

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

- Happy New Year from all the staff at the Westside Residential Waste Disposal and Recycling Centre. We look forward to serving you throughout 2013.
- The annual free Christmas tree drop off program is well underway. In fact, there are people who have their trees down and tossed into our pile on Boxing Day. This year due to the calendar, our first day of operation after the Christmas closure was Friday, December 28th and we had dozens and dozens of people pass by the scale house with their tree tied to the roof of their vehicle, in the box of their pickup or in a trailer. The program wraps up at the end of the month. Please remember to remove all tinsel and decorations prior to disposing of your tree. The trees and other yard waste materials will continue to be chipped off site.
- As of January 1st, the tipping fee for loads of garbage under 250 kilograms rose to \$10. No other tipping fee rates are affected. This rate increase was approved by the Regional Board in late 2011 and along with the rate increase that took place at the start of 2012 reflects the increasing cost of managing solid waste across the region.
- Household cooking oils/grease can be disposed of at the facility during its regular operating hours. This new service is being offered in conjunction with McLeod's Byproducts of Armstrong. Learn more at www.regionaldistrict.com/recycle.
- A furniture deconstruction project is being operated at the site. Mattresses, sofa beds, box springs and other similar materials are being taken apart in order to recycle materials, further reducing garbage that is transported to the Glenmore Landfill for disposal. Anyone noticing suspicious after-hours activity inside the Waste Disposal and Recycling Centre is asked to call RCMP.
- The Residential Waste Disposal facility is open Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday from 7:30 am to 4:00 pm. The gate closes at 3:50 pm to permit our last customers to unload materials. 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 or contact 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 / Environment – Westside Waste Disposal and Recycling Centre menu option.

Landfill Closure

- We are hopeful that during 2013 we will receive Ministry of Environment approval on our detailed Final Closure Plan. As part of the plan, an updated Landfill Gas Management Plan and an Amending Cover and Sloping Plan are being prepared for consideration and review of the Ministry. Both will be key components of the overall Final Closure Plan. We and our consultants have met many times with Ministry staff and will continue efforts to get final approval on our long-term plan.
- RDCO staff continues regular 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.

Landfill Closure webpage

- Visit regionaldistrict.com/landfillclosure

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