



# BOARD REPORT

**TO:** Chair and Directors

**File No:** 2240 85

**SUBJECT:** Bird Control – Salmon Arm Refuse Disposal Site - Contract Award

**DESCRIPTION:** Report from Ben Van Nostrand, Team Leader, Environmental Health Services, dated June 29, 2022.

**RECOMMENDATION:** THAT: the Board empower the authorized signatories to enter into an agreement with Shuswap Bird of Prey Ltd. for the provision of bird control services at the Salmon Arm Refuse Disposal Site over a five-year term commencing July 1, 2022 and expiring on June 30, 2027, for a total cost of \$505,716 plus applicable taxes, this 21<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2022.

## SHORT SUMMARY:

The existing agreement with Shuswap Bird of Prey Ltd. to provide contracted bird control services at the Salmon Arm Refuse Disposal Site expired on June 30, 2022. Shuswap Bird of Prey was the lowest compliant submission to the CSR's recent request for proposals for bird control services. As the value of the agreement over a five-year term is in excess of \$500,000, Board authorization is required in order to award the agreement.

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**VOTING:**      Unweighted Corporate       LGA Part 14 (Unweighted)       Weighted Corporate       Stakeholder (Weighted)

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## BACKGROUND:

Due to the historical development of the Salmon Arm industrial area taking place in a time when a lack of regulations related to conflicting land uses were allowed, the Salmon Arm Refuse Disposal Site, which contains a landfill was cited next to the Salmon Arm Airport. Today, provincial guidelines dictate that a landfill must be cited no closer than eight kilometres from an existing airport. Given that the Salmon Arm landfill is adjacent to the airport, bird management plans have been developed by both the City of Salmon Arm and the CSR to minimize the potential for airplane interactions with birds.

The main component of the bird management plan has been the CSR's implementation of a wildlife management plan, focused on ensuring that birds do not become habituated to garbage. Over the past several years, Shuswap Bird of Prey Ltd. has provided a service that includes many techniques to scare birds away from the refuse at the landfill located at the Salmon Arm Refuse Disposal Site. The main feature of their services is the use of predatory falcons, which are flown to deter other birds from spending time at the landfill. This in turn has significantly reduce the number of birds in and around the airport.

Shuswap Bird of Prey Ltd. is a local company which has provided excellent service to ensure that the Salmon Arm Airport and landfill are operated in a safe and effective manner. The use of falcons is an innovative tool and always the highlight of any school class tour the CSR provides.

## POLICY:

CSRD Policy No. F-32 Procurement of Goods and Services indicates any contract being recommended for award in excess of \$500,000 requires Board approval.

**FINANCIAL:**

There are adequate funds budgeted for the 2022 program within the Five-Year Financial Plan. Increases for the 2023-2026 years will be addressed in the next budget cycle.

**IMPLEMENTATION:**

Upon Board approval, the contract will be issued to the successful proponent.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

CSRD staff will notify the proponent of the Board's decision.

**DESIRED OUTCOMES:**

That the Board endorse the staff recommendation(s).

**BOARD'S OPTIONS:**

1. *Endorse the Recommendation(s).*
2. *Deny the Recommendation(s).*
3. *Defer.*
4. *Any other action deemed appropriate by the Board.*

**Report Approval Details**

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