

CRD Board Highlights: October 14, 2020

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 CRD website for the full agenda, minutes and webcast.

August 17, 2020 Lightning Strike Wildfires in the GVWSA

The CRD Board received a report from the Regional Water Supply Commission on conditions and wildfire management activities related to two lightning-caused fires in the Greater Victoria Water Supply Area (GVWSA). Lessons learned from the incident will be used to refine wildfire response and suppression procedures as well as help improve the working relationship with the BC Wildfire Service on wildfires in the GVWSA.

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CAO Quarterly Progress Report No. 3, 2020

The Board received the third Quarterly Progress Report in 2020 for information. The report provides an update on Corporate Activities and Initiatives, progress made on the 2019-2022 Board and Corporate Priorities, Corporate Climate Action Initiatives, Capital Project Variances, and Human Resource Trends across the organization.

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Wastewater Treatment Project Q2 2020 Quarterly Report

The Wastewater Treatment Project Q2 2020 Quarterly Report was received by the Board for information from the Core Area Liquid Waste Management Committee. This comprehensive quarterly report covers the reporting period of April through June 2020 and outlines the progress made on the Wastewater Treatment Project over this time. Staff Report | Website

Hartland Traffic Study – Follow Up

The Board received a report on the cost analysis of a shorter passing lane on Willis Point Road, the impacts of changing the commercial vehicle access to Hartland

Landfill, and current season traffic study results. The results from the revised analysis found that a passing lane is not warranted, would increase speeding, and would cost up to \$1.5 million depending on the option selected. Moving landfill access to the north enables staff, contractors and customers to access the landfill using the safest, and shortest internal route and ensures that operations can continue to follow the long-term filling plan, which maximizes the lifespan of Hartland Landfill. This information is recommended to be incorporated into the next stage of public consultation of the draft Solid Waste Management Plan.

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Solid Waste Management Plan – Next Steps

The Board approved several recommendations related to the draft Solid Waste Management Plan which is currently under development. The waste reduction target will remain at 250 kg/capita/year by 2030 with a revised goal to surpass the provincial per capita waste disposal target and achieve 125 kg/capita/year. Staff have been directed to proceed with community and local government consultation on the draft Plan, including targeted stakeholder consultation with residents in the areas of Hartland Landfill, Prospect Lake, Willis Point and Highlands.

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Elk/Beaver Lake Remediation Project

The Board received the Elk/Beaver Lake Watershed Management Plan and directed staff to implement actions within the Plan as opportunities allow. The Watershed Management Plan outlines a series of actions and long-term monitoring efforts to address external nutrient sources, and an in-lake remediation plan is underway to procure and cost-share an oxygenation system for each lake to help address internal nutrient loading.

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First Nations Economic Development Partnership Model

The Board received the CRD First Nation Economic Development Partnership Model Feasibility Study Report, 2020. The Report begins to establish an approach for the CRD to better identify areas of opportunity within its service structure to advance reconciliation through economic development. Enabling partnerships and working directly with First Nations will be critical in supporting the First Nations in achieving their economic goals and for the CRD in supporting the Statement of Reconciliation theme of Shared Prosperity.

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CRD's response to COVID-19

The process for delegations is continually reviewed and modified to ensure ongoing compliance with directives related to COVID-19. Meeting materials and webcasts remain available online. Applications to address the Board are encouraged by written submissions or phone rather than in-person at this time.

In response to the Ministerial order, we are updating our process for public notices and hearings for land use applications. For more information, please contact the JDF Office here. For more information on communicating with the CRD Board or appearing as a phone-in delegation at a Board or Committee meeting, click here.

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The next Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 18, 2020

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