

Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District Solid Waste Plan Monitoring Advisory Committee – West Coast Meeting Agenda

Meeting Date & Time: Thursday, April 23, 2015 @ 1:30 pm

Location: ACRD Board Room, 3008 Fifth Avenue, Port Alberni, BC

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Adoption of Minutes February 26, 2015 meeting
- 3. ICI Disposal Bans Update
- 4. Organics Diversion Opportunities Assessment Results
- 5. Other
- 6. Adjournment



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In attendance:

Kris Patterson, Chamber of Commerce Mike Kokura, Electoral Area B Director Lucas Banton, Electoral Area F Director Les Sam, Tseshaht FN Al McGill, McGill & Associates Penny Cote, Electoral Area D Director Janice Hill, ACRD John McNabb, Electoral Area E Director Gary Swann, Public Representative Jerry Kupiak, Suncoast Waste Moe Vale, Berry & Vale Jack McLeman, City Councillor Carey McIver, Carey McIver & Associates Randy Fraser, ACRD

1. Call to Order

Chair, John McNabb called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm.

2. ACRD SWMP Implementation

- a) Carey McIver delivered a power point presentation outlining the 2015 Work plan and schedule.
- b) 2014 disposal data shows a decrease from 740 to 736 kg per capita, which shows we are diverting more from the landfill but we still can divert much more.

3. ICI Disposal Bans Progress Report

a) AV Waste Audit Results

A mini waste audit was performed on commercial and residential loads being tipped at the AV Landfill. The loads contained minimal old corrugated cardboard (OCC). There was a slightly higher than normal volume of beverage containers which may be the result of the load coming from multi-family residences. There was minimal paper and plastic, significant amount of food waste and no yard waste.

A drive-by audit was carried out on local business in the City. Most businesses that use private haulers had both garbage and an OCC bin. Businesses which had garbage bins

provided by the City did not have OCC bins. Some of the large retailers have compactors on site. Most restaurants have a Fat, Oil and Grease (FOG) bin.

b) Stakeholder Consultation Update

Carey McIver of Carey McIver and Associates, and Janice Hill of the ACRD attended the Alberni Valley Chamber of Commerce Board meeting on January 25th to discuss the OCC ban and the Organics Diversion Opportunities Assessment. The Chamber Board was all in support of the OCC ban but felt there could be some issues with implementing the Organics ban.

Carey and Janice were invited and attended the Alberni Valley Chamber of Commerce dinner meeting on February 25th to present information on the OCC Ban. There was positive response to the OCC Ban and no issues were raised. The Organics ban was not discussed due to time limits for presentations.

c) Program Implementation Issues

- Businesses that do not already have OCC collection will need to engage private haulers to arrange collection.
- ii. Small generators may have to self haul.
- iii. The schedule for implementing the ban will stay on schedule (June 2015 but be flexible with phase-in.
- d) Impact on tipping fees Tipping fees may need to be increased to help cover the cost of lost revenue of tipped material. Keeping in mind that the cost of recycling needs to be the same or less than disposing of materials in the landfill.

4. Communication Plan Progress Report

a) ICI Disposal Bans

The committee agreed that there needs to be plenty of advertising and education material provided in order to provide information on the OCC ban. Potential tools may include workshops, speaking engagements, and a mail out to generators, advertising, media material, brochures, posters, and flyers.

b) Organics Diversion

Jerry Kupiak of Suncoast waste explained how the Organics collection program works in Cumberland. They collect both food waste and yard waste which is picked up weekly. Garbage and recycling are picked up bi-weekly. There would have to be decisions made on what our program would collect. Would it be just food waste or food and yard waste? Would it be just residential or would ICI be included to increase the tonnage? How would it be collected? Would it be collected curbside or at a depot? The processing facility would also have to be determined. Would we create our own facility or use an established facility? Who would operate the facility? All of these questions will be addressed in the Organics Diversion Opportunities Assessment which is being completed by Carey McIver and Maura Walker. The results of the assessment will be presented to the April 23rd PMAC meeting. Following discussion at the meeting the consultants will prepare an organics diversion strategy for discussion and approval at the June 25th PMAC meeting..

5. Other

Disposal of gyproc at the landfill was discussed. It was agreed that the committee should look into banning gyproc from the landfill sooner rather than later.

Meeting adjourned at 2:50 pm.

Next meeting: April 23, 2015 @ 1:30 in the ACRD Board Room.

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John McNabb, Chair