

SUMMER 2023 BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

Delegations

Office of the Seniors Advocate

The Board received a presentation from Seniors Advocate Isobel Mackenzie from the Office of the Seniors Advocate BC regarding current issues for seniors at its July 13, 2023 Board Meeting.

Rogers Communications

The Board received a presentation at its August 10th Board Meeting from Samuel Sugita, Land Use and Government Relations, Rogers Communications regarding new infrastructure projects.

Regional Transit - Transit Service Bylaw Amendment

The Board gave three readings to the Bulkley-Nechako Transit Service Amendment Bylaws to include most Electoral Areas in the Bulkley-Nechako Transit Service and to increase the maximum requisition amount.

Parks and Trails Bylaw

At its July 13th Board Meeting the Board reviewed the draft Parks and Trails Bylaw to establish procedures regarding the RDBN operation and regulations regarding regional parks and trails used by the public, and subsequently gave three readings of the Bylaw at its August 10th Board Meeting.

Local Government Climate Action Plan Survey

The Board received the draft Local Government Climate Action Plan Survey at its July 13th Board Meeting. The Regional District tracks its own carbon usage, and the 2022 information is available on the RDBN website at <u>www.rdbn.bc.ca</u>.

Cycle 16 Trail Phase Three

At the August 10th Board Meeting, the Board supported moving forward with Phase 3 of the Cycle 16 Trail prior to Phase 2, in order to make application to the Rural Economic Diversification and Infrastructure Program for the construction of Phase 3 of the Trail.

Farmers need Help Responding to the Drought Crisis in Northern B.C.

The Board ratified letters sent at the August 10th Board Meeting to the incoming Federal Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food, the Honourable Lawrence MacCaulay and the outgoing Federal Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food, Honourable Marie-Claude Bibeau regarding the need for help for farmers responding to the drought crisis in northern, B.C. The RDBN has lobbied government on several fronts regarding the significant feed shortage, including hay, pasture, and range forage. The feed shortage has resulted in many farmers in the region being forced to sell their animals.

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