# NORTH COAST REGIONAL DISTRICT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2018



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### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Directors
North Coast Regional District

### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of the North Coast Regional District, which comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2018 and the statements of financial activities, changes in net financial assets, cash flows and schedules for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the North Coast Regional District as at December 31, 2018 and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards.

### Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. We are independent of the Regional District in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### Auditor's Responsibility for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.

### Responsibilities of Management and Board of Directors for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards, and for such internal controls as management determines are necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free of material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Regional District's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless conditions exist that do not allow for the going concern basis to be used.

PRINCE RUPERT

The Board is responsible for overseeing the Regional District's financial reporting process.

Terrace, BC May 17, 2019

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### NORTH COAST REGIONAL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

### **DECEMBER 31**

### STATEMENT A

	2018	2017
	\$	\$
FINANCIAL ASSETS		
Cash and investments (note 2)	4,426,850	3,863,296
Trade and other receivables (note 3)	346,109	451,380
MFA deposit (note 4)	331,396	309,417
Due from Municipalities (note 9)	14,781,986	14,129,576
	19,886,341	18,753,669
LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable and accruals (note 5)	368,494	344,922
Landfill closure costs accrual (note 6)	335,240	335,240
Deferred revenue (note 7)	1,988,793	1,690,802
MFA debt reserve (note 4)	331,396	309,417
MFA debentures/leases/loan for Regional District (note 8)	12,738	27,898
Debentures issued for Municipalities (note 9)	14,781,986	14,129,576
	17,818,647	16,837,855
NET FINANCIAL ASSETS	2,067,694	1,915,814
NON- FINANCIAL ASSETS		
Physical assets (schedule 4 and note 1)	2,987,796	3,070,508
Prepaid expenses	9,860	6,399
	2,997,656	3,076,907
REGIONAL DISTRICT POSITION (note 11)	5,065,350	4,992,721

APPROVED BY THE BOARD

Chair

\_\_\_ Treasurer



### NORTH COAST REGIONAL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31

### STATEMENT B

	Unaudited Budget 2018	Actual 2018	Actual 2017
REVENUE	\$	\$	\$
Sales, fees and other	1,618,686	1,683,851	1,672,818
Taxation	1,590,370	1,590,369	1,453,534
Municipal debt payments	1,412,665	1,186,566	1,175,441
Provincial, federal and other grants	278,095	235,219	259,388
Grants in lieu	83,930	144,422	148,031
	4,983,746	4,840,427	4,709,212
EXPENDITURE			
General Government	1,225,087	1,121,576	1,055,827
Municipal debt payments	1,412,665	1,186,566	1,175,441
Protective Services	125,975	32,442	42,565
Environmental Services	1,683,073	1,695,510	1,682,836
Planning and Development	206,910	75,761	88,154
Recreation and Cultural Services	517,279	524,224	504,134
Utility Services	119,330	131,285	132,297
Projects	10,000	434	4,402
	5,300,319	4,767,798	4,685,656
REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURE	- 316,573	72,629	23,556
OPENING REGIONAL DISTRICT POSITION	4,992,721	4,992,721	4,969,165
CLOSING REGIONAL DISTRICT POSITION	4,676,148	5,065,350	4,992,721



### NORTH COAST REGIONAL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31

### STATEMENT C

	2018	2017
	\$	\$
OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Revenue over expenditure	72,629	23,556
Amortization	146,571	146,802
Landfill closure costs accrual	-	44,044
Accounts payables and accruals	23,572	- 46,299
Trade and other receivables	105,271	18,502
Deferred revenue	297,991	177,192
Prepaid expenses	- 3,461	2,224
	642,573	366,021
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FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Debt repayment	15,160_	- 41,551
INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Physical asset purchases	- 63,859	- 39,691
CHANGE IN CASH	563,554	284,779
OPENING CASH AND INVESTMENTS	3,863,296	3,578,517
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CLOSING CASH AND INVESTMENTS	4,426,850	3,863,296



### NORTH COAST REGIONAL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET FINANCIAL ASSETS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31

### STATEMENT D

	2018	2017
	\$	\$
Revenue over expenditure Amortization of physical assets Purchase of physical assets Prepaid expenses	72,629 146,571 - 63,859 - 3,461	23,556 146,802 - 39,691 
Increase in net financial assets	151,880	132,891
Opening net financial assets	1,915,814	1,782,923
Closing net financial assets	2,067,694	1,915,814



### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### **DECEMBER 31, 2018**

### 1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### Basis of presentation

The Regional District has adopted the reporting format from the recommendations of the Public Sector Accounting Board.

The Regional District maintains the following funds that are combined in the financial statements:

- Operating fund reports the general activities of the Regional District.
- Capital fund reports the physical assets of the Regional District together with the related financing.
- Reserve fund reports the activities of the funds established by bylaw for specific purposes.

### Basis of accounting

Revenue and expenditures are reported on an accrual basis.

### Revenue recognition

Taxation revenues are recognized when requisitioned from the Province of British Columbia and member Municipalities. Sale of services and user fee revenues are recognized when the service or product is provided by the Regional District. Grant revenues are recognized when the commitments are met.

### Financial instruments

The Regional District measures financial assets and liabilities at market value at the date of acquisition except for those investments quoted in an active market, which are reported at market value.

It is management's opinion that the Regional District's financial instruments are not exposed to significant interest rate, liquidity, market or other price risks.



### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### **DECEMBER 31, 2018**

### 1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

### Physical assets

Physical assets are recorded at cost and are amortized using the straight-line method as follows:

Buildings	40 years
Automotive	10 years
Equipment	10, 15 and 20 years
Infrastructure	40 vears

### **Equity in Physical Assets**

Equity in Physical Assets reports the accumulated funded historical cost of physical assets less accumulated amortization.

### Use of estimates

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Adjustments, if any, will be reflected in operations in the period of settlement.

### Segmented information

A segment is defined as a distinguishable activity or group of activities of a government for which it is appropriate to separately report financial information to achieve the objectives of the standard. The Regional District has provided definitions of the Regional District's segments in Note 12. A detailed summary of the 2018 revenues and expenditures can be found in Schedule 5, with 2017 comparative information in Schedule 6.

### 2. CASH AND INVESTMENTS

Cash and investments is comprised of cash balances plus short-term investments in fixed income funds. Cash and investments are reported at market value which approximates cost.

	2018	2017
Cash Investments	\$ 1,115,201 3,311,649	\$ 224,476 3,638,820
	\$ 4,426,850	\$ 3,863,296



### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### **DECEMBER 31, 2018**

### 3. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	2018	2017
Trade receivables and other Regional and local governments Provincial and federal governments	\$ 139,418 121,574 85,117	\$ 215,067 132,441 103,872
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### 4. MFA DEPOSIT AND DEBT RESERVE

A condition of MFA borrowings stipulates that a portion of the debenture proceeds be withheld as a security deposit and a debt reserve fund.

### 5. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUALS

	2018	2017
Payroll and benefits payable Trade payables and other	\$ 191,681 107,388	\$ 143,861 141,828
Regional and local governments Provincial and federal governments	59,791 9,634	36,285 22,948
	\$ 368,494	\$ 344,922

### 6. LANDFILL CLOSURE COSTS ACCRUAL

The Regional District is responsible for closing a landfill on Haida Gwaii in accordance with Ministry of Environment regulations. Management has prepared its estimates using a provisional phased closure plan.

	2018	2017
Opening balance Accrual for expected costs	\$ 335,240 	\$ 291,196 44,044
	\$ 335,240	\$ 335,240

In 2018, work was done on Phase 5 to extend the life until October 2021. Costs of \$30,572 are included under Environmental Services.



### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### **DECEMBER 31, 2018**

### 7. DEFERRED REVENUE

Revenues received in advance of expenses that will be incurred in a later period are deferred until they are matched against those expenses.

	2018	2017
Gas tax Other	\$ 1,927,000 61,793	\$ 1,681,195 9,607
	\$ 1,988,793	\$ 1,690,802

### 8. MFA LOANS FOR REGIONAL DISTRICT

Loans are with the Municipal Finance Authority and are being repaid in accordance with approved bylaws and agreements.

### 9. DEBENTURES ISSUED FOR MUNICIPALITIES

When a member municipality within the Regional District wishes to issue debenture debt through the Municipal Finance Authority of BC (MFA), the borrowing is done through the Regional District. The Regional District is therefore responsible for repayment of the debt to MFA. When payments (principal and interest) are made on this debt, the Regional District pays MFA and is reimbursed by the municipality.

The Regional District reports the outstanding debt borrowed on behalf of the member municipalities as both a financial asset and financial liability. Municipal debt payments are shown as revenue and offsetting expenditure.

### 10. PENSION INFORMATION

The Regional District and its employees contribute to the Municipal Pension Plan (the Plan), a jointly-trusteed pension plan. The board of trustees, representing plan members and employers, is responsible for overseeing the management of the Plan, including investment of the assets and administration of benefits. The Plan is a multi-employer contributory pension plan. Basic pension benefits provided are based on a formula. As at December 31, 2017 the Plan had about 197,000 active members and approximately 95,000 retired members. Active members include approximately 39,000 contributors from local governments.



### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### **DECEMBER 31, 2018**

### 10. PENSION INFORMATION (continued)

Every three years, an actuarial valuation is performed to assess the financial position of the plan and adequacy of plan funding. The actuary determines an appropriate combined employer and member contribution rate to fund the plan. The actuary's calculated contribution rate is based on the entry-age normal cost method, which produces the long-term rate of member and employer contributions sufficient to provide benefits for average future entrants to the plan. This rate is then adjusted to the extent there is amortization of any funding deficit.

The most recent actuarial valuation as at December 31, 2015 indicated a \$2,224 million funding surplus for basic pension benefits on a going concern basis. The next valuation will be as at December 31, 2018 with results available in late 2019.

Employers participating in the Plan record their pension expenses as the amount of employer contributions made during the fiscal year (defined contribution pension plan accounting). This is because the Plan records accrued liabilities and accrued assets for the Plan in aggregate with the result that there is no consistent and reliable basis for allocating the obligation, assets and cost to the individual employers participating in the plan.

The Regional District paid \$91,238 (2017 - \$81,463) for employer contributions to the plan in fiscal 2018.

### 11. REGIONAL DISTRICT POSITION

	2018	2017
Reserve Funds (Schedule 2) Equity in Physical Assets (Schedule 3) Statement of Surplus (Schedule 1)	\$ 645,489 2,975,058 1,444,803	\$ 631,545 3,042,610 1,318,566
	\$ 5,065,350	\$ 4,992,721



### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### **DECEMBER 31, 2018**

### 12. SEGMENTED INFORMATION

The North Coast Regional District is a partnership of four electoral areas and five municipalities that provide local government services to approximately 20,000 residents living on the North Coast of British Columbia and Haida Gwaii.

The Regional District administers services ranging from solid waste management and recycling to land use planning, water supply and public safety. As a requirement of the Local Government Act, separate financial records must be kept for each service providing detailed allocation of assets and liabilities, revenues and expenses, information concerning reserve funds and other pertinent financial details. For each reported segment, revenues and expenditures represent amounts that are directly attributable to the segment and also amounts that are allocated on a reasonable basis.

Segmentation has been determined on a functional basis with consideration to service delivery and department accountabilities. The following is a description of the types of services included in each of the main service segments of the Regional District's financial statement. A detailed summary of the 2018 revenue and expenses can be found in Schedule 5, with 2017 comparative information in Schedule 6.

### **General Government**

General government is comprised of member municipality and electoral area governance, general administration which includes legislative services, finance, and human resources, community services and grants in aid.

### **Municipal Debt Payments**

Municipal debt payments provides for debenture interest and principal repayment on debt taken out by member municipalities.

### **Protective Services**

Protective services includes volunteer fire departments and emergency programs.

### **Environmental Services**

Environmental services includes regional solid waste management and regional recycling programs.

### **Planning and Development**

Planning and development includes regional land use planning and economic development services.



### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### **DECEMBER 31, 2018**

### 12. SEGMENTED INFORMATION (continued)

### **Recreation and Cultural Services**

Recreation and cultural services includes recreation facilities and programs, community halls and contributions towards libraries, archives and the North Pacific Cannery.

### **Utility Services**

Utility services includes regional water services.

### **Projects**

Projects includes feasibility studies.

### 13. COMPARATIVE INFORMATION

Certain comparative figures have been reclassified to conform to the current year's presentation.



### NORTH COAST REGIONAL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF SURPLUS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31

### SCHEDULE 1

	2018	2017
	\$	\$
	407 700	444.000
General Government	485,502	411,800
Protective Services	114,226	95,291
Environmental Services	411,429	383,289
Planning and Development	261,902	206,693
Recreation and Cultural Services	106,043	122,528
Utility Services	49,065	87,050
Projects	16,636	11,915
	1,444,803_	1,318,566



# NORTH COAST REGIONAL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF RESERVE FUNDS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31 SCHEDULE 2

	<b>2018</b> \$	<b>2017</b> \$
Opening balance	631,545	621,657
Interest	13,944	9,888
Closing balance	645,489	631,545
Represented by the following reserve funds		
Bylaw 486 Sandspit Water	93,564	91,542
Bylaw 561 Electoral Area Administration	40,776	39,895
Bylaw 566 General Administration	88,350	86,442
Bylaw 567 Feasibility Studies	27,690	27,091
Bylaw 568 Regional Recycling - Other	39,050	37,308
Bylaw 568 Regional Recycling - Building	120,610	118,904
Bylaw 569 Island Solid Waste	235,364	230,280
Bylaw 602 Haida Gwaii Recreation	85	83
	645,489	631,545



### NORTH COAST REGIONAL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY IN PHYSICAL ASSETS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31

### SCHEDULE 3

	2018	2017
	\$	\$
Opening balance	3,042,610	3,108,170
Increase (decrease) in equity		
Contribution from operations Debt repayment Amortization	63,859 15,160 <u>- 146,571</u>	39,691 41,551 - 146,802
	~ 67,552	- 65,560
Closing balance	2,975,058	3,042,610



### NORTH COAST REGIONAL DISTRICT STATEMENT OF PHYSICAL ASSETS YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31 SCHEDULE 4

		COST		ACCUM	IULATED AMORT	NET BOOK VALUE		
	Opening Balance \$	Additions	Closing Balance \$	Opening Balance \$	Annual Amortization \$	Closing Balance \$	Total 2018 \$	Total 2017 \$
Land	279,748	-	279,748	-	-	-	279,748	279,748
Buildings	1,556,043	_	1,556,043	417,439	38,901	456,340	1,099,703	1,138,604
Automotive	244,758	19,260	264,018	124,534	23,895	148,429	115,589	120,224
Equipment	547,094	44,599	591,693	295,863	38,036	333,899	257,794	251,231
Infrastructure	1,829,571		1,829,571	548,870	45,739	594,609	1,234,962	1,280,701
	4,457,214	63,859	4,521,073	1,386,706	146,571	1,533,277	2,987,796	3,070,508



### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

### YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2018

### SCHUEDLE 5 - SEGMENTED INFORMATION

	General Government	Municipal Debt Payments	Protective Services	Environmental Services	Planning and Development	Recreation and Cultural Services	Utility Services	Projects	2018 Total
REVENUE									
Sales, fees and other	361,543	-	1,717	1,262,880	7,566	4,224	45,322	599	1,683,851
Taxation	573,221	-	47,500	366,840	89,179	458,799	50,000	4,830	1,590,369
Municipal debt payments	-	1,186,566	-	-	-		· -	, <u>-</u>	1,186,566
Provincial, federal and other grants	206,969	-	_	-	28,250	-	-	-	235,219
Grants in lieu	56,336		2,159	34,910	5,975	44,718		324	144,422
	1,198,069	1,186,566	51,376	1,664,630	130,970	507,741	95,322	5,753	4,840,427
EXPENDITURE									
Salaries and wages	600,586		291	787,956	1,181	73,436		-	1,463,450
Amortization	854	~	-	79,531	_	20,013	45,739	434	146,571
Director expenses	223,359	-	-	145	55		· -	-	223,559
Municipal debt payments	-	1,186,566	-	-	=	-	-	-	1,186,566
Other	296,777		32,151	827,878	74,525	430,775	85,546		1,747,652
	1,121,576	1,186,566	32,442	1,695,510	75,761	524,224	131,285	434	4,767,798
REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURE	76,493	-	18,934	- 30,880	55,209	- 16,483	- 35,963	5,319	72,629
OPENING REGIONAL DISTRICT POSITION	537,281	-	95,292	3,879,431	206,693	102,598	132,853	38,573	4,992,721
CLOSING REGIONAL DISTRICT POSITION	613,774		114,226	3,848,551	261,902	86,115	96,890	43,892	5,065,350



### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

### YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2017

### SCHUEDLE 6 - SEGMENTED INFORMATION

	General Government	Municipal Debt Payments	Protective Services	Environmental Services	Planning and Development	Recreation and Cultural Services	Utility Services	Projects	2017 Total
REVENUE									
Sales, fees and other	306,073	_	-	1,316,067	100	2,945	47,209	424	1,672,818
Taxation	453,225	-	47,500	366,840	89,179	441,960	50,000	4.830	1,453,534
Municipal debt payments	-	1,175,441	_	· -	-	-	,		1,175,441
Provincial, federal and other grants	225,067	-	-	-	34,321	-	_	~	259,388
Grants in lieu	49,964		2,356	40,048	6,567	48,740	-	356	148,031
	1,034,329	1,175,441	49,856	1,722,955	130,167	493,645	97,209	5,610	4,709,212
EXPENDITURE									111001212
Salaries and wages	514,839	-	37	705,211	1,784	71,737	-	_	1,293,608
Amortization	854	-	-	79,762	•	20,013	45.739	434	146,802
Director expenses	212,953	-	_	124	_		,	-	213,077
Municipal debt payments	-	1,175,441	-	-	_	-	_	-	1,175,441
Other	327,181		42,528	897,739	86,370	412,384	86,558	3,968	1,856,728
	1,055,827	1,175,441	42,565	1,682,836	88,154	504,134	132,297	4,402	4,685,656
REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURE	- 21,498	-	7,291	40,119	42,013	- 10,489	- 35,088	1,208	23,556
OPENING REGIONAL DISTRICT POSITION	558,779		88,001	3,839,312	164,680	113,087	167,941	37,365	4,969,165
CLOSING REGIONAL DISTRICT POSITION	537,281		95,292	3,879,431	206,693	102,598	132,853	38,573	4,992,721

