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## Public Invited to Complete Online Survey for Parksville Fire Department

Parksville, BC - The Parksville Volunteer Fire Department is inviting residents of the Parksville Fire Protection Area to complete an online survey. The survey, being done to assist the department to update its strategic plan, should take about 10 to 15 minutes to complete.

The survey is available from the home pages on the following websites from February 14 to March 17:

Parksville Fire Department <a href="www.pvfd.ca">www.pvfd.ca</a> <a href="www.pvfd.ca">www.pvfd.ca</a> <a href="www.pvfd.ca">www.pvfd.ca</a> <a href="www.parksville.ca">www.parksville.ca</a>

The mission of the Parksville Volunteer Fire Department is to provide the most effective and efficient fire protection and fire rescue services for the residents of the City of Parksville and through a fire service agreement, protection to the surrounding Regional District of Nanaimo. Fire protection, rescue, backup emergency medical services, inspection and public education are provided for our citizens and visitors to the area.

Said Fire Chief Doug Banks, "We welcome comments and suggestions from members of the community on how we can improve our level of service to the public."

The Parksville Fire Protection Area includes the City of Parksville and contract areas within the Regional District of Nanaimo including San Pareil, Morningstar, Columbia Beach, French Creek, Fourneau Road and the Forever Green Estates. The population of the fire protection area is estimated to be about 20,000.

Results of the survey will be provided to the public in April.

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