

THE REGIONAL REPORT

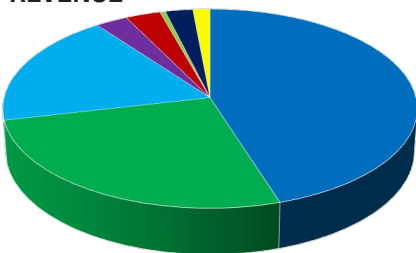
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Providing a quarterly update on the Regional District of Fraser-Fort George's programs, initiatives and events

2018 Year End INCOME STATEMENT

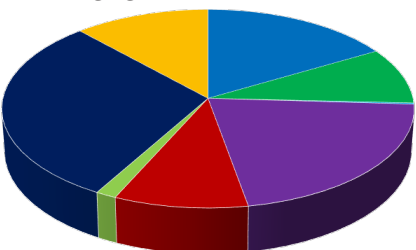
For the year ended December 31, 2018

REVENUE



- \$18.9m Requisition & Parcel Taxes
- \$11.1m Municipal Debt Recovery
- \$7.7m Sale of Services, Utilities & Rentals
- Grants**
- \$1.2m Government Transfers - Operating
- \$1.3m Grants-in-Lieu
- Other**
- \$200k Permit Fees
- \$1.0m Return on Investments
- (\$244) Loss on Disposal of Tangible Capital Assets
- \$623k Other Revenue

EXPENSES



- \$6.1m General Government Services
- \$3.4m Protective Services
- \$74k Transportation Services
- \$7.8m Environmental Health Services
- \$3.5m Public Health & Welfare Services
- \$546k Environmental Development Services
- \$11.1m Fiscal Services
- \$4.3m Recreation & Cultural Services

SALE OF LANDFILL GAS to FortisBC Proposed

The Regional District of Fraser-Fort George is proposing to enter into a 20-year agreement to have FortisBC purchase raw landfill gas from the Foothills Boulevard Regional Landfill to purify and inject it into the natural gas distribution system as Renewable Natural Gas (RNG). As part of the agreement, FortisBC will finance, construct and operate the plant required to process the raw landfill gas for injection into their system. The RDFFG will continue its role in being responsible for upgrades and maintenance to the landfill gas collection system to ensure it will meet its obligations for quantity and quality of gas to be supplied through the agreement.

The RDFFG will be receiving between \$75,000 to \$145,000 annually from FortisBC for the supply of landfill gas.



The RDFFG will seek approval from electors as the agreement spans a 20-year term. Should the project receive elector approval, the RDFFG and FortisBC will seek to finalize an agreement subject to approval by the BC Utilities Commission.

Sign Up Now for the PUBLIC ALERTING SYSTEM

The RDFFG wants to ensure residents in rural electoral areas get the message when it comes to emergency notifications.

The Public Alerting System is an emergency notification system that allows the RDFFG to quickly communicate important information during emergencies within the electoral areas.

The system provides emergency alerts via text, text to landline or email regarding significant or imminent threats to public safety like severe weather, wildfire, floods, and other events that may impact residents. The system also provides notifications of evacuation alerts or orders that may be in effect for a certain area.



Registration is simple and free at rdffg.bc.ca



REGIONAL DISTRICT of Fraser-Fort George

NORTHERN ROUTES Cultural Marketing Program

The RDFFG is excited to launch its new cultural marketing brand Northern Routes this May. Formerly known as Golden Raven, the program promotes a network of eight museums, galleries and cultural attractions within the RDFFG.

Follow us on Facebook and Instagram or visit northernroutes.ca



COMMUNITY Services Workshop

In late April the RDFFG hosted the 10th annual Community Services Workshop for non-profit groups providing social and recreational opportunities within the electoral areas.

Almost 20 non-profit groups learned about Cannabis in the RDFFG, Emergency Preparedness, Putting the 3Rs to Work and the Importance of Humour, and shared their experiences, successes and solutions.



If you did not attend this workshop, plan to next year as we work hard to focus on interesting and timely topics.

MACKENZIE REGIONAL LANDFILL From Landfill to Transfer Station



The RDFFG's Regional Solid Waste Management Plan has recommended that the Mackenzie Regional Landfill be closed to all but construction and demolition waste. The landfill is costly to operate due to its isolated location and the small volume of garbage received. There are also concerns about long-term environmental impacts if this outdated site continues to operate in its present form.

Construction of the new transfer station will get underway before the end of May. The anticipated completion of construction is early October, with the transfer station operational by the end of October. Once the transfer station is fully operational, all garbage will be directed to the transfer station. Only demolition landclearing construction waste will be directed to the landfill.

Public consultation is a very important part of this project. Representatives of the RDFFG will be attending monthly council meetings in Mackenzie to provide ongoing construction updates. The RDFFG will also be posting on social media to keep all Mackenzie Regional Landfill users informed on progress.

ABOUT RDFFG

The Regional District of Fraser-Fort George is home to over 93,000 residents and covers 52,000 km² in central BC, extending from the Pine Pass in the north to Hixon in the south, and from Bednesti Lake west of Prince George to the Alberta border.

As a local government, the RDFFG is accountable to the residents of the region. Services provided include fire protection, 911 emergency services, solid waste management, community sewer and water systems, land use planning, cultural and recreational services and parks. Total operating expenditures in 2017 were \$36.65 million.

The governing board of the Regional District has 14 directors: four appointed by the City of Prince George from its council, one appointed by each of the councils of the District of Mackenzie, Village of McBride and Village of Valemount, and seven directors elected from within each of the seven electoral areas covering the unincorporated portions of the Regional District.

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