



Westside Landfill Newsletter

February 2009

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

- **Landfill Operation** – no unusual activities are expected during February.
- Late the week of February 2nd or by February 11th it is anticipated that baling and compacting will begin on the white goods and metal collection materials. This is not anticipated to take longer than one week to complete.
- We don't anticipate any large deliveries of cover material during February as construction activity has slowed.
- As excess cover material is retained (over and above that required for daily cover requirements) it will be used for work on the berm adjacent to Alexandria Way cul-de-sac.
- Rough sloping and contouring along the west and north-west sides of the landfill will continue. Depending on budget approval for 2009, we anticipate similar work will be done along the north-west and east sides of the landfill, adjacent to Alexandria Way properties.

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

- Curbside residential garbage from the District of West Kelowna and District of Peachland will begin to be diverted to the City of Kelowna Glenmore Landfill in early February, as the new Automated Waste Collection Program carts are delivered and being used throughout the two municipalities. This should substantially reduce truck hauler traffic in and around the Westside Landfill by early March.
- Waste collected from the two municipalities by large commercial haulers is anticipated to be diverted to the Glenmore Landfill starting in early April. This will further reduce traffic in and around the landfill to mostly small haulers and residential activity.
- Yard waste collected through the residential curbside program and white wood drop off should be diverted from the Westside Landfill to Glenmore by early summer/ late June.
- Discussions are underway on possible diversion from the Westside Landfill of dewatered bio-solids from the Regional Waste Water Treatment Plant. Until a conclusion is reached this material will continue to be buried in the Westside Landfill but as far away as possible from adjacent Alexandria Way properties.
- It is anticipated residential self haul waste will continue to be collected at the Westside Landfill for approximately two years until upgrades are in place to handle expected increased self haul traffic at the City of Kelowna Glenmore Landfill. It's anticipated these materials will be transported by truck from the Westside until residential self haul is accepted at the Glenmore Landfill from Westside residents.

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.

Automated Waste Collection Program

This program will begin during early February in the Westside District Municipality. Information on the neighbourhood by neighbourhood roll out will be available on the Regional District website. For information on this program, an informative Video and a Question and Answer sheet please visit the Automated Waste Collection Program webpage on the Regional District website: www.regionaldistrict.com select Quick Links and the Automated Waste Collection Program menu option.

Final Closure Plan and Possible Future Services at Westside Landfill

The consulting team (CH2M Hill) contracted by the Regional District continues to work on completing the Final Closure Plan for the landfill and Conceptual Plan for a possible convenience transfer facility. Consultations will be held with municipal stakeholders and once the consulting team has drafted a Closure Plan for the landfill and Conceptual Design of a possible transfer station, the information will be presented for public information and stakeholder comment. We still anticipate that during the winter of 2009, these plans will be finalized and presented to the Regional Board for approval.

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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