

REPORT TO THE CAPITAL REGIONAL DISTRICT BOARD MEETING OF WEDNESDAY, MAY 11, 2022

SUBJECT Capital Regional District 2021 Annual Report

ISSUE SUMMARY

To present the Capital Regional District 2021 Annual Report.

BACKGROUND

The Capital Regional District (CRD) 2021 Annual Report, attached as Appendix A, provides a profile of CRD services and our progress and accomplishments in advancing Board and Corporate priorities, together with service delivery results and financial highlights. The report also features key activities of the CRD's other corporate entities, the Capital Regional Hospital District (CRHD) and Capital Region Housing Corporation (CRHC), and the many CRD-appointed Commissions.

The report is prepared to give stakeholders information about the CRD's activities and performance and together with the approval of the 2021 financial statements, will close-out the prior year. This report is filed with the provincial government together with the detailed financial statements, circulated to stakeholders and submitted to the Government Finance Officers Association to share our reporting and performance.

2021 marked completion of the third year of the Board's four year term and the report provides an opportunity to share the progress on the Board's Strategic Priorities for 2019 – 2022 advancing actions and initiatives related to Transportation and Housing; Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation; First Nations Reconciliation; and Advocacy, Governance & Accountability (including EA specific initiatives). The Board's Strategic Priorities confirm the CRD's vision, mission and mandate and set the long-term strategic direction for the CRD in order to respond to community needs. This work is done in alignment with the Statement of Reconciliation.

Despite the challenges that the COVID-19 pandemic continued to present in 2021, the CRD continued to provide essential services and make significant progress on the Board and Corporate priorities. Some of the most visible projects across the region included the opening of the newest section of the E&N Rail Trail near Savory Elementary School, the continued work to implement the Regional Housing First Program to create affordable housing units, upgrades and improvements to local water systems and advancing our work on First Nations Reconciliation. Our emergency operating centers were busier than ever with activations for a number of severe weather emergencies. A major corporate accomplishment in 2021 was receiving the Occupational Health and Safety Certificate of Recognition for our workplace safety efforts.

We also focused on developing our organization improving our operations, systems and processes to effectively manage taxpayer resources and steward our more than \$2.6 billion of assets that contribute to the health and wellbeing of residents.

The results contained in the report show the breadth and scope of what we do on a daily basis and demonstrates how the CRD contributes to an improved quality of life for the residents through the efficient and effective delivery of services across the region.

RECOMMENDATION

There is no recommendation. This report is for information only.

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ATTACHMENT(S)

Appendix A: Capital Regional District 2021 Annual Report