

RURAL BUDGETS ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE FUNDING POLICIES

GAS TAX GRANT FUNDING

The Rural Budgets Administration Committee may utilize the "Gas Tax" (New Deal - Community Works Fund) annual grant provided from the Federal Government and Provincial Government through UBCM.

These funds may be used to provide grants for projects that meet the official criteria as provided from time to time by the Federal Government, the Provincial Government and UBCM.

Examples of the types of projects that may be considered for funding are:

- 1. developing or upgrading drinking water systems to improve quality, reduce water use, increase energy efficiency, and secure water supply in the face of a drought;
- 2. developing or upgrading waste water systems to improve service and increase energy efficiency;
- 3. community energy systems (wind, solar, thermal, etc.);
- 4. implement innovative technologies that support environment; and
- 5. retrofits to reduce energy and GHG emissions.

Application for Grant:

The applicant (including a function of the Regional District) must provide full details of the project, the cost, other sources of revenues and the projected savings and benefits.

The applicant (if not a function of the Regional District) must be a not-for-profit society in good standing and provide a financial statement.

Grant recipients must recognize the Regional District for its contribution through:

- display of a certificate or plaque; and
- a joint press release.