

SUNSHINE COAST REGIONAL DISTRICT

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN MONITORING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

June 16, 2020

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN MONITORING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE CEDAR ROOM OF THE SUNSHINE COAST REGIONAL DISTRICT AT 1975 FIELD ROAD, SECHELT, BC

PRESENT: (Voting)	Chair Members	S. White J. Boyd G. Bennett P. Robson M. Cambon D. New-Small S. Higginson I. Winn
ALSO PRESENT: (Non-voting)	Director, Electoral Area E Director, Electoral Area A Manager, Solid Waste Programs Infrastructure Services Assistant/Recorder Public	D. McMahon L. Lee R. Cooper S. Clayton 0
REGRETS:	PMAC Members	B. Hetherington

Directors, staff, and other attendees present for the meeting participated by means of electronic or other communication facilities in accordance with Sunshine Coast Regional District Board Procedures Bylaw 717.

CALL TO ORDER 11:00 a.m.

AGENDA The agenda was adopted as presented.

MINUTES

Recommendation No. 1 *PMAC Draft Meeting Minutes*

The Solid Waste Management Plan Monitoring Advisory Committee recommends that the PMAC meeting minutes be permitted to be included on future PMAC agendas prior to adoption by the SCRD Board.

PRESENTATIONS AND DELEGATIONS

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Recommendation No. 2 *SCRD Board Resolutions Related to Solid Waste*

The Solid Waste Management Plan Monitoring Advisory Committee recommended that the table titled SCRD Board Resolutions Related to Solid Waste – May 2020 be received.

REPORTS

Recommendation No. 3 *Referral to PMAC – May 21, 2020 ISC staff report – Regional Diversion – Annual Update*

The Solid Waste Management Plan Monitoring Advisory Committee recommended that the referred report from the May 21, 2020 Infrastructure Services Committee meeting, titled Regional Diversion – Annual Update be received for their review and consideration for short-term actions to be taken by the SCRD.

Robyn Cooper, Manager, Solid Waste Programs provided a verbal introduction of the Regional Diversion – Annual Update report and provided an overview on how different municipalities in British Columbia collect and report their diversion data in comparison to the SCRD.

Discussion included the following:

- Concluded that there has been little improvement in SCRD diversion rates.
- Supportive in exploring which materials being buried in the Sechelt landfill can still be diverted for alternative disposal or recycling.
- Upon the committee's request, staff provided a verbal overview on the current disposal options for the following construction waste materials:
 - Dirty/contaminated wood waste.
 - Rubble Material.
 - Roofing.
 - Drywall.
- Suggested that it could be beneficial to partner with local companies such as Swanson's Ready-Mix Ltd to recycle and repurpose rubble materials brought to the Sechelt Landfill or Pender Harbour Transfer Station instead of the rubble material being buried at the Sechelt Landfill.
- Upon the committee's request, staff provided a verbal overview on the current disposal options for the following residential materials:
 - Bulky furniture, carpets and mattresses.
 - Residential books.
 - Textiles.
- Discussed whether certain materials such as roofing, bulky furniture and beach Styrofoam could be disposed off-coast instead of buried in the Sechelt Landfill.
- Expressed interest in receiving further information on the annual Island's Clean-Up events regarding:
 - Mattress disposal protocols.
 - Book recycling options for island residents.
 - Island resident waste disposal data.
- Communicated that implementing a residential and commercial food waste ban from the Sechelt landfill should be a priority to support diversion rates.
- Upon the committee's request, staff provided a verbal update on the process, possible implementation and timeline of a curbside recycling program for SCRD Electoral Areas B, D, E and F.
- Upon the committee's request, staff provided a verbal update on the timeline for the launch of the SCRD's and District of Sechelt's curbside food waste collection program.
- Suggested that staff could explore potential local or provincial avenues to collaborate with for the recycling of residential textiles.

Recommendation No. 4 *Bulky Furniture, Carpets and Mattresses*

The Solid Waste Management Plan Monitoring Advisory Committee recommends that the SCRD request that the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy amend the Recycling Regulation to include bulky furniture, carpets and mattresses.

Recommendation No. 5 *Rubble Material*

The Solid Waste Management Plan Monitoring Advisory Committee recommends that the SCRD investigate local partnerships for the diversion of rubble material received at the Pender Harbour Transfer Station and Sechelt Landfill.

Recommendation No. 6 *Book Recycling*

The Solid Waste Management Plan Monitoring Advisory Committee recommends that the SCRD explore setting up a drop-off for the recycling of residential books at the Pender Harbour Transfer Station and Sechelt Landfill.

Recommendation No. 7 *Textile Recycling*

The Solid Waste Management Plan Monitoring Advisory Committee recommends that the SCRD explore setting up drop-off locations for the recycling of textiles in Pender Harbour, Sechelt and Gibsons.

Recommendation No. 8 *Off-Coast Waste Disposal Options*

The Solid Waste Management Plan Monitoring Advisory Committee recommends that the SCRD consider off-coast waste disposal options as soon as possible.

Recommendation No. 9 *May 21, 2020 ISC Staff Reports*

The Solid Waste Management Plan Monitoring Advisory Committee recommends that the following reports from the May 21, 2020 Infrastructure Services Committee meeting be received for information:

- Solid Waste Programs – Sources of Funding;
- Regional Diversion – Annual Update.

NEW BUSINESS**Illegal Dumping**

Discussion included the following:

- Expressed that there currently is no solution to deter illegal dumping.
- Consensus to include illegal dumping as an agenda item at a future PMAC meeting.

NEXT MEETING Tuesday July 21, 2020

ADJOURNMENT 12:56 p.m.