



**REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO
SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA**

THURSDAY, AUGUST 12, 2021

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REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO STAFF REPORT

TO: Chair Thiessen and Board of Directors
FROM: Jason Blackwell, Regional Fire Chief
DATE: August 12, 2021
SUBJECT: Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Evacuation Route Planning

RECOMMENDATION:

1. That the Board authorize staff to enter into a contract with Calian Ltd. as the successful proponent for the Regional Evacuation Route Planning project.

VOTING: All/Directors/Majority

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Staff have conducted a review of the proposals submitted in response to the Provision of Evacuation Route Planning for the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako. There were two proposals received that were evaluated using the RFP Evaluation Criteria. Calian Ltd. was the successful proponent.

The deliverables proposed by Calian Ltd. will be delivered to the RDBN on a cost + (time and materials) basis with an understood ceiling value of \$137,154.00. The budget for this project is \$160,590.31 which is funded through a grant with the Union of BC Municipalities Community Emergency Preparedness Fund.

ISL Engineering and Land Services Ltd. was the second proposal which came in with a budget of \$90,000.00. Although this proposal had a lower cost, it did not meet the scope or criteria of the project as specified in the RFP, and for this reason staff chose to select Calian Ltd. as the successful proponent.

Written by,

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Jason Blackwell
Regional Fire Chief

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Deborah Jones-Middleton
Director of Protective Services

DISCUSSION:

An opportunity to collaborate on grant funding applications became available through UBCM-CEPF's Evacuation Route Planning Funding Stream. The Town of Smithers, Village of Telkwa, District of Houston, Village of Granisle, Village of Burns Lake, Village of Fraser Lake and District of Fort St James collaborated on the application. The District of Vanderhoof has since confirmed their participation in the project. Staff is also looking at the possibility of incorporating regional First Nation partners into the project.

Staff will utilize the UBCM-CEPF funds completely and the balance would be paid by the District of Vanderhoof and and First Nation Partners that decide to join, apportioned based on the extent of planning costs for each of the new partners.

Working together to coordinate a regional approach to creating Evacuate Route Plans for each community will ensure continuity between the different plans and save time and cost by eliminating duplication of effort.

This project will include the development of Evacuation Route Plans which will identify community specific challenges to successfully implement an evacuation in the event of an emergency as well as include the following information:

- identification and capacity of available routes;
- methods of evacuation available;
- modes of transportation;
- anticipated speed of progression of local hazards;
- availability of early warning systems or other emergency notification tools; and,
- other factors that impact the functionality of evacuation routes.

From: [Geraldine Craven](#)
To: [Planning](#)
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL]: variance permit f-04-21
Date: Monday, August 9, 2021 8:36:26 AM
Attachments: [image002.png](#)

From: tim timmermans
Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 5:18 PM
To: inquiries <inquiries@rdbn.bc.ca>
Subject: [EXTERNAL]: variance permit f-04-21

i say no...to many people buy here and think they dont need to follow the rules..build and ask forgiveness later..2 lots over from me the owner didnt do a survey and started cutting trees down that belonged to the neighbour next to him...you would get away with this in town and it has to stop happening here.