



Regional Board Report

TO: Regional Board

FROM: David Komaike
Director of Engineering

DATE: September 10, 2020

SUBJECT: Falcon Ridge – Water Service Area Expansion

Voting Entitlement: *All Directors - Unweighted Corporate Vote-2/3 Majority LGA 214*

Purpose: To expand the Falcon Ridge Water Service Area in response to petition from property owners.

Executive Summary:

In 2020, the Regional District was approached by property owners within the Falcon Ridge community to explore the potential for connection to the RDCO system as a cost effective alternative to their existing private water systems.

The RDCO initiated multiple petitions in Falcon Ridge for those areas that expressed interest in connecting to the RDCO water system. Petition responses from each property are summarized in the attached graphic.

The proposed bylaw includes the outcome of those petitions and enables the expansion of the service area for property owners wanting to connection to the water service. Our approach is to expand the service area in 2020 and commence construction and connect the properties to the water utility in 2021.

Design and construction work required to physically connect properties within the Falcon Ridge Water Service Area to the water system is expected to occur early in 2021 and will be included in next year's capital budget for the utility. The estimated \$178,000 cost of the project will be funded by the new customers.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Regional District of Central Okanagan Falcon Ridge Water Service Area Establishment Amendment Bylaw No. 1462, 2020 be given first, second and third readings and adopted.

Respectfully Submitted:

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David Komaike
Director of Engineering Services

Approved for Board Consideration

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Brian Reardon, CAO

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Implications of Recommendation:

Financial:

- Expanding the Service Area allows the existing and new customers to benefit from economies of scale.
- Property owners that have opted to connect to the Falcon Ridge water system pay for their portion of the required capital works to physically connect to the system in addition to a portion of capital works for the existing treatment capacity.

Legal/Statutory Authority:

- Bylaw No. 369, established the Falcon Ridge Water Service Area in 1990.
- Section 337 of the *Local Government Act* provides for a valid petition to be received to amend the service area boundary.
- Section 349 of the *Local Government Act* provides for the amendment of establishing bylaws. The *Regional District Establishing Bylaw Approval Exemption Regulation* exempts the requirement for the Inspector of Municipalities approval to add parcels to the service area.

Background:

In 2020, the Regional District was approached by property owners within the Falcon Ridge community to explore the potential for connection to the RDCO system as a cost effective alternative to their existing private water systems.

The RDCO initiated multiple petitions in Falcon Ridge for those areas that expressed interest in connecting to the RDCO water system. Petition responses from each property are summarized below:

Property	Response
7263 Highway 33	Yes
8000 Highway 33	Yes
8511 Peregrine Road	Yes
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8431 Peregrine Road	Yes
8471 Peregrine Road	Yes
8491 Peregrine Road	Yes
8445 Peregrine Road	No Response
8457 Peregrine Road	No Response
8751 Peregrine Road	No Response
7135 Highway 33	No Response
District Lot 3742, ODYD, Exc. Plan A237, 23539, 27945	No Response

Property	Response
Part S ½, Section 13, Township 27, ODYD, Exc. Plan A237, 22000, 22193, 22289, 23539, 27945	No Response
7015 Highway 33	No Response
6715 Highway 33	No Response
6741 Highway 33	No Response
6631 Highway 33	No Response
7387 Hawk Road	No*
8641 Peregrine Road	No
6871 Highway 33	No
8631 Peregrine Road	No
8521 Peregrine Road	No
6991 Highway 33	No
6871 Highway 33	No

*7387 Hawk Rd originally responded YES and elected to not join the service area after further consideration.

The proposed Bylaw enables the expansion of the service area and also includes some administrative housekeeping. Only properties that have requested to connect or were already connected are included within this amending Bylaw.

Design and Construction work required to physically connect all properties within the Falcon Ridge Water Service Area to the water system is expected to occur in 2021 under next year's budget, subject to consideration and approval by the Board.

Financial Considerations:

- Property Owners that have elected to be within the water service area will not be charged for water services until the provision of those services has commenced.
- There are no financial implications to those properties already connected to the water system and paying related service fees and charges.
- Total estimated cost to service the expanded Service Area is \$178,000.

External Implications:

- Although approval of the bylaw is not required by the Inspector of Municipalities, the Regional District is required to forward the approved bylaw to the Province

Alternative Recommendation:

THAT the Board receives the Falcon Ridge Water Service Area expansion report for information.

Attachment(s):

- Falcon Ridge Water Service Area Establishment Amendment Bylaw No. 1462