

ALBERNI-CLAYOQUOT REGIONAL DISTRICT BEAVER CREEK WATER SYSTEM



Quarterly Newsletter



WATER NEWS

Your Meter Box



Spring is time for cleaning, and time to clean up around your meter box:

- Keep the area immediately around it free of vegetation growth
- Keep the meter lid free from soil, gravel, bark mulch and leaves
- Don't place planters or paving stones on the meter lid
- Don't plant trees or shrubs near your meter box

Your Recycling Pick-Up



Waste Management's acquisition of Sun Coast Waste Services means you will be receiving recycling services from them. They are pleased to serve you and are looking forward to a smooth transition. No service or schedule changes are planned at this time. For service inquiries please call: 1-800-774-9748.

'INS' AND 'OUTS'
EASTER
RECYCLING

YES

include in curbside, multi-family or depot recycling

PAPER

Paper boxes

Paper egg cartons

Boxboard boxes
(remove plastic window)

Paper gift bags

CONTAINERS

Milk cartons

Plastic trays

Plastic packaging

Foil wrap

NO

not accepted for recycling with Recycle BC

Ribbons and bows

Foil gift wrap

Candy wrappers

Crinkly plastic/
cellophane wrap

Toys and games

Paper towels/
napkins

Check with the Recycling Council of BC (RCBC.ca) or your local municipality if these items have recycling options.

VIEW ALL ACCEPTED MATERIALS AT:
RecycleBC.ca/What-can-I-recycle

A Message from your Air Quality Council

Summary of Port Alberni Air Quality

In 2017, Port Alberni was red-listed by the Canadian Air Quality Management System for exceedances of the National Standards set for Particulate Matter 2.5 (PM2.5). In the Alberni Valley, air pollution comes primarily from smoke from open burning and residential wood heat. Smoke travels and one person's smoke can have an adverse effect on the health of the community. Air pollution is also exacerbated by the mountainous geography and climatic conditions (the valley is prone to inversions) which hinder the dispersion of emissions. Everyone must be involved as all pollution sources have an effect.

The health impact of air pollution has both short term and long term affects and there is a correlation between air quality and health problems. There is no "safe level" of air pollution and any improvements to emissions locally will have a direct impact and improvement on public health.

History of the Wood Stove Exchange

The Wood Stove Exchange Program began in 2008 with the intent to provide monetary incentive for replacing old wood stoves (very high particulate emissions) with efficient, low emissions models or alternatives through \$250 (per appliance) rebates. This program is funded by the BC Ministry of Environment and overseen by the BC Lung Association. The ACRD has participated for the past decade, providing about 365 rebates to residents of the Alberni Clayoquot Regional District.



2019 Wood Stove Exchange

The program runs on a first come, first serve basis. There are limited quantities of each of the two available rebates. Vouchers have a 90-day expiry from the date of issue.

This year there are 2 types of rebates:

- 1) The program is introducing an option for households with any woodstove manufactured prior to 2014 to participate in the program if they are switching to a new pellet or gas heating appliance or electric air-source heat pump. The rebate amount for this option is \$500. Retailer discount of \$300. Total of \$800 in savings.
- 2) The uncertified woodstove to certified woodstove exchange has remained at \$250. Retailer discount of \$150. Total of \$400 in savings.

Please direct any questions regarding the program to the ACRD at (250)720-2700 or via email to admin@acrd.bc.ca. To further determine if you are eligible to utilize the woodstove exchange please go the website at www.acrd.bc.ca/239.

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Acceptable air quality is everyone's right. Protecting air quality is everyone's responsibility.