

## Staff Report

**DATE**: July 8, 2021

**TO:** Chair and Directors

Electoral Areas Services Committee

**FROM:** Russell Dyson

Chief Administrative Officer

RE: 2021 Rural Community Grant Considerations

Supported by Russell Dyson Chief Administrative Officer

**FILE**: 1850-20/2021

R. Dyson

## Purpose

To review the additional Rural Community Grant applications submitted since April 2021.

## Recommendation from the Chief Administrative Officer:

1. THAT the 2021 Rural Community Grants be awarded for the amounts to the organizations as follows:

Note: Appendix A in the staff report dated July 8, 2021, will be used by the committee to confirm the funding awards for this resolution.

## **Executive Summary**

- The Comox Valley Regional District completed a review of all its grant funding programs and services in 2020 in an effort to standardize processes, establish more formalized criteria and to ensure increased transparency and clarity to both the public and to any non-profit organizations seeking or receiving funding.
- The RCG program was launched in January 2021; any non-profit community organization may apply for funding that benefits the general community.
- In April 2021 the board awarded a significant portion of the Rural Community Grant (RCG) funding by considering RCG applications received to the end of March 2021.
- Additional applications received since April 2021 are listed on Appendix A for consideration.
- RCG applicants will receive written notice on the status of their funding request once the Elector Area Directors have met and completed their adjudication and funding allocation.
- Funding awards will be dispersed after August 1, 2021, unless otherwise stipulated.
- Electoral Areas Services Committee members are asked to review the attached listing of submissions and advise of their funding commitment.

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Enclosure: Appendix A – 2021 Rural Community Grant Applications

Organization	Purpose	Requesting
Black Creek Community Association	to assist the North Comox Valley Innovations project	\$10,000.00
Denman Island Residents Association (Dock Committee)	to assist with the replacement of a breakwater	\$11,200.00
	to assist with building repairs and maintenance to support	
Roy Creek Salmonid Enhancement Society	operations	\$9,000.00