

RDKB BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

April 29, 2026

A general overview of discussion items and decision from the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary (RDKB) Board of Directors meeting. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 13, 2026 at 1:00 p.m. in the Trail Board room or online via Teams videoconferencing.

Delegation:
Selkirk Innovates – Risk Analysis Calculator

Selkirk Innovates presented a free Risk Analysis Calculator designed to help local governments assess the probability of climate-related risks (such as extreme heat events) exceeding key thresholds. The tool supports informed infrastructure and operational planning in response to climate change. Staff were encouraged to explore the tool and provide feedback to support its continued development: https://basinclimatesource.ca/risk-analysis

Delegation:
Boundary Community Ventures Association – Annual Update

The Boundary Community Ventures Association provided an update on the Boundary Food Hub, highlighting progress on the Rock Creek processing facility and plans for a new multi-use food hub in Grand Forks. The initiative will support local food systems through processing, retail, training, and community programming, alongside continued growth in regional food business development..

2026 ReDi Grant Recommendations

A total of $334, 448 of ReDi Grant Recommendations were approved for Area B ($34,364), Beaver Valley ($103,092), Rossland ($51,410), Trail ($111,218), and Warfield ($34,364). A full list of approved projects can be found in the Board minutes.

Bylaws

The following bylaws were **ADOPTED**: **1927** - Electoral Area A OCP Bylaw; **1935** - Municipal Ticket Information Amendment; **1936** - Rivervale Waterworks Regulation & Rates; **1937** - Columbia Gardens Industrial Park Specified Area Water Rates & Regulations; **1938** - Oasis/Rivervale Sewer Regulations & Rates.

The following bylaws were read a **THIRD** time: Area D/Rural Grand Forks Animal Control Service Establishment Bylaw No. **1911**, as amended; **1928**: Electoral Area A Zoning Amendment.

Area B Recreation Grant

Visions for Small Schools Society - yearly camping retreat - $8910

Grants-in-Aid

The following grants-in-aid were approved:

Area A

- The Corporation of the Village of Fruitvale – Remembrance Day programs - $2,000
- The Kidney Foundation of Canada – provincial programs - $250
- Trail Wildlife Association – National Range Day - $500

Area B/Lower Columbia - Old Glory:

- The Kidney Foundation of Canada – provincial programs - $500
- Trail Wildlife Association – National Range Day - $1,500
- Trail Wildlife Association – Columbia River Cleanup - $1,000
- West Kootenay Timberwolves Lacrosse – game day sponsorship - $500
- Visions for Small Schools Society, aka Seven Summits Centre for learning – annual climbing trip for the students - $1,400
- Parent Advisory Committee – enhance the school's playground - $2,500
- JL Crowe Secondary School – JLC scholarships - $4,000

Area C/Christina Lake:

- Christina Lake Community Association – digital design for rebranding - $10,000
- Boundary Woodlot Association – project to evaluate the Italy- Sutherland Watershed Plan - $5,000

Areas E/West Boundary:

- Rock Creek and Boundary Fair Association – replace unsafe structure at the RC fairgrounds - $20,500
- Trails to the Boundary Society – 7th annual Emergency Preparedness Fair - $1,600
- Boundary Invasive Species Society – support for the invasive species awareness program – $16,000
- The Kidney Foundation of Canada – provincial programs - $250

These highlights exclude confidential information such as business negotiations, personnel issues and legal matters. For full meeting agenda minutes visit rdkb.civicweb.net. For a list of upcoming Board meetings, visit rdkb.com. For other information or to request the Teams board meeting links , please contact Anitra Winje, our Corporate Officer at 250-368-0225 or corporate@rdkb.com.

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