

The Comox Valley Regional District (CVRD) is a federation of three electoral areas and three municipalities providing sustainable services for residents and visitors to the area. The members of the Regional District work collaboratively on services for the benefit of the diverse urban and rural areas of the Comox Valley.

If your property is in the CVRD and is not located within the City of Courtenay, Town of Comox or Village of Cumberland, it is in a rural area.

The CVRD provides a total of 102 separate services to residents within its boundaries. Services you receive as a rural resident living in Electoral Area C are listed on your rural property tax notice under Local Services. The breakdown of services included in the line called C COMOX VALLEY are listed in the table to the right below.

*Rural property tax notices are issued by the provincial Surveyor of Taxes as the Province collects taxes for schools, roads, policing and regional district services. Please refer to your rural property tax notice for payment options and submit payment to the Province.*

If you have questions regarding the provincial taxes outlined on your rural property tax notice, home owner grants or the provincial property tax deferral program, please contact the provincial Surveyor of Taxes at:

**BC Surveyor of Taxes**

Phone: 250-387-0555

Toll-Free: 1-888-355-2700

You can also visit the Province of British Columbia's Rural Property Tax website:

[www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/taxes/property-taxes/annual-property-tax/rural-area](http://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/taxes/property-taxes/annual-property-tax/rural-area)

For information on the CVRD's 2023 – 2027 Financial Plan and the CVRD services in your area, contact Kevin Douville, Manager of Financial Planning at 250-334-6078 or toll-free at 1-800-331-6007. You can also visit the financial planning section of our website at: [comoxvalleyrd.ca/currentbudget](http://comoxvalleyrd.ca/currentbudget).

C Comox Valley Service	For every \$100,000 of assessed residential value you pay:	
	2022	2023
Baynes Sound, Areas B and C Parks & Greenways	\$ 16.61	\$ 15.12
Building Inspection	\$ 3.10	\$ 2.83
Airport service	\$ 1.15	\$ 1.00
Baynes Sound, B and C Bylaw Enforcement	\$ 2.34	\$ 2.27
Community Justice	\$ 0.22	\$ 0.21
CV Tourism	\$ 0.92	\$ 1.21
Emergency Program	\$ 1.22	\$ 1.82
CV Exhibition Grounds	\$ 1.75	\$ 1.57
Recreation Complexes	\$ 19.92	\$ 21.47
Search and Rescue	\$ 0.46	\$ 0.80
Track & Fields	\$ 0.70	\$ 0.71
Electoral Area Arts & Culture Grant	\$ 1.14	\$ 1.07
Electoral Area Emergency Program	\$ 1.12	\$ -
Electoral Areas Governance	\$ 9.35	\$ 8.80
Emergency Shelter Land Acquisition	\$ 0.25	\$ 0.16
Feasibility Studies - Regional	\$ -	\$ 0.05
Feasibility Studies - Area C	\$ 0.73	\$ 0.66
General Administration	\$ 0.81	\$ 0.82
Grant In Aid - Area C	\$ 2.95	\$ 2.66
Heritage Conservation Area C	\$ 0.26	\$ 0.24
Homelessness Supports	\$ 1.65	\$ 1.78
House Numbering Area C	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.02
Liquid Waste Management	\$ 3.75	\$ 3.40
Planning	\$ 20.76	\$ 20.79
Recreation Grant	\$ 1.38	\$ 1.62
Regional Growth Strategy	\$ 2.11	\$ 2.10
Regional Parks and Trails	\$ -	\$ 0.89
Victim Services Program	\$ 0.37	\$ 0.37
Weed Control	\$ 0.32	\$ 0.29
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 95.36</b>	<b>\$ 94.73</b>

**Please Note:**

The values in the table above are estimates calculated based on the 2023 completed property assessment rolls and do not include the provincial collection fee of 5.25 per cent. Your actual tax notice amounts therefore will be slightly different.

North Island 9-1-1 (NI911) delivers professional 9-1-1 services to six shareholder Regional Districts (Comox Valley, Strathcona, Mt. Waddington, Alberni-Clayoquot, qathet (Powell River) and the Regional District of Nanaimo (SD#69 portion)) and also to both the Cowichan Valley and Peace River Regional Districts on a contractual basis. NI911 works cooperatively with its partners, E-Comm and the City of Campbell River Fire Department, to provide fire, police and ambulance response for these areas. For more information please visit [www.ni911.ca](http://www.ni911.ca).

**The transition to Next Generation 9-1-1 (NG911) continues!** To learn more about the enhancements this historic evolution in 9-1-1 services will bring, visit ESRI Canada's website at [www.esri.ca/en-ca/home](http://www.esri.ca/en-ca/home) and click on the [Next Generation 9-1-1 & Addressing](#) link.



## Comox Strathcona Regional Hospital District

The boundaries of the Comox Strathcona Regional Hospital District (CSRHD) encompass those of both the Comox Valley and Strathcona Regional Districts and includes directors from each regional government.

Capital funding is cost-shared with the province on a 60/40 basis, with the CSRHD portion being 40 per cent. Island Health is responsible for the delivery of health care services on Vancouver Island.

In addition to the North Island Hospital campuses in both the Comox Valley and Campbell River, the CSRHD also provides capital funding for Island Health's approved projects and equipment for the following facilities:

- Cortes Health Centre
- Gold River Health Clinic
- Kyuquot Health Centre
- Sayward Primary Healthcare Clinic
- Tahsis Health Centre
- Zeballos Health Clinic

The CSRHD has adopted its 2023 budget which includes a tax requisition of \$12.6 million, the same as in 2022. For more information on the 2023 budget, please visit the Regional Hospital District's website at <http://www.csrhd.ca/finance>.



## Comox Strathcona Waste Management

Comox Strathcona Waste Management (CSWM) is the interregional solid waste management service for the Comox Valley and Strathcona Regional Districts managing over 100,000 tonnes of waste, organics and recycled materials annually.

### **Weigh In On Waste**

Did you know the CSWM is reviewing its current Solid Waste Management (SWMP) plan? The purpose of a renewal is to connect with residents and communities to ensure the services and programs offered align with changing needs. Weigh In On Waste by visiting: [www.cswm.ca/swmp](http://www.cswm.ca/swmp)

### **Regional Organic Composting**

A regional organics facility has been built in Campbell River, enabling composting from curbside organic collection of over 30,000 residences in Campbell River, Comox, Cumberland and Courtenay. Organic waste is currently 30% of the waste stream disposed of in our landfills. Diverting organics from the landfill will extend its lifespan, reduce landfill gas production, and provide a high quality finished compost for the agricultural and landscaping purposes. For more information visit: [www.cswm.ca/compost](http://www.cswm.ca/compost).



## Comox Valley Regional District Updates

### **Comox Valley Sewer Extension South Project**

The proposed Sewer Extension South Project will move wastewater from homes and businesses in Union Bay and Royston through a new sewer pipe where it will connect to the Comox Valley Sewer Service, creating a regional approach for the treatment of wastewater. This new regional system will also serve Union Bay Estates and K'ómoks First Nation lands, for which development and economic growth will be an important part of reconciliation. In June 2022, it was agreed that planning for the project should be rolled into the long-term plan for the Comox Valley Sewer Service in order to create a truly regional approach.

To remain connected on this project and upcoming public engagement opportunities visit: [www.comoxvalleyrd.ca/sewersouth](http://www.comoxvalleyrd.ca/sewersouth)

### **Regional Parks and Trails Service Establishment**

The Comox Valley Regional District formally established a Regional Parks and Trails Service on September 29, 2022 with the consent of the region's Municipal Councils and a full regulatory review by the Province and the CVRD Board. This year, CVRD staff will be undertaking a strategic planning process aimed at defining the full mandate and scope for the service, identifying types of regional parks to be established, and setting long term goals for the service. For more information visit: [www.comoxvalleyrd.ca/regionalparks](http://www.comoxvalleyrd.ca/regionalparks).

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