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# 2025 BUDGET CONSIDERATION Red Rock/Stoner Fire Protection 2411

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

### SERVICE DESCRIPTION:

The Red Rock/Stoner Fire Protection service was established in 1989 and provides fire protection to the communities of Red Rock and Stoner.

The Fire Protection service is undertaken by a complement of volunteer fire fighters who report, through their Fire Chief, to the Red Rock/Stoner 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 has been prepared in consultation with the Fire Chief and the Red Rock/Stoner Fire Protection Community Consultation Committee.

The Red Rock/Stoner Fire Protection Community Consultation Committee supports the budget as presented and recommends approval.

#### STRATEGIC PRIORITIES ALIGNMENT:

Indigenous and Intergovernmental Partnerships		Organizational Strength and Adaptability
Awareness and	$\square$	Statutory or

Quality Community Services

Environmental Stewardship and Climate Action

□ Awareness and ⊠ Statutory or Engagement Routine Business

#### SERVICE DETAILS:

Participants:Service Area within Electoral Area DRequisition Limit:Greater of \$79,590 or \$4.31 per \$1,000 (2025 limit \$276,201)Debt Balance:None

#### SERVICE WORKPLAN:

- Continue to upgrade fire hall equipment and personal protective gear.
- Explore feasibility of fire hall expansion.
- Save funds to support apparatus replacement strategy.
- Plan for future asset replacement needs.

## CAPITAL PROJECTS:

N/A

#### **OVERALL FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

	2024	2025	\$ Change	% Change
Total Expenditure:	\$ 253,708	\$ 208,643	\$ (45,065)	(17.8) %
Requisition:	\$ 198,708	\$ 208,643	\$ 9,935	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.
- Budget includes funds being transferred to reserve to support the apparatus replacement strategy.
- Overall budget decrease is due to the back up generator project and repairs to Tender 12 completed in 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

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