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ATTACHMENT(S): 1. 2025 Proposed Budget

2. 2025 - 2029 Financial Plan

SERVICE DESCRIPTION:

The Hixon Fire Protection service was established in 1985 and provides fire protection to the community of Hixon and the surrounding area and a portion of Electoral Area B of the Cariboo Regional District.

2025 BUDGET CONSIDERATION
Hixon Fire Protection

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The Fire Protection service is undertaken by a complement of volunteer fire fighters who report, through their Fire Chief, to the Hixon 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 Hixon Fire Protection Community Consultation Committee.

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

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES ALIGNMENT:

Indigenous and Intergovernmental Partnerships		Organizational Strength and Adaptability	Quality Community Services	Environmental Stewardship and Climate Action
Awareness and Engagement	\boxtimes	Statutory or Routine Business		

SERVICE DETAILS:

Participants: Service Area within Electoral Area E and a portion of Electoral Area B of the Cariboo Regional

District

Requisition Limit: Greater of \$107,240 or \$5.03 per \$1,000 (2025 limit \$576,176)

Debt Balance: MFA Equipment Financing for \$21,689. Final Payment: December 2025.

SERVICE WORKPLAN:

- Continue upgrading personal protective equipment and small tools and equipment inventory.
- Continue to build wildland/interface firefighting equipment inventory.
- Save funds to support apparatus replacement strategy.
- Plan for long term asset management.
- Save funds for frontline water tender in 2029.

CAPITAL PROJECTS:

N/A

OVERALL FINANCIAL IMPACT:

	2024		2025		hange	% Change	
Total Expenditure:	\$	279,350	\$ 291,807	\$	12,457	4.5 %	
Requisition:	\$	261,850	\$ 274,942	\$	13,092	5.0 %	

BUDGET INFLUENCES/SIGNIFICANT VARIANCES:

• Budget supports continual upgrades and maintenance to equipment, maintaining current service levels and infrastructure planning in accordance with the Asset Management Strategy.

Respectfully submitted,

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