



2025 - 2029 Financial Plan Public Meeting Castlegar and Areas I & J

February 27, 2025

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Agenda



Regional Districts & Services Model Overview



Property Assessments & Budget Impact



2025 Overall Outlook



Service by Service Discussion



Estimated Taxation by Defined Area

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Preamble – DRAFT Budget

- The current financial plan document is considered a “Draft” and is subject to change until the March 20, 2025 board meeting
 - 2024 fiscal year-end adjustments remain that can affect the 2025 plan, including prior year surplus amounts.
 - Staff, Committee, Commission, Director and Board level reviews are continuing
 - Public Information sessions are in process
 - This presentation is based on the Feb 25 2025 draft





Budget Review Process

Board	Commissions and Committees	Local Service Committees	Directors/Participants
February 21	As Scheduled	Creston A, B, C and Kaslo, D	As Scheduled
• Core Services (GA, RA, Building, GIS, Planning) • 911 Communications • Emergency Planning	• Parks • Recreation • Riondel Services • Utilities (Some CAC) • Resource Recovery (Subregional & Joint) • West Transit	• Library, Museum, Airport • FR/Search & Rescue • Creston and District Recreation • Kaslo/D Recreation • Economic Development	• Fire • Animal Control • Library, Cemetery, other contribution services. • Economic Development

**** Public budget review meetings are to be held between February and mid March to allow for a final draft of the budget to be ready for adoption by the entire Board on March 20 for submission to the ministry by March 31st.**

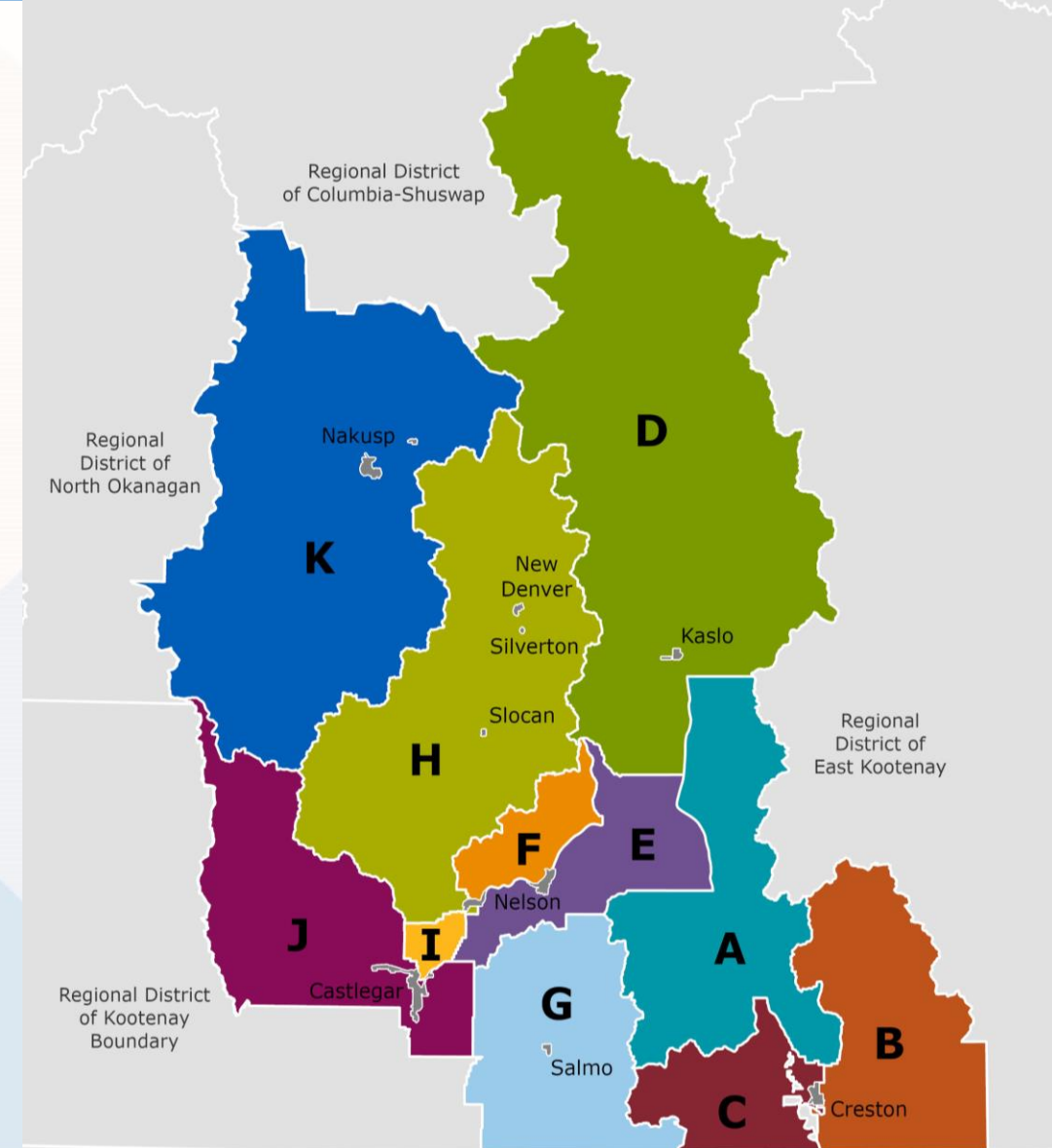


Regional District of Central Kootenay

- One of 27 Regional Districts in BC
- 11 Rural Electoral Areas (A to K)
- 10 Member Municipalities
- Providing 186 Services including:
 - Parks & Rec Facilities
 - Rural Fire Protection & Emerg. Mgmt
 - Resource Recovery & Waste
 - Building Inspection, Planning, GIS, Bylaw
 - Transit
- Each service stands on its own

Statistics

298 Full Time Equivalent (FTE) Employees
280 Volunteer Firefighters
62,500 residents (2021 Census)
22,000 square kilometres





BC Provincial Regulations Impacting the RDCK

Local Government Act

Community Charter

Accessible BC Act

Building Act

Climate Change Accountability Act

Declaration Act

Diking Authority Act

Drinking Water Protection Act

Election Act

Emergency and Disaster Management Act

Employment Standards Act

Environment and Land Use Act

Environmental Assessment Act

Environmental Management Act (Waste)

Financial Information Act

Fire Department Act

Fire Services Act

First Peoples' Heritage, Language and Culture Act

Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

Homeowner Protection Act

Hospital District Act

Housing Supply Act

Human Rights Code

Integrated Pest Management Act

Land Act

Land Survey Act

Land Title Act

Limitation Act

Local Elections Campaign Financing Act

Local Elections Statutes Amendment Act, 2014

Local Government Bylaw Notice Enforcement Act

Manufactured Home Act

Negligence Act

Ombudsperson Act

Personal Information Protection Act

Privacy Act

Property Law Act

Safety Authority Act

Safety Standards Act

Short-Term Rental Accommodations Act

Taxation (Rural Area) Act

Transportation Act

Wildfire Act

Workers Compensation Act



How are annual property taxes for RDCK services calculated?

Tax requisition amounts
required to fund each
service are determined
through the RDCK
budget process

Property assessment
values are determined
by BC Assessment

Tax rate \$/1000 for each Service

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Assessed value of each individual property

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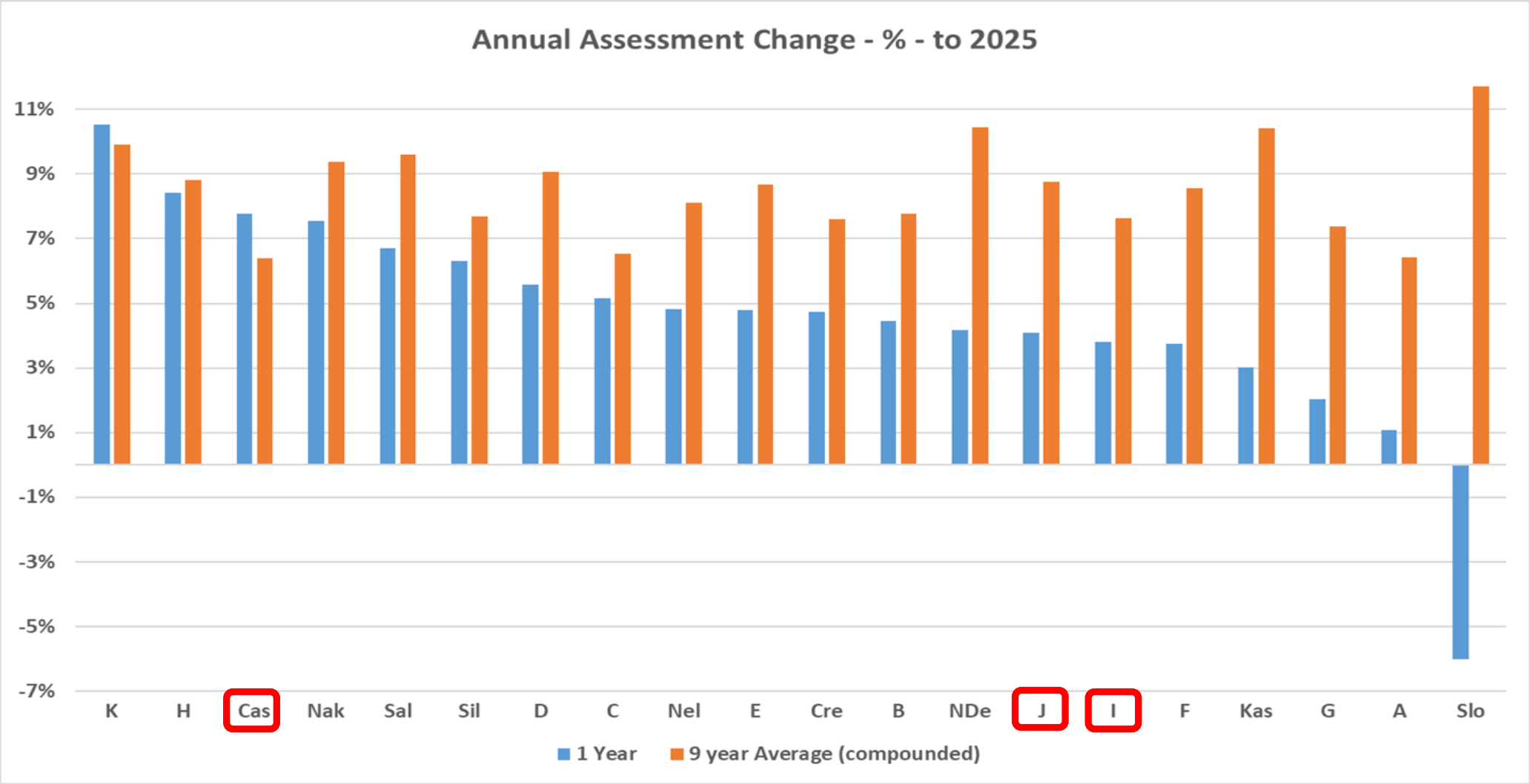
Property tax for each individual property
for each Service

*** parcel taxes are separate

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Annual Assessment Change: 1 Year vs 9 Year Average





Financial Plan Components

Latest Draft of the Financial Plan is available on the RDCK website

Electoral Area J Castlegar Rural		2025			2024			2023		
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Surveyor of Taxes - Collection Fee		0.089			0.088			0.083		
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Percentage Change from prior year		5.12%			11.38%			23.96%		
S138	FIRE PROT-DEF J ROBSON/RASBERRY	38,200,093	408,127	1.071	36,257,791	379,497	1.047	34,825,421	347,868	0.999
S145	FIRE PROT-DEF J-OOTISCHENIA	56,117,527	323,353	0.576	54,935,815	274,802	0.500	51,036,242	254,830	0.499
S146	FIRE PROT-DEF G, J -HUDU VALLEY	1,010,398	7,467	0.739	946,963	7,307	0.772	963,478	7,215	0.757
S147	FIRE PROT-FARVIEW CONTRACT	5,273,141	25,806	0.489	5,199,543	25,029	0.481	4,916,694	24,462	0.498
S170	STREET LIGHTING-DEF J ROBSON	2,854,405	3,400	0.128	2,512,500	3,400	0.135	2,417,130	2,700	0.112
S181	ANIMAL CONTROL-DEF J ROBSON	87,850,293	13,411	0.015	84,910,174	17,290	0.020	79,670,165	16,325	0.020
S216	CASTLEGAR & DISTRICT YOUTH PROGRAMS	103,543,323	-	-	100,153,679	-	-	95,484,299	-	-
S237	CON TRANSIT-CAS, DEF I, DEF J	66,038,772	48,771	0.074	63,572,892	45,558	0.072	87,004,492	45,558	0.052
S247	WATER UTILITY-DEF J LUCAS ROAD	557,715	-	-	596,405	-	-	579,620	-	-
S256	WATER UTILITY-DEF J WEST ROBSON	4,559,905	-	-	3,905,343	-	-	3,848,997	-	-

Regional District of Central Kootenay Assessment & Taxation Summary - 2025 & 2024 Comparative Electoral Areas and Municipalities											
	Assessments		Change	2025 Taxation Subtotal	Defined Area Taxation	Total Taxation		Total Taxation 2024	Gross Change (F-G)/G = H	Non Market Change I	Net Change H-I = J
	2025 Completed A	2024 Revised B	2025 vs. 2024 (A-B)/B = C			2025 D	2024 E				
ELECTORAL AREA 'A'	123,241,031	121,922,855	1.08%	1,608,912	1,116,633	2,725,545	2,596,033	5.0%	2.4%	2.6%	
ELECTORAL AREA 'B'	153,713,877	147,154,884	4.46%	3,841,929	962,948	4,804,877	4,549,383	5.6%	3.9%	1.9%	
ELECTORAL AREA 'C'	62,439,315	59,379,270	5.15%	1,548,739	420,221	1,968,960	1,841,482	6.9%	2.7%	4.3%	
ELECTORAL AREA 'D'	71,536,044	67,783,996	5.57%	945,923	527,582	1,473,505	1,246,891	18.2%	4.1%	14.0%	
ELECTORAL AREA 'E'	176,899,554	169,907,112	4.79%	2,307,002	1,654,450	3,961,451	3,526,325	12.4%	2.3%	10.1%	
ELECTORAL AREA 'F'	161,686,330	155,827,374	3.76%	3,187,578	896,206	4,083,784	3,667,574	11.3%	1.0%	10.4%	
ELECTORAL AREA 'G'	66,257,332	63,967,135	2.02%	1,124,311	454,318	1,578,629	1,476,147	6.9%	0.1%	6.8%	
ELECTORAL AREA 'H'	159,695,711	146,343,544	8.42%	1,284,952	2,049,652	3,334,604	3,023,473	10.3%	1.4%	8.9%	
ELECTORAL AREA 'I'	74,226,441	71,516,454	3.78%	1,025,653	802,768	1,828,421	1,671,991	9.4%	0.8%	8.6%	
ELECTORAL AREA 'J'	113,514,473	109,069,426	4.08%	1,915,154	831,334	2,746,488	2,574,530	6.7%	1.2%	5.5%	
ELECTORAL AREA 'K'	82,249,256	74,415,199	10.53%	587,471	474,946	1,062,417	946,245	12.3%	2.5%	9.7%	
CITY OF CASTLEGAR	309,401,196	287,108,170	7.76%	3,903,391	-	3,903,391	3,777,493	3.3%	1.0%	2.3%	
TOWN OF CRESTON	149,792,146	143,035,477	4.72%	3,331,316	-	3,331,316	3,147,811	5.8%	0.8%	5.0%	
VILLAGE OF KASLO	37,679,417	36,573,032	3.03%	734,549	-	734,549	653,867	10.6%	2.1%	8.5%	
VILLAGE OF NAKUSP	48,769,696	45,348,145	7.54%	696,165	-	696,165	645,219	8.2%	1.3%	6.9%	
CITY OF NELSON	450,173,645	429,453,930	4.82%	5,780,154	-	5,780,154	5,293,743	9.2%	1.3%	7.9%	
VILLAGE OF NEW DENVER	19,132,124	18,540,406	4.18%	173,563	-	173,563	157,694	10.1%	1.7%	8.4%	
VILLAGE OF SALMO	25,085,684	23,510,519	6.70%	397,432	-	397,432	362,515	9.6%	2.3%	7.4%	
VILLAGE OF SILVERTON	9,115,000	8,573,269	6.32%	86,825	-	86,825	76,375	13.7%	0.3%	13.4%	
VILLAGE OF SLOCAN	10,519,932	11,192,988	-6.01%	207,111	-	207,111	209,846	-1.3%	0.5%	-1.8%	
	2,303,699,114	2,189,903,105	5.20%	-	-	44,881,188	41,452,699	8.3%	1.8%	6.5%	

Assessment and Taxation Summary

• Comparison by Area / Municipality

S121 Advisory Planning-Area E

INCOME		2024 DRAFT	2024 Budget	2025 Budget	2026 Budget	2027 Budget	2028 Budget	2029 Budget
41010	Requisitions	775	775	0	0	0	0	0
41020	Grants in lieu of Taxes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
49100	Prior Year Surplus	10,622	10,622	11,091	10,313	9,532	8,748	7,960
Total Income		11,397	11,397	11,091	10,313	9,532	8,748	7,960
EXPENSES		2024 DRAFT	2024 Budget	2025 Budget	2026 Budget	2027 Budget	2028 Budget	2029 Budget
52010	Travel	0	219	213	207	200	194	0
53020	Admin, Office Supplies & Postage	0	150	150	150	150	150	150
53040	Advertising	0	100	100	100	100	100	100
59100	Accumulated Operating Surplus	0	10,622	10,313	9,532	8,748	7,960	7,355
59510	Transfer to Other Service - General Admin. Fee	306	306	315	324	334	344	355
Total Expenses		306	11,397	11,091	10,313	9,532	8,748	7,960
Total Service		11,091	0	0	(0)	(0)	(0)	0

Detailed Service Statements

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Taxation Details Example – Area I

Electoral Area I Castlegar Rural

		2025			2024			2023		
		Assessment	Requisition	Rate/\$1,000	Assessment	Requisition	Rate/\$1,000	Assessment	Requisition	Rate/\$1,000
S100	GENERAL ADMINISTRATION	74,228,441	67,086	0.090	71,516,454	63,117	0.088	67,584,313	70,787	0.105
S269	DISCRETIONARY GRANTS	74,228,441	11,783	0.016	71,516,454	10,086	0.014	67,584,313	11,747	0.017
S101	RURAL ADMINISTRATION	74,228,441	104,829	0.141	71,516,454	84,976	0.119	67,584,313	89,836	0.133
S102	GIS SERVICE	74,228,441	12,428	0.017	71,516,454	12,186	0.017	67,584,313	12,291	0.018
S103	BUILDING INSPECTION	74,228,441	58,136	0.078	71,516,454	46,677	0.065	67,584,313	38,477	0.057
S104	PLANNING AND LAND USE	74,228,441	63,963	0.086	71,516,454	54,766	0.077	67,584,313	53,082	0.079
S105	COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY	74,228,441	11,245	0.015	71,516,454	12,200	0.017	67,584,313	12,040	0.018
S106	FEASIBILITY STUDY SERVICE	74,228,441	-	-	71,516,454	-	-	67,584,313	-	-
S115	EDC- AREAS I AND J	74,228,441	19,395	0.026	71,516,454	7,920	0.011	67,584,313	-	-
S125	ADVISORY PLANNING-AREA I	74,228,441	-	-	71,516,454	-	-	67,584,313	-	-
S149	JAWS OF LIFE AREA I&J	74,228,441	10,728	0.014	71,516,454	10,009	0.014	67,584,313	9,762	0.014
S155	SEARCH & RESCUE - CASTLEGAR	74,228,441	3,161	0.004	71,516,454	3,233	0.005	67,584,313	3,168	0.005
S156	EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS 911	74,228,441	32,614	0.044	71,516,454	25,802	0.036	67,584,313	23,463	0.035
S163	EMERGENCY PLANNING-AREAS I&J	74,228,441	52,359	0.071	71,516,454	50,971	0.071	67,584,313	47,896	0.071
S188	REFUSE-WESTERN SUBREGION	74,228,441	67,587	0.091	71,516,454	62,470	0.087	67,584,313	60,453	0.089
S190	SEPTAGE DISPOSAL-WEST RURAL	74,228,441	-	-	71,516,454	-	-	67,584,313	-	-
S198	LIBRARY-AREA I	74,228,441	75,375	0.102	71,516,454	73,286	0.102	67,584,313	71,970	0.106
S216	CASTLEGAR & DISTRICT YOUTH PROGRAMS	74,228,441	-	-	71,516,454	-	-	67,584,313	-	-
S222	ARENA-CAST I J-CAST COMPLEX/REGIONAL PARKS	74,228,441	422,497	0.569	71,516,454	479,874	0.671	67,584,313	424,601	0.628
S239	KOOTWEST - AREA D-K, DEF A, EX CRESTON	74,228,441	12,465	0.017	71,516,454	9,234	0.013	67,584,313	9,897	0.015
S137	FIRE PROT-DEF AREA I	75,345,231	619,405	0.822	72,573,798	510,570	0.704	68,701,086	473,665	0.689
Regional Requisition		\$ 1,645,058			\$ 1,517,378			\$ 1,413,136		
Residential Rate per \$1,000 of Assessment		2.204			2.111			2.080		
Surveyor of Taxes - Collection Fee		0.116			0.111			0.109		
Estimated Rate per \$1,000 of Assesment		2.320			2.222			2.189		
Difference (\$) from prior year		127,679			104,242			274,525		
Percentage Change from prior year		8.41%			7.38%			24.11%		
S142	SLOCAN VALLEY FIRE	108,600	1,147	1.056	102,500	1,109	1.082	97,700	1,036	1.060
S169	STREET LIGHTING-DEF I BRILLIANT	4,975,874	9,900	0.199	4,659,467	8,200	0.176	4,348,825	6,500	0.149
S172	STREET LIGHTING-DEF I VOYKIN-P TAX	3,078,745	-	-	3,061,485	-	-	2,921,355	-	-
S180	ANIMAL CONTROL-DEF I BRILLIANT	5,297,050	2,271	0.043	4,957,114	2,241	0.045	4,629,935	2,209	0.048
S227	AQUATIC CENTRE-CAST,J, DEF I	43,817,467	141,059	0.322	41,845,017	114,918	0.275	38,758,682	79,499	0.205
S237	CON TRANSIT-CAS, DEF I, DEF J	95,849,049	28,987	0.030	92,584,444	27,245	0.029	59,857,728	27,245	0.046

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Percentage Change from prior year		5.12%			11.38%			23.96%		
S138	FIRE PROT-DEF J ROBSON/RASBERRY	38,200,093	409,127	1.071	36,257,791	379,497	1.047	34,825,421	347,868	0.999
S145	FIRE PROT-DEF J-OOTISCHENIA	56,117,527	323,353	0.576	54,935,815	274,602	0.500	51,036,242	254,830	0.499
S146	FIRE PROT-DEF G, J -HUDU VALLEY	1,010,398	7,467	0.739	946,963	7,307	0.772	953,478	7,215	0.757
S147	FIRE PROT-FAIRVIEW CONTRACT	5,273,141	25,806	0.489	5,199,543	25,029	0.481	4,916,694	24,462	0.498
S170	STREET LIGHTING-DEF J ROBSON	2,654,405	3,400	0.128	2,512,500	3,400	0.135	2,417,120	2,700	0.112
S181	ANIMAL CONTROL-DEF J ROBSON	87,850,293	13,411	0.015	84,910,174	17,250	0.020	79,670,155	16,325	0.020
S216	CASTLEGAR & DISTRICT YOUTH PROGRAMS	103,543,323	-	-	100,153,675	-	-	95,464,299	-	-
S237	CON TRANSIT-CAS, DEF I, DEF J	66,038,772	48,771	0.074	63,572,692	45,558	0.072	87,004,492	45,558	0.052
S247	WATER UTILITY-DEF J LUCAS ROAD	557,715	-	-	596,405	-	-	579,620	-	-
S256	WATER UTILITY-DEF J-WEST ROBSON	4,059,905	-	-	3,905,343	-	-	3,848,997	-	-

Taxation Details Example – City of Castlegar

City of Castlegar		2025			2024			2023		
		Assessment		Rate/\$1,000	Assessment		Rate/\$1,000	Assessment		Rate/\$1,000
S100	GENERAL ADMINISTRATION	309,401,196	279,629	0.090	287,108,170	253,389	0.088	277,203,326	290,340	0.105
S155	SEARCH & RESCUE - CASTLEGAR	309,401,196	13,178	0.004	287,108,170	12,980	0.005	277,203,326	12,993	0.005
S188	REFUSE-WESTERN SUBREGION	309,401,196	280,928	0.091	287,108,170	262,644	0.091	277,203,326	252,542	0.091
S222	ARENA-CAST I J-CAST COMPLEX/REGIONAL PARKS	309,401,196	1,761,065	0.569	287,108,170	1,926,490	0.671	277,203,326	1,741,542	0.628
S227	AQUATIC CENTRE-CAST,J, DEF I	309,401,196	996,034	0.322	287,108,170	788,476	0.275	277,203,326	568,580	0.205
S237	CON TRANSIT-CAS, DEF I, DEF J	309,401,196	397,921	0.129	287,108,170	373,844	0.130	277,203,326	373,844	0.135
S239	KOOTWEST - AREA D-K, DEF A, EX CRESTON	309,401,196	57,610	0.019	287,108,170	42,674	0.015	277,203,326	45,738	0.016
S298	CITY OF CASTLEGAR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SERVICE	309,401,196	117,025	0.038	287,108,170	116,995	0.04	277,203,326	116,975	0.04
Regional Requisition			3,903,391			3,777,493			3,402,554	
Residential Rate per \$1,000 of Assessment				1.262			1.316			1.227
Difference (\$) from prior year			125,898			374,938			618,749	
Percentage Change from prior year			3.33%			11.02%			22.23%	



Rural Property Tax Bill - Example

The BC government is providing property tax relief during COVID-19.
Visit gov.bc.ca/annualpropertytax for more information.
See insert for information about potential penalties for late payment.
Postmarks are not accepted as date of payment.

The *Rural Property Tax Notice* for the period ending December 31, 2020 has been sent to all property owners. The easiest way to pay your taxes and claim your home owner grant is online using eTaxBC at gov.bc.ca/ruralpropertytax. Find all payment options on the reverse.

	Class	Land Value	Improvements	Rate	No Grant A	Reg Grant B	Add'l Grant C
Provincial Services							
School	01	169,000	321,000	2.06570	1,012.19	1,012.19	1,012.19
Less: Home Owner Grant					0.00	(770.00)	(1,012.19)
Net School					1,012.19	242.19	0.00
Provincial Rural Tax	01	169,000	321,000	0.47000	230.30	230.30	230.30
Police Tax	01	169,000	321,000	0.13330	65.32	65.32	65.32
Local Services							
BEAS/BLEW FIRE - AREA F	01	169,000	321,000	0.66466	325.68	325.68	325.68
F CENTRAL KOOTENAY	01	169,000	321,000	2.13276	1,045.05	1,045.05	1,045.05
W KOOT-BOUNDARY HOSP	01	169,000	321,000	0.24875	121.89	121.89	121.89
BC ASSESSMENT	01	169,000	321,000	0.04260	20.87	20.87	20.87
MUNICIPAL FINANCE AUTHORITY	01	169,000	321,000	0.00020	0.10	0.10	0.10
Residual Home Owner Grant					0.00	0.00	(32.81)
TOTAL 2020 PROPERTY TAXES					2,821.40	2,051.40	1,776.40
BALANCE					2,821.40	2,051.40	1,776.40

Assessment and Taxation Change by Area / Municipality

	Assessments		Change	Total Taxation	Total Taxation	Gross	Non	Net
	2025 Completed	2024 Revised	2025 vs. 2024	2025	2024	Change	Market	Change
	A	B	(A-B)/B = C	D + E = F	G	(F-G)/G = H	I	H - I = J
ELECTORAL AREA 'A'	123,241,031	121,922,855	1.08%	2,725,545	2,596,033	5.0%	2.4%	2.6%
ELECTORAL AREA 'B'	153,713,877	147,154,804	4.46%	4,804,877	4,549,383	5.6%	3.8%	1.9%
ELECTORAL AREA 'C'	62,439,315	59,379,270	5.15%	1,968,960	1,841,482	6.9%	2.7%	4.3%
ELECTORAL AREA 'D'	71,536,044	67,763,996	5.57%	1,473,505	1,246,891	18.2%	4.1%	14.0%
ELECTORAL AREA 'E'	176,898,554	168,807,112	4.79%	3,961,451	3,525,325	12.4%	2.3%	10.1%
ELECTORAL AREA 'F'	161,686,330	155,827,374	3.76%	4,083,784	3,667,574	11.3%	1.0%	10.4%
ELECTORAL AREA 'G'	65,257,332	63,967,135	2.02%	1,578,629	1,476,147	6.9%	0.1%	6.8%
ELECTORAL AREA 'H'	158,665,711	146,343,544	8.42%	3,334,604	3,023,473	10.3%	1.4%	8.9%
ELECTORAL AREA 'I'	74,228,441	71,516,454	3.79%	1,828,421	1,671,091	9.4%	0.8%	8.6%
ELECTORAL AREA 'J'	113,514,473	109,069,426	4.08%	2,746,488	2,574,530	6.7%	1.2%	5.5%
ELECTORAL AREA 'K'	82,249,256	74,415,199	10.53%	1,062,417	946,245	12.3%	2.5%	9.7%
CITY OF CASTLEGAR	309,401,196	287,108,170	7.76%	3,903,391	3,777,493	3.3%	1.0%	2.3%
TOWN OF CRESTON	149,792,146	143,035,477	4.72%	3,331,316	3,147,811	5.8%	0.8%	5.0%
VILLAGE OF KASLO	37,679,417	36,573,032	3.03%	734,549	663,867	10.6%	2.1%	8.6%
VILLAGE OF NAKUSP	48,769,606	45,348,145	7.54%	698,165	645,219	8.2%	1.3%	6.9%
CITY OF NELSON	450,173,645	429,453,930	4.82%	5,780,154	5,293,743	9.2%	1.3%	7.9%
VILLAGE OF NEW DENVER	19,732,124	18,940,406	4.18%	173,563	157,654	10.1%	1.7%	8.4%
VILLAGE OF SALMO	25,085,684	23,510,519	6.70%	397,432	362,515	9.6%	2.3%	7.4%
VILLAGE OF SILVERTON	9,115,000	8,573,269	6.32%	86,825	76,375	13.7%	0.3%	13.4%
VILLAGE OF SLOCAN	10,519,932	11,192,988	-6.01%	207,111	209,846	-1.3%	0.5%	-1.8%
	2,303,699,114	2,189,903,105	5.20%	44,881,188	41,452,699	8.3%	1.8%	6.5%



2025 Overall Outlook

- Projected average tax increase of 6.5% in the Feb 25 draft budget.
 - Lower than many other Regional District's and municipalities draft financial plans for 2025.
- \$45.8M total tax requisitions for 2025 in the current draft plan are \$700K lower than the \$46.5M total tax requisitions forecasted for 2025 in the 2024-2028 Financial Plan.
- CPI Increase on staff salaries and Director stipends – 3.3%.
 - Effectively using a two-year CPI average to smooth annual increases and decreases
- Decreasing Interest rates are reducing interest charges on short term loans
 - But also reducing investment income.
- Continued work on implementing a formal Asset Management Plan (AMP)
 - A growing requirement for external grant streams, particularly Community Works.
 - New Asset Management Specialist position planned for 2025



2025 Challenges and Opportunities

- Trade Disputes including Tariffs & Counter Tariffs
 - Increased procurement costs
 - Slowing economic activity: lower building permit, waste disposal and recreation fee revenue
 - A more severe economic downturn could have a wider effect
- Fluctuating Canadian Dollar
 - Could lead to increased inflation and procurement costs for the RDCK
- New Federal Government
 - Uncertain impact on the RDCK.
- Artificial Intelligence
 - Technology is evolving quickly
 - Currently seeing limited, although successful use at the RDCK
 - Need to be mindful of accuracy and privacy concerns
 - Working on an AI Strategy including staff training components



Castlegar / I / J

General Administration

Service S100

General Administration

- Includes Corporate Administration, Finance, Information Technology, Human Resources, CAO & Municipal Directors

General Administration - S101

- 8% Taxation Increase
- \$138K roofing replacement on Lakeside office
- Housing availability and high expectations for wages and compensation are impeding recruitment efforts
- Begin migration to SharePoint for records management
- Continued migration to Microsoft 365 environment
- Continuing to build Cyber Security system resiliency
- New website launching soon
- Organizational Review process to commence in 2025



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Rural Administration

Service S101

Rural Admin. - S101

- 25% Taxation Increase in 2025

Regional Fire Services Overhead

- Oversight and coordination of 21 RDCK fire protection and 911 services including SPU and BCWS deployments and firefighter training.
- Most of the overhead costs are allocated out to the 21 fire protection services
- Expecting ~\$475K UBCM training grant in 2025
- \$75K from reserves to fund a command vehicle in 2025



Bylaw Enforcement

- Includes Noise, Animal Control, Unsightly & Nuisance Properties, Zoning and Soil Removal/Deposit Bylaw Enforcement
- Bylaws vary by electoral area



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GIS

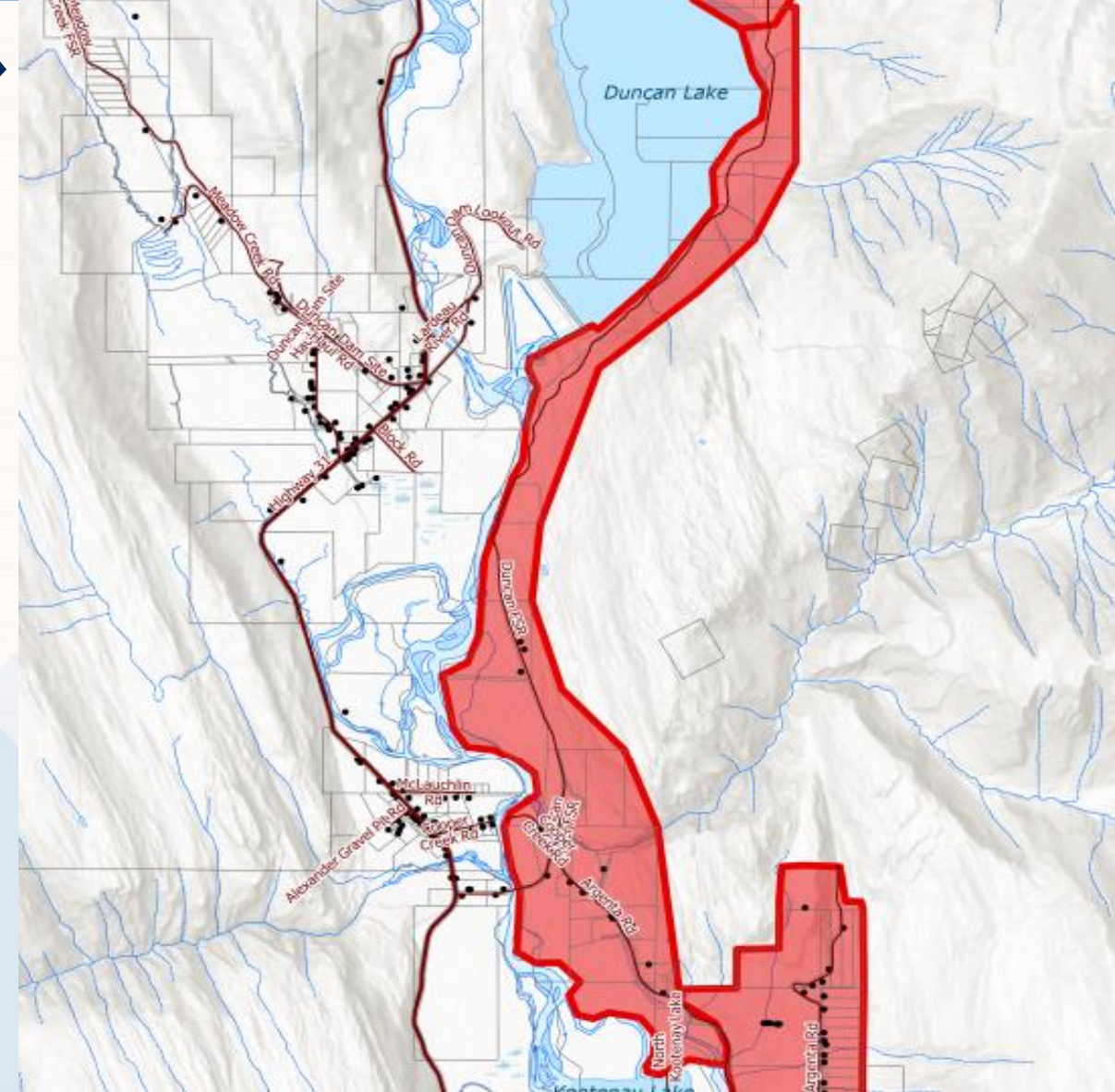
Service S102

Geospatial Information Systems (GIS)

- Provides regional mapping services for internal and external uses, including public web map, landfill measurements and mapping for fire services and emergency services including mapping of evacuation alerts and orders.

GIS - S102

- 3% Taxation Increase
- \$40K GIS strategic assessment underway
- \$41K for required upgrades to ESRI GIS system
- \$30K for upgrades to Real Time Kinematics (RTK) unit
- Working on grant funded \$75K NG911 project





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Building Inspection

Service S103

Building Inspection - S103

- 26% Taxation Increase
- Permit revenue softened considerably in 2024
 - \$636K actual vs \$950K budget
- Two open building inspection positions have been removed from the budget while new permit activity remains low
- Staying current with revisions to BC Building Code, including Seismic Accessibility
- New accounting standards may impact permit fee revenue recognition going forward





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Planning & Land Use

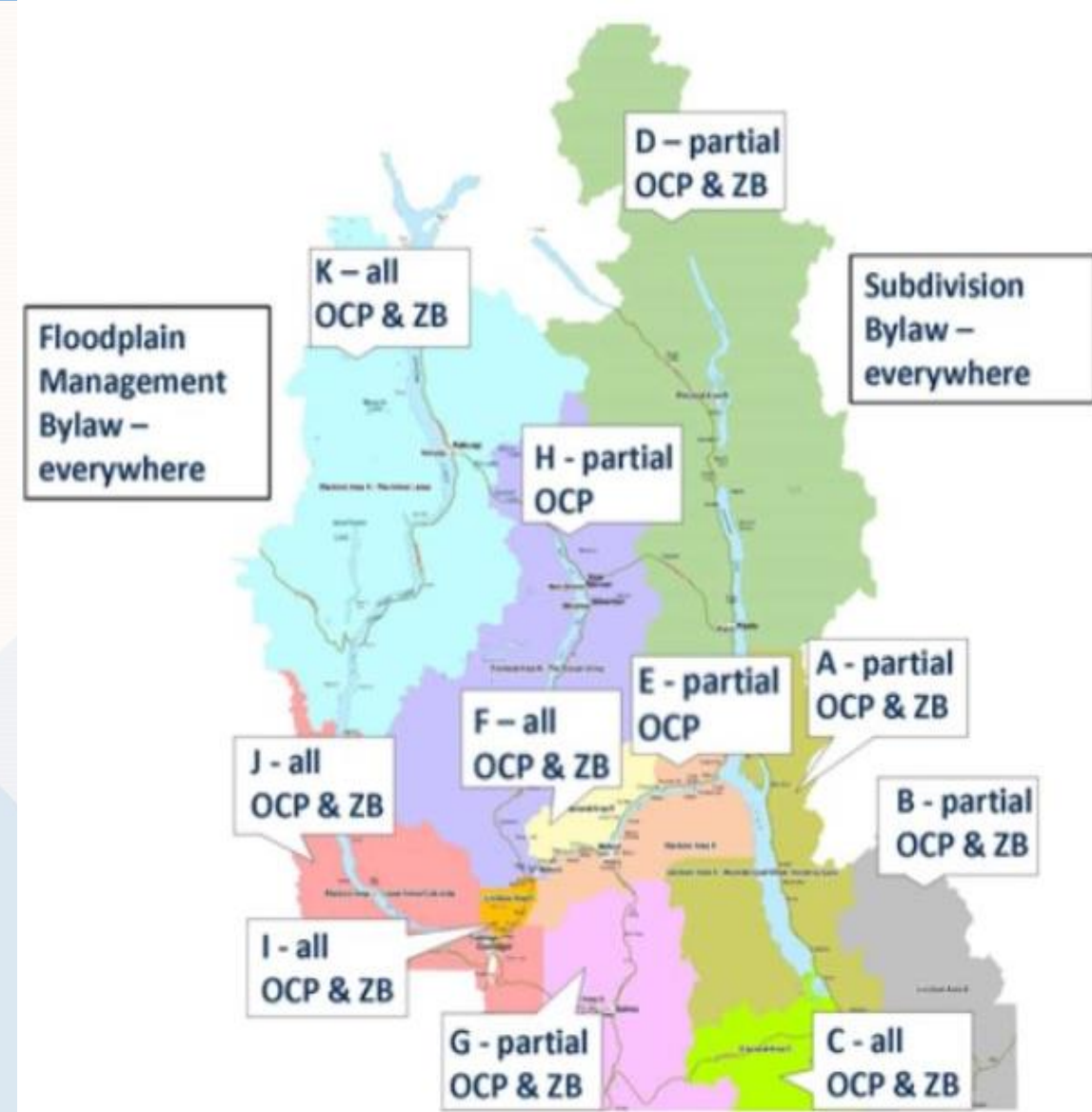
Service S104

Planning Department

- Responsible for administration of zoning, land use and development applications
- Development of long-term community plans
- Administers RDCK land use & zoning bylaws, standards and policies

Planning & Land Use - S104

- 18% Taxation Increase
- Receiving Provincial Funding to address housing regulation
- Subdivision servicing bylaw
- Revise Floodplain bylaw
- Regional and Local Community Needs Project





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West Resource Recovery

Service S188

West Resource Recovery (Castlegar/H/I/J/K/Slocan/New Denver/Silverton/Nakusp)

- Includes transfer stations, recycling depots and landfills, as well as transportation of materials.

West Resource Recovery – S188

- 8% Taxation and 10% tipping fee increases
- Change to contaminated wood waste management in May 2025
- West transfer station upgrades nearly complete
- Nakusp Landfill closure planning underway
- Phase 1 of Legacy Landfill assessments
- Commercial and rural organics diversion initiatives
- Ootischenia landfill development planning
- Procurement process for EcoDepots in Castlegar & Nakusp





Recreation

Service 222: Arena, Parks and Operational Costs

Proposed Taxation Decrease: -10.9% or \$308,548

Park Highlights

- There are 5 parks in Service 222. The work mentioned is only the major projects taking place in 2025. It does not detail general park maintenance.
- 1 Seasonal Parks Maintenance position made into a Full Time Parks Position to support all RDCK parks maintenance.

GLADE

- Continue with park upgrades; based off of the information provided from the community in the Spring of 2024.
- Non-Farm-Use application to the Agricultural Land Reserve.

PASS CREEK

- Water System Upgrades on Exhibition Grounds.

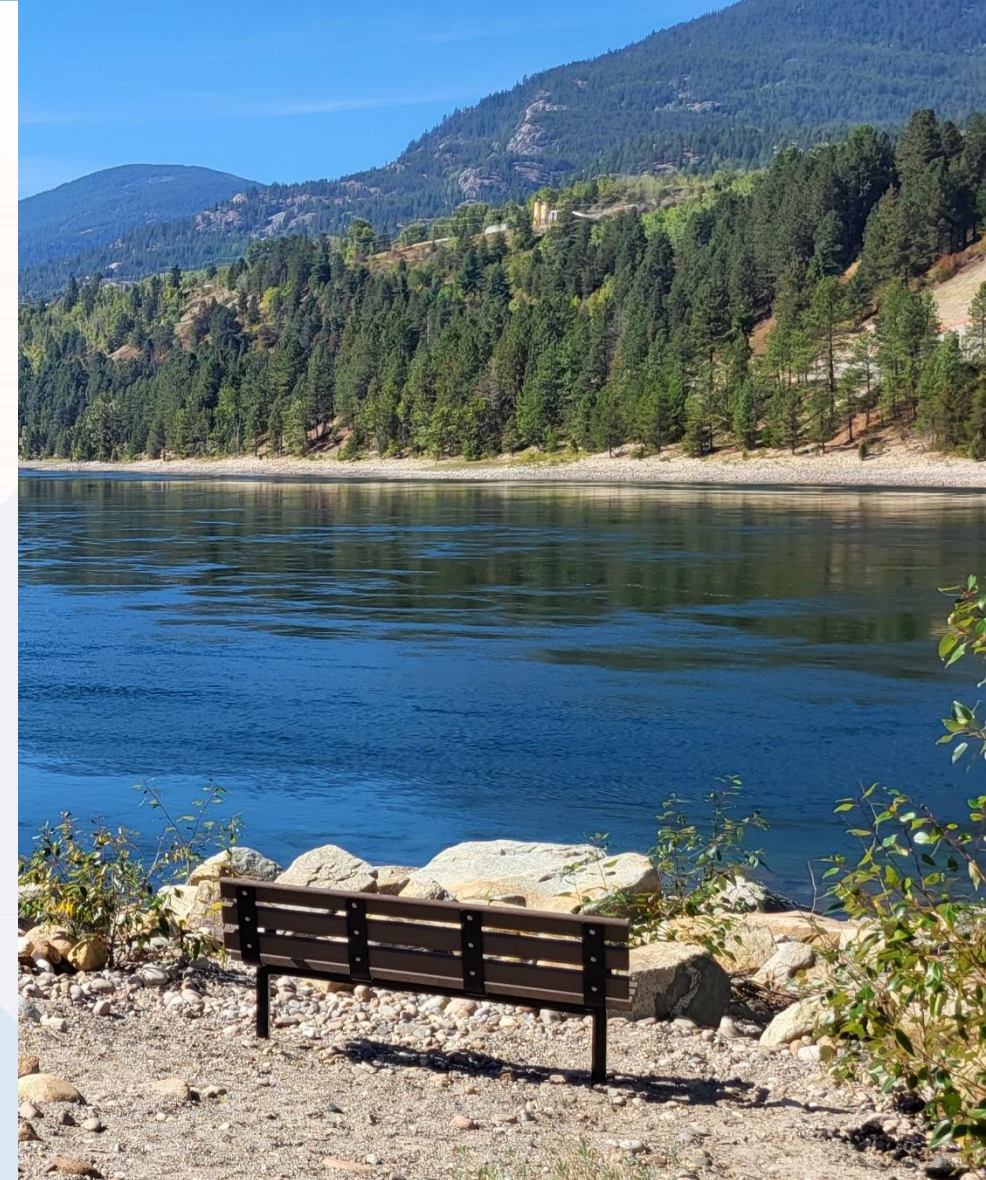


WATERLOO EDDY

- Ongoing ecosystem enhancement project work with the Okanagan Nation Alliance.
- Continue with motorized restriction area work

ROBSON BOAT RAMP

- Boat launch board and deck repairs





Castlegar / Area I / Area J

Recreation

Service 222: Arena, Parks and Operational Costs

Proposed Taxation Decrease: -10.9% or \$308,548

RDCK Regional Parks, Trails and Water Access Strategy

- The strategy will identify the strategic priorities that define the future direction, philosophy, policies, and actions for the provision of both regional and community parks services.
- Working Group Meetings
- Completion in Fall 2025





Castlegar / Area I / Area J

Recreation

Service 222: Arena, Parks and Operational Costs

Proposed Taxation Decrease: -10.9% or \$308,548

Castlegar & District Community Complex - Arena

- City of Castlegar, Area J and all of Area I pay into Service 222

2025 Capital Projects

Arena Roof Top
Unit (HVAC)

\$75,000

Arena Roof Coating

\$425,000

Started in 2024

Arena Roof
Insulation

\$450,000

Arena Doors

\$125,000

Complex Roof
Repairs

\$885,000

Pioneer Arena
Decommissioning

\$100,000

Glade Park Legacy
Project

\$130,000

2025 Total
Capital Costs

\$2,190,000





Castlegar / Area I / Area J

Recreation

Service 227: Aquatics/Fitness

Proposed Taxation Increase: 24.9% or \$299,594

Castlegar & District Community Complex – Aquatics/Fitness

- City of Castlegar, Area J and only a portion of Area I pay into Service 227

2025 Capital Projects

Roof Top Units (HVAC)

\$75,000



Pool Roof Repairs

\$1,600,000



\$1.675
Million





Castlegar / Area I / Area J

Recreation

Service 222 and 227

Repairs & Maintenance

Service 222



Ongoing Skateboard
Park Repairs

\$10,000

Repairs in 2024 were \$15,000

- Concession stove and walk-in cooler
- Pass Creek water system

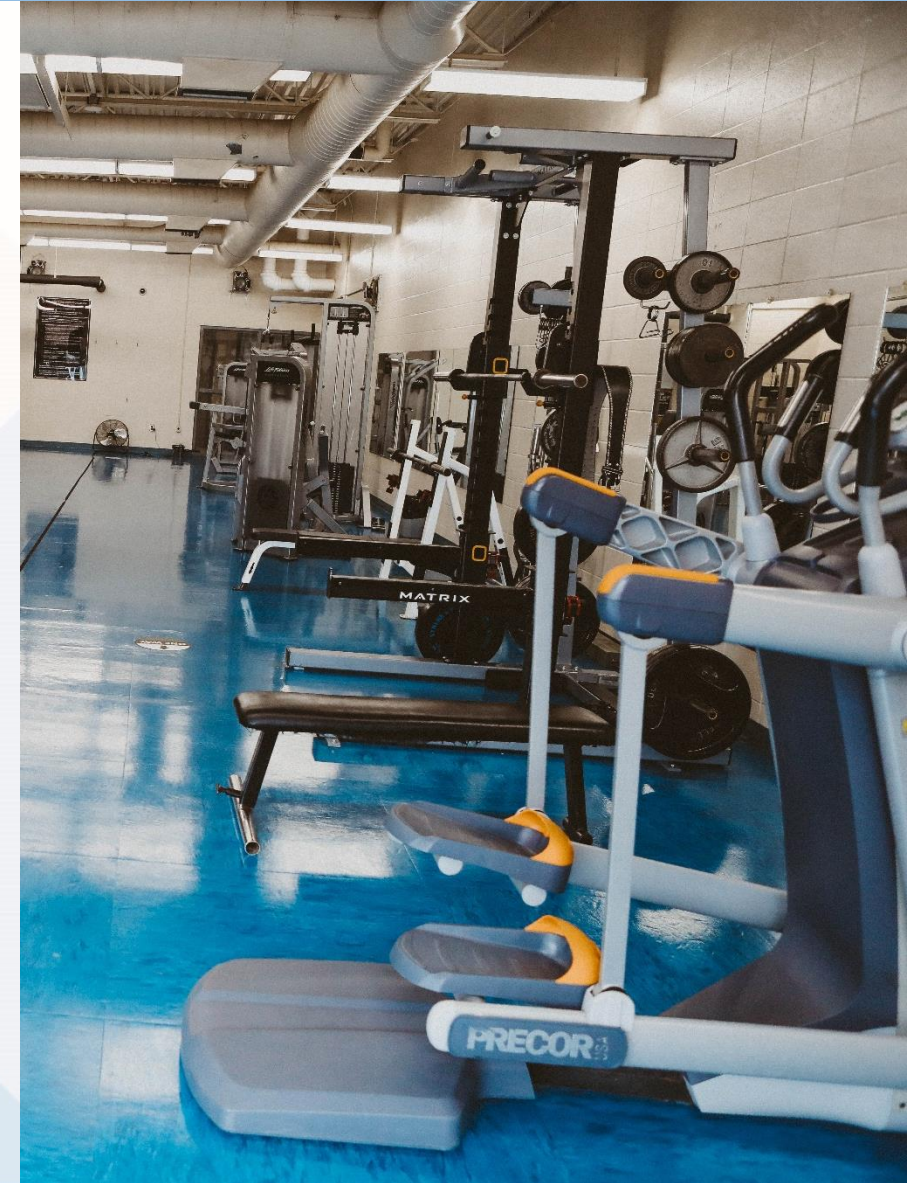
Service 227



Fitness Equipment

\$15,000

- Office equipment and improvements
- Pool viewing area flooring and seating





Recreation - 5 Year Capital Plan

Service 222



Service 227



Commission is in year three of a capital funding program where taxation is targeted to increase by \$100,000 a year until reaching a \$1,000,000 in 2027.



Recreation - Financial Access & Inclusion

Low Cost Recreation

- Programming geared toward offering recreation opportunities at no or a low cost to the public.

CHEER program offers

\$2

plus tax general
admission once a month

Seeking out
sponsorships to offer

FREE

events for the public

Leisure Access Program

- This program provides further subsidy on general admission, membership services, and registered programs.
- Changes were implemented to the program in January 2025 to increase access and opportunity for RDCK residents.

1130

patrons currently
enrolled in the
Leisure Access
Program across
the RDCK

All above mentioned programs are offered under the Community Services Financial Access & Inclusion policy passed by the board in 2024. This policy aims to provide opportunities for RDCK residents, across the financial need spectrum, with opportunities to access recreation services.

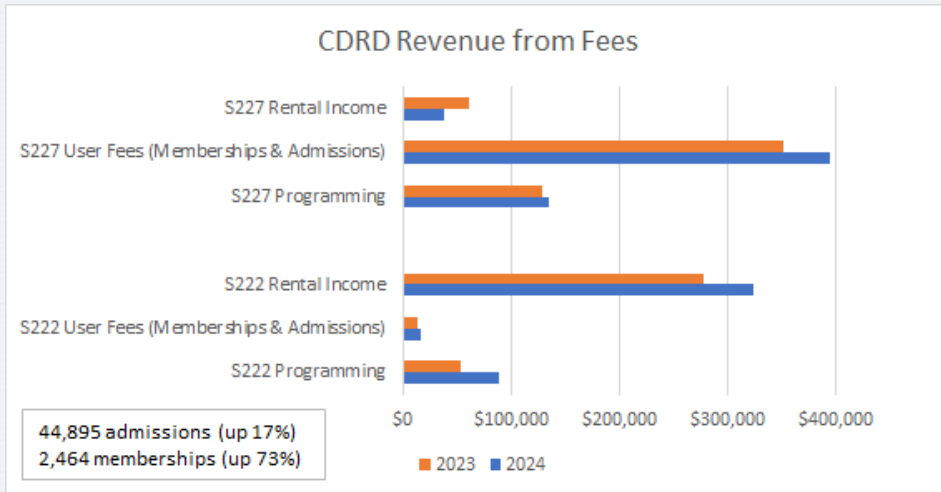


Recreation

Service 222 and 227

Castlegar & District Community Complex

- There was an overall increase in facility usage through memberships and general admissions in 2024.



2025 Programming Initiatives



DATA COLLECTION & ANALYSIS

- Continue work to enhance our data collection methods in all recreation facilities to support decision making processes.



PROGRAM COSTING ANALYSIS

- Improved accuracy of direct and indirect program costs



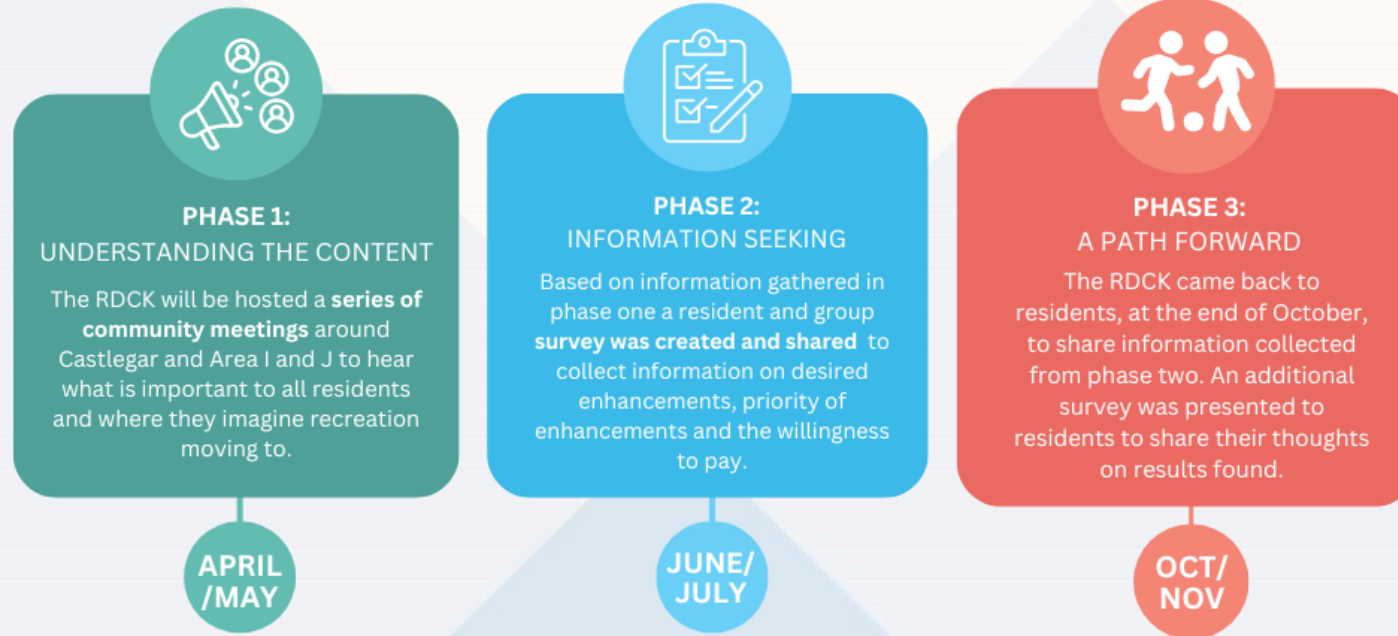
SPACE ALLOCATION

- Updating current allocation procedures to maximize space to meet both user groups and public use needs.



Recreation – Reimagining Recreation

Service 222 and 227



- The RDCK will be sharing the final report, which will include recommendations based on the all three phase's data at the next Commission meeting in March.
- Visit engage.rdck.ca for more information.



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Emergency Planning

Service S163

Emergency Planning - S163

- 6% Taxation Increase
- Continued implementation of the new Emergency and Disaster Management Act (EDMA)
 - Emergency plans, risk assessments, business continuity plans
 - Multi-jurisdictional planning underway
 - Aligning bylaw, policy, procedures and templates
 - Expansion of the Neighbourhood Emergency Preparedness Program
- Increasing Emergency Support Services (ESS) capacity
- Community Emergency Preparedness Fund grants for EOC & ESS
- New \$230K CBT Community Readiness Partnership
- Implement recommendations from 2024 Wildfire Season Review
- FireSmart programs including Rebates, Neighbourhood Recognition and CWRP updates, funded through UBCM CRI FireSmart Program.





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911 Communications

Service S156

911 Communications - S156

- 28% Taxation Increase
- \$56K combined increase in contracted service costs for external 911 Dispatch (Kelowna) and Fire Dispatch (Prince George) services
- \$30K increase in services to continue migration to Next Generation 911 (NG911)
- \$100K in new radio infrastructure including repeaters to be funded from reserves





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Fire Protection

Services S137, S138, S146 and S147

Region Wide 2025 Initiatives

- Continuing multi-year replacement of Personal Protective and other equipment to meet regulatory requirements
- Continuing capital reserve contributions
- Utilizing CBT Small Community Wildfire readiness grants

Tarrys/Pass Creek – S137 (I)

- 22% Taxation Increase
- Previous year had a surplus that helped reduce taxation
- Cost pressures due to regulations for equipment & asset replacement and increased debt servicing costs
- Procurement of replacement fire apparatus for Tarrys in progress
- Next apparatus due for Pass Creek in 2032





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Fire Protection – cont.

Services S137, S138, S146, S147

Robson – S138 (J)

- 8% Taxation Increase
- Next Apparatus due for Robson in 2036

Ootischenia – S145 (J)

- 20% Taxation Increase
- Apparatus bay addition complete in 2025
- Next Apparatus due for Ootischenia in 2030

Hudu Contract – S146 (J)

- 1% Taxation Increase

Fairview Contract – S147 (J)

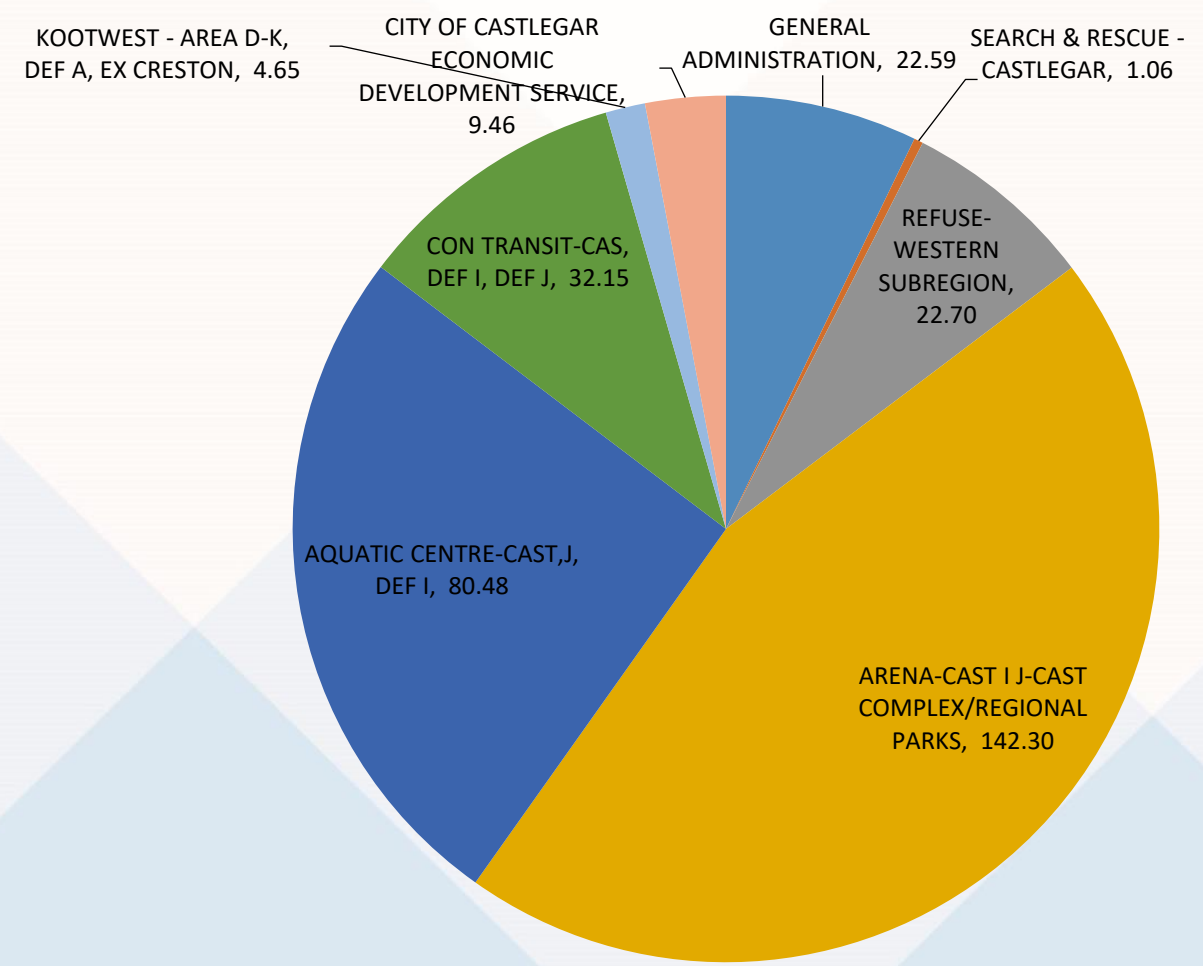
- 3% Taxation Increase





City of Castlegar – RDCK Tax Bill

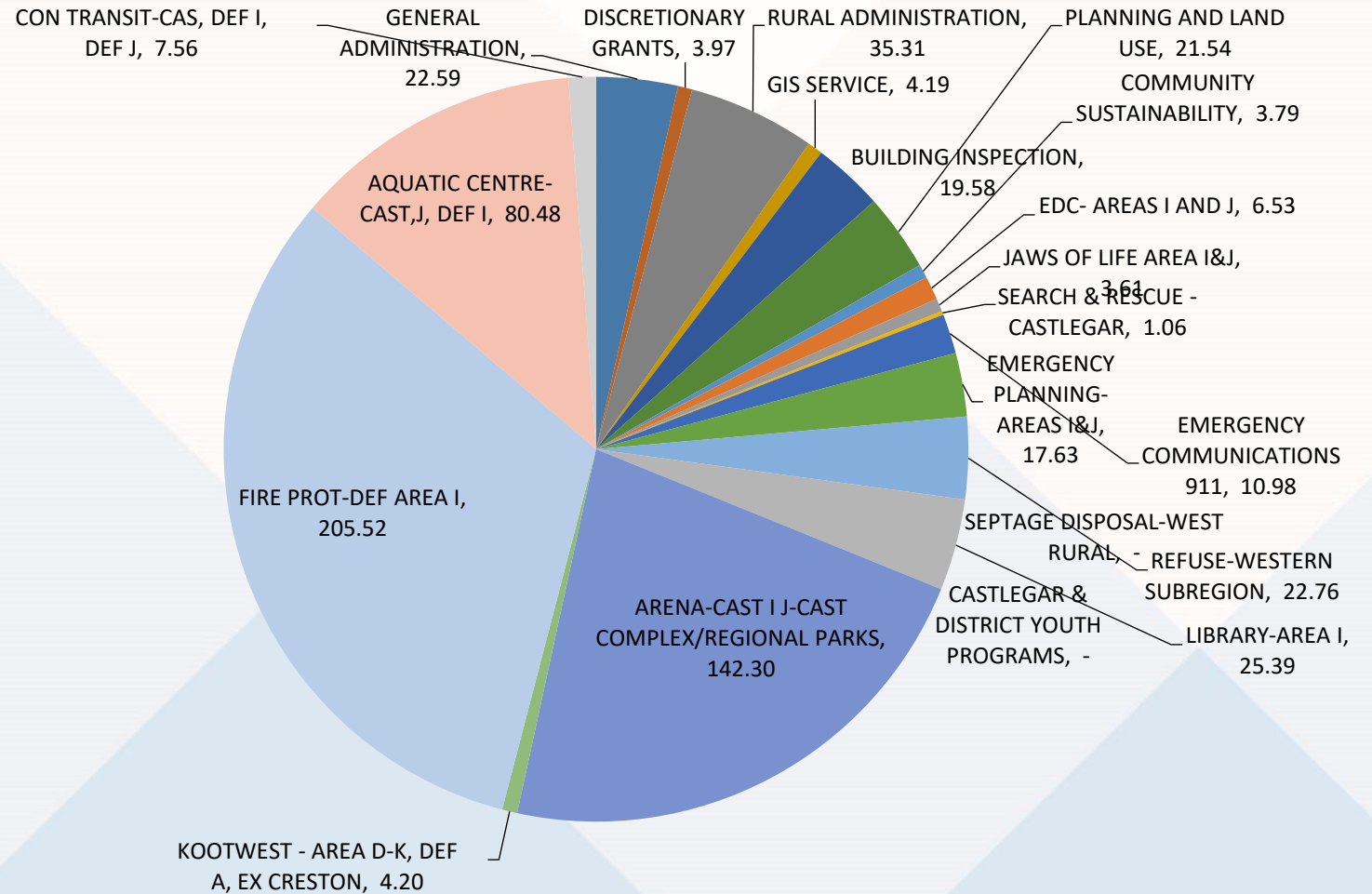
Per \$250,000 of
Home Value
\$ 315 Tax Bill
\$ 329 - 2024





Area I - Thrums/Pass Creek/Glade – RDCK Tax Bill

Per \$250,000 of
Home Value
\$ 639 Tax Bill
\$ 604 - 2024

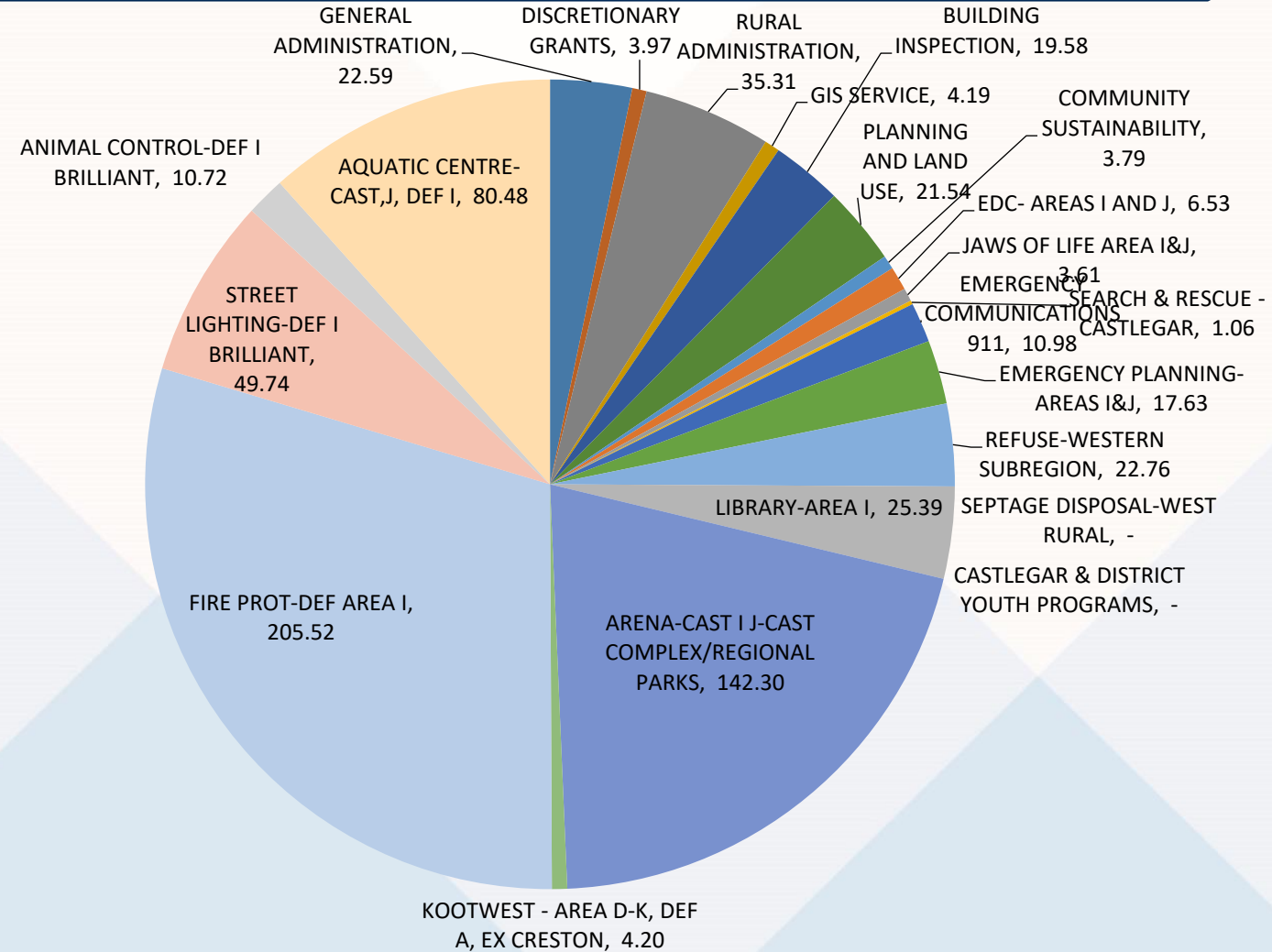


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Area I - Brilliant – RDCK Tax Bill

Per \$250,000 of
Home Value
\$ 692 Tax Bill
\$ 652 - 2024

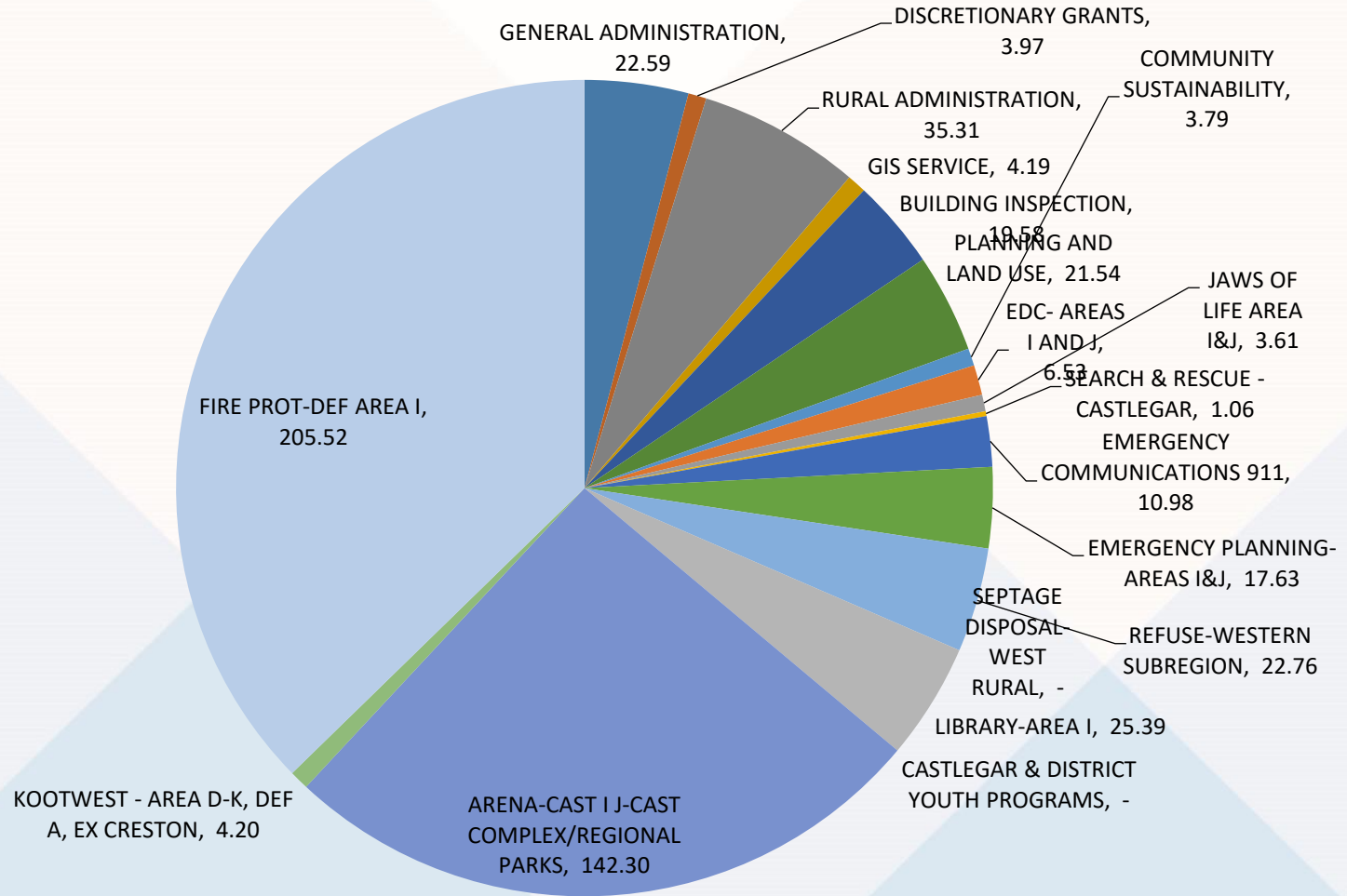


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Area I - Shoreacres – RDCK Tax Bill

Per \$250,000 of
Home Value
\$ 551 Tax Bill
\$ 528 - 2024

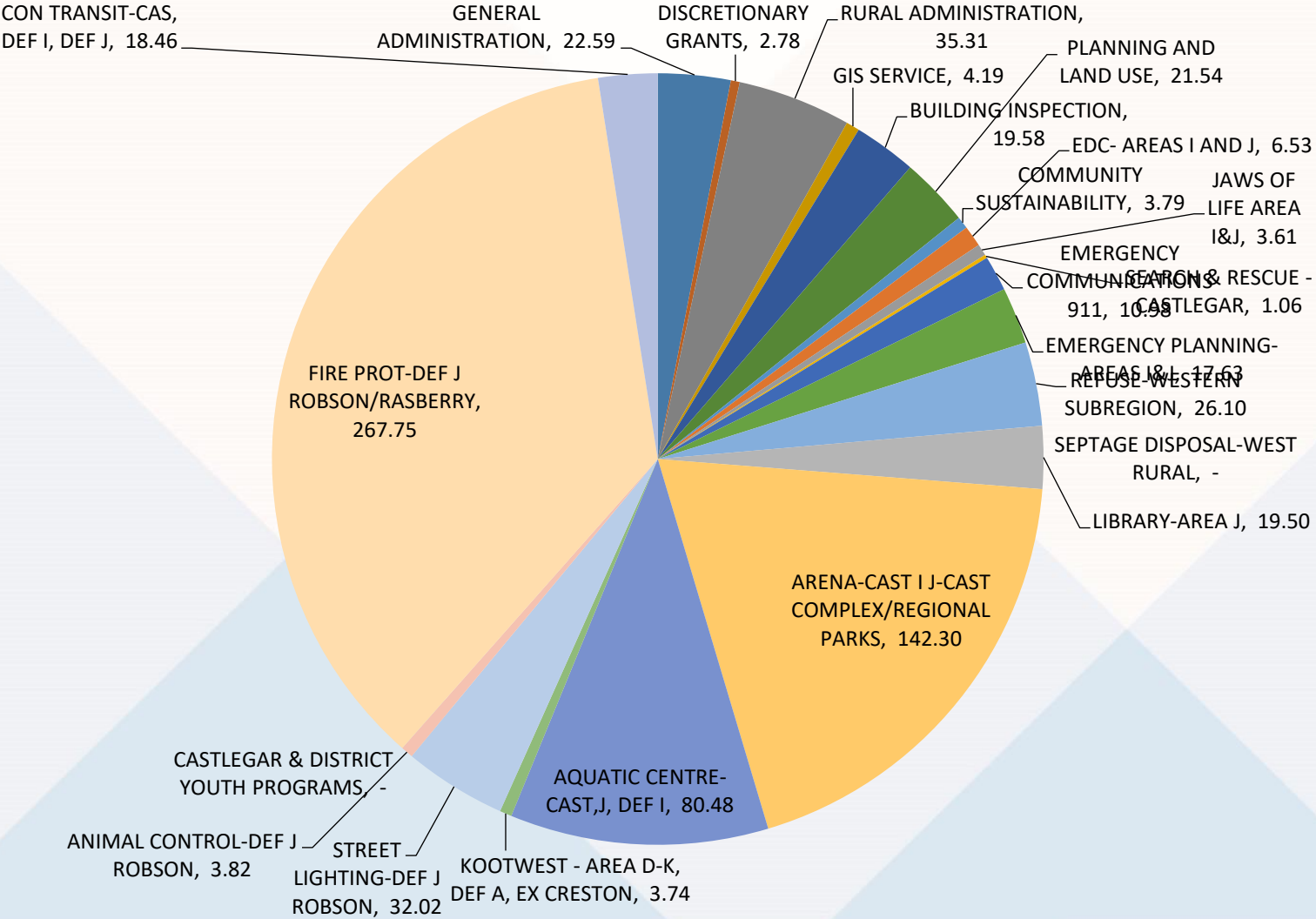


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Area J - Robson – RDCK Tax Bill

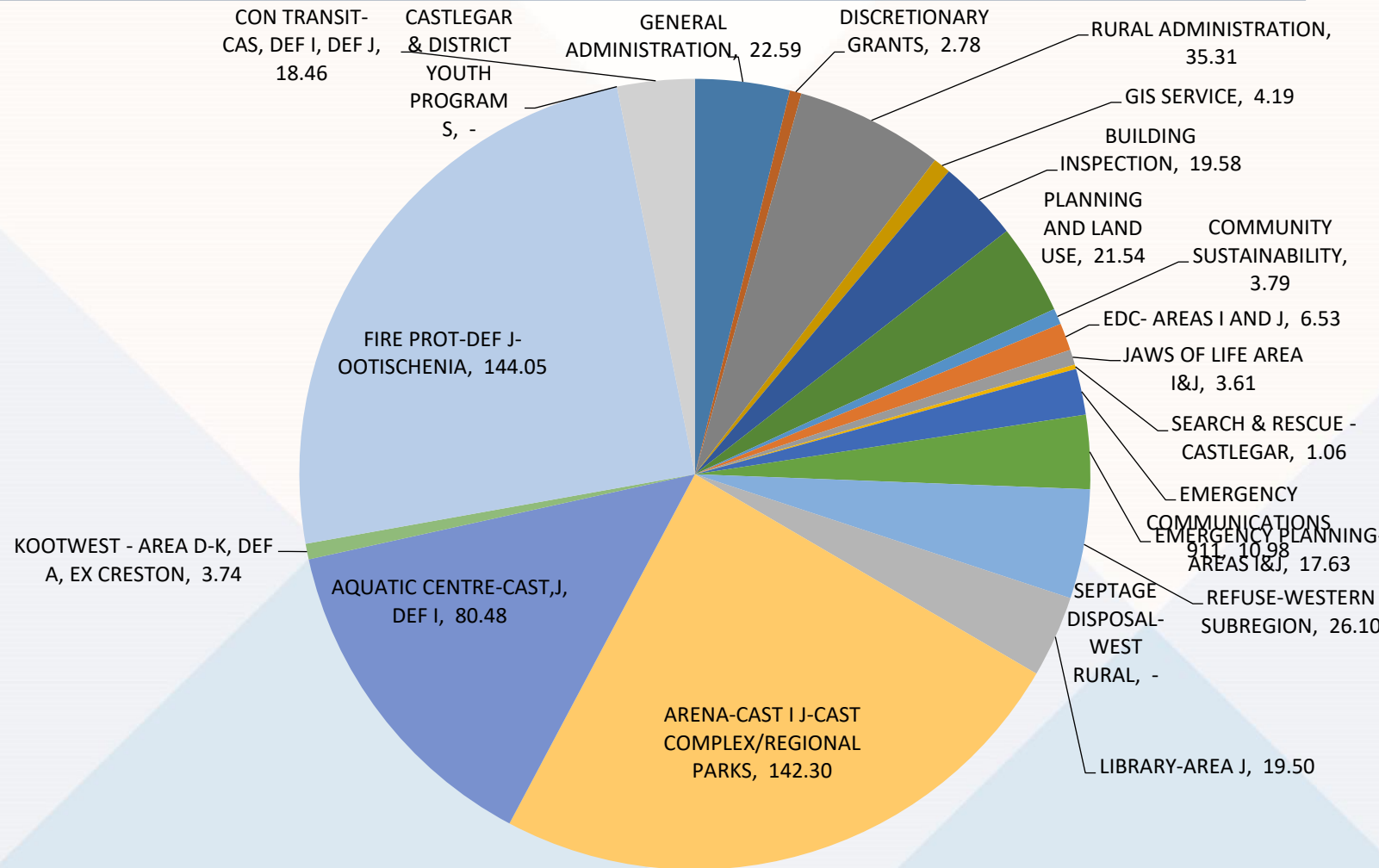
Per \$250,000 of
Home Value
\$ 744 Tax Bill
\$ 736 - 2024





Area J - Ootischenia – RDCK Tax Bill

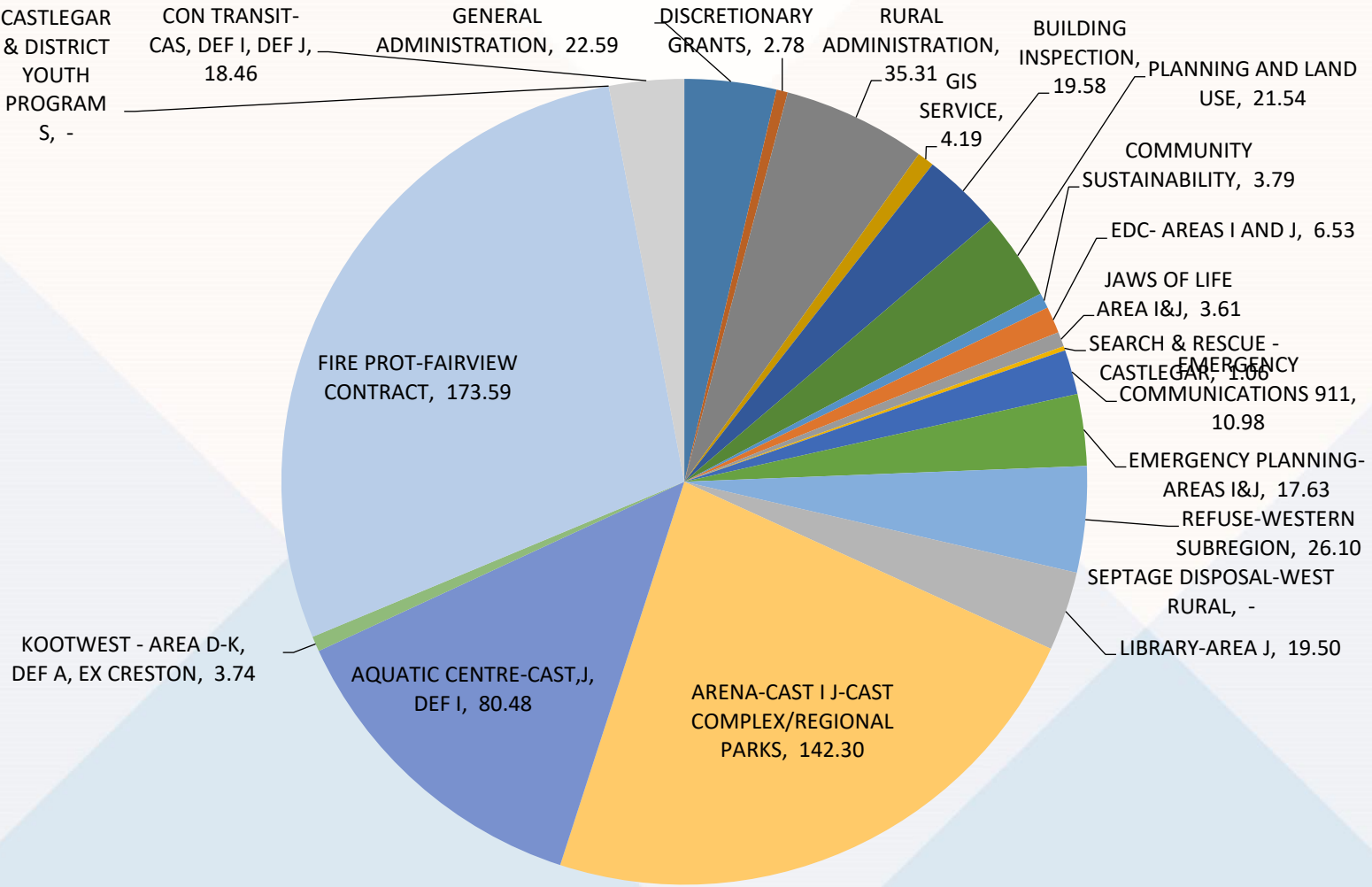
Per \$250,000 of Home Value
\$ 584 Tax Bill
\$ 560 - 2024





Area J - Fairview – RDCK Tax Bill

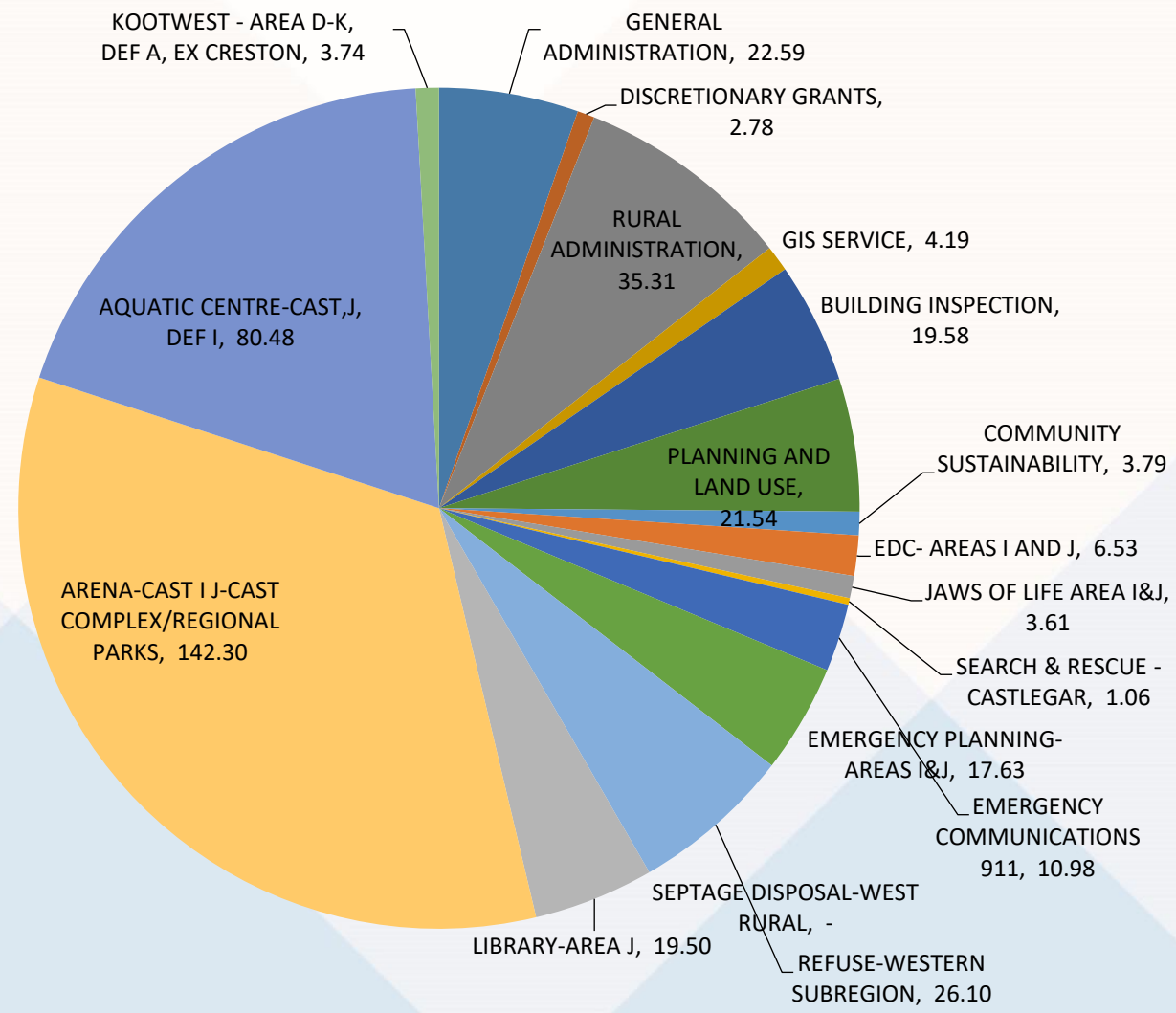
Per \$250,000 of Home Value
\$ 614 Tax Bill
\$ 613 - 2024





Area J - Deer Park / Renata – RDCK Tax Bill

Per \$250,000 of
Home Value
\$ 422 Tax Bill
\$ 417 - 2024





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