

**Regional District of  
East Kootenay**  
**Financial Statements**  
For the year ended December 31, 2021

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## Managements' Responsibility for Financial Reporting

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### To Directors of the Board:

In accordance with Section 814 of the Local Government Act and Section 167 of the Community Charter, I am pleased to submit the 2021 financial statements for the Regional District of East Kootenay, together with the report of our auditors, BDO Canada LLP.

The preparation of the financial statements and schedules is the responsibility of the Regional District's management. The statements have been prepared in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles for governments. These principles are based upon recommendations of the Public Sector Accounting Board ("PSAB") of CPA Canada.

Financial statements are not precise since they include certain amounts based on estimates and judgements. When alternative accounting methods exist, management has chosen those it deems most appropriate in the circumstances, in order to ensure that the financial statements are presented fairly in all material respects.

The Regional District maintains systems of internal accounting and administrative controls of high quality, consistent with reasonable cost. Such systems are designed to provide reasonable assurance that the financial information is relevant, reliable and accurate and the Regional District's assets are appropriately accounted for and adequately safeguarded.

The Board is responsible for ensuring that management fulfills its responsibilities for financial reporting and is ultimately responsible for reviewing and approving the financial statements.

The financial statements have been audited by BDO Canada LLP Chartered Professional Accountants in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards on behalf of the ratepayers. The auditor's report expresses their opinion on these financial statements. The auditors have full and free access to the accounting records.



Holly Ronnquist, CPA, CMA  
Chief Financial Officer

December 8, 2022



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## Independent Auditor's Report

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### To the Directors of the Board of the Regional District of East Kootenay

#### Qualified Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Regional District of East Kootenay ("Regional District"), which comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2021, and the statements of operations, changes in net financial assets and cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

In our opinion, except for the effects of the matter described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion section of our report, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Regional District of East Kootenay as at December 31, 2021 and its financial performance, cash flows and changes in net financial assets for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards.

#### Basis for Qualified Opinion

The Regional District's opening accumulated surplus as reported in their accounting records did not agree to the prior year's ending accumulated surplus by \$4,928,090. Management has been unable to identify the nature of the difference between the opening accumulated surplus and prior year ending accumulated surplus to correctly record the financial statement adjustment in their records. The difference of \$4,928,090 has been recorded as an annual surplus adjustment on the Statement of Operations. In this regard, these financial statements are not in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards. We were unable to determine the impact of this error on other areas of the financial statements.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. 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 qualified opinion.

#### Other Matter

We draw attention to Note 17 on the financial statements, which explains that certain comparative information presented for the year ended December 31, 2020 has been restated. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

#### Unaudited Information

We have not audited, reviewed or otherwise attempted to verify the accuracy or completeness of the information included in Schedule 2 - Covid-19 Restart Grants of the Regional District's financial statements.



## **Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance 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 control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the 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 management either intends to liquidate the District or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the District's financial reporting process.

## **Auditor's Responsibilities 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 judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the District's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the District to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.



We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Chartered Professional Accountants

Vernon, British Columbia  
December 8, 2022

**Regional District of East Kootenay**  
**Statement of Financial Position**

December 31	2021	2020
		Restated (see Note 17)
<b>Financial Assets</b>		
Cash (Note 1)	\$ 38,403,362	\$ 34,846,351
Accounts receivable (Note 2)	4,830,465	8,576,175
Deposit - Municipal Finance Authority (Note 3)	3,706,817	3,625,105
Agreements due from members (Note 4)	50,186,984	50,707,151
	<b>97,127,628</b>	<b>97,754,782</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	3,171,092	2,228,214
Reserve - Municipal Finance Authority (Note 3)	3,706,817	3,625,105
Deferred revenue (Note 5)	1,217,528	1,277,223
Short-term borrowing	825,000	1,000,000
Landfill closure and post-closure obligations (Note 6)	14,405,856	13,776,143
Due to Kootenay East Regional Hospital District	2,529,798	340,581
Long-term debt (Note 8)	62,532,841	63,981,867
	<b>88,388,932</b>	<b>86,229,133</b>
<b>Net Financial Assets</b>	<b>8,738,696</b>	<b>11,525,649</b>
<b>Non-Financial Assets</b>		
Prepaid expenses	264,912	21,358
Tangible capital assets (Note 9)	64,443,055	61,461,788
	<b>64,707,967</b>	<b>61,483,146</b>
<b>Accumulated Surplus</b>	<b>\$ 73,446,663</b>	<b>\$ 73,008,795</b>

**Commitments (Note 12)**

Approved on behalf of the Board:

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Holly Ronnquist, CPA, CMA, Chief Financial Officer

## Regional District of East Kootenay Statement of Operations and Accumulated Surplus

For the year ended December 31	2021	2021	2020
	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Actual</i>	<i>Actual</i>
	(Note 16)		Restated (see Note 17)
<b>Revenue</b>			
Tax requisitions	\$ 19,836,296	\$ 19,836,929	\$ 19,180,862
Members' requisitions for debt services	5,797,804	4,688,257	4,497,877
Parcel taxes	1,533,786	1,534,451	1,423,274
Grants in lieu of taxes	679,427	702,269	813,446
Provincial government grants	9,294,859	1,520,289	4,236,645
Local government grants and regional transfers	8,259,168	3,215,991	1,922,211
Water and sewer fees	1,691,777	1,818,095	1,522,261
Other sale of services and fees	1,824,480	3,518,142	3,291,149
Interest earned	377,750	82,442	379,161
Other revenue	525,162	250,389	326,008
Actuarial adjustments	-	264,612	249,607
	<u>49,820,509</u>	<u>37,431,866</u>	<u>37,842,501</u>
<b>Expenses (Note 14)</b>			
General administration	6,972,929	4,186,803	3,983,255
Protective services	7,372,767	6,477,091	5,911,115
Solid waste and recycling services	9,296,949	9,532,310	8,509,431
Health, social, housing & other services	320,235	318,240	267,443
Development and transportation services	3,138,331	2,013,198	1,772,222
Parks, recreation and cultural services	2,577,428	2,393,214	2,366,606
Sewer services	567,631	501,533	527,332
Water services	1,808,812	1,955,262	1,946,017
Fiscal services for member municipalities	5,755,020	4,688,257	4,497,877
	<u>37,810,102</u>	<u>32,065,908</u>	<u>29,781,298</u>
<b>Annual surplus, before adjustment</b>	<u>12,010,407</u>	<u>5,365,958</u>	<u>8,061,203</u>
Annual surplus adjustment	-	(4,928,090)	-
<b>Annual surplus</b>	<u>12,010,407</u>	<u>437,868</u>	<u>8,061,203</u>
<b>Accumulated surplus, beginning of year</b>	<u>72,409,480</u>	<u>73,008,795</u>	<u>64,348,277</u>
Prior period error (Note 17)	-	-	599,315
<b>Accumulated surplus, beginning of year, restated</b>	<u>-</u>	<u>73,008,795</u>	<u>64,947,592</u>
<b>Accumulated surplus, end of year</b>	<u>\$ 84,419,887</u>	<u>\$ 73,446,663</u>	<u>\$ 73,008,795</u>

The accompanying summary of significant accounting policies, notes and schedule are an integral part of these financial statements.

## Regional District of East Kootenay Statement of Change in Net Financial Assets

For the year ended December 31	<i>Budget</i> 2021	2021	2020
	(Note 16)		Restated (see Note 17)
Annual surplus	\$ 12,010,407	\$ 437,868	\$ 8,061,203
Acquisition of tangible capital assets	(12,126,248)	(4,859,276)	(7,539,380)
Amortization of tangible capital assets	-	1,653,218	1,534,486
Proceeds on sale of tangible capital assets	-	224,791	-
Acquisition (consumption) of prepaid expenses	-	(243,554)	36,471
Net change in net financial assets	(115,841)	(2,786,953)	2,092,780
Net financial assets, beginning of year	11,525,649	11,525,649	8,833,554
Prior period error (Note 17)	-	-	599,315
Net financial assets, beginning of year, <i>restated</i>	11,525,649	11,525,649	9,432,869
Net financial assets, end of year	\$ 11,409,808	\$ 8,738,696	\$ 11,525,649



## Regional District of East Kootenay Statement of Cash Flows

For the year ended December 31	2021	2020
<b>Operating activities</b>		
Cash receipts from taxation and member municipality requisitions	\$ 26,059,637	\$ 25,102,013
Cash receipts from grants, other government transfers	6,107,168	6,176,370
Cash receipts from sale of services, fees and own sources	4,536,628	4,558,595
Cash paid to employees and suppliers	(22,117,485)	(23,354,578)
Interest paid	(459,989)	(566,172)
Interest received	82,442	379,161
Fiscal services for member municipalities	(4,688,257)	(4,497,877)
	<u>9,520,144</u>	<u>7,797,512</u>
<b>Capital activities</b>		
Purchase of tangible capital assets	<u>(4,859,276)</u>	<u>(7,539,380)</u>
<b>Financing activities</b>		
Issuance (repayment) of long-term debt	(928,857)	1,552,180
Issuance (repayment) of short-term debt	(175,000)	-
	<u>(1,103,857)</u>	<u>1,552,180</u>
<b>Increase in cash during year</b>	<b>3,557,011</b>	<b>1,810,312</b>
<b>Cash, beginning of year</b>	<u><b>34,846,351</b></u>	<u><b>33,036,039</b></u>
<b>Cash, end of year</b>	<u><b>\$ 38,403,362</b></u>	<u><b>\$ 34,846,351</b></u>

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## Regional District of East Kootenay Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

December 31, 2021

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**Basis of Presentation** The financial statements of the Regional District are the representations of management and are prepared in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting policies for government entities using guidelines issued by the Public Sector Accounting Board ("PSAB") of CPA Canada.

**Basis of Accounting** The financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. The accrual basis of accounting records revenue as it is earned and measurable. Expenses are recognized as they are incurred and measurable based upon receipt of goods or services and/or the creation of a legal obligation to pay.

**Tangible Capital  
Assets**

Tangible capital assets are recorded at cost less accumulated amortization. Cost includes all costs directly attributable to acquisition or construction of the tangible capital asset including transportation costs, installation costs, design and engineering fees, legal fees and site preparation costs. Contributed tangible capital assets are recorded at fair value at the time of the donation, with a corresponding amount recorded as revenue. Amortization is recorded on a straight-line basis over the estimated life of the tangible capital asset commencing once the asset is available for productive use as follows:

Land	not amortized
Land improvements	50 years
Buildings	40 years
Vehicles	5 to 25 years
Equipment	4 to 25 years
Water infrastructure	80 years
Sewer infrastructure	80 years

**Landfill Closure and**

**Post-Closure Obligation** The estimated costs to close and maintain solid waste landfill sites are based on estimated future expenses in current dollars, discounted, adjusted for estimated inflation, and are charged to expense as the landfill site's capacity is used.

**Trust Funds**

Funds held in trust by the Regional District of East Kootenay are not included in these financial statements. The financial activity and position of the trust funds are reported separately.

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## Regional District of East Kootenay Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

**December 31, 2021**

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<b>Revenue Recognition</b>	<p>Unrestricted grants and contributions are recognized as revenue in the year received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured.</p> <p>Restricted grants, contributions and government transfers are recognized as revenue in the financial statements when the transfer is authorized and any eligibility criteria are met, except to the extent that transfer stipulations give rise to an obligation that meets the definition of a liability. Transfers are recognized as deferred revenue when transfer stipulations give rise to a liability. Transfer revenue is recognized as revenue as the stipulation liabilities are settled.</p>
<b>Financial Instruments</b>	<p>The Regional District carries several financial instruments. Unless otherwise noted, it is management's opinion that the Regional District is not exposed to significant interest, currency or credit risks arising from these financial instruments. The fair values of these financial instruments approximate their carrying values unless otherwise noted.</p>
<b>Contaminated Sites</b>	<p>Under PS3260 governments are required to accrue a liability for the costs to remediate a contaminated site. Liabilities are recognized when an environmental standard exists, contamination exceeds the standard, the government has responsibility for remediation, future economic benefits will be given up and a reasonable estimate can be made.</p> <p>Management has assessed its potential liabilities under the new standard including sites that are no longer in productive use and sites which the Regional District accepts responsibility. There were no such sites that had contamination in excess of an environmental standard which required remediation at this time, therefore no liability was recognized as at December 31, 2021.</p>
<b>Budget Figures</b>	<p>The budget figures presented for comparative purposes are from the Five Year Financial Plan Bylaw as adopted each year. Subsequent amendments have been made by the Regional District Board to reflect changes in the budget as required by law.</p>
<b>Use of Estimates</b>	<p>The financial statements of the Regional District have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in Canada. The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates.</p>

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## Regional District of East Kootenay Notes to Financial Statements

**December 31, 2021**

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### 1. Cash

Included in cash is \$31,024,433 (2020 - \$27,796,148) which has been specifically set aside with the Municipal Finance Authority for internally and externally restricted reserves.

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### 2. Accounts Receivable

	2021	2020
Provincial government	1,690,092	2,523,407
Federal government	316,327	564,294
Other	2,824,046	5,488,474
	<b>\$ 4,830,465</b>	<b>\$ 8,576,175</b>

Allowances for doubtful accounts are recorded where collectability is considered doubtful.

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### 3. Reserve - Municipal Finance Authority

The Regional District issues its debt instruments through the Municipal Finance Authority. As a condition of these borrowings, a portion of the debenture proceeds are withheld by the Municipal Finance Authority as a debt reserve fund. The Regional District also executes demand notes in connection with each debenture whereby the Regional District may be required to loan certain amounts to the Municipal Finance Authority. The details of the cash deposits and demand notes at year end are as follows:

	Demand Notes	Cash Deposits	2021	2020
Regional District	\$ 487,483	\$ 263,747	\$ 751,230	\$ 751,230
Member Municipalities	1,936,422	937,453	2,873,875	2,873,875
	<b>\$ 2,423,905</b>	<b>\$ 1,201,200</b>	<b>\$ 3,706,817</b>	<b>\$ 3,625,105</b>

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#### 4. Agreements Due From Members

Agreements due from members become receivable on the same terms as payable to the Municipal Finance Authority. The Regional District borrows funds upon its credit at large and shall, in the event of default, constitute an indebtedness of the member municipalities for which they are jointly and severally liable.

	2021	2020
City of Cranbrook	\$ 14,452,702	\$ 16,261,253
City of Fernie	2,414,554	2,553,107
City of Kimberley	6,348,401	6,950,232
District of Elkford	12,132,142	10,155,865
District of Invermere	5,228,718	5,517,472
District of Sparwood	3,893,742	4,051,732
Village of Canal Flats	2,708,164	2,061,080
Village of Radium Hot Springs	3,008,561	3,156,410
	\$ 50,186,984	\$ 50,707,151

#### 5. Deferred Revenue

	2021	2020
BC Investment Agricultural Foundation - Columbia Valley Economic Development	\$ 207,182	\$ 381,869
Kooacanusa Community Land Recreation Project	210,308	291,938
Cold Stream	-	271,837
Lake Baptiste	-	92,093
Regional Agricultural Liaison	90,000	90,000
Fairmont Flood Mitigation	51,514	51,514
CBT - Columbia Valley Econcomiv Development	73,876	14,058
Other	89,706	83,914
Edgewater Connectivity	262,080	-
CBT Prevention Officers	100,671	-
UBCM Cold Spring Creek Debris Mitigation	132,191	-
	\$ 1,217,528	\$ 1,277,223

Deferred capital, infrastructure and operating grants are comprised of amounts received under funding agreements that relate to work to be performed in a subsequent period and are to be recognized as revenue in the period in which the resources are used for the purpose specified.

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## Regional District of East Kootenay Notes to Financial Statements

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### 6. Landfill Closure and Post-Closure Care

The British Columbia Environmental and Enhancement Act sets out the regulatory requirements to properly close and maintain all active and inactive landfill sites. Under environmental law, there is a requirement for closure and post-closure care of solid waste landfill sites. This requirement is to be provided for over the estimated remaining life of the landfill site based on usage.

The Regional District has three landfill locations with a total estimated capacity of 5,961,252 cubic meters of which the remaining capacity for future use is estimated at 3,380,903 cubic meters (2020 - 3,458,119). The remaining estimated life of the respective landfills varies from 36 years to 54 years. Closure will involve covering the site with topsoil and vegetation, drainage control, and installing groundwater monitoring wells. Post-closure care activities for the landfill are expected to occur for 30 years and will involve surface and ground water monitoring, maintenance of drainage structures, monitoring leachate and landfill gas, and landfill cover maintenance. The estimated liability and expenditures are recognized as the landfill sites capacity is used. The total closure and post-closure liability as at year-end is estimated at \$14,405,856 (2020 - \$13,776,143). This amount, largely based on engineering studies completed in 2019, represents the sum of the discounted future cash flows for closure and post closure activities discounted at the Regional District's current long-term borrowing rate.

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### 7. Due to Kootenay East Regional Hospital District

The Regional District of East Kootenay is related to the Kootenay East Regional Hospital District by way of common members on the Board of Directors.

The amount due to the Kootenay East Regional Hospital District at the year end is \$2,529,798 (2020 - \$340,581).

## Regional District of East Kootenay Notes to Financial Statements

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### 8. Long-term Debt

The Regional District issues debt instruments through the Municipal Finance Authority, pursuant to security issuing bylaws under the authority of revised section 179 of the Community Charter and sections 406 to 410 of the Local Government Act, to finance certain capital expenditures. Debenture debt principal is disclosed net of sinking fund balances managed by the Municipal Finance Authority.

	2021	2020
General	\$ 4,522,711	\$ 5,069,378
Water utilities	6,043,899	6,340,623
Sewer utilities	1,779,247	1,864,715
	12,345,857	13,274,716
Member municipalities	50,186,984	50,707,151
	\$ 62,532,841	\$ 63,981,867

The rates of interest payable on the principal amount of the debentures vary between 0.91% and 4.20% per annum.

Future minimum principal payments required on existing long-term debt for the next five years and thereafter including actuarial adjustments are due as follows:

2021	\$ 3,364,868
2022	3,197,332
2023	2,995,966
2024	2,824,265
2025	2,266,768
Thereafter and actuarial	47,883,642
	\$ 62,532,841

**Regional District of East Kootenay**  
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**9. Tangible Capital Assets**

								2021
	Land	Land Improvements	Buildings	Vehicles	Equipment	Water	Sewer	Total
Cost, beginning of year	\$ 6,840,820	\$ 7,600,586	\$ 21,205,893	\$ 9,247,543	\$ 6,087,491	\$ 29,886,835	\$ 4,417,501	<b>\$ 85,286,669</b>
Additions		3,315,167	160,012	802,211	380,100	201,786	-	<b>4,859,276</b>
Disposals			-	(27,042)	-	-	-	<b>(27,042)</b>
Adjustments	(336,726)	465,589	-	(326,612)	-	-	-	<b>(197,749)</b>
Cost, end of year	<b>6,504,094</b>	<b>11,381,342</b>	<b>21,365,905</b>	<b>9,696,100</b>	<b>6,467,591</b>	<b>30,088,621</b>	<b>4,417,501</b>	<b>89,921,154</b>
Accumulated amortization, beginning of year	-	478,729	8,784,051	5,801,152	3,785,025	4,143,892	832,032	<b>23,824,881</b>
Amortization	-	87,424	461,329	376,345	291,218	381,823	55,079	<b>1,653,218</b>
Accumulated amortization, end of year	-	566,153	9,245,380	6,177,497	4,076,243	4,525,715	887,111	<b>25,478,099</b>
Net carrying amount, end of year	<b>\$ 6,504,094</b>	<b>\$ 10,815,189</b>	<b>\$ 12,120,525</b>	<b>\$ 3,518,603</b>	<b>\$ 2,391,348</b>	<b>\$ 25,562,906</b>	<b>\$ 3,530,390</b>	<b>\$ 64,443,055</b>



**Regional District of East Kootenay**  
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**9. Tangible Capital Assets (continued)**

								2020
	Land	Land Improvements	Buildings	Vehicle	Equipment	Water	Sewer	Total
Cost, beginning of year	\$ 6,840,820	\$ 5,291,909	\$ 21,096,214	\$ 8,637,780	\$ 5,750,934	\$ 25,712,131	\$ 4,417,501	\$ 77,747,289
Additions	-	2,308,677	109,679	609,763	336,557	4,174,704	-	7,539,380
Cost, end of year	<u>6,840,820</u>	<u>7,600,586</u>	<u>21,205,893</u>	<u>9,247,543</u>	<u>6,087,491</u>	<u>29,886,835</u>	<u>4,417,501</u>	<u>85,286,669</u>
Accumulated amortization, beginning of year	-	391,974	8,324,012	5,460,884	3,522,020	3,814,552	776,953	22,290,395
Amortization	-	86,755	460,039	340,268	263,005	329,340	55,079	1,534,486
Accumulated amortization, end of year	<u>-</u>	<u>478,729</u>	<u>8,784,051</u>	<u>5,801,152</u>	<u>3,785,025</u>	<u>4,143,892</u>	<u>832,032</u>	<u>23,824,881</u>
Net carrying amount, end of year	<u>\$ 6,840,820</u>	<u>\$ 7,121,857</u>	<u>\$ 12,421,842</u>	<u>\$ 3,446,391</u>	<u>\$ 2,302,466</u>	<u>\$ 25,742,943</u>	<u>\$ 3,585,469</u>	<u>\$ 61,461,788</u>

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## Regional District of East Kootenay Notes to Financial Statements

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### 10. Credit Facility

The Regional District has a credit facility agreement with a financial institution which provides for a total commitment of \$5,000,000. At December 31, 2021, the Regional District had drawn an amount of \$Nil (2020 - \$Nil) on this agreement.

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### 11. Trust Funds

The Regional District is holding funds for various organizations. The assets and offsetting liabilities are not reflected in the Regional District consolidated financial statements. Trust fund balances held for the various organizations are as follows:

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Columbia Basin Trust	\$ 391,521	\$ 283,641
Treaty Advisory Council	<u>20,297</u>	<u>14,210</u>
	<u>\$ 411,818</u>	<u>\$ 297,851</u>

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### 12. Commitments

- (a) The Regional District participates in the Municipal Insurance Association of British Columbia pooled insurance plan. Under the terms of participation, the Regional District could become liable for its proportional share of any claim losses in excess of funds held by the Association. Any liability incurred would be accounted for as a current transaction in the year the losses are determined.
- (b) The Ministry of Environment has imposed strict guidelines on the Regional District for the submission of Regional Solid Waste Management Plans. If the Ministry of Environment determines that these plans are not satisfactory, penalties of up to \$300,000 may be assessed.
- (c) The Regional District has entered into a ten year contract for Fire Protection in the rural area around Cranbrook. The Regional District commits a flat fee for operating and capital costs of \$841,129 in 2020 and increasing by 3.75% each year after. The contract is up for renewal in 2027.

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### 13. Pension Liability

The Regional District of East Kootenay and its employees contribute to the Municipal Pension Plan (a jointly trusted pension plan). The board of trustees, representing plan members and employers, is responsible for administering the plan, including investment of the assets and administration of benefits. The plan is a multi-employer defined benefit pension plan. Basic pension benefits provided are based on a formula. As at December 31, 2021, the plan has about 227,000 active members and approximately 112,000 retired members. Active members include approximately 42,000 contributors from local governments.

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 may be adjusted for the amortization of any actuarial funding surplus and will be adjusted for the amortization of any unfunded actuarial liability.

The most recent actuarial valuation as at December 31, 2018 indicated a \$2,866 million funding surplus for basic pension benefits on a going concern basis.

The Regional District of East Kootenay paid \$394,633 (2020 - \$419,924) for employer contributions to the Plan in fiscal 2021.

The next valuation will be as at December 31, 2021, with results available in 2022.

Employers participating in the plan record their pension expense 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, resulting in no consistent and reliable basis for allocating the obligation, assets and cost to individual employers participating in the plan.

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**14. Expenses by Object**

	2021	2020
Amortization	\$ 1,653,218	\$ 1,534,486
Bank charges and short-term interest	42,234	31,312
Consulting and professional fees	1,320,365	995,853
Contract and other services	6,931,215	7,111,406
Fiscal services for member municipalities	4,688,257	4,497,877
General administration, office, and supplies	1,534,494	1,444,677
Grants and transfers to other governments	2,643,042	2,421,951
Insurance	185,273	165,689
Interest on long-term debt	417,755	534,860
Landfill closure and post-closure	671,713	169,001
Maintenance	2,558,751	2,072,060
Telephone and utilities	633,095	643,362
Travel, training, and conferences	136,504	143,560
Vehicle and trucking expense	1,282,434	1,238,570
Wages, salaries and benefits	6,973,254	6,589,639
Water and sewer connection fees	394,304	186,995
	<b>\$ 32,065,908</b>	<b>\$ 29,781,298</b>

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### 15. Segmented Reporting (Schedule 1)

The Regional District provides a wide range of services to its citizens, and these services are accounted for within three funds: General, Water and Sewer. For the purposes of this segmented reporting, the General Fund is further broken down into the following categories: General Administration, Protective Services, Solid Waste and Recycling Services, Transportation Services, Development Services, and Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services. These service components have been separately disclosed in the segmented information that is presented on Schedule 1.

General Administration includes the activities of the Board, the overall administration of the Regional District, and the financial management of the Regional District. Administration and Finance employees also provide support services for the other departments.

Protective Services is comprised of Fire Protection, Emergency Programs, Building Inspection, Bylaw Enforcement, and Animal Control. Fire Protection provides fire prevention, suppression and investigation services for certain service areas within the Regional District. The Emergency Program functions coordinate the Regional District's involvement with Emergency Management as legislated by the Province.

Solid Waste and Recycling Services consist of the collection and disposal of solid waste and the recycling program.

Transportation Services include transit systems and the Elk Valley Regional Airport, as well as street lighting in certain areas.

Development and Other Services include land use planning and zoning, weed control and animal/insect control.

Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services include the operation and maintenance of parks and grants for operation of arenas, community halls and libraries.

For each reported segment, the expenses are allocated based on the expenditures by object as found in Note 14 of these financial statements. The largest source of Regional District revenue is property taxation, collected through requisitions from the Province of British Columbia and member municipalities. All revenues are directly attributable to certain functions and are allocated in this manner.

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### 16. Budget

The Financial Plan Bylaw adopted by the Board on March 5, 2021 was prepared on a different basis than that used to report actual results (Public Sector Accounting Standards). The budget was prepared on a modified accrual basis while Public Sector Accounting Standards require reporting on a full accrual basis. The budget figures used do not include amortization expense. The budget figures presented in the Statement of Operations and Statement of Change in Net Debt represent the Financial Plan adopted by the Board on March 5, 2021.

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### 17. Prior Period Error

During the year, it was determined that the landfill closure liability was incorrectly calculated in the 2020 fiscal year. It was discovered that the costs on the engineering reports were higher than costs in the calculation and it was also noted these expenses were not increased by any inflationary factor.

This change has been accounted for retrospectively resulting in the following adjustments to the 2020 Statement of Financial Position (Landfill closure and post closure obligations) and Statement of Operations and Accumulated Surplus (Accumulated Surplus, Beginning of Year) and Statement of Change in Net Financial Assets (Net Financial Assets, Beginning of Year):

December 31, 2020	<u>As previously stated</u>	<u>Adjustment</u>	<u>Restated</u>
Landfill closure and post-closure obligations	\$ 14,375,458	\$ (599,315)	\$ 13,776,143

December 31, 2020	<u>As previously stated</u>	<u>Adjustment</u>	<u>Restated</u>
Accumulated Surplus, Beginning of Year	\$ 64,348,277	\$ 599,315	\$ 64,947,592







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**Schedule 2 - Covid-19 Restart Grants**  
**(Unaudited)**

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Safe Restart Reserve Balance, December 31, 2020	\$ 567,105
Revenue:	
Additional Safe Restart Grant, March, 2021	290,000
Interest earned	<u>856</u>
Total revenue earned	<u>290,856</u>
Eligible costs incurred:	
Computer and technology costs	81,314
General government services	55,412
Revenue shortfall	38,000
Protective services	<u>40,660</u>
Total eligible costs incurred	<u>215,386</u>
Covid Restart Reserve Balance, December 31, 2021	<u>\$ 642,575</u>