

POLICY STATEMENT AND REGULATIONS

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SANITARY SEWER PUMP SIBSIDY

PURPOSE OF SUBSIDY:

WHEREAS Certain areas within the Sewer Specified Area are affected by decisions of Council to reduce capital expenditures during the construction of a sewer system by limiting the depth of the collection lines or by installing low pressure sewer mains;

AND WHEREAS such decisions have resulted that some buildings existing as at September 30, 1997 require grinder or solid handling pumps in order to service main floor fixtures thereby requiring those property owners to install at their expense a pumping system;

AND WHEREAS the cost for the supply and installation of such pumps will vary depending on each site specific conditions;

AND WHEREAS Municipal Council wishes to provide those affected property owners with a fairer and more equal sewer service;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Corporation of the District of Summerland enacts as follows:

Pump Purchase:

All registered owners of the principal buildings existing as at September 30, 1997 located in the Sanitary Sewer Specified Area that require the purchase and installation of a “Grinder Pump” or a “Solid Handling Pump” to provide sanitary sewer service to the municipal low pressure main sewer system (or a gravity municipal sewer system serving the main floor fixtures of a residence) will receive upon written application to the municipality the following subsidy:

- Grinder pumps: Where pump head is greater than 20 meters and the sewage is pumped into a low pressure main system:

-estimated maximum purchase and installation cost:	\$5,000.00
-Less homeowner’s share (discretionary)	\$2,000.00
-Maximum District subsidy to be paid to the registered owner	\$3,000.00

- Solid Handling Pumps: Where pump head is less than 20 metres and sewage is pumped into a low pressure sewer main system.

-estimated maximum purchase and installation cost:	\$3,500.00
-Less: homeowner’s share (discretionary)	\$2,000.00
-Maximum District subsidy to be paid registered owner	\$3,000.00 (Revised November 14, 2000)

- Solid Handling Pumps: Where the property owner is required to pump main floor fixtures into a gravity municipal sewer main. The intent is that properties that were served with a gravity septic tank sewer system should be partially compensated if required to pump to a municipal gravity sewer system.

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-estimated maximum purchase and installation cost	\$3,500.00
-less homeowner's share (discretionary)	\$2,000.00
-Maximum District subsidy to be paid to registered owner	\$1,500.00

All pump purchases must be undertaken by the homeowner, however prior to such purchase, application for approval for a subsidy must be made to the municipality on the prescribed form, with the municipality reserving the right to approve or reject the pump purchase. The Municipality will supply information on pump prices, pumps recommended and suppliers. The deadline for application for the pump subsidies are as follows:

- Lower Town Area September 30, 1998
- Upper Town North, Upper Town South, Trout Creek and Crescent Beach Areas December 31, 2000 (Revised Nov. 14, 2000)

PUMP MAINTENANCE:

The property owner is responsible for ensuring that their pumps are properly maintained. The proper operation and maintenance of pump information is provided with the pumps purchase and property owners are encouraged to review this information with the contractor hired to install their pumping system. Some contractors may offer property owners an annual maintenance contract for the pumps.

PUMP REPLACEMENT:

The subsidy offered by the District is a one time only payment and must be applied for before the deadline established for the various areas. The life span of a pump can be maximized with proper annual maintenance. The District will not be responsible for or participate in the future replacement of any pumps.

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