

# PLANNER I

(STRATEGIC PLANNING AND INITIATIVES DEPARTMENT)  
(FULL-TIME)

Competition #2025-03

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The Fraser Valley Regional District is a local government that delivers over 100 services to residents living in our eight electoral areas and six member municipalities. We are the third most populous regional district in BC, stretching from Abbotsford to Boston Bar. The Fraser Valley offers a great place to work and live with a mix of rural and urban lifestyles along with an abundance of recreational and cultural opportunities.

People are at the center of everything we do, and we strive to put the needs of those we serve and the employees in the organization at the forefront of our day-to-day work. We are an organization that values teamwork and respect. We are committed to diversity, equity, inclusion, and being representative of the region we serve. We invite all qualified candidates to apply. We are dedicated to the ongoing process of building relationships and examining our work to ensure that the principles of inclusion, collaboration, and reconciliation are included. If you have a passion for public service and want to make a difference in the lives of those who live, work, and learn in the Fraser Valley, consider coming to work with us.

We have an exciting opportunity for a dynamic and passionate planning professional to fill the full-time position of Planner I in the Strategic Planning & Initiatives Department. Focusing on regional matters, the Strategic Planning & Initiatives team is involved in a broad range of initiatives including administering the Regional Growth Strategy, planning and administering regional transit services, and engaging other government agencies, First Nations and stakeholders on important planning challenges in the region.

Under the direction of the Manager of Strategic Planning, the Planner I will work as part of a team supporting the planning and administering of the Regional Growth Strategy; administering the regional transit service; developing and preparing statistical reports relating to regional growth issues; assisting in the review of referrals from Provincial and other agencies; supporting inter-governmental, First Nations and public engagement activities; and researching and preparing planning policy documents and bylaws.

The ideal candidate must have:

- » A degree in planning, geography or a related discipline with courses in survey techniques, GIS, map interpretation, map compilation, graphics and statistical analysis, and two years of local government or similar experience;
- » Must have sound knowledge of Provincial statutes and regulations and must acquire a sound knowledge of FVRD Planning legislation and local geography;
- » Strong communication and interpersonal skills, including the ability to express thoughts and ideas clearly, and converse with a wide range of people including technical consultants, elected officials, senior staff, line staff and the general public to provide advice, make recommendations and make effective presentations;
- » Excellent computer skills, with a high level of proficiency with Microsoft Office including Power Point, a sound knowledge of GIS, graphics and desktop publishing software and the ability to acquire a sound knowledge of electronic filing software;
- » Ability to establish and maintain positive and effective working relationships with consultants, contractors, stakeholders, senior staff, coworkers, team members, elected officials, other government agencies, advisory bodies and the public.

The start rate for this Union position is \$37.73 per hour (2024 rate) plus a comprehensive benefits package. Upon successful completion of the required six-month probationary period, the rate will increase to \$44.39 per hour (2024 rate).

Grow your career in an organization that supports employee work-life harmony including an earned-days-off program. Take advantage of employee programs that include support for mental well-being and physical health through our onsite gym. We offer a supportive, team-based work environment with an emphasis on collaboration. We believe in lifelong learning and are committed to providing and supporting training and professional development opportunities for our staff.

If you have a passion for public service and want to make a difference in the lives of Fraser Valley residents, we want to hear from you. Please submit your resume, along with a cover letter, indicating how you meet the qualifications. Visit [www.fvrd.ca/careers](http://www.fvrd.ca/careers) to apply for this competition by 4:30 p.m. on January 29, 2025.

*While we appreciate the interest of all applicants, only those candidates under consideration will be contacted.*