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Our File - Notre référence

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Date

May 28, 2018

**RE: Salmon Arm RCMP Detachment  
June 7, Director's Meeting**

Director and Councilors of the CSRD,

The following information is provided as an update on crime statistics in the various CSRD communities which the Salmon Arm Detachment serves.

Detachment Human resources:

- The Salmon Arm Detachment has 5 provincially funded RCMP officers.
- 19 officers are funded by the City of Salmon Arm.
- 2 Public Service Employees support our administrative work.
- 6 City of Salmon Arm municipal employees support administrative work.
- 1 Full time (Job Share) Victim Services resource.
- 4 Victim Services volunteers.

Detachment Infrastructure:

- Our Detachment is maintained under contract with the City of Salmon Arm.
  - Our detachment building contains an approved cell block with 11 cells.
- Our office maintains 2 provincially funded marked police cars, 1 unmarked police car as well as a RCMP police vessel.
- The balance of the fleet is municipally funded.

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In the following Tables I have included overall statistics as well as criminal code statistics for the areas Salmon Arm Detachment serves. The overall and Criminal Statistics are included in Table 1 through Table 4. The following tables refer to traffic statistics in Table 5 through 7.

**Overall Statistics:**

Salmon Arm Detachment			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>
Rural Service Calls	1909	2050	1950
Criminal Record Checks	300	400	525
Prisoner Counts	652	521	592

Table 1

The above noted calls for service in Table 1 represent all calls for service within the rural area. The prisoner counts are for the Detachment as a whole and include people arrested in the municipality as well as the rural area. Again, criminal record checks are a total for the detachment and are not broken down by area. The drastic increase in criminal record checks in 2017 represent a change in policy by the School District requiring all persons involved with children under their care to have a criminal record check.

Criminal Code Investigations in Table 2 (below) are included in the overall statistics in Table 1. Table 2 includes only those investigations that are verified criminal code investigations and do not represent all of the investigations that we do in a year.

**Salmon Arm Criminal Code investigations by CSRD geographic locations:**

CRIMINAL CODE BY LOCATION			
<b>TOTAL CC</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>
BLIND BAY	67	80	66
DEEP CREEK	1		
EAGLE BAY	33	27	15
NOTCH HILL	7	8	6
SALMON ARM	904	890	768
SICAMOUS		1	
SORRENTO	8	6	15
TAPPEN	60	49	46
WHITE LAKE	19	15	8
<b>CSRD TOTAL</b>	<b>1099</b>	<b>1076</b>	<b>924</b>

Table 2

The data in Table 3 and Table 4 further breaks down the information contained in in Table 2 and only includes verified criminal code investigations that are substantiated.

#### Violent Criminal Code Statistics:

<b>VIOLENT CC</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>
BLIND BAY	8	11	9
DEEP CREEK	1		
EAGLE BAY	7	3	3
NOTCH HILL	2	2	2
SALMON ARM	200	155	101
SICAMOUS		1	
SORRENTO	4	2	3
TAPPEN	15	7	6
WHITE LAKE	4	3	2
<b>CSRD TOTAL</b>	<b>241</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>126</b>

Table 3

#### Property Crime Statistics:

<b>PROPERTY CC</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>
BLIND BAY	49	61	47
EAGLE BAY	18	22	11
NOTCH HILL	3	5	4
SALMON ARM	493	530	479
SORRENTO	3	2	6
TAPPEN	43	41	33
WHITE LAKE	9	9	5
<b>CSRD TOTAL</b>	<b>618</b>	<b>670</b>	<b>585</b>

Table 4

From the above noted crime trends one can see that the overall Criminal Code Investigations fluctuate but remain within approximately 10% year to year as do property crime statistics. The largest change has been in the reduction in Violent Crime (Table 3) within the Salmon Arm and Tappen rural areas. The seasonal aspect of our jurisdiction sees approximately 25% of our calls for service on the spring and fall and a full 50% of our calls for service concentrated in the

summer months or tourist season.

#### Traffic Statistics

I have included statistics on traffic collisions within the CSRD and exclude collisions within the municipality of Salmon Arm. I have also included the numbers of tickets and warnings that our members have written by our RCMP Fiscal Year to give this governing body an appreciation for the work our members do to ensure our roadways are safe. The enforcement is not broken down by district or location and is meant as an overall picture of our efforts.

Overall Collision Data:

Salmon Arm Rural Collisions			
COLLISIONS	2015	2016	2017
All Collisions	108	101	139
Fatal Collisions	0	1	0
Injury Collisions	21	13	10

Table 5

#### Tickets and Warnings

Salmon Arm Detachment Traffic Stops			
Tickets and Warnings	2015/2016	2016/2017	2017/ 2018
	2348	1540	1500

Table 6

While the collisions in 2017 increased the injury collisions decreased and fatalities were maintained at a low level. Additionally, tickets and warnings has seen a decrease over the past two RCMP fiscal years as our team has refocused on high risk driving offences which are less numerous and more difficult to detect. The enforcement data I have included does not include statistics from the regional Highway Patrol Unit that operates in our area.

#### Detachment Commander Comments:

For the past two years I have put forward a business case to increase the Provincial component of our detachment by two officers. As of this time there have been no increase in our local provincial staffing levels. Patrols of the area of Shuswap Lake that we are responsible for policing are conducted on provincial overtime which is allocated by the South East District. On the lake our Detachment generates 10 to 30 files per year. An overwhelming percentage of these files are generated to record enforcement and not actual calls for service.

The Salmon Arm Detachment routinely runs a 12 % vacancy rate but this fluctuates depending on human resource challenges such as transfers and provincial emergencies such as the ones we saw in 2017 and thus far in 2018. The vacancy rate is in line with what other detachments run within our district. Our detachment remains committed to the provincial emergency response and when called upon supports operations in other jurisdictions as required by our Southeast District Headquarters and the Province. As a matter of local support we have an agreement with Sicamous Detachment to provide aid when required.

We continue to support events in our area which include the Blind Bay Canada Day event. We have also focused on providing resources to School District 83 in support of their programs and members are often called upon to provide school talks on a number of topics. Our officers are also involved in coaching youth sports such as hockey, soccer, and baseball which impact a number of children in our outer lying communities in the CSRD.

Our Detachment is the local “hub” for police based victim services which employ one full time paid person through the Safe Society and 4 volunteers. The dedicated PBVS group also provides services to the Sicamous Detachment area. The group operates on provincial grants, and support from the City of Salmon Arm as well as donations from the community.

As our area grows and the complexity of criminal investigations gets evermore technical we do see increasing demands on our time. We continue to provide training to our officers to meet those demands. Our dedicated local officers continue to meet the demands in calls for service to support our core police objectives.

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May 28, 2018