

Village of Burns Lake – Alternative Approval Process
Water Treatment Plan Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 983, 2018
Information Sheet

The Council intends to adopt “Water Treatment Plant Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 983, 2018.” The purpose of the bylaw is to borrow an amount not to exceed \$ 1,850,000 to finance the cost of construction a water treatment plant, that will be repaid over a period not to exceed 25 years. It is expected that the borrowing will result in no fee or tax increase, as it will be paid for using the existing water frontage tax.

The water treatment plant is needed to remove minerals from the water in order to provide drinking water that meets acceptable standards for mineral content, and improve clarity and visual appearance of the water.

A copy of Water Treatment Plant Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 983, 2018 and a report summarizing the project is available from the Village of Burns Lake’s offices at 15-3rd Avenue during each business day of the week between 8:00 am and 4:00 pm.

Additional Information About Elector Eligibility: In order to sign an elector response form in relation to the alternative approval process, a person must either be a resident elector or a non-resident property elector.

A **resident elector** is an individual who is entitled to sign an elector response form during and AAP by virtue of living within that jurisdiction. *When signing an elector response form*, a resident elector must:

- be 18 years of age or older;
- be a Canadian citizen;
- have lived in British Columbia for at least six months;
- have lived in the Village of Burns Lake for at least 30 days;
- live in the area defined for the AAP (within the Village of Burns Lake); and
- not be disqualified under the *Local Government Act*, or any other enactment from voting in a local election, or be otherwise disqualified by law.

A **non-resident property elector** is an individual that does not live in the Village of Burns Lake and who is entitled to sign an elector response form during an AAP by virtue of owning property in the Village of Burns Lake. *When signing an elector response form*, a non-resident property elector must:

- be 18 years of age or older;
- be a Canadian citizen;
- have lived in British Columbia for at least six months;
- have owned the property in the Village of Burns Lake for at least 30 days;
- own property in the area defined for the AAP (within the Village of Burns Lake); and
- not be disqualified under the *Local Government Act*, or any other enactment from voting in a local election, or be otherwise disqualified by law.

Note: Only one non-resident property elector may sign an elector response form per property, regardless of how many people own the property; and, that owner must have the written consent of a majority of the other property owner(s) to sign the response form on their behalf. **Property owned in whole or in part by a corporation does not qualify under the non-resident property elector provisions.**