

**Delegation:** Maya Chorobik, Community Energy Association, re Mid-Island Electric Vehicle Charging Network Funding Opportunities

**Summary:** Community Energy Association (CEA) is coordinating the planning and implementation of three cross-regional electric vehicle charging networks that support local economies, drive tourism, and contribute to climate action goals. These are in south-east BC, southern Alberta, and along Hwy 16.

Several mid-island and west coast communities have expressed interest in collaborating on a mid-island electric vehicle (EV) charging network along Hwy 19 and Hwy 4.

There are new funding opportunities to support this collaboration from the planning and outreach stage through to network implementation:

1. CleanBC Clean Communities Fund - cost sharing of 73% for infrastructure
2. Emotive Community Outreach Incentive - for a comprehensive outreach program

Community Energy Association will facilitate the regional collaboration but is seeking a lead applicant for the CleanBC Communities Fund, which closes March 27, 2019.

**Action Requested:**

1. That RDN act as the lead applicant for a CleanBC Clean Communities Fund application on behalf of multiple mid-island municipalities and regional districts. Community Energy Association will coordinate the other local governments and the application submission.
2. That RDN identify the number of level 2 charging stations to be located at RD facilities. Community Energy Association will assist with location selection.
3. That RDN submit a letter of support for Community Energy Association's application to the Emotive Community Outreach Incentive Program on behalf of mid-island communities.