



ARE YOU ELIGIBLE TO VOTE?

2024 Defined Area C West Creston Fire Requisition Increase & Loan Authorization Assent Vote

Notice of Advance Voter Registration

An assent vote has been scheduled for **Saturday, September 14, 2024** to seek elector approval for a proposed increase to the maximum annual allowable requisition and loan authorization for the West Creston Fire Service.

ADVANCE ELECTOR REGISTRATION:

Advance registration closes at **4:00 p.m. on July 23, 2024**. After this time, elector registrations must be completed on voting days. The Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) uses the Provincial Voters List as its List of Electors. If you are not on the voters and would like to vote please go to <https://elections.bc.ca>.

ELECTOR QUALIFICATIONS:

You must be a resident or non-resident property owner within the West Creston Fire Protection Area, a defined portion of Electoral Area C.

Resident electors must be:

- 18 years of age or older on general voting day;
- a Canadian citizen;
- a resident of British Columbia for at least 6 months immediately before the day of registration;
- a resident of the proposed service area; and
- not disqualified under the *Local Government Act* or any other enactment from voting in an election or assent voting and not otherwise disqualified by law.

Non-resident property electors must be:

- 18 years of age or older on general voting day;
- a Canadian citizen;
- a resident of British Columbia for at least 6 months immediately before the day of registration;
- a registered owner of real property in the proposed service area for at least 30 days before the day of registration; and
- not disqualified under the *Local Government Act* or any other enactment from voting in an election or assent voting and not otherwise disqualified by law.

If there is more than one registered owner of the property, only one of those individuals may, with the written consent of the majority of the owners, register as a non-resident property elector. Only

persons who are registered owners of the property, either as joint tenants or tenants in common, are eligible. Persons holding property in trust for a corporation or trust are ineligible to participate as non-resident property electors.

LIST OF REGISTERED ELECTORS:

Beginning July 30 until the close of assent voting on September 14, a copy of the list of registered electors will be available for public inspection, at the RDCK office in Nelson, from 8:30 a.m.- 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 p.m.—4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday, excluding statutory holidays.

Prior to inspection a person is required to acknowledge, by signed agreement, that making copies of the list is not allowed; and further that the information on the electors list may only be used in accordance with purposes established in the *Local Government Act*.

REQUEST TO OMIT OR OBSCURE PERSONAL INFORMATION:

An elector may request their address or other personal information about them be omitted from or obscured on the list of electors. The elector must contact the Chief Election Officer or the Deputy Chief Election Officer to make this request.

OBJECTION TO THE REGISTRATION OF AN ELECTOR:

An objection to the registration of a person whose name appears on the list of registered electors may be made in accordance with the *Local Government Act* until 4:00 p.m. on August 9, 2024. An objection must be in writing and an objection may only be made by a person entitled to be registered as an elector of an electoral area of the RDCK and only on the basis that a person whose name appears on the list of electors has died or is not qualified to register as an elector of an electoral area of the RDCK.

For further information, please contact:

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