



**NOTICE OF
SPECIAL PARKS COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Wednesday
February 25, 2009
Regional District Board Room
175 Ingram Street, Duncan, BC**

1:30 p.m.

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STAFF REPORT

SPECIAL PARKS COMMITTEE MEETING OF FEBRUARY 25, 2009

DATE: February 25, 2009 **FILE NO:**

FROM: Brian Farquhar, Parks and Trails Manager **BYLAW NO:**

SUBJECT: 2009 Regional Parks Budget and Regional Parkland Acquisition Fund Budget

Recommendation:

That the Committee provide direction on this matter.

Purpose:

To provide Committee members a further opportunity to discuss the Regional Parks budget and Regional Parkland Acquisition Fund budget as part of the 2009 budget process.

Financial Implications:

Unknown

Interdepartmental/Agency Implications:

The 2009 Regional Parks budget includes \$200,000 in matching grant funding from the Island Coastal Economic Trust and an additional \$200,000 in grant funds from the federal Gas Tax Fund, both of which are allocated for Cowichan Valley Trail project development on several sections of the trail corridor between the Town of Lake Cowichan and north of Ladysmith. The 2009 Regional Parkland Acquisition Fund budget provides opportunity to solicit funding partnerships towards acquisition of strategic lands identified in the Regional Parks and Trails Master Plan adopted by the Board in 2007.

Background:

At the Special Regional Services Committee meeting on February 12, 2009, direction was given for the various Committees and Commissions to meet, if desired, to review proposed individual 2009 budgets. It was felt that Parks Committee members may wish to discuss specific items related to the Regional Parks and Regional Parkland Acquisition Fund budgets in advance of the follow-up overall budget discussion scheduled as part of the regular Regional Services Committee meeting on February 25, 2009. Parks Committee members are requested to bring their previously distributed budget packages.

Submitted by,

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