

NOTICE TO ELECTORS WITHIN A PORTION OF ELECTORAL AREA G – SALTAIR/GULF ISLANDS OF AN ALTERNATIVE APPROVAL PROCESS OPPORTUNITY FOR CVRD LOAN AUTHORIZATION BYLAW NO. 4328

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Board of the Cowichan Valley Regional District proposes to adopt "CVRD Bylaw No. 4328 – Saltair Water System Service Loan Authorization (Water Treatment Upgrades - \$3,700,000) Bylaw, 2020".

BYLAW SUMMARY

If adopted, Bylaw No. 4328 will allow the Cowichan Valley Regional District to borrow upon the credit of the Regional District a sum not exceeding Three Million, Seven Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$3,700,000) over a twenty-year term; to fund the estimated cost to carry out water treatment upgrades to the Saltair Water System works to current municipal standards for the supply, treatment, conveyance, storage and distribution of water within a portion of Electoral Area G – Saltair/Gulf Islands. The costs of the debt would result in an estimated \$270 increase to the annual charges (per property) until the debt is retired. The complete bylaw is available for inspection at the Cowichan Valley Regional District office, located at 175 Ingram Street in Duncan, BC during regular office hours, Monday to Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., excluding statutory holidays. A copy of the bylaw is also available on the CVRD website at www.cvrd.bc.ca

ALTERNATIVE APPROVAL PROCESS AND ELIGIBILITY

The Regional District may adopt this bylaw unless at least 10% of electors within the service area indicate that a referendum must be held by submitting a signed *Elector Response Form* to the Regional District office **no later** than **4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, February 10, 2021**. *Elector Response Forms* must be in the form established by the Regional District, and only those persons who qualify as electors within the Saltair Water System Service Area are entitled to sign. Service area electors may qualify as either resident electors or as non-resident property electors, as follows:

Resident Elector – You are entitled to submit an *Elector Response Form* as a resident elector if you are age 18 or older on the day of submission, are a Canadian citizen, have lived in BC for at least six months, and have been a resident of the Saltair Water System Service Area for the past 30 days or more.

Non-Resident Property Elector – You are entitled to submit an *Elector Response Form* as a non-resident property elector if you are age 18 or older on the day of submission, are a Canadian citizen, have lived in BC for at least six months, have owned and held registered title to a property within the Saltair Water System Service Area for the past 30 days or more, and do not qualify as a resident elector. NOTE: Only one non-resident property elector may submit a response form per property, regardless of how many owners there may be.

If less than 10% (146) of the proposed service area electors submit an *Elector Response Form*, the bylaw will be deemed to have the approval of the electors and the Regional District may proceed with adoption. For the purpose of conducting the alternative approval opportunity, the number of service area electors is calculated as 1,465.

A copy of the bylaw and *Elector Response Form* is available from the CVRD, 175 Ingram Street, Duncan, BC V9L 1N8, phone 250.746.2503 or toll free at 1.800.665.3955, or email aapresponse@cvrd.bc.ca **OR** on the CVRD website at www.cvrd.bc.ca