

# Westside Residential Disposal & Recycling Centre/Landfill Closure News



## September 2012



*This is our monthly update on the operations of the Westside Residential Waste Disposal and Recycling Centre and on the progress of the landfill closure.*

### News and Information

#### Residential Waste Disposal and Recycling Centre

- Often residents bring materials for disposal in cardboard boxes. Please remember to dump your garbage into the bin without tossing in the cardboard box. If you don't wish to keep the box, on your way out of the facility, stop by the recycling depot and drop off unwanted cardboard for recycling. Cardboard is one of many materials that are banned from the landfill. To find out others and various recycling options check out the [Living Greener Calendar](#) or visit the [Reuse, Recycle and Repurpose information](#) on the Regional Waste Reduction Office webpages.
- A reminder that the yard waste drop off area is only for yard waste. Please ensure your leaves, branches and prunings are not contaminated with plastic bags, sod, rocks or other non-yard waste materials.
- It is anticipated metal will be baled in mid to late September, prior to paving of metal recycling area.
- In late September, early October asphalt paving is anticipated in the metal recycling area. At the same time some asphalt patching will be done along the edge of the waste disposal bins.
- A reminder that many more products are banned from household garbage, transfer stations and the landfill and are now accepted at BC Recycling Program depots. These include Power tools (free standing, bench top and hand-held) Exercise machines, Sewing machines ([www.electrorecycle.ca](http://www.electrorecycle.ca)); all residential use lights and fixtures ([www.lightrecycle.ca](http://www.lightrecycle.ca)) and Outdoor Electrical Power Equipment (hand-held electric trimmers, free standing pressure washers, electric walk behind lawn mowers and lawn tractors) [www.opec.ca](http://www.opec.ca). For more details about these expanded programs visit [www.RCBC.bc.ca](http://www.RCBC.bc.ca) or call the Recycling Council of BC hotline 1-800-667-4321 or the websites that are listed above.
- A reminder that effective January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013, tipping fees will increase as planned on loads under 250 kilograms. The fee rises from the current \$8 level to \$10. All other tipping fees will remain at the current rates.
- The Residential Waste Disposal facility is open Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday from 7:30 am to 4:00 pm. Please remember that residential loads must be covered during transport to the facility.
- West Kelowna, Peachland, Central Okanagan West and Westbank First Nation reserve residents may drop off recyclables at the site seven days a week, 7:30 am to 4:00 pm.
- Use our online form to report an illegal dump site at [regionaldistrict.com/recycle](http://regionaldistrict.com/recycle) or contact the Regional Waste Reduction Office at 250-469-6250 or email [recycle@cord.bc.ca](mailto:recycle@cord.bc.ca).

## Waste Disposal and Recycling Centre webpage

- Visit [regionaldistrict.com](http://regionaldistrict.com) - Select Quick Links / Environment – Westside Waste Disposal and Recycling Centre menu option.

## Landfill Closure

- The detailed process continues to develop a Final Closure Plan for Ministry of Environment approval. As part of the plan an updated Landfill Gas Management Plan and an Amending Cover and Sloping Plan is being prepared for consideration and review of the Ministry. Both will be key components of the overall Final Closure Plan.
- We are continuing to monitor trees and shrubs that were planted late last year.
- RDCO staff continues perimeter clean-up of blowing litter and vegetation. Please let us know if there are any issues, so that we can resolve them as quickly as possible.
- As available, we anticipate receiving and stockpiling of suitable soils for final cover and grading.

## Landfill Closure webpage

- Visit [regionaldistrict.com/landfillclosure](http://regionaldistrict.com/landfillclosure)

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