

Cannabis Regulation Update

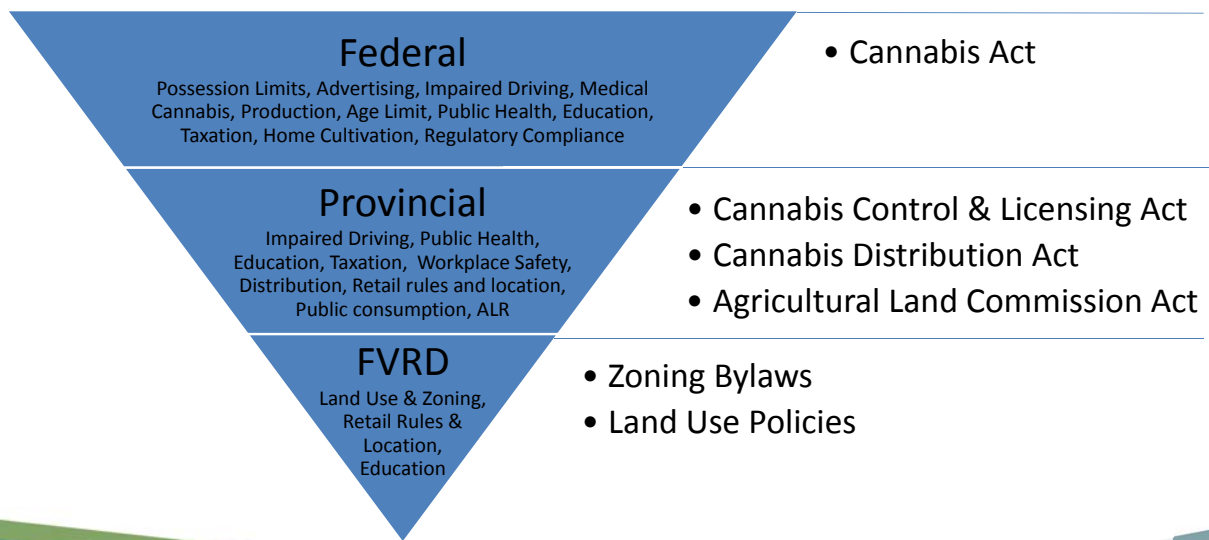
Fraser Valley Regional District Electoral Areas

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Goal: To implement the FVRD Land Use Policy for Cannabis Production, Processing, and Retail Sales in the Electoral Areas



Cannabis Regulatory Framework



Cannabis Regulatory Framework 1

ACTIVITY	AUTHORITY RESPONSIBLE		
	FEDERAL	PROVINCIAL	LOCAL GOVERNMENT
Possession limits	✓		
Trafficking	✓		
Advertisement & packaging	✓		
Impaired driving	✓	✓	
Medical cannabis	✓		
Production (cultivation & processing)	✓		
Public Health	✓	✓	
Education	✓	✓	✓
Taxation	✓	✓	
Home Cultivation (growing plants at home)	✓		
Workplace safety		✓	
Distribution & wholesaling		✓	
Retail model		✓	
Retail location & rules		✓	✓
Regulatory compliance	✓	✓	
Public consumption		✓	✓
* Land use/ zoning		✓	✓

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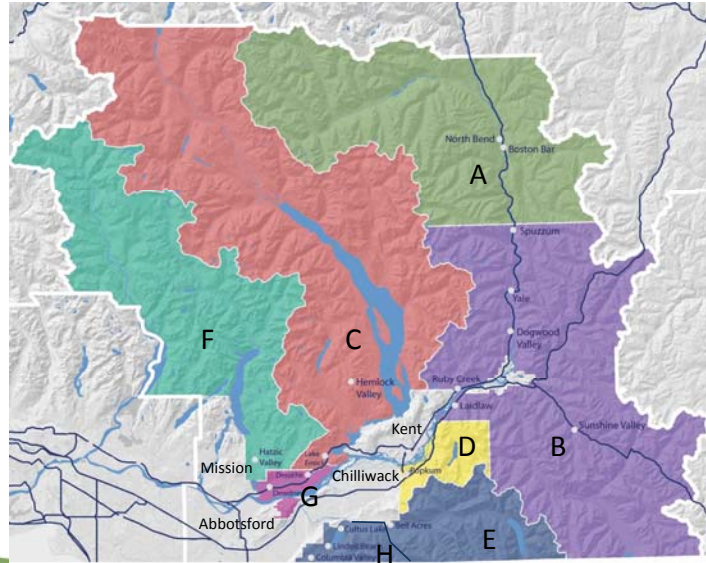
Land Use Policy for Cannabis

- » FVRD has a Land Use Policy for Cannabis Production, Processing and Retail Sales in the Electoral Areas
 - > Adopted October 2019
 - > Includes two approaches
 - > Approach is decided by Electoral Area. [Click for map](#)

APPROACH	ELECTORAL AREA
Not encourage cannabis production, processing, or sales	D, F, H
Support cannabis production and processing	A, B, C, E, G


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FVRD – Electoral Area Map



Land Use Policy for Cannabis

» Implementation of the policy is in two phases

Completed
Mar. 2020

Phase 1

- Restrict cannabis production in Areas D, F, and H
- Zoning Amendments completed in March 2020

Starting
now

Phase 2

- Create enabling regulations for Cannabis Production and Processing based on community feedback

Key Questions – Cannabis Land Uses

- » Which zones are appropriate for cannabis land uses?
- » Regulations for Micro vs Standard Cultivation?
- » Maximum size limits for production areas?
- » Minimum parcels sizes?
- » Setbacks from property lines, residences, and watercourses?
- » Other concerns?



Zoning Considerations

- » Which zones are most appropriate for cannabis land uses?
 - > Agricultural
 - > Industrial
 - > Rural
 - > Other
- » What should the minimum parcel size be for production?



Levels of Licensing (Micro vs Standard)

- » We are considering different requirements for
 - > Micro cultivation/ processing and
 - > Standard cultivation/ processing



Standard Licenses (Cannabis Act)

- » Standard Cultivation License
 - > No limit on growing area
 - > Facilities range in size from 2000m² – 200,000m² (21,000 ft² – 2,100,000 ft²)
- » Standard Processing License
 - > No limit on the amount of cannabis that can be processed



Example images: www.bcmla.ca

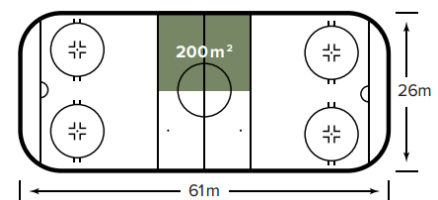


Micro Licenses (Cannabis Act)

- » Intended for small scale cannabis businesses
- » Micro Cultivation License
 - > Limited to 200m² (2,100 ft²) of growing area
- » Micro Processing License
 - > Limited to 600kg (1320 lbs) per year



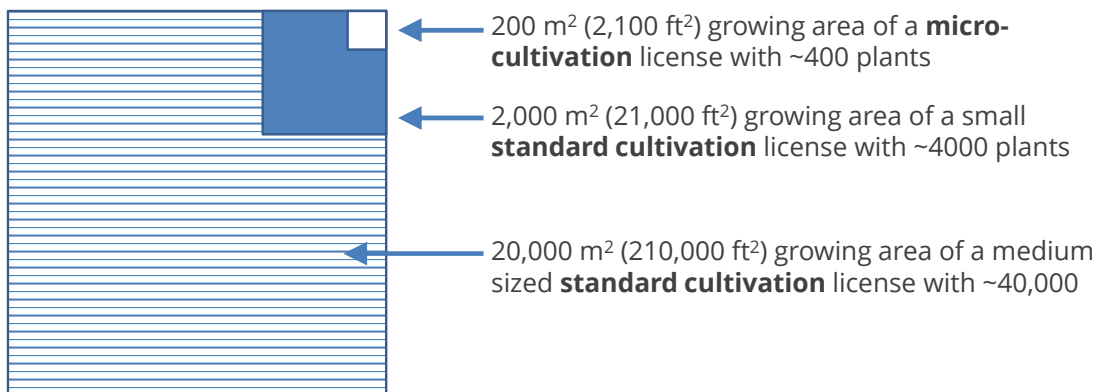
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NHL Hockey Rink
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Relative Scale of Licenses



Source: www.bccraftsupply.ca
<https://bccraftsupply.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/Understanding-Cannabis-Micro-cultivation-.pdf>



Next Steps

- » Community Engagement
 - > Community survey
 - > Information interviews
- » Analyze feedback
 - > Report on findings
- » Draft Zoning Amendments
- » Public Hearing on proposed amendments



Contact Us

- » Please talk to us about your ideas, concerns, and questions
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Useful Links

- » Cannabis Act – Health Canada
 - > <https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/c-24.5/>
- » BC Government Cannabis resources
 - > <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/public-safety/cannabis>
- » ALC Cannabis Production in the ALR Bulletin
 - > https://www.alc.gov.bc.ca/assets/alc/assets/legislation-and-regulation/information-bulletins/information_bulletin_04_cannabis_production_in_the_alr.pdf
- » BC Micro License Association
 - > www.bcmla.com