

The Peace River Regional District

2019 Chair: Brad Sperling; Vice Chair: Dan Rose

2018 to 2022 - PRRD Board of Directors

The Board of Directors for the Peace River Regional District and Hospital District are made up of twelve (12) electoral area and municipal directors.

Four (4) Electoral Area Directors are elected for a fouryear term to represent the rural Electoral Areas as follows:

Electoral Area 'B' – Director Karen Goodings Alternate Arlene Boon

Electoral Area 'C' – Director Brad Sperling Alternate

Electoral Area 'D' – Director Leonard Hiebert Alternate Mark Rogers

Electoral Area 'E'- Director Dan Rose Alternate Larry Houley

Eight (8) municipal directors are appointed by the councils of the seven member municipalities of the Peace River Regional District as follows:

District of Chetward – Director Allen Courtoreille

District of Chetwynd – Director Allen Courtoreille Alternate Director Mel Deck

City of Dawson Creek – Director Dale Bumstead Alternate Director Blair Lekstrom

City of Fort St. John – Director Lori Ackerman City of Fort St. John – Director Tony Zabinsky All Councillors have been designated as Alternate Directors

District of Hudson's Hope – Director Dave Heiberg Alternate Director Kelly Miller

Village of Pouce Coupe – Director Lorraine Michetti Alternate Director Barb Smith

District of Taylor – Director Rob Fraser, Alternate Director Betty Ponto

District of Tumbler Ridge – Director Keith Bertrand, Alternate Director Joanne Kirby

Regional Districts support rural, community and regional interests

The Peace River Regional District (PRRD) was established in 1987 when the lands formerly included in the Peace River-Liard Regional District were divided into two regional districts. The PRRD encompasses approximately twelve million hectares (120,000 square kilometers), includes serving a population of 58,264 that reside in seven incorporated municipalities and four rural electoral areas.

Regional districts in British Columbia were established by the Provincial Government for three primary purposes:

- to act as local government for their (unincorporated) electoral areas;
- to provide the political and administrative frameworks necessary for member municipalities and electoral areas to collaborate in the provision of services; and,
- to be the regional service body responsible for providing regional services to, and undertaking key activities on behalf of, their entire regions.

Property Tax Questions

Does the Regional District issue tax notices?

The Province (Surveyor of Taxes) issues the tax notices. If you have questions contact Service BC (1-800-663-7867).

Where do I pay my property taxes?

Taxes are to be paid at the Service BC office in Dawson Creek, 250-784-2224 or in Fort St. John, 250-787-3350

Where can I get a copy of my tax assessment?

A copy of your assessment can be obtained from BC Assessment or Contact the BC Assessment Authority 1-866-825-8322 or 250-782-8515

Is there a tax rate of the Regional District?

There is no "tax rate" for the Regional District. Regional Districts are made up of "functions/service areas" and each of these 54 functions has its own budget with an applicable tax rate. Some services are applicable to the whole region, some to select areas (municipalities and Electoral Areas) and others just for specific areas within Electoral Areas. The services for a particular property are added together to get the Regional District tax rate for that parcel.

http://prrd.bc.ca/services/finance/faqs-finance

Contact:

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Regional District Emergency Services

In the Province of British Columbia regional districts and municipalities are required to plan and respond to emergencies in their area. In the Peace River Regional District each of the municipalities are responsible for their own emergency planning, while the Peace River Regional District conducts emergency planning for the unincorporated rural areas (Area B, C, D and E).

Who do I call if an emergency event happens?

- > Dial 911 for Fire, Police, and Ambulance
- To report a wildfire contact 1-800-663-5555 or *5555 on your cell phone
- ➤ To report flood, water storage breach, Oil & Gas, or hazardous material spills contact 1-800-663-3456

How much advanced notice of an evacuation would I receive and do I have to leave my property?

An evacuation order may or may not be preceded by an evacuation alert, depending on the event and how much time is available to clear the affected area. It is preferable to first issue an alert so people can prepare, but this is not always possible. Once an evacuation has been ordered, you must leave your property as the order will be enforced by the R.C.M.P.

How does the Regional District assist with emergencies?

During an emergency, the PRRD will assist and support responding agencies by coordination of activities through the activation of an Emergency Operations Centre (EOC).

How can the PRRD help people who have been affected by an emergency or disaster?

Emergency Social Services (ESS) are available to individuals who have been evacuated from their homes for up to 72 hours after an emergency, and may include food, lodging, clothing, information about the crisis, and family reunification.

During an emergency check the PRRD website often for information and updates about the event.



North East BC Emergency and Public Alerts is a communitywide, comprehensive notification system that will directly deliver messages in the

case of an emergency or critical situation. Subscribers can sign up to receive messages via telephone, text or email. <LINK>

Rural Water Tank Loaders

There are five water tank loader locations in rural areas of the PRRD. Construction and/or upgrades to systems are planned to be completed in 2019.

Boundary Lake – 1105 Cecil Lake Road Buick – 14853 Buick Creek Road Feye Spring – 1863 Imperial Avenue Prespatou – 21869 Triad Road Rose Prairie – 15615 259 Road, North Pine

Be Plant Wise

Get involved with local efforts and know your high priority invasive plants.

- Be 'PlantWise' and know what you grow. Avoid purchasing, growing, or trading unknown invasive plants. Replace with non-invasive alternatives.
- Deadhead (clip off) flowers, seedpods, and berries of known invasive plants to prevent reproduction through seed spread by birds, wildlife, pets, and people.
- Use wildflower seed mixes with caution, as many contain invasive plant seeds. Read the label and check to be sure they are desirable for your location.
- Avoid picking plants along roadsides, gravel pits, or other disturbed areas. Many wildflowers are aggressive invasive plants.
- Clean recreation vehicles before and after entering a new area.
- Properly dispose of yard, garden, and hanging basket waste into a compost pile or facility. Do not compost invasive plants with seeds; instead, dispose at a local landfill or incineration facility.

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Board Agendas and Minutes can be viewed at:

http://prrd.bc.ca/agendasminutes/peace-river-regional-district-prrd



Engage! is your source for information about public engagement initiatives at the Peace River Regional District.

http://prrd.bc.ca/engage

Interactive Web Map

http://prrd.bc.ca/services/mappinggis/web-map





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Thank you

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