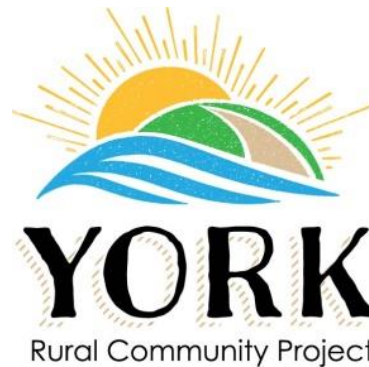


Consultation with Douglas LSD Residents on Route 620 North

Douglas Local Service District



APRIL 5, 2017

Presentation Outline

- Background/Meeting format
- Service delivery to Douglas LSD residents on Route 620 North via LSD model
- Service delivery to Douglas LSD residents on Route 620 North via Rural Community model
- York Rural Community

Outline cont'd -

- The RC Process (status of YRC in that process)
- Implications/options for Douglas LSD residents on Route 620 North
- Voicing your opinions

Meeting Format and Background

- Meeting format
 - Presentation – approximately 45 minutes
 - Questions and Answers – Douglas LSD residents on Route 620 North
 - Questions and Answers – Other Project Area Residents
 - Please state your name and where you live prior to asking your question.
 - Scribe taking meeting notes – to be added to feasibility study appendices
- Background
 - Project history
 - Progress to date

Full YRC Project Information Available At:

- YRC Project Brochure
- York Rural Community Project website: www.yorkruralcommunity.ca
- YRC Project Blog: <http://yorkruralcommunity.blogspot.com>
- YRC Project Facebook: York Rural Community Project
- YRC Project email address: yorkruralcommunity@gmail.com

And at Upcoming Public Meetings

Route 620(North) area Services via LSD model

- Douglas LSD residents on Route 620 North is in the Douglas Local Service District (DLSD)
- DLSD is an unincorporated area of NB
- Minister of the Department of Environment and Local Government acts as the mayor
- Local Services Manager oversees the provision of services to residents.
- **The DLSD and DLSD Advisory Committee has no local elected(Elections NB) decision making authority.**

<u>Service to DLSD Residents Now</u>	<u>Provided By:</u>
1. Governance	Minister of Environment and Local Government (through a Local Services Manager) DELG
2. Policing	RCMP
3. Emergency Management	NB Emergency Measures Organization
4. Fire Protection	DELG (via several fire departments)
5. Dog Control	SPCA
6. Street Lights (Carlisle Road Area)	NB Power (user pay)
7. Land Use Planning	Regional Service Commission 11
8. Recreation	DELG
9. Disposal and Garbage Collection and Recycling	Regional Service Commission 11 and private contractors (DELG)
10. Road Summer / Winter Maintenance	Department of Transportation and Infrastructure (DTI)
11. Road Capital Upgrades	DTI

<u>Service to Proposed YRC Residents</u>	<u>Provided By:</u>
1. Governance	YRC Council
2. Policing	RCMP
3. Emergency Management	YRC
4. Fire Protection	DELG (via several fire departments)
5. Dog Control	SPCA
6. Street Lights (in Oswald Gray Subdivision and on Carlisle Rd)	NB Power
7. Land Use Planning	YRC Council / RSC 11
8. Recreation	DELG + Rec. Councils
9. Disposal and Garbage Collection and Recycling	RSC 11 and private contractors (DELG or YRC)
10. Road Summer /Winter Maintenance	Department of Transportation and Infrastructure (DTI)
11. Road Capital Upgrades	DTI

What is the proposed YRC?

A collaboration between LSDs of:

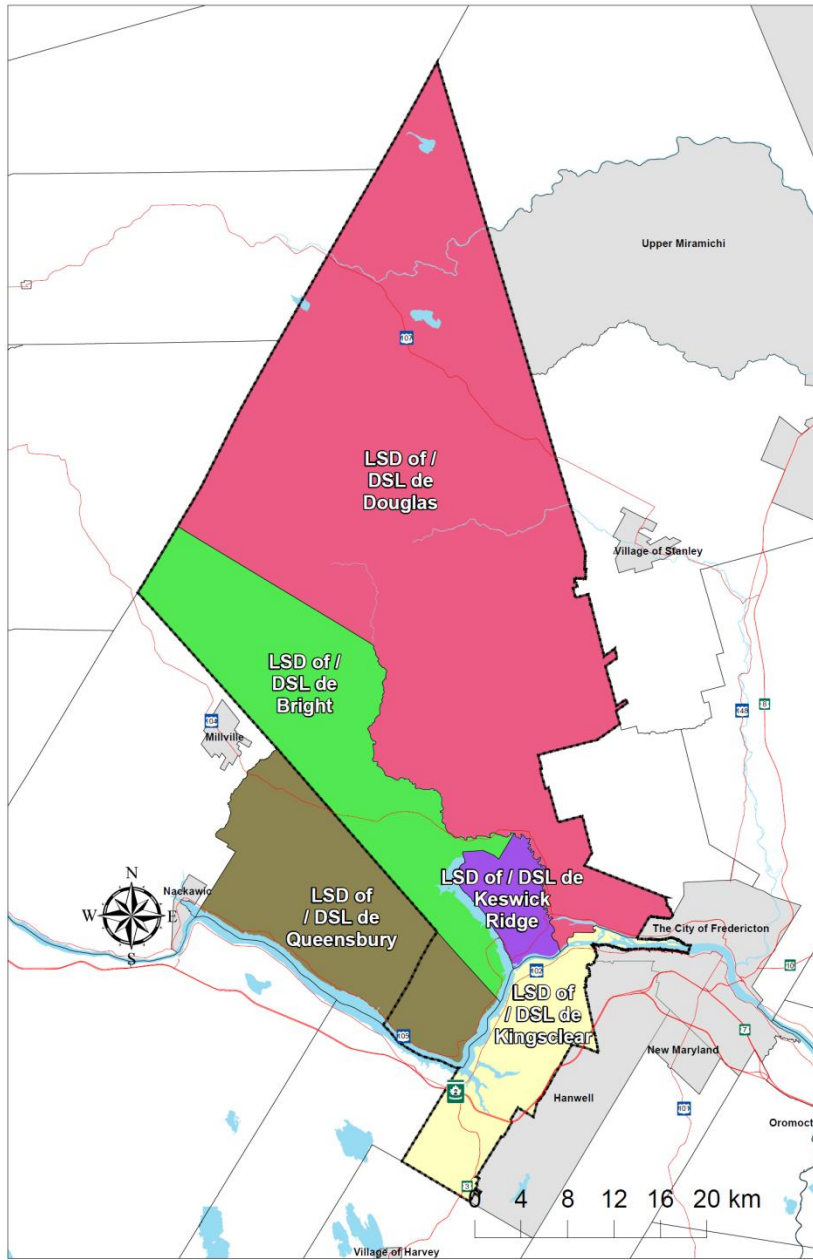
Kingsclear

Douglas

Keswick Ridge

Bright

Queensbury (the community of Lower Queensbury)



YORK

Rural Community Project

New Brunswick
Nouveau Brunswick



The RC Process (YRC status in brackets)

1. A **letter of interest** is sent to the Minister of DELG by interested residents, the Advisory Committee of a LSD, or a town or village council (Completed).
2. An **initial assessment** is made of the area's population, property tax base, shared interests, potential benefits and level of public interest in forming a viable Rural Community (Completed).
3. A **feasibility study petition** (signed by at least 25 residents from each partnering area) is sent to the Minister from the local steering committee (Completed ~450 signatures).

4. A **feasibility study** is carried out by DELG staff, the steering committee and/or a consultant. A report of the study results is shared with residents and submitted to the Minister (Underway).

It is anticipated that the Preliminary Feasibility Study Report will be released on June 30, 2017 and the Final Feasibility Study Report on July 28, 2017.

5. The Minister reviews the feasibility study report and decides whether or not to hold a **plebiscite** (Pending).

If there is a plebiscite and if a Yes vote is the result (for all partnering LSDs and/or municipalities) and if the government approves, a **Rural Community** is formed and a Council is elected.

FAQs about the Feasibility Study

- Who decided to start the YRC project?
- When will we see the report?
- How do I give my input?
- How and when will the vote be taken?

FAQs about YRC

- When would YRC start?
- Would my address change?
- Would my children go to a different school?
- What about roads?
- What about fire services?

Implications and Options for Route 620 North area Residents

- Facts & Figures
- Option 1 – York RC
- Option 2 – Nashwaak RC

Tax Base – (Assessed value of all properties)

Tax Base Assessed Value of Properties	2017 (\$)
York RC	805,781,000
Douglas LSD (Douglas Inside, Lower Douglas, Carlisle Road)	248,844,950
Route 620 North area – Estimated	11,395,000

Tax Rates – per \$100 of assessment

2017 Property Tax Rates	Douglas – Inside (\$)
LSD Services (DELG)	0.5821
GNB Services (DTI - Roads upgrades and maintenance)	0.4115
SNB Assessment Services	<u>0.0194</u>
Total Tax Rate	1.0130

What do these rates mean for my tax bill?

2017 Annual Property Tax Bill	Douglas – Inside (\$)
2017 Property Tax Rate (Examples)	1.0130
Assessed Value (\$)	
100,000	1,013
150,000	1,520
200,000	2,026
250,000	2,533
300,000	3,039
350,000	3,546

How are property taxes calculated?

$[(\text{Assessed Value} \div 100) \times \text{Property Tax Rate(s)}]$

Example – $[(\$200,000 \div 100) \times 1.0130] = 2,000 \times 1.0130 = \$2,026$

What do I get for my property taxes?

Services	Douglas – Inside
Administration	YES
Rural Planning	YES
Fire Protection	YES
Police Services	YES
Dog Control	YES
Street Lighting	NO
Recreation & Community Services	YES
Solid Waste Management	YES

How much more would I pay with York RC?

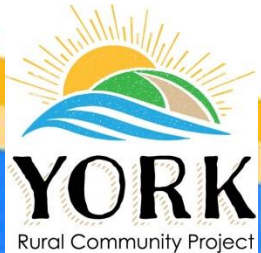
- York RC will likely have an increase of 1.5¢ in 2019 to fund administration
- 1.5¢ would provide additional funds of \$120,000
- LSDs in the York RC project are paying \$130,000
- This would give \$250,000 annually to fund administration

How much more would I pay with Nashwaak RC?

- Nashwaak RC LSDs will likely have an increase of 1.5¢ in 2019 to fund administration
- 1.5¢ would provide additional funds of \$90,000
- LSDs in the Nashwaak RC project are already paying \$65,000
- Village residents in the Nashwaak RC project will pay \$95,000
- This would give \$250,000 annually to fund administration

What could my 1.5¢ increase for administration pay for with York or Nashwaak RC?

Mayor and Council (mandatory)	50,000
General Manager/CAO – Full time	75,000
Clerk/Treasurer (mandatory) – Full time	60,000
Office Building - Rental/Debt Payment	25,000
Legal Services	10,000
External Audit (mandatory)	10,000
Liability Insurance (mandatory)	5,000
Other Administration Services - Office Supplies etc.	<u>15,000</u>
Total Administration Services	\$250,000



Implications and Options for Route 620 North area Residents

In Summary:

	Option 1	Option 2
	York RC (\$)	Nashwaak RC (\$)
Administration Costs	+1.5¢	+1.5¢
Total Tax Rate Difference	+1.5¢	+1.5¢

For the average home owner with a home valued at \$200,000

- 1) Pay an extra approximately \$30 per year in York RC
- 2) Pay an extra approximately \$30 per year in Nashwaak RC

Voicing Your Opinions

- Tonight and when you submit an inquiry or comment
- Your Full Name
- That you are a **resident** of the Route 620 North area
- Your concern, comment, suggestion or question

Please be respectful when someone else has the microphone.