

Community Resiliency Investment Program 2024 FireSmart Community Funding and Supports Allocation-based Funding Worksheet

The 2024 FireSmart Community Funding and Supports program will have an open intake. Funding permitting, eligible recipients can submit one funding request between **October 1**, **2023 and September 30**, **2024**.

First Nations and local governments with a higher risk of wildfire, generally demonstrated by WUI Risk Class 1 to 3, that have a FireSmart Position, participate in a Community FireSmart and Resiliency Committee and have an acceptable Community Wildfire Resiliency Plan/Community Wildfire Protection Plan are eligible to receive FireSmart Community Funding and Supports funding for FireSmart activities only through the allocation-based program.

Please complete and return the worksheet with all required attachments. **Eligible recipients** are not required to submit a full Application-based funding package.

If you have any questions, contact <u>cri@ubcm.ca</u> or (604) 270-8226 ext. 220.

SECTION 1: Recipient Information	
First Nation or Local Government full name:	File number*:
Capital Regional District	LGPS-10828

^{*} Refer to the LGPS Online Application Form submission confirmation email.

SECTION 2: For Regional District Recipients Only

1. Electoral Areas. Please identify which electoral areas you would like to receive allocation-based funding for:

Juan de Fuca, Salt Spring Island, Southern Gulf Islands.

Note: In order to receive an additional \$50,000 per electoral area, electoral areas must meet the risk class and eligibility criteria identified in Questions 2 and 4.

SECTION 3: Wildfire Risk & Additional Evidence

2. A. WUI Wildfire Risk Class. Provide the WUI Risk Class (1 – 5) for the general area of interest of your community, including the WUI polygon name, from the risk class map. Refer to Appendix 2 of the *Allocation-based Funding Program and Application Guide*.

Risk Class: Port Renfrew RC: 5; Jordan River RC: 2; Langford RC: 1; Ganges RC: 5 WUI Polygon name: Port Renfrew; River Jordan; Langford (East Sooke, Malahat, Otter Point, Shirley, etc.); Ganges.

Note: <u>for regional districts only</u>, please provide the risk class and WUI polygon name for each electoral area identified in Question 3.

B. Additional Evidence. If local assessments provide additional evidence of higher wildfire risk than the WUI Risk Class, provide specific evidence of wildfire risk (reference to specific page of a CWRP/CWPP).

Each of the three CWRPs the CRD commissioned for the electoral areas (Juan de Fuca, Salt Spring Island, Southern Gulf Islands), identified the wildfire risk as "moderate" for their respective areas.

The "Local Wildfire Risk Summary" can be found on the specific pages of the CWRPs as follows:

Juan de Fuca: pg. 69

Salt Spring Island: pg. 69

Southern Gulf Islands: pg. 78

SECTION 4: FireSmart Components and Eligibility Criteria

3. Progress to Date. If you were approved for funding under previous rounds of the FireSmart Community Funding & Supports program, please provide the status of the previous project(s).

2021 project: EA FireSmart Program Initiation Project. Complete

2022 project: Education, Chipping, Assessments, and Rebates. Complete

2023 project: Education, Chipping, Assessments, and Rebates. 90% complete

Refer to the Allocation-based Funding Program and Application Guide for reporting requirements for previous projects.

4. Required FireSmart Components. To be eligible for allocation-based funding, all recipients must have the following FireSmart components developed and active in their community.

CWRPs and CWPPs must be complete and acceptable to the BCWS, FNESS and/or, where applicable, BC Parks. To be considered acceptable, CWRPs must be developed in accordance with the template and guidance document and must include assessment and identification of FireSmart and fuel management priorities.

FireSmart Position: FireSmart Coordinator: In place since CRD FireSmart Program inception in 2021. Duties include:

Education

- Support the development of a detailed communications strategy for FireSmart.
- Distribute FireSmart materials through community partners and online.

Community Planning

• Support neighbourhoods to apply for FireSmart Canada Neighbourhood Recognition, including by supporting facilitation and FireSmart events.

Interagency co-operation

• Coordinate FireSmart initiatives between electoral areas and external partners as applicable, such as by representing the CRD in working groups or committees.

FireSmart Implementation

- With homeowners' consent:
 - o Conduct Home Ignition Zone Assessments for residential properties or homes.
 - o Help communities develop FireSmart Neighbourhood Plans.
- Coordinate chipping days or bin programs to facilitate vegetative debris disposal.

Administration

• Report on program implementation, progress, and community feedback regarding FireSmart to the Emergency Planning Coordinator and Manager, Emergency Services.

Protective Services staff work with adjacent CRD departments to perform the following FireSmart program support functions:

Development considerations

• Comment on wildfire issues within a development permit process on behalf of the Protective Services department.

Emergency planning

• Provide comments on wildfire issues during emergency plan and response preparation.

Administration

Prepare grant applications.

oxtimes Community Wildfire Resiliency Plan or CWPP (if not previously submitted to UBCM,
submit plan): Each electoral area (Juan de Fuca, Salt Spring Island, Southern Gulf
Islands) had its own CWRP commissioned and delivered in 2023-Feb-23.
Community FireSmart & Resiliency Committee: In place at local community and fire
department levels. The CRD also participates in a regional level Community FireSmart
& Resilience Committee that includes several local authorities in the capital region.

If you do not have one or more of the required FireSmart components in place, please provide a clear rationale: n/a

Note: <u>for regional districts only</u>, please provide information on required FireSmart components for each electoral area identified in Question 1.

SECTION 5: Allocation-based Funding Submission Requirements Only complete submissions will be considered for funding.	
Submissions	Related Attachments (as required)
Allocation-based Funding Worksheet	 ☐ If available, workplans, budgets or other documents with information on anticipated FireSmart activities ☐ Completed CWPP or CWRP (if not previously submitted)

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Prior to commencing FireSmart activities (as required)	 □ Approval from SPCO (if applying for Phase 2, 3 or 4) for FireSmart structure protection equipment □ Completed FireSmart Assessment(s) for eligible FireSmart Projects for Critical Infrastructure □ Completed FireSmart Assessment(s) for eligible FireSmart Projects for Community Assets □ Completed Prescription Checklist and FireSmart Assessment(s) for eligible FireSmart Projects for Culturally Significant Sites □ Completed Prescription Checklist and FireSmart Assessment(s) for eligible FireSmart Projects for Green Spaces □ In cases where critical infrastructure, community assets or culturally significant sites are located on Provincial Crown Land confirmation that the proposed activities are supported will be required from Provincial Crown Land Manager (BC Parks, Mountain Resort Branch, Natural Resource District and/or Recreation Sites and Trails) at the time of application submission.
For CWRP updates only Recipients with an acceptable plan that would like to amend/develop a CWRP must contact UBCM before commencing the project.	 □ PDF map and Google Earth compatible KML file, at appropriate scale, outlining the area of interest and eligible WUI □ In cases where the eligible WUI is outside of the AOI, confirmation that the proposed risk assessments activities are supported will be required at the time of application submission from Provincial Crown Land Manager (BC Parks, Mountain Resort Branch, Natural Resource District and/or Recreation Sites and Trails), other land managers (e.g., Indigenous Services Canada, local government) and/or First Nations (where overlap on reserves and/or traditional territories may exist). □ In cases where the eligible WUI includes Private Managed Forest Land (PMFL), confirmation that the proposed risk assessments activities are supported will be required at the time of application submission from the PMFL.
For Fuel Management only	 Refer to the Application-based program. Worksheet 2 can be submitted with the Allocation-based Funding Worksheet or at a later date.
For Additional Funding for Recipients Impacted by 2023 Wildfires only	Refer to the Appendix 3. Worksheet 4 can be submitted with the Allocation-based Funding Worksheet or at a later date.
Resolution	Council, Board or Band Council resolution, indicating support for the current proposed activities and willingness to provide overall grant management

SECTION 6: Signature – This worksheet is required to be signed by an authorized representative of the recipient (*i.e.*, staff member or elected official). Please note all materials will be shared with the Province of BC, First Nations' Emergency Services Society and the BC FireSmart Committee.

I certify that to the best of my knowledge: (1) all information is accurate, (2) the area covered by the proposed project is within the recipient's jurisdiction (or appropriate approvals are in place) and (3) it is understood that this project may be subject to a compliance audit under the program.

Further, for all funded activities, I certify that, to the best of my knowledge: all funded activities will meet eligibility and funding requirements as defined in the <u>Allocation-based Funding</u> <u>Program and Application Guide</u>.

Further, for FireSmart Positions, I certify that: (1) I have read and understand the recommended Job Description(s) and (2) the primary focus of the position is to support eligible FireSmart activities but that other activities related to emergency management (i.e., EOC, ESS, evacuations), structural fire and/or forestry (i.e., Indigenous Guardians) are eligible as no more than 20% of job duties.

Name: Corey Anderson	Title: Manager, Emergency Programs
Signature: A certified digital or original signature is required.	Date: 2024-May-23

Documents should be submitted as Word, Excel, or PDF files.

Total file size for email attachments cannot exceed 20 MB.

All documents should be submitted to Local Government Program Services, Union of BC Municipalities by e-mail: cri@ubcm.ca.

Please note "2024 CRI-Allocation-based" in the subject line