



2025 - 2029 Financial Plan Public Meeting

Creston and Areas A, B & C

March 6, 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 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

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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 • Creston Valley Transit	• 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.**

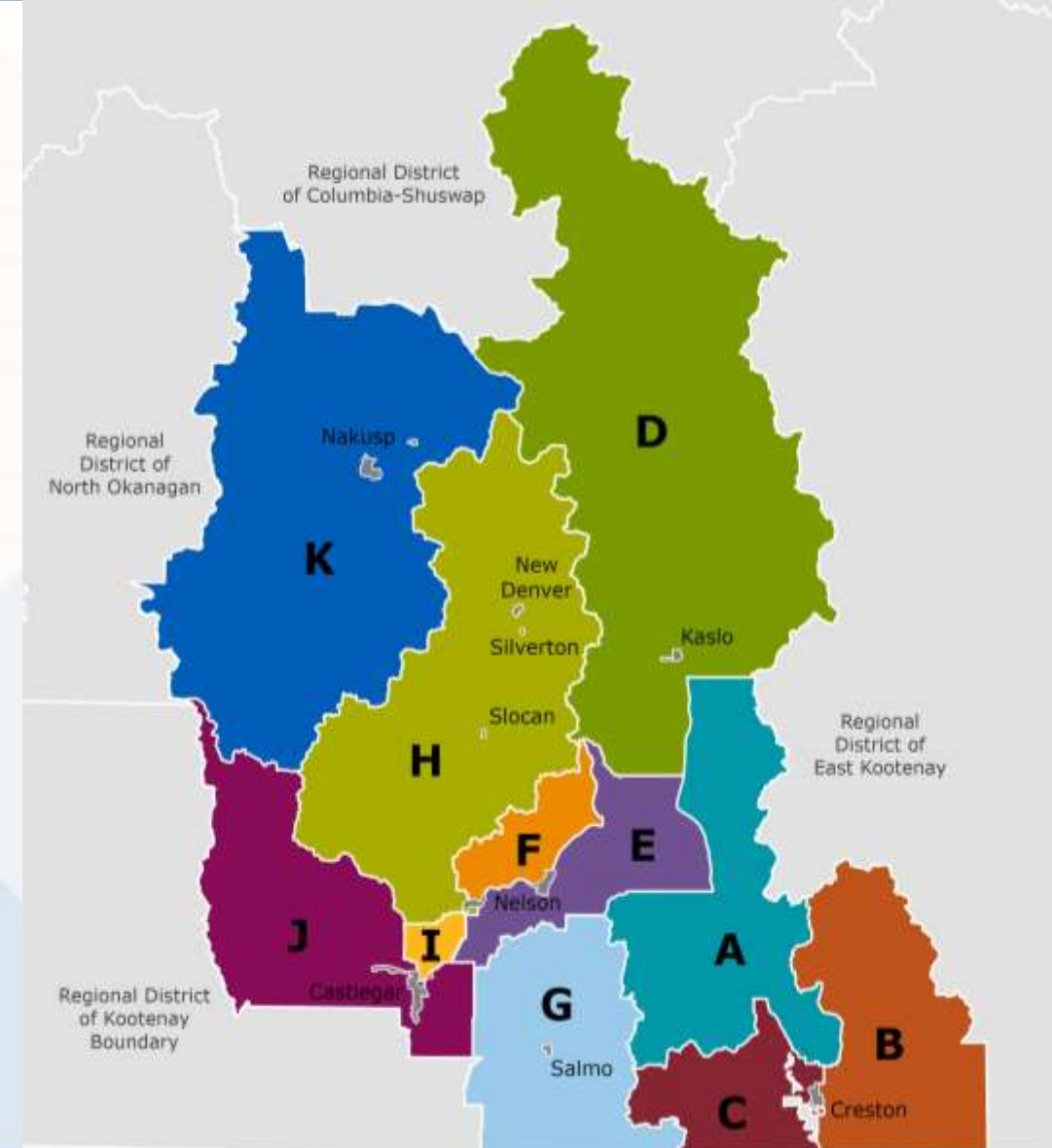


Regional District of Central Kootenay

- One of 27 Regional Districts in BC
- 11 Rural Electoral Areas (A to K)
- 9 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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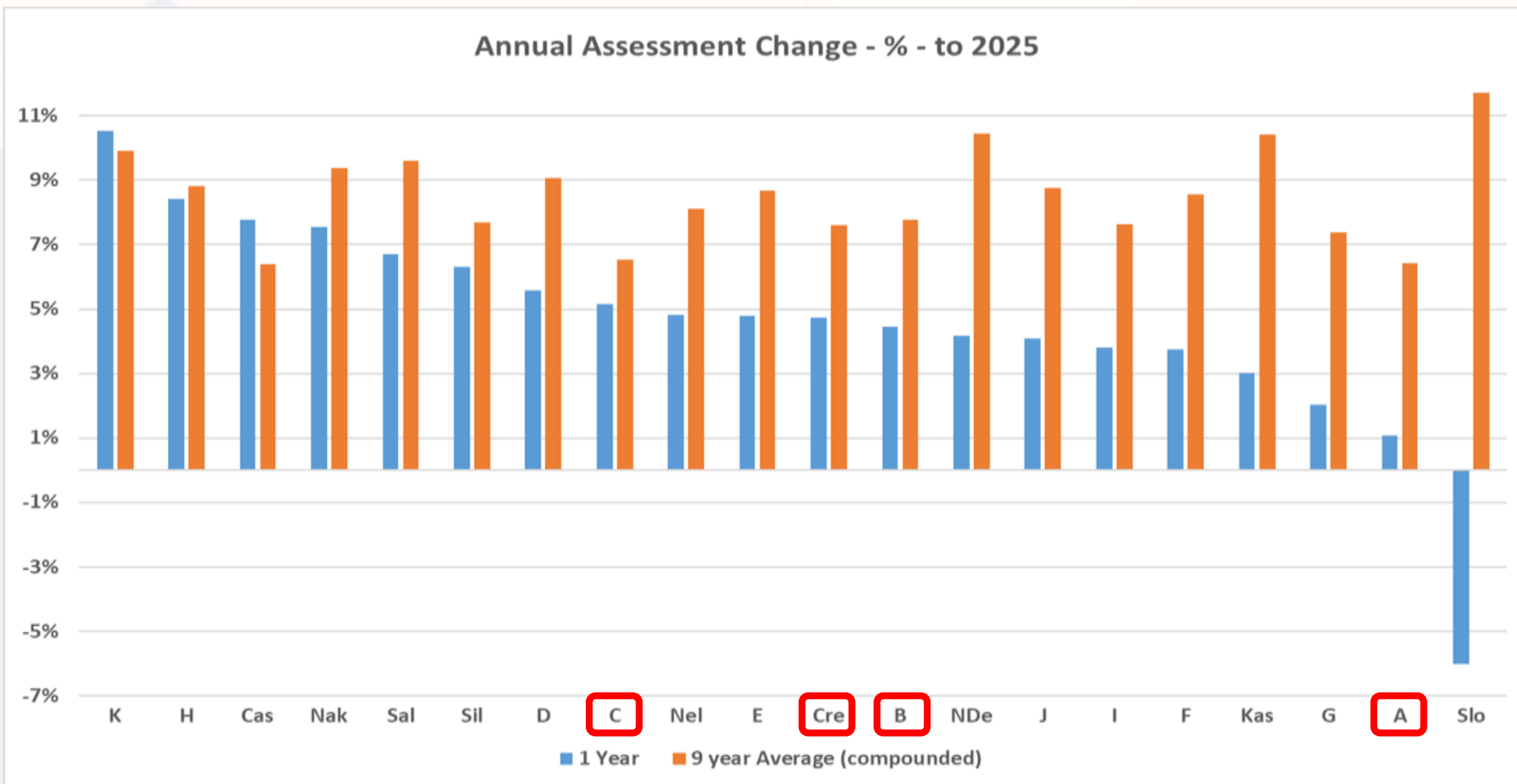
Property tax for each individual property
for each Service

*** parcel taxes are separate

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Annual Assessment Change: 1 Year vs 9 Year Average



Taxation Details Example – Area A

Electoral Area A Creston Rural

		2025			2024			2023		
		Assessment	Requisition	Rate/\$1,000	Assessment	Requisition	Rate/\$1,000	Assessment	Requisition	Rate/\$1,000
S100	GENERAL ADMINISTRATION	123,241,031	111,382	0.090	121,922,855	107,604	0.088	115,523,982	120,999	0.105
S261	DISCRETIONARY GRANTS	123,241,031	25,000	0.020	121,922,855	25,000	0.021	115,523,982	25,000	0.022
S101	RURAL ADMINISTRATION	123,241,031	174,047	0.141	121,922,855	144,869	0.119	115,523,982	153,560	0.133
S102	GIS SERVICE	123,241,031	20,634	0.017	121,922,855	20,775	0.017	115,523,982	21,010	0.018
S103	BUILDING INSPECTION	123,241,031	96,523	0.078	121,922,855	79,577	0.065	115,523,982	65,770	0.057
S104	PLANNING AND LAND USE	123,241,031	106,197	0.086	121,922,855	93,367	0.077	115,523,982	90,734	0.079
S105	COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY	123,241,031	18,671	0.015	121,922,855	20,800	0.017	115,523,982	20,580	0.018
S106	FEASIBILITY STUDY SERVICE	123,241,031	-	-	121,922,855	-	-	115,523,982	-	-
S107	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT -AREA A	123,241,031	49,860	0.040	121,922,855	40,000	0.033	115,523,982	40,000	0.035
S117	ADVISORY PLANNING-AREA A	123,241,031	-	-	121,922,855	856	0.001	115,523,982	856	0.001
S152	JAWS OF LIFE SERVICE CRES ABC	123,241,031	29,275	0.024	121,922,855	30,040	0.025	115,523,982	29,707	0.026
S156	EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS 911	123,241,031	54,149	0.044	121,922,855	43,988	0.036	115,523,982	40,106	0.035
S157	EMERGENCY PLANNING-CRESTON AREA	123,241,031	95,027	0.077	121,922,855	96,725	0.079	115,523,982	72,084	0.062
S174	CEMETERY-CRESTON, AREAS A B C	123,241,031	26,369	0.021	121,922,855	26,746	0.022	115,523,982	25,785	0.022
S186	REFUSE DISPOSAL-EAST SUBREGION	123,241,031	396,166	0.321	121,922,855	376,516	0.309	115,523,982	342,492	0.296
S193	LIBRARY-CRESTON, AREAS A B C	123,241,031	173,620	0.141	121,922,855	154,916	0.127	115,523,982	146,532	0.127
S205	REGIONAL PARK - AREA A	123,241,031	231,991	0.188	121,922,855	239,676	0.197	115,523,982	218,777	0.189
S292	LOCAL CONSERVATION SERVICE	123,241,031	-	-	121,922,855	-	-	115,523,982	-	-
Regional Requisition			\$ 1,608,912			\$ 1,501,455			\$ 1,413,993	
Residential Rate per \$1,000 of Assessment				1.306			1.231			1.224
Surveyor of Taxes - Collection Fee				0.069			0.065			0.064
Estimated Rate per \$1,000 of Assessment				1.374			1.296			1.288
Difference (\$) from prior year			107,457			87,462			167,901	
Percentage Change from prior year			7.16%			6.19%			13.47%	
S128	FIRE PROTECTION-DEF A-RIONDEL	19,078,634	215,971	1.132	18,682,106	215,242	1.152	17,581,314	187,847	1.068
S129	FIRE PROT-DEF A,DEF C-WYNNDL	23,116,423	152,554	0.660	22,455,412	145,663	0.649	21,502,837	135,861	0.632
S165	RIONDEL DRAINAGE	6,473,522	25,084	0.387	6,103,913	25,084	0.411	5,367,068	15,464	0.288
S166	STREET LIGHTING-DEF A RIONDEL	6,473,522	9,800	0.151	6,103,913	9,500	0.156	5,367,068	8,300	0.155
S189	RIONDEL REFUSE TRANSFER	11,819,696	15,927	0.135	11,492,515	8,310	0.072	10,533,897	5,600	0.053
S191	MUSEUM AND ARCH-CRES BC DEF A	28,747,647	9,712	0.034	28,290,740	9,503	0.034	27,024,471	9,603	0.036
S209	RECREATION FAC-DEF A-RIONDEL	11,819,696	200,079	1.693	11,492,515	200,000	1.740	10,533,897	174,158	1.653
S217	CRAWFORD BAY BEACH AND HALL	30,958,237	40,061	0.129	30,146,974	39,111	0.130	29,263,682	37,940	0.130
S224	RECREATION FAC-CRES,B,C,DEF A	28,747,647	346,974	1.207	28,290,740	345,260	1.220	27,024,471	335,805	1.243
S232	REC COMMISSION-DEFINED AREA A	94,466,923	46,217	0.049	93,607,196	45,573	0.049	88,477,391	39,421	0.045
S234	PARA-CRES DEF AREAS A, B, C	16,730,101	10,232	0.061	16,142,750	8,572	0.053	15,546,207	6,956	0.045
S239	KOOTWEST - AREA D-K, DEF A, EX CRESTON	60,174,372	11,522	0.019	58,944,130	8,535	0.014	56,321,524	9,148	0.016
S240	AIRPORT - CRESTON, AREAS B,C	64,331,774	32,501	0.051	64,273,028	34,226	0.053	60,440,065	31,336	0.052
S241	WATER UTILITY-DEF A-RIONDEL	7,575,412	-	-	7,199,473	-	-	6,346,038	-	-
S242	WATER UTILITY-DEF A-SANCA PARK	2,652,720	-	-	2,666,195	-	-	2,406,760	-	-

Taxation Details Example – Area B

Electoral Area B Creston Rural

		2025			2024			2023		
		Assessment	Requisition	Rate/\$1,000	Assessment	Requisition	Rate/\$1,000	Assessment	Requisition	Rate/\$1,000
S100	GENERAL ADMINISTRATION	153,713,877	138,923	0.090	147,154,804	129,872	0.088	136,271,199	142,729	0.105
S262	DISCRETIONARY GRANTS	153,713,877	30,000	0.020	147,154,804	30,000	0.020	136,271,199	30,000	0.022
S101	RURAL ADMINISTRATION	153,713,877	217,083	0.141	147,154,804	174,849	0.119	136,271,199	181,138	0.133
S102	GIS SERVICE	153,713,877	25,736	0.017	147,154,804	25,075	0.017	136,271,199	24,783	0.018
S103	BUILDING INSPECTION	153,713,877	120,390	0.078	147,154,804	96,045	0.065	136,271,199	77,582	0.057
S104	PLANNING AND LAND USE	153,713,877	132,455	0.086	147,154,804	112,689	0.077	136,271,199	107,030	0.079
S105	COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY	153,713,877	23,287	0.015	147,154,804	25,104	0.017	136,271,199	24,277	0.018
S106	FEASIBILITY STUDY SERVICE	153,713,877	-	-	147,154,804	-	-	136,271,199	-	-
S108	EDC-CRESTON B AND C	153,713,877	124,460	0.081	147,154,804	132,996	0.090	136,271,199	148,991	0.109
S118	ADVISORY PLANNING-AREA B	153,713,877	-	-	147,154,804	1,265	0.001	136,271,199	1,265	0.001
S152	JAWS OF LIFE SERVICE CRES ABC	153,713,877	36,514	0.024	147,154,804	36,257	0.025	136,271,199	35,043	0.026
S156	EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS 911	153,713,877	67,538	0.044	147,154,804	53,092	0.036	136,271,199	47,309	0.035
S157	EMERGENCY PLANNING-CRESTON AREA	153,713,877	118,523	0.077	147,154,804	116,743	0.079	136,271,199	85,030	0.062
S174	CEMETERY-CRESTON, AREAS A B C	153,713,877	32,889	0.021	147,154,804	32,282	0.022	136,271,199	30,416	0.022
S186	REFUSE DISPOSAL-EAST SUBREGION	153,713,877	494,123	0.321	147,154,804	454,436	0.309	136,271,199	404,001	0.296
S191	MUSEUM AND ARCH-CRES BC DEF A	153,713,877	51,933	0.034	147,154,804	49,432	0.034	136,271,199	48,425	0.036
S193	LIBRARY-CRESTON, AREAS A B C	153,713,877	216,550	0.141	147,154,804	186,975	0.127	136,271,199	172,848	0.127
S201	REG PARKS-CRESTON, B, C	153,713,877	78,597	0.051	147,154,804	44,546	0.030	136,271,199	15,515	0.011
S224	RECREATION FAC-CRES,B,C,DEF A	153,713,877	1,855,270	1.207	147,154,804	1,795,874	1.220	136,271,199	1,693,301	1.243
S240	AIRPORT - CRESTON, AREAS B,C	153,713,877	77,657	0.051	147,154,804	78,361	0.053	136,271,199	70,652	0.052
Regional Requisition		\$ 3,841,929			\$ 3,575,893			\$ 3,340,333		
Residential Rate per \$1,000 of Assessment		2.499			2.430			2.451		
Surveyor of Taxes - Collection Fee		0.131			0.128			0.129		
Estimated Rate per \$1,000 of Assesment		2.631			2.558			2.580		
Difference (\$) from prior year		266,036			235,560			171,148		
Percentage Change from prior year		7.44%			7.05%			5.40%		
S130	FIRE PROT-DEF B-LISTER/CANYON	45,653,682	308,935	0.677	41,991,676	299,185	0.712	43,354,326	253,948	0.586
S131	FIRE PROT-DEF B AND DEF C	37,387,618	248,702	0.665	37,425,140	262,107	0.700	35,231,716	229,495	0.651
S148	FIRE PROT - YAHK-KINGSGATE	28,285,386	272,223	0.962	27,331,610	280,584	1.027	25,466,588	225,816	0.887
S164	DYKING-DEF B AND DEF C GOAT RIVER	867,791	2,529	0.291	813,043	2,500	0.307	809,498	2,490	0.308
S234	PARA-CRES DEF AREAS A, B, C	94,077,924	55,174	0.059	90,160,066	51,252	0.057	88,867,978	48,695	0.055
S243	WATER UTILITY-DEF B-LISTER	8,608,503	-	-	7,797,254	-	-	8,333,546	-	-
S250	WATER UTILITY-ERICKSON	34,794,749	-	-	34,965,008	-	-	33,034,576	-	-
S251	WATER UTILITY ARROW CREEK	34,794,749	-	-	34,965,008	-	-	33,034,576	-	-
S281	FIRE PROTECTION - ARROW CREEK	11,288,708	75,385	0.668	11,069,961	77,862	0.703	10,607,351	68,681	0.647

Taxation Details Example – Area C

Electoral Area C Creston Rural

		2025			2024			2023		
		Assessment	Requisition	Rate/\$1,000	Assessment	Requisition	Rate/\$1,000	Assessment	Requisition	Rate/\$1,000
S100	GENERAL ADMINISTRATION	62,439,315	56,431	0.090	59,379,270	52,406	0.088	56,879,481	59,575	0.105
S263	DISCRETIONARY GRANTS	62,439,315	-	-	59,379,270	-	-	56,879,481	-	-
S101	RURAL ADMINISTRATION	62,439,315	88,180	0.141	59,379,270	70,554	0.119	56,879,481	75,607	0.133
S102	GIS SERVICE	62,439,315	10,454	0.017	59,379,270	10,118	0.017	56,879,481	10,345	0.018
S103	BUILDING INSPECTION	62,439,315	48,903	0.078	59,379,270	38,756	0.065	56,879,481	32,383	0.057
S104	PLANNING AND LAND USE	62,439,315	53,804	0.086	59,379,270	45,472	0.077	56,879,481	44,674	0.079
S105	COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY	62,439,315	9,459	0.015	59,379,270	10,130	0.017	56,879,481	10,133	0.018
S106	FEASIBILITY STUDY SERVICE	62,439,315	-	-	59,379,270	-	-	56,879,481	-	-
S108	EDC-CRESTON B AND C	62,439,315	50,556	0.081	59,379,270	53,666	0.090	56,879,481	62,189	0.109
S119	ADVISORY PLANNING-AREA C	62,439,315	315	0.001	59,379,270	306	0.001	56,879,481	300	0.001
S152	JAWS OF LIFE SERVICE CRES ABC	62,439,315	14,832	0.024	59,379,270	14,630	0.025	56,879,481	14,627	0.026
S156	EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS 911	62,439,315	27,434	0.044	59,379,270	21,423	0.036	56,879,481	19,747	0.035
S157	EMERGENCY PLANNING-CRESTON AREA	62,439,315	48,145	0.077	59,379,270	47,108	0.079	56,879,481	35,491	0.062
S174	CEMETERY-CRESTON, AREAS A B C	62,439,315	13,360	0.021	59,379,270	13,026	0.022	56,879,481	12,696	0.022
S186	REFUSE DISPOSAL-EAST SUBREGION	62,439,315	200,715	0.321	59,379,270	183,372	0.309	56,879,481	168,630	0.296
S191	MUSEUM AND ARCH-CRES BC DEF A	62,439,315	21,095	0.034	59,379,270	19,947	0.034	56,879,481	20,213	0.036
S193	LIBRARY-CRESTON, AREAS A B C	62,439,315	87,964	0.141	59,379,270	75,448	0.127	56,879,481	72,147	0.127
S201	REG PARKS-CRESTON, B, C	62,439,315	31,927	0.051	59,379,270	17,975	0.030	56,879,481	6,476	0.011
S224	RECREATION FAC-CRES,B,C,DEF A	62,439,315	753,620	1.207	59,379,270	724,663	1.220	56,879,481	706,782	1.243
S240	AIRPORT - CRESTON, AREAS B,C	62,439,315	31,545	0.051	59,379,270	31,620	0.053	56,879,481	29,490	0.052

Regional Requisition	\$	1,548,739		\$	1,430,619		\$	1,381,502
Residential Rate per \$1,000 of Assessment			2.480			2.409		2.429
Surveyor of Taxes - Collection Fee			0.130			0.126		0.128
Estimated Rate per \$1,000 of Assesment			2.611			2.536		2.556
Difference (\$) from prior year		118,120			49,117			17,122
Percentage Change from prior year		8.26%			3.56%			1.25%

S129	FIRE PROT-DEF A,DEF C-WYNNDEL	12,881,473	85,009	0.660	12,196,069	79,113	0.649	11,773,290	74,387	0.632
S131	FIRE PROT-DEF B AND DEF C	12,721,953	84,626	0.665	12,199,699	85,441	0.700	11,937,992	77,763	0.651
S164	DYKING-DEF B AND DEF C GOAT RIVER	2,858,958	8,331	0.291	2,718,858	8,360	0.307	2,721,242	8,370	0.308
S234	PARA-CRES DEF AREAS A, B, C	45,641,735	17,254	0.038	43,627,870	12,949	0.030	42,246,728	9,840	0.023
S291	FIRE PROTECTION - WEST CRESTON	18,257,659	225,000	1.232	17,525,283	225,000	1.284	16,993,327	198,226	1.166

Taxation Details Example – Creston

		2025			2024			2023		
Town of Creston		Assessment		Rate/\$1,000	Assessment		Rate/\$1,000	Assessment		Rate/\$1,000
S100	GENERAL ADMINISTRATION	149,792,146	135,378	0.090	143,035,477	126,237	0.088	137,805,173	144,336	0.105
S102	GIS SERVICE	149,792,146	25,079	0.017	143,035,477	24,373	0.017	137,805,173	25,062	0.018
S108	EDC-CRESTON B AND C	149,792,146	121,285	0.081	143,035,477	129,273	0.090	137,805,173	150,668	0.109
S152	JAWS OF LIFE SERVICE CRES ABC	149,792,146	35,582	0.024	143,035,477	35,242	0.025	137,805,173	35,437	0.026
S156	EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS 911	149,792,146	65,815	0.044	143,035,477	51,605	0.036	137,805,173	47,841	0.035
S157	EMERGENCY PLANNING-CRESTON AREA	149,792,146	94,802	0.063	143,035,477	103,512	0.072	137,805,173	85,987	0.062
S174	CEMETERY-CRESTON, AREAS A B C	149,792,146	32,050	0.021	143,035,477	31,378	0.022	137,805,173	30,758	0.022
S186	REFUSE DISPOSAL-EAST SUBREGION	149,792,146	481,517	0.321	143,035,477	441,715	0.309	137,805,173	408,549	0.296
S191	MUSEUM AND ARCH-CRES BC DEF A	149,792,146	50,608	0.034	143,035,477	48,048	0.034	137,805,173	48,970	0.036
S193	LIBRARY-CRESTON, AREAS A B C	149,792,146	211,025	0.141	143,035,477	181,741	0.127	137,805,173	174,794	0.127
S201	REG PARKS-CRESTON, B, C	149,792,146	76,592	0.051	143,035,477	43,299	0.030	137,805,173	15,690	0.011
S224	RECREATION FAC-CRES,B,C,DEF A	149,792,146	1,807,936	1.207	143,035,477	1,745,602	1.220	137,805,173	1,712,362	1.243
S234	PARA-CRES DEF AREAS A, B, C	149,792,146	117,971	0.079	143,035,477	109,618	0.077	137,805,173	104,178	0.076
S240	AIRPORT - CRESTON, AREAS B,C	149,792,146	75,676	0.051	143,035,477	76,167	0.053	137,805,173	71,447	0.052
S251	WATER UTILITY ARROW CREEK	149,792,146	-	-	143,035,477	-	-	137,805,173	-	-
Regional Requisition		3,331,316			3,147,811			3,056,079		
Residential Rate per \$1,000 of Assessment		2.224			2.201			2.218		
Difference (\$) from prior year		183,506			91,732			171,972		
Percentage Change from prior year		5.83%			3.00%			5.96%		



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 Summary 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% for the RDCK 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

- Foreign Trade 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



Creston/A/B/C

General Administration

Service S100

General Administration

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

General Administration - S100

- 8% Taxation Increase in 2025
- \$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





A/B/C

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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Creston/A/B/C

GIS

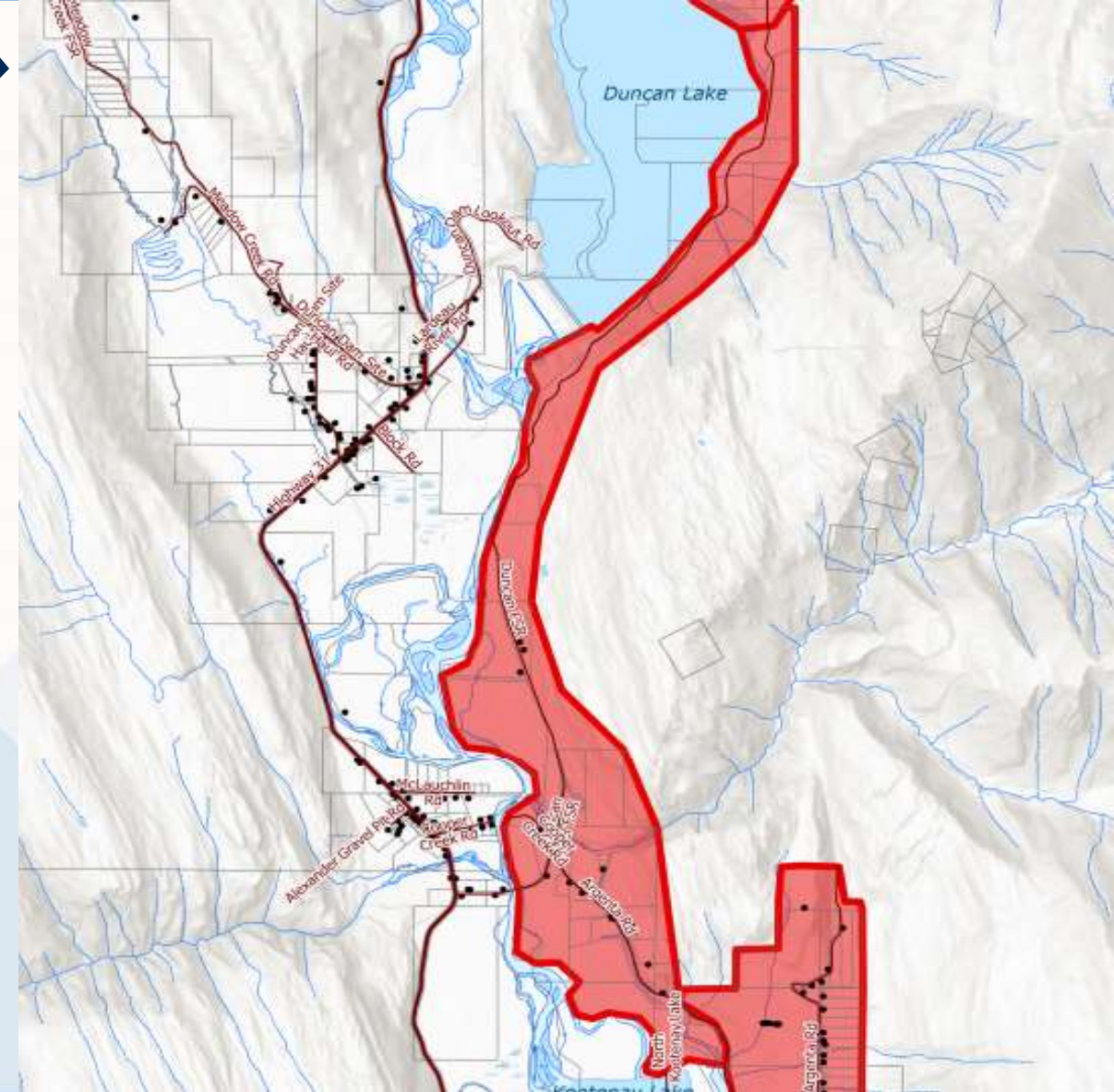
Service S102

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 in 2025
- \$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





A/B/C

Building Inspection

Service S103

Building Inspection - S103

- 26% Taxation Increase in 2025
- 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

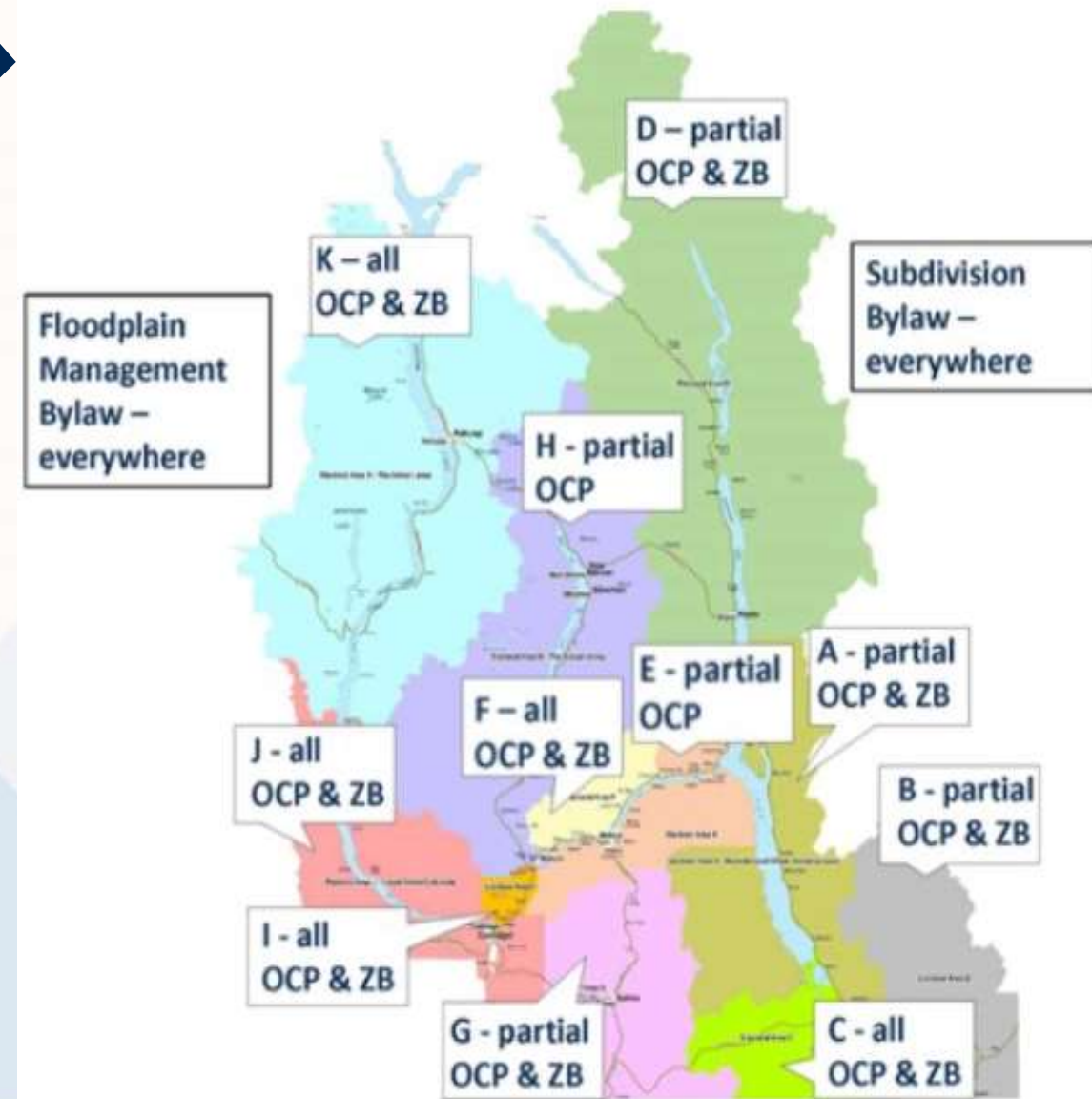
Service S104

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 in 2025
- Receiving Provincial Funding to address housing regulation
- Subdivision servicing bylaw
- Revise Floodplain bylaw
- Regional and Local Community Needs Project





Area A

Economic Development

Service S107

Economic Development

- Primarily provides grant funding via applications to a commission for review and recommendation to the RDCK board

Economic Development – S107

- 25% Taxation increase to \$49K
- Supporting the Kootenay Lake / Creston Valley Economic Action Partnership – contract expires June 2025
 - Focusing on tourism, housing support and agriculture
- Support for Imagine Kootenay
- Continued capital project for connectivity along the East Shore. Work should be completed in 2025





Creston/B/C

Economic Development

Service S108

Economic Development – S108

- 6% Taxation decrease to \$296K
- Supporting physician recruitment program through a partnership with the Town of Creston
- Economic Action Partnership – contract with Kootenay Employment Services (Tourism, Housing, Agriculture)
- Creston Valley Visitor's Centre is operated by the RDCK through this service. Also grant funding from Destination BC
- Grant to Creston Valley Tourism Society





Creston/A/B/C

East Resource Recovery

Service S186

East Resource Recovery (Creston/A/B/C)

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

East Resource Recovery – S186

- 8% Taxation and 10% tipping fee increases
- Change to contaminated wood waste management in May 2025
- Planning for potential Septage receiving station at Creston Wastewater Treatment Plant
- Purchase of LKB lands neighboring Creston landfill
- Phase 1 of Legacy Landfill assessments
- Commercial and rural organics diversion initiatives
- Planning for Creston Landfill phase !C/D and stabilizing berm project





Creston/A/B/C

Parks & Recreation

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





Creston/A/B/C

Recreation Facility - Creston

Service S224 - Creston & District Community Complex
Proposed Taxation Increase: 3.3% or \$152,421

Budget Highlights

- Interest on long-term borrowing increasing by \$165,927 or 26%
- Budgeting for increased pool hours of operation



Repairs & Maintenance

- Exterior concrete stairwell (\$30,000)
- Ongoing sports field, park and skate park repairs
- Drainage for pickle ball courts





Creston/A/B/C

Rec Facility - Creston

Service S224: Creston & District Community Complex

2025 Capital Projects

East Stairwell Cover \$250,000 Started in 2024	New Outdoor Washroom \$250,000 Started in 2024	Pool Underwater Lights \$100,000	Current Reserves \$1,776,823
CCTV Upgrades \$25,000	Refrigeration Plant Upgrades \$1,000,000	Parking Lot Repairs \$100,000 Annual/Ongoing	2025 Total Capital Costs \$1,725,000

- Capital projects in 2025 will be funded from surplus and by \$600,000 from reserves.





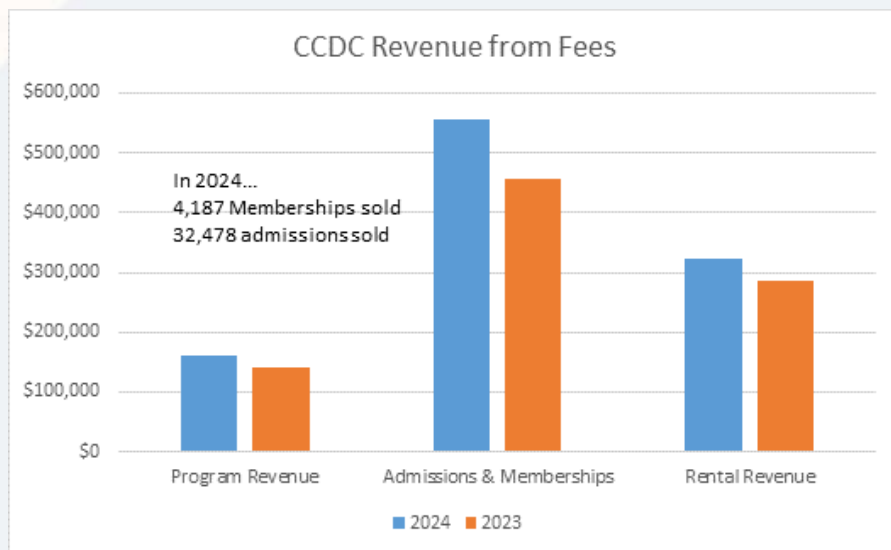
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Recreation Facility - Creston

Service S224 - Creston & District Community Complex

Creston & 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 - 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.



A/B/C

Water Utilities

Services S242, S243, S250 & S251

Lister Water – S243 (Area B)

- 30% user fee increase
- Increased contribution to reserves to fund future major capital works
 - To address backlog of required watermain replacements
 - Includes replacement/upsizing of substandard PVC mains

Erickson Water – S250 (Area B)

- 5% user fee Increase for 2025
- Distribution upgrades and Metering project Phase 1 continues in 2025





A/B/C

Water Utilities (cont.)

Services S242, S243, S250 & S251

Sanca Water – S242 (Area A)

- 3% Water user fee increase and 0% parcel tax increase in 2025
- Waiting for provincial review of request for service area boundary adjustment to remove northernmost 2 parcels.
- \$40K in capital works for alternate servicing of north parcels

Arrow Creek Water – S251 (Area B)

- 1% user fee increase in 2025
- Completion of Creston Alternative Water Supply Study in Q1/25
- 2025 Capital Projects include:
 - Treatment plant equipment replacement & HVAC upgrades
 - Filtration pilot study
 - Membrane back-pulse tank replacement
 - Backwash pond rehabilitation





Creston/A/B/C

Emergency Planning

Service S157

Emergency Planning - S157

- 2% Taxation Decrease to \$356K in 2025
- 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.





Creston/A/B/C

911 Communications

Service S156

911 Communications - S156

- 28% Taxation in 2025
- \$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





A/B/C

Fire Protection

Services S129, S130, S131, S148, S281, S291

Wynndel Lakeview – S129 (A & C)

- 6% Taxation Increase to \$238K in 2025
- Operating under agreement with the town of Creston

Canyon Lister – S130 (B)

- 3% Taxation Increase to \$309K in 2025
- Operating under agreement with the town of Creston
- Procurement of replacement fire apparatus in progress

West Creston – S291 (C)

- 0% Taxation Increase to \$225K in 2025
- Operating under agreement with the town of Creston
- \$2.3M Long Term borrowing referendum failed in 2024
- A community group is exploring options for completing the fire hall





A/B/C

Fire Protection (cont.)

Services S129, S130, S131, S148, S281, S291

Yahk Kingsgate – S148 (B)

- 3% Taxation decrease to \$272K in 2025
- Continuing replacement of Personal Protection Equipment (PPE)
- Replace overhead doors and install heat pump

Defined B & C Contract – S131 (B & C)

- 4% Taxation decrease to \$333K in 2025
- Fire protection provided by the Town of Creston

Arrow Creek Contract – S281 (C)

- 3% Taxation decrease to \$75K in 2025
- Fire protection provided by the Town of Creston





Creston/A/B/C

Jaws of Life / Road Rescue

Service S152

Jaws of Life – S152

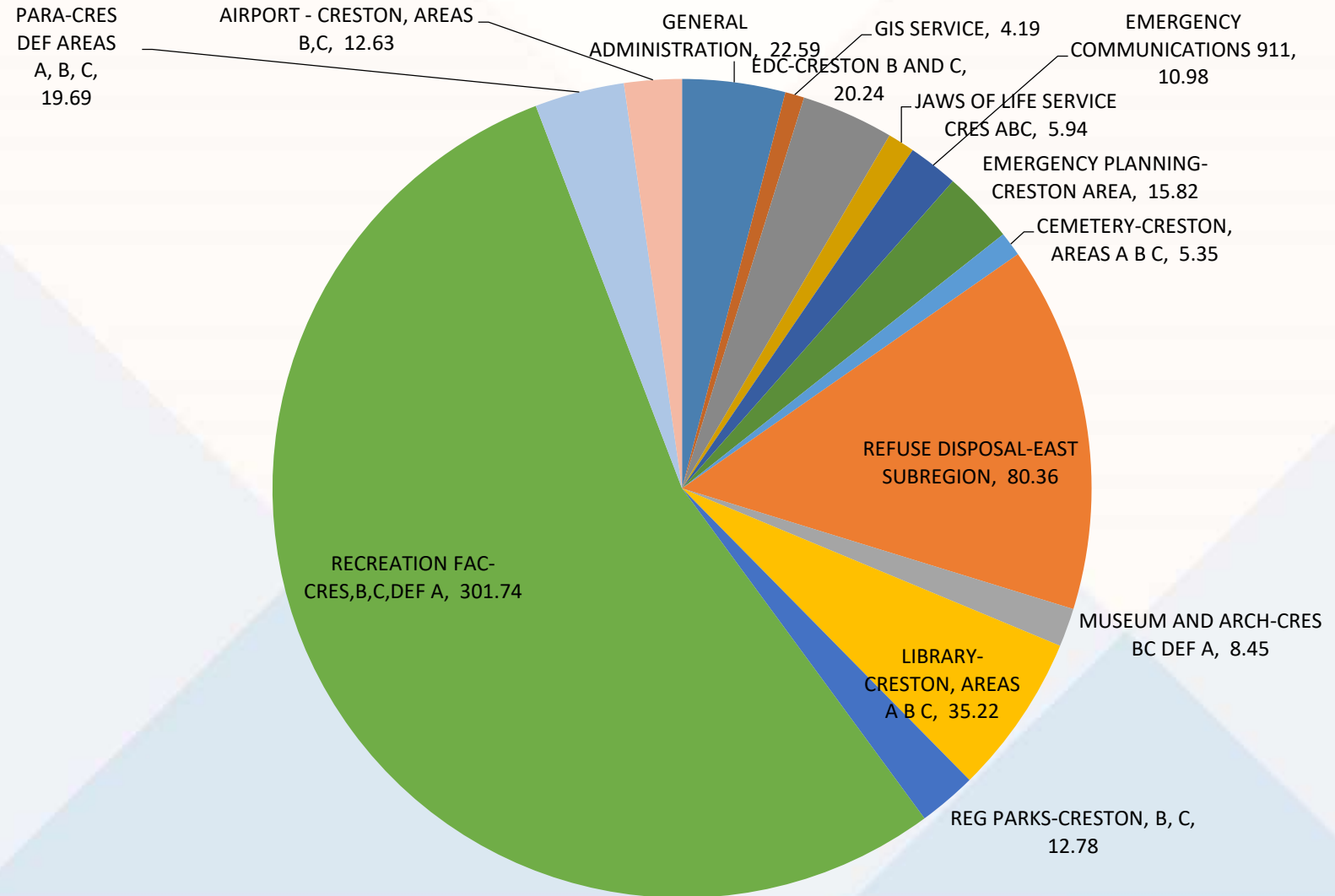
- 0% Taxation increase to \$116K in 2025
- Service review underway to ensure equitable taxation across service areas
- Service provided by Riondel, Town of Creston and Yahk Kingsgate fire departments





Town of Creston – RDCK Tax Bill

Per \$250,000 of
Home Value
\$ 555 Tax Bill
\$ 550 - 2024

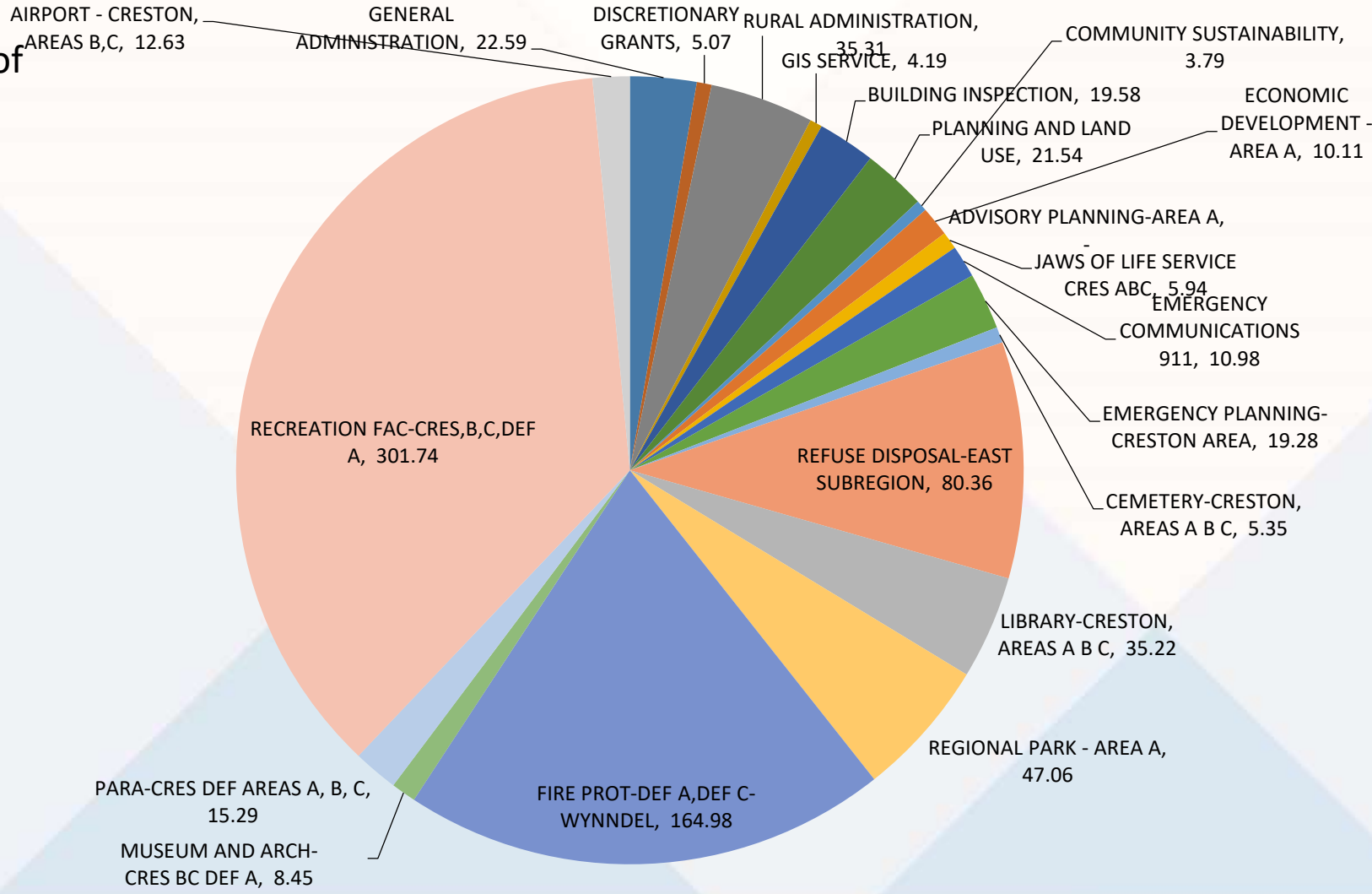


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Area A – Wynndel/Lakeview Fire – Creston Contract – RDCK Tax Bill

Per \$250,000 of
Home Value
\$ 829 Tax Bill
\$ 810 - 2024

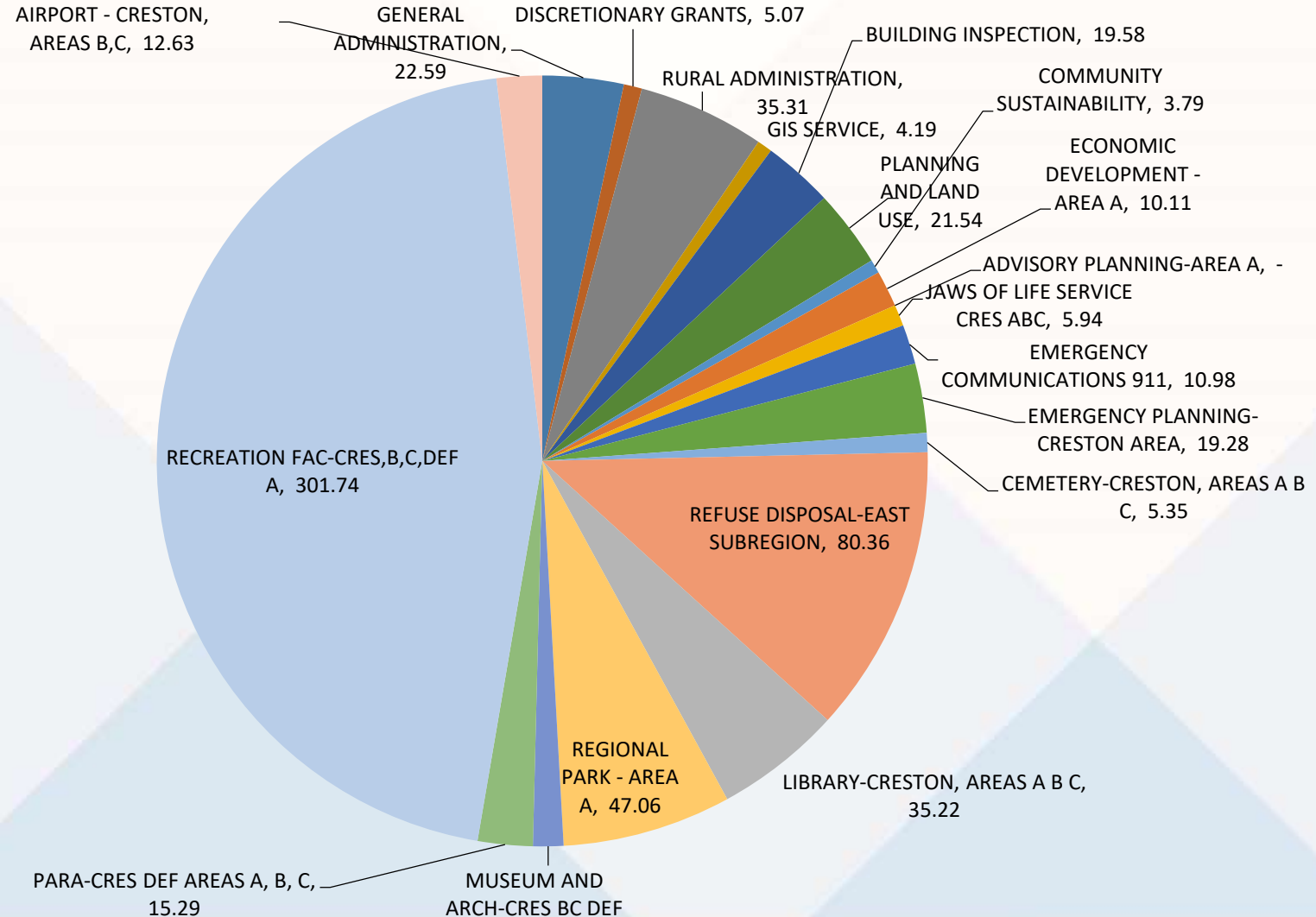


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Area A (South) – No Fire Protection – RDCK Tax Bill

Per \$250,000 of
Home Value
\$ 664 Tax Bill
\$ 648 - 2024

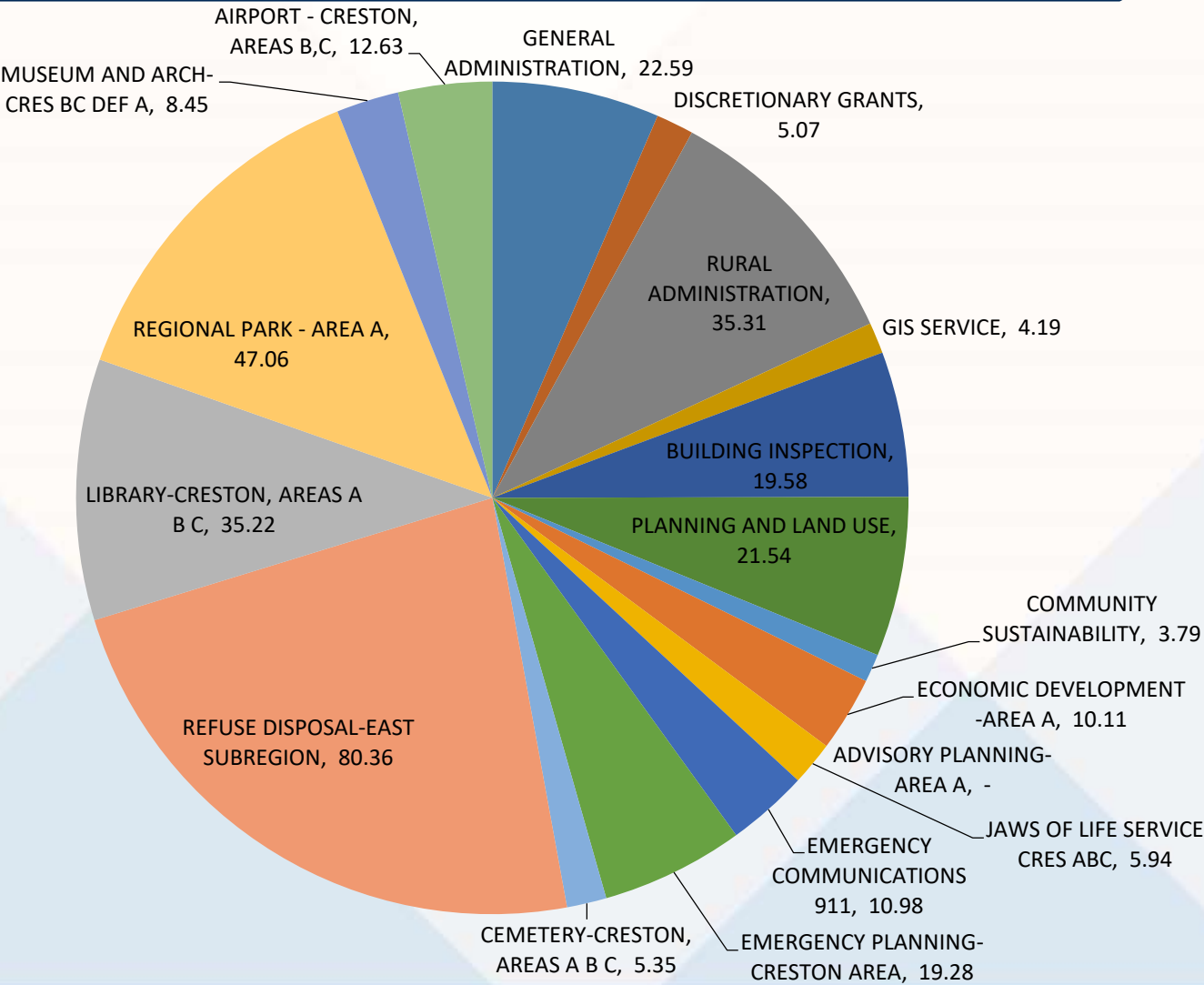


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Area A (South) – No Fire Protection or Recreation – RDCK Tax Bill

Per \$250,000 of
Home Value
\$ 347 Tax Bill
\$ 330 - 2024

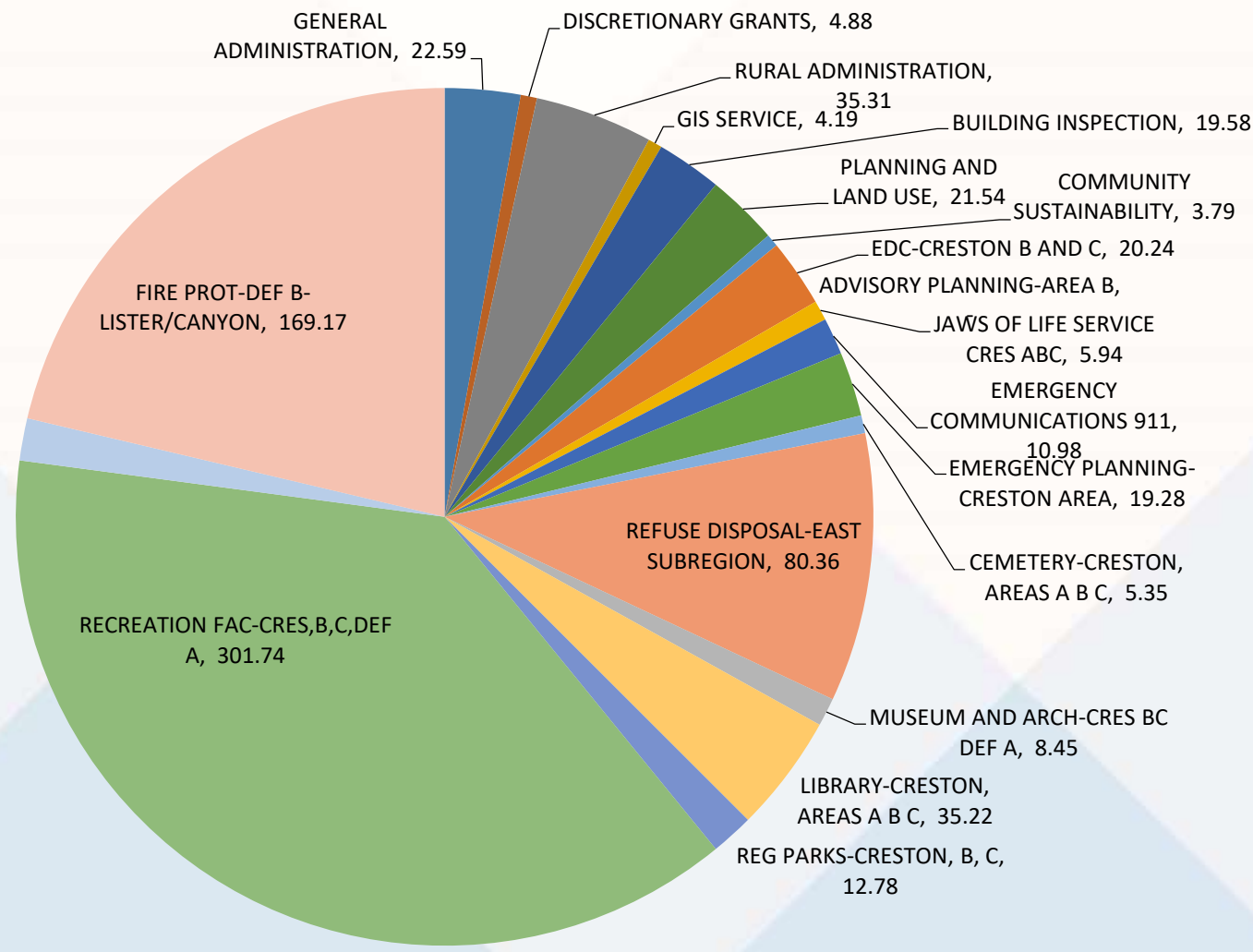




Area B – Canyon-Lister Fire Protection – Creston Contract – RDCK Tax Bill

Per \$250,000 of Home Value
\$ 794 Tax Bill
\$ 786 - 2024

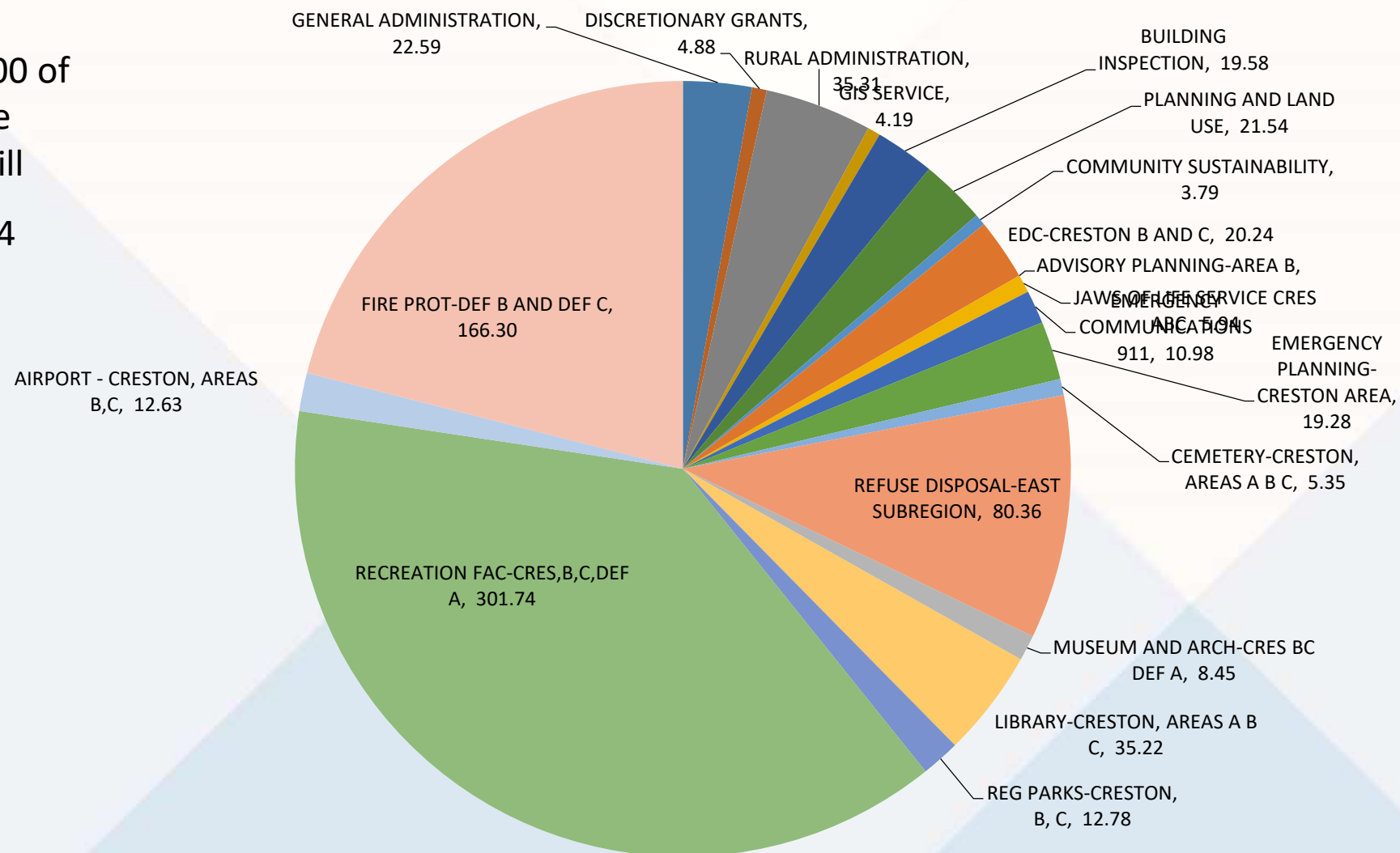
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Area B – Erickson Fire Protection – Creston Contract – RDCK Tax Bill

Per \$250,000 of
Home Value
\$ 791 Tax Bill
\$ 783 - 2024

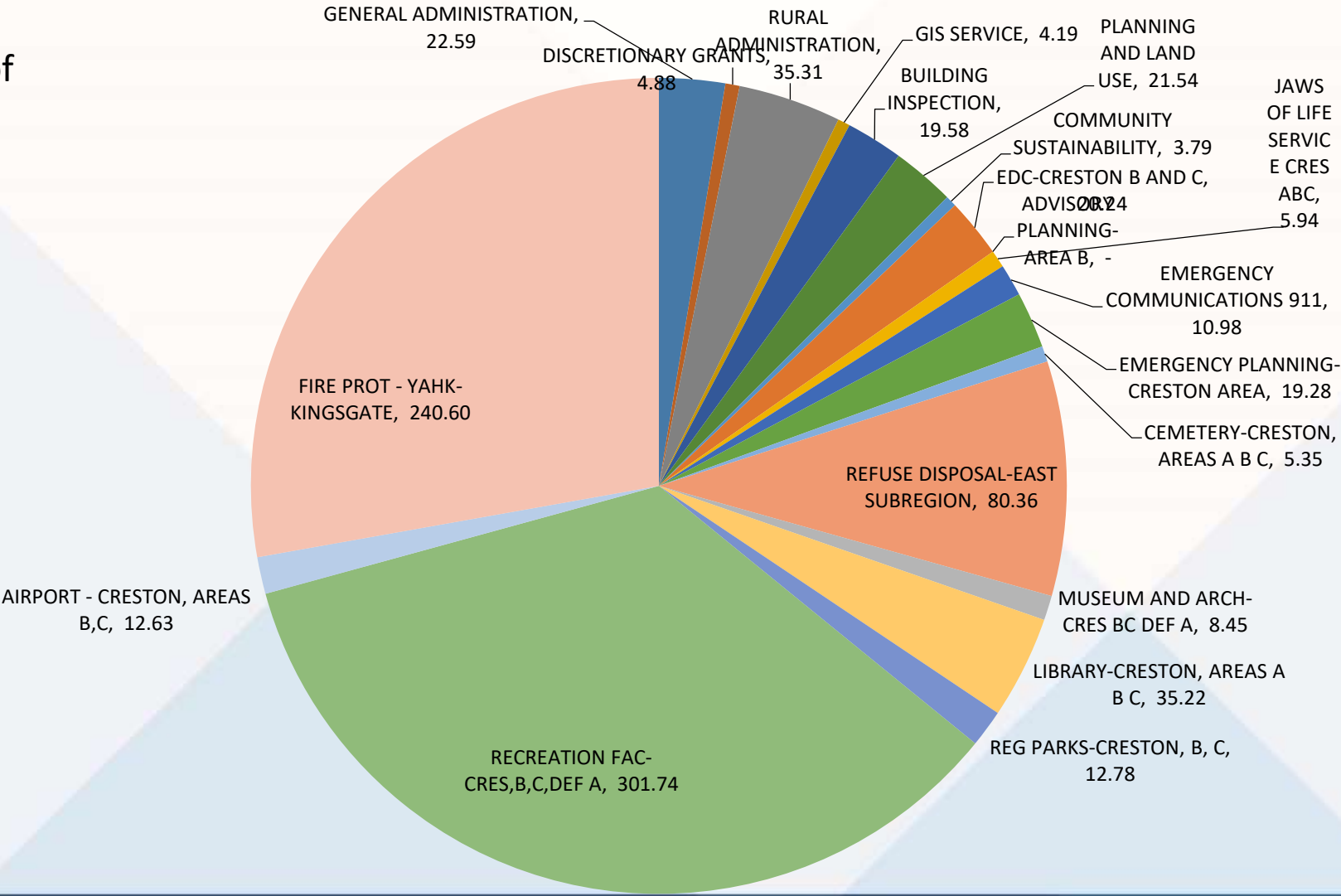


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Area B – Yahk Fire Protection – RDCK Tax Bill

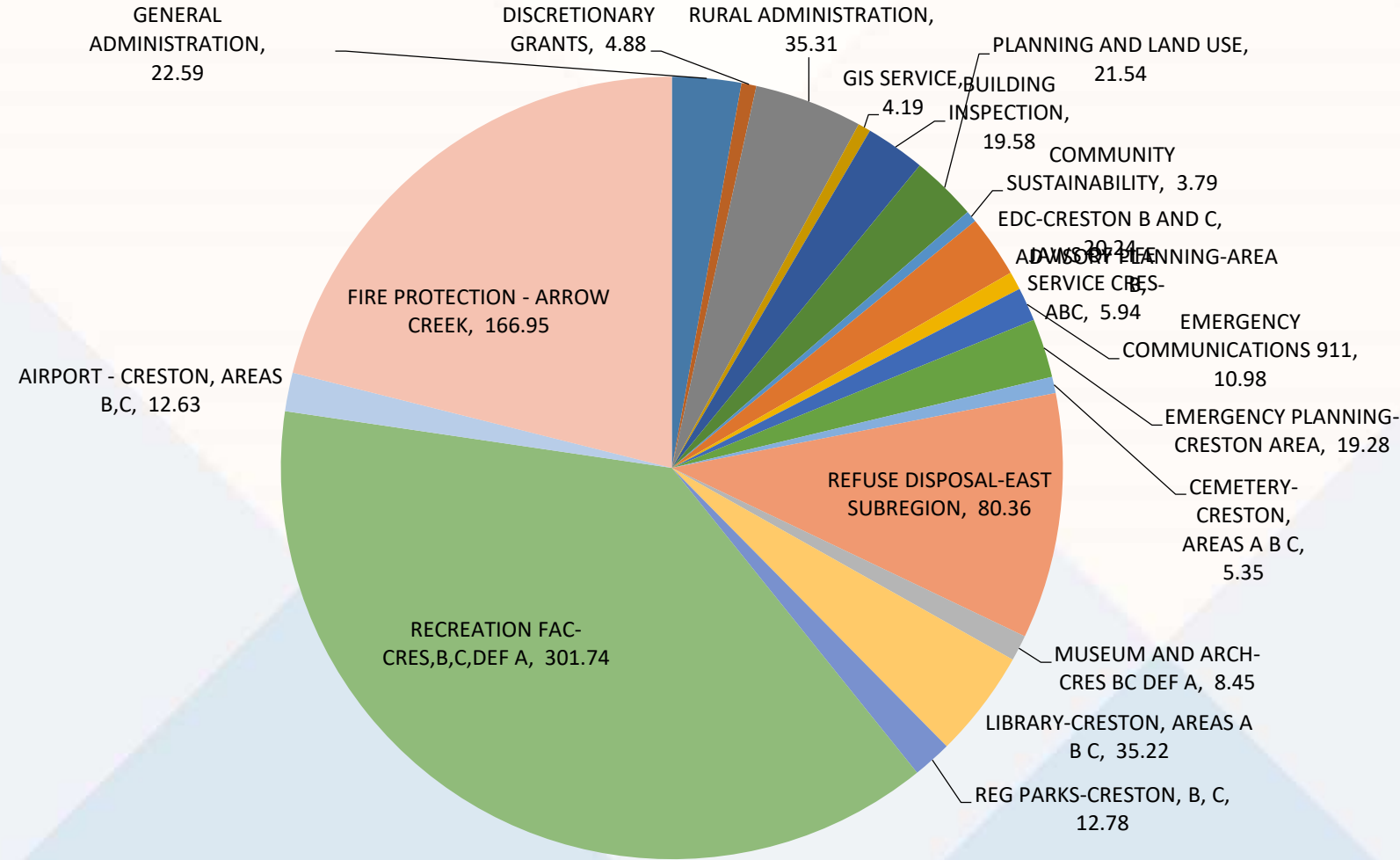
Per \$250,000 of
Home Value
\$ 865 Tax Bill
\$ 864 - 2024





Area B – Arrow Creek Fire Protection – Creston Contract – RDCK Tax Bill

Per \$250,000 of
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\$ 792 Tax Bill
\$ 783 - 2024

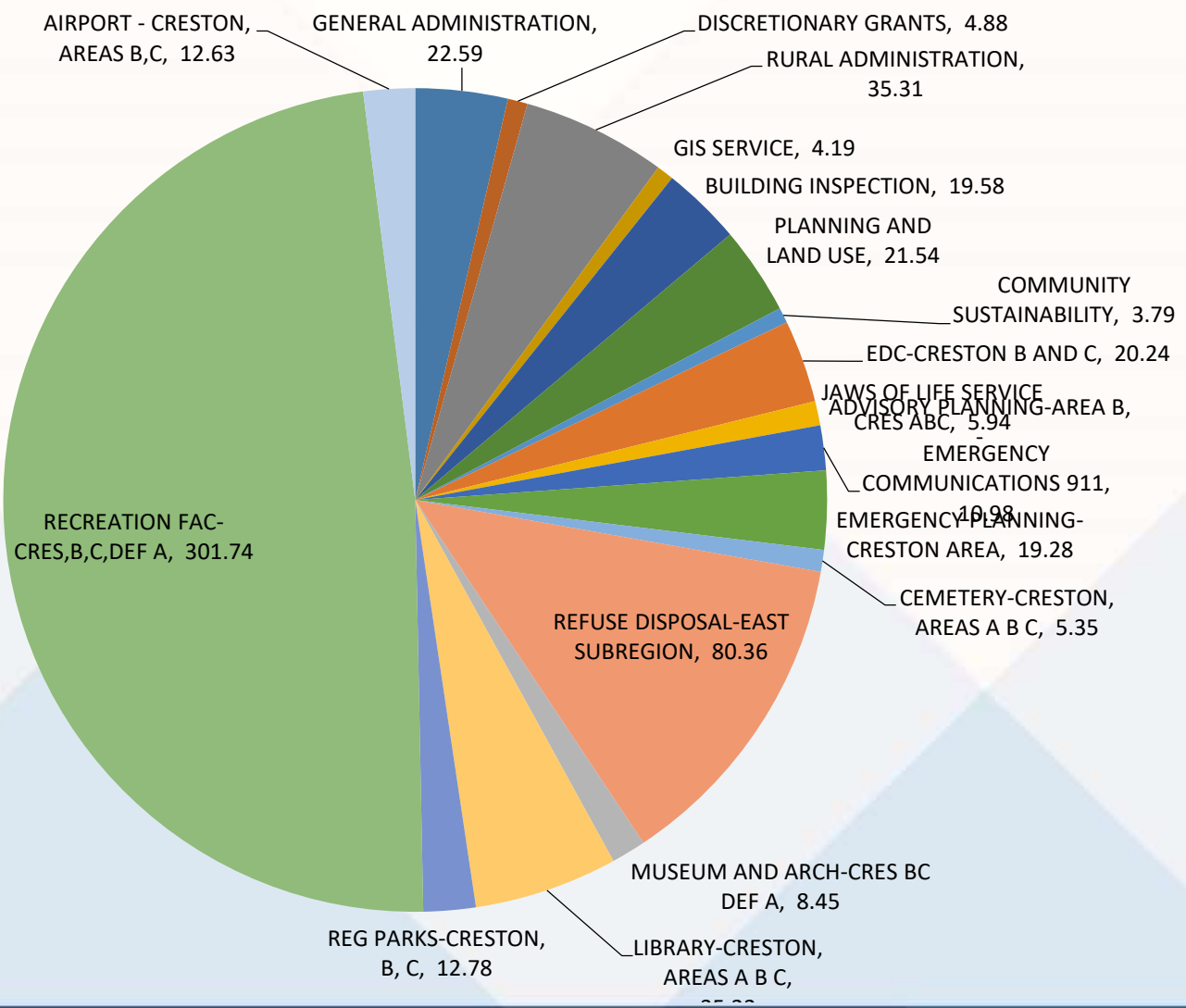


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Area B – No Fire Protection – RDCK Tax Bill

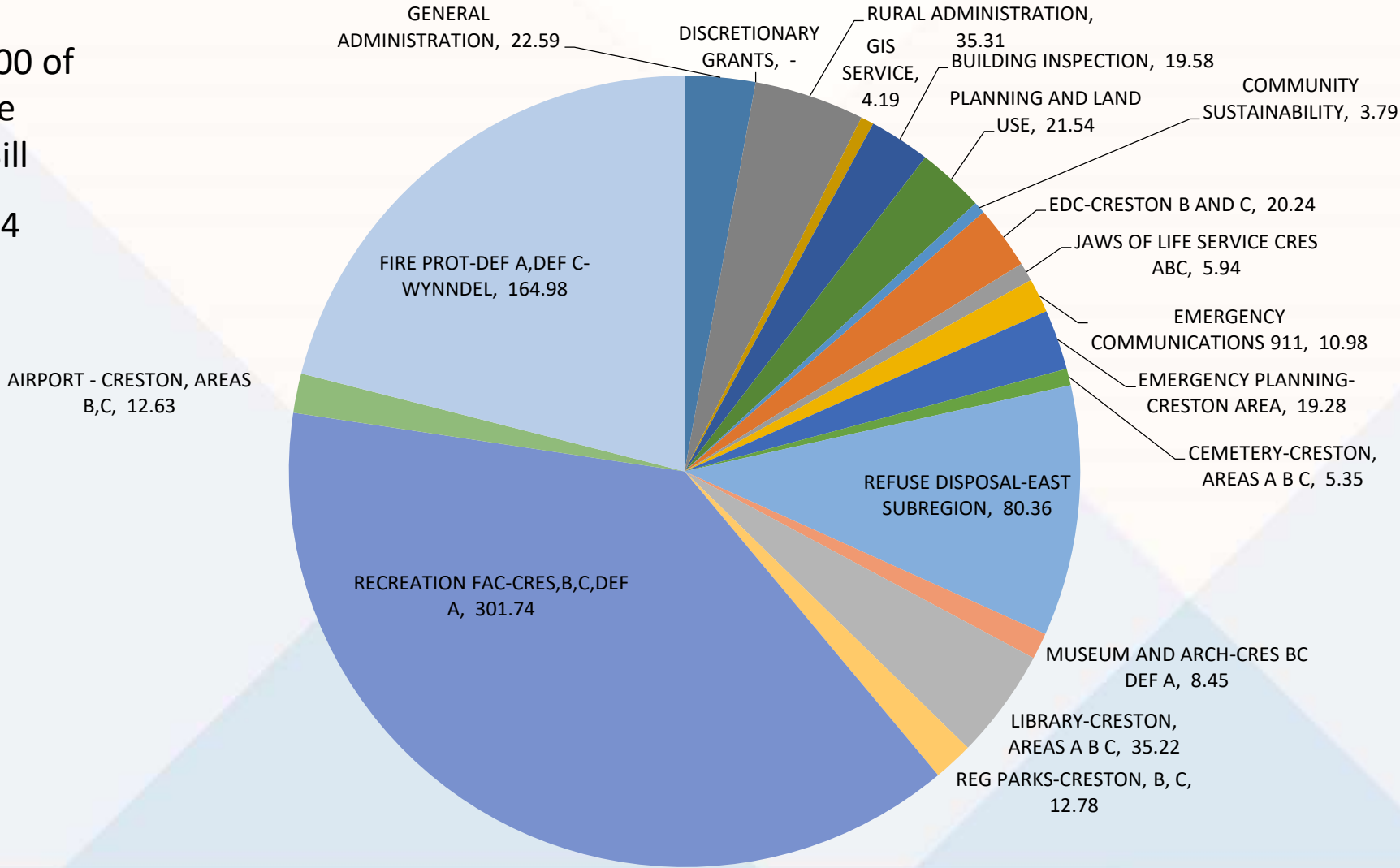
Per \$250,000 of
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\$ 625 Tax Bill
\$ 608 - 2024





Area C – Wynndel Fire Protection – Creston Contract – RDCK Tax Bill

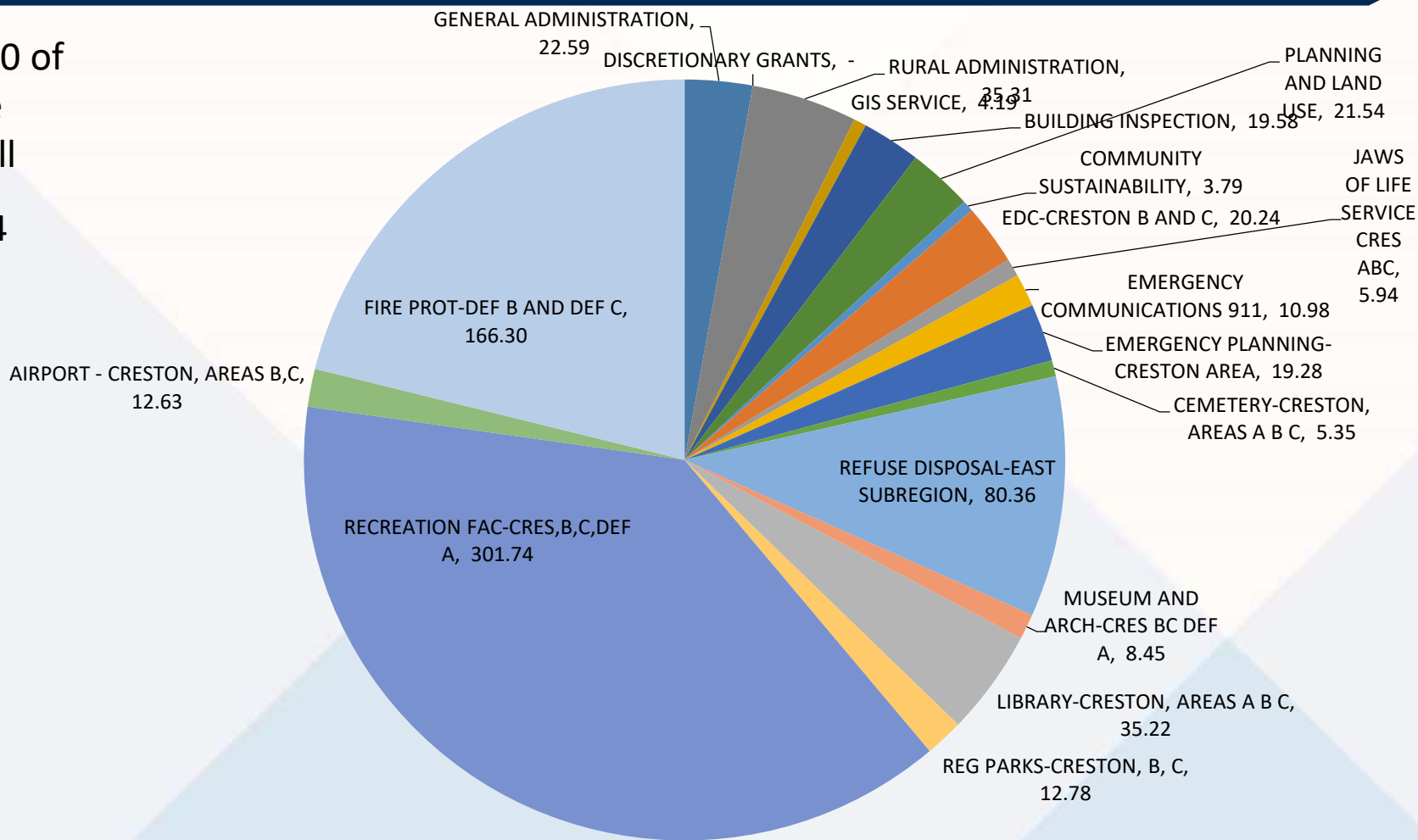
Per \$250,000 of
Home Value
\$ 785 Tax Bill
\$ 764 - 2024





Area C – Erickson Fire Protection – Creston Contract – RDCK Tax Bill

Per \$250,000 of
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\$ 785 Tax Bill
\$ 777 - 2024

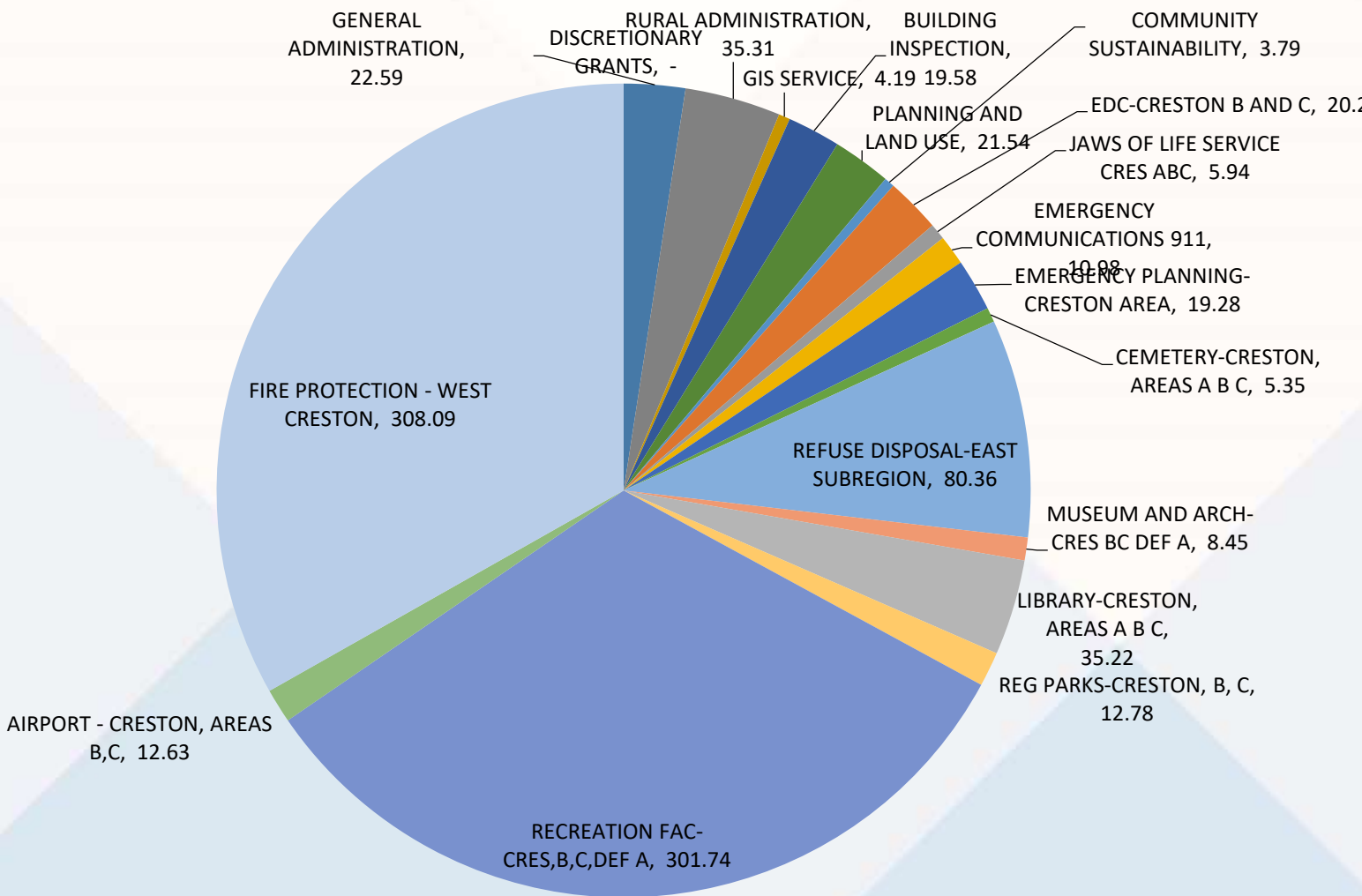


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Area C – West Creston Fire Protection – Creston Contract – RDCK Tax Bill

Per \$250,000 of
Home Value
\$ 928 Tax Bill
\$ 923 - 2024





Area C – No Fire Protection – RDCK Tax Bill

Per \$250,000 of
Home Value
\$ 620 Tax Bill
\$ 602 - 2024

