

NOTICE OF ASSENT VOTING NOTICE OF ADVANCE VOTING NOTICE OF MAIL BALLOT VOTING

CARMICHAEL ROAD WATERMAIN REPLACEMENT ASSENT VOTING (REFERENDUM) WITHIN THE NANOOSE BAY PENINSULA WATER SERVICE AREA (IN A PORTION OF ELECTORAL AREA E)

PUBLIC NOTICE is given as follows:

Assent voting will be held on the following question:

Are you in favour of the Regional District of Nanaimo adopting “NanOOSE Bay Peninsula Water Service Area Carmichael Road Watermain Replacement Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 1969, 2026”, which will authorize the Regional District of Nanaimo to borrow up to one million, seven hundred and fifty-three thousand, nine hundred and twenty-four dollars (\$1,753,924), plus interest, repayable over a period of no more than ten (10) years, to finance the Carmichael Road Watermain Replacement project in the NanOOSE Bay Peninsula Water Service Area?

The voting area for this assent voting is within the NanOOSE Bay Peninsula Water Service Area (in a portion of Electoral Area E) of the Regional District of Nanaimo (the “jurisdiction”).

SYNOPSIS OF PROPOSED BYLAW NO. 1969

Bylaw No. 1969 – “NanOOSE Bay Peninsula Water Service Area Carmichael Road Watermain Replacement Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 1969, 2026” – The general intent of this bylaw is to authorize the Regional District of Nanaimo to borrow up to one million, seven hundred and fifty-three thousand, nine hundred and twenty-four dollars (\$1,753,924), plus interest, in order to finance the Carmichael Road Watermain Replacement Project in the NanOOSE Bay Peninsula Water Service Area, and to undertake all works necessary for the project. The maximum term for which debentures may be issued to secure the debt created by this bylaw is ten (10) years. The area subject to the bylaw is the NanOOSE Bay Peninsula Water Service Area located in Electoral Area ‘E’.

The above synopsis is not an interpretation of the bylaw. The full bylaw may be inspected on the Regional District of Nanaimo website at <https://rdn.bc.ca/Carmichael-Referendum-Bylaw1969> and at the Regional District of Nanaimo, Administration Office at 6300 Hammond Bay Road, Nanaimo, during regular office hours, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday, excluding statutory holidays.

For further information on the bylaw or the assent voting process, please contact the Chief Election Officer or Deputy Chief Election Officers by phone at 250-390-4111, toll free at 1-877-607-4111 or email at vote@rdn.bc.ca.

VOTING DATES AND LOCATIONS

GENERAL VOTING DAY for eligible electors will be held on:

Saturday, October 17, 2026
between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.
at
NanOOSE Place Community Centre
2925 Northwest Bay Road, NanOOSE Bay

ADVANCE VOTING for eligible electors will be held as follows:

Wednesday, October 7, 2026
between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.
at
NanOOSE Place Community Centre
2925 Northwest Bay Road, NanOOSE Bay
and
Wednesday, October 14, 2026
between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.
at
Bradley Centre
975 Shearmer Road, Coombs

ELECTOR REGISTRATION

If you are not on the list of electors, you may register to vote at the time of voting by completing the application form available at the voting place and making a declaration that you meet the requirements to be registered as set out below:

RESIDENT ELECTORS:

To register as a resident elector, you must:

- be 18 years of age or older on general voting day [October 17, 2026]; and
- be a Canadian Citizen; and
- be a resident of British Columbia for at least 6 months immediately before the day of registration; and
- be a resident of the jurisdiction; and
- not be disqualified under the *Local Government Act* or any other enactment from voting in an election or be otherwise disqualified by law.

NON-RESIDENT PROPERTY ELECTORS:

To register as a non-resident property elector, you must:

- not be entitled to register as a resident elector of the jurisdiction; and
- be 18 years of age or older on general voting day [October 17, 2026]; and
- be a Canadian Citizen; and
- be a resident of British Columbia for at least 6 months immediately before the day of registration; and
- be a registered owner of real property in the jurisdiction for at least 30 days immediately before the day of registration; and
- not be disqualified under the *Local Government Act* or any other enactment from voting in an election or be otherwise disqualified by law.

In addition, for **non-resident** property electors:

- The only persons who are registered owners of the property, either as joint tenants or tenants in common, are individuals who are not holding the property in trust for a corporation or another trust.
- If more than one person is the registered owner of the property, only one of those individuals may, with the written consent of the majority of the owners, register as a non-resident property elector.

In addition, for **RESIDENT ELECTORS AND NON-RESIDENT PROPERTY ELECTORS** in order to register at time of voting:

To register, resident electors must produce **2 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 **2 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 a majority of the property owners.

MAIL BALLOT VOTING

The Regional District of Nanaimo will include Mail Ballot Voting as part of the Carmichael Road Watermain Replacement Assent Voting (Referendum). Eligible electors within the NanOOSE Bay Peninsula Water Service Area (in a portion of Electoral Area E of the Regional District of Nanaimo) can register to vote and cast a ballot by mail.

REQUESTING A MAIL BALLOT PACKAGE

If you would like to vote by mail, you can request a mail ballot package by submitting an Application to Vote by Mail to the Regional District of Nanaimo Administration Office at 6300 Hammond Bay Road, Nanaimo, BC V9T 6N2 by the deadline of 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 15, 2026. Applications can be obtained by contacting the Regional District of Nanaimo Administration Office at the above address or by calling 250-390-4111, toll free 1-877-607-4111, or by emailing vote@rdn.bc.ca or by downloading the form from the Carmichael Road Watermain Replacement Referendum webpage on the Regional District of Nanaimo website at <https://rdn.bc.ca/2026-elections-mail-ballot-voting>. Applications may be submitted in person, by mail to the above address, by fax to 250-390-4163 or by email to vote@rdn.bc.ca.

Upon receipt of a complete application, your name will be added to the list for mail ballot packages. The Regional District of Nanaimo will send you a mail ballot package or advise you that it is ready to be picked up as soon as possible.

If you apply to vote by mail after Monday, October 5, 2026, please contact the Chief Election Officer by phone at 250-390-4111, toll free at 1-877-607-4111, or email at vote@rdn.bc.ca as special arrangements may be necessary due to time constraints. Applications will not be accepted after 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 15, 2026.

Important Deadline

As provided in the *Local Government Act*, a mail ballot must be received by the Chief Election Officer before the close of voting (**8:00 p.m.**) on general voting day (**Saturday, October 17, 2026**) in order to be counted for the assent voting (referendum). It is your responsibility to deliver or post the mail ballot in sufficient time for delivery to the Regional District of Nanaimo Administration Office at 6300 Hammond Bay Road, Nanaimo, BC V9T 6N2 by the deadline.

More information on Mail Ballot Voting is available on the Regional District of Nanaimo website at <https://rdn.bc.ca/2026-elections-mail-ballot-voting>.

For further information on the matters contained in this Notice, please contact the Chief Election Officer or Deputy Chief Election Officers by phone at 250-390-4111, toll free at 1-877-607-4111 or email at vote@rdn.bc.ca.

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