Electoral Area B/Lower Columbia -Old Glory
Five-year Financial Plan
2025 – 2029



Tonight's Program & List of Presenters



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Dan Derby & Glen Gallamore, Regional & Deputy Fire Chiefs

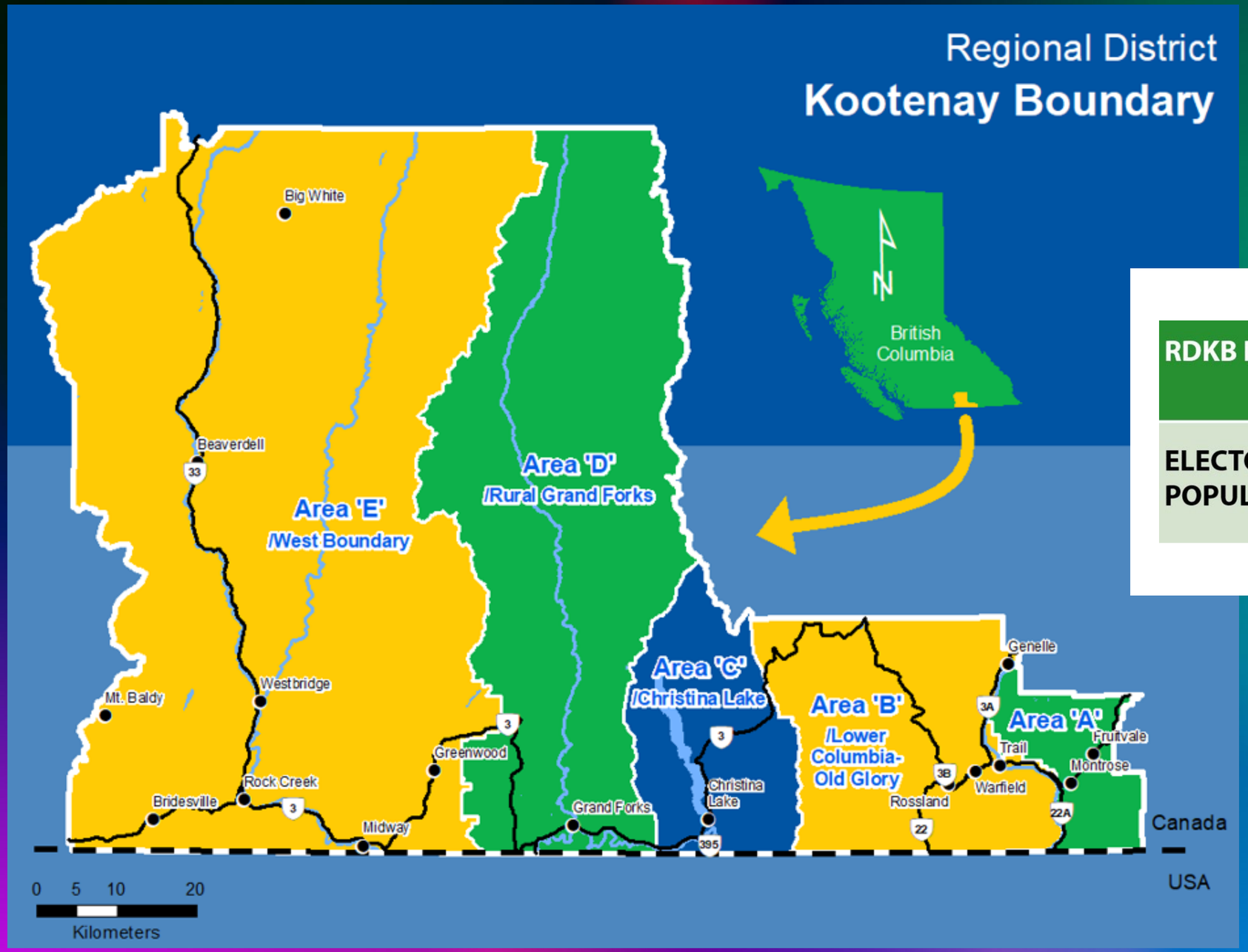
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IN THE SPIRIT OF RESPECT, TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION, WE HONOUR AND THANK THE INDIGENOUS PEOPLES ON WHOSE TRADITIONAL AND UNCEDED LANDS WE OPERATE

Director Linda Worley

WELCOME! WE'RE GLAD YOU ARE HERE





RDKB POPULATION	**33,152 Residents** *(2021 Census)*
ELECTORAL AREA B POPULATION	**1,422 Residents** 4.2% of RDKB total *(2021 Census)*

RDKB Committees & Meetings

- Board of Directors
- East End Services Committee
- Electoral Area Services Committee, Chair
- Policy and Personnel Committee
- Liquid Waste Management Plan Steering Committee
- Utilities Committee
- West Kootenay Transit Committee
- Greenlink Committee



Other Appointments

Municipal Insurance Association alternate

Columbia River Treaty Local Government Committee

Columbia Basin Regional Advisory Committee



Advisory Planning Commission

Fern Acton	Bev Edwards	Darlene Espenhain	Leah Hope
Graham Jones	Mary MacInnis	Henk Ravestein	Griffin Tatangelo
	Grant Saprunoff	Bill Edwards, Alternate Director	



Recreation Commission

- Bill Edwards, Chair
- Faye Tumber
- Darlene Espenhain
- Bev Edwards
- Steve Scaia
- Shelby Lopekey
- Page McPhee

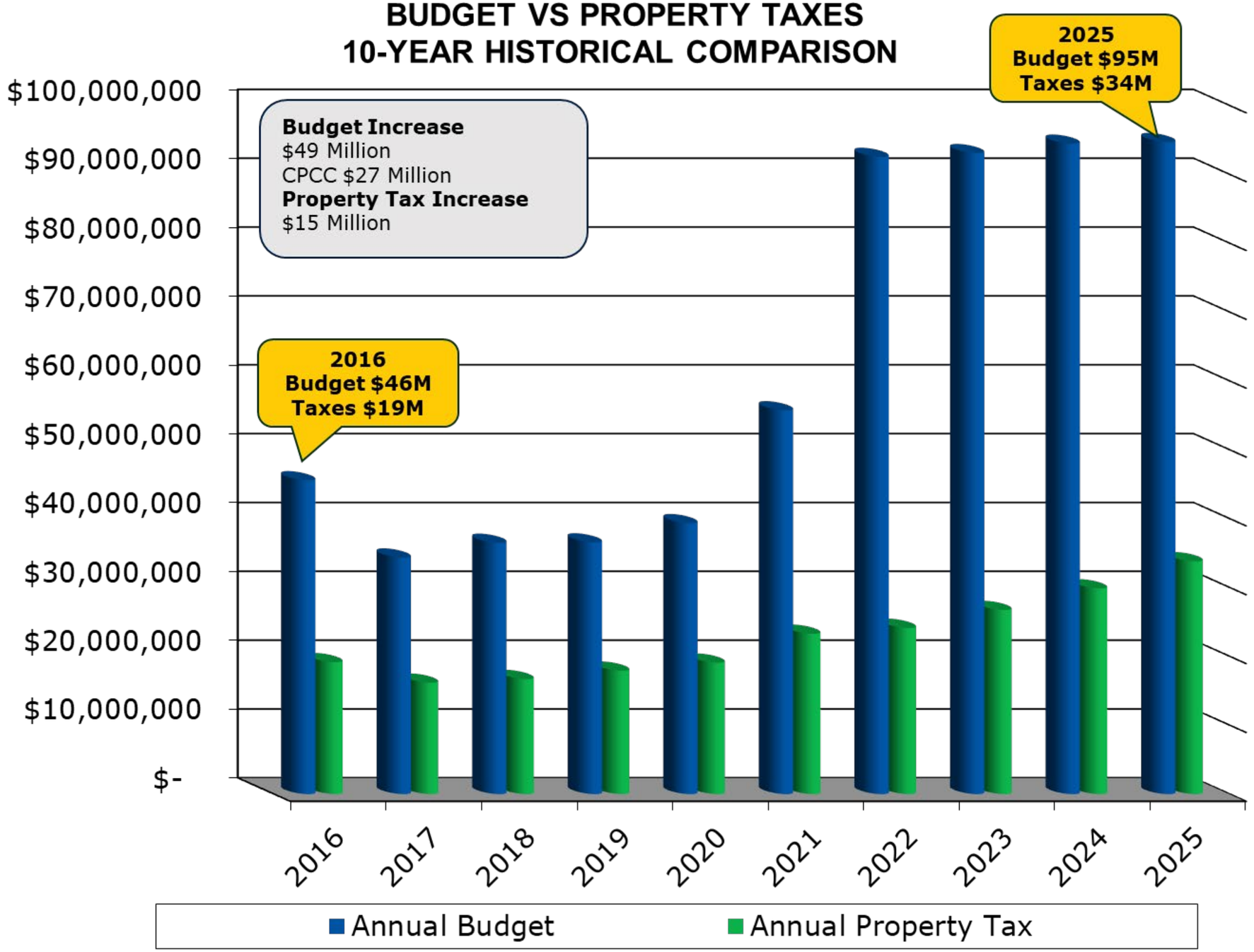


LET'S TALK BUDGET

2025

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BUDGET VS PROPERTY TAXES
10-YEAR HISTORICAL COMPARISON



2025 ELECTORAL AREA ‘B’ REQUISITION (PROPOSED)

	2024 (Approved) Tax Requisition	2025 (Proposed) Tax Requisition	Change ($)	Change (%)
Electoral Area - B Services	1,507,227	1,623,767	116,540	8%
Specified Area - B Services	30,257	51,754	21,496	71%
Total	**1,537,485**	**1,675,521**	**138,036**	**9%**

2025 ELECTORAL AREA ‘B’
Property Tax / $100,000

	2024 (Approved)	2025 (Proposed)	Change ($)	Change (%)
Assessed Values	$ 69,706,080	$ 75,134,339	$ 5,428,259	7.79%
Property Tax	$ 1,537,485	$ 1,675,521	$ 138,036	8.98%
Cost Per $100K Residential (Estimate)	$ 216.23	$ 216.12	-$ 0.11	-0.05%

FINANCIAL STATEMENT SERVICE CATEGORIES



Environmental

- Waste & Organics
- Water & Sewer



Protective

- Fire & Rescue & Emergency Mgt
- Building & Plumbing Inspection
- Invasive Plants & Pest Mgt



General Government

- Energy, Climate, & Sustainability
- Administration & Finance
- Bylaw Enforcement



Development

- Planning & Development
- Economic Development



Recreation & Culture

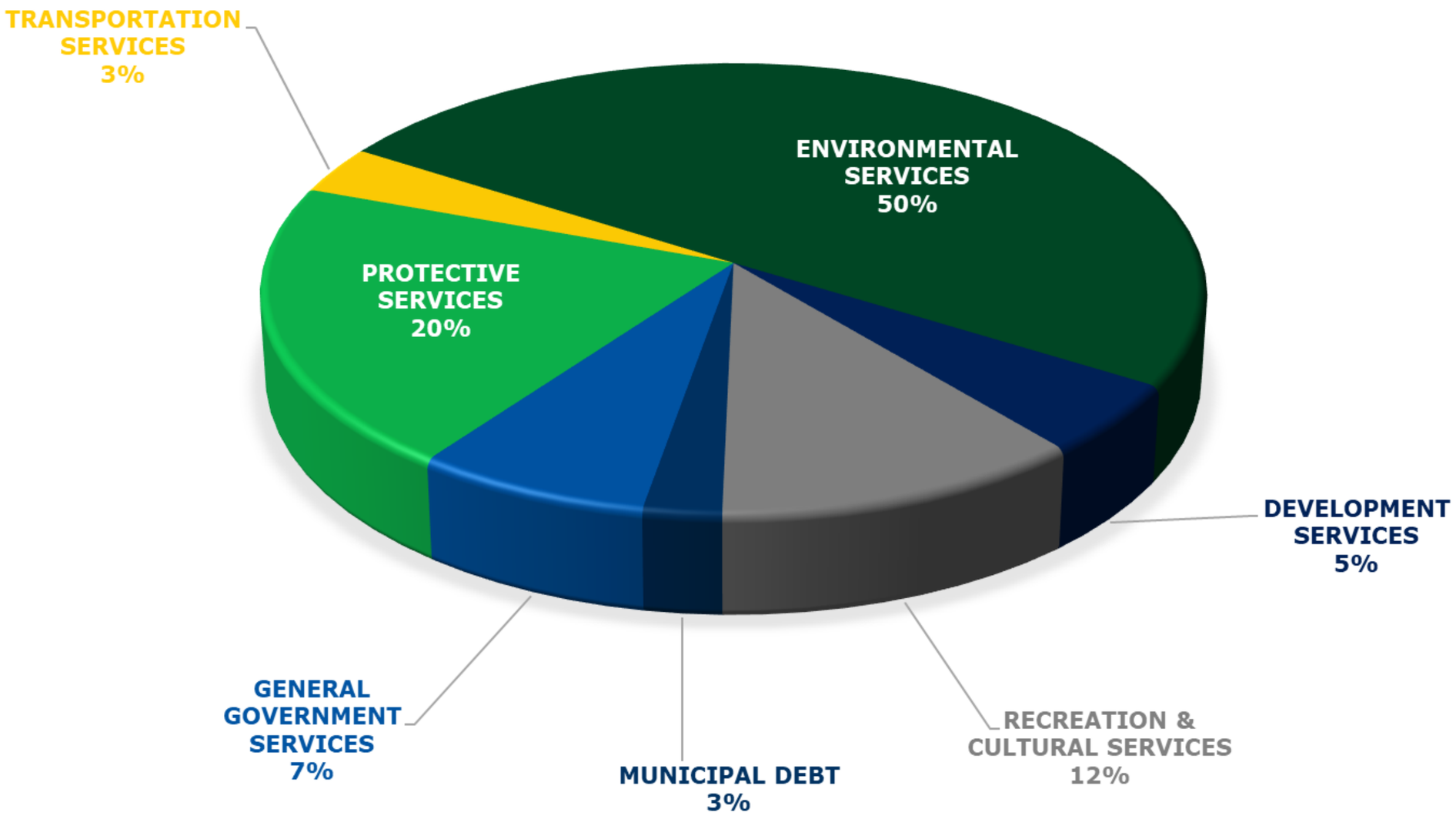
- Recreation Facilities & Grants
- Parks & Trails
- Library & other recreation fees



Transportation

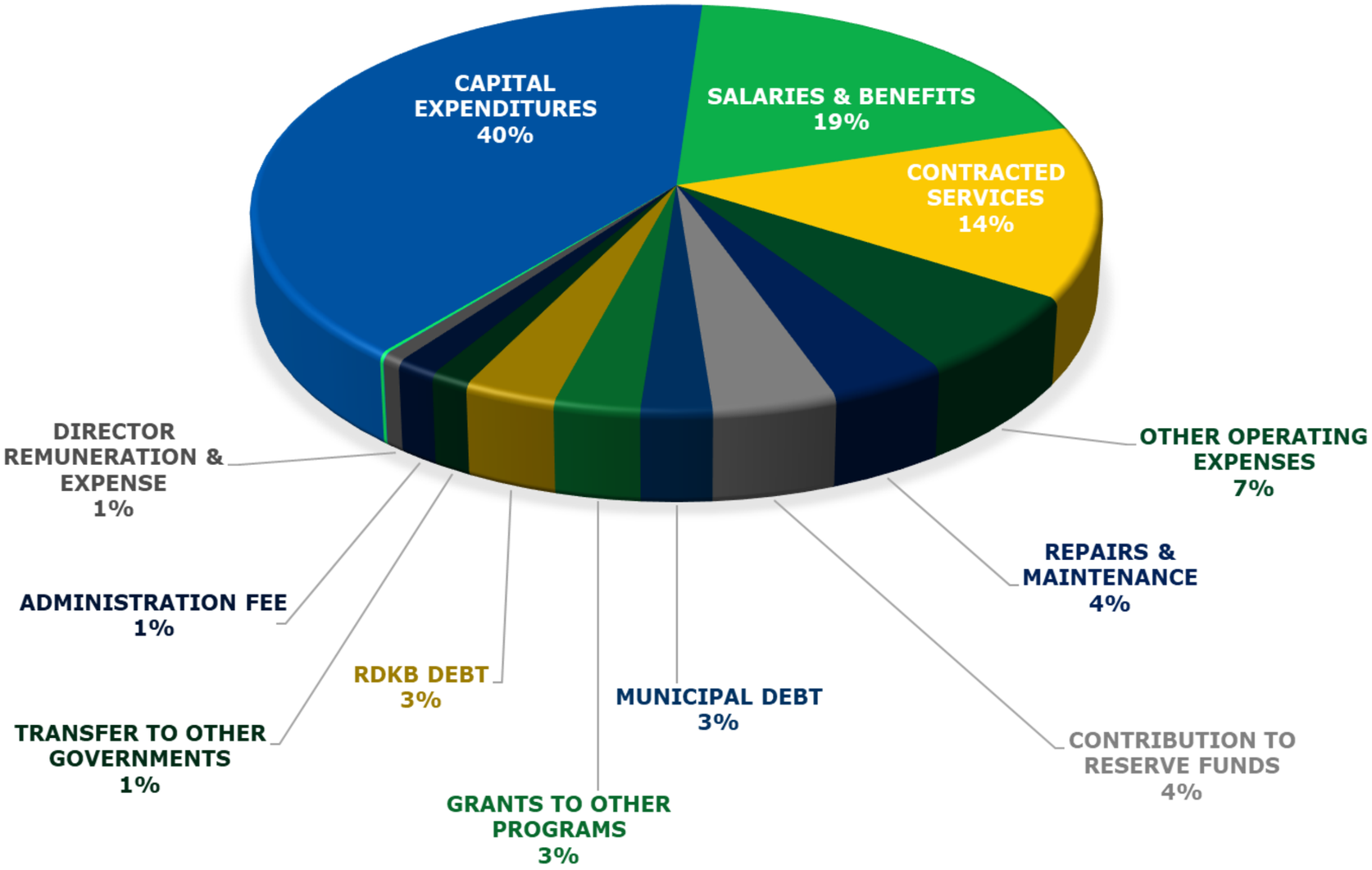
- Streetlights
- Transit
- No Road Maintenance/Snow Clearing

2025 BUDGET - $95 MILLION
EXPENSES BY CATEGORY

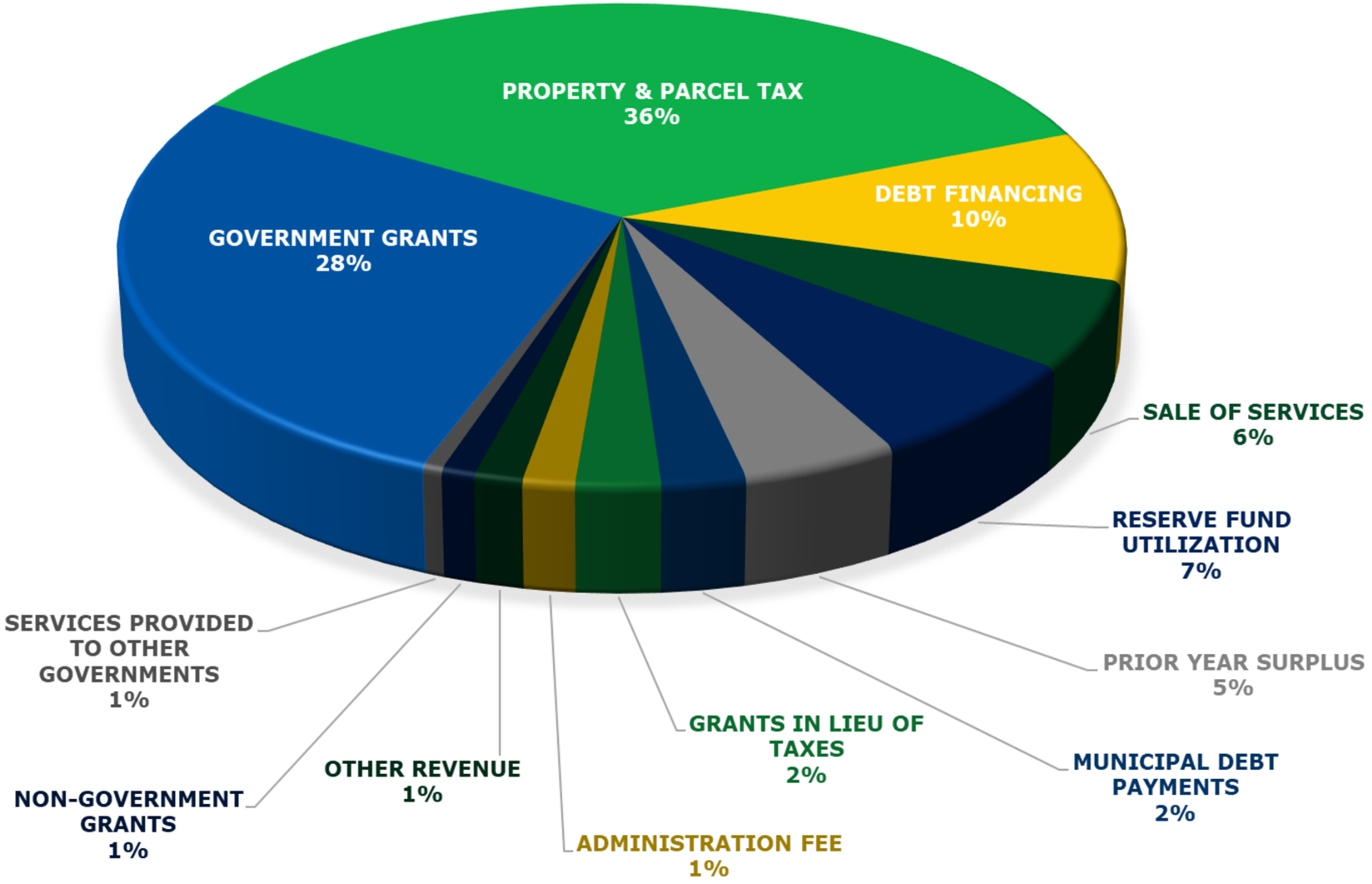


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EXPENDITURE BY TYPE

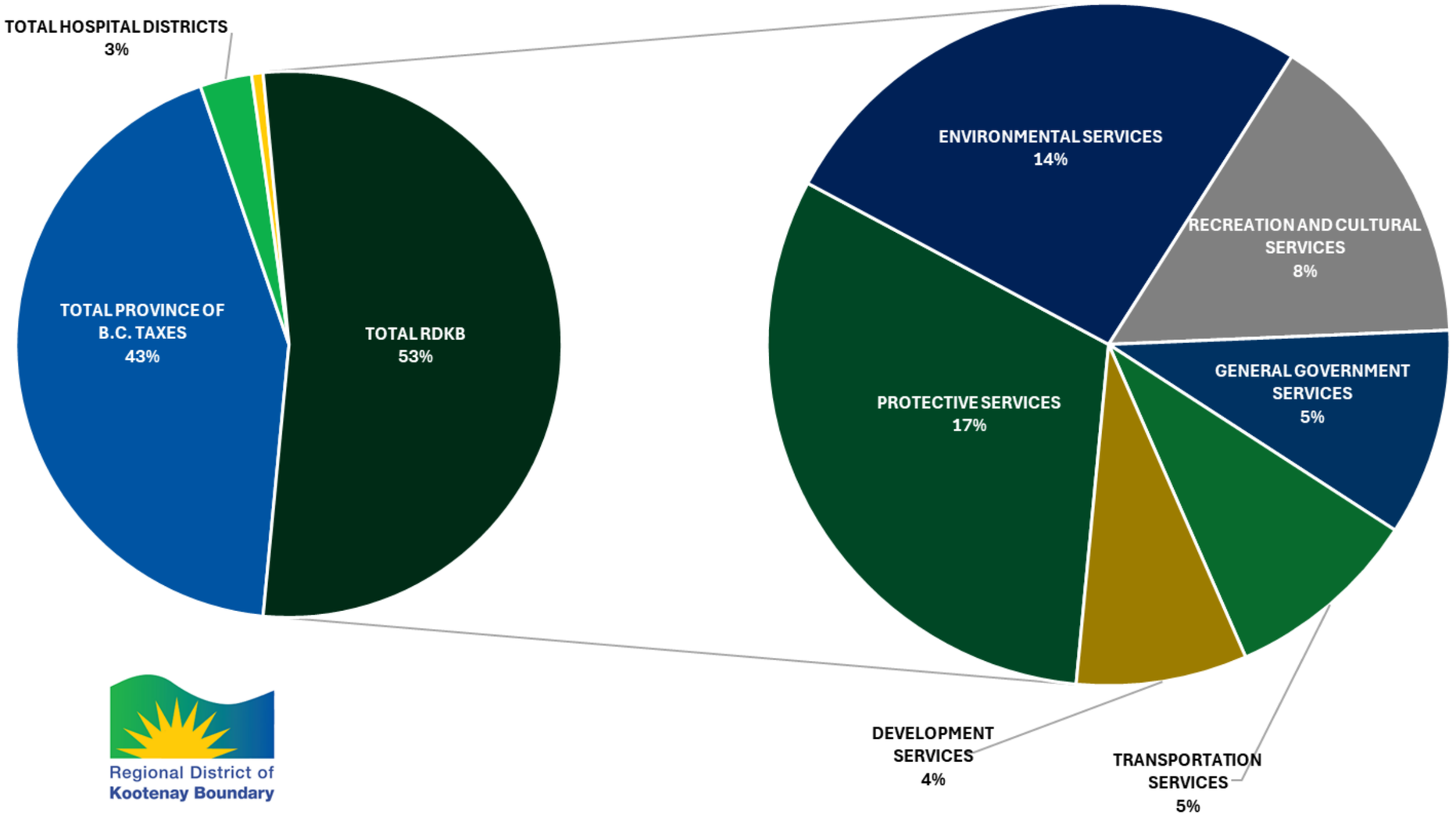
Capital - $38 Million of total
CPCC - $27 Million



2025 BUDGET - $95 MILLION
SOURCES OF REVENUE



RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY TAXES ELECTORAL AREA 'B' / LOWER COLUMBIA/OLD GLORY - 2024



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RDKB HOMESMART



Is helping over 200 residents

It simplifies the home retrofit process for residents by:

- Offering FREE personalized service
- Connecting them with hiring professional contractors and energy advisors
- Helping navigate rebates and loans.

Launched in January 2024, it has:

- Built strong, positive relationships with participants
- Collaborated with many local programs
- Recently introduced a first-of-its-kind guidance document.

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AREA B PARKS REVITALIZATION PLAN



Rivervale Community Park



Oasis Community Park



Genelle Community Park



Casino Community Park



Oasis Disc Golf Course

Over the last 10 years the Area B Columbia/Old Glory Parks and Trails Service has been undertaking a revitalization plan of its public spaces, bringing back to life what was once old dumping areas, run-down playgrounds, and unsafe sport amenities. The revitalization plan has seen a return to these public spaces, with the area of RDKB land known as lot 2404 being the final area that we are looking at revitalizing. The Columbia Basin Trust has been a huge factor in the rejuvenation of these parks with their financial support.

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CURRENT STATE OF THE RDKB PROPERTY (LOT 2404):

Over the years the lot has become an area of refuse and burn piles.







Trees are down & pathways are sketchy in some areas.




Remnants of an old baseball diamond, irrigation system in open field.

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In September 2023 we invited all residents in the Genelle area to a public engagement meeting to ask them what they would like to see in the lot. About 75 residents responded and the master plan was created out of the community input.

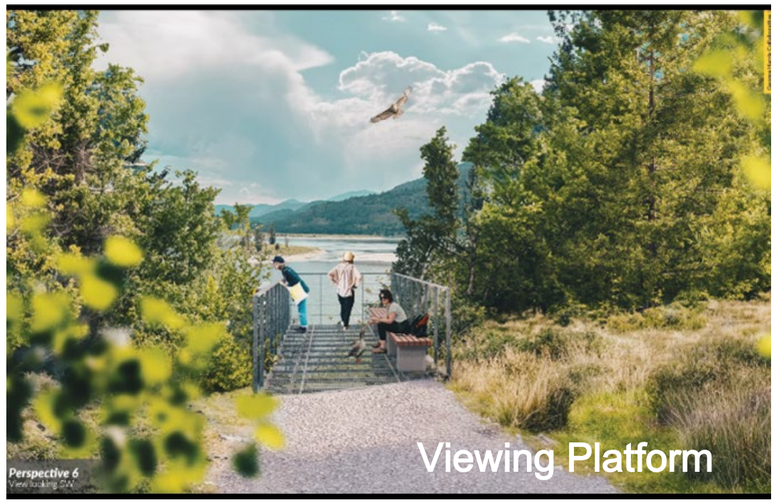




With George Harris's team of park designers, they created a design concept that would provide a space that was open, inclusive and accessible to all residents in the RDKB. Like the accessibility area up on Strawberry Pass, considerations were taken in to account for people with mobility challenges. A space where all family members could gather and look at the views of the Columbia River, enjoy an outdoor picnic, run with the dogs and play with the kids.

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So, this is what we've done so far





·Initiated a public engagement process to see if there was an appetite for improving the space. (Mailed invitations to all residents)

·Procured a park/landscape designer to take the ideas from the public and create a park plan. (Tendered)

·Researched funding opportunities to see if there is grant money to pay for the project, being sensitive that this project would not increase taxation.

·We secured $950,000 from CBT, $354,000 from the Growing Communities Fund, and $295,200 from the Canada Community Building Fund for a total of $1,600,000. (This funding covers phase 1 and 2 of the plan with all of the design and engineering costs covered)

·We've completed a UAV design survey and Ecological Survey. (No red flags were identified)

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All these steps had to be taken to get to where we are now in the process.
Unless we secured grant funding likely none of this would be moving forward.
But there's still more work that we need to do…





·An Archeological Overview Assessment and Archaeological Impact Assessment as part of a best practice

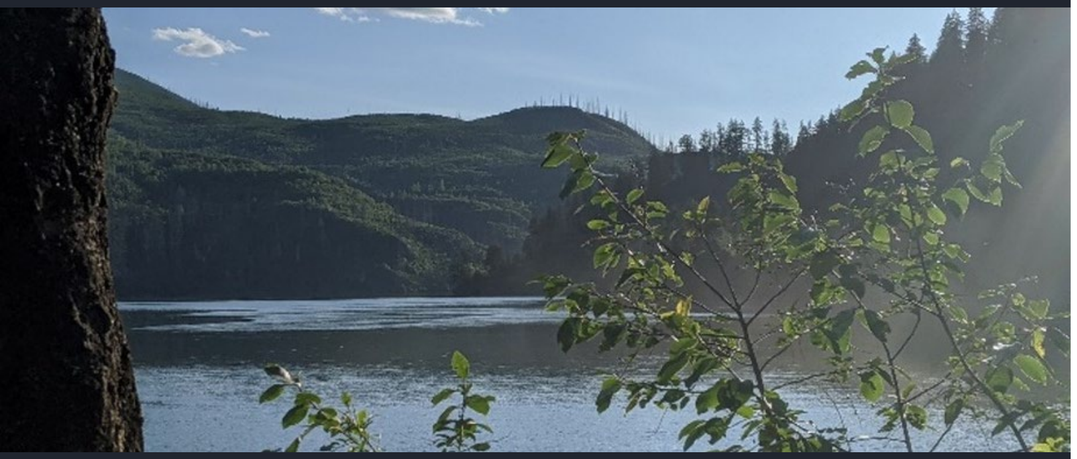
·Consultation with First Nations

·Fine tuning of the park plan

·Public input meeting if required

·Tendering of the project with construction to commence 2026

Questions?



RIVERVALE WATER SERVICE

WaterSmart Update 2024

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Why water conservation?

• Warmer winters (more rainfall and less snow during winter)

• Longer drier summers (less availability of water during summer months

• Highest water demand occurs during driest months (estimated 65% of total water use during the summer months 2024)

Why do we want it?

• Reduce stress on Hanna Creek & protect fish and aquatic ecosystems

• Ensure enough water available for fire protection

• Reduce operation and maintenance costs

• Increase life of infrastructure

What are the goals?

•20% reduction in water demand

•Achievable through outdoor water use conservation

RDKB WaterSmart

OUTDOOR WATER CONSERVATION

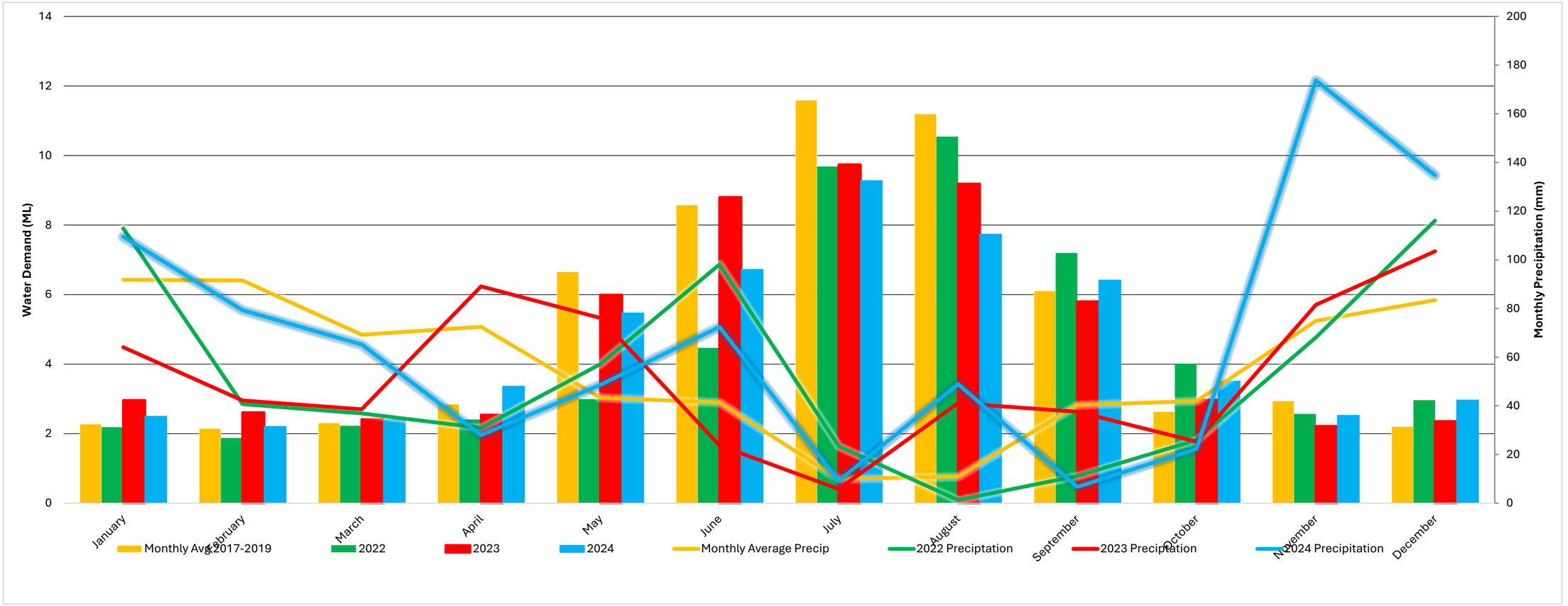
Christina Lake Water Utility | Rivervale Water Utility

WATER ACTIVITY	STAGE 1 Normal	STAGE 2 Dry	STAGE 3 Very Dry	STAGE 4 Extremely Dry
Sprinkler or Irrigation (Lawn, trees, shrubs, flower gardens) Regular Hours: 4am to 9am & 7pm to 10pm	EVEN numbered addresses Tue Thu Sat ODD numbered addresses Wed Fri Sun No watering allowed on Mondays	EVEN numbered addresses Tue Sat ODD numbered addresses Wed Sun No watering allowed on Mondays, Thursdays or Fridays	EVEN numbered addresses Sat ODD numbered addresses Sun No watering allowed Monday to Friday	Prohibited
Micro Irrigation or Drip Irrigation System	Allowed	Allowed	Allowed	Allowed 4am to 9am & 7pm to 10pm
Watering with handheld container or hose with shut-off nozzle	Allowed	Allowed	Allowed 7pm to 7am	Prohibited
Washing personal vehicles (does not apply to commercial car wash stations)	Allowed with shut-off nozzle	Allowed with shut-off nozzle	Allowed with shut-off nozzle	Prohibited
Cleaning surfaces, sidewalks, driveways	Allowed with shut-off nozzle	Allowed with shut-off nozzle	Prohibited	Prohibited
Filling fountains, hot tubs, pools	Allowed	Allowed	Prohibited	Prohibited
Watering sod, new grass, plantings	Allowed with authorization from RDKB Environmental Services	Allowed with authorization from RDKB Environmental Services	Prohibited	Prohibited

Questions? Contact watersmart@rdkb.com

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HOW MUCH DID WE USE?



Indicator	2022	2023	2024	2017-2019 Average
% Total Annual Outdoor Demand	41%	46%	39.2%	51.6%
Total Outdoor Demand (ML)	21.7	26.5	21.6	31.6
Total Annual Demand (ML)	53.1	57.6	55.1	61.5
% Reduction from 2017-2019 Average	13.6%	6.4%	10.4%	n/a

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Pictured:
Brook, RDKB WaterSmart Ambassador, Summer 2024

2021-2024 WATERSMART IN REVIEW

2
# of Sprinkler System Assessments

13
# of outdoor water use violations noted

0
# of fines issued

1

- 2021 to 2024 showed an average 7% decline in outdoor watering demand compared to 2017-2019 baseline.
- WaterSmart Ambassador attended Farmers Markets in June, July and August and Fruitvale May Days Market

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Pictured: Brook, RDKB WaterSmart Ambassador, Summer 2024

2025 WATERSMART OBJECTIVES

- Education, Monitoring and Enforcement of Water Restrictions
- Enforcement Based on 3 Strikes
  - Strike 1 – Information Sent to Resident
  - Strike 2 – Conversation With Resident
  - Strike 3 – File Sent for Bylaw Enforcement and potential for fines
- Continue Community Presence
- Sprinkler System Assessments

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REGIONAL SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT

















Why should we care:

- GHG emissions from Landfill – new regulations
- Save landfill airspace – finite amount without siting new facility
- Create beneficial end-product – compost

ORGANICS MATTER

We are here to help!
Visit: rdkb.com/greenbin

Residential Diversion Statistics for 2024:

- 440 metric tonnes of food waste diverted
- Approximately 23% of residential curbside collection
- Materials being collected are very clean…thank YOU!
- This material was transported to the RDCK compost facility nr. Salmo, BC.

Commercial Food Waste Diversion – It Is Possible!

Liberty Foods (Fruitvale) and Kurtis' No Frills (Trail) are leading by example.

Contact: knowwaste@rdkb.com or 1-800-355-7352

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CONTINUING DOWN THE ZERO WASTE PATH

Solid Waste Management Plan Update 2025/2026

- Landfill Conformance Reviews
- Regulatory Changes
- Fleet Opportunities – Electrification / Hydrogen?
- Maximizing Diversion Programs – Reduce / Reuse / Recycle
- Education / Awareness / Material Bans / Enforcement
- Financial Analysis – Tipping Fee Review





INVASIVE PLANT CONTROL

2025 Project

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• Over the last number of years there have been numerous residents in areas outside of the existing service area requesting information and/or treatment regarding invasive plant species.

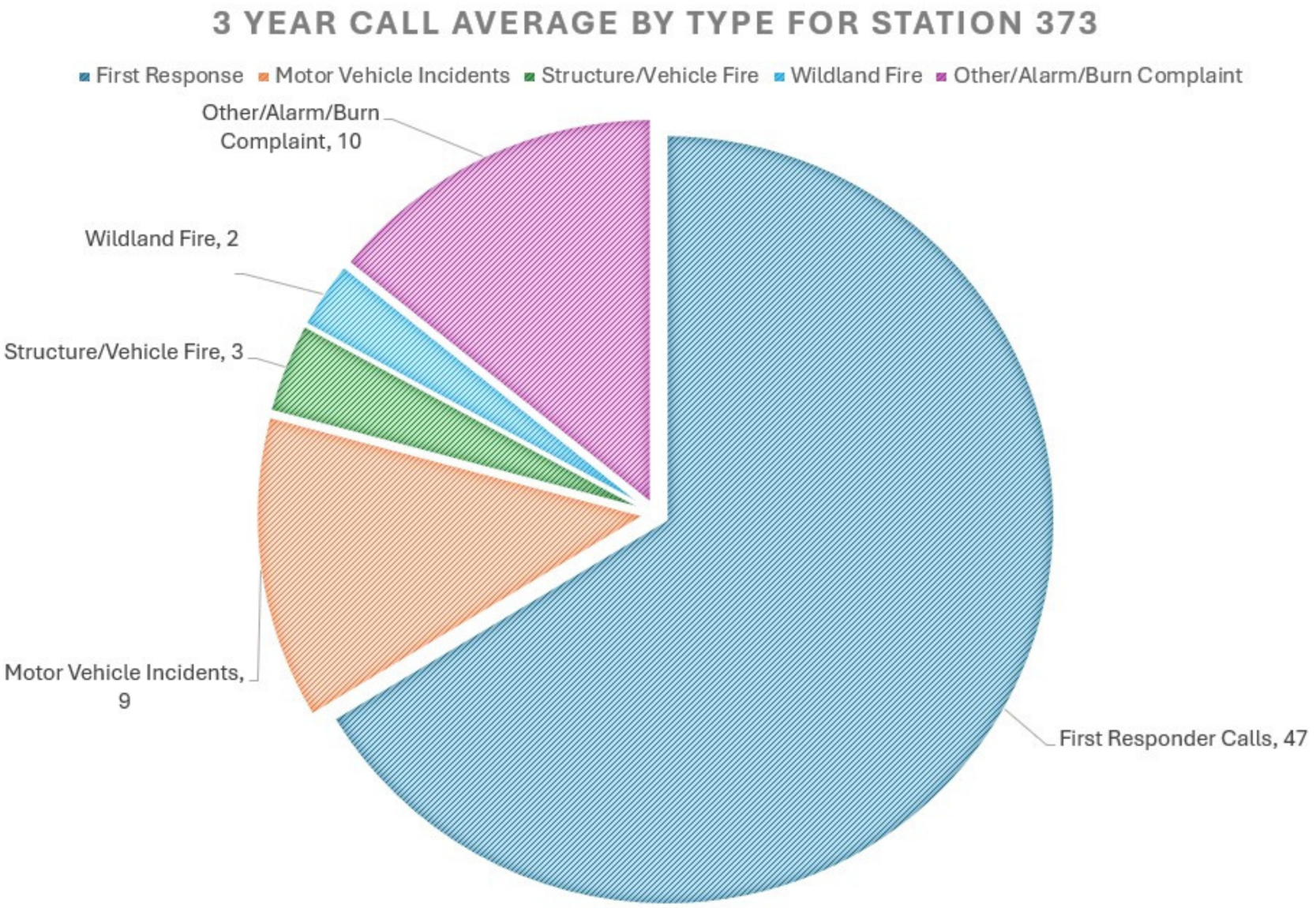
• Possible expansion of service area boundaries.

- *As there is an existing service along with establishment bylaw, work will be conducted to determine the best approach for possible expansion of the service area.*

GENELLE FIRE STATION






3 YEAR CALL AVERAGE BY TYPE FOR STATION 373
First Response
Motor Vehicle Incidents
Structure/Vehicle Fire
Wildland Fire
Other/Alarm/Burn Complaint
Other/Alarm/Burn Complaint, 10
Wildland Fire, 2
Structure/Vehicle Fire, 3
Motor Vehicle Incidents, 9
First Responder Calls, 47

Thank you!

Feel free to reach out to us if you have any questions.

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