# **RDOS CONTACT INFORMATION**

<b>Building Inspection Requests</b>	250-490-4100
Solid Waste Hotline	250-490-4129
Finance Hotline	490-490-4140
After Hours Utilities Emergencies (Regional Dispatch)	250-490-4141
Water Operations	250-490-4135
RDOS WildSafe BC	250-590-4110

## LANDFILLS

Campbell Mountain (Penticton)	250-490-4129
Penticton Compost Facility	250-490-2500
Keremeos	250-499-5005
Okanagan Falls	250-497-7942
Oliver	250-498-3316

## **OTHER**

**Animal Control** 

Gallagher Lake Sewer	250-497-8790
Mosquito Control (March to October)	250-490-414
Electoral Area "D" Community Services Office 1109 Willow Street, Okanagan Falls	778-515-552
South Okanagan Security Services	250-492-091

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# **RDOS ELECTORAL AREAS**

Area "A" (Rural Osoyoos)

Area "B" (Cawston, Lower Similkameen)

Area "C" (Rural Oliver)

Area "D" (Skaha East, Okanagan Falls)

Area "E" (Naramata)

Area "F" (Greater West Bench, Rural Summerland, Okanagan Lake West)

Area "G" (Rural Keremeos, Hedley, Olalla)

Area "H" (Rural Princeton, Tulameen, Coalmont, Eastgate)

Area "I" (Skaha West, Kaleden, Apex)



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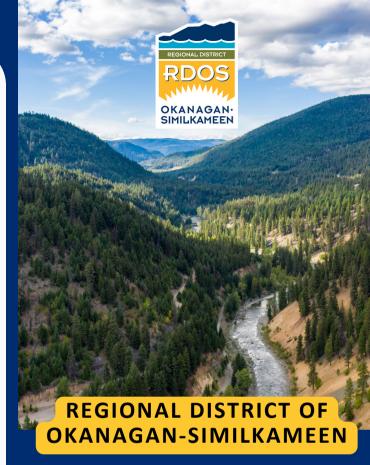
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## **ABOUT THE RDOS**

The Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen (RDOS) covers more than 10,000 km<sup>2</sup>.

The RDOS provides more than 160 services to nine Electoral Areas and six member municipalities (Summerland, Penticton, Oliver, Osoyoos, Keremeos, and Princeton).

This unique form of governance ensures residents and property owners only pay for the services they receive. Tax requisition is fundamental in delivering services and programs that support the region's diverse values. The RDOS also administers services for specific service areas. These services will appear on a separate tax line and may include:

- Transit: management of the Penticton to Kelowna, Naramata, Okanagan Falls, and South Okanagan transit service contracts with BC Transit
- Fire protection: oversight and operation of eight volunteer fire departments in rural areas
- Electrical systems: operational and debt servicing costs for several rural electrical systems
- Water/sewer systems: operational and infrastructure costs

Regional districts do not collect taxes directly.

Member municipalities collect their portion of the regional services they participate in, and the province collects taxes from the Electoral Areas.

Both are later transferred to the Regional District.

RDOS Board of Directors meets twice per month (first and third Thursday), managing both rural and corporate government issues.

Schedule of meetings and agendas and Webex links are posted on the RDOS website: www.rdos.bc.ca.

# **SOME RDOS SERVICES**

## **Solid Waste Management Plan**

Ensures region-wide waste collection and management is executed as legislated under the Provincial Environmental Management Act.

## **Emergency Planning**

Provides comprehensive emergency planning, response, and recovery for the Regional District. Administers the funding agreement with regional Search and Rescue services. Participants include Keremeos, Oliver, Osoyoos, Penticton, Penticton Indian Band (PIB), Princeton, Summerland, and Electoral Areas "A" and "I".

#### **General Government**

Encompasses the corporate administration, human resources, information systems, and financial services required to administer Board projects and initiatives.

## **Electoral Area Administration**

Includes administrative support and services to electoral area Directors. This service also conducts local government elections every four years.

## **Building Inspection**

Electoral Areas "A", "C", "D", "E", "F", "H", and "I" This service administers the RDOS Building Bylaw regarding construction, alteration, repair, and demolition within service areas and the BC Building Code.

## **Illegal Dumping**

Provides resources for the development of policies, programs, and assistance in promoting region-wide initiatives to combat illegal dumping.

# Invasive Species and Nuisance/Obnoxious Pest Management

A regional noxious weed/invasive plant education and abatement program, and a service to manage insects that can be harmful to crops and fruit trees. This includes an educational and enforcement component. Nuisance control provides funding for the Starling Control program.

## Dog and Animal Control Electoral Areas "A" to "I"

Provides the regulation and enforcement of dog control services in all Electoral Areas, except "H". Animal Control is provided in Electoral Areas "B" and "G" only.

## **Subdivision Servicing**

Upholds utility standards to ensure provision of an acceptable level of water, sanitary sewer, and storm water infrastructure, pursuant to the Subdivision Servicing Bylaw.

## Regional Growth Strategy Sub Regional (RGS)

A collaboration between the municipalities of the South Okanagan and the RDOS to manage growth that promotes sustainability and efficient use of public facilities, land, and other resources.

## **Regional Trails**

Funds the acquisition, development, and maintenance of regional trails, including the Kettle Valley Rail (KVR) and Similkameen Rail Trails.

## 911 Emergency Call Systems

Service includes emergency dispatch services for the primary E911 and Fire as well as emergency telecommunication infrastructure and maintenance.

## **Parks and Recreation**

Provides for acquisition, operations, and maintenance of local parklands, and provision of recreation activities for local residents.

#### Grant-in-Aid

Provided to non-profit local community groups to fund start-up or specific projects.

## **Museum and Heritage grants**

Operational assistance grants provided to local museum and heritage societies.

## **Economic Development**

Operational assistance grants provided to local development societies.

#### Cemeteries

The RDOS is responsible for the administration and operation of two cemeteries within the Regional District: Naramata in Electoral Area "E" and Okanagan Falls in Electoral Area "D".

## **Refuse Disposal**

Electoral Areas "B", "G", Keremeos.

Operation and maintenance of the Solid Waste Management facility in Keremeos.

#### **Untidy/Unsightly Premises**

Regulation and enforcement of bylaws in Electoral Areas "C", "D", "E", "F", "G", "H", and "I".

## **Noise bylaws**

Regulation and enforcement of bylaws in Electoral Areas "C", "D", "E", "F", "G", "H", and "I".

## Mosquito control

Management of nuisance mosquitos and associated reporting to the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy.