



Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District Bamfield Water Newsletter

Water advisory & Treatment Plant status

Bamfield Water continues to be under a water advisory placed by Island Health (VIHA) as the water system supplies water that does not meet the Canadian Drinking water standards for both Trihalomethane (THM) and Haloacetic acid (HAA) levels. THM & HAA are a group of chemical compounds that are made when chlorine reacts with organic matter in water. The water advisory has been in place since November of 2013.

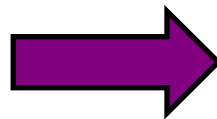
Since November of 2013 the ACRD Board of Directors, staff, engineer, consultants and the Bamfield Water Advisory committee (BWS committee) have been working to find the most economical and efficient solution to address the water advisory. The Dissolved Air Flootation pilot test in late 2014 was undertaken to confirm the method of treatment. The cost estimated of a Dissolved Air Flootation water treatment plant was estimated to be \$1.5 million. The Board of Directors have allocated \$1,026,672 Gas Tax funds towards the treatment plant.

The water system needs to meet the terms and conditions (as set by VIHA) on the operating permit and a DAF treatment plant will provide an economical and efficient solution for the water quality issues Bamfield is faced with. VIHA, staff and the ACRD's engineer have met on several occasions with the BWS committee to review the issues and the options available to the Bamfield water system.

In order for the ACRD to borrow for this project it must obtain electoral approval. ACRD staff will bring the options available to obtain electoral approval to the BWS committee and the board in late July. The likely outcome will be a referendum in the fall of 2016. Please check this hyperlink/web address for updates <http://www.acrd.bc.ca/471>

Public assistance with water leaks

We are asking the public to help and watch the ditches and other areas for water system leaks. Being a rural area and with public assistance we can minimize water lost to leaks. Please call Les Butler at (250) 728-1260 if you suspect a water leak.



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Household Recycling Information for Bamfield Transfer Station:

Recycling Reminder

Remember to recycle:



Empty and rinse before adding to recycling



Recycling Reminder

The following items are **NOT** accepted with MMBC recycling.



No coat hangers, pots and pans, or other scrap metal



No batteries

For disposal information, contact RCBC at 1-800-667-4321.



Contact

information:

- Regional District address: 3008 5th Ave. Port Alberni, BC V9Y 2E3
- For water system inquiries contact Les Butler (250)728-1260
- For billing inquiries contact (250)720-2707 or accounting@acrd.bc.ca

For a complete list of what can be recycled at the Bamfield Transfer station please visit www.recyclinginbc.ca

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