

## Electoral Area “F” Mosquito Control Service Establishment Most Frequently Asked Questions [FAQ’s]

### PROJECT INFORMATION:

**Q. I would like more information on the proposed project – where can I find it?**

A. Please visit the RDNO website: <https://www.rdno.ca/our-communities/mosquito-control>.

### VOTING INFORMATION:

**Q. Do I need to pre-register to vote?**

A. No. There is no need to pre-register to vote as the registration of all electors for this assent vote will take place at the time of voting. You will be required to make a declaration that you meet the following requirements:

- 18 years of age or older
- Canadian citizen
- Resident of BC for at least 6 months immediately preceding voting day
- Resident of Electoral Area “F” OR registered owner of real property in Electoral Area “F” for at least 30 days immediately preceding voting day
- Not otherwise disqualified by law from voting
- Entitled to vote, and
- Have not previously voted in the assent vote.

**RESIDENT ELECTORS** will also be required to produce **2 pieces of identification** (at least one with a signature). Picture identification is not necessary. The identification must prove both residency and identity.

**NON-RESIDENT PROPERTY ELECTORS** must produce **2 pieces of identification** (at least one with a signature) to prove identity, prove that they are entitled to register in relation to the property, and, if applicable, written consent from the majority of the property owners. Consent forms are available on the Regional District website at [www.rdno.ca](http://www.rdno.ca).

**Q. I won’t be here for the Advance or General Voting days – is there any other opportunity for me to vote?**

A. No. Voting opportunities are set by legislation and bylaw. The Regional District is required to hold 2 advance voting opportunities with the first being scheduled 10 days in advance of General Voting Day. The second advance voting day is set by bylaw and is held on the 3rd day in advance of General Voting Day. Click on the following link for information on where and when to vote: <https://www.rdno.ca/government-administration/elections-other-voting/assent-voting-electoral-area-f-mosquito-control>

**Q. Can I vote by mail?**

A. No. There is no mail ballot voting.

**Q. Can I vote by proxy?**

A. No. There is no proxy voting.

**Q. What are the qualifications to vote?**

A. See voter qualifications: <https://www.rdno.ca/government-administration/elections-other-voting/assent-voting-electoral-area-f-mosquito-control>

**Q. I need assistance to vote – can I bring someone with me or will someone help me?**

A. Yes. The person assisting will be required to sign a ‘Declaration’ before they assist.

**Q. Can I vote at multiple locations?**

A. No. When the voter signs the Voter Book they are signing a Declaration stating that they are entitled to vote and have not previously voted in this Assent Vote (referendum).

Under Sections 163 and 166 of the *Local Government Act*, any person who:

- votes at an election when not entitled to do so;
- votes more than once;
- provides false or misleading information;
- makes a false or misleading statement or declaration

is guilty of an offence and is liable to one or both of the following penalties:

- a fine of not more than \$5,000;
- imprisonment for a term not longer than one year

**Q. I live on Indian Reserve (IR) Lands – can I vote?**

A. Residents of the Splotsin IR **within the RDNO** are residents of Electoral Area “F” and are entitled to vote at any of the voting locations/opportunities.

**Q. I own a business in the area – can I vote on behalf of the business?**

A. No. There is no Corporate Vote.

**Q. I don’t reside in the area but own a vacation property – can I vote?**

A. Yes. You will be required to complete a Non-Resident Property Elector Form. If there are multiple owners of the property, only one person is entitled to vote in relation to that property. Written consent will be required from the majority of the property owners. Non-Resident Property Elector and Consent forms are available on our website:

<https://www.rdno.ca/government-administration/elections-other-voting/assent-voting-electoral-area-f-mosquito-control>

**Q. What if the assent vote (referendum) does not support the establishment of the mosquito control service?**

A. The service establishment bylaw will not have elector assent and will be unable to be adopted and a service will not be established.

Have other questions? Contact:

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