

2024-2028 Financial Planning Core Services Regional Emergency Services

CVRD Board Presentation





CVRD Regional Emergency Services provides administration, collaboration and coordination of Comox Valley rural fire services departments (under a volunteer fire fighter model) and regional emergency management under the four pillars of emergency management – mitigation/prevention, preparedness, response, and recovery. CV Emergency Management supports emergency operation centres. Search and Rescue organizations and related equipment are partially funding by this core service.







Key Success Indicators

Emergency prevention and mitigation

Emergency Operations Centre preparedness (regional and local)

Business and resident emergency preparedness

Support and training for CVRD and CV local governments emergency staff and volunteers (and regional volunteer management of Emergency Support Services and Emergency Radio Communications)

K'ómoks First Nation consultation and strengthening partnerships

Collaborates with service provides on emergency food supply preparedness

Preparing and adapting Hazards, Risks, and Vulnerabilities Assessments (HRVA) to climate readiness





Initiative Status

Regionalize Comox Valley Emergency Management	Establishment of amended bylaw completed		
Service			
a. Complete the new Regional Emergency Operations	a) Ongoing drills/exercises to further enhance effectiveness and		
Centre	efficiencies		
b. Developing, training and implementing the EOC	b) Multi-year regional training calendar underdevelopment		
personnel plan capable of filling three shifts for a			
Stage 3 activation			
Design and construct the Mount Washington fire service	Currently further defining options and putting in agreement with parties		
building			
Design and construct the Union Bay firehall	In the process of determining design consultant		
Design and construct the Denman Island firehall	This work is scheduled to begin in Q2 of 2025		
Plan regional Community FireSmart Program delivery and	Q2 2023- Regional Committee formed		
Wildfire Protection initiatives	Q4 2023 – *FireSmart Coordinator Contractor hired		
	Q1 2024- RFP to do Regional *Community Wildfire Resilience Plan		
	(*required to be eligible for future grant funding)		



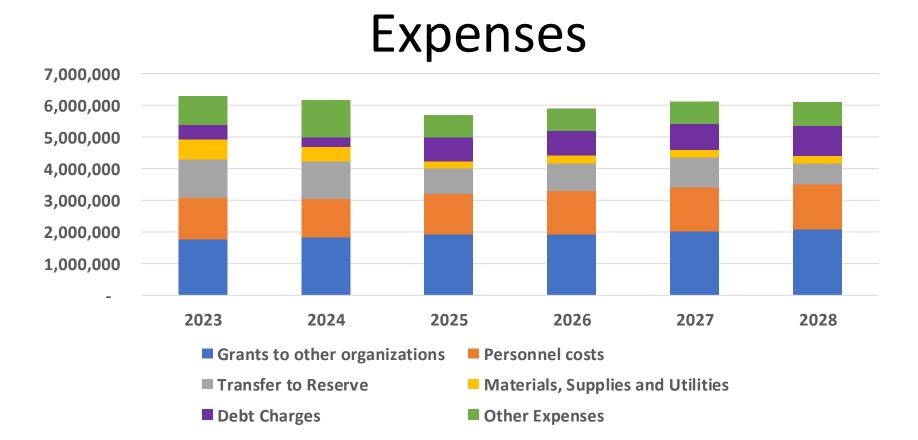


Trends, Challenges and Opportunities

- New Firehalls at Mt.Washington, Union Bay and Denman
- Increased cost of equipment
- Legislative changes for emergency management
- Support of vulnerable populations
- Multi-jurisdictional approaches and collaboration
- Search and Rescue Building

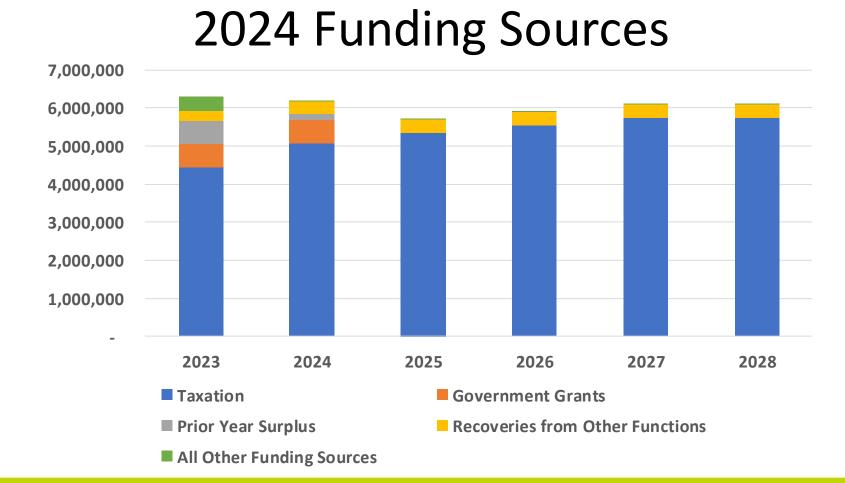














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Summary

Fiscal Responsibility	Climate Crisis & Environmental Stewardship & Protection	Community Partnerships	Indigenous Relations	Accessibility, Diversity, Equity & Inclusion
Delivery of Regional emergency management training		Rural volunteer community firehalls	Emergency Management training and partnership delivery	Vulnerable population support through warming and cooling centres







Questions?

