



REGIONAL DISTRICT of Fraser-Fort George

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2025 BUDGET CONSIDERATION Salmon Valley Fire Protection 2409

- ATTACHMENT(S): 1. 2025 Proposed Budget
2. 2025 – 2029 Financial Plan

SERVICE DESCRIPTION:

The Salmon Valley Fire Protection service was established in 1977 and provides fire protection to the community of Salmon Valley and the Wright Creek Road area.

The Fire Protection service is undertaken by a complement of volunteer fire fighters who report, through their Fire Chief, to the Salmon Valley Fire Protection Community Consultation Committee. The Committee is responsible for providing advice and recommendations on the fire department’s annual operating budget, capital purchases, long term financial planning, and other matters which may be referred to it by the Regional District.

The fire department is funded by a property value tax levied against the net taxable value of land and improvements within the service area.

The budget was prepared in consultation with the Fire Chief and the Salmon Valley Fire Protection Community Consultation Committee.

The Salmon Valley Fire Protection Community Consultation Committee supports the budget as proposed and recommends approval.

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 type="checkbox"/> Awareness and Engagement | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Statutory or Routine Business | | |

SERVICE DETAILS:

Participants: Service Area within Electoral Area A
Requisition Limit: Greater of \$68,010 or \$3.40 per \$1,000 (2025 limit \$452,991)
Debt Balance: None

SERVICE WORKPLAN:

- Continue building wildland/interface equipment inventory.
- Construct outbuilding to provide for equipment storage.
- Conduct energy efficient upgrades to the fire hall building.
- Purchase personal protective clothing, SCBA air bottles, and radio equipment.
- Save funds for frontline engine replacement in 2029.

CAPITAL PROJECTS:

Project	Cost Estimate	Notes
Construction of outbuilding	\$ 200,000	Funded from reserves and operating budget.
Total:	<u>\$ 200,000</u>	

OVERALL FINANCIAL IMPACT:

	2024	2025	\$ Change	% Change
Total Expenditure:	\$ 307,101	\$ 363,081	\$ 55,980	18.2 %
Requisition:	\$ 229,601	\$ 241,081	\$ 11,480	5.0 %

BUDGET INFLUENCES/SIGNIFICANT VARIANCES:

- Budget supports continual upgrades and maintenance to equipment and fire hall property, maintaining current service levels and infrastructure planning in accordance with the Asset Management Strategy.
- Overall increase in budget due to the construction of a storage outbuilding in 2025.

Respectfully submitted,

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