

Westside Residential Disposal & Recycling Centre/Landfill Closure News



October - December 2014



This is our quarterly 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

- Even though curbside yard waste collection is wrapping up for this season at the end of November, the free drop off continues year round at the facility during its regular Friday through Monday operating hours. Loads up to 250 kilograms are accepted without charge! Over that weight is charged at \$40 per metric tonne. Just a reminder that our staff does their best to process customers at the weigh scale. This time of year, as people are raking, pruning and cleaning up their gardens and yards, we ask your patience as lines to get into the facility can be longer, especially when the weather is pleasant on weekends!
- Over the past few months we've had more frequent instances of vandalism and theft from the facility. We ask that if after hours, you notice any suspicious activity or people onsite or a crime in progress, please dial 9-1-1 and ask for the RCMP to report the incident. Continued vandalism adds unnecessary costs to the operation of the facility.
- The Waste Disposal facility will be open its regular days and hours Boxing Day, Friday, December 26th; Saturday, December 27th; Sunday, December 28th; Monday, December 29th and Friday, January 2nd. It will be closed as it normally would be on both Christmas Day and New Year's Day, which fall on Thursday this holiday season.
- The annual free Christmas tree drop off program continues starting Boxing Day, December 26th and running through January 31st, 2015.
- 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. All loads from residents of West Kelowna, Peachland, Central Okanagan West and Westbank First Nation reserves must be covered during transport to the facility in order to prevent the spread of litter along our roadways.
- West Kelowna, Peachland and Central Okanagan West residents may drop off recyclables at the site seven days a week, 7:30 am to 4:00 pm. The Recycling Centre will be closed on Christmas Day and New Year's Day.
- 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.

Residential Waste Disposal and Recycling Centre webpage

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

Landfill Closure

- Throughout the spring and summer months, we received approximately 7,000 cubic meters of fill soil. We still require about 2,000 cubic meters of suitable fill that will be used for cover soil and in shaping and contouring the site for closure.
- As we are moving toward the winter months, just a friendly reminder that the buffer area may not be used to store private property at any time. In order to continue to receive courtesy access via the buffer to the back of neighbouring Alexandria Way properties, please keep the buffer area clear at all times. Thanks for your co-operation.
- Dog owners should remember that all dogs must be kept on leash when in the buffer area. Please remember to pick up after your dog.
- Over the past three years since we stopped active landfilling at the site, there hasn't been as much material blowing around the site. Our staff continues to monitor and periodically clean-up any litter from around the fence. If there are any issues please let us know so that we can resolve them as quickly as possible. If you should notice any problems with the fence (holes cut etc.) please let us know approximately where, so that we can make the necessary repair.
- At this point we have nothing further to report regarding the Final Closure Plan.

Once Final approval is given by the Ministry to the Westside Landfill Closure Plan, we will proceed with scheduling and publicizing an Information Open House to highlight the plan and its key elements.

Landfill Closure webpage

- Visit regionaldistrict.com/landfillclosure

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