

### **Capital Regional District**

### **Meeting Minutes**

### **Solid Waste Advisory Committee**

Friday, July 7, 2023 12:30 PM

CRD Boardroom 625 Fisgard Street Victoria, BC V8W 2S6

PRESENT: R. Anderson (EP); C. Blanchard, M. Coburn, B. Desjardins (Chair), S. Gose, M. Kurschner, E. Latta (EP), M. McCullough (EP), D. Monsour, R. Pirie, J. Shaw, K. Siefried, D. Thran, R. Tooke (Vice-Chair),

STAFF: A. Chambers (Recorder), R. Smith, W. Dunn (EP), L. Ferris, A. Gilmour Ford, A. Panich (EP), K. Masters, B. Moody, P. Scaber

REGRETS: F. Baker, J. Collins, N. Macdonald, R. Newlove, J. Oakley, J. Rintoul, W. Stevens, S. Young Jr.

GUEST: C. Remington (CEC)

**EP - Electronic Participation** 

The meeting was called to order at 12:30 pm.

### 1. Territorial Acknowledgement

### 2. Approval of Agenda

Agenda for the July 7, 2023 Solid Waste Advisory Committee meeting.

MOVED by D. Monsour, SECONDED by J. Shaw That the agenda be approved as circulated. CARRIED

### 3. Adoption of Minutes

Minutes from the June 2, 2023, Solid Waste Advisory Committee meeting.

MOVED by S. Gose, SECONDED by D. Thran
That the minutes of the June 2, 2023, Solid Waste Advisory Committee meeting be adopted as circulated.
CARRIED

### 4. Chair's Remarks

Chair Desjardins added cruise ship tour to other business so those that attended could update the group.

### 5. Presentations/Delegations

#### 6. Committee Business

a. Actual and Projected Monthly Refuse Tonnages at Hartland Landfill (standing item)

The tonnage graphs are posted via this link: <a href="https://www.crd.bc.ca/about/data/hartland-landfill-tonnage">https://www.crd.bc.ca/about/data/hartland-landfill-tonnage</a>. The June data was not available for the July Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC) meeting, this agenda item was deferred to the next meeting.

### b. Progress Report Indicators Discussion

K. Masters and A. Gilmour Ford presented on the progress indicators. The full presentation is attached as Appendix A. The following motion was passed:

The Solid Waste Advisory Committee endorses the proposed progress report indicators and the associated Market Research, Waste Generator Studies and Waste Composition Studies.

MOVED by R. Tooke. SECONDED by J. Shaw
CARRIED

- c. Multi-Family Dwelling Waste Diversion Project Presentation
  - B. Moody and P. Scaber presented on their work with the multi-family dwellings (MFD). Once this project wraps up, CRD staff will provide an update to the Solid Waste Advisory Committee. The full presentation is attached as Appendix B.

#### 7. Correspondence

There was no correspondence.

#### 8. Other Business

The Solid Waste Advisory Committee were offered a tour of the Ovation of the Seas cruise ship, and in particular, the waste sorting and management. Six-members attended and provided a brief update on their experience. Overall, the group was impressed with what measures were in place for the sorting and management of the cruise ships waste.

### 9. Next Meeting

The next Solid Waste Advisory Committee meeting will be September 8, 2023.

### 10. Closing Comments

There were no closing comments.

### 11. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 14:27.

MOVED by J. Shaw, SECONDED by D. Monsour That the Solid Waste Advisory Committee be adjourned. CARRIED





# Agenda

- 1. "What We Heard"
  - Summary of Indicators Discussion Part 1
- 2. Proposed Studies
  - Solid Waste Composition Study
  - Generator Study
  - Market Research Study
- 3. Proposed Progress Tracking







# What We Heard – June 2, 2023



Some common themes that emerged in and outside the scope of performance indicators and metrics for the annual progress report.

In Scope	Out of Scope
<ul> <li>Report on impacts and quality versus only quantity</li> <li>Complete waste composition studies more frequently</li> <li>Introduce economic indicator</li> <li>Introduce indicators by material type</li> <li>Introduce indicators related to landfill fill date</li> <li>Use units consistent with SWMP goals where possible (i.e., kg/capita)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Ideas for activities, projects, programs</li> <li>Outreach and engagement strategies</li> <li>Suggestions that would require modification to the Solid Waste Management Plan</li> <li>Greenhouse Gas Emissions (except landfill gas)</li> </ul>



# Proposed Additional Studies



Staff propose introducing new and more frequent studies to have more data and allow for comparisons over time. These studies would rotate on a three-year cycle for the lifetime of the Solid Waste Management Plan.

Market Research	Waste Generator Study	Waste Composition Study
<ul> <li>Begin in 2024</li> <li>Measure the impact of CRD waste reduction programming and programs the CRD funds</li> <li>Understand knowledge of residents and businesses in relation to the Solid Waste Management Plan, the general waste system and available services</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Begin in 2025</li> <li>Understand how much waste is recycled, composted or put in the garbage at the generator level</li> <li>Gather data at the source</li> <li>Sector and material category specific data</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Next study in 2026</li> <li>Identify waste landfilled at Hartland Landfill's active face</li> <li>Sector and material category specific data</li> </ul>



# Proposed Progress Tracking



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1 - To surpass the provincial per capita waste disposal target

2 - To extend the life of Hartland Landfill to the year 2100 and beyond 3 - To have informed citizens that participate effectively in proper waste management practices

4 - To ensure that the CRD's solid waste services are financially sustainable

### **Progress Status**

Staff have drafted progress status definitions for each Solid Waste Management Plan goal and would like input from Solid Waste Advisory Committee.



On track



Opportunity for improvement



Attention required

## **Primary Indicators and Inputs**

Reports and data staff will use to help inform the progress status of each goal.







To surpass the provincial per capita waste disposal target (350kg/capita/year) and aspire to achieve a disposal rate of 125 kg/capita/year

## **Primary Indicators and Inputs**

- Per capita waste disposal
- Waste Composition Study
- Waste Generator Study

## **Progress Status Definitions**



Community is trending towards a per capita disposal rate to be **less than 350 kg/capita** over the life of the plan.



Opportunity for improvement

Community is trending towards a per capita disposal rate of **350 kg/capita** over the life of the plan.

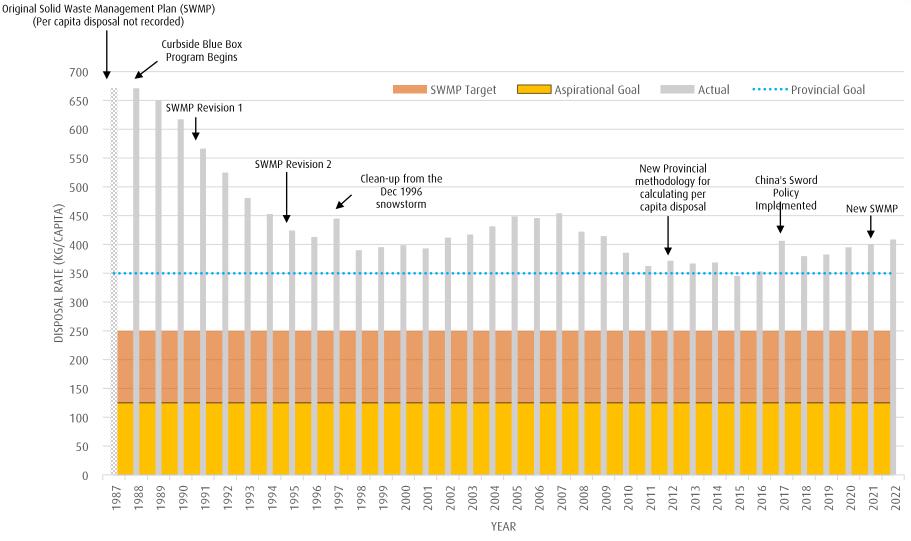


Community is trending towards a per capita disposal rate **above 350 kg/capita** over the life of the plan.



# Per Capita Disposal Target Tracking











To extend the life of Hartland Landfill to the year 2100 and beyond.

## **Primary Indicators and Inputs**

- Hartland Compaction Rate
- Tonnes of material landfilled
- CRD Engineering Reports

## **Progress Status Definitions**



Air space utilization is on track to extend the life of Hartland Landfill to the year **2100 and beyond**.



Air space utilization is only trending to extend the life of Hartland Landfill to the year **2100**.



Air space utilization will **not extend** the life of Hartland Landfill to the year 2100.







To have informed citizens that participate effectively in proper waste management practices.

## **Primary Indicators and Inputs**

- Participation in current and new CRD Programs
- Solid Waste Awareness and Engagement Market Research

## **Progress Status Definitions**



Engagement and participation in proper waste management practices is **higher** than previous years.



Engagement and participation in proper waste management practices is **equivalent** to previous years.



Engagement and participation in proper waste management practices is **less** than previous years.







To ensure that the CRD's solid waste service are financially sustainable.

## Primary Indicators and Inputs

 Modeling prepared by CRD Financial Services

## **Progress Status Definitions**



Solid waste service self-funding model is **financially sustainable** for the remainder of the plan.



Solid waste service self-funding model is **trending in the wrong direction**, adjustments may be necessary.



Solid waste service self-funding model is trending in the wrong direction and is currently **not sustainable** for the remainder of the plan.



# **Next Steps**

Rethink

- Set aside funding in the Environmental Resource Management budget to execute the proposed studies for the life of the Solid Waste Management Plan (SWMP).
- Use the Progress Status definitions in the 2023 SWMP Progress Report







# Thank you

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## Overview

- 1. Project Overview
- 2. Progress Summary
- 3. Case Studies
- 4. Next Steps



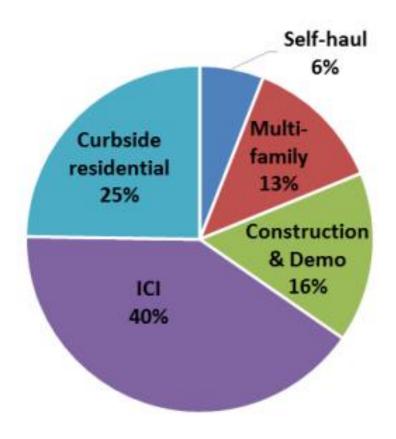




# Project Overview



- The Multi-Family Dwelling (MFD) Waste Diversion Project encompasses Strategy 8 of the Solid Waste Management Plan
- The 2022 Solid Waste Composition Study estimated MFDs contribute13.4% of waste to Hartland Landfill
- The 2022 MFD market research project identified gaps in signs and outreach materials for MFD residents
- By introducing proper educational materials, effective signage, and support to residents of MFDs, we believe we can make an impact on this number.





# Project Goals



## **Educate**

- Create understanding of their building's recycling system
- Instill new lifelong habits in residents

### <u>Divert</u>

- Provide resources to support diversion
- Resources encourage less contamination and more diversion

### <u>Learn</u>

- The project builds relationships within the multi-family dwelling community
- Gather data

## **Expand**

- Continue to support
- Use learnings to expand and adjust multi-family dwelling programming



# Project Overview





### Step 1 – Reach Out

Word of Mouth

Cold Calls

Recommendations



### Step 2 – Visit the building

3 visits per building (initial, implement, waste audit/check in)



### Step 3 – Visual Waste Audit

Material categories present

Collection containers

Contamination



### Step 4 – Divert Waste and Analyze Data

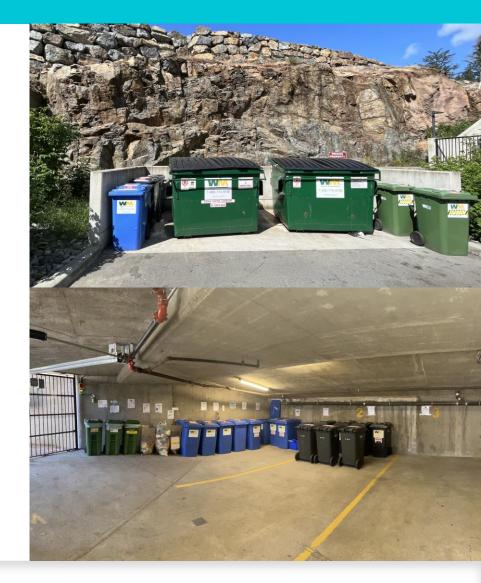
Install Signs Monitor progress

Analyze participant data for insights Educate residents



# Summary

A closer look at participating properties to date





Property	# of Units	Municipality
1. Property 1 *	132	Langford
2. Property 2 *	40	Saanich
3. Property 3 *	30	Langford
4. Property 4 *	26	Saanich
5. Property 5 *	120	Langford
6. Property 6 *	36	Victoria
7. Property 7*	8	Victoria
8. Property 8 *	50	Victoria
9. Property 9 *	43	Victoria
10. Property 10	19	Victoria
11. Property 11	35	Victoria
12. Property 12	46	Victoria
13. Property 13	66	View Royal
14. Property 14	80	Victoria
15. Property 15	46	Langford
16. Property 16	75	Victoria
17. Property 17	27	Victoria
* Denotes CRHC properties		



# Case Study – Property 1



## **Property Summary**

- Two buildings with a combined 132 units
- Each building features its own outdoor waste sorting area
- At "Property 1" there was a total of:
  - 4 organics totes
  - 4 mixed container totes
  - 2 paper and cardboard cubic yard bins
  - 2 garbage cubic yard bins

### Areas of Concern

- Cross contamination
- Hazardous waste





# Case Study – Property 2



## **Property Summary**

- A mix of apartments and townhouses with a total of 40 units
- Features one small indoor waste sorting area
- At "Property 2" there was a total of:
  - 1 organic tote
  - 4 mixed container totes
  - 1 cardboard and paper cubic yard bin
  - 1 garbage cubic yard bin

## Areas of Concern

- Cross contamination
- Overflow
- Infrequent pick-ups
- Improper signage





# Case Study: Property 5



### **Property Summary**

- One building with 80 units
- Features an outdoor waste sorting area
- At "Property 5" there was a total of:
  - 1 organic tote
  - 5 mixed containers totes
  - 1 paper and cardboard cubic yard bin
  - 1 garbage cubic yard bin

### Areas of Concern

- Cross contamination
- Electronic waste
- Improper signage



# **Next Steps**





Currently have 18 buildings participating, with a goal of 40-50 buildings for the summer.



Many buildings signed up through word of mouth or CRD staff. Staff will be reaching out to new buildings by contacting building managers through email and phone calls.



Installing signs, monitoring waste contamination, developing more resources.



Recording and gathering recommendation to make a foundation for future projects focusing on multi-family dwellings.



## To Conclude



- We are excited to work with buildings to help inform residents and get them participating effectively in proper waste management practices!
- Our goal is to reduce contamination in bins and to reduce the amount of garbage brought to the landfill to prolong the life of the landfill to >2100.
- If you know a building that would be a good fit for this, please contact us at: rethinkwaste@crd.bc.ca.
- More information on our project can be found at: <u>https://www.crd.bc.ca/education/rethink-waste/apartments-and-condos</u>





# Thank you

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