

# MEMORANDUM



**DATE : January 14, 2019**

**TO : Mayor and Council**

**FROM : Fire Chief**

**SUBJECT : Fire Season Deployment Re-imbursement**

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In 2017 the fire department deployed to Quesnel, Joe Rich, and was on a Task Force standby team for the West Kootenays. In 2018 the fire department supplied apparatus and personnel for a West Kootenay Task Force standby team during the height of the wildfire season. We are very lucky to have the highly trained personnel and equipment to provide support for other communities in need. There is an inter-agency agreement in place between the province, BC Forest Service, and FCABC to provide compensation for covering costs related to these deployments.

In previous years we have requested any surplus funds through deployments and after expenses, be allocated to the fire department fire training facility. These funds have allowed us to continue with the development of the facility without having to approach council for funding.

As we continue to develop the fire training facility I would request that all remaining funds after expenses (approximately \$10,100) generated from the 2018 wildfire deployment season be directed to the fire training ground account to be used to construct a storage shed for pallets. I would also request that all remaining net funds annually after deployment, be placed in the fire training ground account to support continued development of the facility.

I would recommend that council approve of as a resolution such as;  
Resolved that council approves of the surplus provincial fire season deployment funds after expenses, in the amount of approximately \$10,100, to be applied to

the Volunteer Firefighter Training Facility to contract the work of constructing a storage shed for pallets. And further, that council approve any annual net funds be applied to the fire training ground account for continued development of the fire training facility.

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