure is under review for more strategic alignment. – Anticipated for August meeting.
  - Working on Water Bylaw, Wastewater Bylaw, Solid Waste Bylaw, and Streetlighting Bylaw review – initial summary to be discussed with Council in August.
  - OCP Refresh Update draft – comments have been submitted to consultant who are reviewing the feedback provided.
  - Tangible Capital Assets (TCA) Policy will be worked on over the next few months.

### **Administration:**

- Held staff workshop regarding the new Procurement Policy.



- Met with UBCM staff about current local concerns (focused on Council's delegation requests (Ambulance, Energy, MoTI), but also on criticality of Fire Hall grant application)
- Along with the Fire Chief, visited the Loon Lake fire hall to explore current minimum fire hall needs.
- Along with Public Works Manager, met with True Consulting about floodplain maps and flood mitigation planning.
- Along with Public Works Manager and Utilities Staff, met with Interior Health Authority (IHA) representative regarding our water utility system and future plans.

*\*submitted for information*



District of Barriere

# REPORT TO COUNCIL

## Memorandum

<b>Date:</b> July 21, 2025	<b>File:</b> 530.20/Rpts
<b>To:</b> Council	<b>From:</b> Chief Administrative Officer
<b>Re: Financial Update – Q2 2025</b>	

### Purpose

To provide Council with a Financial Update for Q2 2025.

### Background

The attached financial reports are based on available information up until June 30, 2025, or July 3, 2025, respectively. The package consists of operating revenues and expenditures for General Operations and the Utilities, a summary of the Capital Projects progress, as well as a summary of Special Operating Grant related projects.

The timing of receipts or invoices may be a factor in whether certain revenues and expenses have been captured to date. The budget amounts used in these reports are those of the approved budget adopted by Council as part of the Financial Plan Bylaw in April 2025.

The following summary includes some highlights and additional information regarding the financial results.

#### Operating Revenue Highlights:

- Although the District sent invoices for all property taxes in May, there are still roughly \$428,293 in **Taxes** outstanding:
  - \$227,040 outstanding for 2025 taxes (Current)
  - \$128,892 outstanding for 2024 taxes (Arrears)
  - \$72,361 outstanding for 2023 and prior taxes (Delinquent)

District Staff have been working on the Delinquent category with various residents. We are also preparing for the statutory tax sale deadlines (last Monday in September). This step generally encourages several parties to come forward and pay at least their delinquent tax share at that time.

- Revenue from Own Sources** is below budget by roughly 10%. Ridge Gym Rentals are performing below expectations at this point; however, the fall is generally when this picks up. In addition, we are currently renewing leases with the BBC tenants and as such this revenue item is behind schedule.



- **Revenue from Other Government** is below budget as the audit is not complete and as such the Community Works Fund has not been fully issued to the District, only \$143,000 was received for the completed 2023 audit so far. Also, the Small Communities Grant (\$425,000) is still outstanding, as is the TNRD's portion of the fire service (\$50,500). Wildfire support revenue will also be included in this category, which is higher than budgeted; however, there will be an offsetting amount at roughly 50% in the expense category.

#### Operating Expense Highlights:

- Generally, all departments are within an acceptable percentage for expenses to this time of the year. Some anomalies are further discussed below.
- **Facilities** – the full amount of insurance has been charged in the first half of the year which skews the year to date (YTD) performance in this category. This budget also currently includes the phone system upgrade that was performed in January. Vandalism would also fall into this category.
- **Recreation** is below budget due to the maternity leave of staff.
- The **Fire Service** budgets will show higher than expected expense amounts for the remainder of the year, due to the additional expenses for wildfire support calls which will have a corresponding revenue item (as mentioned above).
- **Fleet and Equipment** is slightly above budget due to additional repairs required on our vehicles.
- **Development-Planning/Zoning** budgets are trending lower so far this year. This is due to a decrease in development activity for the first part of this year.
- **Cemeteries** is ahead of budgeted expenses due to an increase in funerals in the first two quarters.
- **Taxes Paid to Other Governments** – at present, taxation revenue has only been collected, and the District will begin issuing payments to other taxing authorities in the coming months. If these other taxing authority payments are removed along with the corresponding revenue, the expenses to date would be closer to 52% across the organization instead of the listed 32%.

#### Utilities Revenue and Expenses Highlights

- 2 out of 4 utility billing periods are complete, as such, the billed amounts are on budget; however, as outlined below, not every customer is paying on time:
- For Utility Bills, the District issues invoices at the beginning of each quarter. The average amount for the billing cycle is roughly \$220,000 to \$240,000. Out of two billing cycles for 2025, roughly \$59,046 is outstanding:
  - \$36,934 outstanding for second quarter
  - \$22,112 outstanding for first quarter

Any unpaid Utility Billing amounts will roll over to taxes at the end of the year.



- The expenses for Water are slightly below budget. We are working on reclassifying the wages of the Public Works Manager to the various utilities and public works functions, this will also shift some of the Administration expenses to these Utility categories.
- At this point, there are no concerns regarding the Utilities budgets.

### Capital Projects and Grant Funded Operational Projects

- In the past, the District displayed Capital and other Grant Funded Operational projects within the day-to-day operational budgets which had the potential to drastically skew those dollar amounts. Staff are still working on separating some of those items within the system; however, since the budget was approved, considerable progress has been made and as such, we are able to break these project expenses out more clearly now.
- Most Capital Projects are substantially complete or on track for completion within the next quarter. Below are some additional details:
  - Hall Road – awaiting CN Rail work – will most likely require some additional funds to cover the paving needs in that area.
  - Roads Program shows \$8,000 over budget, this was needed to account for the purchase of the dump truck from Simpcw FN.
  - Garbage Dumpsters shows \$1,250 higher than anticipated. The costs were slightly higher for the 5 dumpsters and delivery.
  - Wastewater Treatment Plant – will not be complete until the end of 2026
  - Emergency Repairs – this budget will only be used for emergencies.
- Several Grant Funded Operating Projects are now complete, while others are progressing as expected. A few of them also require public engagement components which further make the progress challenging as we try to align times and dates with key stakeholders. We also added the CEPF Emergency Operations Center (EOC) project which was awarded to the District just after the budget was approved.

### Investments

- As per Policy 53FI – Investment of District Funds, staff is providing a summary on the investment activities of the District. For 2024, the District had an investment portfolio of roughly \$2.8 Million, distributed across Credit Union Term Deposits (4x \$500,000), and two separate wealth investment firms (3x \$100,000; and 1x \$300,000 + 1x \$200,000).
- The renewals for the various accounts are staggered throughout the year to allow the possibility of closing out (instead of renewing) some of the accounts if needed to cover capital expenditures.
- In May of 2025, one \$500,000 term deposit was not renewed to allow for cash to be available for the Wastewater Treatment project. Further, at least one more term deposit will most likely not be renewed in the later part of 2025 for the same reason.
- Due to a rather drastic change in the market over the past two years, some accounts were originally established at 5.9% interest, but when the renewal dates came, they could only be renewed as low as 2.85% (e.g. 1x May 2025 renewal).



- At present, the interest rate spread for the term deposits is between 2.85% and 4.00% for our accounts.
- The District also maintains a High Interest Savings Account (HISA) with the Credit Union that provides a reasonable interest rate for having cash readily available compared to the locked in term deposits.
- In total, the above listed accounts created roughly \$120,000 in interest in 2024.
- In past years, the District withdrew the earned interest at the renewal date to use the funds as a source of operating revenue instead of reinvesting the funds back into the market. As previously discussed with Council in 2024 and as part of the 2025 budget process, Staff have slowly changed this strategy and have re-invested the interest on some accounts. Within the next 2 years, the interest in all accounts will be re-invested unless there are extenuating circumstances.

#### Surplus and Reserve Update

- A more holistic update regarding Surplus and Reserve accounts is intended to be presented to Council in the coming months. At this stage, some budget entries into our financial software have not occurred yet and as such a report on these items today would not be beneficial as inaccurate amounts would be displayed.

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#### Attachments

- Budget /Actual report items:
  - General Operating Summary
  - Utilities Summary
  - Capital Projects Summary
  - Operating Grant Projects

Prepared by:  
D. Drexler, Chief Administrative Officer



## District of Barriere - Financial Summary

03-Jul-25

Revenue				
	Approved Budget	Actuals	Variance	% of Budget
<b>Taxes</b>	\$ 2,557,810	\$ 2,552,617	-\$ 5,193	100%
<b>Grants in Lieu of Taxes</b>	\$ 39,500	\$ 35,629	-\$ 3,871	90%
<b>Sales of Service</b>	\$ 323,000	\$ 166,590	-\$ 156,410	52%
<b>Revenue from Own Source</b>	\$ 200,850	\$ 79,717	-\$ 121,133	40%
<b>Transfer from Other Gov't</b>	\$ 709,000	\$ 143,779	-\$ 565,221	20%
<b>Contract with Other Gov't</b>	\$ 57,780	\$ 85,120	\$ 27,340	147%
	<b>\$ 3,887,940</b>	<b>\$ 3,063,451</b>	<b>-\$ 824,489</b>	<b>79%</b>

Expenses				
	Approved Budget	Actual	Variance	% of Budget
<b>Legislative</b>	\$ 121,900	\$ 51,700	\$ 70,200	42%
<b>General Govt</b>	\$ 765,900	\$ 417,919	\$ 347,981	55%
<b>Facilities</b>	\$ 140,050	\$ 97,634	\$ 42,416	70%
<b>Recreation</b>	\$ 66,650	\$ 11,057	\$ 55,593	17%
<b>Highway Rescue</b>	\$ 6,250	\$ 2,579	\$ 3,671	41%
<b>Fire Services</b>	\$ 243,750	\$ 144,422	\$ 99,328	59%
<b>Fleet &amp; Equipment</b>	\$ 58,100	\$ 33,890	\$ 24,210	58%
<b>Roads Services</b>	\$ 487,750	\$ 233,714	\$ 254,036	48%
<b>Solid Waste Services</b>	\$ 178,450	\$ 88,755	\$ 89,695	50%
<b>Development-Building</b>	\$ 27,850	\$ 13,845	\$ 14,005	50%
<b>Development-Planning Zoning</b>	\$ 14,000	\$ 3,004	\$ 14,000	21%
<b>Parks</b>	\$ 166,150	\$ 93,459	\$ 72,691	56%
<b>Cemetery</b>	\$ 6,500	\$ 6,198	\$ 302	95%
<b>Taxes Paid to Other Gov't</b>	\$ 1,401,319	\$ 83	\$ 1,401,236	0%
	<b>\$ 3,562,719</b>	<b>\$ 1,146,561</b>	<b>\$ 2,419,162</b>	<b>32%</b>

Transfers				
	Approved Budget	Actual	Variance	% of Budget
<b>Trans from Surplus</b>	\$ 11,500	\$ -	\$ 11,500	0%
<b>Trans from Reserves</b>	\$ 45,605	\$ -	\$ 45,605	0%
<b>Transfer to Other Funds</b>	\$ 284,000	\$ -	\$ 284,000	0%
	<b>\$ 341,105</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 341,105</b>	<b>0%</b>



## District of Barriere - Utilities Summary

30-Jun-25

Revenue				
	Approved Budget	Actuals	Variance	% of Budget
<b>WATER</b>	\$ 528,675	\$ 259,434	\$ 269,241	49%
<b>WASTEWATER</b>	\$ 146,413	\$ 70,294	\$ 76,119	48%
	<b>\$ 675,088</b>	<b>\$ 329,728</b>	<b>\$ 345,360</b>	<b>49%</b>

Expenses				
	Approved Budget	Actuals	Variance	% of Budget
<b>WATER</b>	\$ 402,425	\$ 149,453	\$ 252,972	37%
<b>WASTEWATER</b>	\$ 205,150	\$ 98,147	\$ 107,003	48%
	<b>\$ 607,575</b>	<b>\$ 247,600</b>	<b>\$ 359,975</b>	<b>41%</b>





**District of Barriere**  
**CAPITAL EXPENDITURES**  
**For the Quarter Ending June 30, 2025**

	APPROVED BUDGET 2025	YTD Q2 2025	% OF BUDGET 2025	% OF PROJECT COMPLETE	FUNDING SOURCE
<b>GENERAL OPERATIONS</b>					
Hall Road - CN Crossing					
Roads Program	25,000	-	0%		Reserve - Roads
Garbage Dumpsters	100,000	108,000	108%	100%	Reserve - Roads
BBC Energy Retrofit	15,000	16,250	108%	100%	Reserve - Environment
Bush Truck Replacement	120,000	66,061	55%	98%	LGCAP Grant
Turnout Gear	350,000	326,369	93%	95%	Loan / Reserve - Fire
IT Equipment	20,000	-	0%	50%	Grant / Reserve - Fire
	11,000	9,000	82%	85%	Surplus
<b>WATER/WASTEWATER</b>					
Wastewater Treatment Plant	3,750,000	79,803	2%	10%	Grant / Reserve - GCF
SCADA System	110,000	88,566	81%	90%	COVID Grant
Emergency Repairs	50,000	-	0%		Water Reserve
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL</b>	<b>\$ 4,551,000</b>	<b>\$ 694,049</b>	<b>15%</b>		





# **District of Barriere** **OPERATING PROJECT EXPENDITURES** **For the Quarter Ending June 30, 2025**

		<b>APPROVED</b>	<b>% OF</b>	<b>% OF</b>	
		<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>YTD Q2</b>	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>% OF</b>
		<b>2025</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>PROJECT</b>
					<b>COMPLETE</b>
					<b>FUNDING SOURCE</b>
<b>2024 Carry Forwards</b>					
Indigenous EMCR	Corp / Fire	38,425	38,425	100%	100%
FireSmart & Resiliency	Fire	93,950	55,580	59%	75%
LGHI Housing Legislation Fund	Planning	113,416	30,122	27%	40%
LGDAP Development Approval Process	Planning	134,340	24,448	18%	25%
2022 CEPF - Leonie Lake Dam Study	PW	55,245	3,283	6%	75%
Fire Rescue Training	Fire	2,201	2,201	100%	100%
TNRD Bulk Water Station	TNRD	2,500		0%	Grant
E911 - TNRD until 2027	TNRD	33,000		0%	Grant
Flood Mitigation Plan	Planning	150,000	46,263	31%	Grant
Flood Plain Mapping	Planning	-			100%
<b>2025 Projects (New)</b>					
Wayfinding Strategy	EcDev	-	-		Grant / TBD
Canada Day	Events	1,000	1,000	100%	Grant
Asset Management Investment Plan	CAO	-	-		Grant / TBD
CEPF - EOC Training & Equipment	Fire	37,944		0%	Grant
CEPF - Fire Dept Equip and Training	Fire	27,000	7,845	29%	Grant
Community Forest - Regreening (w BC hydro)	Parks	4,661	3,824	82%	Grant
BC Hydro - Regreening	Parks	8,000	8,000	100%	Grant
EMCR - Indigenous Engagement Year 2	Corp / Fire	42,000	946	2%	5%
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL</b>		<b>\$ 303,605</b>	<b>\$ 67,878</b>	<b>22%</b>	



District of Barriere

# REPORT TO COUNCIL

## Request for Decision

<b>Date:</b> July 21, 2025	<b>File:</b> 530.20/Rpts
<b>To:</b> Council	<b>From:</b> T. Buchanan, Corporate Officer
<b>Re: LNTCFS Permissive Tax Exemption Application 2026</b>	
<b>Purpose:</b> For Council to consider an application for a Permissive Tax Exemption submitted by the Lower North Thompson Community Forests Society (LNTCFS)	

**Background:** The District of Barriere recently received an application with the required supporting documents (*attached*) for a Permissive Tax Exemption from the Lower North Thompson Community Forests Society (LNTCFS) for their newly acquired property located at 573 Barkley Road.

It is provided by Section 224 of the *Community Charter* that on or before the 31<sup>st</sup> day of October in any year, Council may, by bylaw, exempt a property (or part of a property) from taxation for up to ten years. District of Barriere Bylaw No. 222, currently in force, is applicable for the years of 2023, 2024, 2025 and 2026. Each year, all permissive tax exempted societies/organizations/ places of worship and their exempted annual amounts, are publicly published in the District's Annual Report.

The LNTCFS currently receives a Permissive Tax Exemption for their 12.55-acre industrial use property located in the Barriere Industrial Park – 4737 Gilbert Drive with a current assessed value of \$699,000.

The Gilbert Dr. property has received the following municipal tax exemptions under *Bylaw No. 222*:

- 2023: \$2,592.08
- 2024: \$3,003.42
- 2025: \$4,137.61

Should Council wish to prepare a permissive tax exemption inclusion for 573 Barkley Rd., the Bylaw would need to be adopted by October 31<sup>st</sup> of this year in order to receive a tax exemption for the year 2026 which is the remaining year applicable in Bylaw No. 222 (*attached*). All properties currently exempt at the end of 2026, and those wishing to be considered for the next Permissive Tax Bylaw term starting in 2027, will be required to apply before the end of July in 2026.

### Discussion:

#### Lower North Thompson Community Forests Society (LNTCFS) – 573 Barkley Rd.

The LNTCFS office recently relocated to 573 Barkley Road from their previous location on Barriere Town Road which did not receive a permissive tax exemption in the past.

As the 2026 assessed values have not yet been determined by BC Assessment, determining a tax exemption amount can only be estimated. With the eligible 1,760sq.ft occupied square footage of the total 3,840sq.ft building, staff estimate the municipal taxation value to be: **\$1,114.73**. This estimate



was determined with the help of BC Assessment providing an estimated value of \$107/sq ft for the building. The remaining square footage (2,080sq.ft) is not eligible for a permissive tax exemption.

### Term

This proposed exemption would only apply to the 2026 calendar year as all organizations that receive a permissive tax exemption are required to reapply in 2026 to be considered for the next Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw term.

### Options:

1. Should Council wish to move the application forward in the legislated process, a resolution of Council should be made directing staff to present a draft amendment for the District of Barriere Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 222 to Council for formal consideration at the September 15, 2025 and October 6, 2025 Council Meetings in order to meet the legislative adoption deadline of October 31, 2025.
2. Should Council not wish to move the application forward in the bylaw amendment process, a resolution of Council should be made denying the application by the LNTCFS to be included in the Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 222 as amended.

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## Benefits or Impact

### General

Considering applications from non-profit entities for a permissive tax exemption where appropriate.

### Finances

Reduction of tax revenue in the amount of approximately \$1,114.00 that supports municipal services. Other tax payers would be required to provide for this amount through taxation.

### Risk Assessment

Compliance: *Section 224 of the Community Charter*

Risk Impact: Low

Internal Control Process:

Staff would include the actual exempted tax amount in the Annual Municipal Report which is posted publicly each year.

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## Attachments

- Letter of Request from LNTCFS
- Board of Director List
- LNTCFS 2024 Financial Statement
- 2023-2026 Permissive Tax Exemption Bylaw No. 222, as amended

Prepared by: T. Buchanan, Corporate Officer

Reviewed by: Daniel Drexler, CAO





## *Lower North Thompson Community Forest Society*

PO Box 983, Barriere, BC, V0E 1E0

Ph: 250-672-1941

May 14, 2025

District of Barriere  
PO Box 219  
Barriere, BC  
V0E 1E0

**Re: Permissive Tax Exemption Request - Lot 2 District Lot 1445 Kamloops Division Yale District Plan 5534 (Lower North Thompson Community Forest Society)**

To Whom It May Concern,

The Lower North Thompson Community Forest Society (LNTCFS) hereby requests a permissive tax exemption for our recently purchased property:

Lot 2 District Lot 1445 Kamloops Division Yale District Plan 5534 (Lower North Thompson Community Forest Society)

We request that the exemption apply to the entire property except for the portion leased to the medical clinic, which comprises 2,080 ft<sup>2</sup> or 54% of the main building's total area (3,840 ft<sup>2</sup>). A building layout drawing identifying the leased area is attached for reference.

As a not-for-profit society, the benefits of this tax exemption will feed directly back into the community through grants, educational support, and economic development initiatives. The LNTCFS portion of property is used as a base for our woodlands operation, and as an organization, the LNTCFS is actively working to promote and develop local economic growth in the valley.

To support this application, we have also attached:

- A list of the current LNTCFS directors, and
- Our most recent financial statement.

To learn more about the forest management, economic, and social objectives of the LNTCFS and their importance to the five participating local communities, please visit our website at [www.LNTCFS.org](http://www.LNTCFS.org), where you will find our Mission Statement, financial reports, and a list of community support activities under the 'Community Contributions' tab.

Sincerely,

Mike Francis, RPF  
General Manager



# **Lower North Thompson Community Forest Society**

Board of Directors

As of May 14, 2025

**Harley Wright (Barriere)**

(Chairman)

**Scott Kershaw (Barriere)**

(Director)

**Mike Casey (Barriere)**

(Director)

**Harry Waldron (Barriere)**

(Director)

**Phil Brathwaite (Barriere)**

(Director)

**Kathy Cooper (Barriere)**

(Director)

**Terry Corley (Barriere)**

(Director)

**Wim Houben (Barriere)**

(Vice Chair)

**Norm Kienitz (Louis Creek)**

(Secretary/Treasurer)

**Greg Fennell (Barriere)**

(Director)

**Ted Brown (Little Fort)**

(Director)

**Trish Thompson (Barriere)**

(Director)

**Dan Winiski (Barriere)**

(Director)

**Maxine Cusack (Barriere)**

(Director)



**LOWER NORTH THOMPSON COMMUNITY FOREST SOCIETY**  
**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**June 30, 2024**

REVIEW ENGAGEMENT REPORT

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS





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## INDEPENDENT PRACTITIONER'S REVIEW ENGAGEMENT REPORT

To the Directors of Lower North Thompson Community Forest Society

We have reviewed the accompanying financial statements of Lower North Thompson Community Forest Society that comprise the statement of financial position as at June 30, 2024 and the statements of operations, changes in net assets and cash flow for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, and for such internal controls as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### Practitioner's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the accompanying financial statements based on our review. We conducted our review in accordance with Canadian generally accepted standards for review engagements, which require us to comply with relevant ethical requirements.

A review of financial statements in accordance with Canadian generally accepted standards for review engagements is a limited assurance engagement. The practitioner performs procedures, primarily consisting of making inquiries of management and others within the entity, as appropriate, and applying analytical procedures, and evaluates the evidence obtained.

The procedures performed in a review are substantially less in extent than, and vary in nature from, those performed in an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion on these financial statements.

### Conclusion

Based on our review, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that these financial statements do not present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Lower North Thompson Community Forest Society at June 30, 2024, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with the Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations in conjunction with accounting standards for private enterprises.

*Finnie Hunka LLP*  
Chartered Professional Accountants

Kamloops, BC  
October 10, 2024



**LOWER NORTH THOMPSON COMMUNITY FOREST SOCIETY**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**  
**June 30, 2024**

	2024	2023
<b>ASSETS</b>		
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Cash	\$ 424,553	\$ 1,046,968
Accounts receivable	21,193	45,091
Goods and services tax recoverable	1,437	16,544
Inventory (Note 2)	126,841	188,286
Prepaid expenses and deposits	78,558	39,982
Current portion of Guaranteed Investment Certificates (Note 3)	<u>312,500</u>	<u>587,500</u>
	965,082	1,924,371
LONG TERM GUARANTEED INVESTMENT CERTIFICATES (Note 3)	765,764	989,106
LONG TERM INVESTMENTS - QTRADE (FMV \$3,654,005) (Note 4)	3,380,871	2,611,318
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT (Note 5)	<u>2,243,658</u>	<u>1,480,867</u>
	<u>\$ 7,355,375</u>	<u>\$ 7,005,662</u>
<b>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>		
CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Accounts payable and accruals	\$ 141,633	\$ 102,888
Payroll remittances payable	18,891	16,232
Provincial sales tax payable	601	648
Deferred grant revenue (Note 6)	40,100	56,525
Current portion of silviculture liability (Note 7)	<u>248,084</u>	<u>218,691</u>
	449,309	394,984
LONG TERM SILVICULTURE LIABILITY (Note 7)	<u>1,454,912</u>	<u>1,510,942</u>
	<u>1,904,221</u>	<u>1,905,926</u>
NET ASSETS - INTERNALLY RESTRICTED FOR OPERATIONS	2,782,381	1,748,072
NET ASSETS - INTERNALLY RESTRICTED TO PROVIDE FOR:		
Expansion and Job Creation (Note 8)	2,491,424	3,150,000
Environment (Note 10)	23,811	50,000
Education (Note 11)	30,000	30,000
Forest Stewardship (Note 12)	57,538	66,664
Scholarships and Bursaries (Note 13)	<u>66,000</u>	<u>55,000</u>
	<u>5,451,154</u>	<u>5,099,736</u>
Commitments (Note 15)	<u>\$ 7,355,375</u>	<u>\$ 7,005,662</u>

APPROVED BY THE DIRECTORS:

\_\_\_\_\_ Director

\_\_\_\_\_ Director



**LOWER NORTH THOMPSON COMMUNITY FOREST SOCIETY**  
**STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS**  
Year ended June 30, 2024

	2024	2023
REVENUE:		
Timber	\$ 2,264,180	\$ 3,627,931
Lumber, product and milling	163,566	96,011
Firewood and delivery	142,095	174,572
Grants	27,590	23,561
Equipment rental and other	5,483	12,900
Forest Enhancement Society of BC (Note 16)	141,282	36,190
Land based investment funding (Note 16)	-	320,214
	<u>2,744,196</u>	<u>4,291,379</u>
EXPENSES:		
Advertising and promotion	19,447	16,995
Bank charges	56	69
Bad debts	324	295
Community meetings	2,078	11,800
Contracting	1,047,674	2,123,480
Equipment rental	674	2,705
Forest development	9,540	2,243
Forest Enhancement Society of BC (Note 16)	-	32,180
Fuel	24,861	37,449
Insurance	43,727	36,841
Land based investment expenses (Note 16)	-	290,681
Licenses, dues and fees	8,186	4,875
Log purchases, hauling and direct costs (Note 17)	141,512	72,315
Office	9,577	9,834
Office rent	6,560	6,350
Professional fees	9,386	5,406
Repairs and maintenance	73,216	41,074
Silviculture	198,355	379,260
Stumpage and annual rent	59,438	160,149
Supplies	13,745	11,705
Telephone	4,445	3,375
Travel	3,466	2,399
Utilities	6,830	4,645
Wages and benefits	442,641	361,267
Wildfire risk reduction (Note 16)	154,803	39,464
	<u>2,280,541</u>	<u>3,656,856</u>
EXCESS REVENUE OVER EXPENSES FROM OPERATIONS	463,655	634,523
OTHER REVENUE AND (EXPENSES):		
Interest income	91,475	67,791
Gain on disposal of investments	30,270	-
Dividend income - Ordinary	570	612
Dividend income - Eligible	53,234	55,886
Capital gains dividends	4,398	546
Grants disbursed - Trans Mountain Education	(16,625)	(3,325)
Loss on disposal of property and equipment	(1,335)	(11,031)
Amortization	<u>(93,410)</u>	<u>(92,425)</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR	\$ 532,232	\$ 652,577



**LOWER NORTH THOMPSON COMMUNITY FOREST SOCIETY**  
**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS**  
Year ended June 30, 2024

	Internally Restricted to provide for specified funds	Internally Restricted for operations	<b>Total</b>  2024	Total  2023
Balance, beginning of the year	\$ 3,351,663	\$ 1,748,072	<b>\$ 5,099,734</b>	\$ 4,760,458
Excess of revenues over expenses	-	532,232	<b>532,232</b>	652,577
Net expired fund allocations	(3,500)	3,500	-	-
New fund allocations:				
Environment	-	-	-	-
Skate Park	-	-	-	-
Forest Stewardship	-	-	-	-
Scholarships and bursaries	50,000	(50,000)	-	-
Community grants	110,000	(110,000)	-	-
Expansion/Job Creation	-	-	-	-
Covid Community Initiative	-	-	-	-
Fund expended:				
Environment	(26,189)	-	<b>(26,189)</b>	(50,000)
Skate Park	-	-	-	(55,000)
Forest Stewardship	(9,125)	-	<b>(9,125)</b>	(45,301)
Scholarships and bursaries	(35,500)	-	<b>(35,500)</b>	(38,000)
Community grants	(110,000)	-	<b>(110,000)</b>	(125,000)
Expansion/Job Creation	(658,576)	<b>658,576</b>	-	-
Covid Community Initiative	-	-	-	-
Balance, end of year	<u>\$ 2,668,773</u>	<u>\$ 2,123,804</u>	<u><b>\$ 5,451,152</b></u>	<u>\$ 5,099,734</u>



**LOWER NORTH THOMPSON COMMUNITY FOREST SOCIETY**  
**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**  
Year ended June 30, 2024

	2024	2023
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Cash receipts from customers	\$ 2,751,669	\$ 4,245,420
Cash paid to suppliers and employees	(2,217,780)	(3,659,536)
Bank charges paid	(56)	(69)
Interest and dividends	<u>149,677</u>	<u>124,835</u>
Cash flows from operations	<u>683,510</u>	<u>710,650</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Silviculture liability	(26,635)	81,267
Funds expended from restricted net assets	<u>(180,815)</u>	<u>(313,301)</u>
Cash flows used in financing	<u>(207,450)</u>	<u>(232,034)</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Purchase of property and equipment	(857,535)	(35,776)
Proceeds on disposal of property and equipment	-	20,000
Long-term investments	<u>(515,940)</u>	<u>159,792</u>
Cash flows from (used in) investing	<u>(1,373,475)</u>	<u>144,016</u>
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH RESOURCES	(897,415)	622,632
CASH RESOURCES, beginning of year	<u>1,634,468</u>	<u>1,011,836</u>
CASH RESOURCES, end of year	\$ 737,053	\$ 1,634,468
CASH RESOURCES CONSISTS OF:		
Cash	\$ 424,553	\$ 1,046,968
Current portion of long term investments	<u>312,500</u>	<u>587,500</u>
	\$ 737,053	\$ 1,634,468



**LOWER NORTH THOMPSON COMMUNITY FOREST SOCIETY**  
**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**June 30, 2024**

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**NOTE 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES:**

**Nature of operations:**

The Lower North Thompson Community Forest Society (the "Society") is incorporated under the Society's Act of British Columbia as a not-for-profit organization; they are exempt from income tax under section 149(1)(l). The purpose of the Society is to:

- a) Create a long term sustainable plan for the forest resources that benefit the people of the Lower North Thompson;
- b) Preserve ownership of local natural resources for the people of the area, promoting self determination for the people of this valley;
- c) Create sustainable employment, new business opportunities and investment;
- d) Provide a new opportunity for community management of local crown land;
- e) Provide long term opportunities for achieving a range of community objectives including:
  - i) employment,
  - ii) skills training,
  - iii) forest related education, and
  - iv) social, environment and economic benefits.
- f) Meet objectives of the government in respect of environmental stewardship including the management of timber, cultural and heritage resources.

**Basis of presentation:**

These financial statements of the Society have been prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations (ASNFPO) in conjunction with accounting standards for private enterprises (ASPE) on a going-concern basis, which assumes that the society will be able to realize its assets and discharge its liabilities in the normal course of business.

**Revenue recognition:**

Lower North Thompson Community Forest Society follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions.

Restricted contributions are recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are incurred. Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue when received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured. Endowment contributions are recognized as direct increases in net assets.

Restricted investment income is recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are incurred. Unrestricted investment income is recognized as revenue when earned.

The Society recognizes revenue when goods are shipped and the customer takes ownership and assumes risk of loss, collection of the relevant receivable is probable, persuasive evidence of an arrangement exists and the sales price is fixed or determinable.



**LOWER NORTH THOMPSON COMMUNITY FOREST SOCIETY**  
**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**June 30, 2024**

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**NOTE 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued):**

**Cash:**

Cash is defined as cash on hand and cash on deposit, net of cheques issued and outstanding at the reporting date. Cash appropriated for other than current purposes is shown as a long term asset.

**Investments:**

Investments, which consist primarily of guaranteed investment certificates and marketable securities are measured at cost. Any investment with a maturity date under twelve months is classified as current.

**Inventory:**

Inventory is valued at the lower of cost and net realizable value with the cost being determined on a first-in, first-out basis. Inventory consists of culverts, cattleguards and logs.

**Equipment:**

Equipment is stated at cost. Amortization is based on the estimated useful life of the assets and is recorded using the following annual rates:

Equipment	20% declining balance
Automotive	30% declining balance
Computer Equipment	30% declining balance
Fencing	10% declining balance
Machinery - Sawmill	Straight line over 15 years

The Society regularly reviews its equipment to eliminate obsolete items.

Government Grants are shown as revenue and the related asset is valued at cost.

Equipment acquired but not placed into use is not amortized until placed into use.



**LOWER NORTH THOMPSON COMMUNITY FOREST SOCIETY**  
**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**June 30, 2024**

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**NOTE 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued):**

**Financial instruments policy:**

Financial instruments originating in an arm's length transaction are recorded at fair value on initial recognition. Freestanding derivative instruments that are not in a qualifying hedging relationship are subsequently measured at fair value. Equity instruments that are quoted in an active market were recorded at market value in the past, but the Society changed the accounting policy to cost in the 2023 fiscal year. All other financial instruments are subsequently measured at cost or amortized cost, unless management has elected to carry the instruments at fair value. The Society has elected not to carry these other financial instruments at fair value.

Transaction costs incurred on the acquisition of financial instruments measured subsequently at fair value are expensed as incurred. All other financial instruments are adjusted by transaction costs incurred on acquisition and financing costs. These costs are amortized using the straight-line method.

In the case of financial instruments that originate as a result of a related party transaction, initial measurement will be at the exchange amount or carrying value in accordance with Section 3856, Financial Instruments.

Financial assets are assessed for impairment on an annual basis at the end of the fiscal year if there are indicators of impairment. If there is an indicator of impairment, the company determines if there is a significant adverse change in the expected amount or timing of future cash flows from the financial assets. This significant adverse change could arise from either the future use of the asset, the amount that could be realized from selling the financial asset or the amount the company expects to realize by exercising the right to any collateral. If events and circumstances reverse in a future period, an impairment loss will be reversed to the extent of the improvement, not exceeding the initial impairment change.

**Measurement uncertainty:**

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the dates of the financial statements and the reported revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Significant items subject to such estimates and assumptions include the carrying amount of property, plant and equipment and silviculture liabilities. Actual results could differ from those estimates.



**LOWER NORTH THOMPSON COMMUNITY FOREST SOCIETY**  
**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**June 30, 2024**

**NOTE 2. INVENTORY:**

	2024	2023
Culverts	\$ 20,773	\$ 21,175
Logs	<u>106,069</u>	<u>167,111</u>
Total inventory	<u>\$ 126,842</u>	<u>\$ 188,286</u>

**NOTE 3. GUARANTEED INVESTMENT CERTIFICATES:**

	2024	2023
Steinbach Credit Union GIC, interest at 3%, matured October 5, 2023	-	100,000
Steinbach Credit Union GIC, interest at 3%, matured October 24, 2023	-	100,000
MCan GIC, interest at 2.7%, matured May 24, 2024	-	100,000
First Ontario CU GIC, interest at 2.4%, maturing October 1, 2024	100,000	100,000
First Ontario CU GIC, interest at 1.91%, maturing October 28, 2025	150,000	150,000
Steinbach Credit Union, interest at 4.1%, maturing June 2, 2025	100,000	100,000
Meridan CU GIC, interest at 1.55%, maturing October 28, 2025	50,000	50,000
League Savings GIC, interest at 1.45%, maturing March 16, 2026	100,000	100,000
Coast Capital GIC, interest at 1.45%, maturing March 16, 2026	100,000	100,000
General Bank of Canada GIC, interest at 1.72%, maturing May 18, 2026	100,000	100,000
Versa GIC, interest at 1.67%, maturing June 1, 2026	100,000	100,000
Interior Savings term deposit, interest at 1.45%, maturing Oct 25, 2026	113,397	111,743
Accrued GIC Interest	<u>52,367</u>	<u>77,363</u>
Sub total	\$ 965,764	\$ 1,289,106
Less: current portion	<u>(200,000)</u>	<u>(300,000)</u>
	<u>\$ 765,764</u>	<u>\$ 989,106</u>

All GIC investments are valued at cost plus accrued interest.



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**NOTE 4. QTRADE INVESTOR:**

	2024	2023
Cash, appropriated for long term use	\$ 97,111	\$ 131,620
Self-directed equities	2,972,529	2,320,643
Fixed income - GIC's	<u>423,731</u>	<u>446,555</u>
Sub total	\$ 3,493,371	\$ 2,898,818
Less: current portion	<u>(112,500)</u>	<u>(287,500)</u>
	<u><u>\$ 3,380,871</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 2,611,318</u></u>

All investments are valued at cost and appropriated for long term use.

**NOTE 5. PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT:**

	Cost	Accumulated Amortization	2024 Net	2023 Net
Land	\$ 615,184	\$ -	\$ 615,184	\$ 506,898
Buildings	1,106,589	110,392	996,197	386,151
Field and radio equipment	371,945	271,984	99,961	109,184
Sawmill equipment	668,312	162,337	505,975	447,561
Automotive	190,222	172,300	17,922	25,602
Computer equipment	8,776	5,894	2,882	4,159
Fencing	<u>6,924</u>	<u>1,387</u>	<u>5,537</u>	<u>1,312</u>
	<u><u>\$ 2,967,952</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 724,294</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 2,243,658</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,480,867</u></u>

Some of the sawmill equipment has not been amortized in fiscal 2024 because this equipment is not yet in use. The carrying amount of these assets are \$90,879 (2023 \$90,879). The property purchased on Barkley Rd during fiscal 2024 includes a building with a carrying value of \$465,025 that has not been amortized because it is not ready for use yet.

The boiler and auger were two assets destroyed by fire during the prior year. The original cost of \$33,102 less accumulated amortization of \$8,827, left a net book value of \$24,275 which was recorded as a loss to fixed assets on the statement of operations.

**NOTE 6. DEFERRED GRANT REVENUE:**

During the year, Canada Summer Jobs grant and Project Learning Tree grants totalled \$10,965 (2023 - \$20,236).

The society received \$16,500 from the TNRD and \$50,000 from the District of Barriere for the Trans Mountain LP education fund. The society will track this grant and disburse it over 10 years. The deferred grant revenue at June 30, 2024 is \$39,900 (2023 - \$56,525).



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**NOTE 7. SILVICULTURE LIABILITY:**

	2024	2023
Timbermark BB7004	\$ 22,598	\$ 23,689
Timbermark BB7005	21,655	41,626
Timbermark BB7006	9,061	9,652
Timbermark BB7007	8,901	9,484
Timbermark BB7009	23,872	24,052
Timbermark BB7997	6,960	26,392
Timbermark BB7998	1,885	5,012
Timbermark K1Z001	25,248	31,409
Timbermark K1Z002	32,463	46,342
Timbermark K1Z003	15,247	16,775
Timbermark K1Z004	18,408	19,000
Timbermark K1Z005	25,603	28,501
Timbermark K1Z006	48,756	50,002
Timbermark K1Z007	17,910	19,917
Timbermark K1Z008	251,161	288,564
Timbermark K1Z008 - 2015W+	100,188	100,188
Timbermark K1Z008 - 2016W+	92,634	93,271
Timbermark K1Z009 - 2017W+	64,841	64,841
Timbermark K1Z009 - 2018W+	114,425	114,425
Timbermark K1Z009 - 2019W+	58,485	58,485
Timbermark K1Z009 - 2020W+	94,846	94,846
Timbermark K1Z010 - 2021W+	107,594	119,985
Timbermark K1Z010 - 2022W+	72,000	160,241
Timbermark K1Z010 - 2023W+	185,321	-
Non-obligated	132,934	132,934
Silviculture Contingency Funds	<u>150,000</u>	<u>150,000</u>
	\$ 1,702,996	\$ 1,729,633
Less: current portion	<u>(248,084)</u>	<u>(218,691)</u>
	<u><u>\$ 1,454,912</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,510,942</u></u>

Lower North Thompson Community Forest Society has an obligation to restore logged areas to the free growing stage as determined by the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations. When these areas are logged, a silviculture liability is set up to estimate the cost of this reforestation. Reforestation involves site preparation, seed, tree planting, brushing and surveying and takes approximately 10 to 20 years to complete. The estimated liability could vary from the actual cost resulting in a gain or loss in the financial statements when the free growing stage is reached. The estimated liability is reviewed for accuracy every six months.



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**NOTE 8. RESTRICTED FOR EXPANSION AND JOB CREATION:**

This fund has been established to help fund activities that enhance the long-term viability of the local economy and add to sustainable employment.

	2024	2023
Opening Balance, beginning of the year	\$ 3,150,000	\$ 250,000
Additions	-	2,900,000
Expended	<u>(658,576)</u>	<u>-</u>
Closing Balance, end of the year	\$ <u>2,491,424</u>	\$ <u>3,150,000</u>

**NOTE 9. RESTRICTED FOR SKATE PARK:**

On February 13, 2020 the Board of Directors supported the donation of up to \$40,000 to the Barriere Skate Park. An initial \$10,000 was disbursed to the District of Barriere to be held in trust for the group contingent on securing additional funding sources. This left \$30,000 set aside in a restricted fund for this project. Subsequently costs for the project rose to more than the initial \$124,000 estimate, and the Society decided to allocate a further \$25,000 to support the project. The Skatepark was constructed in fall 2022, and accordingly the allocated monies were fully paid out in December 2022, totalling \$55,000 in fiscal 2022/23.

	2024	2023
Opening Balance, beginning of the year	\$ -	\$ 55,000
Additions	-	-
Expended	<u>-</u>	<u>(55,000)</u>
Closing Balance, end of the year	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>-</u>

**NOTE 10. RESTRICTED FOR ENVIRONMENT:**

This fund has been established to help fund activities that enhance the long-term health and sustainability of our natural environment. A total of \$50,000 was paid out in the 2023 fiscal to support well system upgrades for the Dunn Lake Hatchery operated by the Simpcw First Nation. In 2024 fiscal, an additional \$26,189 was paid out to Simpcw First Nation in support of their Skunk Cabbage boardwalk project.

	2024	2023
Opening Balance, beginning of the year	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000
Additions	-	50,000
Expended	<u>(26,189)</u>	<u>(50,000)</u>
Closing Balance, end of the year	\$ <u>23,811</u>	\$ <u>50,000</u>



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**NOTE 11. RESTRICTED FOR EDUCATION:**

This fund has been established to assist with any worthy educational endeavours in the Lower North Thompson.

	2024	2023
Opening Balance, beginning of the year	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000
Additions	-	-
Expended	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Closing Balance, end of the year	<u>\$ 30,000</u>	<u>\$ 30,000</u>

**NOTE 12. RESTRICTED FOR FOREST STEWARDSHIP:**

The Board of Directors decided by way of motion to set aside \$30,000 each year for a Forest Stewardship Program with the amount to be reviewed by the Board annually. The amount increased in fiscal 2022 and 2023.

	2024	2023
Opening Balance, beginning of the year	\$ 66,663	\$ 61,964
Additions	-	50,000
Expended	<u>(9,125)</u>	<u>(45,301)</u>
Closing Balance, end of the year	<u>\$ 57,538</u>	<u>\$ 66,663</u>

**Note 13. RESTRICTED FOR SCHOLARSHIPS:**

The Society has granted scholarships and bursaries that have not yet been paid out. These are contingent on the students registering at a post-secondary educational institution before receiving the funds. In 2024 \$50,000 new funds were awarded to the 2024 grad class. During the 2024 fiscal year \$35,500 of scholarships and bursaries were paid out.

	2024	2023
Opening Balance, beginning of the year	\$ 55,000	\$ 50,500
Additions	50,000	50,000
Expended	(35,500)	(38,000)
Expired	<u>(3,500)</u>	<u>(7,500)</u>
Closing Balance, end of the year	<u>\$ 66,000</u>	<u>\$ 55,000</u>



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**Note 14. RESTRICTED FOR COMMUNITY GRANTS:**

This fund has been established to fund various local community not-for-profit organizations through an annual grant application process.

	2024	2023
Opening Balance, beginning of the year	\$ -	\$ 13,876
Additions	110,000	111,124
Expended	<u>(110,000)</u>	<u>(125,000)</u>
Closing Balance, end of the year	\$ <u>-</u>	\$ <u>-</u>

**NOTE 15. LEASE COMMITMENTS:**

The Society leases a facility under a lease agreement with no expiry date. Under the terms of the lease the Society is required to pay \$435 per month. The annual minimum payments are \$5,220.

**NOTE 16. LAND BASED INVESTMENT PROGRAM and FOREST ENHANCEMENT SOCIETY OF BC:**

The Society regularly participates in the Land Based Investment Program through the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations. Funding received during the year was \$0 (2023- \$320,214) and \$0 (2023 - \$290,681) has been expensed during the year.

In fiscal 2024 the society received funding for three new projects applied for through The Forest Enhancement Society of BC (FESBC). The FESBC is an organization formed by the provincial government to provide funding to support investments in the forest landbase. Funding received during the year was \$141,282 (2023 - \$36,190) and \$154,803 (2023 - \$71,644) has been expensed during the year.



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<b>NOTE 17. LOG PURCHASES AND DIRECT COSTS:</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
Log inventory, beginning of the year	\$ 167,111	\$ 110,835
Log purchases	5,251	3,230
Purchases for product sales	21,618	-
Logging and hauling	53,601	125,361
Less log inventory, end of year	<u>(106,069)</u>	<u>(167,111)</u>
Net direct costs	<u>\$ 141,512</u>	<u>\$ 72,315</u>

**Note 18. FINANCIAL RISKS AND CONCENTRATION OF RISK:**

The Society is exposed to various risks through its financial instruments without being exposed to concentrations of risk. The main risks are detailed below.

Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that one party to a financial asset will cause a financial loss for the Society by failing to discharge an obligation. The Society's credit risk is mainly related to accounts receivable. In order to reduce its credit risk, the Society reviews a new customers' credit history before extending credit and conducts regular reviews of its existing customers' credit performance. Management is of the opinion that credit risk is not a significant risk and there has been no change to the risk exposure from 2023.

Market risk

Market risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of the Society's financial instruments will fluctuate because of changes in market prices. The Society's investments expose it to this risk, which comprises currency risk, interest rate risk and other price risk. The Society is mainly exposed to interest rate risk and there has been no change to the risk exposure from 2023.

**NOTE 19. HARVEST VOLUME:**

The Society harvested a total of 18,374 m3 over approximately 61.8 ha within the 2024 fiscal year (30,118 m3 fiscal 2023). As the Society operates under a single cutting permit with a five year cycle, volumes will average between 18,000-20,000 m3 annually over the five year cycle, with year to year variation dependant on planning objectives, timber prices and conditions.



**DISTRICT OF BARRIERE**

**BYLAW NO. 222**

**A BYLAW TO EXEMPT FROM TAXATION FOR THE YEAR 2023-2026 CERTAIN  
LANDS AND IMPROVEMENTS IN THE DISTRICT OF BARRIERE**

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WHEREAS it is provided by Section 224 of the Community Charter that on or before the 31<sup>st</sup> day of October in any year, Council may, by bylaw, exempt from taxation for up to ten years, land and improvements, or both, and the exemption may apply to the whole or a part of the taxable assessed value of land or improvements, or both.

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the District of Barriere hereby enacts that the following shall be exempt from taxation for 2023-2026:

1. Pursuant to Section 224 (2)(a) of the Community Charter, all land and improvements that are owned or held by a charitable, philanthropic, or other not-for-profit corporation, and the Council considers are used for a purpose that is directly related to the purposes of the corporation, as follows:
  - (a) Barriere and District Heritage Society  
Lot B, District Lot 1325, Plan 36416  
343 Lilley Road  
Roll Number: 1245.667
  - (b) Barriere and District Seniors Society  
Lot 37, District Lot 1634, Plan 1746  
4431 Barriere Town Road  
Roll Number: 1245.408
  - (c) Provincial Rental Housing Corp.  
Yellowhead Residence  
Lot A, District Lot 1445, Plan 28157  
4557 Barriere Town Road  
Roll Number: 1390.370
  - (d) North Thompson Fall Fair Association  
Lot A, District Lot 1482, Plan 20165  
677 Barriere Lakes Road  
Roll Number: 1465.058  
  
Lot 3, District Lot 1482, Plan 20565  
Dunn Lake Road  
Roll Number: 1465.080
  - (e) Barriere Curling Club  
Lot A, District Lot 1482, Plan 29896  
4856 Dunn Lake Road  
Roll Number: 1465.200



- (f) Interior Community Services  
Parcel A, District Lot 1634, Plan 1746  
485 Carlstrom Road  
Roll Number: 1245.420
- (g) Barriere and District Food Bank  
Lot 2, District Lot 1483, Plan 29023  
4748 Gilbert Drive  
Roll Number 1470.362
- (h) North Thompson Legion #242  
Lot 4, District Lot 1354, Plan 3295  
4673 Shaver Road  
Roll Number 1270.085
- (i) Lower North Thompson Community Forest Society  
Lot 1, District Lot 1483, Plan 68661  
4737 Gilbert Drive  
Roll Number 1470.007
- (j) Barriere and Area Chamber of Commerce  
Lot 1, Plan KAP52101, District Lot 1445 – PID #018-718-990  
Unit #1 – 4609 Barriere Town Road  
Roll Number: 1390510
- (k) Barriere Search & Rescue Association  
Lot 1, Plan KAP52101, District Lot 1445 – PID #018-718-990  
4601 Barriere Town Road  
Roll Number: 1390510

Bylaw  
No. 246

Bylaw  
No. 246

2. This Bylaw may be cited as “*District of Barriere Exemption Bylaw No. 222 2023-2026 Community Use Property Tax*”.

READ A FIRST TIME this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of **October, 2022**

READ A SECOND TIME this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of **October, 2022**

READ A THIRD TIME this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of **October, 2022**

**ADOPTED this 17<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2022**

Original Signed by, \_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor Ward Stamer

Original signed by, \_\_\_\_\_  
Tasha Buchanan, Corporate Officer



# District of Barriere

## REPORT TO COUNCIL

### Request for Decision

<b>Date:</b> July 21, 2025	<b>File:</b> 530.20/Rpts
<b>To:</b> Council	<b>From:</b> Tasha Buchanan, Corporate Officer
<b>Re: Development Permit Application No. DP-25-02 BMI</b>	
<b>Recommendation: That Development Permit Application No. 25-02 BMI be approved as presented.</b>	

#### **Background:**

**Legal Description:** Lot 1, District Lot 1325, KDYD, Plan EPP108201

**PID:** 008-011-796

**Civic Address:** 370 Lilley Road, Barriere BC V0E-1E0

**Zoning:** Residential Multi-Family (RM)

**Variance Granted by Board of Variance:** December 6, 2023 - 6m side setback min. to 4.5m

A Development Permit Application has been submitted to the District for the construction of a residential multi-family dwelling unit consisting of seven (7), single level dwelling units. The proposed construction is located at the rear of the current Barriere Motor Inn on Lilley Rd. This property (370 Lilley Rd) was successfully rezoned from C2 (Yellowhead Highway Commercial) to RM (Residential Multi-Family) in October of 2021. (*Schedule 'A' attached shows the subject property hatched in red.*) During both the initial subdivision and subsequent rezoning processes to permit the multi-family use of this newly created lot, the Ministry of Transportation, Interior Health, First Nations, BC Hydro and Telus were all referred and provided any relevant comment/requirements that may have been necessary prior to their final subdivision/rezoning approvals. An easement was created off of Lilley Rd. to provide access to the parcels beyond, including the Barriere Budz store and overflow parking area of the hotel/restaurant.

The property owner's original plan during the rezoning process was for the construction of a four (4) unit complex. Now, in response to the current, extreme rental housing demand in Barriere, the property owner is creating an additional three (3) units for a total of seven (7), single-level units.

In order to accommodate the seven (7) units, the applicant's design resulted in an encroachment result of *up to* 1.5 meters (5.0ft) into the required side setback of 6 meters (19.69ft) (*see Schedule 'B' attached sketch*) for a total side setback result of 4.5m (14.76ft). This application was ultimately approved by the Board of Variance on December 6, 2023 and registered on title by BC Land Titles in January of 2024.

As this property lies within the Yellowhead Highway Corridor Development Permit Area of the District of Barriere Official Community Plan (OCP), this proposed development is subject to a District approved *Development Permit* outlining landscaping, fencing, wastewater & water connection locations, lighting and fire hydrant requirements. This application supports the Barriere & Area Housing Needs Study and provincially legislated housing requirements.



## **Discussion:**

**Servicing** – Engineering and District staff have reviewed and worked with the applicant, along with their professional Engineer and have subsequently approved the appropriate site servicing plan regarding water and wastewater connections, new fire hydrant installation and a site drainage plan.

**Parking** – Zoning Bylaw No. 111 parking requirements of 1.5 spaces per dwelling unit of Multi-Family Residential are met with 13 regular spaces and one reserved disability space. Access is available via the road easement registered on Title and shown in Schedule 'B' attached to this report.

**Form and Character** – The application includes the paving of the road easement access to the parking area of the development, the parking areas themselves, fencing along the side of the property, landscaping and lighting of the entrance of property and in the parking/driveway access areas. All of which will be required to be complete prior to the award of building occupancy granted through the building permit process. Side elevation, site plan and dwelling unit drawings are attached to this report as '*Schedule C*'.

## **Strategic Impact:**

1. Adheres to and supports the Province's Small-Scale Multi-Unit Housing (SSMUH) Legislation (Bill 44). Resulting housing will assist the District in meeting its legislated housing creation target outlined in its Housing Needs Assessment completed in December of 2024.
2. The property is adequately zoned for this development and through the agreed site-servicing plan, will clean-up the current, inadequate (and unnecessarily complex) wastewater servicing connections of the hotel/restaurant and cannabis retail store, providing each with a dedicated wastewater service to each parcel. Should any of the three separate parcels be sold to a third party, this change will provide clarity of ownership and responsibility of those service lines/connections.

**Recommendation:** That Development Permit Application No. DP-25-02 BMI be approved as presented.

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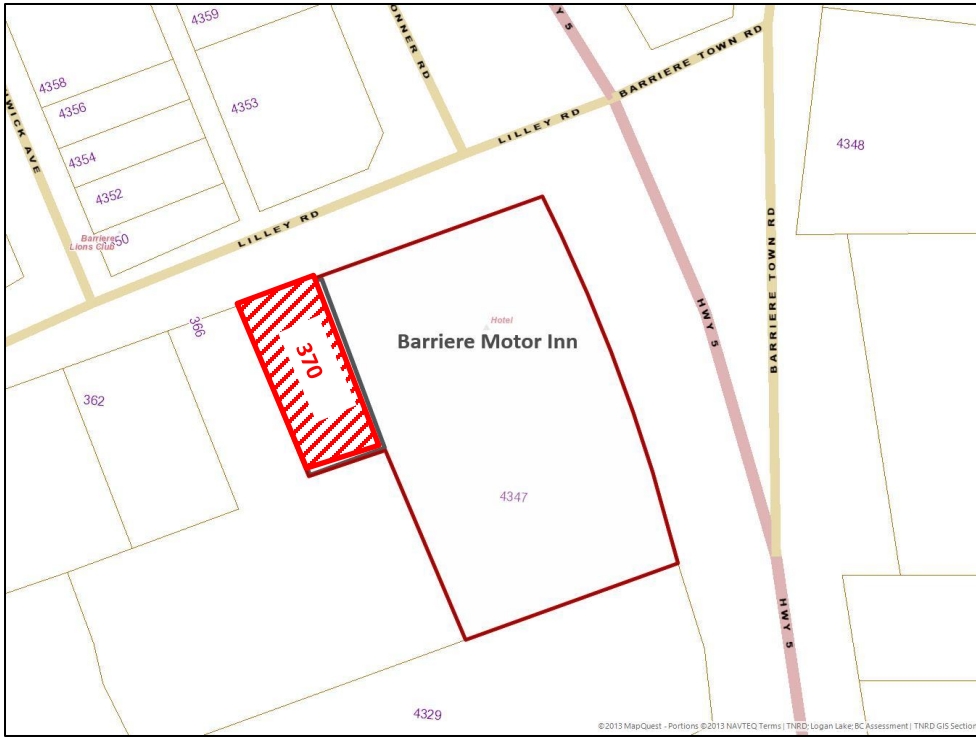
## **Alternate Options:**

1. Council could approve the Development Permit Application subject to the applicant's agreement to additional or alternative requirements that Council feels necessary.
2. Should Council desire substantial changes to the proposed development, Council could direct staff to work with the applicant to make amendments to the Development Permit Application in order for Council for re-consideration at a future meeting.

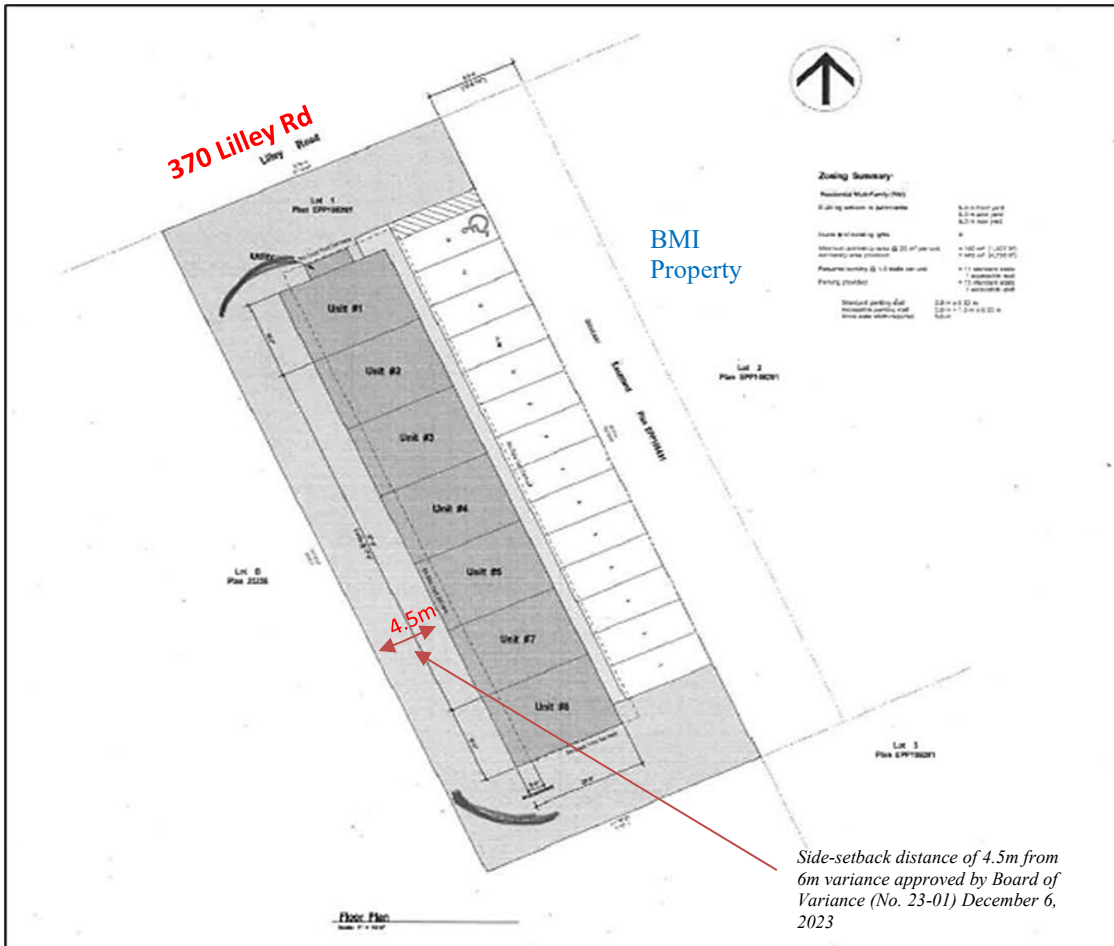
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Reviewed by: Daniel Drexler, CAO



*Schedule 'A' – DP-25-02*

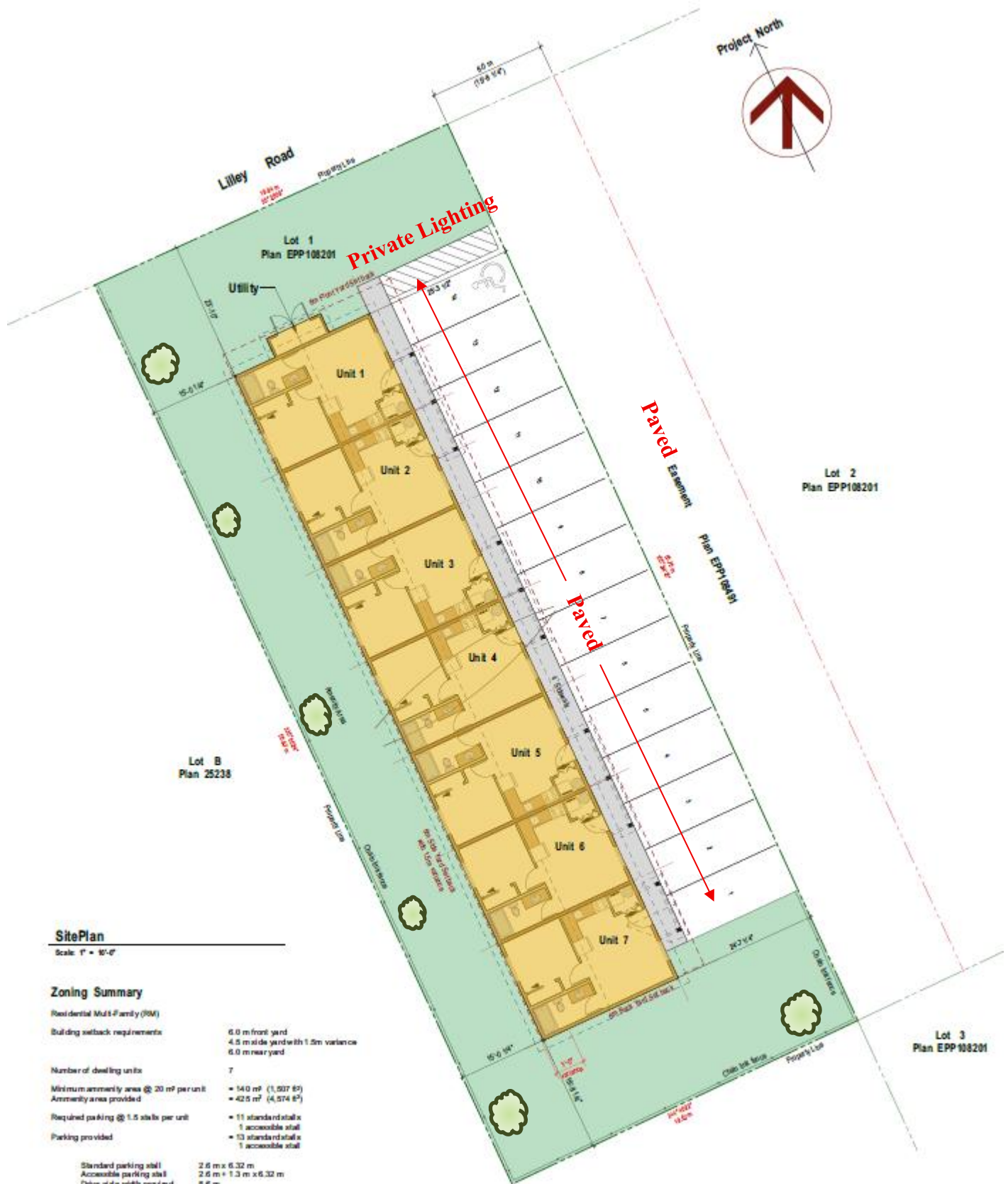


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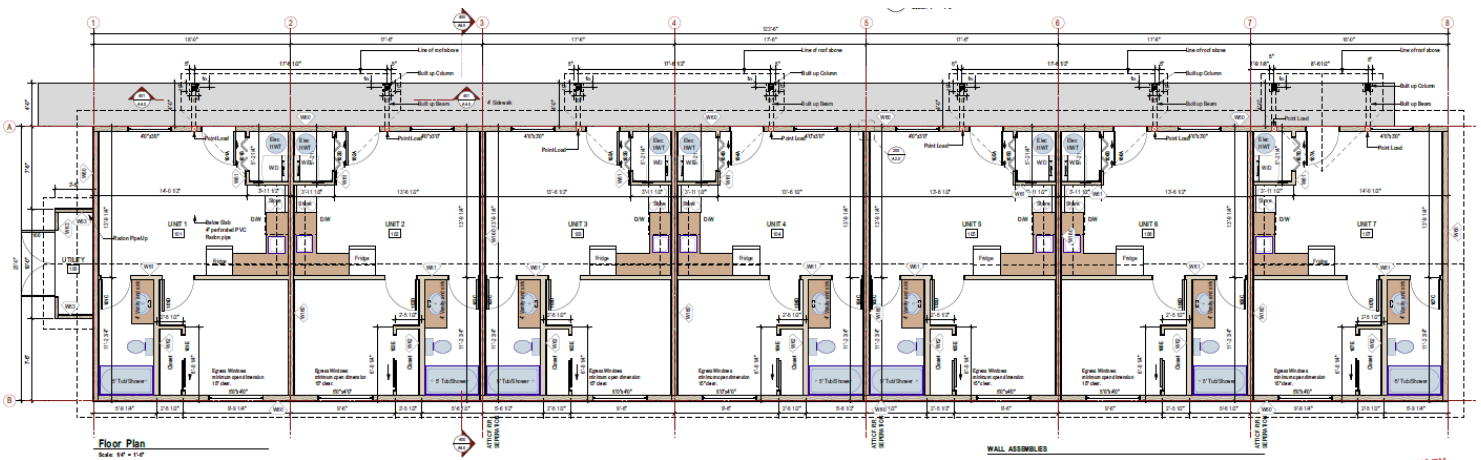
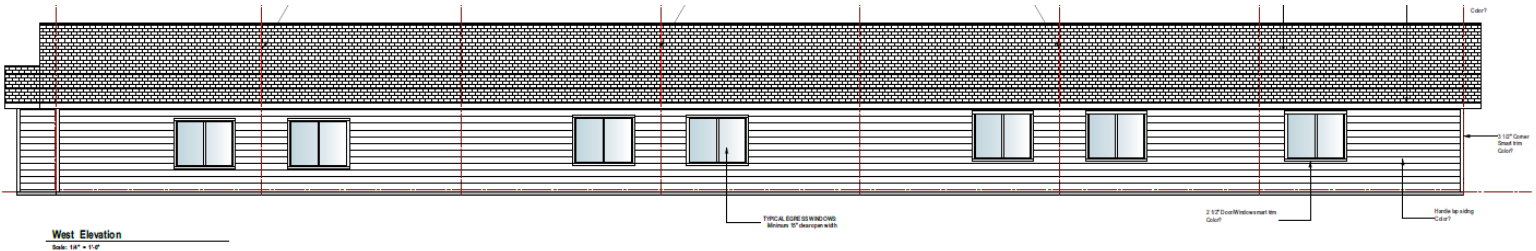
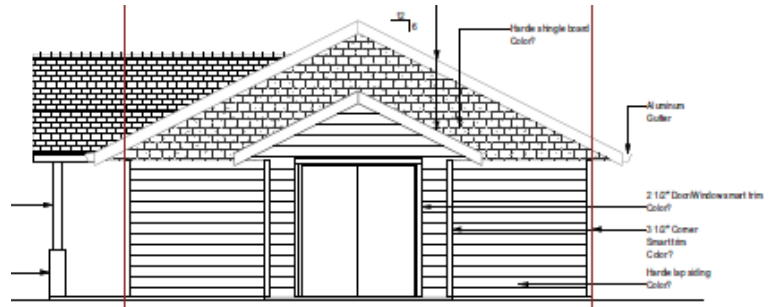
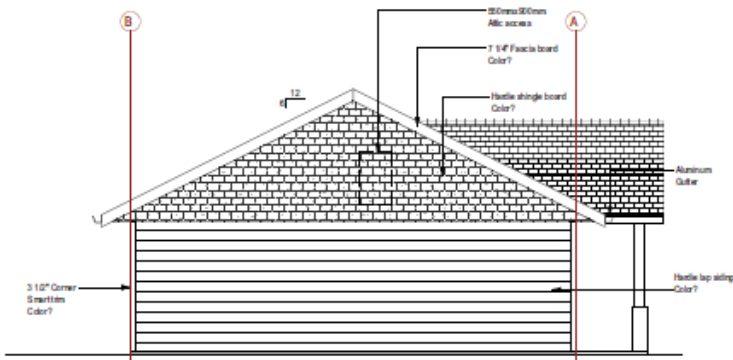
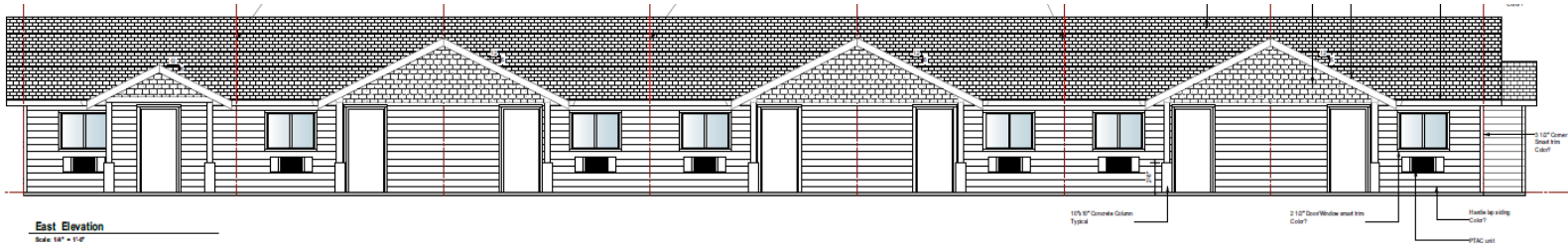


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District of Barriere

# REPORT TO COUNCIL

## Request for Decision

<b>Date:</b> July 21, 2025	<b>File:</b> 530.20/Rpts
<b>To:</b> Council	<b>From:</b> Chief Administrative Officer
<b>Re: Strategic Planning topics</b>	
<b>Recommendation:</b> THAT Council instructs Staff to include, in addition to the “ATV/Side by Side on District Roads” item, the following items for discussion at the Strategic Planning Update workshop to be held later this year: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Dog/Animal Control Options;</li><li>2. Dumpster rental program.</li></ol>	

### Purpose

For Council to consider Strategic Planning topics or prioritizing current projects.

### Background

As Council is aware, Staff is currently working on various critical capital and strategic projects as per Council’s Strategic Plan and 2025 budget. For example, for capital projects, the team is working on:

- Wastewater Treatment Plant
- Water / Wastewater SCADA
- Louis Creek Watermain
- Highway 5 utilities extension
- 30km/h speed zone
- CN Rail crossing
- Grant Application for Fire Hall
- Memorial Wall at Cemetery

On the operational side, based on Council strategic plan and from legislated priorities, the team is currently focused on these items (and many more):

- Roads Crew business case
- Facilities Review
- OCP Refresh
- Development Approvals Processes
- Long range Asset Management plans
- Financial reporting and audit
- Fire Hall grant application
- Leonie Lake Dam Study
- Crown Land – Simpcw partnership
- Flood Mitigation Plan
- Utility Bylaws reviews
- Long Range Wastewater Plan grant
- And many more



In recent months, Council has also received delegations and held discussions about other potential new projects. Below is a summary of these delegations and outstanding items.

1. ATV/Side by Side discussion – this was presented on June 9, 2025. Council at that time provided a resolution to further discuss this at the Strategic Planning session later this year.
2. Dog/Animal Control Options – this was presented on May 26, 2025. Council at that time discussed to bring it back at a later date. No formal resolution regarding this topic had been provided.  
Due to the potential complexity of this topic, Staff is recommending allowing the team some time to brainstorm potential options and to provide potential avenues to Council as part of the Strategic Planning session in October/November 2025.
3. Dumpster Rental program – the staff highlight report on June 23, 2025, included a note that 5 used dumpsters had been procured to support our demand (this was also previously outlined through the budget process).  
Council at that meeting passed a resolution requesting staff to investigate the feasibility to rent the dumpsters out to individuals (not just businesses) and to provide a report back to Council. Due to the current workload, if Council is amenable to this, Staff would like to brainstorm this item over the coming months and include it as part of the Strategic Planning session later this year.

### Summary

In summary, it would be recommended to move non-critical items to a strategic planning session as discussion topics and to allow staff to continue to focus on current major infrastructure projects and other operational commitments over the summer months.

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### Benefits or Impact

#### General

Aligning staffing resources to strategic priorities.

#### Finances

N/A

#### Strategic Impact

Staff is currently working on several high impact strategic goals of Council. If Council would like to add new strategic projects to the list, Strategic Planning would be the most appropriate way to do so. If Council deems a new project urgent enough, Council should determine which project should be delayed or removed from the current plan to free up staffing resources.



## Risk Assessment

Compliance: Council's Strategic Plan 2025-2026

Risk Impact: Medium – If Council chooses to prioritize new potential projects, it will delay some other ones that are intended to have a potential larger impact to the organization and community.

Internal Control Process:

Staff would add the projects to a list of discussion topics at the Strategic Planning.

It would be beneficial if Council could check their calendars for potential strategic planning dates in October or November.

## Next Steps / Communication

- Set date for strategic planning update. Recommendation would be early November.
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## **Attachments**

- Strategic Plan progress to the end of June 2025

## **Recommendation**

**THAT Council instructs Staff to include, in addition to the “ATV/Side by Side on District Roads” item, the following items for discussion at the Strategic Planning Update workshop to be held later this year:**

- 1. Dog/Animal Control Options;**
- 2. Dumpster rental program.**

## **Alternative Options**

1. Council could choose to prioritize other projects as deemed necessary by Council. This will require resources to be pulled away from other key projects that are being worked on and delay those or increase budget costs to maintain the timelines.

Prepared by:

D. Drexler, Chief Administrative Officer



# District of Barriere Projects

July 2, 2025













## In Progress

	Program Type		Capacity Requirements					Project Delivery			
	Initiated by	Capital Program?	Estimated costs	Staff hours	Staff days	2025 Budget	Future Budgets	Sponsor	Start	Completion	Percent complete
<b>Priority #1: Implement an Organizational Asset Management Program</b>											
<b>Goal 1. – Assess Current Practices and State of Our Assets</b>											
a.Complete review of Current Practices and make recommendations on how to address any gaps by the end of 2025.	Council			80	10.7			CAO			<div><div></div></div> 25 %
b.Provide a review of our Assets and long-term annual investment needs for Council and Public Information by the end of 2025.	Council			40	5.3			CAO			<div><div></div></div> 0 %
<b>Goal 2. Develop Asset Management Policies</b>											
a.Tangible Capital Assets Policy	Council			40	5.3			CAO			<div><div></div></div> 10 %
b.Asset Management Policy	Council				0.0			CAO			<div><div></div></div> 100 %
c.Asset Management Framework/Strategy	Council				0.0			CAO			<div><div></div></div> 100 %
d.Asset Management Investment Plan (AMIP)	Council		\$ 50,000	80	10.7	\$ -		CAO			<div><div></div></div> 0 %
e.Asset Management Financial Investment Policy	Council			120	16.0			CAO			<div><div></div></div> 0 %
<b>Goal 3. – Communication of Asset Management Program to Public</b>											
a.Present a budget for enhanced communication on Asset Management as part of the 2025 budget.	Council				0.0			CAO			<div><div></div></div> 100 %
b.Information is readily available to the public through various channels.	Council			60	8.0			CAO			<div><div></div></div> 0 %
c.At least one Open House on Asset Management has been held before the end of 2026.	Council			100	13.3			CAO			<div><div></div></div> 0 %
d.Reasonable efforts have been made to educate the public on the purpose of Asset Management.	Council			20	2.7			CAO			<div><div></div></div> 0 %
<b>Priority #2: Fiscally Responsible Operations</b>											
<b>Goal 1. – Develop a District Facilities Roadmap</b>											
a.Present a short-term facilities strategy for Council consideration that aligns with the needs of the organization and are financially achievable in 2025/26.	Council			160	21.3			PW			<div><div></div></div> 33 %














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<b>Goal 2. – Support Developments to Increase our Tax Base</b>											
a.Development is enabled as much as possible for the 3 large parcels north of the Highway Bridge along the Highway 5 Corridor. Ideally both, water and wastewater, are available.	Council			240	32.0			CAO/PW			 15 %
a.If REDIP grant is not receive, provide Council with options to fund the project (or part of the project) without any grant support	Council			80	10.7			CAO/PW			 60 %
b.Council is presented with options for land swaps or right of way agreements with property owners if the project proceeds	Council			120	16.0			PW/CO			 5 %
b.Active Transportation and Utility Right of Way corridors are established where feasible.	Council			120	16.0			PW/CO			 15 %
c.Continuously review grant opportunities that would allow infrastructure expansion to underutilized areas, to allow for growth or to reduce operating costs.	Council				0.0			PW/CO			 10 %
<b>Goal 3. – Complete critical Utility Bylaw and Utility Master Plan revisions</b>											
a.Present a Wastewater Bylaw for Council consideration in 2025.	Staff			240	32.0			PW/CO			 5 %
b.Present a Water Bylaw update for Council consideration in 2025.	Council			120	16.0			CAO/CO			 15 %
c.Wastewater Master plan update is started by end of 2026, funding dependent.	Council			400	53.3			CAO/PW			0 %
d.Water Master Plan update is started by end of 2026, funding dependent.	Council			400	53.3			CAO/PW			0 %
<b>Priority #4: General Governance and Community Engagement</b>											
<b>Goal 1. – Increase Partnership with Simpcw First Nation</b>											
a.Present a final version of the MOU and Protocol agreement for Council consideration.	Simpcw				0.0			CAO			 100 %
b.Present an application for the Crown Land Tenure to both Councils for consideration.	Council			120	16.0			CAO/CO			 20 %
c.If opportunities arise, present them to Council for consideration.	Council				0.0			CAO/CO			 10 %
<b>Goal 2. – Bylaws and legislated reports are complete</b>											
a.The Housing Needs Assessment is complete.	Province				0.0			CO			 100 %
b.The OCP is updated and presented to Council for consideration by end of 2025.	Province			240	32.0			CAO/CO			 50 %



c.The Zoning Bylaw is updated and presented to Council for consideration by end of 2026.	Province			400	53.3			CO			0 %
d.Development Approvals Bylaw is updated and presented to Council for consideration by end of 2025.	Staff			240	32.0			CO			25 %
e.Development Cost Charges Bylaw is updated and presented to Council for consideration by end of 2025.	Staff			400	53.3			CO			0 %
f.Parks Bylaw is updated and presented to Council for consideration by end of 2025.	Council			80	10.7			CAO/CO			33 %
g.Fire Bylaw is updated and presented to Council for consideration by end of 2025.	Staff			80	10.7			CAO/FC			33 %
h.Accessibility requirements are met.	Province			200	26.7			CO			0 %
Goal 3. – Enhanced Engagement with the Community and our Partners											
a.An agreement with CN rail is complete regarding the Hall Road crossing and presented to Council for consideration in 2025.	CN Rail			0	0.0			CAO			90 %
b.Communications regarding District projects are enhanced on the platforms that our citizens are wanting to be engaged on.	Council			120	16.0			CAO/CO			10 %
c.Support our local community partners and enable them to provide a benefit to the community on behalf of the District	Council			120	16.0			CAO/CO			50 %
d.Establish a mechanism to solicit input from the Youth in our community.	Council			120	16.0			CO			10 %
Other Projects											
Louis Creek Watermain Expansion	Developer		\$ 250,000	200	26.7			CAO / PW			30 %
Cemetery Memorial Wall	Citizen			100	13.3			PW			5 %
Fire Hall Grant Application	Staff			400	53.3			Fire / PW / CAO			5 %
Leonie Lake Dam Study	Council			400	53.3			PW			65 %
Capacity Required:			\$ 5,410,000	6620	883						
Capacity Available:				878	117						
Capacity Deficit				5743	766						



District of Barriere

# REPORT TO COUNCIL

## Request for Decision

<b>Date:</b> July 21, 2025	<b>File:</b> 530.20/Rpts
<b>To:</b> Council	<b>From:</b> Corporate Officer
<b>Re: DRAFT General Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 257</b>	
<b>Recommendation: THAT Council give Zoning Bylaw No. 111, Amendment Bylaw No. 257 three readings and final adoption.</b>	

**Purpose** To further amend the District of Barriere Zoning Bylaw No. 111 by adding a definition and removing three permitted uses within two zones.

**Background** The attached report was initially reviewed by Council at its June 23, 2025 meeting. Public Notice is still required for zoning amendments that are not eligible or required for public hearings. To prevent additional advertising costs, public notice for this zoning amendment was done alongside the other zoning amendment on the agenda for Council's consideration at this meeting. Now that legislated public notice has been advertised, the draft Bylaw is being re-presented to Council for formal consideration of three readings and adoption, and the original staff report outlining the proposed zoning changes, is attached for reference.

No public comments or inquiries, either verbal or written, have been received by staff following the completion of its public notice.

### **Benefits or Impact**

General – The amendment is intended to address Council's concerns regarding unsightly premises and prevents an increase in enforcement measures should additional properties establish as a new RV Park, Wrecking Yard, Tow Yard, or Campground.

Finances – ensures available, highly visible and prime commercial/industrial land can maximize their potential assessed value in order to reduce the burden on the residential tax base.

### Risk Assessment

Compliance: Does not contravene the District's current Strategic Plan and Official Community Plan

Risk Impact: Low

### Next Steps / Communication

- Once adopted, staff will include the amendments in the publicly posted Zoning Bylaw No. 111, as amended.



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### Attachments

- June 23, 2025 Staff Report
- Draft Zoning Bylaw No. 111, Amendment Bylaw No. 257
- Zoning Map

### Recommendation

**THAT Council give Zoning Bylaw No. 111, Amendment Bylaw No. 257 first, second, third readings and final adoption.**

### Alternative Options

1. Council could choose not to proceed with any of the proposed amendments.
2. Council could choose to proceed with first reading and make amendments to the draft Bylaw at second reading. Should significant changes be desired at this reading, it would be recommended that this bylaw be defeated in entirety, re-written with changes, and Public Notice be advertised prior to its first reading.
3. Council could choose to proceed with first three readings and wait to consider its adoption at its next Council Meeting.

Prepared by:

T. Buchanan, Corporate Officer

Reviewed by:

D. Drexler, Chief Administrative Officer



District of Barriere

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**Purpose** To further amend the District of Barriere Zoning Bylaw No. 111 by adding a definition and removing three permitted uses within two zones.

**Background** The District of Barriere Zoning Bylaw No. 111 currently lists the following as permitted uses within the Yellowhead Corridor Commercial (C2), and Industrial (I) zones:

### Yellowhead Corridor Commercial (C2):

#### 10.1 PERMITTED USES

	<b><i>Principal Uses</i></b>	<b><i>Accessory Uses</i></b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Large Single Retail store</li><li>• Retail sales outlet or attraction that caters to the travelling public</li><li>• Motorized and non-motorized vehicle services, including associated retail sales and repair (e.g. service station)</li><li>• Personal service shop</li><li>• Office</li><li>• Restaurant</li><li>• Entertainment Establishment</li><li>• Motel</li><li>• Hotel</li><li>• Campground</li><li>• Restaurant</li><li>• Veterinary clinic or animal hospital, including pet boarding and breeding kennels</li><li>• RV Park</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dwelling units in the principal commercial building</li><li>• Accessory buildings</li><li>• Accessory retail sales</li></ul>
	<b><i>Permitted Uses - Site Specific</i></b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 4369 Conner Rd at the south corner of Kamloops St. - an additional principal use of a maximum of three dwelling units</li></ul>	
Bvlaw 165	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 4347 Yellowhead Highway – an additional principal use of “Cannabis Sales”</li></ul>	
Bvlaw 188	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 3732 &amp; 3752 Enterprise Way (Lots 1 &amp; 2 – LCIP) – C2 / I split zone with a site-specific exemption to prohibit Wrecking &amp; Storage of Automobiles as a permitted use in this C2/I Zone.</li></ul>	



## Industrial (I):

### 13.1 PERMITTED USES

<i>Principal Uses</i>	<i>Accessory Uses</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Industrial Workshops</li><li>• Industrial Offices</li><li>• Manufacturing Industry</li><li>• Service Industry</li><li>• Retail sales of industrial/agricultural equipment</li><li>• Wholesale Commercial</li><li>• Warehousing</li><li>• Restaurant – maximum 140 square metres gross floor area</li><li>• Mini Storage</li><li>• Contractor's yard</li><li>• Sawmill</li><li>• Ready-mix concrete plants and asphalt plants</li><li>• Storage of logs, lumber, wood chips, sand, gravel, ore, concentrates, gas and petroleum products</li><li>• Rail spur</li><li>• Public Works yards</li><li>• Wrecking and storage of automobiles</li><li>• Agricultural/Horticultural</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dwelling Unit</li><li>• Accessory buildings</li><li>• Minor Retail sales directly associated with a Principal use</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 3820 Enterprise Way *Bylaw No. 227</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• An additional principal use of "Cannabis Sales"</li></ul>

The C2 zone spans the length of the Yellowhead Hwy 5 (Zoning Map Attached – shown in red). This C2 zoning currently permits the use of a "RV Park" and a "Campground". The RV Park and Campground uses are defined as follows:

***"RV Park"*** means premises where RVs are used for:

- (i) the temporary accommodation of travelers in RVs; or,
- (ii) the longer term accommodation of residents in RVs, including Park Model RVs, on designated fully serviced sites,

*both approved through the District Development Permit approval process.*

and;

***"Campground"*** means premises used for the temporary accommodation of travelers in trailers, recreational vehicles, campers or tents.

The Industrial zone encompasses the Barriere Industrial Park (Gilbert Dr. area), Gilbert Smith sawmill, Barriere Towing and the majority of the properties in the LCIP (see attached Zoning Map – shown in grey).

This Industrial zoning permits the use of "*Wrecking and storage of automobiles*", unless, through a site-specific zoning amendment, is excluded as a permitted use.

Some properties are dual zoned, meaning that they can be either C2 or Industrial; again may include site-specific permissions or exclusions.



## **Summary**

In a number of past discussions of Council, it was suggested that due to regulatory challenges of RV Parks and Wrecking and storage of automobiles, including unsightly conditions along the highway corridor and the resulting lack of assessed value on these prime (and limited) properties that these uses be removed.

Campgrounds also pose a lack of assessed value issue, along with potential incompatibility with neighbouring Commercial and Residential uses.

To address Council's concerns, the most appropriate solution would be to remove RV Parks, Wrecking and Storage of Automobiles and Campgrounds as permitted uses within the Bylaw's listed zones.

The District of Barriere Zoning Bylaw No. 111 currently does not define "*Wrecking and Storage of Automobiles*", nor has a definition of a "tow yard". The proposed definition encompasses a standard definition of "*Wrecking and Storage of Automobiles*" and includes 'towed vehicles' as tow yards often store a number of wrecked, damaged and undrivable vehicles for a lengthy period of time; sometimes permanently if the vehicle's owner never claims the vehicle. This results in the tow yard essentially appearing much like a traditional "wrecking yard".

RV Parks, permitted in C2 zoning, are further regulated in the Zoning Bylaw as follows:

### **3.16 RV PARK REGULATIONS**

- (a) ***Provision of an appropriate Wastewater System*** – RVs staying in the RV Park for longer than one week must be provided with a wastewater disposal service option, approved by the District of Barriere or other legislatively responsible authority.
- (b) ***Provision of an appropriate Water System*** – RVs staying in the RV Park for longer than one week must be provided with a potable water service option, approved by Interior Health or other legislatively responsible authority.
- (c) ***Spacing*** – RVs must have a minimum 3.0m separation from any adjacent RV or structure.
- (d) ***Heating/Cooking Appliances*** – Any heating/cooking appliances (wood or otherwise) that are not part of the original certified manufactured RV, shall be in accordance with the regulations of the authority having jurisdiction and proof of such shall be provided, upon request, to the District of Barriere.
- (e) ***Vehicle Lane Access*** – Lane width accessing RV sites must be a minimum of 6m (5m if one way) to allow emergency vehicles (e.g. fire truck, ambulance) to safely access a site in an emergency.
- (f) ***Structures/additions*** constructed adjacent to or connected to an RV must provide safe ingress and egress from the RV in case of emergency and may be subject to a safety inspection by the District of Barriere.
- (g) ***A Development Permit is required*** for all RV Parks, whether or not they were existing at the time of passage of this bylaw.

## **Site Specific Zoning:**

Zoning Bylaws only permit uses that are specifically listed as a "Permitted Use" or "Accessory Use" in their respective zone. While some uses rely on municipal staff interpretation to determine if a specific use can *reasonably* fall under a listed permitted use, a property owner desiring to use their property for a use not listed in their property's zone, require an approved "Site-Specific" zoning amendment.

Excluding RV Parks, Wrecking & Storage of Automobiles, and Campgrounds as permitted uses within the Zoning Bylaw, would result in the requirement of a site-specific zoning amendment in



order for a property owner to establish the use on their property.

Site-Specific Zoning can be appropriate when a local government doesn't necessarily wish to prohibit a specific use but wishes to consider it on a case-by-case basis by way of a public process through a zoning amendment.

An example of this is "*Cannabis Sales*". Cannabis Sales is defined in the District's Zoning Bylaw but is not listed as a permitted use in any zone. Applicants who wish to establish a Cannabis Sale use, must apply (and be successful) for a site-specific zoning amendment. As noted in the Industrial Zone chart on the previous page of this report, the chart lists the additional permitted, site-specific use for the applicable addresses. These instances were approved by Council through the site-specific Zoning Amendment process. There was one case where a site-specific zoning amendment was unsuccessful.

### **Legal Non-Conforming Use:**

Barriere currently has three (3) operating RV Parks within their permitted zoning and have been operating since prior to the District of Barriere's Incorporation in 2007. There are also two operating tow yards and there are a few wrecking yards in the Barriere Industrial Park. There are no currently operating "Campgrounds" in the District's boundaries. The "Campground" use was added to the C2 Zone at the time of the initial adoption of Zoning Bylaw No. 111, due to DeeJay Mobile Home and 'Campground' operating an actual campground along with their RV Park use. That particular property is no longer operating as a campground and is now just named "DeeJay Mobile Home and RV Park".

Should Council adopt proposed Bylaw No. 257 that removes these uses in their prospective zones, the current operations can continue to operate legally as a "legal non-conforming use". This means that should any of those specific properties cease to operate as a RV Park or Wrecking or Storage of Automobiles as defined, they would not be able to re-establish the use without going through the site-specific zoning amendment process. For clarity, should any of these properties change ownership, the use can legally continue.

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### **Benefits or Impact**

General – The amendment is intended to address Council's concerns regarding unsightly premises and prevents an increase in enforcement measures should additional properties establish as a new RV Park, Wrecking Yard, Tow Yard, or Campground.

Finances – ensures available, highly visible and prime commercial/industrial land can maximize their potential assessed value in order to reduce the burden on the residential tax base.

### Risk Assessment

Compliance: Does not contravene the District's current Strategic Plan and Official Community Plan

Risk Impact: Low

### Next Steps / Communication

- Should Council proceed with 1<sup>st</sup> reading of the draft Bylaw Amendment, public advertising with be published and the draft bylaw amendment will be brought back to Council for additional readings and adoption at a future meeting.



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### Attachments

- Draft Zoning Bylaw No. 111, Amendment Bylaw No. 257
- Zoning Map

### Recommendation

**THAT Council give Zoning Bylaw No. 111, Amendment Bylaw No. 257 first reading.**

### Alternative Options

1. Council could choose not to proceed with any of the proposed amendments.
2. Council could choose to make amendments to the draft Bylaw as presented prior to first reading.
3. Council could choose to proceed with first reading and make amendments to the draft Bylaw at second reading.

Prepared by:

T. Buchanan, Corporate Officer

Reviewed by:

D. Drexler, Chief Administrative Officer



**DISTRICT OF BARRIERE**

**DRAFT - BYLAW NO. 257**

**A BYLAW TO FURTHER AMEND “DISTRICT OF BARRIERE  
ZONING BYLAW NO. 111”**

WHEREAS a sufficient number of small changes, have been compiled by the District since Zoning Bylaw No. 111 and a number of amendment Bylaws have been adopted to warrant a comprehensive amendment to the bylaw at this time;

AND WHEREAS the desirable changes in uses of Land and Buildings have been considered by Council over the past few months;

AND WHEREAS the zoning amendment conforms to the District of Barriere Official Community Plan;

AND WHEREAS a public hearing is not required per Section 464 (2) of the *Local Government Act*;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the District of Barriere, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

1. **CITATION**

- 1.1 This bylaw may be cited as “*District of Barriere Zoning Bylaw No. 111 Amendment Bylaw No. 257*”.

2. **PURPOSE**

- 2.1 In DIVISION ONE – DEFINITIONS, as amended, is further amended by the addition of the following:

“***Wrecking and Storage of Automobiles***” means the wrecking, salvaging, dismantling, or storage of vehicles, vehicle parts, vehicle frames or vehicle bodies and includes the storage of inoperable or unlicensed vehicles and the storage of towed vehicles, but excludes services associated with a ***Service Station***.

- 2.2 In DIVISION TEN - YELLOWHEAD CORRIDOR COMMERCIAL (C2) ZONE, Section 10.1 – PERMITTED USES, the following are removed as a permitted use under “Principal Uses”:

- i. **RV Park**
- ii. **Campground**

- 2.3 In DIVISION THIRTEEN – INDUSTRIAL (I) ZONE, Section 13.1 – PERMITTED USES, the following are removed as a permitted use under “Principal Uses”:

- i. **Wrecking and storage of automobiles**

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READ A THIRD TIME this        day of            , 2025

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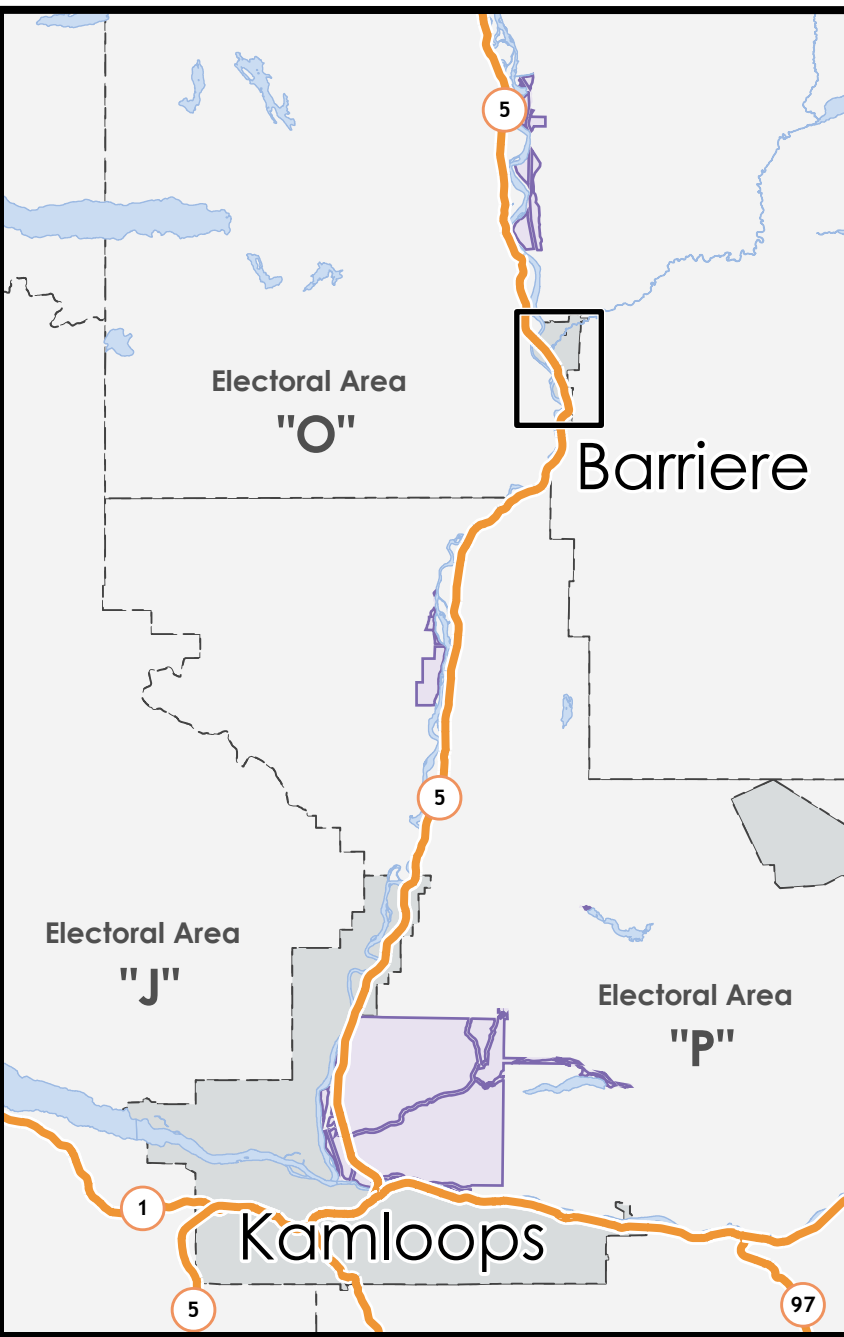
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DISTRICT OF BARRIERE  
Zoning Map

C1	Downtown Core Commercial
C1R	Downtown Core Commercial/Residential
C1UR	Downtown Core Commercial/Residential Multi-Family
C2	C2 Yellowhead Corridor Commercial
C2R	Yellowhead Corridor Commercial/Residential
LICR	Light Industrial Commercial/Residential
I	Industrial
I/C2	Industrial/Yellowhead Corridor Commercial
CR	CR Country Residential
R	Residential
RM	Residential Multi-Family
MH	Mobile Home Park
SH	Small Holding
OS	Open Space
P1	Recreational
P2	Institutional
TR	Transportation - Rail



DATA SOURCES

Electoral Areas and Municipal Boundaries - TNRD  
Facility, Library, Landmark, and Service - TNRD  
Community Park - TNRD  
Civic Address - Member Municipality  
Transportation - GeoBC  
Waterbody - GeoBC  
First Nation Boundary - GeoBC  
Parcel - LandSure (LISA)  
Feature Name - BC Gazetteer

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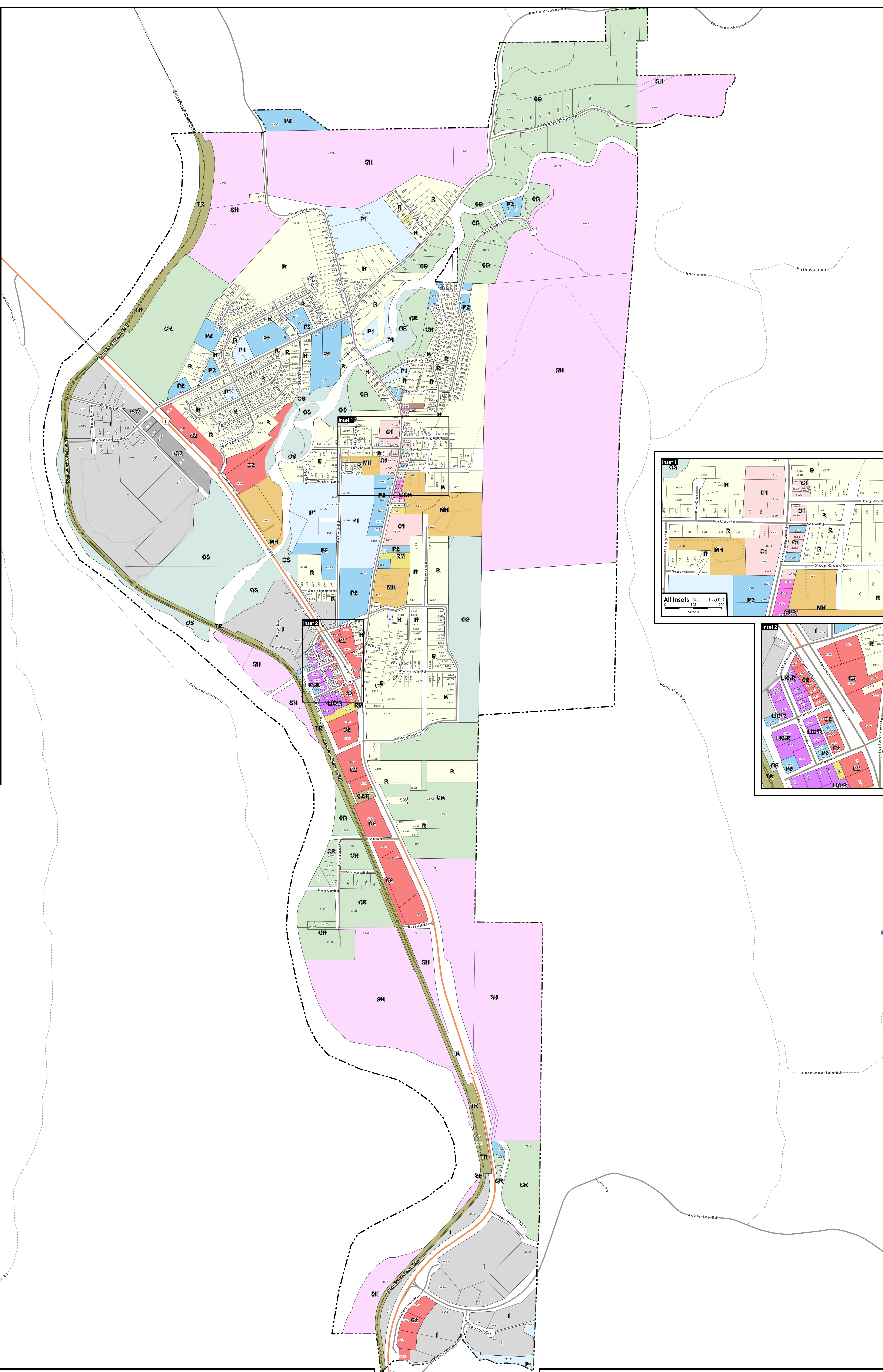


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District of Barriere

# REPORT TO COUNCIL

## Request for Decision

<b>Date:</b> July 21, 2025	<b>File:</b> 530.20/Rpts
<b>To:</b> Council	<b>From:</b> C. Hannigan, RPP MCIP Planner/Approving Officer
<b>Re: Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 258 – 4740 Barriere Town Rd. – Three Readings and Final Adoption</b>	

**Recommendation:** That Zoning Bylaw No. 111, Amendment Bylaw No. 258 be given first three readings and final adoption.

**Background:** On May 13, 2024 the owner of 4740 Barriere Town Rd, Lot 7, DL 1354, KDYD, Plan 5207, as shown outlined on the map below, applied and successfully rezoned their property, excluding the portion zoned Recreational (P1) along the Barriere River, back to its original zoning of Residential (R).

They have now applied for an amendment *from Residential (R) to Residential (R) with a site-specific exception to permit a minimum lot size reduction from 500 sq.m. to 260 sq.m. when a Townhome duplex (a building with two similarly sized units joined by a vertical party wall) is subdivided into two fee simple lots.*

This is a technical amendment that relates to ownership (tenure), to allow the option to create two fee simple lots in place of the creation of a two-party strata corporation for each Townhome duplex (currently permitted in the Residential Zone) should the owner wish to sell one or both halves of the duplex along with its associated half of the land separately. Maximum lot coverage and all required setbacks in the residential zone (R) are still required (and to be able) to be met.

**Discussion:** This amendment will allow the developer to avoid the need to create a two-owner strata corporation with common property surrounding the building and ongoing legal requirements for joint exterior building and land management should they wish to sell one or more of the duplex units separately. Creating separate saleable condominium units is currently allowed under the BC Strata Property Act without any further required subdivision approvals from the municipality. Difficult situations and legal intervention can arise should the two owners not agree on the management of their common assets.

The servicing strategy for this type of development, which is part of the subdivision approval process, has been reviewed and approved by District staff. Separate municipal water and wastewater connections from the street will be required when any duplex is applied for at the building permit stage. Phase 1 of the subdivision is in the final stages of the approval process which will include park land dedication of an approximately 20 metre strip of lands along the Barriere River that are already appropriately zoned P1.

Public Notice has been advertised as legislatively required and a notice board has been affixed to the subject property. At the time of this report creation, no public comments have been received by staff.



Since this is basically a technical amendment that will not increase the existing density, nor is a change of use in this Residential Zone, staff are recommending Council consider all three readings and adoption of this draft bylaw at the same meeting to assist in streamlining the development approvals for this residential development as permitted under the new Provincial legislation.

**Strategic Impact:** Adheres to and supports the Province's Small-Scale Multi-Unit Housing (SSMUH) Legislation (Bill 44). Resulting housing will assist the District in meeting its legislated housing creation target outlined in its Housing Needs Assessment completed in December of 2024.

**Recommendation:** That Zoning Bylaw No. 111, Amendment Bylaw No.258 be given first three readings and final adoption.

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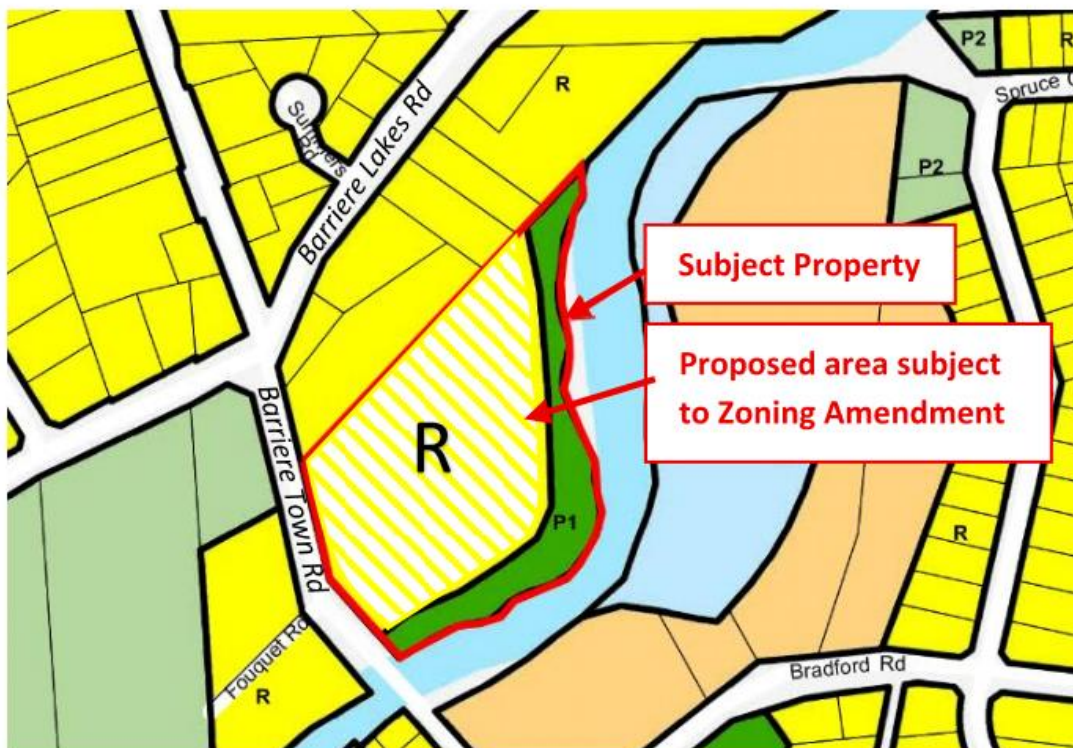
**Alternative Options:**

1. Council could provide first three readings of the draft Zoning Amendment and wait until the next Council Meeting to give the Bylaw final adoption. This option is not recommended as no public input may be considered after a Bylaw that is ineligible for a Public Hearing under Bill 44 is formally read and therefore would delay the development unnecessarily.
2. Council could choose to reject the rezoning application. This option is not recommended as the result could be the creation of two-owner strata corporations each with common property to manage every time a duplex is constructed. This can result in complex challenges and disputes for owners resulting in costly legal interventions should two owners not agree on the management of their common assets.

Prepared by: C. Hannigan, Approving Officer / Planner

Reviewed by: T. Buchanan, Corporate Officer

Reviewed by: D. Drexler, CAO





**DISTRICT OF BARRIERE**

**ZONING BYLAW NO. 111, AMENDMENT BYLAW NO. 258**

A BYLAW TO AMEND "DISTRICT OF BARRIERE  
ZONING BYLAW NO. 111"

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WHEREAS an application (No. RZ-25-01) for amendment to District of Barriere Zoning Bylaw No. 111 has been made to the District;

AND WHEREAS the desired changes in the use of land has been considered;

AND WHEREAS the zoning amendment conforms to the District of Barriere Official Community Plan;

AND WHEREAS a public hearing is prohibited under Bill 44;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the District of Barriere, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

1. **CITATION**

- 1.1 This bylaw may be cited as "*District of Barriere Zoning Bylaw No. 111, Amendment Bylaw No. 258.*"

2. **PURPOSE**

- 2.1 The Zoning classification on part of Lot 7, District Lot 1354, Kamloops Division Yale District, Plan KAP5207, shown on the map attached hereto as Schedule 'A' is amended from Residential (R) to Residential (R) with a site-specific exception to permit a minimum lot size reduction from 500 sq.m. to 260 sq.m. when a Townhome duplex (a building with two similarly sized units joined by a vertical party wall) is subdivided into two fee simple lots.
- 2.2 The map attached hereto as Schedule 'A' showing the portion of Lot 7 that is subject to rezoning as hatched, is incorporated in and forms part of this bylaw.

READ A FIRST TIME this                      day of                      , **2025**

READ A SECOND TIME this                      day of                      , **2025**

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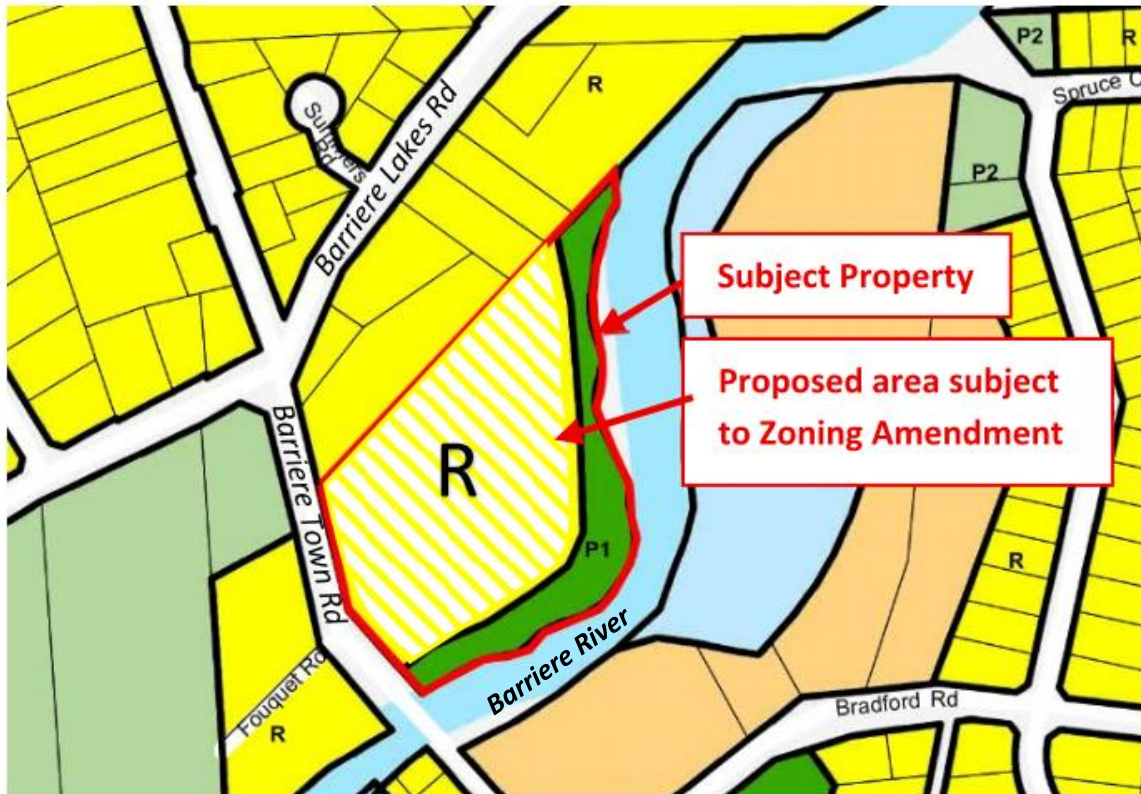
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Tasha Buchanan, Corporate Officer



## SCHEDULE 'A'



Schedule 'A' is incorporated in and forms part of  
District of Barriere Bylaw No. 258

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Certified Correct: Corporate Officer



# North Thompson Fall Fair and Rodeo Association

Box 873, Barriere, V0E 1E0  
ntfallfair@gmail.com  
250-319-8023



March 5, 2025

To: Chris Matthews, ASCT  
Operations Manager  
District of Barriere

Dear Chris;

The North Thompson Fall Fair & Rodeo Association would like to make a formal request to the District of Barriere to collect and dispose of the garbage that is created at our fairground facility during the 76th Annual North Thompson Fall Fair & Rodeo, scheduled to take place on August 29 to Sept. 1, 2025.

We very much appreciate your ongoing support once again for this historic event held in the heart of Barriere.

Thank you very much for your consideration and ongoing participation.

Sincerely;

Jill Hayward  
NTFFRA Past President  
NTFFRA Director 2025  
250-319-8023

*Thank you.*

*Your ongoing support is very much appreciated.*





# DISTRICT OF BARRIERE

## Resolution

### IN SUPPORT OF RAIL SAFETY WEEK

WHEREAS Rail Safety Week is to be held across Canada from September 15 to 21, 2025;

WHEREAS, 261 railway crossing and trespassing incidents occurred in Canada in 2024; resulting in 68 avoidable fatalities and 58 avoidable serious injuries;

WHEREAS, educating and informing the public about rail safety (reminding the public that railway rights-of-way are private property, enhancing public awareness of the dangers associated with highway rail grade crossings, ensuring pedestrians and motorists are looking and listening while near railways, and obeying established traffic laws) will reduce the number of avoidable fatalities and injuries caused by incidents involving trains and citizens; and

WHEREAS Operation Lifesaver is a public/private partnership whose aim is to work with the public, rail industry, governments, police services, media and others to raise rail safety awareness;

WHEREAS CN and Operation Lifesaver have requested City Council adopt this resolution in support of its ongoing efforts to raise awareness, save lives and prevent injuries in communities, including our municipality;

It is hereby **RESOLVED** to support national ***Rail Safety Week*** to be held from September 15 to 21, 2025.

Dated this 21<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2025

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Mayor Rob Kerslake





# Join Our Premier **FUNDRAISER** **Sip & Support** 19+ Event

**BC Wine, Beer & Cider Tasting Event**  
with an Art Auction from a number of local artists  
**In Support of our ART & CULTURAL FUND**

**When: October 25, 2025**  
**Where: Fall Fair Hall, Barriere**  
**Time: 1pm - 4pm**

## **EARLY BIRD**

**Buy your tickets by Aug. 25<sup>th</sup> and be entered  
to win wine tastings in Kamloops and the  
Okanagan**

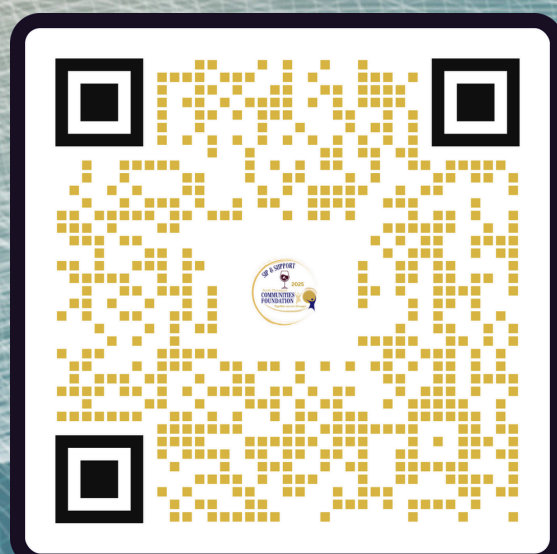
## **TICKETS**

**\$30 for 1 tasting**  
**\$60 for 3 tastings**  
**\$25 for non-drinkers**  
**\$20 per extra tastings**

**\*\*All tickets include food &  
souvenir glass**

**Purchase your tickets online at: [www.ntcommunitiesfoundation.com](http://www.ntcommunitiesfoundation.com)**

*Or*



**SCAN ME**

*Or Call*

**Louise @ 250 879-1268**



**From:** [Communications General Mailbox BCA BCA:EX](#)  
**Subject:** INVITATION: Meet with BC Assessment During UBCM  
**Date:** July 14, 2025 9:15:16 AM

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Hello!

BC Assessment is proud to support our ongoing partnership with local government and the Union of BC Municipalities.

We are offering the opportunity to have a personalized, private meeting with delegates from BC Assessment during the week of the UBCM Convention. This allows you to discuss property assessment topics specific to your community, for us to answer questions about BC Assessment and our processes, or have a “meet and greet”.

The meetings are 25 minutes in length, and will be held on **Tuesday, September 23** and **Wednesday, September 24** at the **Hotel Grand Pacific**. If you are interested in booking time with us, please use [this Calendly scheduling tool](#). In the space provided, please identify any topics you may have at this time. This will help to ensure we are prepared to have an informed discussion.

To help accommodate requests, we encourage you to join together with your colleagues as a group. There is space provided to enter the emails of your colleagues you wish to include in your booking.

We ask that you please book a meeting before **Friday, August 22**.

Thank you for your continued partnership and collaboration, and we look forward to meeting with you in September!

Sincerely,  
BC Assessment Local Government & Indigenous Relations Team



Peter Milobar, MLA  
Kamloops Centre

Ward Stamer, MLA  
Kamloops – North Thompson

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June 24, 2025

Honourable David Eby  
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SENT VIA EMAIL: [premier@gov.bc.ca](mailto:premier@gov.bc.ca)

Dear Premier Eby,

**RE: Urgent Action Needed – Kamloops Cancer Care Centre Design**

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We are writing to you directly because repeated letters from Mayors, Chiefs, and Councils from Williams Lake south to Merritt—as well as from myself and fellow MLAs—have been ignored by your Ministers. The people of this region deserve answers and action.

As it stands, the Kamloops Cancer Care Centre—completely omitted from today’s attached press release—is the only new centre in British Columbia being designed with two physically separate, disconnected sites and without a PET-CT scanner. Every other new centre includes this essential diagnostic tool within a single, fully integrated building. This disparity is a clear inequity—and it is completely unacceptable.

We are demanding that you step in immediately and ensure the Kamloops Cancer Centre is redesigned and built to match the same comprehensive standards as the rest of the province. The project is still in the architectural design phase—it is not too late to get this right.

It is deeply disappointing to see your government promote the narrative that BC is building four new cancer centres each with PET-CT scanners, when in fact two of those scanners will be located at the same facility in Surrey. Kamloops residents are being misled and left behind.

Will your government take action to fix this, or continue to ignore the unified voices of an entire region?

We expect you to ensure this project meets the standard British Columbians deserve—no less.


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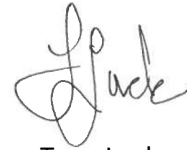
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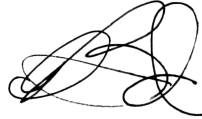
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Cc. Josie Osborne, Minister of Health  
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Chief and Council, Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc (Kamloops Indian Band)  
Chief and Council, Whispering Pines/Clinton First Nation (Peltiq't)  
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Chair and Board, Squamish-Lillooet Regional District  
Chair and Board, Thompson Regional Hospital District  
Chair and Board, Thompson-Nicola Regional District  
Mayor and Council, District of 100 Mile House  
Mayor and Council, Village of Ashcroft  
Mayor and Council, District of Barriere  
Mayor and Council, Village of Cache Creek  
Mayor and Council, District of Clearwater  
Mayor and Council, Village of Clinton  
Mayor and Council, City of Kamloops  
Mayor and Council, District of Lillooet  
Mayor and Council, District of Logan Lake  
Mayor and Council, City of Merritt  
Mayor and Council, Sun Peaks Mountain Resort Municipality  
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For immediate release

Provincial Health Services Authority  
BC Cancer

June 24, 2025

Ministry of Health  
The University of British Columbia

### **BC Cancer and UBC roll out the fastest PET/CT scanner in Canada**

**VANCOUVER** – BC Cancer, in partnership with the University of British Columbia (UBC), has rolled out the most advanced PET/CT scanner in the country – a next generation machine that provides fast imaging and is the first capable of whole body imaging from head to pelvis in a single frame. This will provide patients with improved diagnostics and further the development of novel imaging agents and targeted cancer treatments.

“This new PET/CT scanner will be transformative,” said Josie Osborne, Minister of Health.

“People with cancer today will benefit from high-quality images and a more accurate diagnosis. In the future, people who receive a cancer diagnosis could have access to innovative, precision treatments developed through research enabled by this technology.”

The new Quadra PET/CT scanner – the first in Canada – began scanning patients in May 2025. Located at BC Cancer – Vancouver, the new scanner offers the largest field of view among any PET/CT scanners in Canada and can scan faster with higher image quality and less radiation exposure than previous scanners.

“As an oncologist, having access to cutting-edge imaging technology provides the detailed and accurate information I need to create efficient and effective treatment plans,” said Dr. Paris-Ann Ingledew, interim chief medical officer and executive vice-president, BC Cancer. “For our patients, this means precision care with fewer side effects and the best chance at a long, healthy life beyond cancer.”

In addition to elevating cancer imaging, the new scanner will offer researchers at BC Cancer and UBC critical capabilities for the development of new radiopharmaceutical drugs to treat cancer. A growing area of research and innovation is to use radioisotopes to directly target cancer cells in the body. This is enabling a new generation of diagnostics that can detect cancer



earlier with lower radiation, and highly precise radiation treatments that have minimal impact on nearby healthy tissues and potentially fewer side effects for patients.

“This new scanner enables research that was previously impossible,” said Dr. François Bénard, Senior Executive Director, Research, BC Cancer and Associate Dean, Research, BC Cancer Research Institute, UBC Faculty of Medicine. “With this technology we can assess new radiopharmaceuticals at extremely low doses, conduct research on early cancer detection with minimal radiation exposure, and provide critical information to foster and evaluate new treatments.”

The purchase of this scanner was made possible as part of a larger research infrastructure grant from the Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI) and the B.C. Knowledge Development Fund (BCKDF) awarded to UBC, with Dr. Bénard and Dr. Arman Rahmim as co-principal investigators. The total funding for this initiative includes \$6.2 million from CFI and \$6.2 million from BCKDF, with an additional \$6.1 million from the BC Cancer Foundation.

“This is a powerful example of what can be achieved through collaboration between leading academic institutions, researchers and clinical partners,” said Dr. Dermot Kelleher, Dean, UBC Faculty of Medicine and Vice-President, Health, UBC. “The research enabled by this next-generation PET/CT scanner will drive future innovations in cancer care that allow us to detect cancer sooner, improve outcomes and enhance quality of life for patients in B.C.”

BC Cancer has the most heavily utilized PET/CT scanners in Canada. This scanner replaces an older unit that has reached the end of its life after 13 years of medical use. Though time is still needed to set up the equipment and comfortably situate the patient, this new technology allows images that previously took up to 30 minutes to be acquired in five minutes or less.

The faster scanning time and high sensitivity of this new PET/CT scanner will enable BC Cancer – Vancouver to expand its research capacity, and eventually increase its scanning capacity. Recruitments are now underway to hire the specialized staff to expand capacity in Vancouver.

The newly-renovated Molecular Imaging and Therapy Department at BC Cancer – Vancouver features a myriad of images of Indigenous art that greet patients as they undergo treatment. Created by Squamish Nation artists Kolten Khasalus Grant and Lyle Williams, the art illustrates the provincial government’s commitment to deliver culturally safe care and, together with a new immersive digital wall serves a therapeutic purpose as it will help to calm patients in a moment of tense anticipation.

B.C.’s 10-Year Cancer Action Plan outlines steps to better prevent, detect and treat cancers and deliver improved care, while preparing for growing needs, including building more cancer centres in B.C., adding new diagnostic equipment, hiring new physicians and clinical support staff and expanding cancer screening programs.

**Quick Facts:**

- In 2024/25, BC Cancer provided 20,314 PET/CT scans to people with cancer in our province.
- PET/CT combines positron emission tomography (PET) and computed tomography (CT) scans to evaluate a body’s organs and tissues at a molecular level. PET/CT identifies abnormalities in cells and can show whether a tumour has grown, shrunk or returned.
- PET/CT imaging enables physicians to accurately diagnose and stage cancers, determine appropriate treatment options and measure treatment efficacy.



- This next generation Quadra PET/CT scanner enables imaging of patients with lower radiation exposure, improved access to the best technology available, shorter wait times due to faster scans, more detailed and dynamic imaging of their cancer, and improved comfort during the scanning process.
- The new scanner will also enable new research and drug development to diagnose and treat cancers. From early detection of cancer for patients with genes linked to hereditary cancer to optimized treatment planning and personalized therapies, the scanner will support a wide spectrum of research projects.
- There are four publicly funded PET/CT scanners in B.C.:
  - Two are located at BC Cancer – Vancouver
  - One is located at BC Cancer – Victoria
  - One is located at BC Cancer – Kelowna
- BC Cancer's four new cancer centres will add publicly funded PET/CTs to the provincial health care system:
  - Two PET/CT scanners in the new Surrey Hospital and BC Cancer Centre
  - One PET/CT scanner as part of the new BC Cancer centre at Nanaimo Regional General Hospital
  - One PET/CT scanner as part of Burnaby Hospital phase 2 redevelopment and BC Cancer – Burnaby McCarthy Centre
- The rollout of the most advanced photon-counting CT scanner in Canada, announced on May 5, 2025, is part of B.C.'s 10-Year Cancer Care Action Plan, which is centered around improved ways to prevent, detect and treat cancers.

**BC Cancer**, a program of the Provincial Health Services Authority, is committed to reducing the incidence of cancer, reducing the mortality from cancer and improving the quality of life of those living with cancer. It provides a comprehensive cancer control program for the people of British Columbia by working with community partners to deliver a range of oncology services, including prevention, early detection, diagnosis and treatment, research, education, supportive care, rehabilitation and palliative care. For more information, visit [www.bccancer.bc.ca](http://www.bccancer.bc.ca) or follow us on Twitter [@BCCancer](https://twitter.com/BCCancer).

The **Provincial Health Services Authority (PHSA)** provides specialized [health care services and programs](#) to communities across British Columbia, the territories of many distinct First Nations. We are grateful to all the First Nations who have cared for and nurtured this land for all time, including the xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish), and səliłwətał (Tsleil-Waututh) First Nations on whose unceded and ancestral territory our head office is located. We work in partnership with other B.C. health authorities and the provincial government to deliver province-wide solutions that improve the health of British Columbians. For more information, visit [www.phsa.ca](http://www.phsa.ca) or follow us [@PHSAofBC](https://twitter.com/PHSAofBC).

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Simpcw First Nation, Chief and Council and the Simpcw Health Director

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Whispering Pines/Clinton Indian Band, Chief and Council

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100 Mile House, Mayor and Council

Ashcroft, Mayor and Council

Barriere, Mayor and Council

Cache Creek, Mayor and Council

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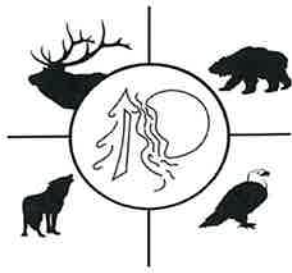
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Chief and Council (Executive Assistant), Finance, Social  
Development

May 15, 2025

SENT VIA EMAIL: [HLTH.Minister@gov.bc.ca](mailto:HLTH.Minister@gov.bc.ca)

Honourable Josie Osborne  
Minister of Health  
PO Box 9050 Stn Prov Govt  
Victoria BC, V8W 9E2

RE: Urgent Request for the Redesign of Kamloops Cancer Care Centre

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## MISSION STATEMENT

To enhance and sustain our quality of life through wellness and culture, and to utilize and preserve all our resources for now and future generations



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Chief T. Lee Spahan

On behalf of Coldwater Indian Band Council

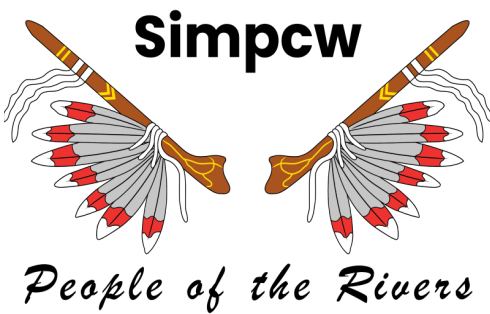
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May 09, 2025

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On behalf of Simpcw Council:

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(Kamloops Indian Band)

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF

May 13, 2025

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Yours truly,  
**Tkemlúps te Secwépemc**

Kúkpi7 Rosanne Casimir (Chief)  
On behalf of Council

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SENT VIA EMAIL: [HLTH.Minister@gov.bc.ca](mailto:HLTH.Minister@gov.bc.ca)

May 5, 2025

Dear Minister Osborne,

**RE: Urgent Request for the Redesign of Kamloops Cancer Care Centre**

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On behalf of the Chief and Council of Whispering Pines/Clinton Indian Band, we are writing to express our strong support for the redesign of the Kamloops BC Cancer Care Centre to ensure it meets the same comprehensive standards as other cancer treatment facilities across British Columbia.

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Respectfully submitted,

DocuSigned by:  
  
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Chief Edward LeBourdais

On behalf of Whispering Pines/Clinton Indian Band Chief & Council:

Chief Edward LeBourdais

Councillor Sunny LeBourdais

Councillor Mat Lewis

Cc: Peter Milobar, MLA Kamloops Centre  
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May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Honourable Josie Osborne  
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Respectfully submitted,

Maureen Pinkney  
Mayor of District of 100 Mile House

On behalf of District of 100 Mile House Council:  
Councillors Donna Barnett, Jenni Guimond, David Mingo and Marty Norgren

Cc: Peter Milobar, MLA Kamloops Centre  
Ward Stamer, MLA Kamloops – North Thompson  
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May 13, 2025

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Dear Minister Osborne,

**RE: Urgent Request for the Redesign of Kamloops Cancer Care Centre**

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On behalf of the Mayor and Council of the Village of Ashcroft we are writing to express our strong support for the redesign of the Kamloops BC Cancer Care Centre to ensure it meets the same comprehensive standards as other cancer treatment facilities across British Columbia.

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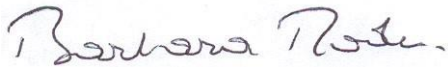
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We would welcome the opportunity to discuss this further and to work collaboratively toward a solution that ensures our region receives a cancer centre that truly meets the needs of our communities.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in purple ink that reads "Barbara Roden".

Barbara Roden, Mayor  
Village of Ashcroft

On behalf of Village of Ashcroft Council:

Jonah Anstett

Jessica Clement

Nadine Davenport

Dorren Lambert

Cc: Peter Milobar, MLA Kamloops Centre  
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May 12, 2025

Dear Minister Osborne,

**RE: Urgent Request for the Redesign of Kamloops Cancer Care Centre**

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On behalf of the Mayor and Council of the District of Barriere we are writing to express our support for the redesign of the Kamloops BC Cancer Care Centre to ensure it meets the same comprehensive standards as other cancer treatment facilities across British Columbia.

Our Council has been made aware of significant concerns raised by medical professionals regarding the current design proposal for the Kamloops Cancer Care Centre. These healthcare experts have clearly articulated that the current design may not deliver the comprehensive Regional Cancer Centre that our region desperately needs. As elected representatives responsible for the wellbeing of our citizens, we find these concerns important to address.

The Interior Health region serves a large geographic area with diverse communities that deserve equitable access to cancer care. Residents of Kamloops and surrounding communities should not have to travel to Kelowna or Vancouver to receive the same level of cancer treatment available elsewhere in the province. The planned Regional Cancer Centre in Kamloops should:

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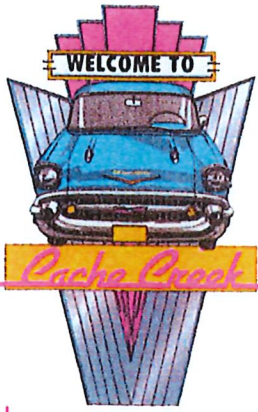
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Respectfully submitted,

Rob Kerslake, Mayor  
District of Barriere  
[mayor@barriere.ca](mailto:mayor@barriere.ca)

Cc: Peter Milobar, MLA Kamloops Centre  
Ward Stamer, MLA Kamloops – North Thompson  
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# Village of Cache Creek

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May 9<sup>th</sup> 2025

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SENT VIA EMAIL: [HLTH.Minister@gov.bc.ca](mailto:HLTH.Minister@gov.bc.ca)

Dear Minister Osborne,

**RE: Urgent Request for the Redesign of Kamloops Cancer Care Centre**

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On behalf of the Mayor and Council of Cache Creek, we are writing to express our strong support for the redesign of the Kamloops BC Cancer Care Centre to ensure it meets the same comprehensive standards as other cancer treatment facilities across British Columbia.

Our Council has been made aware of significant concerns raised by medical professionals regarding the current design proposal for the Kamloops Cancer Care Centre. These healthcare experts have clearly articulated that the current design will not deliver the comprehensive Regional Cancer Centre that our region desperately needs. As elected representatives responsible for the wellbeing of our citizens, we find these concerns deeply troubling.

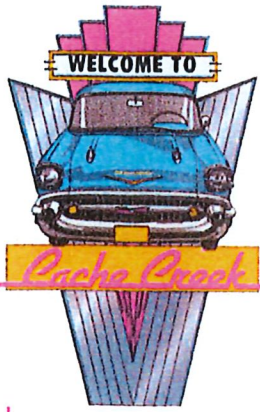
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We would welcome the opportunity to discuss this further and to work collaboratively toward a solution that ensures our region receives a cancer centre that truly meets the needs of our communities.

Respectfully submitted,



P.A. John Ranta  
Mayor

On behalf of the Village of Cache Creek Council:  
Councillor Carmen Ranta  
Councillor David Dubois  
Councillor Kelly Debert  
Councillor Susan Peters

Cc: Peter Milobar, MLA Kamloops Centre  
Ward Stamer, MLA Kamloops - North Thompson  
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Mayor Merlin Blackwell

District of Clearwater

May 8th, 2025,

Dear Minister Osborne,

Thank you for meeting with myself and THRD Chair Mike O'Reilly on this issue on March 28th of this year.

I and my Council are joining the chorus of local elected officials and MLAs asking for a redesign of the Kamloops Cancer Centre. We need a full-service Cancer Centre for Kamloops, one that does not rely on patients having to travel to other Cancer Centres for treatment or diagnosis.

I am a four-time cancer survivor myself; I only count the ones where I had to be put under for surgery. I had to travel to Quesnel, Vancouver, and Kelowna for treatment or diagnosis in the past. It added additional stress, additional costs, and it often put me at risk, traveling long distances on snowy winter highways. It is not the same thing as having to take transit, get a ride, or catch a cab across the city in a metro area.

Many of my Councillors have and/or are going through similar situations themselves, with family members and with friends. It completely derails the lives of not just the patient and the people they need to rely on, but also the families of those supporters in a patient's cancer journey. What would be an afternoon off work for a friend in Vancouver or Kelowna is usually an overnight stay and 2 days of travel for a patient living in rural BC. A full-service Cancer Centre would dramatically reduce that burden.

We discussed the need for a PET CT and other services. Though council doesn't really want a delay in the opening of the new centre, we also want the new centre to have the same level of services as the Nanaimo Centre. If it's about funding, maybe communities and citizens can help.

Sincerely,

Mayor Merlin Blackwell

CC: Peter Milobar, MLA Kamloops Centre  
Ward Stamer, MLA Kamloops North Thompson  
Tony Luck, MLA Fraser – Nicola  
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May 22, 2025

Honourable Josie Osborne  
Minister of Health  
PO Box 9050 Stn Prov Govt  
Victoria BC, V8W 9E2  
SENT VIA EMAIL: [HLTH.Minister@gov.bc.ca](mailto:HLTH.Minister@gov.bc.ca)

Dear Minister Osborne,

**RE: Urgent Request for the Redesign of Kamloops Cancer Care Centre**

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On behalf of the Village of Clinton, we are writing to express our support in principle for the redesign of the Kamloops BC Cancer Care Centre to ensure it meets the same comprehensive standards as other cancer treatment facilities across British Columbia.

Our Council has been made aware of significant concerns raised by medical professionals regarding the current design proposal for the Kamloops Cancer Care Centre. These healthcare experts have clearly articulated that the current design will not deliver the comprehensive Regional Cancer Centre that our region desperately needs. As elected representatives responsible for the wellbeing of our citizens, we find these concerns deeply troubling.

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We would welcome the opportunity to discuss this further and to work collaboratively toward a solution that ensures our region receives a cancer centre that truly meets the needs of our communities.

Respectfully submitted,

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Roland Stanke  
Mayor, Village of Clinton

On behalf of Village of Clinton Council:  
Councillor Sandi Burrage  
Councillor Darrell Schapansky  
Councillor David Park

Cc: Peter Milobar, MLA Kamloops Centre  
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May 20, 2025

**SENT VIA EMAIL**

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Dear Minister Osborne:

RE: Urgent Request for the Redesign of Kamloops Cancer Centre

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On behalf of the City of Kamloops, I am writing to express our strong support for the urgent redesign of the Kamloops Cancer Centre. It is imperative that this facility be brought up to the same comprehensive standards as other cancer treatment centres across British Columbia, ensuring equitable access to quality health care for all residents. Medical professionals have raised significant concerns about the current design proposal, stating it will not deliver the comprehensive regional cancer centre our region needs. As elected representatives, we find these concerns deeply troubling.

The Interior Health region serves a large geographic area with diverse communities that deserve equitable access to cancer care. Residents of the City of Kamloops and the surrounding communities, including those as far north as Williams Lake, should not be required to travel to Kelowna or Vancouver to receive the same level of cancer treatment available elsewhere in the province. A properly designed, comprehensive regional cancer centre in Kamloops would:

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We respectfully request that you direct your ministry to engage in meaningful consultation with local medical professionals and interest holders to address concerns raised and revise the current design of the Kamloops Cancer Centre. It is essential that the facility is holistically designed to deliver equitable cancer care services consistent with the standards of other BC Cancer sites, including builds currently under construction across the province. We also welcome the opportunity to meet to discuss this further and look forward to a response on this urgent matter.

Respectfully submitted,



Stephen Karpuk  
Deputy Mayor

cc: Peter Milobar, MLA Kamloops Centre  
Ward Stamer, MLA Kamloops-North Thompson  
Tony Luck, MLA Fraser-Nicola  
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June 4, 2025

Honourable Josie Osborne  
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Victoria BC, V8W 9E2  
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Dear Minister Osborne,

**RE: Urgent Request for the Redesign of Kamloops Cancer Care Centre**

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On behalf of the Mayor and Council of the District of Lillooet, we are writing to express our strong support for the redesign of the Kamloops BC Cancer Care Centre to ensure it meets the same comprehensive standards as other cancer treatment facilities across British Columbia.

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We would welcome the opportunity to discuss this further and to work collaboratively toward a solution that ensures our region receives a cancer centre that truly meets the needs of our communities.

Respectfully submitted,

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Laurie Hopfl  
Mayor of District of Lillooet

On behalf of the District of Lillooet Council:  
Councillor Kevin Aitken  
Councillor Randy McNary  
Councillor Patti Flann  
Councillor Barb Wiebe

Cc: Peter Milobar, MLA Kamloops Centre  
Ward Stamer, MLA Kamloops North Thompson  
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May 13, 2025

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Dear Minister Osborne,

**RE: Urgent Request for the Redesign of Kamloops Cancer Care Centre**

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Respectfully submitted,

Mike Goetz,  
Mayor

Cc: Peter Milobar, MLA Kamloops Centre  
Ward Stamer, MLA Kamloops – North Thompson  
Tony Luck, MLA Fraser – Nicola  
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May 9, 2025

Honourable Josie Osborne  
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SENT VIA EMAIL: [HLTH.Minister@gov.bc.ca](mailto:HLTH.Minister@gov.bc.ca)

Dear Minister Osborne,

**RE: Urgent Request for the Redesign of Kamloops Cancer Care Centre**

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On behalf of the Mayor and Council of Sun Peaks Mountain Resort Municipality, we are writing to express our strong support for the redesign of the Kamloops BC Cancer Care Centre to ensure it meets the same comprehensive standards as other cancer treatment facilities across British Columbia.

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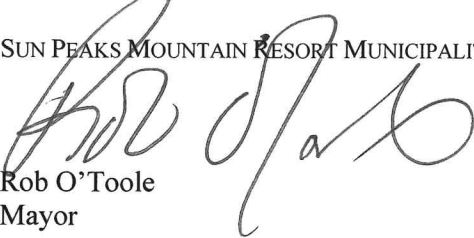
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SUN PEAKS MOUNTAIN RESORT MUNICIPALITY



Rob O'Toole  
Mayor

On behalf of Sun Peaks Municipal Council:

Councillor K. Dye  
Councillor B. Gillespie  
Councillor L. Hrycan  
Councillor J. Kimmel

Cc: Peter Milobar, MLA Kamloops Centre  
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May 15, 2025

File No. 0400-90 / 0530-08

Honourable Josie Osborne  
Minister of Health  
PO Box 9050 Stn Prov Govt  
Victoria BC, V8W 9E2

*Sent via email: [HLTH.Minister@gov.bc.ca](mailto:HLTH.Minister@gov.bc.ca)*

Dear Minister Osborne:

**Re:** Urgent Request for Redesign of Kamloops BC Cancer Care Centre

On behalf of City of Williams Lake Council, we are writing to express our strong support for the redesign of the Kamloops BC Cancer Care Centre to ensure it meets the same comprehensive standards as other cancer treatment facilities across British Columbia.

Our Council has been made aware of significant concerns raised by medical professionals regarding the current design proposal for the Kamloops Cancer Care Centre. These healthcare experts have clearly articulated that the current design will not deliver the comprehensive Regional Cancer Centre that our region desperately needs. As elected representatives responsible for the wellbeing of our citizens, we find these concerns deeply troubling.

The Interior Health region serves a large geographic area with diverse communities that deserve equitable access to cancer care. Residents of Kamloops and surrounding communities, including Williams Lake, should not have to travel to Kelowna or Vancouver to receive the same level of cancer treatment available elsewhere in the province. A properly designed comprehensive Regional Cancer Centre in Kamloops would:

- Ensure equitable access to life-saving cancer treatments for all residents in our region
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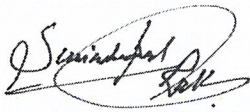
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Our citizens deserve nothing less than the same quality of cancer care provided to British Columbians in other regions of the province. We are confident that with proper consultation and a commitment to equitable healthcare delivery, an appropriate design can be achieved that will serve the needs of cancer patients throughout the Interior for decades to come.



We would welcome the opportunity to discuss this further and to work collaboratively toward a solution that ensures our region receives a cancer centre that truly meets the needs of our communities.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Surinderpal Rathor', enclosed within a large, loopy circular flourish.

Mayor Surinderpal Rathor

c: Peter Milobar, MLA Kamloops Centre [peter.milobar.mla@leg.bc.ca](mailto:peter.milobar.mla@leg.bc.ca)  
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# COLUMBIA SHUSWAP REGIONAL DISTRICT

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May 15, 2025

SENT VIA EMAIL: [HLTH.Minister@gov.bc.ca](mailto:HLTH.Minister@gov.bc.ca)

Honourable Josie Osborne  
Minister of Health  
PO Box 9050 Stn Prov Govt  
Victoria BC, V8W 9E2

Dear Minister:

## **Re: Urgent Request for the Redesign of Kamloops Cancer Care Centre**

On behalf of the Columbia Shuswap Regional District Board of Directors, we are writing to express our strong support for the redesign of the Kamloops BC Cancer Care Centre to ensure it meets the same comprehensive standards as other cancer treatment facilities across British Columbia.

Our Board has been made aware of significant concerns raised by medical professionals regarding the current design proposal for the Kamloops Cancer Care Centre. These healthcare experts have clearly articulated that the current design will not deliver the comprehensive Regional Cancer Centre that our region desperately needs. As elected representatives responsible for the wellbeing of our citizens, we find these concerns deeply troubling.

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#### ELECTORAL AREAS

A GOLDEN-COLUMBIA  
B REVELSTOKE-COLUMBIA

C EAGLE BAY-WHITE LAKE-TAPPEN  
D FALKLAND-SALMON VALLEY

E SICAMOUS-MALAKWA  
F NORTH SHUSWAP-SEYMOUR ARM  
G BLIND BAY-SORRENTO-NOTCH HILL

#### MUNICIPALITIES

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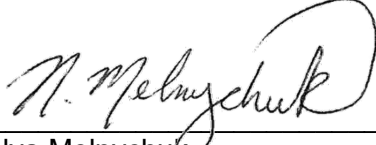
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Respectfully submitted,

Yours truly,

**COLUMBIA SHUSWAP REGIONAL DISTRICT**

Per:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'N. Melnychuk', written over a horizontal line.

Natalya Melnychuk  
Board Chair

cc: Peter Milobar, MLA Kamloops Centre  
Ward Stamer, MLA Kamloops - North Thompson  
Tony Luck, MLA Fraser - Nicola  
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May 22, 2025

Honourable Josie Osborne  
Minister of Health  
PO Box 9050 Stn Prov Govt  
Victoria BC, V8W 9E2

SENT VIA EMAIL: [HLTH.Minister@gov.bc.ca](mailto:HLTH.Minister@gov.bc.ca)

Dear Minister Osborne,

## **RE: Urgent Request for the Redesign of Kamloops Cancer Care Centre**

On behalf of the Thompson-Nicola Regional District (TNRD), we are writing to express our strong support for the redesign of the Kamloops BC Cancer Care Centre to ensure it meets the same comprehensive standards as other cancer treatment facilities across British Columbia.

The TNRD has been made aware of significant concerns raised by medical professionals regarding the current design proposal for the Kamloops Cancer Care Centre. These healthcare experts have clearly articulated that the current design will not deliver the comprehensive Regional Cancer Centre that our region desperately needs. As elected representatives responsible for the wellbeing of our citizens, we find these concerns deeply troubling.

The Interior Health region serves a large geographic area with diverse communities that deserve equitable access to cancer care. Residents of Kamloops and surrounding communities should not have to travel to Kelowna or Vancouver to receive the same level of cancer treatment available elsewhere in the province. A properly designed comprehensive Regional Cancer Centre in Kamloops would:

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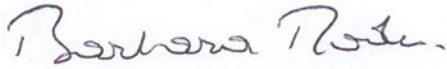
MUNICIPALITIES: Ashcroft | Barriere | Cache Creek | Chase | Clearwater | Clinton  
Kamloops | Logan Lake | Lytton | Merritt | Sun Peaks

ELECTORAL AREAS: "A" "B" "E" "I" "J" "L" "M" "N" "O" "P"



We would welcome the opportunity to discuss this further and to work collaboratively toward a solution that ensures our region receives a cancer centre that truly meets the needs of our communities.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Barbara Roden". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Barbara" being more prominent than the last name "Roden".

Barbara Roden

Chair, Thompson-Nicola Regional District

Cc: Peter Milobar, MLA Kamloops Centre  
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May 28, 2025

**BY EMAIL ONLY** (HLTH.Minister@gov.bc.ca)

Honourable Josie Osborne  
Minister of Health  
PO Box 9050 Stn Prov Govt  
Victoria BC, V8W 9E2

Dear Minister Osborne:

**RE: Urgent Request for the Redesign of Kamloops Cancer Care Centre**

On behalf of the Squamish-Lillooet Regional District Board of Directors, I am writing to express our strong support for the redesign of the Kamloops BC Cancer Care Centre to ensure it meets the same comprehensive standards as other cancer treatment facilities across British Columbia.

The SLRD Board has been made aware of significant concerns raised by medical professionals regarding the current design proposal for the Kamloops Cancer Care Centre. These healthcare experts have clearly articulated that the current design will not deliver the comprehensive Regional Cancer Centre that the region desperately needs. As elected representatives responsible for the well-being of our citizens, we find these concerns deeply troubling.

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We respectfully request that you instruct your Ministry to engage in meaningful discussions with local medical professionals and stakeholders. It is important to address their concerns and revise the current design of the Kamloops Cancer Care Centre. The goal is to ensure that it is built on a single site, as is the standard for other BC Cancer facilities, including those currently under construction across British Columbia.

Our citizens deserve the same high-quality cancer care that is available to British Columbians in other regions of the province. We believe that with proper consultation and a commitment to equitable healthcare delivery, we can develop a suitable design that will meet the needs of cancer patients throughout the Interior for many years to come.

We support ongoing discussions and working toward a solution that ensures all regions receive cancer facilities that genuinely address the needs of our communities.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "JFord.", with a stylized, cursive script.

Jen Ford  
Chair, Squamish-Lillooet Regional District

CC: SLRD Board of Directors  
Heather Paul, Chief Administrative Officer, SLRD  
Peter Milobar, MLA Kamloops Centre  
Ward Stamer, MLA Kamloops - North Thompson  
Tony Luck, MLA Fraser-Nicola  
Lorne Doerkson, MLA Cariboo – Chilcotin  
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## **Taseko Mines Commences Environmental Assessment Process for Yellowhead Copper Project**

**July 8, 2025, Vancouver, BC** – Taseko Mines Limited (TSX: TKO; NYSE American: TGB; LSE: TKO) (“Taseko” or the “Company”) today announced that the Initial Project Description (“IPD”) for its 100% owned Yellowhead Copper Project (“Yellowhead Project” or the “Project”) has been filed and accepted by the British Columbia Environmental Assessment Office (“EAO”) and Impact Assessment Agency of Canada (“IAAC”). The acceptance formally commences the Environmental Assessment (“EA”) process, which is designed to be comprehensive, inclusive, and transparent, ensuring that the Yellowhead Project meets the robust regulatory requirements while balancing environmental, social, and economic values.

Taseko has engaged with both the EAO and IAAC in preparation for the submission of the IPD and is committed to a high degree of public involvement and Indigenous engagement throughout the EA and permitting processes.

The Yellowhead Project is located approximately 150 kilometers north of Kamloops, BC in the territory of Simpcw First Nation (Simpchwúl'ecw), part of the Secwépemc Nation. Since acquiring the property in 2019, Taseko has worked closely with Simpcw leadership to build a mutually beneficial relationship based on trust and respect, to better understand community priorities and interests, and to inform the Yellowhead Project IPD. The Project will be subject to the Simpcw Process, an Indigenous-led assessment and decision-making process currently in its initial phases. Taseko and Simpcw have also signed a Relationship Negotiation Agreement, setting out an approach for the development of a Relationship Agreement that will define Simpcw's role in project oversight and planning and establish an economic partnership between the parties. In addition to Simpcw, Taseko has established positive working relationships with several proximal Secwépemc groups.

Stuart McDonald, President & CEO commented, “The submission of the Initial Project Description represents a significant milestone for the Yellowhead Project permitting process. We have already begun to engage stakeholders and will ensure that the development of Yellowhead is in line with environmental and social expectations. Recently, Taseko has hosted a number of well attended community meetings and we look forward to continued involvement with project stakeholders and government regulators through the environmental permitting process.”

Taseko has launched a dedicated project website, [yellowheadproject.com](http://yellowheadproject.com), to keep stakeholders informed about project details and status, share opportunities for feedback, and encourage participation in the EA process.

For further information on Taseko, see the Company's website at [tasekomines.com](http://tasekomines.com) or contact:

- Investor enquiries Brian Bergot, Vice President, Investor Relations – 778-373-4554
- Media enquiries Sean Magee, Vice President, Corporate Affairs – 778-373-4543

Stuart McDonald  
*President and CEO*





No regulatory authority has approved or disapproved of the information contained in this news release

### Caution Regarding Forward-Looking Information

This document contains “forward-looking statements” that were based on Taseko’s expectations, estimates and projections as of the dates as of which those statements were made. Generally, these forward-looking statements can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology such as “outlook”, “anticipate”, “project”, “target”, “believe”, “estimate”, “expect”, “intend”, “should” and similar expressions.

Forward-looking statements are subject to known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause the Company’s actual results, level of activity, performance or achievements to be materially different from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. These included but are not limited to:

- uncertainties about the future market price of copper and the other metals that we produce or may seek to produce;
- changes in general economic conditions, the financial markets, inflation and interest rates and in the demand and market price for our input costs, such as diesel fuel, reagents, steel, concrete, electricity and other forms of energy, mining equipment, and fluctuations in exchange rates, particularly with respect to the value of the U.S. dollar and Canadian dollar, and the continued availability of capital and financing;
- uncertainties about economic conditions generally including inflation levels, tariffs, and in particular with respect to the demand for copper and other metals we produce;
- uncertainties related to the accuracy of our estimates of Mineral Resources, production rates and timing of production, future production and future cash and total costs of production and milling;
- our ability to comply with the extensive governmental regulation to which our business is subject;
- uncertainties related to our ability to obtain necessary title, licenses and permits for our development projects and project delays due to third party opposition;
- uncertainties related to First Nations claims and consultation issues;
- uncertainties related to unexpected judicial or regulatory proceedings;
- changes in, and the effects of, the laws, regulations and government policies affecting our exploration and development activities and mining operations and mine closure and bonding requirements;
- environmental issues and liabilities associated with mining;
- environmental hazards and risks associated with climate change, including the potential for damage to infrastructure and stoppages of operations due to forest fires, flooding, drought, or other natural events in the vicinity of our operations;
- litigation risks and the inherent uncertainty of litigation;
- our actual costs of reclamation and mine closure may exceed our current estimates of these liabilities;
- our ability to meet the financial reclamation security requirements;
- the capital intensive nature of our business both to sustain current mining operations and to develop any new projects,;
- our reliance upon key management and operating personnel;
- the competitive environment in which we operate;
- the risk of changes in accounting policies and methods we use to report our financial condition, including uncertainties associated with critical accounting assumptions and estimates; and Management Discussion and Analysis (“MD&A”), quarterly reports and material change reports filed with and furnished to securities regulators, and those risks which are discussed under the heading “Risk Factors”.

For further information on Taseko, investors should review the Company’s annual Form 40-F filing with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov) and home jurisdiction filings that are available at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com), including the “Risk Factors” included in our Annual Information Form.





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