



DIRECTOR REPORT

To: Strathcona Regional Board

From: John Rice, Director

Date: May 4, 2023

Subject: EV Charging Stations

Background:

As more electric vehicles are hitting the road the fuelling needs that will power those vehicles will need to evolve.

While businesses can make applications to BC Hydro many of those same businesses find the process overwhelming and more importantly, they do not have the timely information as to when those grants are available.

I know Area D would love to have a EV charging station in a prominent business location and looking to the rest of the North Island and the other Electoral Area's I see lots of potential to start building a network of EV Charging Stations.

It is time for the Strathcona Regional District to support the use of electric vehicles and to be able to offer convenient EV charging stations throughout the Regional District.

Proposed motion:

That staff prepare a report on grant opportunities that support funding for the installation of EV charging stations in the regional district.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John Rice".

John Rice
Director for Oyster Bay-Buttle Lake (Electoral Area D)