

# EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN

REGIONAL DISTRICT
OF
NANAIMO

**WATER SYSTEMS** 



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#### Prime Responsibilities

- Provide safe drinking water.
- Provide potable water for sanitation purposes.
- Provide water for fire suppression.
- Prevent unnecessary loss of stored water.
- Restore the integrity of the entire water system as soon as possible.
- Maintain integrity and quality of supply.

# Emergency Response and Recovery Actions

- Analyze the type and severity of the emergency.
- Provide emergency assistance to save lives.
- Reduce the probabilities of additional injuries or damage.
- Provide situational reporting to appropriate agencies as required.
- Perform emergency repairs based on priority demand.
- Return system to normal levels. (recovery)
- Evaluate response and preparedness plan.
- Revise plan as necessary.
- Provide maps, notices, and direction necessary for water recovery.





#### Communication Check List

In an emergency it will be important to contact the key people shown below. This will help reduce confusion and assist in ensuring any important messaging is done so correctly and quickly.

IF REQUIRED, CONTACT P.E.P or V.I.H.A. BEFORE MAKING THE FOLLOWING CONTACTS AS PER THE EMERGENCY PLANS

#### **RDN Priority Contacts**

MANAGER OF WATER SERVICESMIKE DONNELLY (250) 390-6560	
G.M. REGIONAL & COMMUNITY UTILITIESJOHN FINNIE (250) 390-6560	
COMMUNICATIONS COORDINATOR ADRIENNE MERCER (250) 390-4111	
EMERGENCY COORDINATORJANI THOMAS	

#### **Key Communication Options**

#### **Management Support**

- Contact Electoral Area Director
- Contact the local radio station and provide a brief message if public health and safety are at risk. Follow up with a press release.

#### Field Staff Support

- Post notices on household front doors.
- Attach warning signs to existing Water Sprinkling Regulation signs in each community.
- Put up roadside signage at the entrance to the community.

#### **Administrative Support**

- Provide information message on the RDN web site.
- · Review after hours office and voice mail messaging.
- Provide notification to other RDN staff.





# Emergency Contact Numbers Personnel Contacts

Name	Position	Phone
Dave	Chief Operator	(250) 248-4914
Randy	Operator II	(250) 248-4914
Heather	Operator III	(250) 248-4914
Brian	Operator III	(250) 248-4914
Brad	Operator II	(250) 248-4914
Lyndon	Operator II	(250) 248-4914
Mike Donnelly	<b>Manager of Water Services</b>	(250) 390-6560
Deb Churko	Engineering Technologist	(250) 390-6560
Jack Eubank	Bylaw Officer	(250) 390-6560
John Finnie	General Manager	(250) 390-6560





#### **Electoral Area Directors**

Electoral Area	Director	Phone	email address
$\mathbf{A}$	Joe Burnett	722-2656	quaillanding@shaw.ca
В	Gisele Rudischer	247-8795	giselerudischer@gmail.com
C	Maureen Young	754-5896	Maureen_young@shaw.ca
${f E}$	George Holme	468-7237	gholme@shaw.ca
$\mathbf{F}$	Lou Biggemann	248-9078	lwb@shaw.ca
G	Joe Stanhope	248-6401	jstanhope@shaw.ca
$\mathbf{H}$	Dave Bartram	757-9737	dwbartram@shaw.ca

#### **Government Agency Contacts**

<b>Ministry of Environment</b>	Nanaimo (250)	751-3100
<b>Department of Fisheries and Oceans</b>	Nanaimo	754-0230
<b>Provincial Emergency Preparedness (PEP)</b>		
and Dangerous Goods Spills	Victoria	1-800-663-3456
<b>Environmental Health Office</b>	Parksville	947-8222
Bill Wrathall, Env. Health Officer	Parksville	947-8222
<b>Environmental Health Office</b>	Nanaimo	755-6215
Murray Sexton, Public Health Engineer	Nanaimo	755-6293
Medical Health Officer	Nanaimo	740-6988
	or after hours	1-800-204-6166
City of Parksville Public Works	Parksville	248-5412
<b>Town of Qualicum Beach Public Works</b>	Qualicum Beach	752-6921
District of Lantzville	Lantzville	390-4006

#### **Emergency**

Hospital	- Nanaimo	754-2141
-	- Parksville phone number (Nanaimo hospital)	248-2332
Ambulance	- Parksville	911 or 248-3511
	- Nanaimo	911 or 758-8181
Police	- Parksville	911 or 248-6111
	- Nanaimo	911 or 754-2345
Fire Department	- Parksville	911 or 248-3242
_	- Nanoose Bay	911 or 468-7141
	- Qualicum Beach	911 or 752-6921
	- Cedar	911 or 722-3122





#### **Priority Services**

**BC Hydro (Qualicum Beach number)** (250) 752-8012 or BC Hydro- Derek Leik 755-4734 1-888-769-3766 **Telus** 811-2323 or Telus- Paul McGrath cell 248-0983 741-7713 or 741-7716 **Teresen Gas** 248-4880 **Shaw Cable (Nanaimo)** 754-5571 **CP Rail** 1-800-716-9132 French Creek Pollution Control Centre 248-5794 **Chlorine Manufacturer (Brentagg)** 1-800-661-1830

#### **Community Contacts**

District 69 School Board Office	248-4241
Nanoose Bay School	468-7414
Nanoose Children's Centre	468-1784
Nanoose Place	468-5339
Nanoose Post Office	468-7722

Naval Base (Department of National Defense) 756-5021 or 468-5004

#### **Excavation Services**

Shoreline Equipment (Doug Penny)
468-7759 or
755-9502 (cell)
Lundine Backhoe Service (Jim Lundine)
752-6808 or
951-1508 (cell)

#### **Electrical Contractors**

 Canem Electric
 468-1887

 East Isle Power (Harvey Sommerfeld)
 821-0415 or

 954-7463 (cell)
 954-7463 (cell)

 TC Trades (Tom Frenette)
 756-0077 or

 250-668-0078





#### Other Services

Plumbing Services (Maci Motor – Pump Repair)	(250)	248-4423
<b>Bulk water supply (BC Water Service)</b>		954-3628
Bottled water supply (Water Pure & Simple)		752-1373
EPCOR (Parksville)		951-2460
Sand and Gravel (Ozero)		752-1482
Sand and Gravel (Luissier & Sons)		468-9994
Pump Trucks (Action Tank Service)		248-3833
Pump Trucks and Toilet Rentals (A-1 Septic)		248-4438
Portable Washrooms (Coast Toilet Rentals)		753-7552
<b>Running Water Enterprises (Water Hauling Service)</b>		947-5197
Woods Water Hauling		758-2677
Fyfe's Well and Water Services		752-4986 or
		248-0830 (cell)

#### **Suppliers**

Four Star Waterworks (piping)	954-3546
Hwy Four Rentals (equipment & pumps)	248-1100
Iritex Pumps and Irrigation – (pumps)	248-7028
Windsor Plywood (miscellaneous building supplies)	752-3122
Albertsons Hardware (miscellaneous building supplies)	248-6888
Robinson Rentals	753-2465
<b>United Rentals</b>	758-3911

#### Media Services

Adrienne Mercer, RDN Communications Coordinator	1-877-607-4111 or
	713-1075 (cell)
Radio Station (CKWV) Nanaimo and Parksville	758-1131
TV Station (CHEK)	383-2435
Newspaper (PQ News and The Weekender)	248-4341
The Oceanside Star	954-0600
Nanaimo Daily News / Harbour City Star	729-4212





#### **Emergency Response Plans**

#### Contamination of Source (Spills, Accidents, Vandalism)

Actions: Shut down pump

Notify Provincial Emergency Program (PEP)

Notify Health Unit

Notify all users if necessary under direction of Health Unit Contact government agencies for advice and assistance Contact local media for public service announcements

Post signs and deliver notices to homes and businesses. (See attached samples)

Arrange alternate source if necessary - i.e., bottled or bulk water

Advise RDN supervisory personnel

**Contacts:** Local Health Unit (Environmental Health Department)

Provincial Emergency Preparedness, Police, Ministry of Environment All schools and community centres – see "Priority Contacts" List

RCMP if there has been vandalism

#### Loss of Source - Loss Of Reservoir or Supply Lines

**Actions:** Ensure pumps are shut off. (To protect pump)

Notify all users

Contact government agencies for advice and assistance

Arrange alternate source – i.e., bottled water, bulk water, storage tank

Advise RDN supervisory personnel if necessary

Contacts: Local Health Unit (Environmental Health Department) and Ministry of Environment

#### Flood Conditions

Actions: Notify all users regarding the potential for water contamination, loss of

pump, power, etc, Users should be advised to store some drinking water in advance, and to boil any suspect water for two minutes or

disinfect with chlorine when flood conditions exist

Phone government contacts

Contact local media for public service announcement when customers

can not be reached by phone

Post signs or deliver notices if necessary. (See attached samples)
Arrange alternate source if possible – i.e. bottled water, bulk hauler or

storage tank

Advise RDN supervisory personnel

**Contacts:** Local Health Unit (Environment Health Department), Provincial Emergency

Preparedness, and Ministry of Environment





#### **Broken Water Main**

**Actions:** Shut pump off when backflow conditions have been prevented

Call for repairs as required - i.e. excavator, backhoe

Notify all users of interruption of service Advise local Public Health office Arrange alternate source if necessary Advise RDN supervisory personnel

Contacts: Advise local Public Health office. (Environmental Health Department)

#### Chlorination Failure

**Actions:** Advise local Public Health Office

Shut off well pumps. Monitor reservoir levels.

Notify all users to boil water for two minutes or take other disinfection procedures in accordance with recommendations of local health

officials

Post signs or deliver notices if necessary. (See attached samples)

Arrange chlorinator repairs

Advise RDN supervisory personnel

**Contacts:** Local Health Unit (Environmental Health Officer)

Chlorinator manufacturer

#### Pump Failure

**Actions:** Notify all users of interruption of service

Call for repairs: pump manufacturer if necessary

Advise local Public Health office (if interruption not short term)
Arrange alternate source if necessary – bottled or bulk water, etc.

Advise RDN supervisory personnel if necessary

**Contacts:** Local Health Unit (Environmental Health Department)

#### Power Failure

**Actions:** Call BC Hydro. Find out when power will be restored

Start back-up generator or arrange to get one

Notify all users about interruption of service if backup not capable of

maintaining supply

Post signs or deliver notices if necessary. (See attached samples)

Advise local Public Health Office

Arrange alternate source if necessary – bottled or bulk water, etc.

Advise RDN supervisory personnel

**Contacts:** Local Health Unit (Environmental Health Department)





#### Backflow or Back Siphonage

Actions: Advise Medical Health Officer at local Health unit

Notify all users to boil water for two minutes or take other disinfection procedures in

accordance with recommendations of local health officials

Purge and disinfect lines as directed, after corrections have been made Post signs or deliver notices if necessary. (See attached samples)

Advise RDN supervisory personnel

**Contacts:** Local Health Unit (Environmental Health Department)

#### Bacteria Count (RDN Lab)

**Actions:** Advise Medical Health Officer at local Health unit

Follow procedures in accordance with recommendations of local health

officials

Post signs or deliver notices if necessary. (See attached samples)

Advise RDN supervisory personnel

**Contacts:** Local Health Unit (Environment Health Department)





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# sample NOTICE

# **Boil Water Advisory**

Effecti	ve d	late:	

Please note that all water used for domestic purposes (drinking, cooking, etc.) should be boiled before consumption. The boiling should be at a rolling boil and for a minimum of one minute.

RDN Water Services staff are continually monitoring the water supply system and will provide updates as they become available.

Watch for information updates at www.rdn.bc.ca (WaterSmart) and listen to your local radio station for more information.

This advisory will be in effect until further notice.

For further information contact the





# sample NOTICE

#### **Boil Water Order**

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# WARNING

This Water is
Considered
Unfit for Drinking
or Domestic Use

<b>Effective</b>	date:	

For further information contact the





# Sample NOTICE

# Water Supply Service Interruption

Effective date	

Please be advised that your water service may be interrupted or off for periods during the day.

When service is resumed, the water may be discoloured. This is due to disturbed deposits in the pipes and is not harmful.

This advisory will be in effect until further notice.

For further information contact the





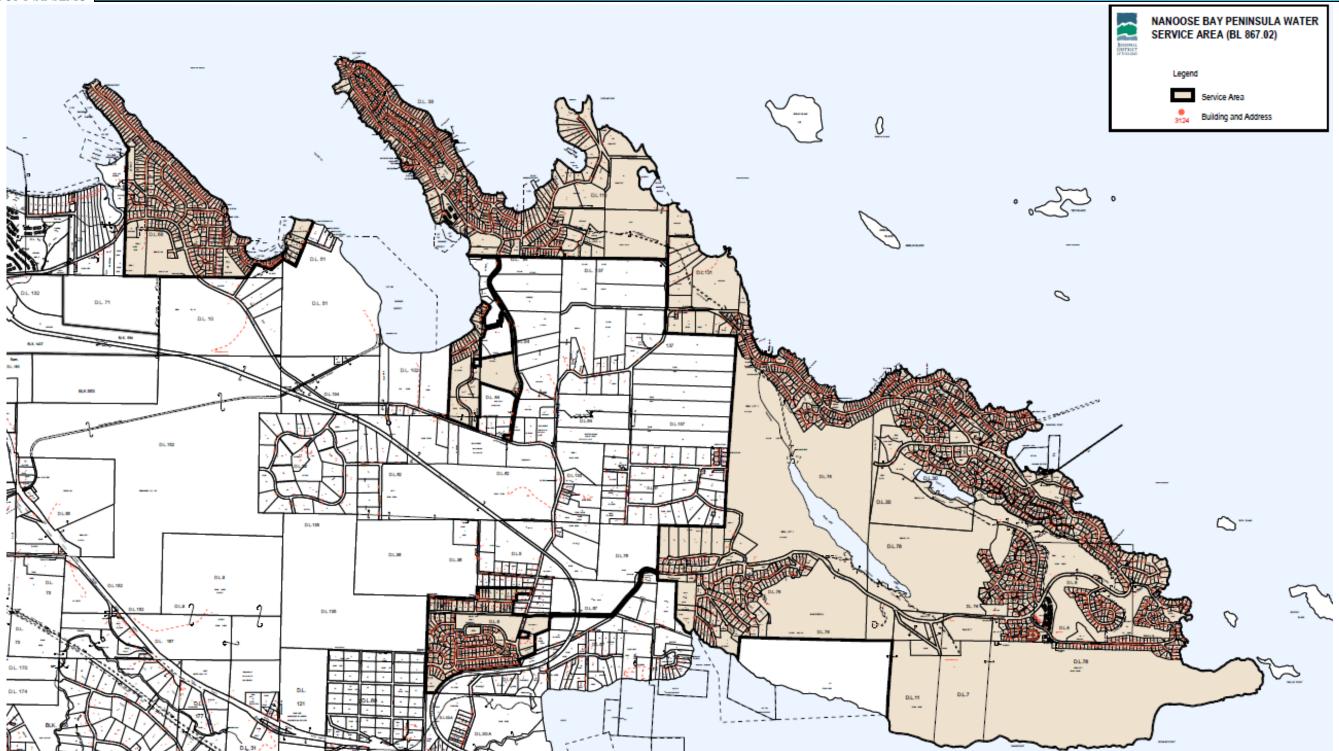
### MAPS Water Service Areas

Nanoose Bay Peninsula Water Service Area	Map 1
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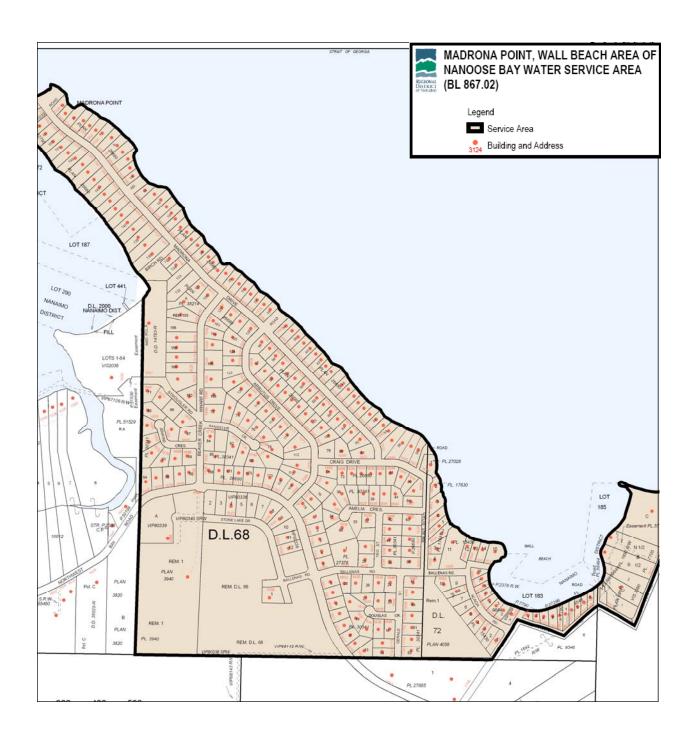




# MAP 1 NANOOSE BAY PENINSULA

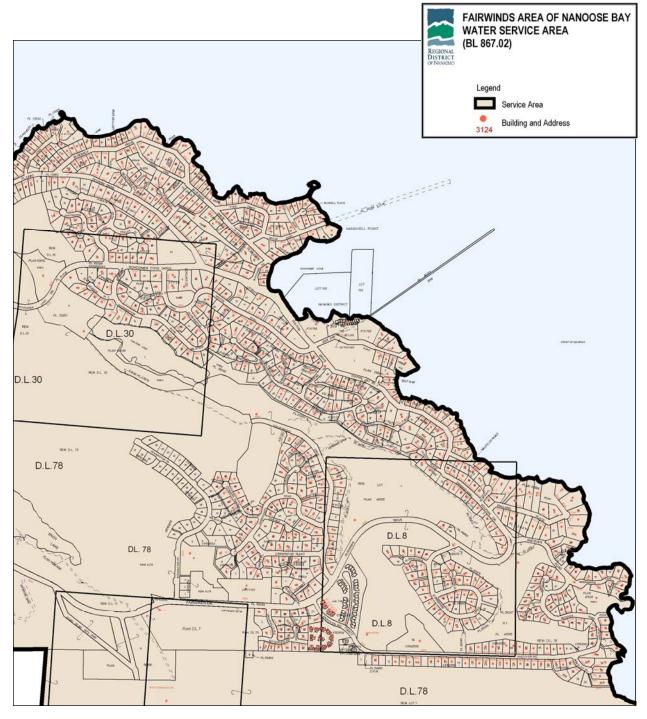
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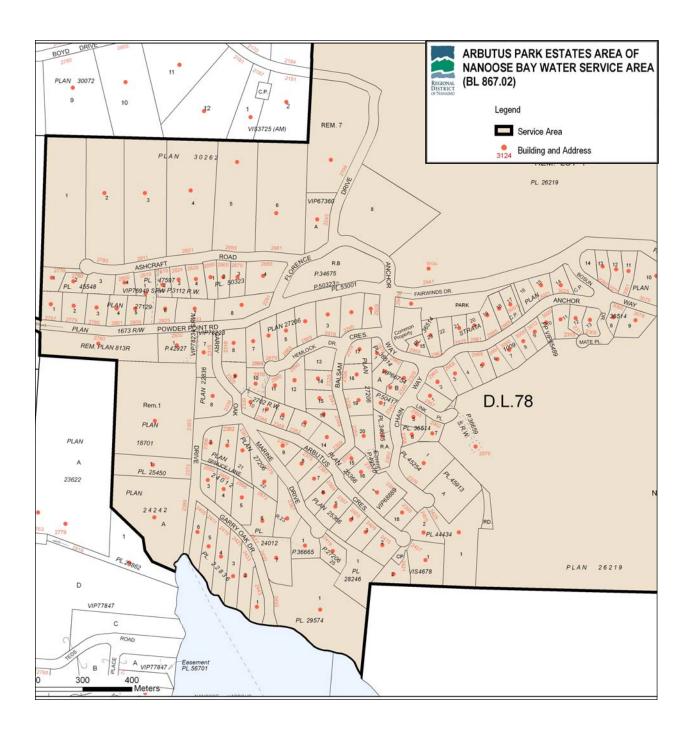






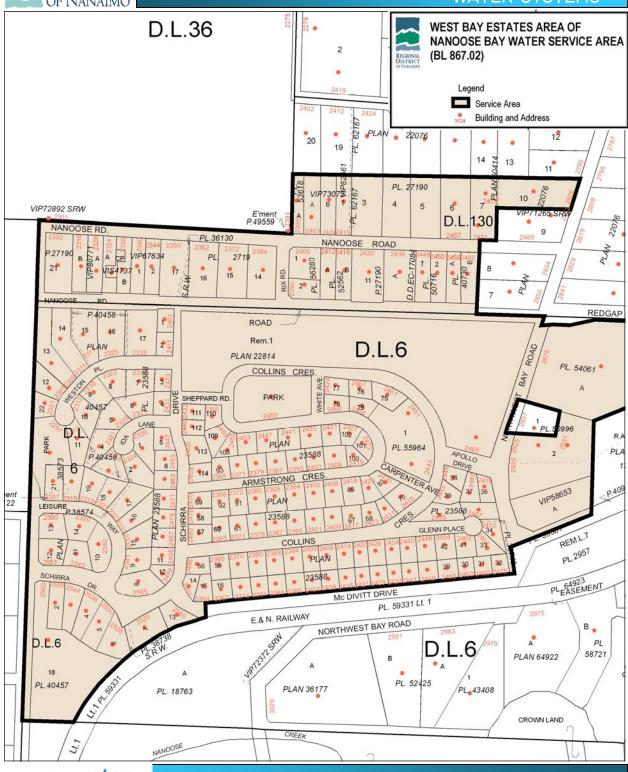




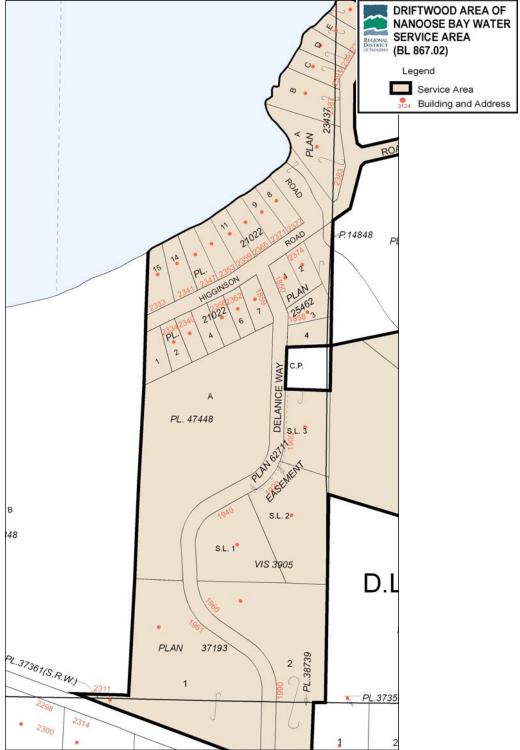








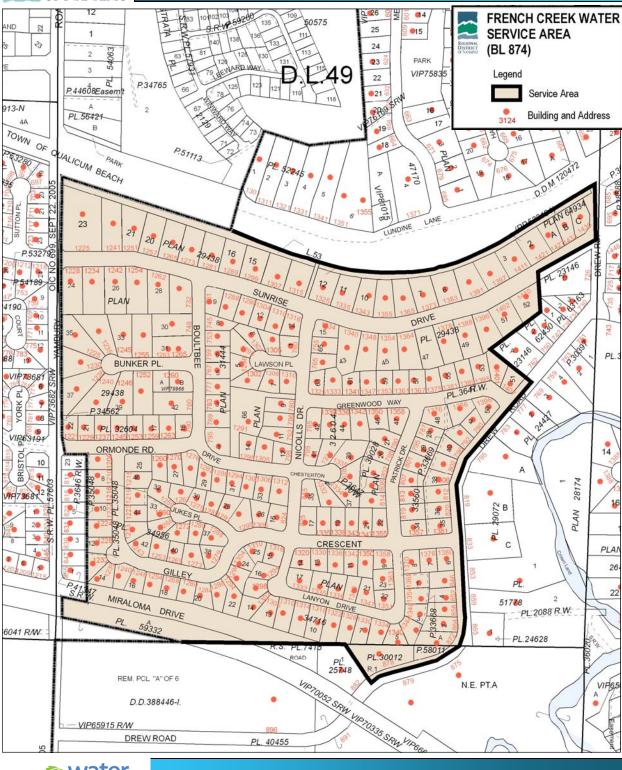




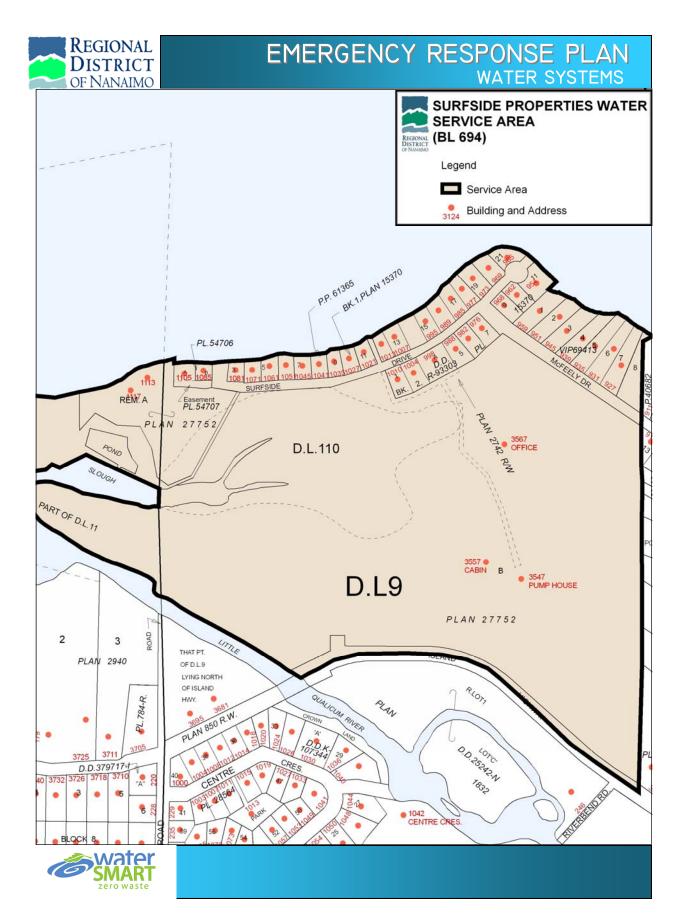


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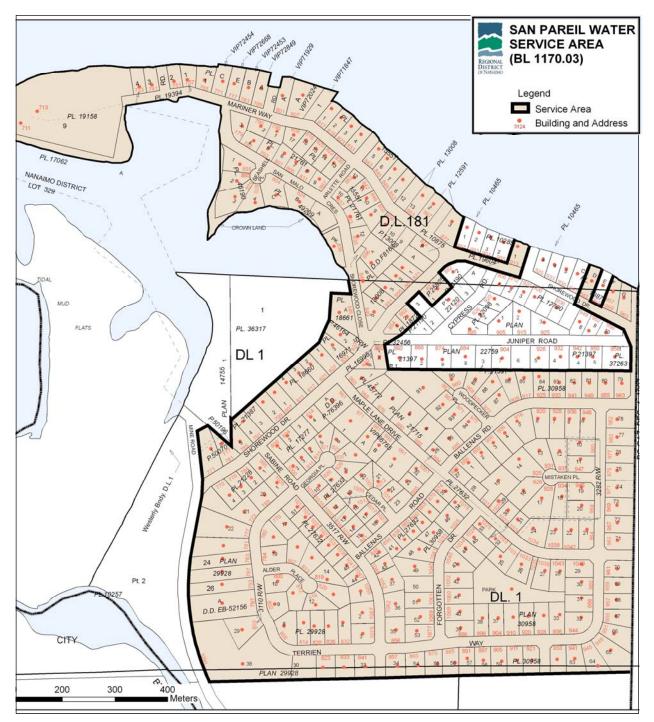




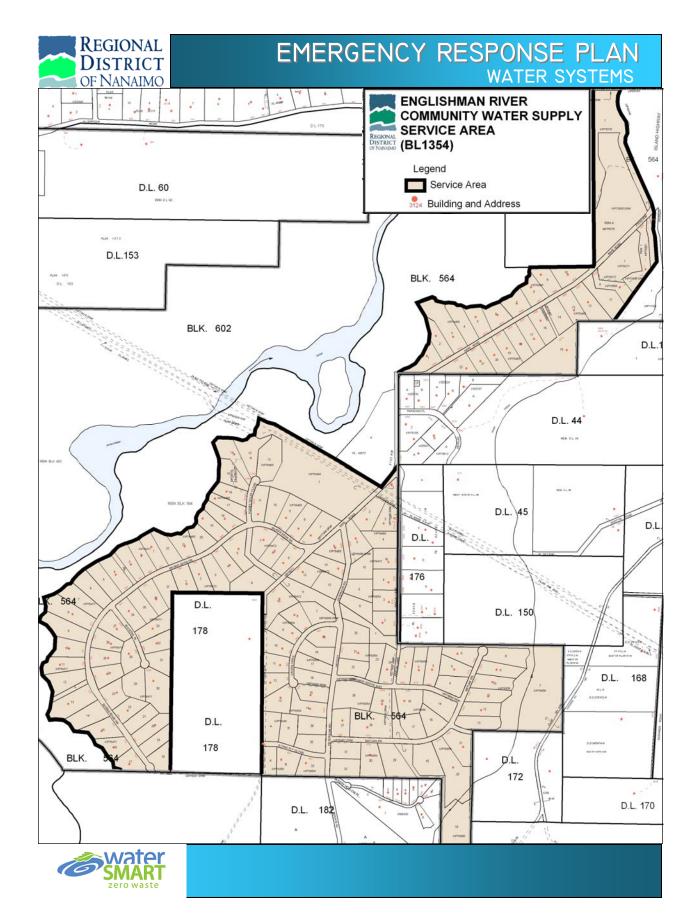






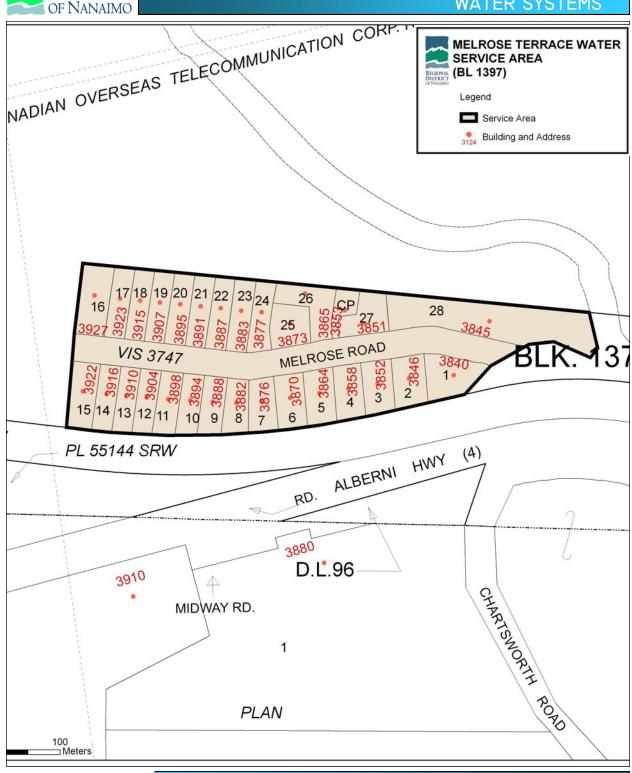






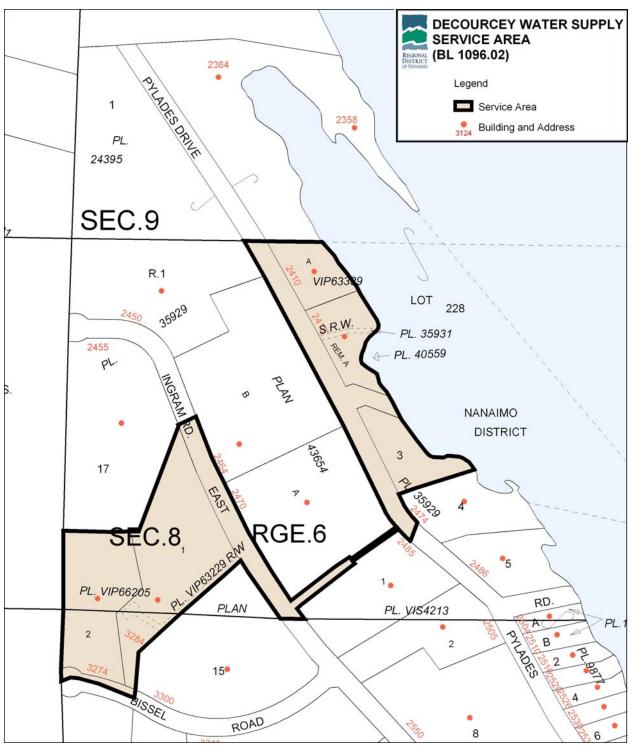
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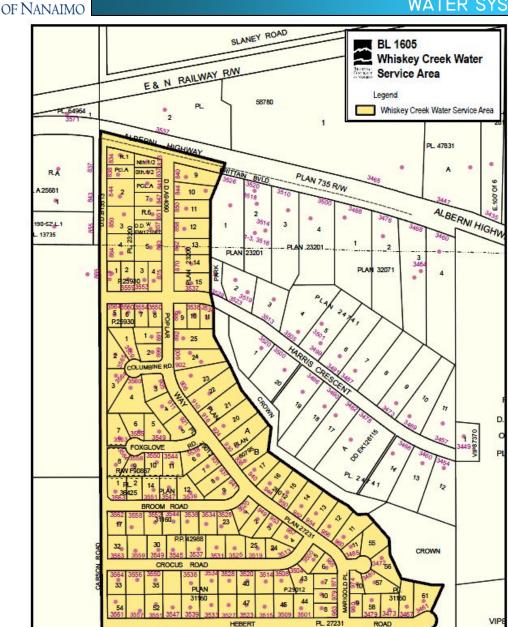












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