

# COLUMBIA SHUSWAP REGIONAL DISTRICT

## SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN MONITORING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Notes of meeting held Thursday October 8, 2009  
at the Revelstoke Community Centre

### PRESENT:

#### Advisory Committee

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| Mike Cantle, Chair | Golden & Electoral Area 'A' |
| Michael Luchkanych | Salmon Arm                  |
| Helen Pearson      | Sicamous                    |
| Rob Niewenhuizen   | City of Salmon Arm          |
| Darren Komonski    | City of Revelstoke          |
| Rob Labelle        | Electoral Area 'F'          |
| Janet Pattinson    | Electoral Area 'C'          |
| Penny Page-Britton | Revelstoke                  |
| Sarah Newton       | Electoral Area 'B'          |
| Heather Fennell    | Waste Hauler                |

#### Regional District Staff

Darcy Mooney, Waste Management Co-ordinator  
Carolyn Black, Office Co-ordinator, Environment & Engineering Services

### ABSENT:

Maryan Yarama, Adams Lake Indian Band  
Chris Cochran, Town of Golden  
Grady MacDonald, District of Sicamous  
Frank Rhebergen, Ministry of Environment

The meeting commenced at 9:40 AM

### INTRODUCTIONS & AGENDA APPROVAL

The Chair welcomed everyone and thanked them for their attendance.

Darcy Mooney requested that item 6 on the agenda be moved to the first spot to allow attendees to complete their Eco Cards as the agenda progresses.

The Chair recommended that a final item be added to the agenda which would allow participants to provide feedback at the end of the meeting.

M/S Sarah Newton/Helen Pearson THAT:  
The agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED

### NOTES OF THE MAY 14, 2009 MEETING

M/S Penny Page-Britton/Heather Fennel THAT:  
The notes from the May 14, 2009 meeting be accepted.

CARRIED

The Chair suggested that site visits be included in future agendas as requested at the May 14, 2009 meeting.

### SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE

Darcy Mooney advised that the Solid Waste Management Plan received approval from the Minister of Environment on July 8, 2009 which gave authority to develop programs and policies. A Plan Implementation Dispute Resolution procedure and annual reporting still needs to be submitted. The dispute resolution procedure will not require PMAC involvement but the annual reports will be forwarded to the PMAC for comment in February of each year prior to the March 31<sup>st</sup> submission date.

PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENTS ECO CARDS Eco Cards were distributed and Darcy Mooney outlined the grade system to be used. The Chair suggested that financial information could be added to the Eco Card as well. Committee members were asked to return completed cards to the CSRD by November 30<sup>th</sup>.

2009 IMPLEMENTATION REVIEW Expressions of Interest – Recycling Processing  
Expressions of interest were sought and received for recycling processing. While a number of submissions were received, there was no local interest for provision of a region-wide recycling processing service. Submissions have not yet been fully reviewed but will assist in determining direction in each community.

Darcy Mooney advised that member municipalities are supportive of curbside recycling collection programs and many options for partnerships are available and will be discussed.

Tipping Fees

A new refuse disposal facility bylaw was adopted in July 2009 which, amongst other things, increased the bag rate to \$2/bag, the per tonne rate to \$70 for general refuse and allowed for incentive rates for materials that can be diverted from the waste stream and disincentive rates for materials containing recyclable or bulky items.

Expressions of Interest – Construction & Demolition (C&D) Waste

Expressions of interest were sought and received for diversion of C&D waste. Initial review of the submissions suggests that there may be opportunities for establishing diversion areas for some materials and to reduce the disposal fees for those items.

Burning Strategy

A burning strategy has not yet been developed. Backyard burning remains a provincial responsibility and the CSRD's participation in enforcement may be difficult. Darcy Mooney suggested that a consistent message is necessary and that the CSRD can participate by cooperating in education and promotion.

Composting Strategy - Revelstoke

In working with the City of Revelstoke to analyze the best location for a composting facility it has been determined that the Revelstoke landfill is the preferred location. An application for grant funding of the \$1.2 Million capital project was unsuccessful and therefore other opportunities for funding will need to be considered.

Recycling Depot Expansion

The old PL6 bins have been replaced by 30 yd<sup>3</sup> containers that are now being used to collect co-mingled recyclables. Cardboard and plastics (1, 2, 4 & 4) were included in September/October. The new program is experiencing a much larger increase in usage than expected and adjustments to the frequency of pick up need to be made.

The Committee was advised that Product Stewardship is working toward a program for packaging materials.

Composters

500 Earth Machine composters were ordered and over 250 people have registered for the 20-30 minute demonstration workshops in which the composters are sold. The program has been very well-received and follow-up with participants will be conducted.

2009  
IMPLEMENTATION  
REVIEW (cont)      Master Composter  
30 people have expressed interest in participating in the master composter program and education modules are being developed. One of the components of the program is identifying and building capacity for the volunteers.

Illegal Dumping Strategy

Darcy Mooney advised that he met with the Conservation Officer in Golden who is very enthusiastic. Other local governments were consulted on their strategies and found that there is nothing available to review. The CSRD will focus on both proactive and reactive measures and will develop strategies on a waste shed by waste shed basis. The Committee was reminded of the importance of reporting illegal dumping activity to the RAPP program.

Resource Recovery Sheds

The pads for the resource recovery sheds in Golden and Skimikin have been constructed. The buildings are currently under construction by a Revelstoke firm and will be delivered and set up by the end of October. The sheds will operate on a cost-recovery basis with a disposal fee allocated when dropped off, but pick up is at no charge. Those picking up items from the recovery sheds will be required to sign a form accepting all liability for the item and acknowledging that the CSRD is not guaranteeing the item in any manner.

2010 PROJECTS      Darcy Mooney advised that there are a number of projects scheduled for implementation in 2010. Included are:

- Increase in staffing
- Organics strategy
- Resource recovery sheds for Salmon Arm & Sicamous (potential for earlier implementation at other sites depending on funds available)
- Natural landscape education program
- Composting in Revelstoke (funding options)
- Recycling reload centres – investigate facilities for Salmon Arm, Revelstoke and Golden
- Curbside recycling collection in member municipalities

OTHER  
OPERATIONAL  
PROGRAMS FOR  
2010      Darcy Mooney provided a summary of the other operational programs slated for 2010.

- Golden landfill scale & scalehouse relocation
- Phase 1 closure at Salmon Arm landfill
- Landfill gas collection at Salmon Arm landfill
- Interim closure of phase 1 at the Sicamous landfill
- Biofilter for old Skimikin landfill
- Waste relocation from the new landfill at Revelstoke to the old landfill
- New site signage
- Safety upgrades
- Maximization of environmental efficiencies

FEEDBACK      Committee members provided feedback on the meeting and the programs discussed.

NEXT MEETING      Sicamous will be the location for the next meeting and it will be held in early March.

The meeting adjourned at 1:40 PM.