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**TO:** Chair and Directors

Black Creek Oyster Bay Committee

Committee of the Whole

Electoral Areas Services Committee

Chair and Members

Comox Valley Sports Centre Commission

**FROM:** Russell Dyson

Chief Administrative Officer

RE: Community Services – Operational Highlights

Supported by Russell Dyson Chief Administrative Officer

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## **Purpose**

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on key operational items not reflected in the strategic plan or management reports.

## Recommendation from the Chief Administrative Officer:

THAT the Community Services Branch provide operational highlight updates in June and October of each year.

## **Executive Summary**

The following table highlights three operational items each department in the Community Services Branch is currently involved with. The items are considered more of the day to day operations and intended to be items outside those identified by the board or strategic plans.

Branch	Item	Additional Info
Fire	Forest fire risk	Activities webpage was introduced to public via social
	activities webpage	media.
		https://www.comoxvalleyrd.ca/services/fire/high-
		<u>risk-activities-restrictions</u>
Fire	Fire Smart	Neighborhood meetings already held in Electoral area
	community	"A" and "C" with more sessions planned.
	discussions	five staff members now trained as "Local FireSmart
		Representatives"
Fire	Fire Chiefs meetings	Actively meeting to prepare for fire potential
Parks	Seal Bay Parking	Parking lot under construction at Hardy Road
Parks	Denman Cross	Designs for access from Denman west terminal up the
	Island Trail	hill underway
Parks	Summer students	Two local summer students were hired focusing on
		invasive removal and trail maintenance
Recreation	Sports Centre	Painting exterior of building and inside rink 2

Recreation	Exhibition Grounds	Prep for music-fest
		change to LED lights in parking lot
Recreation	Aquatic Centre	Update some showers with infrared touch pads
Emergency	Connect rocket	Moving to all hazards approach
service	changes	
Emergency	Harmston EOC	Confirm use with other local governments
Services	needs	Equipment and radio needs
Emergency	Hornby and	Working with agencies for preparedness guidelines
services	Denman Island	Orientation for residents planned at later date
	evacuation	

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