

## 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 from trail head signage, festival and events promotion, & community tourism initiatives. Application deadline, September 30th, 2019. For grant guidelines and application package visit: <http://www.rdmw.bc.ca/regional-services/regional-economic-development/>

## PLANNING

Are you thinking about siting a building or structure or introducing a new use on your property? Don't forget that Hyde Creek has a zoning bylaw in place that regulates uses and the siting of buildings and structures. There is a requirement to obtain a Site Permit for the siting of most buildings and structures. A Site Permit is not a Building permit and is intended to ensure that what you site on your property complies with the zoning regulations. Please call Jeff Long, Manager of Planning at the RDMW for more information.

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### Route 12—Port McNeill Local —WEEKDAY SCHEDULE

PM Pioneer Mall	PM Medical Clinic	Hyde Creek Esso	Mine & Argus	PM Pioneer Mall	Port McNeill Ferry
7:59am	8:01am	8:10am	8:15am	8:22am	8:24am
11:09am	11:11am	-	11:16am	11:23am	11:25am
2:00pm	2:02pm	2:11pm	2:16pm	2:23pm	2:25pm
4:54pm	4:56pm	5:05pm	5:10pm	5:17pm	5:19pm

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# “Hyde Creek Holler”

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## UTILITIES BILLING 2019

Accompanying this newsletter is your annual utility bill. Residents are reminded of the following:

- Unpaid utility bills will be charged interest at 1%/month, interest beginning on 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.bcasessment.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](mailto:bsinclair@rdmw.bc.ca). Please include your name and folio number along with the email address you would like to have on file. Enjoy the day!**

<b>Eco-Depots</b>
7 Mile Landfill & Recycling Center Hwy 19 (14 km North of Port McNeill) Mon-Fri 9 to 4 & Sat 10 to 4
Port Alice Recycling Depot M-Fr 8:45-3:45 Sat 10-2 Sun 12-6 Open till 6 PM Tues
Alert Bay Recycling Depot 164B Alder Mon-Fri 9 to 5
Malcolm Island Recycling Depot 5 2 <sup>nd</sup> Street, Sointula Tue 10-1, Wed 6-8 & Sat 10-3
Woss Recycling Depot See <a href="http://www.rdmw.bc.ca">www.rdmw.bc.ca</a> Wed & Sun
<b>Packaging and Printed Paper Only Depots</b>
Port McNeill: Island Foods 1979 Nimpkish Cres. M-Th 9-3:30 Fr 9-2 Sat 10-2
Winter Harbour To Be Determined
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## North Island Recycling Depots



Your North Island Recycling Depots provide differing levels of service. Eco-Depots allow users to bring a wide variety of materials from packaging/ printed paper to tires and electronics. Other depots just focus on packaging and printed paper. For a detailed list of what materials your local depots can accept, go to [www.rdmw.bc.ca](http://www.rdmw.bc.ca) and check out the Recycling Page.

**The new packaging recycling program requires glass, polystyrene foam and plastic film materials to be taken to a depot.**

### Glass



- Keep your returnable beverage bottles out of recycling for charitable functions or for your own benefit.
- Take caps and lids off, recycle metal ones.

### Polystyrene



- We cannot recycle packing peanuts

### Plastic Film



- We cannot recycle stretch wrap

**7 Mile Landfill & Recycling Hours:** Mon—Fri 9AM—4PM  
Saturdays 10AM—4PM

**\*Open Sundays start July 2, 2019**      Sundays: 10AM-4:00PM

## 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.

## HYDE CREEK VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

It has been a very busy year for the Hyde Creek VFD with members taking courses and practicing their new skill sets. This level of activity has had a corresponding benefit of record recruitment as the membership stands at 19. To balance off all the new members, the department had a high point with the Provincial and Governor General's recognition of over 30 year of service by Chief Doug Von Schilling and Training Tyrant Buzz Cochrane. 2018 saw the start of the expansion and fire resiliency work on the fire hall so that the tanker truck that needs to be purchased in 2019 will have a home. We plan in 2019 to install solar cells on the fire hall's roof with a battery system to make it better able to support the department during BC Hydro outages and tripling the emergency water storage capacity to ensure there is a secure resource to feed the hoses when a fire needs suppressing. The much of the hall improvements and all the energy and water capacity upgrades have been funded by Gas Tax grants. Also check out the Hyde Creek VFD Facebook page to see what the members are doing on practice nights and other undertakings which Deputy Chief Murray Estlin keeps updating.

With all the training and equipment needs for new and veteran members plus a regulatory environment which significantly lifts the demands on the department, there was a significant need to increase operational funding. 2019's tax requisition will be up 40%. It should be noted that this increase is not intended to address major capital purchases in the form of the tanker and pumper truck. The tanker is overdue for replacement so will likely be purchased in 2019 while the pumper has about a decade of service left in it. Fortunately the leadership of the department have been planning for these expenses and capital reserves are in a relatively health state. If you have any questions, please contact our office.

## HYDE CREEK SEWER AND WATER SERVICES

The Hyde Creek sewer systems was upgraded in 2018 with the control system of waste water treatment replaced. Most of the funding for this work came from the Provincial and Federal Governments Clean Water Wastewater Fund.

## UPCOMING STUDENT EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The Regional District will be looking for a summer student to work at both 7 Mile Landfill and assist our Parks Department for July and August. The Job posting will be available for review in early May, and will be located on the Regional District Website ([www.rdmw.bc.ca](http://www.rdmw.bc.ca)) as well as being advertised in the North Island Eagle. This position is funded through a grant and is open to all students, aged 15 to 30 who have been registered as a full time student for school in the past academic year and will be returning to school as a