

Request for Decision

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Subject 2020 WildSafeBC Program – Electoral Area F and G

REQUEST

To authorize submitting an application to the 2020 WildSafeBC Program for a Community Coordinator in Electoral Areas F and G.

OPTIONS

1. THAT an application be submitted to the 2020 WildSafeBC Program to provide a Community Coordinator in Electoral Areas F and G;

and further, that a contribution fee of \$4,000 be paid from the Discretionary Grants-in-aid Service (\$3,080 from Area F and \$920 from Area G).

2. THAT the RDEK not participate in the 2020 WildSafeBC Program in Electoral Areas F and G.

RECOMMENDATION

Option 1

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

Electoral Areas F and G have participated in the WildSafeBC Program since 2015. Director Susan Clovechok and Director Gerry Wilkie would like to continue their participation in the Program in 2020.

The WildSafeBC Program is owned and delivered by the BC Conservation Foundation. It has been designed to reduce human-wildlife conflict through education, innovation and cooperation. With our participation, a Community Coordinator will work part time in Electoral Areas F and G from May to November. The application deadline is February 3, 2020.

SPECIFIC CONSIDERATIONS

Regional Sustainability Strategy

4.3.5 Partnerships – Collaborate with industry, public agencies, Columbia Basin Trust and other non-governmental organizations to advance environmental protection and enhancement programs.

Previous Board Action

Board has approved Electoral Areas F & G submitting an application to the Program in 2015 through 2019.

Financial

The minimum contribution to participate in the Program is \$4,000.