



To: Richmond City Council **Date:** June 7, 2005
From: Suzanne Bycraft **File:** 10-6125-04-14/2005-Vol
 Manager, Emergency & Environmental Programs 01
Re: **Establishment of Mosquito Control Administration and Coordination Service
 – GVRD Bylaw Approval**

Staff Recommendation

That participating area approval be given to the adoption of the Greater Vancouver Regional District Mosquito Control Administration and Coordination Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1032, 2005.

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 Manager, Emergency & Environmental Programs
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Staff Report

Origin

In April of this year, member municipalities of the GVRD were asked whether they wished to be included as participating areas for a new service in relation to mosquito control. Council considered this request and supported the establishment of a GVRD Mosquito Control Administration and Coordination function at the April 25, 2005 Council meeting.

Subsequently, an establishing bylaw for such a service was brought before the Board of the GVRD and given first, second and third readings, and, as required under section 801.4 of the Local Government Act, was referred to all GVRD councils for participating area approval (Attachment 1). Due to the short time frame involved and the desire to approve the bylaw prior to the onset of the mosquito season, the GVRD has requested that this bylaw be brought before the participating area councils for approval as soon as possible (Attachment 2).

Analysis

The proposed GVRD service function will provide administration services (establishment of consistent policies for treatment of service waters and catch basins, etc.) and communications functions, i.e. establishing a communications plan and templates for addressing the public information aspect of West Nile. The actual mosquito control treatment programs remain the individual municipalities' responsibility, as does the release of information to the public concerning municipal activities.

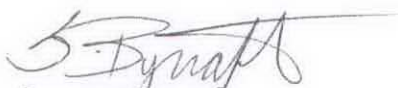
The City has contracted with Richmond Health Services to undertake the mosquito control services on City lands, including catch basins (if required). Richmond staff have actively participated with the GVRD on the West Nile communications plan, and are positioned to release information to the public in an appropriate manner.

Financial Impact

The GVRD service function has a ceiling amount of \$950,000 established in the bylaw, although current budgeted costs are \$350,000. These costs will be recovered in the overall GVRD levy to member municipalities.

Conclusion

That in accordance with section 801.4 of the Local Government Act, Richmond City Council approval the GVRD's District Mosquito Control Administration and Coordination Service Establishment Bylaw.



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GREATER VANCOUVER REGIONAL DISTRICT

BYLAW NO. 1032, 2005

A Bylaw to Establish the Service of Mosquito Control Administration and Coordination

WHEREAS:

- A. A regional district may, under section 796(1) of the *Local Government Act*, operate any service that the board considers necessary or desirable for all or part of the regional district subject to certain limitations and conditions;
- B. Under section 800(1) of the *Local Government Act*, in order to operate a service, the board of a regional district must first adopt an establishing bylaw for the service;
- C. The board of the Greater Vancouver Regional District (the "Board") wishes to establish the service of administration and coordination of mosquito control activities;
- D. The Board has obtained participating area approval pursuant to subsections 801(2)(c) and (d) of the *Local Government Act* to establish the service of mosquito control administration and coordination;

NOW THEREFORE the Board in open meeting assembled enacts as follows:

Service

- 1. The service of coordination and administration of mosquito control activities, including, without limiting the foregoing, the development of preparedness and communication plans for mosquito control, (the "Service"), is hereby established.

Participating Areas

- 2. The participating areas for the Service consist of Electoral Area 'A' and all the member municipalities of the Greater Vancouver Regional District (the "Participating Areas").

Service Area

- 3. The service area for the Service is the area within the boundaries of the Participating Areas (the "Service Area").

Cost Recovery

- 4. The annual costs for the Service shall be recovered by:

- (a) the imposition of fees and other charges that may be fixed by a separate bylaw;
- (b) property value taxes imposed in accordance with Division 4.3 of the *Local Government Act*;
- (c) revenues raised by other means authorized under the *Local Government Act* or another Act; or
- (d) revenues received by way of agreement, enterprise, gift, grant or otherwise.

Cost Apportionment

5. The costs of the Service after deducting the revenues (if any) raised or received under subsections 4(a),(c) and (d) above, shall be apportioned among all of the Participating Areas on the basis of the converted value of land and improvements in the Service Area.

Maximum Requisition

6. The maximum amount that may be requisitioned for the Service is nine hundred and fifty thousand (\$950,000) dollars.

Citation

7. This Bylaw may be cited as the "Greater Vancouver Regional District Mosquito Control Administration and Coordination Service Establishment Bylaw No.1032, 2005".

READ A FIRST TIME this ____ day of _____, 2005.

READ A SECOND TIME this ____ day of _____, 2005.

READ A THIRD TIME this ____ day of _____, 2005.

APPROVED BY THE INSPECTOR OF MUNICIPALITIES this ____ day of _____, 2005.

RECONSIDERED AND FINALLY ADOPTED by an affirmative vote this ____ day of _____, 2005.

CHAIR

SECRETARY



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May 30, 2005

File No. PA-04-02-MOS

6125-01-14

Mayor and Council
 City of Richmond
 6911 No. 3 Road
 Richmond, BC V6Y 2C1

Dear Mayor and Council:

Re: Establishment of Mosquito Control Administration and Coordination Service – Bylaw Approval

Please be advised that at the GVRD Board of Director's meeting held May 27, 2005, the GVRD Board has asked that councils give participating area approval to the by-law, before the next meeting of the GVRD Board on June 24th, to establish a GVRD Mosquito Control Administration and Coordination function. This function will be that "of coordination and administration of mosquito control activities, including, without limiting the foregoing, the development of preparedness and communications plans for mosquito control".

Your council has already indicated a willingness to participate in the service function. With the rapidly approaching 'mosquito season' we would like to deal with the completion of this establishment process as quickly as possible. I am requesting that Council put this item on the agenda of their next meeting and give formal consent to the by-law.

Would you please send me a formal notification of the Council's decision so that we can complete the establishment process? If you require further explanation on this matter, please do not hesitate to contact John MacFarlane at (604) 432-6372.

Yours truly,

J. Marvin Hunt
 Chair, GVRD Board of Directors

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Committee Meeting Date: May 25, 2005

Board Meeting Date: May 27, 2005

To: Corporate and Intergovernmental Committee

From: John MacFarlane, GVRD West Nile Virus Mosquito Coordinator

Date: May 16th, 2005

Subject: **Establishment of a Service Function for the Coordination and Administration of Mosquito Control Activities**

Recommendation:

That the GVRD Board:

- a) Give leave to introduce 'Greater Vancouver Regional District Mosquito Control Administration and Coordination Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1032, 2005' (the "Bylaw"), and that it be read a first, second and third time; and
- b) Direct staff to:
 - (i) seek the approval of the Inspector of Municipalities to the Bylaw; and
 - (ii) seek participating area approval for the Bylaw from the councils of the participating member municipalities and from the director of Electoral Area 'A'.

1. PURPOSE

To introduce and seek Board approval of a by-law to establish a new GVRD service function for the coordination and administration of mosquito control activities, including, without limiting the foregoing, the development of preparedness and communications plans for mosquito control (the "Service").

2. CONTEXT

At its March 26th meeting the GVRD Board approved the Regional Policy for Mosquito Surveillance, Education and Larval Control for WNV (West Nile Virus) in surface waters was approved.

This past winter it became clear that the expanding scope of the requirements of the member municipalities were such that it would be necessary to establish the authority for the GVRD to undertake the work on their behalf. At the February 25th meeting of the Board direction was given to draft an establishing by-law for the Service and to ask each member municipality if they wished to be included as participating area for the Service. That process is now completed and the councils of all 21 member municipalities have indicated that they wish to be included as participating areas.

The Bylaw is now brought to the Board for first, second and third reading, and following that, will be forwarded to (a) the Inspector of Municipalities for approval, and (b) the participating municipal councils for approval pursuant to section 801.4 of the Local Government Act, as well as the director of Electoral Area 'A' pursuant to section 801.5. Once these approvals have been obtained, the Bylaw will be brought back to the Board for final approval and adoption.

3. ALTERNATIVES

None submitted.

4. CONCLUSION

Member municipalities have indicated that it would be appropriate for the GVRD to implement a service for the administration and coordination of mosquito control activities. In order to establish this service, the GVRD must adopt an establishing bylaw approved by the participating areas and by the Inspector of Municipalities.

ATTACHMENT

1. "Greater Vancouver Regional District Mosquito Control Administration and Coordination Service Establishment Bylaw No. 1032, 2005".

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