



Proposed New Location Nanaimo SAR

Nanaimo City Council

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BC Search and Rescue Program

Professional and Volunteer Driven



84 groups in BC with over 2500 volunteers



Role of Search and Rescue



Nanaimo SAR Activities*

- Incidents: avg 25/yr
- Training exercises: avg 95/yr
- Events: avg 40/yr
- Operational members: avg 43
 - Average hrs/year/member: 121 hr
- Auxiliary members



*annual averages 2011-Q3 to 2016-Q1

Overview



- Society of 50 – 60 volunteers
- Growing amount members / hours per member
- Dependent on grants / donations / charity / fundraising



Current Building

- Currently located at old Harewood fire hall
 - Bruce Ave and Fourth St.
- First floor for community events



Current Building

- Limited internal space
 - Storage for vehicles and equipment
 - Limited office and class room space
- Lack of parking space →
 - especially at incidents and during training activities



Options Considered

1. Renovation current building

- Still limited space including parking
- Seismic upgrade = \$300,000
- Presence of hazardous materials

2. New location in Nanaimo?

– Discussed with City:

- Richard Harding: Director, parks, recreation & environment
- Bill Corsan: Manager, real estate
- Karen Lindsay: Emergency program manager
- Craig Richardson: Fire chief

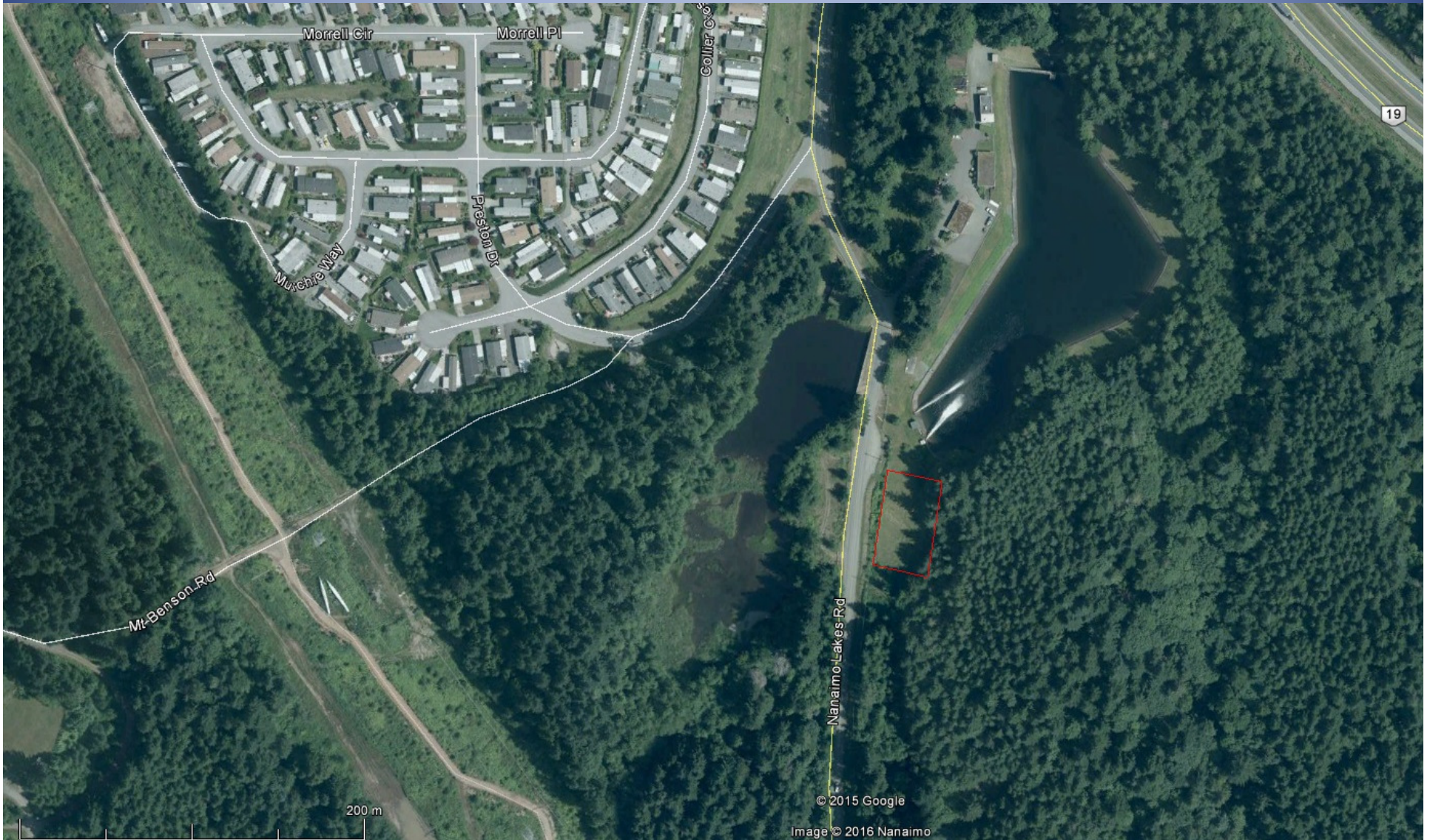


New Location

- Option Evaluation → New location is preferred
- Checked several options within the City
- Nanaimo Reservoir site most favorable
 - Close to 'work' area
 - Training grounds
 - Easily accessible
 - Central location



Nanaimo Reservoir



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Request to Council

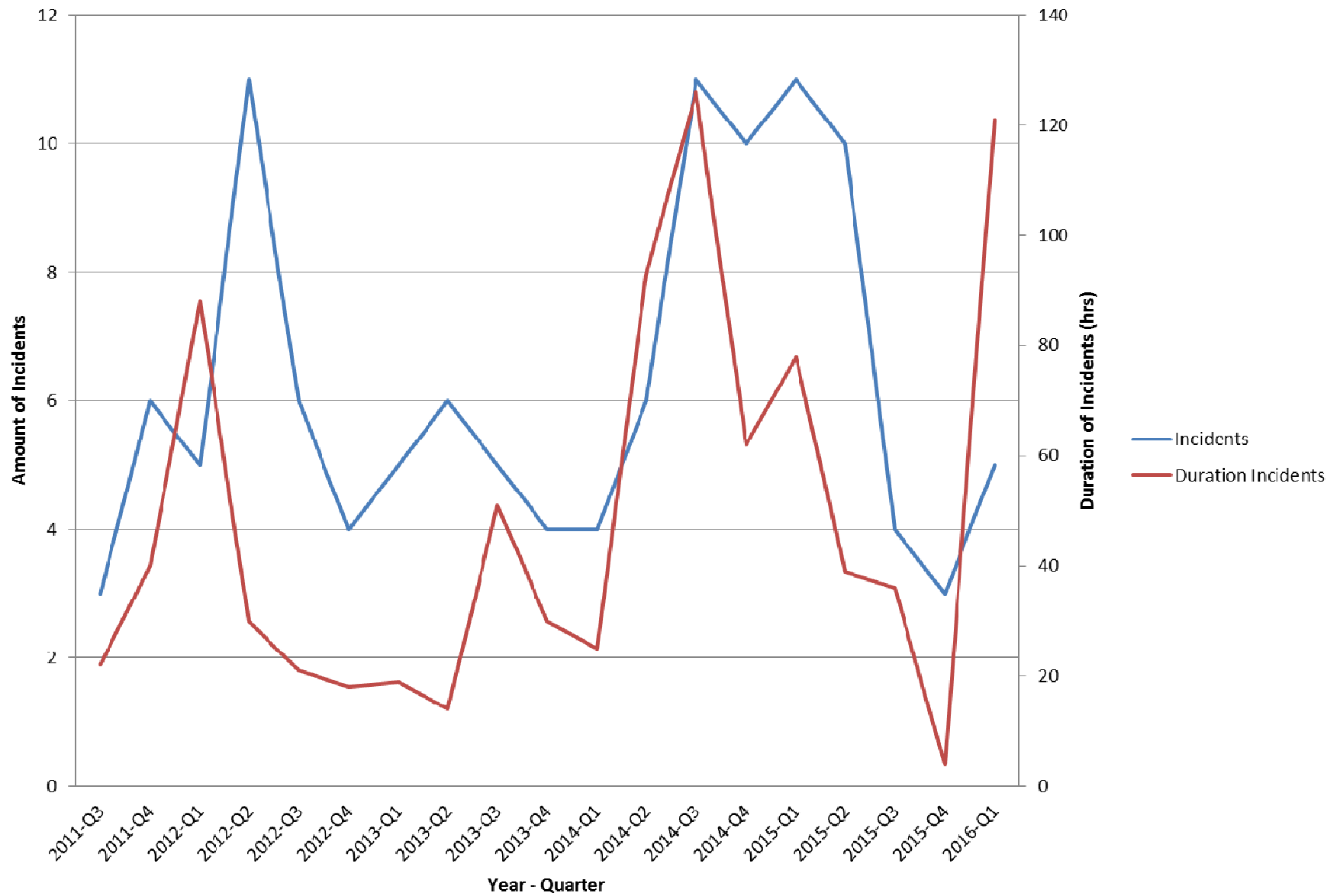
- Partnership with SAR to provide a permanent home to best serve the citizens of Nanaimo and the RDN and lease the land to Nanaimo Search & Rescue



Thank You
for Your Time!



Incidents



Members

