



Westside Landfill Newsletter

December 2009



Welcome to the December update on the operations of the Westside Landfill.

- The Landfill will be closed Christmas Day and New Year's Day.
- Some material from chipping of yard and wood waste during November has been left on site for use as needed during the winter and spring months for road and access to other areas of the landfill site.
- Garbage is being buried and covered daily in the south-centre section to bring this area up to slope and grade.
- Sloping is continuing in various areas for final grading and elevation. This may result in some temporary openings of previously buried materials and dispersal of odours. Should this occur, cover materials will be replaced at the end of each daily working period in an attempt to reduce any inconvenience.

Please note that these are anticipated plans for operations at the landfill and are subject to change.

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Landfill Operations Report

- In order to move forward with preparation of a Final Closure Plan for the entire landfill property it's expected the Regional Board will soon be asked to consider a report outlining future convenience solid waste transfer services at the site and the costs of providing these services for residents in Peachland, West Kelowna, Westbank First Nation and the Central Okanagan West Electoral Area. A waste transfer facility was originally identified as a potential future use for the site in the 1993 closure report. The waste transfer facility could provide convenience services similar to what is currently offered for garbage, recycling and yard waste. However, once the landfill is closed and garbage is no longer buried there it will also have to be transported elsewhere for disposal. The report to the Board will provide recommendations for operations, funding and potential capital improvements during 2010 and in future years. It would be included as part of the Final Closure Plan.

Landfill Advertising

- As needed advertising will remind residents the Asquith Road site is still open and accepting materials for disposal. Report Illegal Dumping to the Regional District Waste Reduction Office at 250-469-6250.

Tentative Waste Diversion Dates

- The Westside Landfill remains an open and active site. With the introduction this year of the Automated Waste Collection Program and diversion of curbside collection and commercial waste to the City of Kelowna Glenmore Landfill, there's been a significant reduction in the volume of material for burial in the landfill. Based on current volumes of self-haul garbage we now anticipate reaching the final grade and contours in 2010 in keeping with our original target date for closure. As a result residential self-haul materials will continue to be buried in the landfill into the New Year.

Final Concept Closure Plan Presentation

- Information on the Final Concept Closure Plan will be presented during a Public Information Meeting to be scheduled and advertised at a future date. Links are available to the Plan and the presentation to the Regional Governance and Services Committee on the [Landfill Closure webpage](#) (www.regionaldistrict.com Select Quick Links and the Landfill Closure menu option)

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