



REPORT

To: Chair and Directors

Report Number: ADM-BRD-111

From: Tyra Henderson, Corporate Officer

Date: November 27, 2020

Subject: Area B Potable Water Fees and Charges Amendment Bylaw No. 2422, 2020

RECOMMENDATION #1: [Corporate Unweighted]

That the Regional Board give 'Electoral Area B Potable Water Fees and Charges Amendment Bylaw No. 2422, 2020', which authorizes a new charge for bottle fill water, first, second, and third reading.

RECOMMENDATION #2: [Corporate Unweighted]

That the Regional Board adopt 'Electoral Area B Potable Water Fees and Charges Amendment Bylaw No. 2422, 2020'.

BACKGROUND/RATIONALE:

In 2017, the Regional Board established the 'Electoral Area B Potable Water Service' through Bylaw No. 2283, 2017, and in April 2020, adopted the "Electoral Area B Potable Water Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 2409, 2020".

Upon receipt of a recommendation from the Electoral Area Directors Committee October 15th meeting, on November 12, 2020 the Regional Board passed the following resolution:

MOVED, SECONDED and CARRIED

That the Regional Board authorize the amendment of the Electoral Area B Potable Water Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 2409, 2020, to include a bottle fill water rate charge of \$3 per 18 liter bottle.

The background report provided to the Electoral Area Directors Committee in support of the recommendation to increase the bottle fill water charge can be viewed on the October 15, 2020 Electoral Area Directors Committee agenda. Please click here [\(Item 9.2\)](#) to access the report.

A draft consolidated version of the Fees and Charges Bylaw for the Area B Potable Water stations is attached for convenience, with the added clause shown highlighted in yellow.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS:

1. That the Regional Board provide further direction.

STRATEGIC PLAN RELEVANCE:

☒ Not Applicable to Strategic Plan.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION(S):

Water purveyors in Dawson Creek and Fort St. John are charging \$3-\$4 per 18L bottle. Compared to Regional District pricing, one bottle of water from one of our sites costs \$0.05/bottle. If the bottle fill rate is increased to \$3.00/ 18L bottle (166.67/m³) compared to \$0.05/18L bottle (\$3/m³), the total potential projected annual revenue in 2020 would have increased from \$417 to \$23,731 as shown in Table 1 below.

Table 1

Volume (in m ³)	Bulk (in m ³)	Bottle (in m ³)	Total Revenue (\$3/m ³)	Total Potential Revenue (\$3/m ³ for bulk, \$3/ bottle for bottle fill)
2020 (projected)	20,528	139	\$62,001	\$84,732

COMMUNICATIONS CONSIDERATION(S):

None at this time.

OTHER CONSIDERATION(S):

None at this time.

Attachments:

1. Electoral Area B Potable Water Fees and Charges Amendment Bylaw No. 2422, 2020.
2. Draft Consolidated Area B Potable Water Fees and Charges Bylaw No. 2409, 2020