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Anmore Receives \$32,000 for Community Wildfire Resiliency Plan

Village bolsters wildfire preparedness with new funding

ANMORE, B.C. – The Village of Anmore is pleased to announce the approval of a \$32,000 grant through the 2024 Community Resiliency Investment (CRI) program for the development of a Community Wildfire Resiliency Plan (CWRP). Funded by the Ministry of Forests and administered by the Union of B.C. Municipalities, this initiative aims to reduce wildfire risks in our area.

"This funding represents a vital step in enhancing our community's safety and resilience against wildfires," says Mayor John McEwen. "By developing a comprehensive wildfire resiliency plan, we are taking proactive measures to protect our residents and our environment."

CWRPs are the next generation of Community Wildfire Protection Plans (CWPPs) and are designed to take a comprehensive approach to wildfire risk reduction and resilience. Developed in partnership with the BC Wildfire Service and the BC FireSmart Committee, this framework ensures that communities like Anmore are equipped to manage wildfire threats effectively.

The plan will encompass all neighborhoods within Anmore, covering approximately 500 hectares. This will ensure a comprehensive wildfire risk assessment, helping the Village understand where to start and what steps to take on the path to community wildfire resiliency.

Key goals of the process include increasing community capacity to understand wildfire risks, fostering collaboration, and developing actionable measures tailored to diverse community needs.

For more information about the Community Resilience Investment BC Program, please visit https://www.ubcm.ca/cri/firesmart-community-funding-supports.

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