

Solid Waste Management Plan Update 2019

In 2019, the Regional District of Mount Waddington will be kicking off its review of the Regional District Solid Waste Management Plan. Normally this process is done every five years but the current plan has not been modified since its original version in 1997 so this is long overdue. That being said, the Regional District has not been asleep at the wheel. Since 2011, unlicensed community dump sites in Woss and Malcolm Island and an old landfill in Winter Harbour have been closed down with garbage now going to 7 Mile Landfill which can treat leachate and the gases emitted by the garbage. In addition, new transfer stations/recycling depots have been established in Woss, Malcolm Island, Winter Harbour and Quatsino making it easy for residents to reduce their foot print on the planet.

The actual consultation process with communities has yet to be ironed out but opportunities will be made to discuss where the Regional District should proceed in the future regarding solid waste management so stay tuned in.

Coal Harbour Sewer and Water Services

2019 sees the conclusion to a major upgrading of both the water and sewer systems in Coal Harbour. The biggest investment was in doubling the capacity of the waste water treatment plant and making it more resilient to surges passing through the collection system which can occur in the winter. The improvements will also increase the ability to reduce the impact of the effluent entering time the marine environment. Another improvement is the installation of a failsafe in the water distribution system that will shut off the flow from one of the water storage tanks should there be a surge in the flow similar what would happen if a water main was damaged from an earthquake or careless excavator work. Most of the funding for this work came from the Provincial and Federal Governments Clean Water Wastewater Fund, but of critical importance was technical skill of Coal Harbour's own Paul Getman without whose leadership, this project would not have happened. 2019 will also see the last lift station being upgraded which means for all practical terms, the sewer system of Coal Harbour will have been rebuilt at little additional cost to property owners of the community due to Gas Tax investments and the guidance of the RDMW Board and the Coal Harbour LCC.

An impact of the improvements is an increase in operational costs. 2019 sewer will fees go up by 21% to mostly meet sludge handling costs as the sewer treatment plants former configuration was unable to capture suspended sediments to the same degree as the improved system. If you have any questions, please contact our office.

Route 5—WEEKDAY SCHEDULE

Coal Harbour	CH Junction Turnoff	PH Thunderbird Mall
9:00 AM	9:17 AM	9:21 AM
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9:15 AM	9:32 AM	9:36 AM
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Saturday Times!

“Coal Harbour Connections”

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UTILITIES BILLING 2019

Accompanying this newsletter is your annual utility bill. 2019 rates have increased by 21% for sewer (Bylaw No. 964) and by 2% for water (Bylaw No. 965). Residents are reminded of the following:

- Unpaid utility bills will be charged interest at 1%/month, interest beginning July 1, 2019
- Outstanding utility amounts still owing on Dec 31st, 2019 will be added to your Rural Property Taxes
- If using online banking to pay your utilities bill, please use your property's folio number as the account number. If your mailing address is incorrect on your bill, visit the following link to correct it: <https://info.bcassessment.ca/Services-products/update-your-property-information>

***If you have questions or concerns regarding your invoices or would like to receive your invoice via email, please email bsinclair@rdmw.bc.ca. Please include the your name and folio number along with the email address you would like to have on file.**

EMERGENCY SERVICES



The Coal Harbour Fire Hall is the muster point for community emergencies. The public is advised to evacuate to this location during a tsunami or earthquake emergency. The Coal Harbour Fire Department will issue evacuation orders. To view Coal Harbour section of the North Island Regional Emergency Plan visit <http://www.rdmw.bc.ca/our-communities/coal-harbour/>

PLANNING

Are you thinking about siting a building or structure or introducing a new use on your property? Don't forget that Coal Harbour has a zoning bylaw in place that regulates uses and the siting of buildings and structures. There is a requirement to obtain a Building Permit for the siting of most buildings and structures. Accessory buildings that are less than 10 square metres (107 square feet) in area and do not create a hazard are exempt from obtaining a building permit, but must still meet zoning regulations including set-back provisions. Please call Jeff Long at the RDMW for more information.

Is there
a **FIRE** in
you?



Coal Harbour Volunteer Fire Department—Recruits Wanted!

It has been another busy year for the Coal Harbour VFD with members taking opportunities to take courses and practice their new skill sets. Current membership stands at 10, so if you're male or female, young or old, Chief Andrew Hory has a stylish yellow suit with your name on it.

Contact your local fire chief today for more info! (250)-949-0627

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 Garbage Collection Day

 Recycling Collection Day

Volunteer Transportation Network (VTN)

Thanks to local volunteers, the VTN Service is available to Coal Harbour residents who may have mobility issues. Call 250-956-3151 for further info.

Rural Tourism Action Grant—Now Accepting Applications!

The Regional District is now accepting applications for the 2019 Rural Tourism Action Grant. Community groups and organizations can apply for up to \$2,500.00 in funding to support projects including trail head signage, festival and events promotion, and community tourism initiatives. Application deadline is September 30th, 2019. For grant guidelines and application package visit: <http://www.rdmw.bc.ca/regional-services/regional-economic-development/>

2019 Coal Harbour Recycling and Garbage Collection Schedule (250) 956-3301

No sorting is required for recyclables that are permitted in the curbside collection. Please review the information below:

Allowed Metal Packaging

- Metal Cans (**No Refundable Cans**)
- Metal Lids & Closures
- Metal Aerosol Cans
- Aluminum Foil
- Spiral Wound Cans (Steel Ends)

Paper/Cardboard Packaging

- Corrugated Cardboard
- Paper Cups
- Milk Cartons
- Aseptic Containers (**No Refundable Juice Boxes**)
- Multi-laminated Paper Packaging
- Boxboard
- Moulded Pulp
- Paper Bags

Plastic Packaging

- Types 1,2,3,4,5,6 & 7 plastic packaging.
- No Type 6 Polystyrene Foam
- Bottles (**No Refundable Bottles**)
- Jars, Clamshells, Trays, Tubs & Lids, Drink Cups, Pails & Planter Pots

Printed Paper

- Newspapers & Inserts
- Magazines, Catalogues and Telephone Books
- General Use Paper, Envelopes, Greeting Cards
- **No Books, Foil Gift Wrap, Ribbons & Padded Envelopes**

Depot Only Materials

- Glass Packaging (bottles, jars, etc)
- Polystyrene (Styrofoam but **No Peanuts**)
- Plastic Film (Frozen Vegetable Bags, Plastic Grocery Bags, etc)

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