

# Westside Residential Disposal & Recycling Centre/Landfill Closure News



**March 2013**



*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**

- Metal baling will take place during March. Materials that are collected are recycled and the price paid to the Regional District varies as it does with any commodity, but generally has been in the \$130-\$190 per metric tonne. Last year the sale of these metals generated approximately \$80,000 which was used to offset the cost of providing the Westside Residential Waste Disposal facility.
- While there's still technically several weeks of winter left, we anticipate if there is no significant snowfall, we'll see an early start to the yard waste disposal season as people head out into their yards to get started on that spring clean-up. If you have yard waste that can't fit into your curbside yard waste container, please remember yard waste weighing up to 250 kilograms may be dropped off anytime of the year, free of charge. Material weighing over 250 kilos is charged at a rate of \$40 per metric tonne. As we see more people with their pickups and trailers tarped and loaded with yard waste, please be patient. Our staff will help you as quickly as possible. April and May can be very busy with yard waste drop off at the transfer facility.
- Please do our environment a favour. All residential loads must be covered during transport to the facility in order to prevent the spread of litter along our roadways. Thanks for your cooperation!
- 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.
- 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**

- A friendly thank you for those who help to keep the buffer area adjacent to Alexandria Way, free from any personal materials and equipment. 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.

- We are still anticipating that during the year 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.

We appreciate your patience and understanding as we are seeking some amendments that were the result of the landfill closing several years earlier than originally anticipated which reduced the volume of material and traditional sloping that normally is presented to the Ministry for consideration.

### **Landfill Closure webpage**

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

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