



Bylaw No. 1878 – Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District 2024 Permissive Tax Exemption

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 1. That "Property Tax Exemption (Alberni-Clayoquot Mt. Arrowsmith Regional Park) Bylaw No. 1878, 2023" be introduced and read three times.
- 2. That "Property Tax Exemption (Alberni-Clayoquot Mt. Arrowsmith Regional Park) Bylaw No. 1878, 2023" be adopted.

#### **BACKGROUND**

Where a Regional District is the owner of property outside of its boundaries, it is not automatically exempt from property taxes. The Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District is the owner of the Alberni-Clayoquot Mt. Arrowsmith Regional Park, which is located within Electoral Area C of the Regional District of Nanaimo (see Attachment 2 for map). The Board has adopted bylaws annually since 2004 to provide a permissive tax exemption for this property. Permissive tax exemption bylaws must be adopted annually or, with the assent of the electors, may cover a period not exceeding 10 years. Nanaimo and Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District staff have agreed that it is administratively easier to adopt a permissive tax exemption bylaw annually, and Bylaw 1878 covering the 2024 tax year is presented with this report (see Attachment 1).

#### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

The 2023 assessed values for the two properties in question (folios 768 002268.420 and 768 002268.416) total \$6,129,000. Had the exemption not been in place for the 2023 taxation year, the properties would have been assessed Regional District taxes of approximately \$5,070. These properties represent the only permissive tax exemption provided by the Regional District of Nanaimo.

## **STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT**

Adopting the property tax exemption for Alberni-Clayoquot Mt. Arrowsmith Regional Park is consistent with the Regional District of Nanaimo Strategic Plan under Environmental Stewardship.

Environmental Stewardship - Protect and enhance the natural environment, including land, water, and air quality for future generations.

## **REVIEWED BY:**

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# **ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1. Bylaw No. 1878
- 2. Map showing ACRD Mt. Arrowsmith Regional Park