

## FRASER VALLEY REGIONAL DISTRICT

### BYLAW NO. 1768, 2025

#### A bylaw to establish regulations, terms, conditions, fees and use of the Fraser Valley Regional District Sewer Systems.

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**WHEREAS** the Board of Directors of the Fraser Valley Regional District ("the Board") wishes to establish the terms and conditions under which sewer collection and treatment services are provided in the Fraser Valley Regional District established Sewer System Service Areas, and to establish the fees and charges associated with the delivery of said services;

**THEREFORE** the Board enacts as follows:

#### 1. CITATION

This bylaw may be cited as *Fraser Valley Regional District Sewer Systems Regulations, Fees and Charges Establishment Bylaw No. 1768, 2025*.

#### 2. ADMINISTRATION

The Manager is authorized to administer and oversee the operation of the Fraser Valley Regional District Sewer Systems.

#### 3. SCHEDULES

The following Schedules are attached to and form an integral part of this bylaw:

- Schedule A - Sewer System Service Areas
- Schedule B - Sewer Service Fees And Charges

#### 4. INTERPRETATION

In this bylaw:

**"Applicant"** means a person who has submitted an application to the Regional District for a Sewer System Connection and has not yet received approval;

**"Application for Sewer Service"** means an application for Sewer Service which must be made in the form(s) prescribed by the Regional District and must furthermore contain any and all information necessary to establish compliance with the British Columbia Plumbing Code, this bylaw or any other enactment;

**“Biomedical Waste”** means biomedical waste as defined in “Guidelines for the Management of Biomedical Waste” established by the Canadian Council of Ministers of the Environment (CCME) dated February 1992, as amended from time to time;

**“Board”** means the Fraser Valley Regional District Board of Directors;

**“British Columbia Plumbing Code”** means the latest edition of the British Columbia Plumbing Code as amended from time to time;

**“Building Service Line”** means the piping which conveys sewer from a building, between the exterior boundary of the Parcel and the building upon said lot in which the sewage is generated;

**“Combined Sewer”** means a sewer designed for the collection and transmission of Uncontaminated Water, Wastewater and Storm Water;

**“Commercial”** means any occupation, employment or enterprise that is carried on for profit;

**“Customer”** means a person who is being provided Sewer Services or who has filed an Application for Sewer Services with the Regional District that has been approved by the Regional District;

**“Domestic Wastewater”**, means liquid waste:

- a) from the non-commercial preparation, cooking, and handling of food; or
- b) containing human excrement and similar matter from the sanitary conveniences of dwellings, commercial buildings, industrial facilities and institutions;

**“Environmental Management Act”** means the Environmental Management Act SBC 2003 Ch. 53., as amended from time to time;

**“Garburator”**, means a mechanical device that is connected to a sanitary sewer and is used to reduce the particle size of food waste disposed to a sanitary sewer;

**“Hazardous Waste”** means special waste as defined in the Environmental Management Act;

**“Hazardous Waste Regulations”** means the Hazardous Waste Regulation enacted pursuant to the Environmental Management Act.

**“Inspector”** means the Director of Engineering and Utilities, the Manager of Operations or their designates and Bylaw Enforcement Officers of the Regional District;

**“Inspection Chamber”** means a device installed on a Building Service Line in accordance with the design standards of the Subdivision and Development Servicing Bylaw No. 1319, 2015 as amended from time to time;

**“Institutional”** means a facility which relates to human development such as education, recreation, religion or politics or which relates to public service such as health or protective services;

**“Interceptor”**, means a receptacle that is designed and approved to prevent grease, sand, or other materials from passing into any Sewer;

**“Manager”** means the Director of Engineering and Utilities or the Manager of Operations or their designates;

**“Non-Domestic Waste”**, means all waste except Domestic Wastewater, Storm Water and Uncontaminated water;

**“Grease”**, means fats, waxes, oils, hydrocarbons, esters and any other non-volatile material determined by procedures set out in Standard Methods or a procedure authorized by the Manager;

**“Owner”** means any person who is the owner of real property and may include leaseholders;

**“Parcel”** means a lot, including leased lots, block or other area in which land is held or into which it is subdivided;

**“Prohibited Waste”**, means waste collected by a grab or composite sample and determined to be:

- Hazardous Waste
- Biomedical Waste
- flammable or explosive
- a cause of obstruction or interference of flow within a Sewer System or sewer connection pipe
- greater than 65 degrees Celsius in temperature
- pathogenic
- corrosive
- Radioactive Materials
- unless authorized by the Regional District, no person shall discharge or allow or cause to be discharged any Storm Water
- may cause a discharge from a Wastewater Treatment Plant to contravene any requirements by or under any BC Environmental Management Discharge Permit or any other act, approved Liquid Waste Management Plan, or any other law or regulation governing the quality of the discharge, or may cause the discharge to result in a hazard to people, animals, property or vegetation.

**“Radioactive Waste”** means radioactive materials as defined in the Nuclear Safety and Control Act as amended from time to time;

**“Regional District”** means the Fraser Valley Regional District;

**“Restricted Materials”**, means waste collected through either a grab sample or a one operating day composite sample and determined to contain any one element in concentrations greater than the following:

Factor/element maximum limit or concentration

Maximum temperature	65 degrees Celsius
pH low	5.5
pH high	11
Synthetic oil/grease	15mg/L
Natural oil/grease	100mg/L
Benzene	0.1mg/L
Ethyl benzene	0.2mg/L
Toluene	0.2mg/L
Polynuclear Aromatic Hydrocarbons	0.05mg/L
Phenolics	1.0mg/L
Biological Oxygen Demand	500mg/L
Suspended Solids	350mg/L
Non-domestic Food Waste Particles	> 0.5cm in any dimension
Aluminum	50mg/L
Arsenic	0.4mg/L
Cadmium	0.2mg/L
Chromium	4.0mg/L
Chloride	1500mg/L
Cobalt	5.0mg/L
Copper	1.0mg/L
Cyanide	1.0mg/L
Iron	10.0mg/L
Lead	1.0mg/L
Manganese	5.0mg/L
Mercury	0.05mg/L
Molybdenum	5.0mg/L
Nickel	3.0mg/L
Selenium	0.3mg/L
Silver	1.0mg/L
Sulphates	1500mg/L
Sulphides	1.0mg/L
Zinc	3.0mg/L
Miscellaneous Wastes includes PCBs, Chlorinated Phenols, Pesticides, Tetrachloroethylene	

**“Sanitary Sewer”** means a sewer owned and operated by the Regional District that carries Domestic and Non-Domestic wastewater but is not intended to carry Storm Water or Uncontaminated water;

**“Sewer”** means all pipes, conduits, drains and other equipment and facilities, owned or otherwise under the control or jurisdiction of the Regional District, for collecting, pumping, and transporting wastewater either to a sewage facility;

**“Sewer Service”** means the collection of sewage from a Customer pursuant to this Bylaw;

**“Sewer Service Connection”** means a pipe connection and other appurtenances which are intended to convey sewage from the boundary of a parcel to a public sewer collector;

**“Sewer Service Main”** means pipes installed within a public right-of-way for sewage collection;

**“Sewer System”** means the system of sanitary sewer works owned and maintained by the Fraser Valley Regional District and used for the collection, conveyance, treatment and disposal of sewage for the benefit of the service area;

**“Sewer System Extension”** means any installation or construction of pipe, conduits, Sewer Service Mains, appurtenances and other equipment and facilities for collection and transporting Wastewater;

**“Sewer System Service Area”** means any of the service areas identified in **Schedule A**;

**“Standard Methods”** means a procedure or method set out in the current edition of the publication “Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater” published jointly by the American Public Health Association, American Water and Wastewater Association and the Water Environment Federation or approved in writing by the Manager;

**“Storm Water”** means water resulting from natural precipitation from the atmosphere and which is transported in, or intended to be transported in, a Storm Sewer, Combined Sewer, or Watercourse;

**“Storm Sewer”** means all ditches, drains, pipes, conduits, and other equipment and facilities, owned or otherwise under the control or jurisdiction of the Regional District, for collecting, pumping, and transporting Storm Water;

**“Uncontaminated Water”** means any water excluding Storm Water but including cooling water, condensed water and water from municipal waterworks or a private water supply to which no contaminant has been added as a consequence of its use, or to modify its use by any person;

**“Wastewater Treatment Plant”** means any structure or thing used for the physical, chemical, biological or radiological treatment of wastewater, and includes sludge treatment, wastewater sludge storage and disposal facilities;

**“Wastewater”** means the composite of water and water-carried wastes from residential, commercial, industrial or institutional premises or any other source;

**“Watercourse”** means (a) a river, stream, creek, waterway, lagoon, lake, spring, swamp, marsh, or other natural body of water; or 9b) a canal, ditch, reservoir, or other man-made surface feature, whether it contains or conveys water continuously or intermittently.

## **5. AREA OF APPLICATION**

This bylaw applies to all Owners or occupiers of all Parcels situated within the boundaries of Fraser Valley Regional District Sewer Service Areas or the Owners or occupiers of all Parcels connected to a Fraser Valley Regional District Sewer System.

## **6. PENALTIES**

- 6.1 Every person who violates any of the provisions of this bylaw or who suffers or permits any act or thing to be done in contravention of any of the provisions of this bylaw or who neglects to do or refrains from doing anything required to be done under any of the provisions of this bylaw, commits an offence against this bylaw and is subject to the penalties imposed. Each day that a contravention of a provision of this bylaw occurs or continues constitutes a separate offence.
- 6.2 Every person who commits an offence against this bylaw is liable to a fine and penalty of not more than Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000) and not less than Two Hundred Dollars (\$200) for each offence, recoverable under the provisions of the Offence Act R.S.B.C. 1996 Ch. 338.

## **7. PROHIBITIONS**

- 7.1 Except in cases of exigent circumstance, every person commits an offence contrary to the provisions of this bylaw who:
- a) connects to Sewer Systems without first making application for Sewer Service in the forms prescribed by the Regional District along with any supplementary information required by the Regional District and without having those applications authorized and signed by the Inspector ;
  - b) connects or allows a Sewer Service Connection to be made or permits a Sewer Service Connection to continue to exist without first obtaining a Sewer Service Connection Permit to do so from the Regional District;
  - c) fails to obtain an inspection if an installation is required to be inspected;
  - d) covers any part of any pipe or of any fitting used for a Sewer Service Connection before it is inspected and approved by the Inspector;
  - e) alters or tampers with the Sewer Systems or services located within any street, parcel or right-of-way located therein, without the prior written consent of the Inspector;
  - f) obstructs or prevents the Inspector from administering and enforcing any provisions of this bylaw;
  - g) acts, or fails to act in any manner whatsoever which causes damage to the Sewer Systems;

- h) acts, or fails to act in any manner whatsoever by depositing any material that may obstruct, injure or interfere with the Sanitary Sewer System or Wastewater Treatment Plant;
- i) acts, or fails to act in any manner whatsoever which causes or contributes to contamination of the Sewer Systems by depositing any material that is designated as Prohibited or Restricted waste;
- j) acts, or fails to act in any manner whatsoever which causes or contributes to contamination of the Sewer Systems by depositing any material that is designated as a hazardous substance within the meaning of federal and provincial regulations , as amended from time to time;
- k) installs or connects any pipe, or any other fitting required for any Sewer Service Connection or Building Service Line at a depth of less than 1.0m of earth fill;
- l) contravenes any other provision of this bylaw.

## **8. POWERS OF THE REGIONAL DISTRICT**

- 8.1 The Regional District administers and determines all sewer fees and other charges for all connections to a Sewer System.
- 8.2 The Regional District may:
  - a) limit the number of Sewer Service Connections to the Sewer Systems;
  - b) disconnect the Sewer Service to any Parcel in accordance with this bylaw;
  - c) refuse any Sewer Service Main extension or enlargement if such extension or enlargement may jeopardize the service to those users and Parcels already connected to the Sewer Systems;
  - d) requires an Applicant for a Sewer Service Connection to uncover any part of any pipe or fitting used in such connection which was covered before it was inspected and approved by the Inspector.

## **9. POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE INSPECTOR**

- 9.1 An Inspector shall retain the following records in accordance with any and all relevant bylaws of the Regional District and any and all relevant statutes, codes, regulations and other legislation enacted by the Province of British Columbia:
  - a) any Application for Sewer Service received;
  - b) any Sewer Service Connection Permit issued;
  - c) any Sewer Works Stop Work Notice issued;
  - d) any Sewer Disconnect Notice issued;
  - e) any inspection reports;
  - f) any test results; and

- g) any and all relevant notices, papers and documents connected with the administration of this bylaw.

9.2 An Inspector may:

- a) enter a structure any time for the purpose of administering or enforcing this bylaw, but if any dwelling or structure to be entered is occupied, the Inspector must first either obtain consent of the occupant or provide written notice to the occupant twenty-four (24) hours in advance of inspection;
- b) issue a Sewer Works Stop Work Notice in accordance with the provisions of this bylaw;
- c) issue a Sewer Service Connection Permit or refuse an application for Sewer Service Connection in accordance with the provisions of this bylaw;
- d) disconnect the Sewer Service to any premises in accordance with the provisions of this bylaw or any other enactment; and
- e) determine, if specialized knowledge is required, that a Professional Engineer or Applied Sciences Technologist registered in the Province of British Columbia and competent in the area of sewage collection and treatment, prepare and sign all drawings, specifications and plans and supervise construction of any such installation or Sewer Service Connection.

## 10. APPLICATIONS FOR SEWER SERVICE

10.1 No person shall connect to a Sewer System without prior written consent of the Regional District and without making payment of same in accordance with the terms of this bylaw.

10.2 If the Applicant applies to discharge Restricted Waste, or wastes such that the capacity of the Sewer System receives such waste is in doubt, the Inspector may engage a consultant to investigate and report on the effect of such wastes on the Sewer System. The cost of such an investigation and report shall be paid by the Applicant in addition to the permit and inspection fees described herein.

10.3 A separate Application must be made for any and all Sewer Service Extensions and must:

- a) be accompanied by the fee as set out in Schedule B; and
- b) all installing, constructing, operating, maintaining, upgrading and replacing Sewer Service Extension shall be in accordance with the design standards of the Subdivision and Development Servicing Bylaw No. 1319, 2015 as amended from time to time;

The Regional District shall not permit a Sewer Service Extension:

- c) if any part of the downstream Sewer System Extension has inadequate capacity to meet the proposed additional service requirements; or
- d) if the proposed extension would cause the Regional District to expend an inordinate amount of time, effort, or money as determined by the Inspector to operate, and maintain the Sewer Service Extension in comparison to the revenue that it would generate.



10.4 If there is an existing Sewer Service Stub, an Application for Sewer Service must:

- a) be accompanied by the fee as set out in Schedule B; and
- b) contain any and all information necessary to establish compliance with the British Columbia Plumbing Code, this bylaw or any other enactment.

10.5 If there is no existing Sewer Service Stub or if a change in the location of the Sewer Service Connection is requested, an Application for Sewer Service must:

- a) be accompanied by the fee set out in Schedule B to this bylaw;
- b) include as an exhibit, copies of the specifications and scale drawings ;
- c) include the legal description of the area of land to be served by the Sewer Service Connection, and the location of:
  - i. the Sewer Service Stub;
  - ii. the Building Service Line;
  - iii. all building, structures and other installations requiring or related to the Sewer Service;
  - iv. all septic system installations, sewer pipes, drains, and other underground pipes, wires, or cables; and
  - v. depth of the Sewer Service Connection and Building Service Line;
- d) Include pipe sizes, valves and other plumbing fixtures; and
- e) Include depth of the Sewer Service Connection and Building Service Line; and
- f) contain all other information necessary to establish compliance with the Subdivision Development & Servicing Bylaw No. 1319, 2015 including all amendments, this bylaw or any other enactment.

10.6 An Application is not considered approved until it has been signed by the Inspector.

## **11. ISSUANCE OF A SEWER SERVICE CONNECTION PERMIT**

11.1 If:

- a) an Application for Sewer Service has been made; and
- b) the proposed work set out in the application is approvable under this bylaw and conforms with this bylaw, the British Columbia Plumbing Code and all other enactments; and
- c) the Applicant for a Sewer Service Connection has paid the fee prescribed and as set out in Schedule B;

the Inspector will issue a Sewer Service Connection Permit for which the Application for Sewer Service has been made.

**12. CALL FOR INSPECTIONS**

- 12.1 The entire Building Service Line between the Sewer Service Stub and the residence must be inspected by the Inspector and to the Inspector's satisfaction before authorized to make the final Sewer Service Connection.
- 12.2 A person must give the Inspector at least two (2) working days notice of a request for an inspection and the Inspector will use their best efforts to undertake an inspection within a reasonable time thereafter.

**13. SEWER BLOCKAGES**

- 13.1 A Building Service Line shall be maintained by the property owner at their sole expense.
- 13.2 Where any Sewer Service Connection becomes stopped up or otherwise fails to properly function the Owner of the premise served must determine the location of the blockages and, unless the blockage is located in the Building Service Line, notify the Regional District immediately.
- 13.3 Where there is no Inspection Chamber installed on the Building Service Line at the property line, or the Inspection Chamber is not visible, has been buried, covered, or obstructed, the Owner is responsible to determine the location of the blockage. The Owner shall hire a certified plumber to go through an access point on the private side to locate and mark the blockage, using a video camera with a locator. The Inspector shall be on site to witness the location work. If the Regional District provides assistance to the Owner to locate and expose the Building Service Line, Sewer Service Connection or Inspection Chamber, the actual cost of the work shall be the responsibility of the Owner. An Inspection Chamber shall be installed at the property line as part of the restoration work.
- 13.4 The Regional District shall, as soon as practicable following notification, arrange to have the Sewer Service Connection unstopped or otherwise restored to serviceable condition.
- 13.5 Where any stoppage or failure is found to exist in the Sewer Service Connection and where such stoppage or failure is found to have been caused by the act or neglect of the Owner or occupier of the premises, all cost incurred by the Regional District in restoring service and unstopping the Sewer Service Connection must be paid by the Owner or occupier of the premises upon demand.

**14. DISCONNECTION AND RECONNECTION**

- 14.1 When any Building Service Line is abandoned, the owner of the premises must notify the Regional District and the Owner must effectively block up the building sewer at the service connection with an approved watertight seal.

- 14.2 When the dwelling unit or unit is demolished or removed, the Owner may apply in writing for the cancellation of the user fee, effective the month following notification of demolition or removal.
- 14.3 If an Owner seeks to reconnect a sewer service, the Owner must make an Application for Sewer Service and must otherwise comply with the terms of this bylaw.

## **15. USE OF GARBURATORS**

Use of Garburators is not permitted.

## **16. INTERCEPTORS**

- 16.1 Where any building or structure on any real property is used, or intended to be used, for any industrial, commercial or institutional purpose, the Manager may require the use of Interceptors in the Building Service Line for the control of sewage containing grease, flammable substances, sand, grit, or any other harmful ingredient.
- 16.2 Interceptors required, pursuant to this Bylaw, shall be installed and maintained by the Owner at the Owner's expense and shall be of the quantity and type as prescribed by the Manager and shall be located so as to be easily accessible for inspection.
- 16.3 No Person shall discharge or deposit, or cause or permit the discharge or deposit of any interceptor residue into any sewer.

## **17. SEWER WORKS STOP WORK NOTICE**

- 17.1 If an Owner undertakes the construction or installation of any Building Service Line, Sewer Service Connection or any other works (collectively referred to as "sewer works"), which in whole or in part:
- a) contravenes the British Columbia Plumbing Code, this bylaw or any other enactment;
  - b) contravenes the specifications of the plans submitted with the Application for Sewer Service;
  - c) are being constructed without a Sewer Service Connection Permit having been issued by the Inspector, or
  - d) are being constructed or installed in such a manner that represents a hazard to the health and safety of persons on a Sewer System,
- an Inspector may issue a Sewer Works Stop Work Notice, which will give the Owner fourteen (14) days to remediate the construction or installation of the sewer works. The Inspector must post the Sewer Works Stop Work Notice at the site and must deliver a copy to the Owner.
- 17.2 If a Sewer Works Stop Work Notice has been issued, no person shall continue the construction or installation of any sewer works in contravention of the notice. Where sewer works are continued

in violation of this section, the owner shall be subject to penalties and/or sewer shut-off in accordance with this bylaw.

- 17.3 If a Sewer Works Stop Work Notice has been issued, the Inspector may require the Owner to make a separate Application for Sewer Service Connection in order to comply with the terms of the notice.
- 17.4 Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, if a person acts in such a manner or if there are exigent circumstances which represent a hazard to the health and safety of any user of a Sewer System, the Inspector may issue a Sewer Works Stop Work Notice which by its terms will cause the immediate suspension of any and all sewer works.
- 17.5 A Sewer Works Stop Work Notice will not be lifted until the violation has been corrected to the Inspector's satisfaction. Once the violation has been corrected, the Inspector will issue a new Sewer Service Connection Permit.

## **18. SEWER DISCONNECT NOTICE**

18.1 Where:

- a) in the opinion of the Inspector, hazardous materials or other materials detrimental to the sewage collection or treatment system is being deposited in the Sewer System;
- b) in the opinion of the Inspector, any Sewer Service Connection, Building Service Line, pipe fitting or fixture (collectively referred to as "sewer works") contravenes the requirements of the British Columbia Plumbing Code, this bylaw or any other bylaw of the Regional District;
- c) if, in the opinion of the Inspector, any "sewer works", construction, installation or excavation associated with the Sewer Systems represents a hazard to the health and safety of persons on the system;
- d) if a person fails to comply with the terms of a Sewer Works Stop Work Notice;
- e) if a person fails to comply with the terms and conditions of a Sewer Service Connection permit;

the Inspector may issue a Sewer Disconnect Notice, which by its terms will give the Owner fourteen (14) days to remediate the violation. The Inspector must post the Sewer Disconnect Notice at the site and must deliver a copy of same to the Owner.

- 18.2 If the terms of the Sewer Disconnect Notice have not been satisfied and the Owner has been duly notified, the Inspector may cause the sewer to be disconnected at the Sewer Service Stub.
- 18.3 Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, if a person acts in such a manner or if there are exigent circumstances which represent a hazard to the health and safety of any user of a Sewer System, the Inspector may cause the sewer to be immediately disconnected without notice.
- 18.4 For so long as the Sewer Disconnect Notice is in effect, no person shall reconnect the sewer in contravention of the notice.

- 18.5 A Sewer Disconnect Notice will not be lifted until the violation has been corrected to the Inspector's satisfaction and all associated fees have been paid to the Regional District. Once the violation has been corrected, the Inspector will issue a new Sewer Service Connection Permit.

## **19. DISCHARGES TO SANITARY SEWERS**

No person shall discharge or cause to be discharged any Prohibited Waste, Restricted Waste which has not been approved for discharge, Storm Water, surface water, groundwater, roof runoff, foundation drains, sumps or other collectors of surface or groundwater, Uncontaminated Water, or unpolluted industrial process waters to any Sanitary Sewer.

## **20. GENERAL**

- 20.1 All sewer pipes, connections, appurtenances or facilities required for sewer collection to the Owner's property line which are constructed, whether at the Owner's expense or Regional District's expense in present or future public highways or within Regional District rights-of-way or property, are the property of the Regional District, with respect to the Sewer Service Areas listed in Schedule A.
- 20.2 Each Owner of land and/or premises is responsible for the construction, repair and maintenance of all pipes and fixtures between the property line or up to the Inspection Chamber if located outside the property line and their premises once accepted for a Sewer Service Connection.

## **21. MULTIPLE DWELLINGS**

In the case of apartment houses, mobile homes, duplex houses, each dwelling unit within such structure is considered as a separate unit and will be charged the appropriate fees and other charges as shown in Schedule B.

## **22. FEES AND CHARGES**

- 22.1 There are hereby imposed and levied the fees and other charges for the provision of Sewer Services supplied by the Regional District to Sewer System users as set out in Schedule B.
- 22.2 All fees and charges will be billed at such times as determined by the Regional District and are due and payable on or within 30 days following the issuance of statements.
- 22.3 In the case of connections being made during the year, the charge imposed will begin in the month during which the Sewer Service Connection was made.
- 22.4 Accounts with user fees and other charges outstanding on the 31st of December in each year will be subject to recovery as authorized by Section 399.2 of the Local Government Act [RSBC 2015] Ch. 1.

22.5 Non-receipt of a utility billing by the Owner will not exempt the Owner from paying for the sewer service received.

22.6 Any person paying fees and other charges for the provision of sewer services shall be liable for the payment of same until the Regional District is notified in writing of the person's intent to discontinue the use thereof.

### **23. LIABILITY**

Nothing contained in this bylaw shall be construed to impose any liability on the Regional District to provide sewer services to any person or premises and the Regional District hereby reserves the right, at any time, to shut off sewer from any premises without giving notice to any person from whose premises the sewer may be shut off.

The Regional District shall not be liable to any person for the failure of the sewer system, or any part or portion, or for any damage or injury caused to persons or property arising from a malfunction or failure of the sewer system, whether caused by alterations, repairs, accident or damage to the sewer, or by any other reason, and whether such failure or malfunction arises from the negligence of any person in the employ of the Regional District or other person, or through natural deterioration or obsolescence of the sewer, or otherwise.

### **24. PUBLIC HEALTH**

The Province of British Columbia appointed Environmental Protection Officer shall be the authority in all matters pertaining to public health resulting from the operation of a Sewer System.

### **25. NOTICE**

25.1 Whenever it is a requirement of this bylaw that the Regional District deliver or serve notice on any person or party, any such notice will be conclusively deemed valid when served or delivered:

- a) on the date of personal delivery if personally delivered;
- b) when received by the addressee at the address shown on the assessment roll of the Parcel as of the date of mailing on the seventh (7th) business day following the mailing of same by pre-paid registered mail at any Canada Post Office.

### **26. REPEAL**

The following bylaws and all amendments are hereby repealed:

- a) Fraser Valley Regional District Morris Valley Sewage Collection and Treatment Fees and Regulations Establishment Bylaw No. 0929, 2011;
- b) Fraser Valley Regional District North Bend Sewer System Fees and Regulations Bylaw No. 0236, 1998;

- c) Fraser Valley Regional District Cultus Lake Park Collector Sewer System User Fees and Charges Establishment Bylaw No. 1238, 2013.

**27. SEVERABILITY**

If a portion of this bylaw is found invalid by a court, it will be severed and the remainder of the bylaw will remain in effect.

**28. READINGS AND ADOPTION**

READ A FIRST TIME THIS	27 <sup>th</sup>	day of February, 2025
READ A SECOND TIME THIS	27 <sup>th</sup>	day of February, 2025
READ A THIRD TIME THIS	27 <sup>th</sup>	day of February, 2025
ADOPTED THIS	27 <sup>th</sup>	day of February, 2025




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Chair/Vice-Chair




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Corporate Officer/Deputy

**29. CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of *Fraser Valley Regional District Sewer Supply Systems Regulations, Fees and Charges Establishment Bylaw No. 1768, 2025* as adopted by the Board of Directors of the Fraser Valley Regional District on February 27, 2025.

Dated at Chilliwack, BC on February 28, 2025




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Corporate Officer/Deputy

**FRASER VALLEY REGIONAL DISTRICT Bylaw No. 1768, 2025**

**SCHEDULE A - SEWER SERVICE AREAS**

This Bylaw will apply to each Sewer Service Area as established by the following bylaws, including any amendments and conversions:

- a) Fraser Valley Regional District Baker Trails Sewer System Service Area Establishment Bylaw No. 1400, 2016;
- b) Fraser Valley Regional District Electoral Area "C" Morris Valley Sewage Collection and Treatment Local Service Area Establishment Bylaw No. 0344, 2000;
- c) Regional District of Fraser-Cheam "North Bend Sewer System Local Service Area Establishment Bylaw No. 919, 1990;
- d) Fraser Valley Regional District Popkum Sewer Service Area Establishment Bylaw No. 1396, 2016;
- e) Fraser Valley Regional District South Cultus Sewage Treatment Service Area Establishment Bylaw No. 1416, 2017;
- f) Regional District of Fraser-Cheam Cultus Lake Park Collector System Specified Area Establishment and Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 233,1979.

This is Schedule A attached to and forming part of Bylaw No. 1768, 2025



**FRASER VALLEY REGIONAL DISTRICT Bylaw No. 1768, 2025.****SCHEDULE B - SEWER SERVICE FEES AND SEWER SYSTEM USAGE FEES**

1. Existing Sewer Service Stub which is of adequate size for the use intended and is located at or immediately abutting the boundary of the Parcel which is the subject of an Application for Sewer Service:

\$87.00 Inspection Fee

\$41.00 Administration Fee

\$128.00 TOTAL COST OF CONNECTION

The Applicant will pay a deposit of one hundred percent (100%) of the total cost. If the cost is less than the deposit, the Applicant will receive a refund. If the total cost is more than the cost estimate, the Applicant will be invoiced for the additional amount owing.

2. No Existing Sewer Service Stub on an existing Sewer Service Main:
  - i. The FVRD is granted the right of first refusal to complete the construction for the Sewer Service Connection.
  - ii. The Sewer Service Connection will be installed at the Owner's expense.
  - iii. Rates as prescribed in Section 1 in this Schedule will apply.
3. No existing Sewer Service Main adjacent to the Parcel which is the subject of an Application for Sewer Service:
  - i. Sewer Service Main will be extended at Owner's expense.
  - ii. The Sewer Service Connection will be installed at the Owner's expense.
  - iii. Rates as prescribed in Section 1 in this Schedule will apply.
4. To seal off and disconnect an abandoned Sewer Service Connection:
  - i. The disconnection will be made at cost at the Owner's expense
  - ii. The FVRD will provide a cost estimate to the Applicant. The Applicant will pay a deposit of one hundred percent (100%) of the total cost. If the cost is less than the deposit, the Applicant will receive a refund. If the total cost is more than the cost estimate, the Applicant will be invoiced for the additional amount owing.
5. Reconnection Fee:
  - i. The reconnection will be made at cost at the Owner's expense
  - ii. The FVRD will provide a cost estimate to the Applicant. The Applicant will pay a deposit of one hundred percent (100%) of the total cost. If the cost is less than the deposit, the Applicant will receive a refund. If the total cost is more than the cost estimate, the Applicant will be invoiced for the additional amount owing.

**SCHEDULE B**

**SEWER SYSTEMS USAGE FEES**

**a. Electoral Area A - North Bend Sewer System**

Category of User	Semi-Annual Charge
Residential	\$196.70
Commercial	\$1.40/m3

**b. Electoral Area C Morris Valley Sewer System**

Category of User	Quarterly –Charge
Residential	\$84.84

**c. Electoral Area E Baker Trails Sewer System**

Category of User	Annual –Charge
Residential	\$971.40

**d. Electoral Area H North Cultus Lake Sewer System**

Category of User	Annual Charge
<b>1. Operation Recovery</b>	
Residential	\$1,180.64
Recreational	\$1,181.64
School	\$4,132.23
Church	\$1,770.96
Office	\$1,180.64
Gas Bar	\$1,770.96
Restaurant	\$1,770.96
Retail	\$1,770.96
Other Commercial	\$1,770.96
DFO Laboratory	\$5,903.19
<b>2. Capital Reserve (Asset Management) Recovery</b>	
Residential	\$187.85
Recreational	\$187.85
School	\$657.48
Church	\$281.78
Office	\$187.85
Gas Bar	\$281.78
Restaurant	\$281.78
Retail	\$281.78
Other Commercial	\$281.78
DFO Laboratory	\$939.26

**North Cultus Lake Capital Connection Improvement Fees**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Fee</b>
2025	\$4,201.68

This is Schedule B attached to and forming part of Bylaw No. 1768, 2025