



NORTH WESTSIDE PROVINCIAL RESTRUCTURE PLANNING GRANT STANDING COMMITTEE

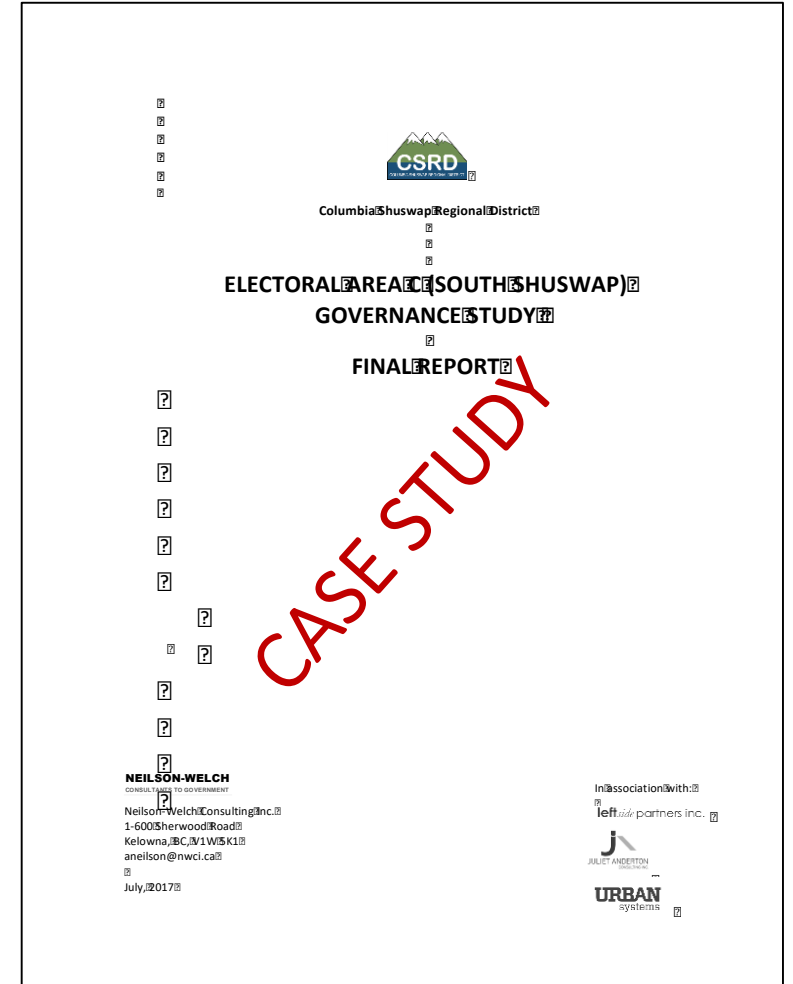
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PRESENTATION

- Purpose of a Governance Study
- Roles and Responsibilities
 - ✓ Governance Committee
 - ✓ Electoral Area Director
 - ✓ Regional District
 - ✓ Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing
 - ✓ Consultant

PRESENTATION

- Governance Study Process
- South Shuswap



PURPOSE OF STUDY

- To document and assess the current state of local governance and service delivery in the North Westside
- To understand the concerns and interests of North Westside residents with respect to governance and delivery
- To identify future governance and service delivery options for the community

WHO DOES WHAT

- North Westside Governance Committee
 - ✓ Residents of North Westside, representative of diversity in the community
 - ✓ Applicants selected and appointed by Regional District
 - ✓ Members and Committee as a whole expected to remain neutral
 - ✓ All meetings open to the public

WHO DOES WHAT

- North Westside Governance Committee
 - ✓ Oversees and directs the Study and the consultant
 - ✓ Ensures that Community engaged on issues, able to ask questions and give input
 - ✓ Presents the Study, complete with Committee recommendations, to the Regional District

WHO DOES WHAT

- Electoral Area Director
 - ✓ *Ex officio*, non-voting member of the Committee
 - ✓ Keeps Regional District Board apprised of progress

WHO DOES WHAT

- Regional District Central Okanagan
 - ✓ Supports and submits grant application to the Ministry
 - ✓ Appoints Committee members
 - ✓ Provides all administrative support to the Committee and consultant
 - ✓ Makes staff available to provide information and input to consultant
 - ✓ Receives report and recommendations from Committee
 - ✓ Makes recommendations at end of process to Ministry

WHO DOES WHAT

- Ministry of Municipal Affairs & Housing
 - ✓ Responsible for local government structure and changes to it
 - ✓ Approves request for study and provides grant funding
 - ✓ Sets terms of reference
 - ✓ Provides provincial government information to consultant
 - ✓ Monitors process; steps in if required
 - ✓ Receives study and recommendations from RDCO

WHO DOES WHAT

- Local Government Consultant
 - ✓ Reports to the Committee; paid by Ministry through Regional District
 - ✓ Conducts impartial analysis of all services
 - ✓ Presents all information and advice to Committee at public meetings
 - ✓ Writes *Interim Report* for presentation to community
 - ✓ Designs and conducts comprehensive community engagement
 - ✓ Writes *Final Report*; presents along with Committee Chair to RDCO

GOVERNANCE STUDY PROCESS

- Remember, first, the purpose of the Study
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CURRENT STATE

Governance & Services in place in North Westside

- ✓ Explain local government in BC, regional district model, provision of governance & services to electoral areas
- ✓ Explain differences between electoral areas and municipalities – local governance, service provision, taxation, finance
- ✓ Document range of local government services provided in North Westside – RDCO, province, others
- ✓ For each service, describe decision-making, costs, cost-allocation, cost-recovery

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

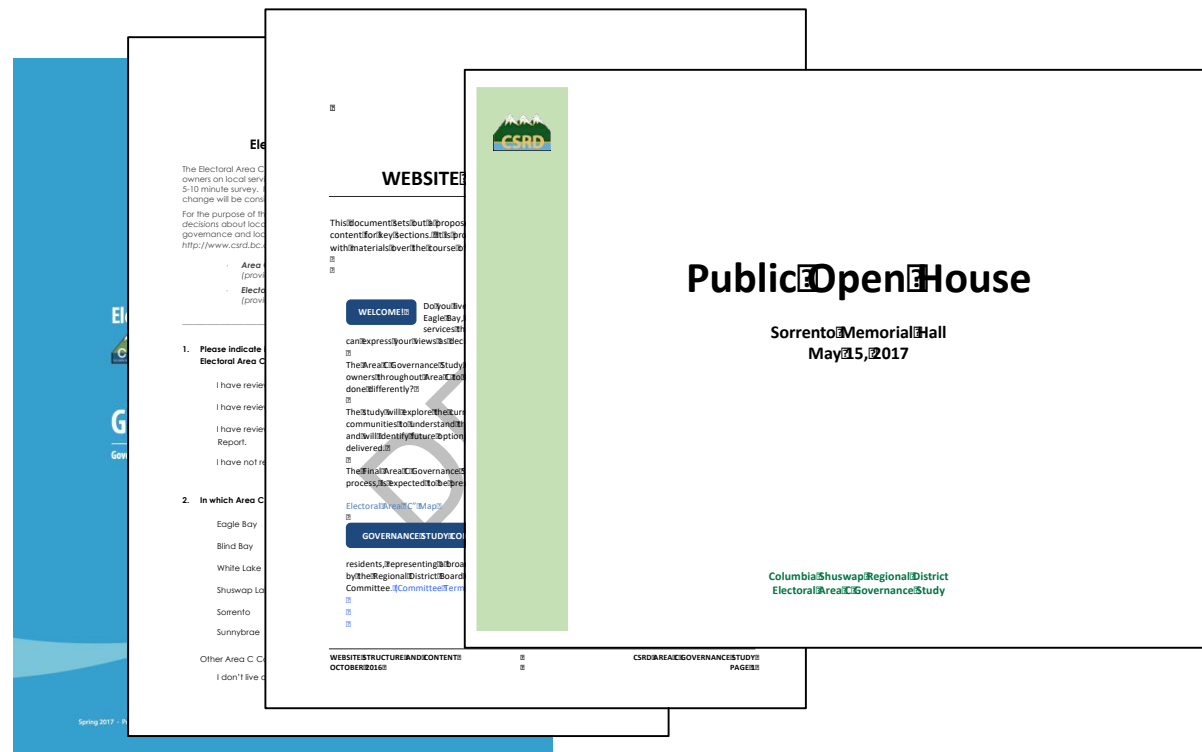
Concerns and Interests re:
governance & services

- ✓ Do residents feel well-served by current system?
- ✓ What are key governance and service concerns?
- ✓ Are decision-making structures appropriate given size and other characteristics of North Westside?
- ✓ Does the range of services provided make sense? Are needs being left unaddressed?
- ✓ Can current system of governance and service provision accommodate anticipated future needs and expectations?

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Concerns and Interests re:
governance & services

- ✓ Comprehensive community engagement program with range of opportunities and methods



The screenshot displays a website for a "Public Open House" held at Sorrento Memorial Hall on May 15, 2017. The website is titled "WEBSITE" and features a "WELCOME!" message from the Regional District of Central Okanagan. It outlines the purpose of the Electoral Area Governance Study, which is to explore the current communities and identify future options. The study will be delivered in three phases: 1. Please indicate Electoral Area C, 2. In which Area C, and 3. Other Area C. The website also includes a "GOVERNANCE STUDY" section and a "WEBSITE STRUCTURE AND CONTENTS" section. The footer of the website indicates it is for the "CROD AREA C GOVERNANCE STUDY" and is dated "OCTOBER 2016".

Public Open House
Sorrento Memorial Hall
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Columbia Shuswap Regional District
Electoral Area C Governance Study

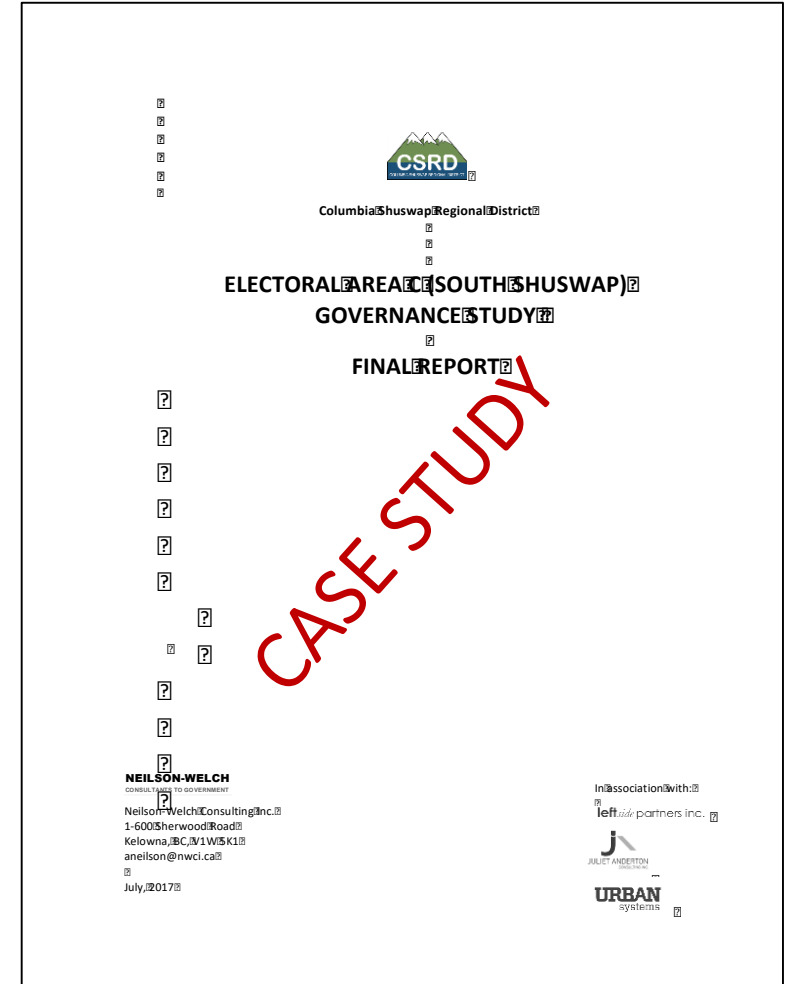
OPTIONS FOR IMPROVEMENT

Identify Governance
Options for Further Study

- ✓ Based largely on public input (input that is informed by assessment of current state)
- ✓ A number of options could emerge:
 - Incorporation
 - Change in number and size of Electoral areas
 - Amalgamation
 - Change to host Regional District

SOUTH SHUSWAP

- Twelve months in 2016-17
- Citizens Committee of twelve including Electoral Area Director (*ex officio*)
- Two-month community engagement program



SOUTH SHUSWAP

- Significant report produced with considerable information on:
 - ✓ Regional District system of governance, services and finance
 - ✓ Community – complete profile




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FINAL REPORT

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- Significant report produced with considerable information on:
 - ✓ Local government services provided to Electoral Area by CSRD
 - service overview (definition)
 - service governance
 - service finance
 - service tax impact (household)




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Figure 3.3
Area C Planning and Development Services Finance

Service	Jurisdictions	Budget (2017)*	Actual (2016)*	Tax Requisition (2016)	Class 1 Rate (2016)	Tax Impact Avg. Res.
Development Services	Areas A,B,C,D,E,F	\$1,229,813	\$1,423,778	\$992,042	0.1788	\$59.49
Special Projects	Areas A,B,C,D,E,F	\$380,474	\$392,704	\$70,717	0.0127	\$4.24
GIS Mapping	Areas A,B,C,D,E,F	\$366,362	\$436,409	\$342,366	0.0617	\$20.53
House Numbering	Areas A,B,C,D,E,F	\$28,140	\$21,748	\$20,124	0.0036	\$1.21
Bylaw Enforcement	Areas A,B,C,D,E,F	\$486,454	\$396,546	\$332,346	0.0599	\$19.93

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- Significant report produced with considerable information on:
 - ✓ Local government services provided to Electoral Area by others (e.g., Province)
 - service overview (definition)
 - service governance
 - service finance
 - service tax impact (household)





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- Community Engagement
 - ✓ opportunities for engagement
 - ✓ Open House feedback
 - ✓ Public Survey feedback
 - ✓ submissions to Governance Committee

	
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COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

The Committee's unanimous recommendation to the CSRD Board of Directors on next steps is as follows:

Based on its review of the current governance and service delivery frameworks, the South Shuswap Governance Committee recommends to the CSRD Board of Directors that a restructure study for Electoral Area C be undertaken, and that the restructure study examine two options:

- *the incorporation of a portion of the electoral area; and*
- *the division of the current electoral area into two electoral areas.*

In making this recommendation, the Committee recognizes that the exact incorporation study area, and the exact boundaries for two electoral areas, would need to be determined. The Committee understands that these questions would be addressed in the early stages of any new restructure study.



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