



Press Release
Municipality of Crowsnest Pass
Emergency and Protective Services
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To meet the emerging needs of the Municipality, Council has directed Administration to enhance the level of Risk Management for the safety and protection of the Community. Following a review of Emergency and Protective Services and with the full understanding that Municipal Council and Administration are responsible for the efficient and effective utilization of publically funded resources, it has been determined that the level of public safety needs to be enhanced to meet Council's goals and objectives.

The present model of four separate fire departments and a separate rescue squad has been determined to be inefficient and unable to guarantee a minimum level of emergency response. The new Emergency Response Model will unite all Emergency Services, Fire, Ambulance, Police, Enforcement Services and Disaster Emergency Response Preparedness into one Protective Services Department.

The new Emergency Response Model establishes two emergency response zones thereby uniting the Community of Crowsnest Pass by forming one Fire Department that encompasses Rescue and Support Services.

The new Emergency Response organizational structure will minimize the burden of the volunteers by establishing a platoon deployment model that will guarantee a minimum response 24/7 – 365 days of the year for an enhanced level of public safety and is designed to protect the safety of those who serve.

The new Structure will be implemented over the next two months and the Community can expect a smooth transition with no disruption of emergency services.

For comments and questions contact Kevin Robins, Interim Chief Administrative Officer at 403-562-8833.

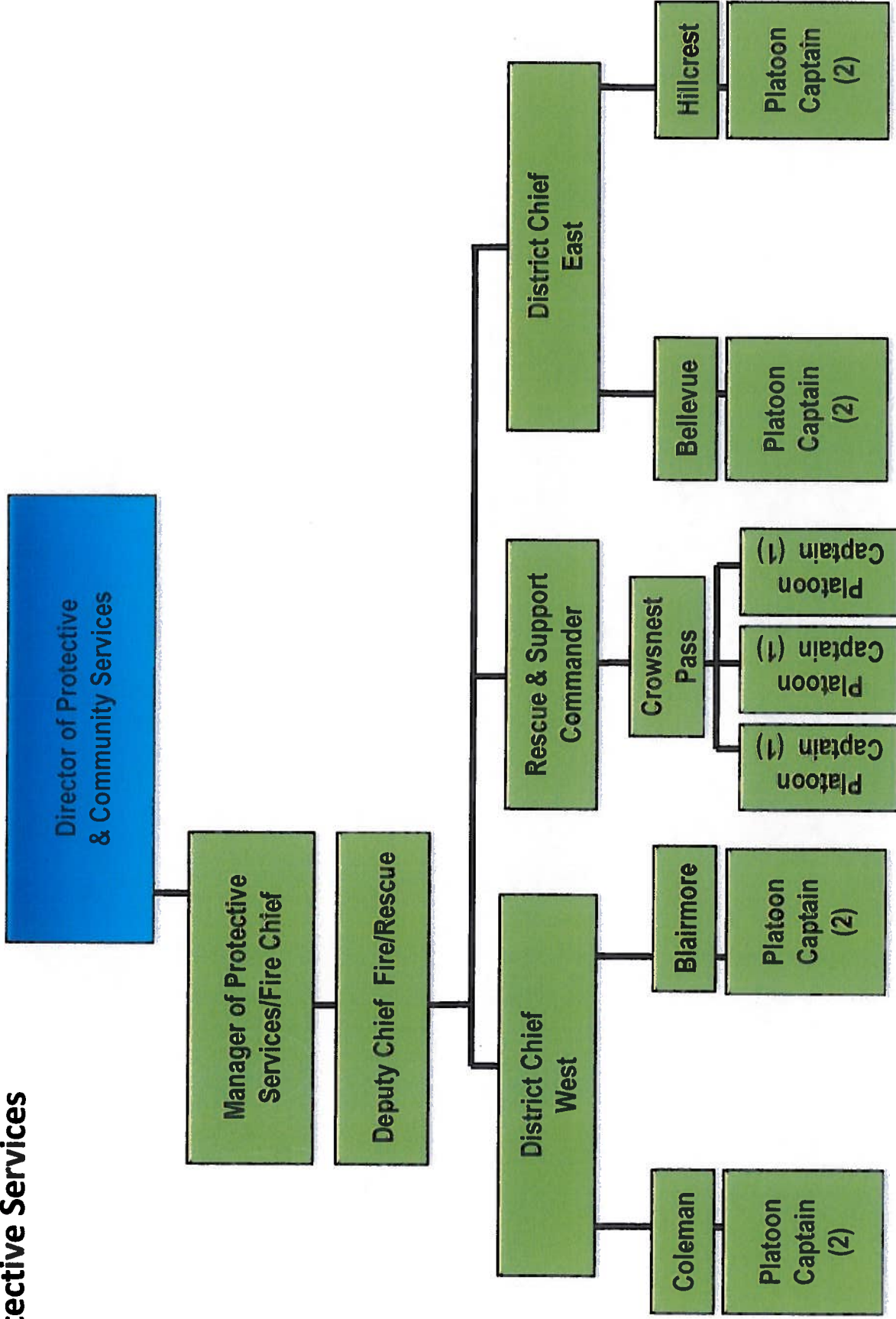


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Protective Services



Emergency Response Model (Deployment)

