



# REGIONAL DISTRICT NORTH OKANAGAN

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OFFICE OF: CORPORATE SERVICES

OUR FILE No.: 5693.01

November 12, 2024

Silver Star Property Owners Association  
PO Box 1872  
Vernon BC, V1N 8Z7

Attn: Mike Waberski, President

**Re: Silverhawk Purchase**

Thank you for your interest in the RDNO's continued pursuit of the purchase of the Sewer Utility for the Silver Star community from Silverhawk Utilities.

The RDNO recognizes your interest in being active with this file and to have a full understanding prior to the RDNO committing to the purchase. However, as discussed at the Special Meeting, the RDNO will not be in a position to release full details of a transaction prior to entering into a binding agreement and further, based upon continued negotiations and differences in the categorization of properties between Silverhawk and the RDNO, it is fully expected that there will be changes to the rate structure.

The statement "...we look forward to reviewing the revised funding requirement and any associated changes to sewage fees that this may entail prior to any final binding decisions being made by the RDNO Board..." is not and will not be achievable. While we are aware that this is not palatable to the SSPOA, these are the restrictions that we are currently operating within.

At this point, the RDNO has the legal authorization to borrow up to \$4.5 million dollars in support of a purchase and will abide by its continued legal obligations regarding balanced budgets, financial planning and rates setting.

The potential acquisition of the assets of Silverhawk was driven by the indication of community interest in achieving public ownership. The RDNO Board and its elected representatives are tasked with looking after the public interest within the bounds set by legislation but continues to welcome stakeholders input as we proceed through this process.

Yours truly,

Shitley Fowler  
Chair – Regional District of North Okanagan  
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cc: Amanda Shatzko, Electoral Area 'C' Director  
David Sewell, Chief Administrative Officer