Making a difference...together NOTICE TO ELECTORS WITHIN THE JUAN DE FUCA WATER DISTRIBUTION LOCAL SERVICE AREA

Alternative Approval Process for Bylaw No. 4379 – to authorize the borrowing of \$14,800,000 for acquiring, designing and constructing water distribution facilities in the western communities of the Juan de Fuca Water Distribution Local Service Area

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors of the Capital Regional District ("CRD") proposes to adopt Bylaw No. 4379, *"Juan de Fuca Water Distribution Facilities Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 5, 2020"* to authorize the borrowing of \$14,800,000 for the purpose of acquiring, designing and constructing water distribution facilities within the western communities of the Juan de Fuca Water Distribution Local Service Area.

Over the next five years the CRD will need up to \$14,800,000 to meet the cash requirements necessary to fund investments in the Juan de Fuca Water Distribution system infrastructure. The debt servicing costs will be recovered through the retail water rate over 15 years.

Take further notice that the CRD may proceed with Bylaw No. 4379 unless at least 6,942 electors within the Juan de Fuca Water Distribution Local Service Area indicate, by signing the elector response form, that the Board must obtain the assent of the electors by way of an assent vote (referendum) before proceeding to adopt Bylaw No. 4379.

The elector response must be in the form as established by the CRD and is available from the CRD on request or from the CRD website. The only persons entitled to sign elector response forms are electors of the area to which the alternative approval process opportunity applies. The Alternative Approval Process opportunity applies to electors within the Juan de Fuca Water Distribution Local Service Area which is comprised of the municipalities of Colwood, Metchosin, Sooke, View Royal, and the portion of Highlands, Langford, and the Juan de Fuca Electoral Area as set out in Bylaw No. 2538, in the Capital Regional District.

The deadline for submitting signed elector response forms, in relation to Bylaw No. 4379, to the CRD is **4:00 pm on Monday, August 30, 2021**. Forms must be received by the deadline to be counted.

The CRD has determined that the total number of electors within the service area is 69,419 and that 10% of that number or 6,942 electors must submit elector response forms to prevent the CRD from enacting Bylaw No. 4379 without the assent of the electors by referendum.

Questions regarding Bylaw No. 4379 may be directed to Ted Robbins, General Manager, Integrated Water Services, 479 Island Hwy, Victoria, BC, 250.360.3061, trobbins@crd.bc.ca, from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, Monday to Friday (excluding statutory holidays) from the date of this notice until August 30, 2021.

Qualifications for Resident and Non-Resident Property Electors

Resident Elector: You are entitled to submit an elector response form as a Resident Elector if you are 18 years or older on the date of submission of the elector response form, are a Canadian citizen, have resided in British Columbia for 6 months and within the Juan de Fuca Water Distribution Local Service Area in the CRD for at least 30 days prior to signing the elector response form.

Non-Resident Property Elector: You may submit an elector response form as a Non-Resident Property Elector if you are 18 years or older on the date of submission of the elector response form, are

a Canadian citizen, have resided in British Columbia for 6 months, have owned and held registered title to property within the Juan de Fuca Water Distribution Local Service Area in the CRD for 30 days and do NOT qualify as a Resident Elector. If there is more than one registered owner of the property (either as joint tenants or tenants in common) only one individual may, with the written consent of the majority, submit an elector response form.

To obtain an elector response form, or for questions about the alternative approval process, contact CRD Legislative Services, PO Box 1000, 625 Fisgard Street, 5th Floor, Victoria, BC V8W 2S6, email <u>legserv@crd.bc.ca</u>, telephone 250.360.3127 or toll free 1.800.663.4425 local 3127 from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, Monday to Friday (excluding statutory holidays).

A copy of the elector response form may be downloaded from: <u>www.crd.bc.ca/JDFWaterAAP</u>

Elector response forms, a copy of Bylaw No. 4379, and a copy of this Notice may be inspected during regular office hours, 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, Monday to Friday (excluding statutory holidays) from the date of this notice until August 30, 2021 at the following CRD locations:

- CRD headquarters, 625 Fisgard Street, Victoria
- on the CRD website: www.crd.bc.ca/JDFWaterAAP

Given under my hand at Victoria, BC this th day of July, 2021

Kristen Morley Corporate Officer