

The Board Reports

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Highlights of the Regional Board Meeting - February 22, 2021

Updated Board Strategic Priorities Plan

The Regional Board has approved an update to its 2019 – 2022 Strategic Priorities Plan. As many of the initial work priorities from 2019 have been accomplished, the revised document adds new measures of success and work to be completed before 2022. The plan outlines Board priorities in four key areas:

- Environment
- Economic Development
- Sustainable Communities
- Transportation and Mobility

Regional Parks Partnership Program

The Regional Board has approved the introduction of a formalized Friends of the RDCO Regional Parks Partnership program. While Parks Services has had a long-standing successful history of working with Friends of Regional Parks groups and community partners, this new program creates a formal framework for working relationships with these groups. As well, it includes implementing an annual Friends of RDCO Regional Parks Capacity Building Grant program.

Water Program Grant Application

The Regional Board has approved sending an application to the Okanagan Basin Water Board Water Conservation and Quality Improvement program. The grant request of \$30,000 is on behalf of the Okanagan Collaborative Conservation Program and Okanagan Nation Alliance for the Okanagan Lake Responsibility Planning Initiative. It's envisioned that the project would create new ways for the Syilx and non-Syilx partners to work together for greater environmental protection of Okanagan Lake and its watershed.

Parks Crown Land Lease Renewals

The Regional Board has approved renewing Crown Land Leases for Mission Creek and Rose Valley Regional Parks. Each lease renewal is for 30-years with the same terms and conditions as the previous leases.

Streambank Repair Grant Application

The Regional Board has directed staff to submit an application for Federal/Provincial funding to complete repairs to the bank of Mission Creek upstream of the Cedars Bridge to protect the bridge abutment. Funding for the estimated \$247,825 project will be sought through the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program – COVID Resilience Infrastructure Stream-Adaptation, Resilience & Disaster Mitigation program.

Okanagan Regional Library Branch Funding

The Regional Board has received a presentation from the Okanagan Regional Library (ORL) regarding funding for a new branch for the City of West Kelowna. The ORL and city have a formal partnership to construct a new facility, replacing the current older branch. RDCO staff will work with the Library to draft required borrowing bylaws and use of the Alternative Approval Process to confirm elector support for proposed long-term funding through the Municipal Finance Authority.

Foreshore Crown Licenses of Occupation

The Regional Board has approved renewing Provincial Foreshore Crown Licenses of Occupation seven RDCO waterfront parks. Each foreshore license is for 30-years under the same terms and conditions for the following parks:

- Pine Point, Cinnabar Creek and Fintry Community Parks
- Kaloya, Kopje, Raymer Bay and Traders Cove Regional Parks

Regional Board Meetings

Regional District office – 1450 KLO Road, Kelowna (Woodhaven Boardroom) – No public attendance allowed with health orders on public gatherings

- Thursday, February 25 8:30 am rescheduled Preliminary Review 2021-2025 Budget & Financial Plan
- Thursday, March 11 following 8:30 am Governance & Services Committee
- Thursday, March 18 8:30 am rescheduled review 2021–2025 Budget & Financial Plan

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Live/Recorded Meeting Video

When a meeting begins, a Live Stream Video link will be available for that meeting in the Upcoming Meeting agenda section of the rdco.com website. When available, a link to the Video recording will be posted in the Past Meetings section for the individual meeting date. Links at rdco.com/agenda

Feb. 22 Regional Board Meeting

Regional District Financial Plan



Let's Hear from You

The Regional District of Central Okanagan is preparing its 2021 - 2025 Financial Plan.

You have several opportunities to learn about and comment by email on the budget priorities. When available, detailed budget documents, presentations and feedback can be found on the Regional District website - rdco.com/budgets.

As Health Orders prohibit public meetings, in-person opportunities to address the Regional Board are not currently available.

Residents are encouraged to provide comments, feedback or questions by email or regular mail about the proposed Financial Plan priorities.

In addition, budget meetings are livestreamed so that residents may watch the Regional Board budget discussions. Each meeting is recorded and also available online at rdco.com/agenda.

RDCO Budget Meetings (rescheduled dates)

Thursday, February 25 8:30 am

Thursday, March 18 8:30 am

Information about the RDCO budget and Financial Plan is available at rdco.com/budgets

That's also where you may provide feedback and comments on the budget.

Yard Waste Collection is back on!





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