



# REGIONAL DISTRICT of Fraser-Fort George

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## REPORT FOR CONSIDERATION

TO: Chair and Directors File No.: BYL 3.0

FROM: M. Connelly, General Manager of Legislative and Corporate Services

DATE: November 4, 2024

SUBJECT: Valemount and District Fire Protection Local Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1163, 1990, Amendment Bylaw No. 3365, 2024

SUMMARY: Purpose: Consider Adoption of Bylaw  
Attachments: Proposed Amendment Bylaw No. 3365, 2024  
Previous Reports: Item No. 11.3.1, August 2024

### RECOMMENDATION(S):

1. THAT the report dated November 4, 2024 regarding “Valemount and District Fire Protection Local Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1163, 1990, Amendment Bylaw No. 3365, 2024” be received for information.
2. THAT Valemount and District Fire Protection Local Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1163, 1990, Amendment Bylaw No. 3365, 2024 be adopted.

ENTITLEMENT	HOW VOTE COUNTED
All 1 Director/1 vote	Majority
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### ISSUE(S):

At its August 15, 2024 meeting, the Board gave three readings to the attached bylaw and authorized participating area approval to be obtained by municipal and director consent. Consents have now been received for the Village of Valemount and Electoral Area H.

The Board is being asked to consider adoption of Valemount and District Fire Protection Local Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1163, 1990, Amendment Bylaw No. 3365, 2024.

### RELEVANT POLICIES:

1. Valemount and District Fire Protection Local Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1163, 1990
  - establishes the Valemount and District Fire Protection Service for the Regional District
2. Local Government Act, Sections 346 and 347
  - consent on behalf of municipal participating area
  - consent on behalf of electoral participating area electors
3. Regional District Establishing Bylaw Approval Exemption Regulation 113/2007
  - authorizes a requisition increase to a maximum of 25% over a five-year period without the requirement of approval by Inspector of Municipalities

**STRATEGIC PRIORITIES ALIGNMENT:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Indigenous and Intergovernmental Partnerships | <input type="checkbox"/> Organizational Strength and Adaptability | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Quality Community Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Stewardship and Climate Action |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Awareness and Engagement           | <input type="checkbox"/> Statutory or Routine Business            |  |   |

**SERVICE RELEVANCE:**

In 1983, the Valemount and District Fire Protection Service was established. The fire department provides fire protection to the Village of Valemount and a portion of Electoral Area H surrounding the Village. Under Supplementary Letters Patent, the Regional District acquired the function of fire protection with the Village of Valemount and a defined area of Electoral Area H as participating members. In 1990, the function was converted to a local service with the adoption of Valemount and District Fire Protection Local Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1163, 1990.

**FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION(S):**

A 25% increase is being requested to the current requisition which would amend the maximum amount that could be requisitioned from \$203,880 to \$254,850. The additional amount will allow for sufficient funds for providing the Valemount and District Fire Protection Service, including ensuring that there are sufficient funds for current and future fire protection needs.

**OTHER CONSIDERATION(S):**

N/A

**DECISION OPTIONS:**

1. Approve recommendations.
  - requisition limit for the Valemount and District Fire Protection Service will be increased to support service delivery.

**COMMENTS:**

Since the bylaw meets the requirements of BC Reg. 113/2007 (Regional Districts Establishing Bylaw Approval Exemption Regulation) of the Province of British Columbia it may be considered for final reading by the Board without the need for approval by the Inspector of Municipalities.

Respectfully submitted,

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