
TO: Electoral Area Services Committee **MEETING:** November 20, 2018
FROM: Catherine Morrison **FILE:** 2240-20 LES
 Manager, Emergency Services
SUBJECT: Livestock Emergency Sheltering Agreement Renewals

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the Livestock Emergency Sheltering Agreement Renewal between the Regional District of Nanaimo and Culverden Holdings Ltd. for a five year term commencing January 1, 2019 and ending December 31, 2023 be approved.
2. That the Livestock Emergency Sheltering Agreement Renewal between the Regional District of Nanaimo and the Arrowsmith Agricultural Association for a five year term commencing January 1, 2019 and ending December 31, 2023 be approved.
3. That the Livestock Emergency Sheltering Agreement Renewal between the Regional District of Nanaimo and the Coombs Hillers Community Organization for a five year term commencing January 1, 2019 and ending December 31, 2023 be approved.

SUMMARY

There are currently Livestock Emergency Sheltering Agreements in place between the Regional District of Nanaimo (RDN) and Culverden Holdings Ltd for the use Arbutus Meadows, the Arrowsmith Agricultural Association for the use of the Coombs fairgrounds and the Coombs Hilliers Community Organization for the use of the Coombs rodeo grounds. These agreements expire on December 31, 2018, staff is recommending that the RDN renew these agreements for another five year term.

BACKGROUND

The *Emergency Program Act* requires local authorities to prepare for, respond to and recover from emergencies and disasters including causing the evacuation of people, livestock and property. The RDN Livestock Evacuation Plan was created to enable the RDN to meet its legislated requirements and to provide clear direction during an emergency where livestock must be evacuated. As part of the planning process, shelter sites were identified and the RDN entered into Livestock Sheltering Agreements for the purpose of sheltering evacuated livestock in the event of an emergency.

ALTERNATIVES

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4. That alternate direction be provided.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Each five year Livestock Emergency Sheltering Agreement carries a fee of one dollar per year for a total of \$15.00. In the event of an emergency requiring livestock to be evacuated, costs related to the transport, shelter and feeding of evacuated livestock are reimbursed by the Province via Disaster Financial Assistance.

STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLICATIONS

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Attachments

1. Attachment 1 Livestock Emergency Sheltering Agreement – Culverden Holdings Ltd
2. Attachment 2 Livestock Emergency Sheltering Agreement – Arrowsmith Agricultural Association
3. Attachment 3 Livestock Emergency Sheltering Agreement – Coombs Hilliers Community Organization