

Skana Water System Information Meeting

August 12, 2025

Proposed Tank Replacement and
Automation Upgrade Projects

Agenda

- CRD Director's Address – Paul Brent
- Skana Water Committee – Warren Korol
 - General information you should know
- CRD Infrastructure & Water Services – Stephen Henderson & CRD Staff
 - System and Project Details
 - Petition Process – how it works
- Q&A

Skana Water System Committee

- Warren Korol – Chair
- Robert Anthony – Vice-Chair
- Bev Hill
- Mitch Bentley
- Paul Brent – CRD Director

Committee Goal

- To work towards a safe, reliable and cost effective drinking water system for the Skana coverage area
- To represent the interests of the property owners and users as effectively as possible

Governance



Money to Operate, Maintain, Construct

- All money comes from Skana property owners
- No regular money from CRD/Provincial general taxes
- Occasional grants available from governments
- Money is collected in two ways:
 - Fees from connected property owners
 - Quarterly bills currently equal to \$1392.08/year
 - Taxes from ALL property owners in area (even if not connected)
 - Annual tax bill \$410.06 in 2025
 - Total if connected is \$1802.14/year

Why Owner Approval is Needed to Borrow

- Skana accounts from fees and current taxes are not enough for large projects
- Regulations require Owner approval when borrowing money
- Need funds to be accessible in order to budget projects (approve borrowing ahead of time)
- Grant applications often require proof that the non-grant portion is funded

Next

- CRD Infrastructure & Water Services presentation
 - The need for these projects
 - The options available and the one proposed
 - The project costs / options comparison
 - Timing of the projects and borrowed funds
 - The petition process to approve borrowing of funds