



THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VERNON

MEMORANDUM

TO: Will Pearce, Chief Administrative Officer **FILE:** 1855-20
PC: Debra Law, Director, Financial Services **DATE:** September 28, 2022
FROM: David Lind, Director, Fire Rescue Services
**SUBJECT: EASTSIDE ROAD FUEL TREATMENT APPLICATION – FOREST
ENHANCEMENT**

On September 23, 2022 the FireSmart Coordinator, with support from the Director, Fire Rescue Services and the Chief Administrative Officer applied to the Forest Enhancement Society of British Columbia for \$1,026,200 for the treatment of 105 ha of Crown land located within the City of Vernon boundaries at the end of Eastside Road (Attachment 1).

The Ministry of Forests (MOF) has previously completed approximately 80 ha of fuel treatments in the area, the City has treated 27 ha along Eastside Road and several private property owners and stratas have undertaken efforts to improve conditions on their lands in the area. This proposed work would link to the already completed projects to establish a larger landscape level treatment in one of the higher risk areas within the City of Vernon.

The MOF does not currently have a plan to treat this area as part of the overall Provincial fuel management strategy and have communicated support of the application. Should the application be unsuccessful, we will advocate to elevate the project within the Provincial priority list.

At this point in the process there is no requirement for a resolution from Council to support the application. Additional information will be provided as it becomes available.

Note: Attachment 1 reflects 117.6 ha, only 105 ha of the 117.6 ha would be treated.

RECOMMENDATION:

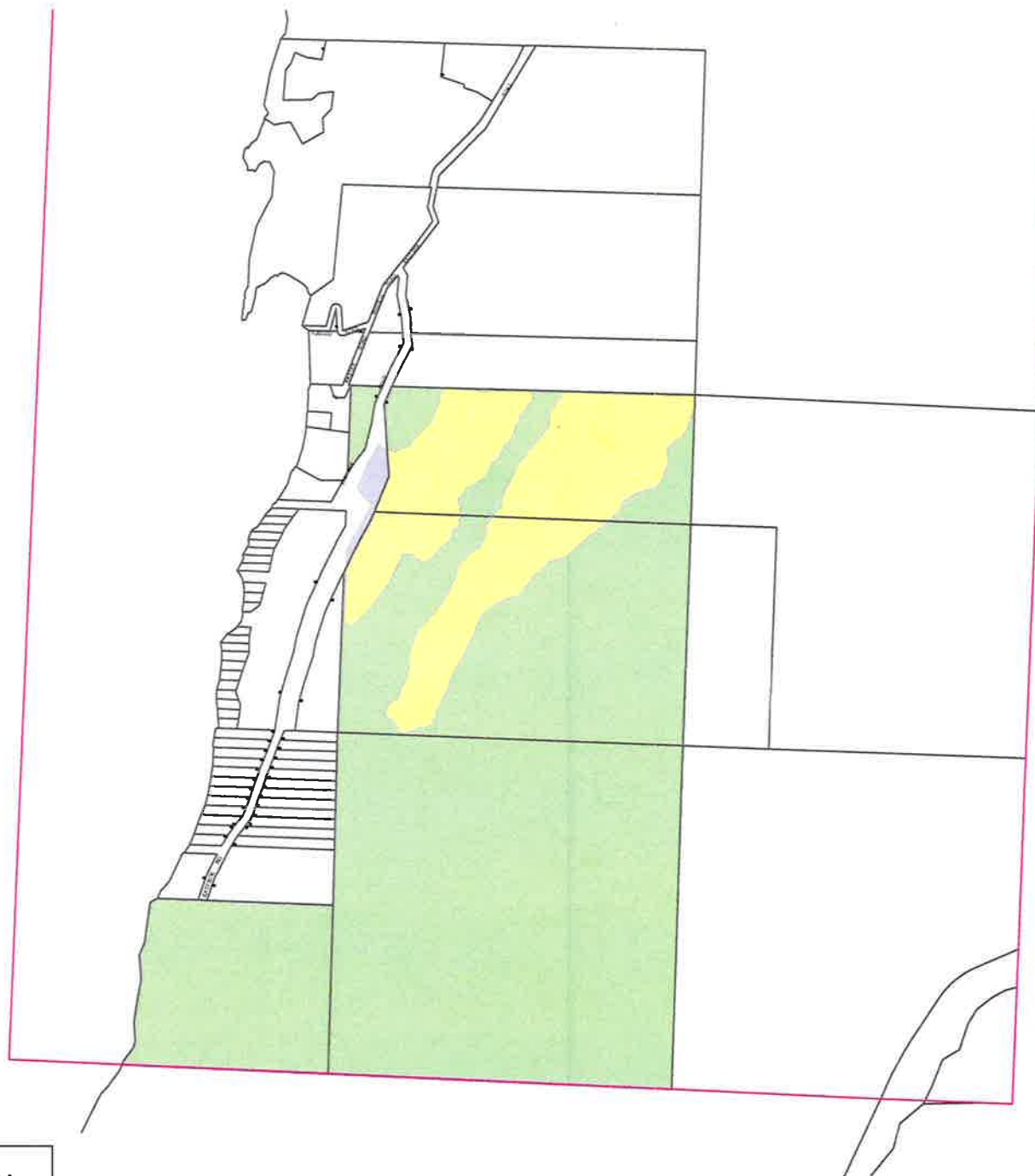
THAT Council receive for information the memorandum titled "Eastside Road Fuel Treatment Application – Forest Enhancement", dated September 28, 2022 and respectfully submitted by the Director, Fire Rescue Services.

Respectfully submitted:




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Attachment 1 – Map of the proposed treatment area

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	Crown Land Merged - 117.6ha
	Ellison Treated Units - Crown Land - 26.1ha
	Ellison Treated Units - Private Land - 0.9ha