

SLRD FireSmart Program

Lillooet and Area Community Wildfire Preparedness Roundtable

November 2022



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About me:

- Public Relations and Outdoor Industry background
- Resident of Area B since 2018
- SLRD FireSmart Administrator since 2021

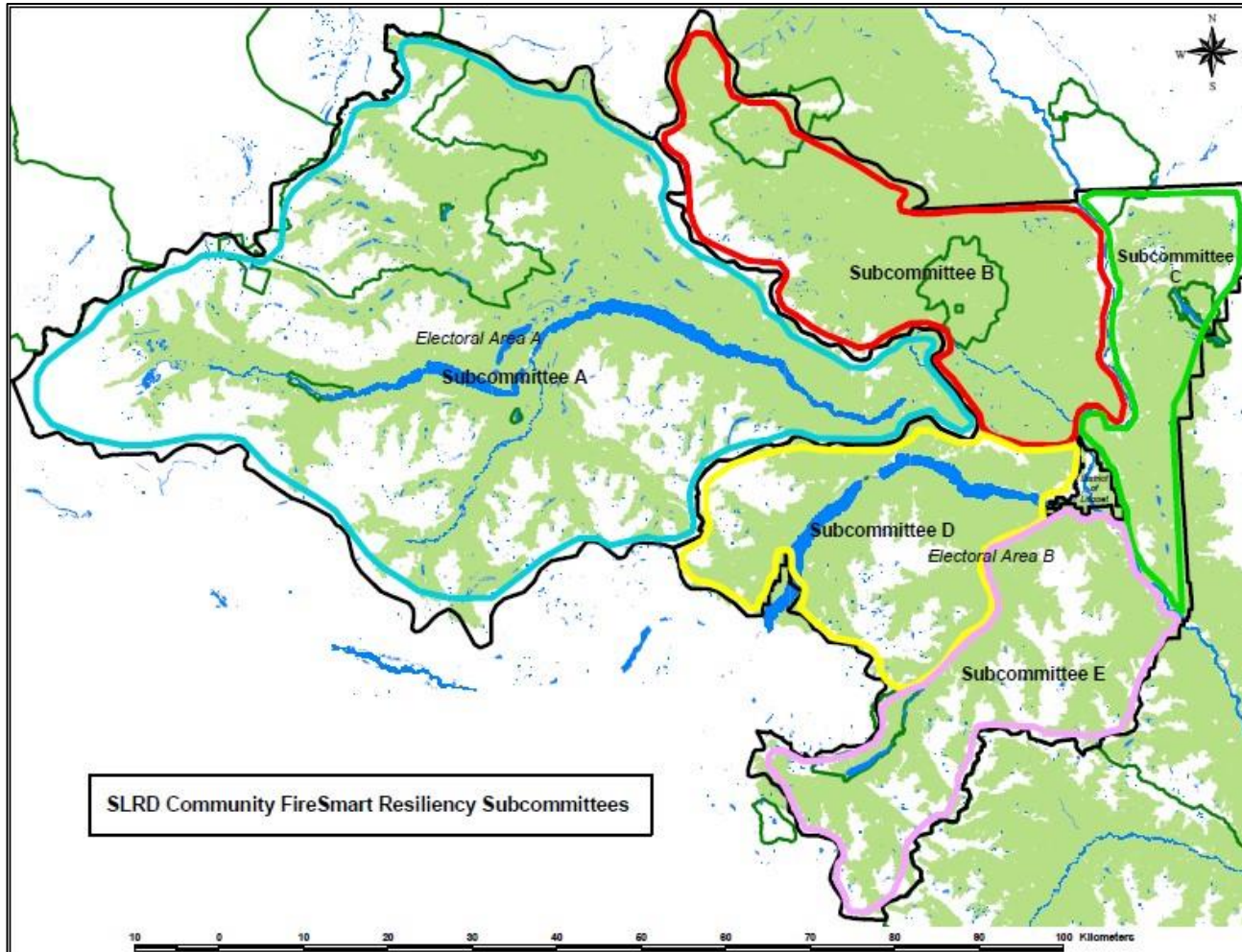
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2022: Community Wildfire Resiliency Committees



- 5 meetings were held in summer of 2022
- Established as forums to discuss wildfire risk reduction (WRR) at the community level
- Takeaways from these meetings informed the development of our CWRPs
- Focused on residents (*First Nations, Electoral Areas A&B, District of Lillooet*)
- 7 FireSmart Disciplines were used to guide discussions:
 - FireSmart priorities in each community?
 - What type of support can the SLRD offer to increase resiliency?

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Community Wildfire Resiliency Plan (CWRP): Area A & B

- CWRP for SLRD Areas A & B will be available publicly in Q1 2023
- CWRP will include:
 - Assessment of Wildfire Risk in areas A & B
 - Recommendations for Wildfire Risk Reduction, framed within the 7 FireSmart Disciplines
 - Ideas and feedback from 2022 Community Wildfire Resiliency Committees
- SLRD CWRPs (Areas A, B, C, and D) will inform our CRI 2023 funding request.

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- CRI 2021 – FireSmart for Economic Recovery (\$358 000) aka ‘**Senior’s Program**’
 - In partnership with the DOL, completed HIZA and fuel mitigation on 102 properties of seniors aged 65+
- CRI 2022 – FireSmart Community Funding and Supports (\$216 718)
 - To begin spring 2023 (extended until Nov 2023)
 - Home Ignition Zone Assessments, Rebate Program, Education Days, Veg Debris Disposal, Neighbourhood Recs., Community Wildfire Resiliency Committees
 - **New** : 4 SLRD communities to start their FireSmart Neighbourhood Recs.
 - Will contract FireSmart Coordinator and LFRs in the coming months
- CRI 2023 – FireSmart Community Funding and Supports (\$ tbd)
 - Usual FireSmart activities with strong focus on Neighbourhood Recognitions, Building local FireSmart capacity and Cross-Training
 - **New in 2023**: Funding is for 2 years

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Questions?

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