

## COMPARISON TABLE: “INTERPRETATION AND ADMINISTRATION” SECTION

Current Electoral Area Official Community Plan (OCP) Bylaw No. 2450, 2008	Proposed Electoral Area Official Community Plan (OCP) Bylaw No. 2905, 2021
<p><b>1.0 INTERPRETATION AND ADMINISTRATION</b></p> <p>The provisions of this Plan apply to all lands and surface of water, excluding areas within the reserves of the Osoyoos First Nations, within the Osoyoos Rural area identified on Schedule ‘B’ of this bylaw. Map 1, General Context Map, generally illustrates the boundaries of the Plan area.</p>	<p><b>1.0 INTERPRETATION AND ADMINISTRATION</b></p> <p>The provisions of this Plan apply to all lands and water within Electoral Area “A” identified on Schedule ‘B’ Official Community Plan Map of this bylaw.</p>
<p><b>1.1 Purpose</b></p> <p>The Electoral Area “A” Official Community Plan is intended to ensure that decisions of the use and development of property within that part of the electoral area shown on Schedule ‘B’, are made with regard to land capabilities and constraints, growth trends, the interrelationship of land uses, and the aspirations of the people, for the benefit of the whole community. Further, the Plan is intended to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>.1 form the basis for regulatory land use bylaws, capital expenditures programming, and waste management;</li> <li>.2 to provide guidance and information for private and public organizations and individuals.</li> </ol>	<p><b>1.1 Purpose</b></p> <p>The Electoral Area “A” Official Community Plan (OCP) contains objectives, policies, and land use designations adopted by the Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen (RDOS) Board of Directors. The purpose of these objectives, policies and designations is to provide direction for land use and development consistent with the community values of the Electoral Area.</p> <p>The policies of the Plan are intended to balance the demands placed on the land base to ensure an equitable, comprehensive, and logical distribution of land uses. Policies are often implemented on a long-term basis, such as every decade.</p> <p>The Official Community Plan provides a basis for the following actions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>.1 The adoption or amendment of the Zoning Bylaw and other land use regulations;</li> <li>.2 The direction of public investment;</li> <li>.3 The guidance of elected officials, and others who have statutory approval authority, in the evaluation of proposals, referrals, and amendment of bylaws; and</li> <li>.4 Compliance with provincial legislation including the greenhouse gas management requirements of the <i>Local Government Act</i> and the <i>Climate Change Accountability Act</i>.</li> </ol>
<p><b>1.2 Interpretation</b></p> <p>An Official Community Plan means a community plan as referred to in the <i>Local Government Act</i> and as adopted by the Regional Board of the Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen (hereafter referred to as the Regional Board), in accordance with the requirements of the <i>Local Government Act</i>.</p>	<p><b>1.2 Interpretation</b></p> <p>An Official Community Plan means an Official Community Plan as referred to in the <i>Local Government Act</i>, and as adopted by the Regional Board of Directors of the RDOS (hereafter referred to as the Regional Board), in accordance with the requirements of the <i>Local Government Act</i>.</p>
<p><b>1.3 Administration</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>.1 This Official Community Plan comes into effect as of the date of formal adoption by the Regional Board.</li> <li>.2 The Zoning Bylaw will be the primary tool to regulate development, not the Official Community Plan. All rezoning proposals must be consistent with the intent of this Official Community Plan that serves as a policy foundation for the Zoning Bylaw.</li> <li>.3 This Plan will be reviewed on a yearly basis and, in order that the document continues to accurately reflect the long-range planning objectives of the Osoyoos Rural area, the Plan will undergo a comprehensive review every five to ten years.</li> </ol>	<p><b>1.3 Administration</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>.1 This Official Community Plan comes into effect as of the date of adoption by the Regional Board.</li> <li>.2 The Zoning Bylaw will be the primary tool to regulate development, not the Official Community Plan. All rezoning amendments must be consistent with this Official Community Plan that serves as a policy foundation for the Zoning Bylaw.</li> <li>.3 This Official Community Plan will be re-examined and updated in accordance with an Electoral Area Official Community Plan Bylaw Review schedule endorsed by the Regional District to ensure that it continues to reflect the long-range planning objectives of Plan Area residents, local government staff, and the Regional Board.</li> </ol>

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<p>.4 The Official Community Plan can only encourage senior levels of government to take action; it cannot force or require senior governments to act. Furthermore, although the Official Community Plan cannot commit the Regional Board to specific expenditures, the Regional Board cannot enact bylaws or undertake works that are contrary to it without amending the Plan.</p>	<p>.4 The Official Community Plan can only encourage senior levels of government to act; it cannot force or require senior governments to act. Furthermore, although the Official Community Plan cannot commit the Regional Board to specific expenditures, the Regional Board cannot enact bylaws or undertake works that are contrary to it without amending the Plan.</p> <p>.5 No one goal, objective or policy contained within this Official Community Plan should be read in isolation from the others to imply a particular action or consequence.</p>
<p><b>1.4 Development Approval Information</b></p> <p>This Plan Area is a development approval information area, and the Regional District may require development approval information for a Zoning Bylaw Amendment application, Development Permit application, and Temporary Use Permit application.</p> <p>The objective in designating the Plan Area as a development approval information area is for the Regional District to obtain information from the applicant for the Regional District to gain a sound understanding of the anticipated impact of the proposed activity or development on the community and to make a well-informed decision regarding such applications. Where deemed relevant, an applicant may be expected to provide information regarding:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>.1 The impact of the proposed development with surrounding land uses.</li> <li>.2 The consideration of public facilities such as schools, park land, public spaces, and/or amenities.</li> <li>.3 The impact of the proposed development on groundwater quantity and quality, surface water generated by the proposed development, and the options for collection, storage, and dispersal of such drainage.</li> <li>.4 The impact of the proposed development on the natural environment such as adjacent aquatic areas, vegetation, soils and erosion, geotechnical characteristics, topographical features, ecosystems and biological diversity, fish and wildlife, fish and wildlife habitat, environmentally sensitive features, and rare or endangered plant or animal species.</li> <li>.5 The ability of the proposed development to provide on-site water and septic disposal or to connect to community services, if available.</li> <li>.6 The impact of the proposed development on public infrastructure and community services such as water supply, sewage disposal, fire protection systems, and recycling.</li> <li>.7 The aesthetic values of the proposed development such as visual character, integration with public areas and the natural environment, lighting, noise, and odour.</li> <li>.8 The impact of proposed development on traffic volumes and roads.</li> <li>.9 How the proposed development provides buffers for adjoining farming and rural areas to ensure no negative impact is caused by the proposal.</li> <li>.10 The archaeological impact of a proposed development in areas identified to have high archaeological potential.</li> </ol>	<p><b>1.4 Development Approval Information</b></p> <p>Electoral Area “A” (the “Plan Area”) is a Development Approval Information Area, and the Regional District may require development approval information for a Zoning Bylaw amendment application, Development Permit application, or Temporary Use Permit application.</p> <p>The objective in designating the Plan Area as a Development Approval Information Area is to ensure the Regional District can obtain information from the applicant to gain a sound understanding of the anticipated impact of the proposed activity or development on the community and to make a well-informed decision regarding such applications. Where deemed relevant, an applicant may be expected to provide information regarding:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>.1 The impact of the proposed development on surrounding land uses.</li> <li>.2 The consideration of public facilities such as schools, parkland, public spaces, and/or amenities.</li> <li>.3 The impact of the proposed development on groundwater quantity and quality, storm water run-off generated by the proposed development, and the options for collection, storage, and dispersal of such drainage.</li> <li>.4 The impact of the proposed development on the natural environment such as adjacent aquatic areas, vegetation, soils and erosion, geotechnical characteristics, topographical features, ecosystems and biological diversity, fish and wildlife, fish and wildlife habitat, environmentally sensitive features, and rare or endangered plant or animal species.</li> <li>.5 The ability of the proposed development to provide on-site water and wastewater or to connect to community services, if available.</li> <li>.6 The impact of the proposed development on public infrastructure and community services such as water supply, sewage disposal, fire protection systems, solid waste management and recycling.</li> <li>.7 The aesthetic values of the proposed development such as visual character, integration with public areas and the natural environment, lighting, noise, and odour.</li> <li>.8 The impact of proposed development on traffic volumes and roads.</li> <li>.9 How the proposed development provides buffers for adjoining farming and rural areas to ensure no negative impact is caused by the proposal.</li> <li>.10 The archaeological impact of a proposed development in areas identified to have high archaeological potential.</li> <li>.11 Fire hazard risk assessment in accordance with the <i>Community Wildfire Protection Plan</i>.</li> </ol>