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SUMMERLAND—Seeking Public Input on the Draft Eco-Village Concept Plan

Aligned with Council's strategic priority on Community Resiliency, which focuses on utilizing resources to create and adapt programs and services that support a vibrant and livable community, the District of Summerland, in collaboration with their consultants MODUS Planning and Design and Associate Engineering, has developed a **Draft Eco-Village Concept Plan**. This Draft Concept Plan has been developed through engagement with adjacent landowners, recreational trail group stakeholders, the Penticton Indian Band, and through technical assessments on environmentally-sensitive habitat, geotechnical constraints, and significant cultural and heritage values.

Council's goal of this project was to create a proposed concept for a low-impact, environmentally-sensitive residential development in the vicinity of the planned construction of a solar array generation facility while promoting active living through connection to naturalized trails and transportation linkages to Summerland's Downtown.

A copy of the **Draft Eco-Village Concept Plan** can be viewed on the District website at the following address:

<https://www.summerland.ca/planning-building/planning-development/current-projects/eco-village-concept-plan>

An **online public survey** to collect feedback on the Draft Eco-Village Concept Plan is now open until **March 28** as an opportunity for input into this Plan. Your completed survey response will help the District fine-tune the Eco-Village Concept Plan prior to Council consideration and proceeding with next steps of the proposed development project.

To complete the survey and for project updates, please visit: <https://www.summerland.ca/planning-building/planning-development/current-projects/eco-village-concept-plan>

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