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<p>1a Improve regional connectivity and safety across transportation modes</p>				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Board, February 11, 2026 Board, March 11, 2026 	<p>The inaugural Regional Transportation Advisory Committee (RTAC) meeting was held on January 27, 2026, to coordinate dialogue on regional matters.</p> <p>Opened the Ready Step Roll program for applicants to support sustainable commute planning for school aged children.</p> <p>Construction of the Cusheon Lake Road and Mobrae Avenue bus shelters was completed in March 2026. Additional, future bus shelters have been identified and will be constructed as funding is secured.</p> <p>The CRD has partnered with the Lekwungen Nations – Esquimalt Nation (Kosapsum) and Songhees Nation, Victoria, Esquimalt, View Royal, Landford and Colwood to explore the future of the Island Rail Corridor. On March 11, the CRD Board approved to provide \$1.7 million as regional grant-in-aid to the Island Corridor Foundation to support this initiative. The activities envisioned include project and technical feasibility analyses leading into the development of a business case. The CRD will remain involved through this process and will include considerations of the corridor and potential future transit uses into the ongoing update to the Regional Transportation Plan.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support advocacy requests for investments in multi-modal infrastructure and services Support and coordinate with municipalities on the development of local transportation plans and strategies Begin drafting a new Trails Regulation Bylaw to support compliance and enforcement on regional trails. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing Ongoing Q3 2026

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<p>1b Support investments, expansion and equitable access to active and low carbon transportation</p>				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Board, February 11, 2026</i> 	<p>Staff advanced design work for the Trestles Renewal, Trail Widening & Lighting Project in preparation for Q2 construction.</p> <p>Provided support for the design of regional trail access improvements, including accessibility upgrades at Viaduct Park through the BC Hydro cable replacement project.</p> <p>Regional Parks conducted a review of the plans, policies and bylaws requiring amendment or repeal as a result of establishing the Regional Transportation Service.</p> <p>The CRD Board passed a recommendation to submit a resolution to the Union of BC Municipalities, through the Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities, to advocate to the Province to implement a phased expansion of the fare-free youth transit program by increasing eligibility by one year at a time until fare-free transit is available to youths aged 13 through 18.</p> <p>The contract for the construction of the Merchant Mews Trail contract has been awarded and the project has started. Construction is planned for April 2026.</p> <p>Media Release: Pender Island Schooner Way School Trail Opening (March 25, 2026)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete Merchant Mews Trail Complete first phase of engagement on the Regional Transportation Plan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Q1-2026 Q2 2026 Q2 2026
<p>1c Present options for changes in governance for transportation in the region, including the Electoral Areas</p>				<p>Operationalized. Reported back on transportation service governance options, including the establishment of the Regional Transportation Advisory Committee (RTAC) to replace the Transportation Working Group on November 12, 2025. Staff also reported on the dissolution of the Traffic Safety Committee for scope inclusion in the new RTAC.</p>			

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<p>2a Increase supply of affordable, inclusive and adequate housing in the region</p>					<p>The Cedar Hill Library and Affordable Housing Redevelopment in Saanich received final project approval. The redevelopment will replace the existing Nellie McClung Library with an 18-storey mixed-use building that includes a library on the main level, and 210 affordable rental homes above.</p> <p>Caledonia, a redevelopment in Victoria’s Fernwood neighbourhood, which increased the number of homes on site from 26 to 158, officially started renting to tenants.</p> <p>The Capital Regional District, which administers Reaching Home: Canada’s Homelessness Strategy funding in the Victoria region, awarded \$6.2M in Federal Reaching Home funding (2026–2028) to support 17 organizations in Victoria serving homeless individuals and families.</p> <p>The Building Regulations Bylaw has been updated and applies to the CRD’s three Electoral Areas that include Salt Spring Island, the Southern Gulf Islands, and the Juan de Fuca. The Bylaw came into effect on March 1, 2026.</p> <p>Media Release: Updates to CRD Building Regulation Bylaw will improve Clarity and Efficiency (February 4, 2026)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue advancing the Rural Housing Program (RHP) by promoting the RHP Funding Programs in SSI and SGI evaluating applications, awarding funds and administering the program. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing

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<p>3a Maximize solid waste diversion and resource recovery from waste materials</p>				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Board, February 11, 2026 Board, March 11, 2026 	<p>Finalized and shared model bylaw for demolition waste and deconstruction materials with municipalities.</p> <p>Initiated the procurement of services to collect non-curb-side recyclable materials (e.g. flexible plastics and foam packaging) at community markets throughout the region.</p> <p>Media Release: Hartland Renewable Natural Gas Facility recognized with Climate Change Business Journal Award (February 12, 2026)</p> <p>Media Release: Capital Regional District recognized with 2025 Leader in Sustainability Award (March 4, 2026)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop and issue an RFP to commission a comprehensive options analysis that outlines and evaluates future waste disposal alternatives to landfilling Report back to the Board on wrap-up activities related to the Wildlife Attractant Working Group Report back to the Board on options to improve waste reduction and diversion activities at schools 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Q2 2026 Q2 2026 Q2 2026
<p>3b Explore options for a regional approach to biodiversity and the protection of ecological assets</p>					<p>Operationalized. The Board has approved the bylaw to establish the Biodiversity and Environmental Stewardship Service that will allow the CRD to begin to play a regional role in the preservation of biodiversity and protection of natural assets. The bylaw was adopted after receiving elector assent through a regional Alternative Approval Process (AAP) and approved in the 2025 final budget presented in March 2025.</p>		

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<p>3c Increase resilience, community and adaptation planning to address climate related risks and disasters</p>				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Board, March 11, 2026 	<p>Delivered two adaptation fundamentals workshops to local government staff and elected officials on February 5 and February 27.</p> <p>Hosted a regional collaboration workshop for professionals working on adaptation and resilience measures in the region on February 18.</p> <p>Launched a six-month climate adaptation regional cohort for local government and service agency staff on January 22.</p> <p>CRD's Emergency Management Bylaw 3447 repeal and replace will be presented to April Planning and Protective Services Committee.</p> <p>Redrafted Corporate Emergency Plan proposed for presentation at April Planning and Protective Services Committee.</p> <p>Media Release: Province Offers Disaster Financial Assistance for CRD Electoral Areas Impacted by Flooding (January 19, 2026)</p> <p>The Ganges Sewer Electrical & Instrumentation Controls project continues, and the hazardous area classification was completed. The design tender package is being prepared and staff expect to receive cost estimates, drawings and specifications by end of Q2 2026.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue climate adaptation regional cohort with monthly sessions until June, collecting input for the development of a regional climate adaptation roadmap Deliver a multi-session regional adaptation learning training Host a regional collaboration workshop for professionals working on adaptation and resilience measures in the region Present revised Bylaw 3447 to Board Present redrafted Corporate Emergency Plan to Board 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Q2 2026 Q2 2026 Q2 2026 Q2 2026 Q1-2026 Q2 2026

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<p>3d Support energy efficient and low carbon buildings across the region</p>					<p>Operationalized. Staff launched the CRD Building Benchmarking program in Q1 2026 for large buildings, in support of municipal energy reporting bylaws in Saanich and Victoria, including communicating with building owners and managers via webinars and letters.</p> <p>Staff will continue to support municipalities and building owners and managers through operation of the CRD Building Benchmarking program, and will also continue other programs and outreach to support low carbon new buildings and retrofits of existing homes.</p> <p><i>Media Release:</i> New energy centre will make Victoria General Hospital more resilient, reliable and ready to care for more patients (February 19, 2026)</p> <p><i>Media Release:</i> CRD launches regional building benchmarking program to support emissions reductions (March 10, 2026)</p>		

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<p>4a Develop mechanisms to hear more from First Nations’ governments as to how they would like the CRD to approach reconciliation</p>				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Board, February 11, 2026 	Between September 2025 - January 2026, invited early engagement from 19 First Nation on the development of a CRD Reconciliation Action Plan. Based on interest and response, directly met with 12 First Nations in phase one of this engagement. Draft content for the Plan has been shared with First Nations inviting their detailed review, input and feedback as part of engagement phase two.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update Reconciliation Action Plan action based on feedback First Nations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Q2 2026
<p>4b Collaborate with First Nations to build and strengthen new processes for respectful, reciprocal government-to-government decision-making and service delivery that uplift Indigenous self-determination</p>					<p>Operationalized. The First Nations Relations division will continue in an ongoing basis to negotiate MOU/protocol agreements for Board approval with interested First Nations. 2026 joint workplans co-developed with Nations with MOUs/protocol agreements in place. Staff will continue to hold meetings with Kosapsum and Songhees First Nation regarding the Island Rail Corridor initiative.</p>		

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<p>4c Invite, respect and incorporate Indigenous leadership and traditional knowledge to enhance initiatives and strategies that support other priorities in the plan</p>					<p>First Nations invited to provide input into biosolids/biochar initiative, watershed management and access, Mayne Island Parks and Recreation Commission Master Plan, exploration of curbside collection of flexible plastics, early engagement on <i>Emergency & Disaster Management Act</i> in partnership with other municipalities.</p> <p>Planning underway for First Nations engagement for Phase 2 of the Land Acquisition Strategy. Worked with multiple First Nations to understand their interests in Regional Parks' interpretive signage to inform 2026 project planning.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Invite First Nations Engagement for Phase 2 of the Land Acquisition Strategy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Q2 2026
<p>4d Support shared prosperity by enhancing economic opportunities, in partnership with First Nations</p>					<p>Continuing to contract Nations directly to provide cultural monitoring for projects involving ground disturbance in areas of archaeological or cultural significance.</p> <p>Ongoing resource sharing – offering and distributing firewood from regional parks and watersheds with interested First Nations.</p> <p>Call to First Nations artist for digital art for the Reconciliation Action Plan distributed and a local artist selected.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify economic opportunities to include in the final Reconciliation Action Plan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Q3 2026

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5a Influence regional issues and advocate in a consistent, focused way that aligns with the Board strategic priorities					Operationalized. Advocacy Strategy has been revised and the Advocacy Dashboard will continue to be updated quarterly. A complete list of all advocacy correspondence is available at Board Advocacy .		
5b Strengthen Board decision-making frameworks to include First Nations reconciliation, equity, diversity and inclusion, and climate action lenses					Operationalized. Developed Guidance documents for the First Nations, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) and Climate Action Implications sections of Staff Reports. These Guidance documents were reviewed by the Governance Committee (April 3, 2024) and the Board (April 10, 2024).		
5c Develop understanding of, and accountability for, equity, diversity and inclusion across CRD decision-making bodies					Operationalized. Presented the CRD Accessibility Plan to the CRD Governance Committee (October 2, 2024) and CRD Board (October 9), and made available publicly through the posting on the CRD's Accessibility webpage, which includes our tool to receive feedback on accessibility. EDI strategic plan development underway.		

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<p>5d Foster greater civic participation among diverse community members</p>					<p>Public participation policy, framework and toolkit revisions remain underway.</p> <p>Media Release: Public invited to learn more about innovative system to convert biosolids to biochar (February 13, 2026)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Present revised Public Participation Framework to Governance and First Nations Relations Committee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Q1-2026 Q2 2026
<p>5e Explore changes to growth management approaches and identify implementation actions appropriate for local, regional and provincial implementation</p>				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Board, February 11, 2026 	<p>Initiated the update to the regional and subregional population projections, and for the regional industrial land inventory and analysis.</p> <p>The Regional Water Supply Commission recommended to the CRD Board that the Development Cost Charge Bylaw for the Regional Water Supply Service move forward and be submitted to the British Columbia Inspector of Municipalities for Statutory Approval pursuant to the Local Government Act.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regional coordination on impacts of new housing legislation Complete update to the regional and subregional population projections Complete regional industrial land inventory and analysis 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing Q1-2026 Q2 2026 Q2 2026