



PUBLIC NOTICE TO THE LANDOWNERS IN THE BLACK MOUNTAIN IRRIGATION DISTRICT BOUNDARY

Notice of Alternative Approval Process Opportunity

The Black Mountain Irrigation District (BMID) proposes to pass a bylaw for the purpose of borrowing up to \$20,000,000 to construct and commission a 1,650m long water tunnel. The McDougall Water Tunnel Extension Project is a critical requirement for the security of the BMID water supply from Mission Creek. Currently the BMID primary water supply conduit, an enclosed concrete flume, conveys water from the BMID water treatment plant to our distribution system. This watermain, located 60m above Mission Creek, is along a steep silt bluff. These slopes are prone to movement due to changes in groundwater, ground conditions, and erosion below created by Mission Creek. BMID plans to relocate the water to a safe bedrock location, through the mountain which will create a permanent route that will last indefinitely. Details of this vital project and its financial impact are available on-line at www.bmid.ca and at the open houses listed below.

For this \$32,000,000 project, BMID has applied for a \$16,000,000 grant through the Federal Building Communities Strong Fund. The grant is submitted and currently under review. If approved, the borrowing amount would be reduced, depending on the Government contribution.

If you wish to oppose BMID borrowing funds for this project, the Alternative Approval Process (AAP) is a mechanism in which to do so. BMID would not be permitted to proceed if 10% or more of the landowners serviced within the District boundaries oppose the project.

Alternative Approval Process *Elector Response Forms* stating opposition to the borrowing bylaw will be accepted if they meet the validation criteria and are in the form established by the BMID. The forms will be available at BMID at 285 Gray Road, Kelowna, BC beginning **August 12, 2026**, or online at www.bmid.ca. Alternative Approval Process *Elector Response Forms, with the original signature*, must be submitted by mail or dropped off, attention of the Administrator, Black Mountain Irrigation District, 285 Gray Road, Kelowna, BC, V1X 1W8 by **4:00 pm, September 21, 2026**.

The project and water rate impacts are presented on the BMID webpage and will be presented at two Open Houses which will be held to explain the project and water rate impacts. The Open Houses will be held on two Wednesdays, **August 19 and August 26, 2026**, at the BMID Office at 285 Gray Road, Kelowna, BC from 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm.

This is the first of two publications of this Notice.

Black Mountain Irrigation District