AUGUST 2014 Newsletter from
WASA LAKE LAND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

Dear Property-owners: It's been a hot summer and the **CAMPFIRE BAN** is now on. Fire Danger rating is **HIGH** throughout the area and hot dry weather is expected to continue over the next week. For the latest information on current wildfire activity, burning restrictions, road closures and air quality advisories, go to http://www.bcwildfire.ca. To receive RDEK Bulletins on fire and water events, email RDEK Communications Coordinator, Loree Duczek, at lduczek@rdek.bc.ca with "Wasa Email Group" in the subject line.

In The Water

Following procedures set out by Interior Health and the BC Centre for Disease Control, trustees have been monitoring the quality of water in Wasa Lake over the summer. Six sites were selected for testing: Main and Campers' Beaches, and four lake access points close to where septic fields and a well head were under flood water in 2012 and 2013. A total of 8 samples will be taken at 2 week intervals over the summer. So far, all results (tested for E-coli) have indicated there are *"no water quality issues."* Further details can be

found at www.interiorhealth.ca under "Recreational Beach Water Quality". A complete report will be posted at www.wasalake.ca in Projects and Initiatives (under the LIBRARY tab) at the end of the summer.

Tax Role Accuracy

Over the summer, trustees have continued to work with the BC Assessment Authority in the ongoing process of ensuring that our tax records are 100% accurate. Earlier this year, trustees confirmed that several properties had been erroneously included on the tax role and refunded all the money that had been collected. On the other hand, a few properties previously overlooked were added to the tax role.

As a government entity, the WLLID is obligated to issue tax notices and to collect unpaid taxes through the legal process prescribed by the provincial government. Besides the water testing described above, this year your tax dollars paid for the repair of the Cameron Pond dike damaged in last year's high water, and brush clearing in the Hanson Channel. Both measures will help mitigate the effects of flooding in the future. Trustees receive no remuneration for their many volunteers hours.

Notices for taxes, which have decreased to $50 per parcel, will be mailed in mid-September and payment is due November 30, 2014. If you believe there is incorrect information (such as property description or ownership details) on your notice, please tell us at the Court of Revision. Your tax notice will include the date, time, and process for attendance.

Community on the Website

Finally, be sure to check out the Community Page under the MORE tab at www.wasalake.ca. Contact the secretary if you would like to post a notice of interest to the community. Thank you to those who have contributed stories and photos

to our website!

Next regular board meeting is **7 pm Monday, August 18** at the Wasa Community Hall.

Have a great August!

WLLID Trustees

Please contact the secretary at admin@wasalake.ca with further questions or comments.

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