



Westside Landfill Newsletter

August 2009

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

- Dust control and watering of roads will continue as required in drier conditions.
- Please be aware that as we move to final grading and sloping of the south end of the landfill for closure, it's expected that rough contouring and sloping work 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.
- In an effort to assist those District of West Kelowna residents impacted by the Glenrosa and Rose Valley forest fires, the landfill has been accepting free of charge, household materials such as spoiled foods, that were damaged in the fires. No construction, demolition or wood waste is being accepted.
- Bailing of metal and white goods was not done as planned in July, but will be done during a seven to ten day period in August. These materials will be removed from the site.
- Chipping of yard waste and white wood was done in July and all materials were removed from the site.

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

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Tentative Waste Diversion Dates

- As of June 1st all commercially collected waste (garbage, construction and demolition, yard waste and other materials) is being diverted to the City of Kelowna Glenmore Landfill. However in order to get the landfill to grade elevations and contours for closure and as the Westside Landfill is still an open and active site, there may be occasional deliveries of garbage from commercial haulers.
- We anticipate at current rates that sometime during the fall, we will reach final grade and contour levels and will stop accepting material for burial in the Westside Landfill.

Other News

- With the commercial diversion of waste to the Glenmore Landfill in Kelowna, there has been a noticeable decrease in the volume of materials brought for disposal and traffic at the Westside Landfill. Now only residential vehicle traffic is using the landfill site for disposal and recycling.

Final Concept Closure Plan Presentation

- Consultant CM2H Hill gave a presentation on the Concept Closure Plan in July to the Governance and Services Committee of the Regional Board. Links are available to the Plan and the presentation on the [Landfill Closure webpage](#). Information on the Final Concept Closure Plan will be presented during a public Information Meeting to be scheduled and advertised at a future date.
- The Regional District anticipates that it will soon seek requests for proposals from qualified consultants for preparation of a Final Closure Plan as required by the BC Ministry of Environment. This plan will outline specific steps for completing closure,

rehabilitation and landscaping, ongoing monitoring and testing programs and future uses of the site.

Landfill Closure webpage

Information regarding the planned closure during 2010 of the Westside Landfill is available online at www.regionaldistrict.com and selecting Quick Links and the Landfill Closure menu option. There are also links available to documents such as the 1997 Operational Certificate, 1993 Closure Plan and past newsletters.

Should you have any questions or comments please forward them to Bruce Smith, RDCO Communications Coordinator and we'll do our best to provide answers for you.

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