

2014 Notice of Election

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INFORMATION FOR REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NANAIMO ELECTORAL AREA VOTING

NOVEMBER 15, 2014

On Saturday, November 15, resident and non-resident property electors will vote in local government elections. Voters in Electoral Areas A, E, F and H will be voting for Regional District Directors. Voters in Electoral Area B will be voting for Gabriola Island Local Trust Area Local Trustees.

The general local election process allows residents and property owners to choose the individuals who then make decisions and govern on their behalf for the next four years (commencing in December, 2014).

Electors of the Nanoose Bay Peninsula Water Service Area (a portion of Electoral Area E) and electors of Electoral Area H will also be voting in referendums. In the Nanoose Bay Peninsula Water Service Area, electors will be asked if they are in favour of borrowing to provide the necessary funds to meet the Nanoose Bay Peninsula Water Service Area capital improvement and upgrades requirements up to and including 2019. In Electoral Area H, the electorate will vote on whether to establish the "Northern Community Marine Search and Rescue Contribution Service". The complete wording for both referendum (assent voting) questions is printed on page 2 of this publication.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR VOTING

Resident Electors:

If you live in one of the RDN's Electoral Areas you may be eligible to vote in the November 15, 2014 election. In order to qualify to vote you must meet the following criteria:

- a. must be 18 or older on general voting day;
- b. must be a Canadian citizen;
- c. must be a resident of BC (as per s.52 of the *Local Government Act*) for at least six months prior to registration day;
- d. must be a resident of the voting jurisdiction (as per s.52 of the *Local Government Act*) for at least 30 days prior to registration day;
- e. must not be disqualified from voting by the *Local Government Act* or any other enactment, or otherwise be disqualified by law.

Persons qualifying as "Resident Electors" who will be applying to register at the time of voting must provide two documents verifying the applicant's identity and residency, with at least one containing the applicant's signature, such as a Driver's Licence.



Non Resident Property Electors:

If you own property in Electoral Areas A, E, F, or H but reside elsewhere, you may be eligible to vote as a non-resident property elector. In order to qualify to vote as a non-resident property elector you must meet the following criteria:

- a. must be 18 or older on general voting day;
- b. must be a Canadian citizen;
- c. must be a resident of BC (as per s.52 of the *Local Government Act*) for at least six months immediately before registration day;
- d. must not be entitled to register as a resident elector of the voting jurisdiction;
- e. must have been a registered owner of real property in the Electoral Area for at least 30 days immediately before registration day;
- f. must not be disqualified by the *Local Government Act* or any other enactment from voting in an election or be otherwise disqualified by law.

A person may register as a non-resident property elector in relation to only one parcel of real property within each of the Electoral Areas. If more than one individual is the registered owner of the real property, only one of those individuals may register and the person registering must do so with the written consent of the number of those individuals who, together with the person registering, are a majority of registered owners.

Persons qualifying as "Non- Resident Property Electors" who will be applying to register at the time of voting must complete an application form, must provide two documents that provide evidence of the applicant's identity (at least one with a signature), must provide proof of ownership, and if there is more than one owner of the property, written consent from the majority of property owners.



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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; and/or
- expect to be away from the Regional District of Nanaimo on general voting day (November 15, 2014) and at the times of all advance voting opportunities (November 5 and 12, 2014); and/or
- are a resident of DeCourcy Island or Mudge Island, which have been designated as remote from voting places.

In addition to the above requirements, a person must meet all voting requirements for voting in a local election as a resident elector or non-resident property elector as of the date the mail ballot is completed and posted.

REQUESTING A MAIL BALLOT PACKAGE:

To request a mail ballot package you must submit a completed Application to Vote by Mail to the Regional District of Nanaimo, Administrative Services Department, at 6300 Hammond Bay Road. Nanaimo, BC V9T 6N2. Applications can be obtained by contacting the Administrative Services Department at the above address or by calling 250-390-4111, toll free 1-877-607-4111 or by downloading the form from the 2014 Election webpage on the Regional District of Nanaimo website (www.rdn.bc.ca). Applications may be submitted in person, by mail to the above address, by fax to (250) 390-4163 or scanned and emailed to vote@rdn.bc.ca.

If you are applying for a mail ballot package after October 31, 2014, please contact the Chief Election Officer at 250-390-4111, toll free at 1-877-607-4111 as special arrangements may be necessary due to time constraints.

The Regional District of Nanaimo will send out mail ballot packages commencing on or about October 27, 2014. To be counted, your mail ballot must be received by the Chief Election Officer no later than 8 pm on Saturday, November 15, 2014 at the Regional District of Nanaimo, 6300 Hammond Bay Road, Nanaimo, BC V9T 6N2.

Assent Voting - Portion of Electoral Area E

The following question will be submitted to the electorate in the Nanoose Bay Peninsula Water Service Area (portion of Electoral Area E):

"Are you in favour of the Regional District of Nanaimo adopting Bylaw No. 1714 to authorize the borrowing of up to \$2.6 million to provide the necessary funds to meet the Nanoose Bay Peninsula Water Service Area capital improvement and upgrades requirements up to and including 2019?"

Nanoose Bay Peninsula Water Service Area (shown in green)



Assent Voting - Electoral Area H

The following question will be submitted to the electorate in Electoral Area H:

"Are you in favour of the Regional District of Nanaimo adopting Bylaw No. 1706 to provide for the following:

- establishing the "Northern Community Marine Search and Rescue Contribution Service" within Electoral Area 'H' to provide for a contribution to societies providing marine search and rescue in Electoral Area 'H'; and
- annually requisitioning up to a maximum of the greater of \$5,000 or \$0.006/\$1000 of taxable assessed value to pay for the service?"

Elector Registration and Identification

Identification is not required if your name is on the list of registered electors (voters' list). If you are not on the list of electors you may register at the time of voting by completing the required application form available at the voting place.

To register, **resident electors** must produce two pieces of identification (at least one with a signature). Picture identification is not necessary. The identification must prove both residency and identity.

To register, **non-resident property electors** must produce two 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 of the property, written consent from the majority of property owners.

EXAMPLES OF ACCEPTABLE IDENTIFICATION

BC Driver's Licence
BC Identification Card

Owner's Certificate of Insurance and Vehicle Licence

Social Insurance Card

Credit Card/Debit Card

Canadian Passport/Citizenship Card

BC Care Card/BC Gold Care Card
Old Age Pension I.D. Card

Continued Assistance Form SDES8

BC Services Card

Utility Bill or other similar Credit Card Statement

Real Property Tax Notice or BC Assessment Notice

EXAMPLES OF PROOF OF OWNERSHIP

Real Property Tax Notice Land Title Registration BC Assessment Notice









ADVANCED VOTING OPPORTUNITIES

November 5 & 12, 2014 - 8:00 am to 8:00 pm

Advance voting opportunities shall be open to qualified electors at the following locations between the hours of 8:00 am and 8:00 pm on Wednesday, November 5, 2014, and Wednesday, November 12, 2014. Ballots will be available for the positions of Electoral Area Director for Areas A, E, F and H, and for positions of Gabriola Island Local Trustees in Electoral Area B. Note: All qualified electors may vote at an advance voting opportunity at the voting locations designated below.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2014 – 8:00 AM TO 8:00 PM

Voting Place	Ballots
Cranberry Fire Department Hall 1555 Morden Road, Nanaimo	Director, A
Gabriola Island Elementary School Library 680 North Road, Gabriola Island	Gabriola Island Local Trustees
RDN Administration Building 6300 Hammond Bay Road, Nanaimo	Director, A, E, F and H Gabriola Island Local Trustees Assent voting, portion of Area E Assent voting, Area H
Oceanside Place 830 W Island Highway, Parksville	Director, E, F and H Assent voting, portion of Area E Assent voting, Area H
Qualicum Beach Civic Centre 747 Jones Street, Qualicum Beach	Director, E, F and H Assent voting, portion of Area E Assent voting, Area H

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2014 - 8:00 AM TO 8:00 PM

Voting Place	Ballots
RDN Administration Building 6300 Hammond Bay Road, Nanaimo	Director, A, E, F and H Gabriola Island Local Trustees Assent voting, portion of Area E Assent voting, Area H
Oceanside Place 830 W Island Highway, Parksville	Director, E, F and H Assent voting, portion of Area E Assent voting, Area H
Note: All qualified electors may vote at an advance voting opportunity.	

CANDIDATES FOR ELECTORAL AREA DIRECTORS AND GABRIOLA ISLAND LOCAL TRUSTEES

ELECTORAL AREA A (One to be elected)

Jean Louis, Rosmy McPherson, Alec

1861 Hampton Court, Nanaimo 2768 Nicola Road, Nanaimo

ELECTORAL AREA E (One to be elected)

Mayne, Ed Rogers, Bob Wiebe, Gordon 1820 Amelia Crescent, Nanoose Bay 1578 Arbutus Lane, Nanoose Bay 1699 Granite Road, Nanoose Bay

ELECTORAL AREA F (One to be elected)

Ethier, Rick Fell, Julian

3178 Brooklin Lane, Qualicum Beach

1555 Wells Place, Errington

ELECTORAL AREA H (One to be elected)

Mussell, Donald Veenhof, Bill

5346 Gainsberg Road, Bowser 4737 Maple Guard Drive, Bowser

GABRIOLA ISLAND LOCAL TRUST AREA



(Two to be elected)

Bowers, Chris Mamoser, Melanie Nicholas, Heather Phillips, Peter

381 Spruce Avenue, Gabriola Island 420 Dunshire Drive, Gabriola Island 1010 Coats Drive, Gabriola Island 1235 The Strand, Gabriola Island

THE FOLLOWING CANDIDATES HAVE BEEN **ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION**

ELECTORAL AREA B

Houle, Howard

1070 North Road, Gabriola Island

ELECTORAL AREA C

Young, Maureen

2335 Godfrey Road, Nanaimo

ELECTORAL AREA G

Stanhope, Joe

1025 West Island Highway, Parksville

VOTING PLACES

Open 8 am to 8 pm Saturday, November 15

ELECTORAL AREA A

North Cedar Intermediate School 2215 Gould Road, Nanaimo

Cranberry Fire Department Hall 1555 Morden Road, Nanaimo

ELECTORAL AREA E

Nanoose Place 2925 Northwest Bay Road, Nanoose Bay

ELECTORAL AREA F

Coombs Rodeo Grounds Community Hall 2601 Alberni Highway, Coombs

Lighthouse Community Centre 240 Lions Way, Qualicum Beach

ELECTORAL AREA H

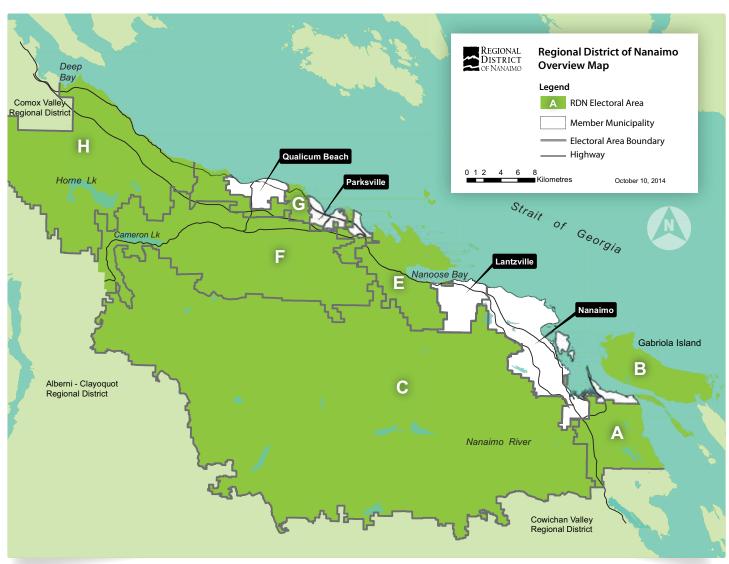
Lighthouse Community Centre 240 Lions Way, Qualicum Beach

GABRIOLA ISLAND LOCAL TRUST AREA

Gabriola Island Elementary School 680 North Road, Gabriola Island



Regional District of Nanaimo Electoral Area Map





All voting places are wheelchair accessible, and curbside voting will be available for electors who require this service. For more information on the 2014 Election, please contact Jacquie Hill, Chief Election Officer or Matt O'Halloran, Deputy Chief Election Officer at **vote@rdn.bc.ca**, 250-390-4111 or toll-free at 1-877-607-4111. Please contact the RDN prior to the election if you are unsure about where to vote.

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