



## BYLAW NO. 446

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### A BYLAW TO AMEND THE OYSTER BAY – BUTTLE LAKE OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN

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**WHEREAS** the former Comox-Strathcona Regional District has, by Bylaw No. 1857, adopted an official community plan for Electoral Area 'D' (Oyster Bay – Buttlet Lake) pursuant to Part 14 of the *Local Government Act*;

**AND WHEREAS** a bylaw of the former Comox-Strathcona Regional District that regulates the use or development of land within the area comprising the Strathcona Regional District remains in force until amended or repealed;

**AND WHEREAS** the Regional Board wishes to amend the aforesaid Bylaw No. 1857 having due regard to the requirements of the *Local Government Act*;

**NOW THEREFORE** the Board of Directors of the Strathcona Regional District, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

#### Amendments

1. Bylaw No. 1857 being Oyster Bay – Buttlet Lake Official Community Plan Bylaw 1996, is hereby amended as set out in Schedule 'A', attached to and forming part of this bylaw.

#### Citation

2. This bylaw may be cited for all purposes as Bylaw No. 446, being Oyster Bay – Buttlet Lake Official Community Plan Bylaw 1996, Amendment No. 22.

**READ A FIRST TIME ON THE 22<sup>ND</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2022**

**READ A SECOND TIME ON THE 22<sup>ND</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2022**

**PUBLIC HEARING HELD ON THE 15<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JUNE, 2022**

**READ A THIRD TIME ON THE 13<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JULY, 2022**

**RECONSIDERED, FINALLY PASSED AND ADOPTED ON THE 13<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JULY, 2022**

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Chair

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Corporate Officer

**SCHEDULE 'A'****SECTION ONE****TEXT AMENDMENT**

Part 300 'Objectives and Policies' is amended by inserting the following after Section 309 Housing - Rural:

**309 Rural Residential Community**

In addition to the General Housing objectives and policies, the following policies are also applicable respecting the Rural Residential Community land use designation:

- a. The Rural Residential Community land use designation is intended to permit the development of an equestrian and small-scale rural residential agricultural community that focuses on equestrianism and small-scale farming operations to assist with general food security.
- b. The Rural Residential Community shall maintain the rural character of the area while respecting natural and environmentally sensitive areas and encouraging an agricultural economy.
- c. The Rural Residential Community shall be developed in such a way that it compliments existing settlement patterns and provides connectivity to neighbouring developments.
- d. The Rural Residential Community land use designation is intended to permit a mix of rural residential parcel sizes that provide for rural residential living, equestrian facilities, small-scale agriculture and viniculture and services associated with such facilities.
- e. Lands designated Rural Residential Community are intended to adhere to a minimum parcel size of not less than 2 hectares for residential and small-scale agriculture use and 8 hectares for equestrian and associated uses.
- f. Lands designed Rural Residential Community shall include public trails to support local connectivity for those residents walking, cycling and horse-riding, while respecting the natural environment.

**SECTION TWO****MAP AMENDMENT**

The land use designations for lands described as Part Sections 25 and 26, Township 4, Comox District, on 'Map 3' of Bylaw No. 1857, being the 'Oyster Bay – Buttle Lake Official Community Plan Bylaw, 1996', are hereby amended from Rural (R) and Upland Resource (UR) to Rural Residential Community (RRC) as shown on the attached Appendix '1'.

