



REPORT

To: Chair and Directors

Report Number: ENV-BRD-031

From: Paulo Eichelberger, GM of Environmental Services

Date: February 11, 2021

Subject: **Charlie Lake Sewage User Fee Amendment Bylaw**

RECOMMENDATION #1: [Corporate Unweighted - LGA Sec 207 (5)]

That the Regional Board give "Charlie Lake Sewage User Fee Amendment Bylaw No. 2430, 2021", which increases user fees by 15%, first, second, and third reading.

RECOMMENDATION #2: [Corporate Unweighted - 2/3 Majority]

That the Regional Board adopt "Charlie Lake Sewage User Fee Amendment Bylaw No. 2430, 2021."

BACKGROUND/RATIONALE:

On January 14, 2021, the Regional Board passed the following resolution:

MOVED, SECONDED, and CARRIED

That the Regional Board authorize an amendment to "Charlie Lake Sewerage User Fee By-law No. 2011, 2012" to include an updated Schedule "A", user fee structure, to reflect the annual inflation increases within the last 10 years for a total increase of 15% for each of the payment structures.

"Charlie Lake Sewage User Fee Amendment Bylaw No. 2430, 2021", is attached for the Board's consideration.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS:

1. That the Regional Board provide further direction.

STRATEGIC PLAN RELEVANCE:

- ☒ Organizational Effectiveness
- ☒ Responsive Service Delivery

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION(S):

The user fee structure for the Charlie Lake sewage system has been consistent for ten years under Bylaw 2011, 2012. Operational expenses continue to increase on an annual basis. In order to continue to be able to fund operational functionality and simultaneously budget for necessary capital reserves, an increase of 15% in user fees is recommended at this time. The new rates will be effective as of the date of adoption of the bylaw.

COMMUNICATIONS CONSIDERATION(S):

Following adoption of the bylaw, a letter will be forwarded to all property owners within the service area to advise them of the 2021 changes.

OTHER CONSIDERATION(S):

None at this time.

Attachments:

1. Charlie Lake Sewage User Fee Amendment Bylaw No. 2430, 2021