

TO: Electoral Area Services Committee **MEETING:** July 9, 2019

FROM: Wendy Marshall
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Subject: Active Transportation Infrastructure Memorandum of Understanding

RECOMMENDATION

That the Active Transportation Infrastructure Memorandum of Understanding with the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure be approved.

SUMMARY

In collaboration with Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure (MoTI) and other Regional Districts from the Association of Vancouver Island Coastal Communities (AVICC), a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for Active Transportation Infrastructure (ATI) has been developed which outlines processes for the planning and development of ATI.

BACKGROUND

Since the fall of 2018, RDN staff have been working with other Regional Districts from AVICC and the MoTI on the development of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for Active Transportation Infrastructure (ATI). The other Regional Districts are the qathet, Sunshine Coast, Comox Valley and Cowichan Valley.

The MOU (Attachment 1) provides general understandings and processes regarding the implementation of ATI. This is a first step in moving towards a collaborative relationship with MoTI in order to plan and develop ATI within developed and undeveloped MoTI Road Rights of Way.

Under the MOU, planning and design for ATI will align with the ATI Planning and Approvals Guidelines Document which is under development. Once approved, there will be project specific agreements for each ATI project. The RDN will maintain a list of ATI priority projects that will be reviewed annually with MoTI.

Each of the above noted Regional Districts will be considering individual MoUs with the same terms as the MoU between the RDN and MoTI.

ALTERNATIVES

1. That the Active Transportation Infrastructure Memorandum of Understanding with the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure be approved.
2. That the Active Transportation and Infrastructure Memorandum of Understanding with the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure not be approved and alternative direction provided to staff.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no direct financial implications for the execution of the MOU. Funding for individual ATI projects will be covered by the applicable Electoral Area Community Parks budget and the use of Community Works Funds will be reviewed by UBCM as a potential funding source.

STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLICATIONS

Enhance dialogue with the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure (MOTI) for on- and off-road pedestrian and active transportation improvements.



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Attachments

1. Active Transportation Infrastructure MOU – MOTI and RDN