

Request for Decision

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Subject Funding Request - Lazy Lake Water Level Control Diversion Ditch and Culvert Upgrade

REQUEST

To award a Community Works Fund Grant for the Lazy Lake Water Level Control Diversion Ditch and Culvert Upgrade.

OPTIONS

1. THAT a Community Works Fund grant of \$20,000 be provided for the Lazy Lake Water Level Control Diversion Ditch and Culvert Upgrade.
2. THAT a Community Works Fund Grant for the Lazy Lake Water Level Control Diversion Ditch and Culvert Upgrade be denied.

RECOMMENDATION

Option 1

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

On behalf of the RDEK and the Lazy Lake Water Level Control Service Area, the Lazy Lake Environmental Association maintains the infrastructure required to divert a portion of Lewis Creek into Lazy Lake for periods of time throughout the year for the purpose of maintaining a water level in the lake suitable for recreation by both the property owners and the public. The existing diversion structure is very dated and has become inefficient. The piping from the diversion to the lake has substantial leaks in several locations due to corrosion and warping of large sections of the pipe and debris from the creek bed is plugging the existing infrastructure. The funds would be used to upgrade approximately 150m of the diversion works.

\$20,000 of Community Works Funds is being requested to upgrade the diversion works so that Lazy Lake can continue to be enjoyed by the property owners and other area residents and tourists that recreate on the lake.

SPECIFIC CONSIDERATIONS

Financial – Financial Plan

If approved, the grant is currently included in the 2020 – 2024 Financial Plan.

Financial - Taxation

There would be no effect on taxation due to the funding being provided through the Community Works Funds.

Community Works Fund – Funds Available

The uncommitted balance of the Community Works Fund is \$2,220,578.

Community Works Fund Eligible Project Category

This project meets the criteria outlined in the Community Works Fund agreement under the Recreation Infrastructure category which includes parks. The Community Works Fund grant request is for 100% of the project cost.

The percentage of total Community Works Fund grants awarded to date and the percentage of rural population is provided for each Electoral Area below:

Electoral Area	% of CWF \$ Awarded	% of Total Rural Population
Area A	5%	9%
Area B	14%	13%
Area C	18%	38%
Area E	5%	11%
Area F	49%	20%
Area G	9%	9%

* Area A population adjusted to reflect the amalgamation of West Fernie into the City of Fernie.

* Projects with regional impacts excluded from this calculation are \$500,000 for the Columbia Valley Office and \$420,000 for future Broadband projects