

RURAL TOURISM ACTION GRANT— Now Accepting Applications!

The Regional District is now accepting applications for the 2018 Rural Tourism Action Grant. Community groups and organizations can apply for up to \$2,500.00 in funding to support projects from trail head signage, festival and events promotion, & community tourism initiatives. Application deadline, September 30th, 2018. For grant guidelines and application package visit: <http://www.rdmw.bc.ca/regional-services/regional-economic-development/>

Carbon Action Summary Report—2017

The Regional District continues to take action to reduce carbon emissions. The RDMW's 2017 carbon emissions continue to remain 35% below 2011 levels, despite a 16% rise from 2016. Further improvements are expected in 2018 resulting from the regional arena no longer using any fossil fuels. All CO2e operational emissions will be offset again by the 7 Mile Biocover project which was expanded in 2017. To read the full report visit www.rdmw.bc.ca

Hyde Creek Volunteer Fire Department— Recruits Wanted!

Calling all interested men and women! The Hyde Creek VFD is seeking new recruits. Operating through the volunteer efforts of fellow community members, new recruits train with and learn from experienced members and have an opportunity to provide fire protection services to the local community. Contact your local fire chief today to learn more!



Route 12—Port McNeill Local —WEEKDAY SCHEDULE



PM Medical Clinic	Hyde Creek Esso	Mine & Argus	PM Pioneer Mall
7:59	8:10	8:15	8:22
11:09	-	11:16	11:25
2:00	2:11	2:16	2:25
4:54	5:05	5:10	5:19

Electoral Area C

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Hyde Creek Rec

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“Hyde Creek Holler”

APRIL 2018



‘Namgis First Nation & RDMW - C2C Meeting, March 15, 2018

Regional Directors met recently with the Namgis First Nation Council in a Community to Community forum to discuss several shared services and areas of common interest. The day's agenda included a review by the Regional District of the Regional Services as well as a discussion of several of economic development projects that will offer opportunities for participation by the ‘Namgis. ‘Namgis representatives provided an overview of their discussions with the Province of BC and the Government of Canada and shared their understanding of some of the implications for traditional rights and titles that flow from recent court cases and the evolving policy environment.

The representatives from both communities agreed that the North Island Regional Protocol Agreement, that was signed by 5 communities and 7 First Nations in 2010, formed a useful framework within which they could move forward to collaborating in several areas such as signage at the Woss Memorial Gazebo and the Hatchery Fire Agreement. As a first step, ‘Namgis Council and the Regional District Board will consider a common resolution endorsing the collaborative approach and a commitment to reach consensus on common projects. To ensure continuity for engagement, political leaders will establish a schedule of meetings, at least annually, that would provide a forum for ongoing discussion and reconciliation.

UTILITIES BILLING 2018

For residents in the Hyde Creek sewer service area:

Accompanying this newsletter is your annual utility bill for 2018. Households will assume a \$10 increase to sewer fees, to \$370.00 for full units. A gentle reminder to all:

- Bills not paid by July 1st, 2018 will be charged interest at 1%/month
- Outstanding fees not paid by Dec 31st, 2018 will be added to your Property Tax Account
- If using online banking to pay your utilities bill, please use your property's folio number as the account number. *A mistake could make your neighbour's day.*

Visit the link below to ensure your address is correct,

<https://info.bcasessment.ca/Services-products/update-your-property-information>

*If you would like to receive invoices/notices regarding your account via email, please email bsinclair@rdmw.bc.ca along with the name on your account and the email address you would like to have on file. Enjoy the day!

Sewer System Upgrades to be Completed in 2018!

The upgrades to be carried out on the sewer system should be completed by the end of May. The control system for the wastewater treatment plant will allow better management of the system. The majority of the project's cost were covered by Federal and Provincial grants under the Clean Water Wastewater Fund.

LOCAL GENERAL ELECTIONS

2018 is a General Local Election year. On October 20, 2018 eligible electors of the Regional District of Mount Waddington will have an opportunity to vote for the positions of Electoral Area Director and School Board Trustee unless these positions have been acclaimed. Visit <http://www.rdmw.bc.ca/> for more information on the general local election. The following are some key dates of interest associated with the general local election:

September 4 through 14th, 2018 – Nomination period

September 24th, 2018 – Declaration of candidates elected by acclamation or included as part of general election

October 10th, 2018 – Advanced voting

October 20th, 2018 – General election day

7 Mile Landfill & Recycling Hours:

Mon—Fri 9AM—4PM
Saturdays 10-AM—4PM
Starting Sunday

Solid Waste Service Update— Expressions of Interest Still Needed!

Many residents of Hyde Creek have expressed interest in a curbside recycling program similar to that received by Port McNeill households. Curbside service is subsidized by Multi Material BC (MMBC), a stewardship organization responsible for diverting 75% of residential packaging and printed paper from landfills. To be eligible for this service, a community must have curbside garbage collection managed by local government. Many Hyde Creek households have curbside collection but this service is not managed by the RDMW. Instead, a direct relationship exists between households and Fox Disposal. With its 2018 invoices, Fox Disposal will be circulating information showing what the cost of the service could be as part of a Hyde Creek local solid waste collection service. If sufficient interest is demonstrated, the RDMW is willing to start a formal process to see if such a local solid waste collection service can be established. Please submit your interest in this program to info@rdmw.bc.ca

More Recycling Opportunities Coming to BC in Near Future!

Recycle BC, the organization that is responsible for diverting packaging and printed paper from the waste stream has announced that as of June 1st, 2018, more flexible plastic packaging can be recycled. Details are still uncertain but stand up pouches, chip bags, produce net bags, frozen food zipper-lock bags, pasta bags and candy bar wrappers look like a sure inclusion in the new program. These materials will have to be brought to your recycling depot as they will likely not be included in the curb side program. The Regional District will post information on its website and at its depots as more information becomes available.



GROUNDWATER & WATER WELLS WORKSHOP

Interested in learning about groundwater and well water? Join staff of the Province of BC (Ministry of Forests Lands and Natural Resource Operations), Island Health, and the RDMW for a **FREE** workshop!

Workshop Highlights

~ Wells ~ Well Water ~ Groundwater ~ Water Conservation & More

Where & When

April 25th, 2018 at 7:00 pm, Chilton Regional Arena Image Room, 2205 Campbell Way, Port McNeill