North Island 9-1-1 Corporation

- serving the Regional Districts of Alberni-Clayoquot, Comox Valley, Mt. Waddington, Nanaimo (School District #69), Powell River, and Strathcona -

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North Island 9-1-1 Corporation adopts 2013 budget

North Island 9-1-1 Corporation, the regional emergency communications service provider on northern Vancouver Island and in Powell River area, has adopted a 2013 operating budget of \$2.4 million and approved capital equipment expenditures of \$602,000 funded from reserves.

The operating budget, an increase of \$130,633 from 2012, is used to pay for the agreement with the RCMP to provide initial call answering for 9-1-1 calls and for operating and maintaining a fire dispatch and mapping system used for the dispatch of 49 fire departments covering a geographic area of approximately 60,000 square kilometres.

The North Island 911 Corporation provides an emergency communication link between our citizens and visitors and the emergency responders serving our geographic area. In 2012, there were 69,244 9-1-1 calls taken at the operational communication centre based in Courtenay.

For information on the North Island 9-1-1 Corporation, and other important things to remember when calling in an emergency, visit the website at www.nisl911.bc.ca.

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