Q3 COMMUNITY UPDATE REPORT

July 1 - September 30, 2026

Fraser Valley Regional District

Administration

- 27 FOIs (3,363 pages)
- 36 Agendas/Minutes
- 18 Meetings

Regional Services

Integrated Planning

- Active Transportation Network Plan adopted. This foundational document will guide active transportation planning and infrastructure investments across the FVRD electoral areas.
- FVRD and Chawathil First Nation held a signing ceremony to formally recognize the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).
- Parks and Trails 2050 Plan - Phase 2 Public Engagement completed:
  - 790 survey responses; 86 youth survey responses;
  - 4 open houses across FVRD Electoral Areas
  - 10 park pop-up events
  - Hosted information booths at 6 community events; one in each member municipality

Protective Services

FVRD Fire Departments

- 286 Fire Department calls attended

CARE Centre

- 825 Calls for Service
- 85 Dogs impounded
- 63 Dogs reunited with owner
- 22 Dogs found new homes

Regional Services

Parks

- The post and rail installation at Dewdney, East Sector, Island 22, and Thompson Regional Parks was completed.
- Park signage, kiosks, and gates were refreshed.
- Island 22 Regional Park Bike Park refurbishment completed.
- Hosted Rivers Clean-up Day at Thompson Regional Park
- Hosted BC Wildfire Service during July and August at the Fraser Valley Regional Airpark in Hope as part of wildfire response.
- Summer is a very busy time in parks with camping at the Vedder River Campground, park, permits, mowing, watering, and keeping parks maintained. The high fire danger risk and the active fires in he FVRD postponed some planned projects.

Environmental Services

- The airshed was negatively impacted this summer due to wildfire smoke. There were 48 days where at least part of the region was under an air quality warning between June 20 and August 26, 2026.
- Floodwater mosquito control treatments concluded for the year. 7,428 water samples were collected to monitor for mosquito larvae. 151 hectares of mosquito breeding sites were treated.
- WildSafe BC Coordinators visited 1,436 homes and attended 157 community events so far this year providing education about wildlife safety.

Regional Services

Strategic Planning

- Regional Growth Strategy (RGS) Monitoring Report for 2025 has been released, reporting out on long-term trends and progress related to the RGS goals and policies.
- Rural Transit Needs Assessment project now at the Transit Solutions Development stage. Some project delay due to the Brunswick Complex Wildfire in the Fraser Canyon.
- Provided comments to the Minister of Agriculture regarding proposed provincial policy on expanded food processing on ALR lands.

Recreation

Aquatics

- 1,365 Adult admissions
- 340 Senior admissions
- 405 Youth admissions
- 191 Student admissions
- 284 Family Drop-in admissions
- 370 half-price adult admissions
- 493 half-price senior admissions
- 160 half-price youth admissions
- 224 Last Hour Swim/Gym visits

Facility & Community Use

- Hope & Area Recreation Centre spaces recorded 1,691.25 reserved hours and 9,389 attendances.
- Almer Carlson Pool operated for only five days during the 2026 summer season due to wildfire activity in the area.

Regional Services

Recreation

Recreation Programs & Special Events

- Summer Camp recorded 64 enrollments and received positive feedback from participants and families.
- The Canada Day event attracted approximately 700 people.
- Mission to the Stars sold out all three sessions, with 60 registrations.
- Home Alone Course reached its 10-participant capacity.
- Rec Centre Iron Chef had 8 participants.
- Mini Mess Lab had 6 participants.
- September Pro-D-Daze Camp had 7 participants.

Fitness

- 2,365 active passes reported
- 221 membership and pass packages issued
- Fitness programming included Forever Fit, Spin, Spin Express, Strength & Core, Body Sculpt, Cardio Combo, Suspension Training, Yoga, and Aquafit.

Arena

- Regular programming returned in September.
- 1,907 arena attendances recorded
- 33 Casual Hockey visits
- 24 visits to the 45+ Drop-In Hockey
- 10 Adult Shinny visits
- 63 skate rentals and 16 skate sharpenings

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Planning & Development

EA Planning

- Fraser Canyon OCP Update engagement survey launched
- Adopted the new Electoral Area Soil Deposit Bylaw
- 5 pre-application letters
- 3 new Development Permit Applications
- 1 new Development Variance Permits
- 1 new Subdivision Referral
- 4 new ALC Referral
- 1 Rezoning Application

Building Inspection

- 34 Building Permits Issued
- $4.898,787 Building Permit - Value
- 382 Building Inspections

Bylaw

- 29 New Files
  - 2026 Q3 is a decrease of 10 files from 2026 Q2
- 42 Closed Files
- 108 Site Inspections
- 116 File Reviews
- 449 Active Files
  - 2026 Q2 had 459 Active Bylaw Files

Engineering & Utilities

Engineering

- Completion of repairs to the Wilson Road Dike following the December 2025 Atmospheric River Event
- Completion of Phase 1 of the Osbourne Dike Feasibility Study
- Commenced construction of upgrades to the Nicomen Island Pump Stations
- Completion of sediment and debris removal projects on Rexford, Frosst and Cascade Creeks
- Referendum preparation for the future of the Boston Bar North Bend TV Service

Utilities

- Water produced: 426,955 m3
- Sewer treated: 49,127 m3
- Utility maintenance of hydrants, valves
- Service installations

FVRD Highlights

- Chowéthel First Nation and the Fraser Valley Regional District formalize Government-to-Government Relationship
- FVRD Launched a dedicated Facebook page for Emergency Incident Information
- Boston Bar/North Bend Fire Department receives funding and materials to strengthen emergency response