



## News Release

### Sunshine Coast Regional District Tipping Fees to Rise

Sechelt, BC—February 11, 2021—The Sunshine Coast Regional District (SCRD) Board will give final consideration to adopting a new tipping fee schedule at the Sechelt Landfill and Pender Harbour Transfer Station that will see both commercial and residential customers paying more starting February 26, 2021.

The SCRD’s Solid Waste Management Plan and the SCRD Board support a user pay system, where the tipping fees fund the full costs of those materials that are diverted for recycling. So, as the transportation and recycling costs increase, so unfortunately does the tipping fee associated with these materials.

Commercial and residential customers will now be required to remove cardboard from the garbage they haul to the two facilities. Cardboard will have a \$285 per tonne tipping fee and an additional fee if cardboard is mixed in with garbage. Residential customers can avoid fees related to recycling cardboard by bringing it to one of the three SCRD operated recycling depots in Gibsons, Sechelt and Pender Harbour for free.

Fees for gypsum, metal and propane tanks will also increase and are outlined in the table below. Fees for appliances containing Freon, such as fridges and freezers, will decrease.

“The changes in tipping fees are required in order to cover the ever increasing costs of transportation, recycling and operation of diversion programs currently in place at the SCRD’s two solid waste facilities,” says Robyn Cooper, Manager, Solid Waste Services.

The tipping fee changes are outlined in the table below.

Material	NEW Fee as of February 26, 2021	Current Fee
<b>Tipping Fee Increase</b>		
Cardboard	\$285 per tonne	\$150 per tonne
Metal – Scrap and White Goods	\$150 per tonne	\$70 per tonne
Propane Tanks		
Up to 1 lb (camp size)	\$2.00 per unit	\$0.50 per unit
Over 1 lb up to 25 lbs	\$10.00 per unit	\$2.00 per unit
Over 25lbs up to 100lbs	\$10.00 per unit or \$150 per tonne	\$5.50 per unit or \$70 per tonne
Gypsum	\$290 per tonne	\$265 per tonne
<b>Tipping Fee Decrease</b>		
Metal with Freon (fridges and freezers)	The greater of \$30 per unit or \$150 per tonne	\$40 per unit or \$115 per tonne

For more information on tipping fee increases, visit [www.scrd.ca/disposal-fees](http://www.scrd.ca/disposal-fees).

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