Highlights from the CRD Board meeting on April 10, 2024.



## CRD Board Highlights: April 10, 2024

CRD Board Highlights provides a brief summary of items from each monthly regional Board meeting. The summary is not inclusive of all agenda items. Please refer to the <u>CRD website</u> for the full agenda, minutes and webcast.

#### Material Stream Diversion - Award of Contract ERM2022-010

The Capital Regional District (CRD) Board passed a motion to adopt the Hartland Landfill Tipping Fee and Regulation Bylaw and CRD Ticket Authorization Bylaw on December 13, 2023. The approval of these bylaws supports the goals and strategies of the CRD's Solid Waste Management Plan. Phase 2 changes will come into effect on July 2, 2024. The CRD Board directed staff to finalize negotiations and the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to enter into a two-year operating and construction contract, for a combined value not to exceed \$12,500,000 (excluding GST) with DL's Bins, for the construction and operation of a material diversion transfer station to begin processing of clean wood, treated wood and asphalt shingles on July 1, 2024. The Board also directed staff to develop proposed bylaw amendments to shift the ban on carpet, underlay and salvageable wood as well as the implementation of the \$300/tonne of unsorted load rate to Phase 3 of the implementation phase. Staff will also immediately begin consultation on policies to restrict the flow of general refuse waste outside of the capital region.

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#### **Extreme Heat Vulnerability Mapping and Information Portal Project**

Working collaboratively with and on behalf of local governments in the capital region, the CRD secured a \$150,000 grant from the Union of British Columbia Municipalities Community Emergency Preparedness Fund to initiate the Extreme Heat Vulnerability Mapping and Information Portal Project for the capital region. The data analyzed is provided in the new public Extreme Heat Information Portal. This work will help guide planning and decision-making to improve community resilience, emergency planning and public health strategies across the capital region. The results of the Extreme Heat Vulnerability Mapping and Information Portal project for the capital region will be

referred to municipal councils, the Electoral Areas Committee and First Nations for information.

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#### **Update to Implications Section of Staff Reports**

The CRD Board received a report for information on the new Climate, First Nations, and Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Guidance documents to support staff report writers in completing these implication sections in the staff report template. These three new implications sections were added to the CRD staff report template in late 2023 to help strengthen Board decision-making frameworks to include First Nations reconciliation, equity, diversity and inclusion, and climate action lenses, as part of an initiative identified in the CRD Board's 2023-2026 Board Priorities. The newly developed implications guidance documents will provide support for staff and the Executive Leadership Team (ELT) to identify and address these priority considerations across project planning and implementation and when writing staff reports. Additional support will be provided through targeted training for staff and ELT.

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### **CAO Quarterly Progress Report No. 1 2024**

The Quarterly Progress Report for Q1 in 2024 provides the Board with a quarterly update on Corporate Activities and Initiatives, progress made on the 2023-2026 Board and Corporate Priorities, Capital and Operating Budget Variances, and Human Resources and Corporate Safety statistics up to March 31, 2024.

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# Bylaw No. 4604 - Capital Regional District Water Conservation Bylaw No. 1, 2016, Amendment Bylaw No. 4, 2024

High and instantaneous demand for water in the summer during scheduled watering days is causing stress to the CRD's drinking water supply infrastructure. The Water Conservation Bylaw regulates the use of water in the capital region and defines specified times for lawn watering from May to September each year. The CRD Board approved amending the Bylaw to add an overnight watering window, changing the public authority watering day from Wednesday to any day other than Wednesday, engaging directly with irrigation and landscape professionals and encouraging landowners and residents to switch timed irrigation systems for lawns to evening and overnight watering times. These amendments to the Water Conservation Bylaw support efforts to reduce peak and instantaneous water demand in the summer.

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The next Board meeting will be held on May 8, 2024



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