



# My Community – My Home



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*MANAGING COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE IS LIKE CARING FOR A HOUSE, BUT ON A LARGER SCALE.* Think about the components of your house, such as the foundation, roof, windows, dishwasher, etc. Each of those components plays a role in being able to live comfortably in your home. Some are essential (like the roof) and others a convenience (like the dishwasher). Everyone knows that those components won't last forever. You need to replace components when they've lived their life or the house will become unlivable. In 20 years, you'll likely need to replace the roof. If you take care of the roof, and do preventative maintenance, it may last longer. If you aren't proactive in replacing the roof, it could cause major leaks and affect other parts of the house. Unchecked, this could lead to a major collapse. In the end this would have significant cost implications, or cause serious health or safety concerns. Perhaps it means that the money planned for your next vacation now has to go to unexpected home improvements.

Like a responsible home owner, the District cares for the infrastructure in Peachland. While your home provides a roof over your head, the pipes running under the road are part of a large network that allows you to receive clean water when you turn on the tap or the ability to flush your toilet. Asset management is a plan for taking care of that community infrastructure (water, sewer, roads, community buildings and facilities) so that it lasts as long as possible. Our asset management plan allows the District to make plans for how to efficiently use resources (eg. staff time and money) now and in the future, and supports responsible decision-making. Being proactive in managing and maintaining our community's infrastructure will ensure that high quality services can continue to be enjoyed. While this isn't easy – or something that's accomplished overnight – it is important. We're committed to taking important steps to maintain a high quality of life for each of you. Everyone has a role to play in community infrastructure, learn more as to what you can do to help in the upcoming months. ■