

ELECTORAL AREA "D" GOVERNANCE STUDY COMMITTEE INFORMATION RELEASE

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Area "D" Governance Study Fact Sheets Released!

The Electoral Area "D" Governance Study Committee is pleased to announce the release of the first group of a series of "Fact Sheets" as part of the governance study process.

The Fact Sheets deliver information about the services provided by the Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen (RDOS) to communities in Area "D" including a description of each service, parties responsible for making decisions about the service and the costs of the service.

The purpose of the Governance Study is to explore ways to improve governance and service delivery to the communities of Area "D" in the RDOS. The Fact Sheets are designed to help the public understand the nature of the services provided and to help them make informed decisions when expressing opinions through the study's surveys or through written submissions.

The first group of Fact Sheets includes: Regional District Governance; Fire and Emergency Services; Solid Waste; Library; Transit; and Parks, Trails and Recreation.

The second and last group of fact Sheets will include: Planning and Building Inspection; Bylaw Enforcement; Sewer; Water; Administration; Economic Development; and Pest Control. They will be released in mid-January.

Fact Sheets can be accessed through the RDOS website (look for popular links, and click on Area "D" Governance Study.)

They are also available in print at the following locations: **Apex**: Apex Administration Office; The Edge Bistro; **Twin Lakes**: Twin Lakes Store; **St. Andrews**: St. Andrews by the Lake Office; **Kaleden**: Kaleden Irrigation District; Kaleden Library; **Heritage Hills/Lakeshore Highlands, Vaseux Lake, Upper Carmi, Skaha Estates, Okanagan Falls:** at any of the following Okanagan Falls locations: Pharmasave; Dr. Browne's office; Dr. Robertson's office; Royal Lepage Reality; Interior Savings Credit Union; Seniors Centre; Bear Bean Coffee Shop.

Future Governance Committee activities: Throughout the month of February, the Governance Study Committee looks forward to residents participating in the first of two Surveys and welcomes written submissions related to services. In early March, a series of Forums and Roundtable discussions will be held in three locations to accommodate residents from all communities in Area "D".

Area "D" Governance Study Committee meetings are held at the club room, Okanagan Falls Elementary School, at 6:30pm, the first Monday of each month. The public is welcome to attend.

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