

Westside Residential Disposal & Recycling Centre/Landfill Closure News



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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

- Both the Waste Disposal facility and Recycling Centre will be closed Christmas Day-Saturday, December 25th and New Year's Day-Saturday, January 1st.
- Metal baling will take place during December.
- As required, yard waste and waste wood will be loaded and removed from the site for disposal.
- The annual Christmas tree drop off program runs from December 26th through January 31st.
- In early December we anticipate improving on-site signage to enhance adherence with disposal requirements.
- During November several improvements were made:
 - Video cameras and audio speakers were installed to assist operation staff and facility users with proper disposal of materials in assigned areas of the transfer facility.
 - Paving was completed for the apron in the drywall and metal disposal areas.
- Construction of a defined lock block disposal area drywall has been postponed until more conducive weather in the spring.
- The Residential Waste Disposal facility is open Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday from 7:30 am to 4:00 pm (closed Christmas and New Year's days). Please remember that loads must be covered during transport to the facility. All materials previously accepted when the landfill was open are still being accepted including free disposal of up to 250 kilograms of residential yard waste. Please ensure grass, leaves, small branches and pruning's and other garden yard waste dropped off for disposal does not contain plastic bags, sod, rocks or other non-yard waste contaminants.
- 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 (closed Christmas and New Year's days).
- Please report any illegal dumping activities or sites to the Regional Waste Reduction Office at 250-469-6250 or email recycle@cord.bc.ca.

Waste Disposal and Recycling Centre webpage

- Visit regionaldistrict.com - Select Quick Links and the Environment – Westside Waste Disposal and Recycling Centre menu option.

Landfill Closure

- In December, an initial discussion will be held with the Ministry of Environment regarding the draft Final Closure Plan.
- As recommended by RDCO consultants, monitoring will continue through the winter before finalizing the Closure Plan.
- We anticipate receiving the Final Closure Plan during 2011 for Regional Board consideration. Ministry of Environment approval is required for the Final Closure Plan.
- We continue to receive and stockpile suitable soils on the landfill that will be used to establish final grades and contours during the closure process. Sloping may take place in various areas for final grading and elevation.
- We expect to schedule a public meeting in the future to present information regarding the Final Closure Plan and in particular landscaping and ongoing monitoring components.

Landfill Closure webpage

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