



“A WORLD OF OPPORTUNITIES WITHIN OUR REGION”

MAY 2025 BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

Delegations

Pacific Northern Gas (PNG) Ltd.

At the May 22nd Board Meeting PNG provided an overview of its Notification of 2025-2027 Revenue Requirements Application for PNG – West to the BC Utilities Commission.

Ministry of Forests

At the May 22nd Board Meeting the Ministry of Forests, Land and Resource Coordinators from the Stuart Nechako and Nadina Forest Districts provided an update regarding their Wildfire Risk Reduction Programs.

Bulkley Valley Lakes District Airshed Management Society

At the May 8th Committee of the Whole meeting the Board received a presentation from Bulkley Valley Lakes District Airshed Management Society regarding an update of its Clean Air Plan.

Reports

Rural Community Halls

At its May 8th meeting the Rural Directors Committee reviewed information regarding Rural Community Halls and discussed existing and other opportunities to provide support.

Red Dress Day – May 5

The Board recognized May 5th as Red Dress Day, the National Day of Awareness for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls, Two-Spirited + people.

Electoral Area D Economic Development Service Grant – Village of Fraser Lake Resident Attraction Video Project

The Board approved an Electoral Area D (Fraser Lake Rural) Economic Development Services Grant of up to \$8,000 to the Village of Fraser Lake for a resident attraction video project.

Lakes District Arts and Culture Funding – Lakes District Fair Association

The Board approved entering into a funding agreement for five years with the Lakes District Fair Association through the Lakes District Arts and Culture Fund.

Grant in Aid – Omineca Ski Club/Northern Development Initiative Trust – Resolution of Support

The Board approved a grant of \$20,000 to Omineca Ski Club from Electoral Areas B (Burns Lake Rural) and E (Francois/Ootsa Lake Rural) for the construction of a new wax and rental cabin. The Board also provided a resolution in support of Omineca Ski Club's NDIT Application.

Trail Lighting for Stella Road Walkway

The Board authorized contributing Resource Benefits Alliance Funding and Canada Community Building Fund BC monies from Electoral Area D (Fraser Lake Rural) to Stellat'en First Nation for trail lighting for the Stella Road Walkway.

Community Works Fund

The Board approved Community Works Fund for the following:

- District of Vanderhoof to upgrade the runway to include turn pads at the Vanderhoof Airport
- Town of Smithers
 - o Northern Edge Sports Association for upgrades to the LB Werner Building
 - o Smithers Skate Park Society and the Town of Smithers for phase 3 of the Smithers Skate Park Expansion Project
- Village of Burns Lake for the addition of a solar energy system to the roof of the Tom Forsyth Memorial Arena
- Village of Granisle for improved wireless service in Electoral Area G (Houston/Granisle Rural).

Grant in Aid – Woodmere Emergency Services Society Wildfire Response Trailer

The Board approved a \$55,000 grant from Electoral Area A (Smithers/Telkwa Rural) to the Woodmere Emergency Services Society for a Wildfire Response Trailer.

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