DISTRICT

OF NANAIMO

STAFF REPORT TO Electoral Area Services Committee January 12, 2023

HORNE LAKE FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES FEASIBILITY STUDY: FINAL CONSULTANT'S REPORT – TIM PLEY & ASSOCIATES

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. That the Board receive the final consultant's report on the Horne Lake Fire Protection Services Feasibility Study (Attachment 1) for information, and
- 2. That the Horne Lake Fire Protection Services Feasibility Study final consultant's report be referred to staff to explore the recommended option(s), including cost considerations and estimates and report back to the Board.

BACKGROUND

The following motion was approved at the July 27, 2021, Regional District of Nanaimo (RDN) Board Meeting:

That the Electoral Area H feasibility study funds be considered during the 2022 budget deliberations to conduct a feasibility study for providing fire protection services to the Horne Lake Community.

In April 2022, the RDN retained Tim Pley & Associates (TPA) to conduct a fire protection feasibility study for the community of Horne Lake in Electoral Area H.

The Horne Lake fire protection services feasibility study and analysis was conducted based on the requirements to extend fire protection services from the Bow Horn Bay Fire Protection Service Area to include the community of Horne Lake in Electoral Area H. The final report recommendations and options requirements are based on the following scope (but not limited to):

- the acquisition of land
- construction of a new fire hall
- purchase of apparatus, and
- any potential upgrades required by the Horne Lake strata to roads or infrastructure to facilitate access
- any additional operational costs as well as Fire Underwriters (FUS) requirements and water supply provisions.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The Budget for the Horne Lake Fire Protection Feasibility Study is \$18,600.00 (excluding PST and GST) and was approved in the 2022 Financial Plan.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT

Social Wellbeing - Make the Region a safe and vibrant place for all, with a focus on children and families in programs and planning.

REVIEWED BY:

- E. Beauchamp, Manager, Emergency Services
- L. Grant, General Manager, Planning and Emergency Services
- T. Moore, Chief Financial Officer
- D. Holmes, Chief Administrative Officer

ATTACHMENT(S)

1. RDN Horne Lake Feasibility Study Final Report