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## CVRD launches survey to hear feedback on preferred 2025 budget engagement process

**DUNCAN, BC –** The Cowichan Valley Regional District (CVRD) wants to hear from the public on how they would like to be engaged on the 2025 CVRD Budget.

Like many other regional districts in British Columbia, the CVRD has an extensive and complex budgeting process, delivering over 180 distinct services across the region at a household, community and regional level. As each residential property receives different services from the CVRD depending on the Electoral Area or municipality, as well as the individual neighbourhood, budgetary decisions and resulting taxation impacts affect each property differently. The amount of taxes paid by each property owner is also largely influenced by the assessed value of their property, as generated by BC Assessment on behalf of the Province of BC.

In the interest of ensuring property owners are aware and engaged in this process, the CVRD has launched a short survey to gather feedback from the public. This includes preferred options for receiving and providing information to the CVRD, public desire to participate in the budget process, as well as general comments related to the CVRD budget process.

This input will help shape the 2025 CVRD budget process that begins in autumn 2024, and ensure CVRD staff are properly planning and designing engagement opportunities that reflect the needs and desires of Cowichan area residents.

To complete the survey please visit www.planyourcowichan.ca/cvrd-budget-2025.

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