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**REPORT TO ELECTORAL AREAS COMMITTEE  
MEETING OF WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 08, 2025**

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**SUBJECT**     **Bylaw No. 4714: Malahat Fire Protection and Emergency Response Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1, 1999, Amendment Bylaw No. 2, 2025**

**ISSUE SUMMARY**

The proposed bylaw amendment expands the Malahat Local Fire Service boundary to include newer properties that are currently located outside the local fire service boundary. The amendment impacts approximately 37 parcels of land with separate owners, with the potential for approximately 80 parcels once the subdivision is complete.

**BACKGROUND**

Owners of real property parcels in the Goldstream Ridge subdivision located south of Shawnigan Lake have submitted requests for inclusion for their parcels of land (Appendix A) that are currently located outside of the Malahat Local Fire Service boundary.

The portions of the individual parcels to be included into fire protection are:

<b>Property ID</b>	<b>Civic Address</b>
030-838-738	1491 Arbutus Crossing
027-501-892	4040 Ridgeline
030-838-801	3741 Goldstream Heights Drive
030-838-924	3581 Goldstream Heights Drive
027-501-795	4021 Ridgeline Drive
027-301-371	1400 Finlayson View Place
029-825-156	4265 Goldstream Heights Drive
027 301 460	4270 Goldstream Heights Drive
027-501-906	4030 Ridgeline Drive
030-838-606	1530 Olympic Drive
030-838-878	3631 Goldstream Heights Drive
030-838-762	1460 Arbutus Crossing
027-501-833	4121 Ridgeline Drive
027-501-868	4140 Ridgeline Drive
027-301-354	1440 Finlayson View Place
027-501-825	4101 Ridgeline Drive
030-838-827	3701 Goldstream Heights Drive
027-501-876	4120 Ridgeline Drive
030-838-690	3891 Goldstream Heights Drive
029-825-148	4285 Goldstream Heights Drive
030-839-076	3860 Goldstream Heights Drive
030-838-754	1461 Arbutus Crossing

030-838-657	3951 Goldstream Heights Drive
030-838-941	3560 Goldstream Heights Drive
030-839-025	3780 Goldstream Heights Drive
027-501-817	4041 Ridgeline Drive
030-838-819	3721 Goldstream Heights Drive
027-301-346	1460 Finlayson View
027-301-508	4150 Goldstream Heights Drive
027-301-443	4230 Goldstream Heights Drive
030-838-991	3670 Goldstream Heights Drive
027-501-884	4100 Ridgeline Drive
030-838-908	3601 Goldstream Heights Drive
027-501-850	4160 Ridgeline Drive
027-501-809	4031 Ridgeline Drive
027-501-922	4000 Ridgeline Drive
030-838-860	3641 Goldstream Heights Drive

Staff recommend adoption of the attached (Appendix B) fire protection area amendment bylaw.

## **ALTERNATIVES**

### *Alternative 1*

The Electoral Areas Committee recommends to the Capital Regional District Board:

1. That Bylaw No. 4714, “Malahat Fire Protection and Emergency Response Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1, 1999, Amendment Bylaw No. 2, 2025”, be introduced and read a first, second, and a third time;
2. That participating area approval to Bylaw No. 4714 be provided by the Electoral Area Director consenting on behalf; and
3. That Bylaw No. 4714 be referred to the Inspector of Municipalities for approval.

### *Alternative 2*

That this report be referred back to staff for additional information based on Electoral Areas Committee direction.

## **IMPLICATIONS**

### *Financial Implications*

This bylaw is not expected to negatively impact the service requisition.

### *Service Delivery Implications*

No negative impact to service area participants or volunteer firefighters is expected. The level of service provided to the properties would be consistent with the policies and operating guidelines of the Malahat Volunteer Fire Department.

*Legal Implications*

The amendment of the service area, which only services the Juan de Fuca Electoral Area, is subject to a vote of the Board and consent of the Electoral Area director. Minor amendments will be made to Bylaw No. 2731 at the same time to reflect updated sections of the *Local Government Act*. The amendment must be referred to the Inspector of Municipalities for approval prior to adoption.

**CONCLUSION**

The property owners and staff have reached an understanding to provide fire service and ensure fire safety code compliance. Inclusion in the fire protection area will provide assurance to the fire department and property owners during a fire, rescue or medical incident.

**RECOMMENDATION**

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**ATTACHMENTS**

Appendix A: Map of Proposed Malahat Fire Protection Local Service Area Amendment

Appendix B: Bylaw No. 4714, “Malahat Fire Protection and Emergency Response Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1, 1999, Amendment Bylaw No. 2, 2025”