# NOTICE OF ASSENT VOTING SPROAT LAKE MARINE PATROL SERVICE AREA ESTABLISHMENT

PUBLIC NOTICE is given to the electors within the Uchucklesaht Tribe Government, Electoral Areas "B" (Beaufort), "D" (Sproat Lake), "E" (Beaver Creek) and "F" (Cherry Creek) in the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District, that assent voting will be held on the following question:

"Are you in favour of the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District enacting Bylaw E1057 to provide the following:

- Establish the Sproat Lake Marine Patrol Service for the purpose of providing a seasonal marine patrol program at Sproat Lake with the following areas participating in the service: City of Port Alberni, Uchucklesaht Tribe Government, Electoral Areas "B" (Beaufort), "D" (Sproat Lake), "E" (Beaver Creek) and "F" (Cherry Creek); and
- Annually requisition the service area up to a maximum of \$30,000 or \$0.0101 per \$1,000 of taxable value of land and improvements, whichever is greater?" YES/NO

### **VOTING DATES AND LOCATIONS**

## GENERAL VOTING: SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2014

8:00 am to 8:00 pm

Cherry Creek Community Hall, 3767 Moore Road, Port Alberni, BC Harold Bishop Fire Hall, 7667 Pacific Rim Highway, Port Alberni, BC Gill Elementary School, 5520 Beaver Creek Road, Port Alberni, BC

ADVANCE VOTING: WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2014

and

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2014

8:00 AM – 8:00 PM Regional District Office 3008 Fifth Avenue, Port Alberni, BC

A **SPECIAL VOTING OPPORTUNITY** will be provided on Thursday, November 6, 2014 to qualified electors who are patients or residents of the following care facilities:

Rainbow Gardens/Tsawaayuus 6151 Russell Place, Port Alberni, BC	9:00 am to 10:00 am
<b>Echo Village</b> 4200 - 10 <sup>th</sup> Avenue, Port Alberni, BC	10:30 am to 12:00 pm
<b>Fir Park Village</b> 4411 Wallace Street, Port Alberni, BC	1:15 pm to 2:30 pm
West Coast General Hospital 3949 Port Alberni Highway, Port Alberni, BC	3:00 pm to 4:00 pm

#### **ELECTOR REGISTRATION**

There is no need to pre-register to vote as the registration of all electors for voting will take place at the time of voting. You will be required to make a declaration that you meet the following requirements:

- 18 years of age or older on general voting day
- Canadian citizen
- resident of BC for at least 6 months immediately before the day of registration

- resident of OR registered owner of real property in the Uchucklesaht Tribe Government or Electoral Areas "B" (Beaufort), "D" (Sproat Lake), "E" (Beaver Creek), "F" (Cherry Creek) for at least 30 days immediately before the day of registration, and
- not disqualified under the *Local Government Act* or any other enactment from voting in the assent voting and not otherwise disqualified by law.

**Resident electors** must produce **2 pieces of identification** (at least one with a signature). Picture identification is not necessary. The identification must prove both residency and identity.

**Non-resident property electors** must produce 2 pieces of identification (at least one with a signature) to prove identity, proof that they are entitled to register in relation to the property, and, if there is more than one owner, written consent from a majority of the property owners to one owner voting. Non-resident Property Elector Consent forms can be downloaded off the Regional District website <u>www.acrd.bc.ca</u>.

## MAIL BALLOT VOTING

Qualified Electors may vote by mail if they:

- Have a physical disability, illness or injury that affects their ability to vote at another voting opportunity; or
- Expect to be absent from the Regional District of Alberni-Clayoquot on general voting day and at the times of all advance voting opportunities, or
- Reside in Electoral Area "D" (Sproat Lake) where:
  - i. Their only access to their residence is by boat or aircraft, or
  - ii. Their travel time by road from their residence to the nearest voting place at which the person is entitled to vote is greater than thirty minutes.

Qualified Electors who are eligible to vote by mail and wish to vote, must apply in writing to the Chief Election Officer before **12 noon** on **Friday**, **November 14, 2014**. **Mail Ballot Package Information and Request Forms** are available on the Regional District website **www.acrd.bc.ca** or contact the Chief Election Officer or Deputy Chief Election Officer at (250) 720-2700.

#### SYNOPSIS OF PROPOSED BYLAW E1057

The intent of Bylaw E1057, Sproat Lake Marine Patrol Service Area Establishment, 2014 is to establish a service for the purpose of operating a seasonal marine patrol program at Sproat Lake.

The maximum amount that may be requisitioned annually for the cost of the service is \$30,000 or \$0.0101 per \$1,000 of taxable value of land and improvements, whichever is greater.

The areas subject to this Bylaw are the City of Port Alberni, Uchucklesaht Tribe Government and Electoral Areas "B" (Beaufort), "D" (Sproat Lake), "E" (Beaver Creek) and "F" (Cherry Creek).

TAKE NOTICE that the above is a synopsis of the proposed bylaw and that this synopsis is not intended to be and is not to be understood as an interpretation of the bylaw. The full bylaw may be inspected at the Regional District Office, 3008 Fifth Avenue, Port Alberni, BC during regular office hours, 8:00 am -4:30 pm, or on the Regional District website <u>www.acrd.bc.ca</u>.

## **APPLICATION TO ACT AS A SCRUTINEER**

Qualified electors may apply to volunteer to be a scrutineer for and against the question. Contact the Chief Election Officer for information on the requirements and procedures for making an application. Application forms may be downloaded off the Regional District website <u>www.acrd.bc.ca</u>. Completed application forms will be received by the Chief Election Officer at 3008 Fifth Avenue, Port Alberni, BC during the following period: **8:00 am, October 22, 2014 to 4:30 pm, October 31, 2014**.

**For further information** on the bylaw or the voting process, please contact Wendy Thomson, Chief Election Officer or Russell Dyson, Deputy Chief Election Officer at 250-720-2700 during regular office hours, Monday to Friday, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm.

The City of Port Alberni is conducting the Sproat Lake Marine Patrol Service Area Establishment assent voting on behalf of the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District for qualified electors within the City of Port Alberni. For further information on assent voting within the City of Port Alberni contact Davina Hartwell, Chief Election Officer, City of Port Alberni at (250) 720-2810 or visit their website at <a href="https://www.portalberni.ca">www.portalberni.ca</a>

Wendy Thomson Chief Election Officer