

Village of Pemberton Boundary Extension Update



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Council Update – April 10, 2018

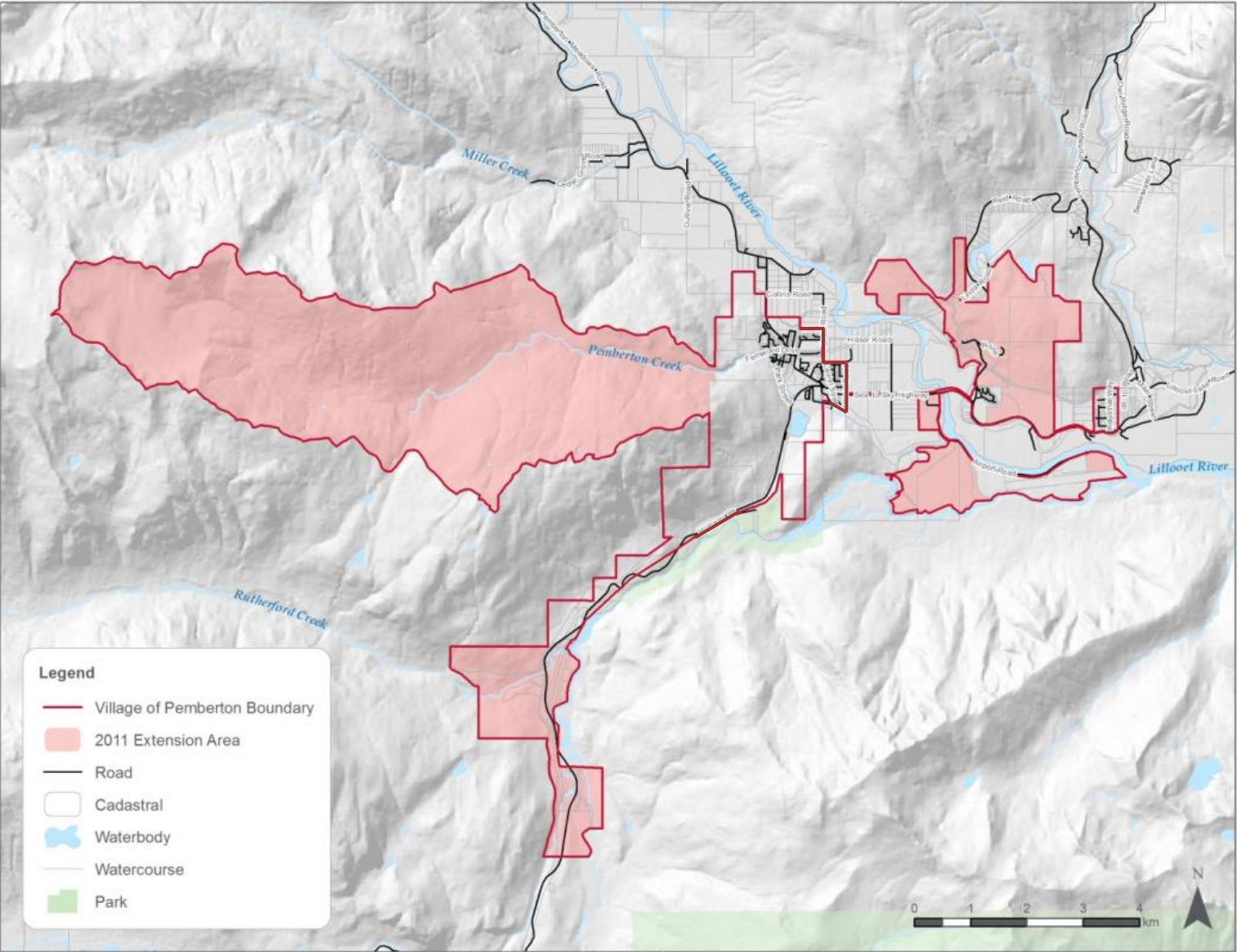
Presentation Outline

- ▶ Introductions – Dan Huang, MCIP, RPP, Senior Planner / Principal Urban Systems, Victoria, BC
- ▶ Background / History – 2011 Boundary Extension
- ▶ Additional Studies – 2011 to 2017
- ▶ Proposed Boundary Extension Area
- ▶ Current Situation
- ▶ Boundary Extension
 - Key Considerations
 - Process
 - Timeline
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- ▶ Discussion / Questions



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Background / History



2011 Boundary Extension

- ▶ Included four new areas within the Village of Pemberton boundary:
 - Hillside
 - Pemberton Creek watershed
 - Lands along Airport Road
 - Lands south of Rutherford Creek
- ▶ Benefits:
 - Provide new settlement growth areas
 - Land Use control from the south
 - Jurisdictional control over the watershed
- ▶ Challenges:
 - Numerous boundary gaps (land use, service delivery, community identity)
 - Still does not represent the “functional boundaries of the Pemberton community



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Additional Studies – 2011 to 2017



Squamish-Lillooet Regional District Governance & Boundaries Study Phase 2 Reports

Region-Wide Structure Analysis
Northern Area Sub-Regional Partnerships
Board Efficiency and Decision-Making
Decision-Making for Regional Service Delivery



draft report
USL File 2512.0008.01

Village of Pemberton Boundary Extension Review

January 2015

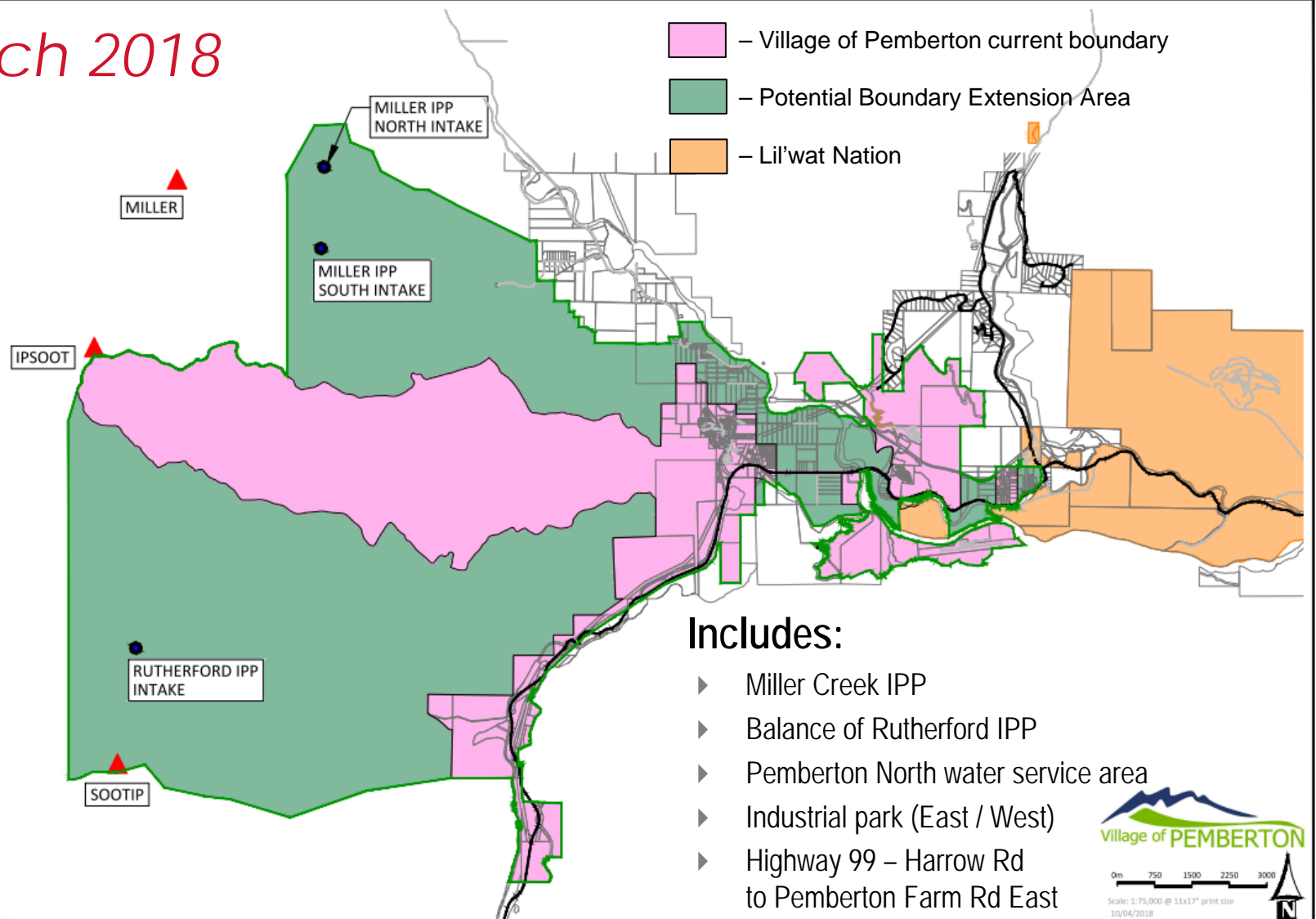
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Key Issues:

- ▶ Community identity
- ▶ Land use planning
- ▶ Service delivery
- ▶ Representation
- ▶ Independent Power Projects

Potential Boundary Extension Area

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Village of **PEMBERTON**

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Potential Boundary Extension Area

Overall Rationale

- ▶ Community identity
- ▶ Establish contiguous boundary (removes the satellite layout)
- ▶ Incorporates currently serviced areas
- ▶ More consistent land use planning
- ▶ Promotes streamlining of regulations by simplifying multi-jurisdictional control (e.g. roads / subdivision control in unincorporated areas)
- ▶ Local decision making by keeping property tax dollars in the community

Potential Boundary Extension Area

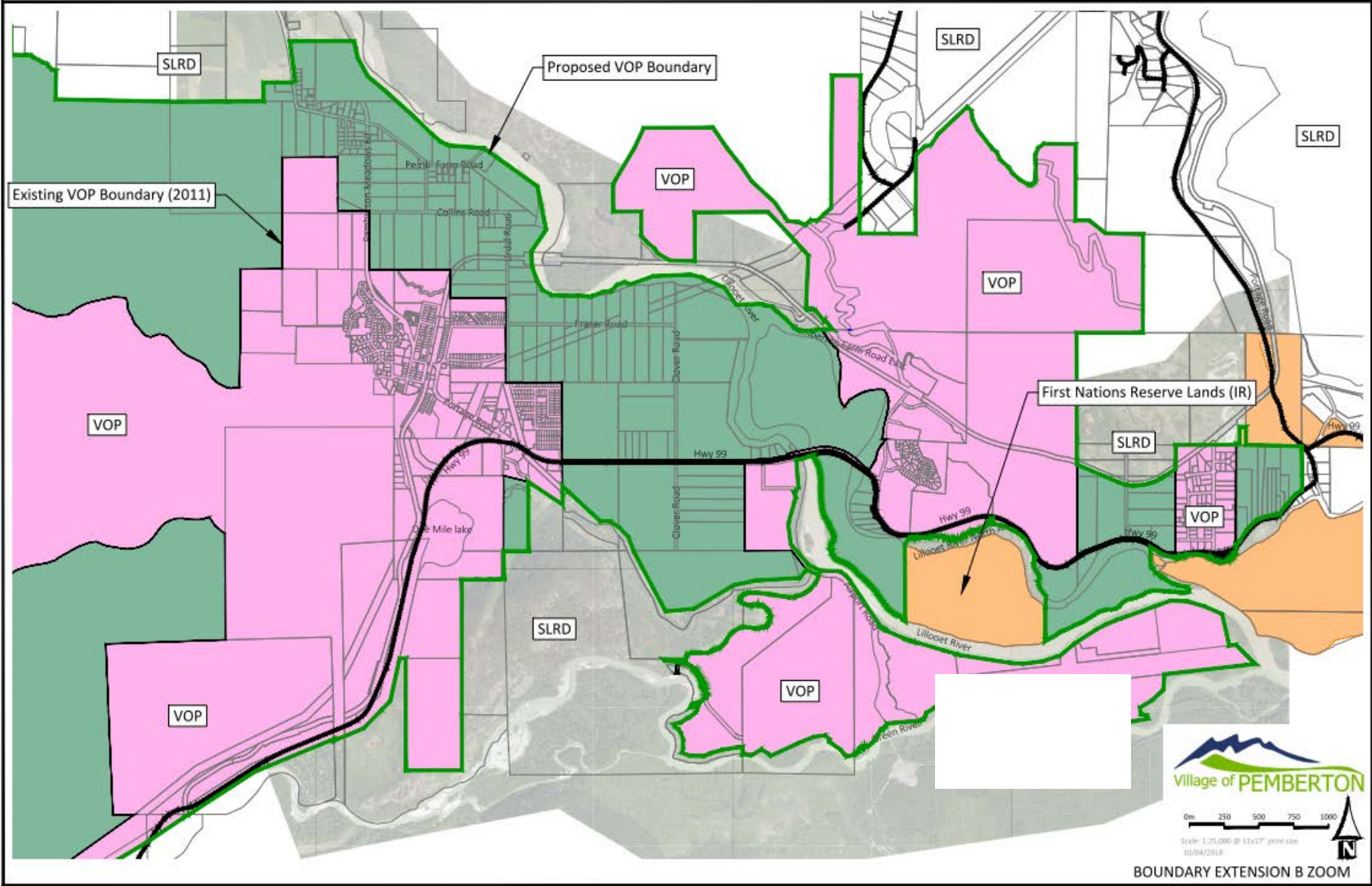
Miller Creek Independent Power Project (IPP)

- ▶ Includes area identified for Community Forest
- ▶ Financial – taxation collected by Village rather than the province (note: amenity funds will remain with the SLRD)
- ▶ Land use control over local IPP

Balance of Rutherford Independent Power Project (IPP)

- ▶ Housekeeping – to fully capture the entire IPP
- ▶ Financial – as above
- ▶ Land use control over local IPP
- ▶ Consolidation of area – currently the land is split between two jurisdictions (VoP and SLRD)

Closeup of Boundary Extension Area



Potential Boundary Extension Area

Pemberton North Water Service Area

- ▶ Water services currently provided through a servicing agreement
- ▶ Eliminates the need to renegotiate servicing agreements
- ▶ Potential water rate savings for residents of this area
- ▶ Reduced fire insurance costs (move from unprotected to semi-protected)

Area surrounding Industrial Park (east and west)

- ▶ Brings in non-First Nations lands into the Village boundaries
- ▶ Eliminates satellite area as boundary now contiguous (best practice)

Hwy 99 – Harrow Road to Pemberton Farm Road East

- ▶ Currently provide outside water service to 16 properties in the area
- ▶ Supports the development of a contiguous boundary

Current Situation

▶ Population (2016 Census)

Jurisdiction	Population (2016, excluding Reserves)
Village of Pemberton	2,574
Electoral Area C	1,663

▶ Boundary Extension area (to be confirmed / refined)

- Number of properties = ~205
- Population in extension area = ~500 (~20% increase)
- Kilometres of roads = ~6.3km (see roads map)

Current Situation

Governance / Representation

- ▶ Province: MLA
- ▶ Village: Mayor and Council – 5
- ▶ Pemberton Valley Dyking District (PVDD) Board – 5
- ▶ Squamish–Lillooet Regional District (SLRD)
 - Regional Board – 10
 - Pemberton Valley Utilities & Services Committee (PVUS) – 4

Current Situation

► Current Services

– Province of British Columbia:

- Schools
- Hospitals
- BC Ambulance
- RCMP Policing
- BC Assessment
- Roads (rural)
- Subdivision approval (rural)
- Property tax collection (rural)



Current Situation

► Current Services

Village of Pemberton:

- Finance
 - Property Tax Collection
 - Utility Fee Collection
- Public Works
 - Water
 - Sewer
 - Parks and Trails (municipal)
 - Roads (municipal)
- Fire Rescue Services
 - Fire Protection
- Planning & Development Services
 - Land Use Planning
- Airport



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Current Situation

► Current Services

– Pemberton Valley Dyking District:

- Flood Protection



– SLRD:

- Regional Services
- Electoral Area Services
- Sub-Regional Services
- Local Area Services



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SLRD Services

Service	SLRD Region-Wide	SLRD All Electoral Areas	SLRD Sub-Regional	Local Area
Administration and General Gov	X			
Planning and Development	X			
Waste Management Planning	X			
Civic Addressing		X		
Building Inspection		X		
Elections UBCM		X		
Emergency Planning		X		
Electoral Area Parks		X		
Regional Growth Strategy			X	
Pemberton Rescue Service			X	
Pemberton Search & Rescue			X	
911 South			X	
Pemberton Community Rec			X	

SLRD Services (cont'd)

Service	SLRD Region-Wide	SLRD All Electoral Areas	SLRD Sub-Regional	Local Area
Museum and Archives			X	
Pemberton Library			X	
Cemetery			X	
Sea-to-Sky Trails			X	
Pemberton Fire Service				X*
Pemberton Meadows Fire Svc				X
The Heights Fire Service				X
Pemberton Refuse				X
Pemberton Television				X
Pemberton Rec Commission				X
Pemberton Valley Rec Trails				X
Pemberton North Water				X

X = service boundary not contiguous with Boundary Extension study area*

Current Situation

► Net Taxable Assessment Comparison (2016)

Jurisdiction/Area	Occurrences	Net Taxable Assessment (Land + Improvements)
Pemberton (General)	1,378	\$453,000,000
Area C (Hospital)	1,574	\$526,000,000

Jurisdiction/Area	Occurrences	Net Taxable Assessment (Land + Improvements)
Pemberton North Water Area	172	\$59,000,000

Current Situation

► Independent Power Projects

- Rutherford Creek (completed 2004): 50 MW
 - \$14.2 million in Village (2016) = currently \$54k in property taxes
 - \$30.9 million in Electoral Area C (2016) would generate *~\$118,000 in Utility (Class 2) property taxes*
- Miller Creek (completed 2003): 33 MW
 - \$19.7 million (2016) would generate *~\$75,000 in Utility (Class 2) property taxes*



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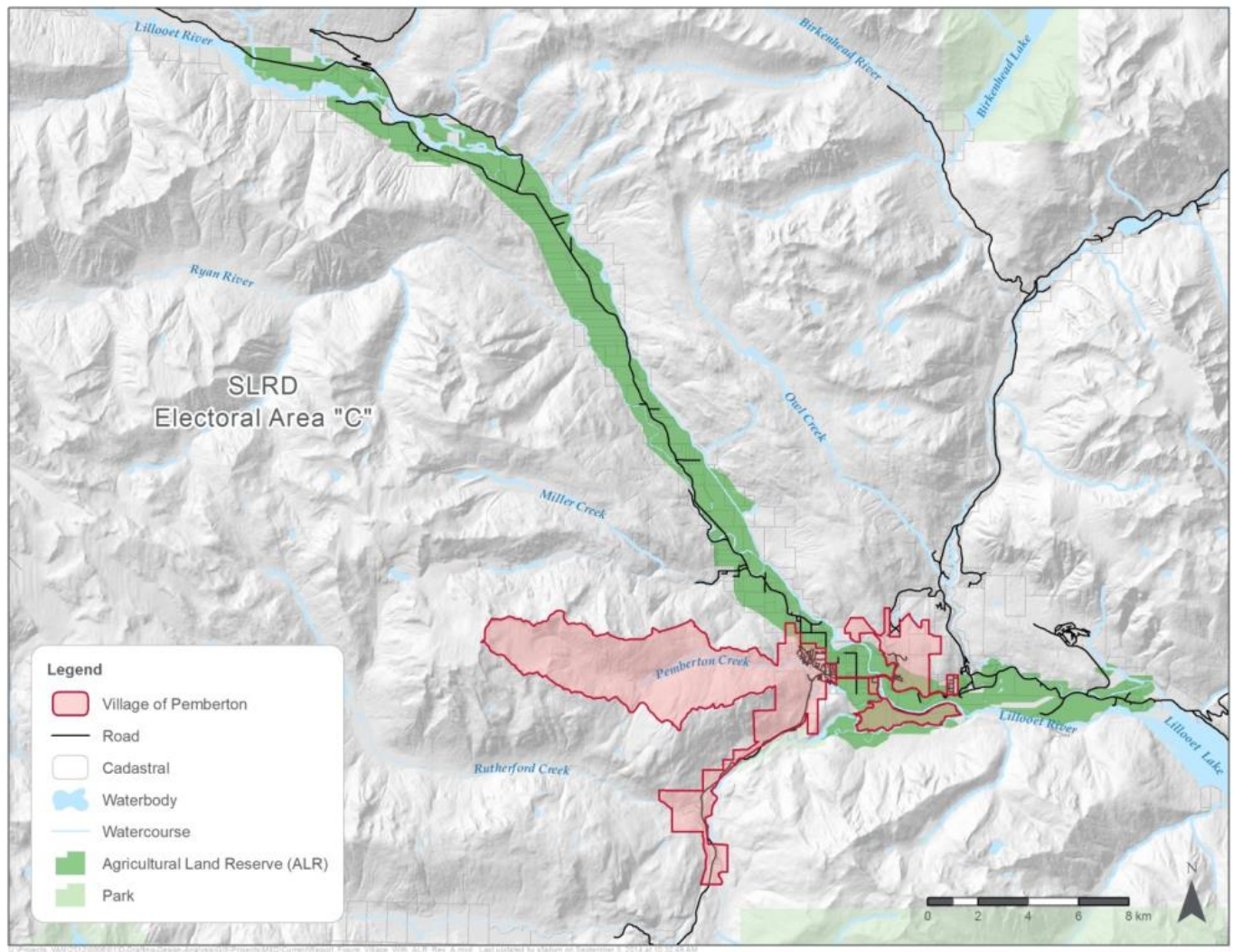
► 2016 Tax Comparison (Sample Only):

- Class 1 Residential home with land value: \$190,000; improvements value: \$160,000; total taxable value: \$350,000
- Does not include other fees and charges (e.g. water rates, parcel taxes, fire insurance, etc.)

Function/Service	Village Tax Rates	Village Property Taxes	Area C Tax Rates	Area C Property Taxes
School	1.5612	\$546	1.5612	\$546
Sea-to-Sky Regional Hospital District	0.0443	\$16	0.0443	\$16
BC Assessment Authority	0.0543	\$19	0.0543	\$19
Municipal Finance Authority	0.0002	\$0	0.0002	\$0
Pemberton Valley Dyking District	0.7000	\$245	0.7000	\$245
Municipal Tax (includes CEF and CIOF)	2.4617	\$862		
Provincial Rural Tax*			0.5600	\$196
Police Tax	0.2834	\$99	0.1554	\$54
SLRD General Levy	1.3963	\$489		
SLRD Area C Levy			1.3767	\$482
Pemberton Rec Commission			0.0339	\$12
Pemberton Fire Service Area			0.6072	\$213
Pemberton Valley Rec Trails			0.0695	\$24
Pemberton Refuse			0.1294	\$45
Pemberton TV (on Improvements only)			0.0306	\$5
Total Ad Valorem Taxes	6.5014	\$2,275	5.3227	\$1,857

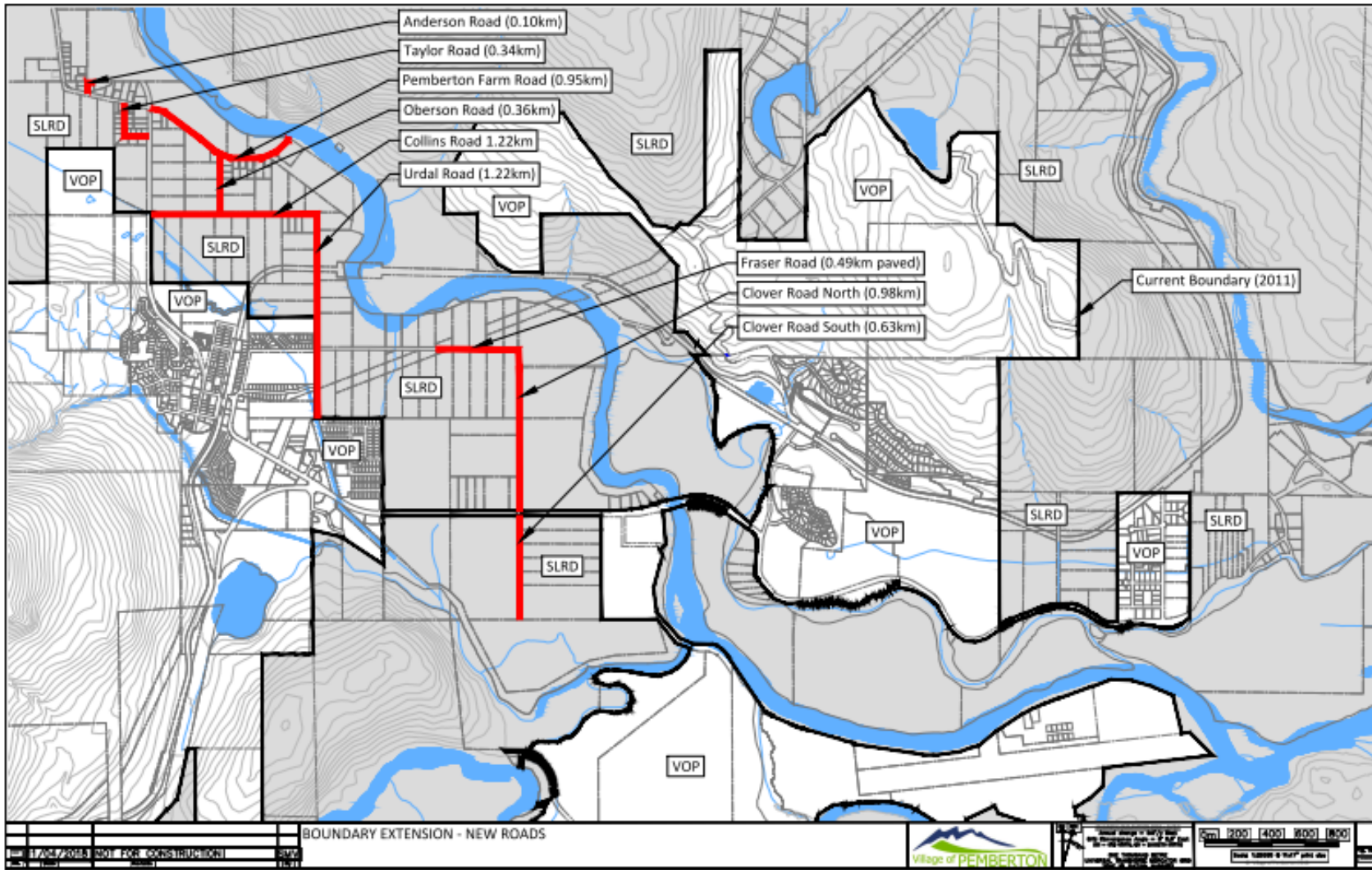
Current Situation

Agricultural Land Reserve



Boundary Extension Roads

Potential New Village Roads (approx. 6.3 km)
(operations and maintenance costs to be determined)

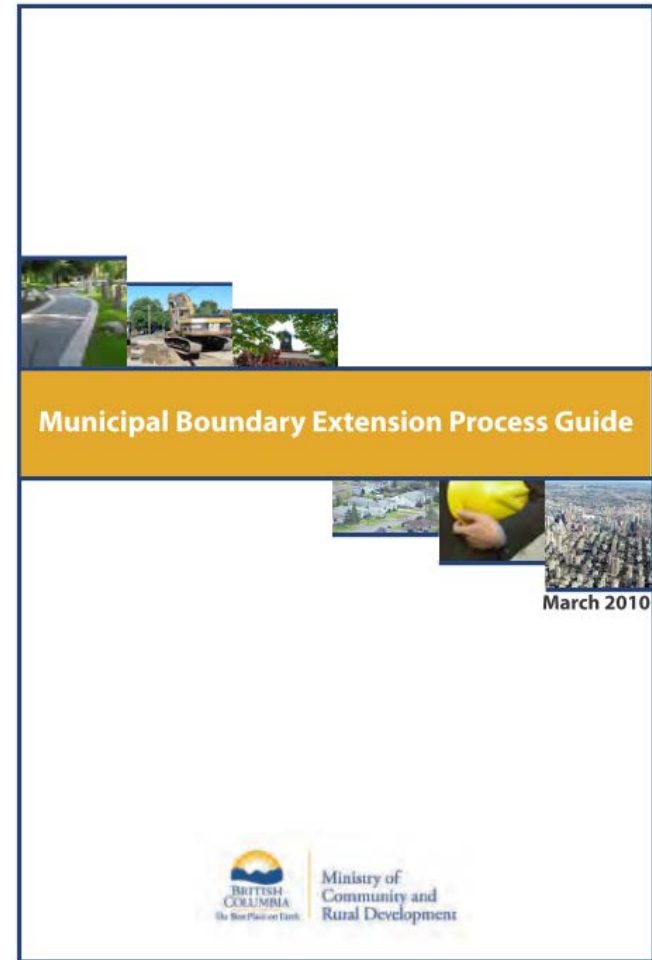


Boundary Extension Key Considerations

- ▶ Changes to Service Delivery and Finances (revenues and expenses) for Village of Pemberton
- ▶ Potential impact on SLRD Local Area Services (e.g. Pemberton Fire Services)
- ▶ Potential property tax impacts (both Village and SLRD)
- ▶ Farm tax exemptions and property tax phase-in period
- ▶ Taxation of Utilities (Class 2 assessment values) in boundary extension areas
- ▶ First Nations interests and referrals
- ▶ Other referrals (e.g. MOTI, ALC, PVDD)
- ▶ Elector Assent process – Referendum for Electoral Area 'C' (Boundary Extension area only) and Village of Pemberton voters

Boundary Extension Process

- ▶ Council confirmation of Boundary Extension process and proposed study area
- ▶ Discussions with Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing
- ▶ Study Analysis and Draft Information
- ▶ Community Engagement
- ▶ Proposal Development and Referrals
- ▶ Council Decision to proceed with Boundary Extension consideration by the Minister
- ▶ Submission of Proposal to Ministry
- ▶ Ministry Review and confirmation of vote
- ▶ Elector Assent Process



Pemberton Boundary Extension Timeline

- ▶ **April 10th** Council meeting – present Boundary Extension process to Council for review and endorsement of the process.
- ▶ April 11th to 13th – confirm all PID's in the extension area, prepare property owner mailing list, and finalize Communications Plan for upcoming public engagement and initial referral to the SLRD, Lil'wat Nation and PVDD.
- ▶ Week of April 16th to 20th – mailouts to property owners within the boundary extension area, website updates, advertisement for Open House #1
- ▶ Week of April 23rd to 27th – Public Open House #1 some time during this week. Format includes open house panels, short presentation, followed by Q+A session, and exit survey.
- ▶ May 8th Council meeting – Council update on the first open house, and advertising for the second Open House.
- ▶ May 14th to 18th – Public Open House #2 some time during this week (same format).
- ▶ May 25th – Finalize Background Report, Staff Report, and recommendations.
- ▶ **May 29th** Council meeting – present report for Council to consider passing a resolution requesting that the Minister consider the boundary extension.



Critical Path

Pemberton Boundary Extension Timeline

If Pemberton Council confirms Boundary Extension consideration, then:

- ▶ June / July – review and consideration by the Minister.
- ▶ August / September – with affirmation from the Minister, work with the Ministry regarding: restructure offer, referendum questions, other statutory requirements, and public communications as appropriate.
 - Electoral Area C voters in the Boundary Extension Area only will be provided a referendum question asking whether they wish to join the Village of Pemberton (simple majority of votes cast, i.e. 50% + 1).
 - Village of Pemberton voters will be provided a corresponding referendum during the municipal election asking whether they would accept the Boundary Extension if vote above was successful (also simple majority).
- ▶ **October 20, 2018** – Referendum on Boundary Extension to coincide with local government elections (including opportunities during advance poll).

* For more information, consult the Provincial Best Practices Guide:

http://www.cscd.gov.bc.ca/lgd/gov_structure/library/Municipal_Boundary_Extension_Process_Guide.pdf

Recommendation

- ▶ April 10, 2018 Council Meeting

“THAT Council receive the information presented on April 10, 2018 regarding the Village of Pemberton Boundary Extension Update;

AND THAT Council endorse the required analysis, community engagement, and process required for Council to make a decision regarding boundary extension at its May 29, 2018 meeting;

AND THAT the April 10, 2018 presentation be sent to the Squamish-Lillooet Regional District (SLRD), Lil'wat Nation and Pemberton Valley Dyking District (PVDD) for information.”

Discussion / Questions?

An aerial photograph of a mountain valley at dusk. In the background, a large, rugged mountain peak is illuminated by the setting sun, with patches of snow visible on its slopes. The sky is a deep blue, and a bright moon is visible in the upper right. The foreground shows a lush green valley with scattered houses and buildings, some of which are lit up, suggesting the town is beginning to settle in for the evening. The overall scene is peaceful and scenic.

Thank You!

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