

**CAPITAL REGIONAL DISTRICT
BYLAW NO. 2541**

**A BYLAW FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATION OF A REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY
PROTECTION AND CONSERVATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

WHEREAS

- A. Section 2 of the Capital Region Water Supply and Sooke Hills Protection Act (the "Act") requires the Regional District to establish by bylaw a water supply local service of the Regional District.
- B. Section 4 of the Act requires the Regional District Board to establish by bylaw a Regional Water Supply Commission.
- C. Section 8 of the Capital Region Water Supply and Sooke Hills Protection Regulation Order-In-Council No. 0971 requires the Regional District Board to appoint a Regional Water Supply, Protection and Conservation Advisory Committee to provide advice to the Regional Water Supply Commission on water supply, water quality, the stewardship of the lands held by the Regional District for water supply purposes and water conservation measures.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of the Capital Regional District in open meeting assembled ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. A Regional Water Supply, Protection and Conservation Advisory Committee (hereinafter called the "Water Advisory Committee") is hereby established.
- 2. The membership of the Water Advisory Committee is comprised as follows:
 - (a) one representative each from
 - ~~the~~ Regional Water Supply Commission;
 - ~~the~~ Juan de Fuca Water Distribution Commission; and
 - ~~the~~ Saanich Peninsula Water Commission.
 - (b) one representative from each of the following:
 - agricultural community
 - groups concerned with the protection of fish habitats
 - ~~First Nations~~
 - environmental groups
 - commercial and industrial water users
 - residents and ratepayers associations
 - Capital Region Health Board
 - scientific community
 - ~~other bodies the Regional District Board considers appropriate.~~
 - (c) up to five representatives from other bodies the Regional District Board considers appropriate.

(d) one representative from each First Nation in the Capital Regional District, who may participate in Water Advisory Committee meetings (as ex officio) at their pleasure, in accordance with Bylaw No. 3828, "Capital Regional District Board Procedures Bylaw, 2012", where the First Nation has an interest in matters being considered by the Water Advisory Committee.

3. The terms of office of the members of the commission shall be for a two-year period, to a maximum participation of three terms (i.e. six years), except that initial appointments shall be as follows:
 - (a) five of the appointees shall hold office from the date of appointment until one year from the date of initial appointment.
 - (b) six of the appointees shall hold office from the date of appointment until two years from the date of initial appointment.
4. A quorum of the Water Advisory Committee is a majority of its members.
5. ~~The Water Advisory Committee shall each year elect a Chairperson from amongst its members.~~The Water Advisory Committee shall, at its first meeting each year, appoint as its Chair the Vice-Chair of the Regional Water Supply Commission, with a term commencing and ending commensurate to the term of the Vice-Chair. The Water Advisory Committee shall, at its first meeting each year, elect from among its members a Vice-Chair of the Water Advisory Committee.
6. ~~The Water Advisory Committee shall observe at its meetings the rules of procedure for the Regional District as~~The Committee must follow Bylaw No. 3828, "Capital Regional District Board Procedures Bylaw, 2012", when conducting a meeting, so far as they are applicable.
7. ~~The Water Advisory Committee shall~~The mandate of the Water Advisory Committee is to provide advice to the Regional Water Supply Commission with a view to the current Strategic Plan approved by the Regional Water Supply Commission and the priorities defined within, on water supply, water quality, and the stewardship of the lands held by the Regional District for water supply purposes and water conservation purposes.
8. This Bylaw may be cited as the "Water Advisory Committee Bylaw No. 1, 1997".

READ A FIRST TIME THIS	10 th	day of	Sept.	1997
READ A SECOND TIME THIS	17 th	day of	Dec.	1997
READ A THIRD TIME THIS	17 th	day of	Dec.	1997
ADOPTED THIS	17 th	day of	Dec.	1997


CHAIRPERSON


SECRETARY

DRAFT