

Regional Board Report

To:Regional BoardFrom:Director of Protective ServicesDate:May 15, 2025

Subject: 2025 Spring Update - 2023 Wildfires After-Action Review

Voting Entitlement: All Directors – Unweighted Corporate Vote – Simple Majority (LGA s. 208)

Purpose: To receive for information an update on the Central Okanagan Regional Emergency Program enhancements stemming from the 2023 Wildfire Season - After-Action Review.

Executive Summary:

The After- Action Review prepared by Strategic Alliance for Emergency Resilience after the 2023 wildfire season provided a summary of emergency response and highlighted key recommendations and next steps to enhance future preparedness and response efforts for the Central Okanagan Regional Emergency Management Program.

At the request of the Regional Board, Regional Emergency Management Program staff have prepared this report as an update on actioned recommendations.

Recommendation(s):

THAT the Regional Board receive the report 2023 Wildfires – After Action Review Update from the Director of Protective Services, dated May 15, 2025, for information.

Respectfully submitted by: Dwight Seymour, Kelowna Fire Chief and Regional Emergency Program Coordinator

Report Approved by: Mike Walroth, Director of Protective Services

Approved for Agenda: Sally Ginter, Chief Administrative Officer

Strategic Plan Alignment:

- $\sqrt{}$ Emergency preparedness
- □ Health and wellness
- □ Regional transportation
- □ Truth and reconciliation
- □ Environment and climate Regional priority only
- □ Growth and development Electoral Area priority only

Considerations:

Organizational/External: Internal- Staff preparedness and training/External – Effective program delivery to the region.

Financial:

Fiscal responsibility by securing grant funding where possible

Considerations not applicable:

- Legal/Statutory Authority
- Alternate Recommendation

Attachment(s): 1. AAR RDCO Board Update May 2025