



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

Meeting Date & Time: Thursday, April 16, 2015 @ 1:30 pm

Location: Ucluelet Community Center, 500 Matterson Drive, Ucluelet, BC

In attendance:

Dianne St. Jacques, District of Ucluelet
Gerry Schrieber, Public Representative
Carey McIver, Carey McIver & Associates

Josie Osborne, District of Tofino
Maura Walker, Maura Walker & Associates
Janice Hill, ACRD

1. Call to Order

Chair, Josie Osborne called the meeting to order at 1:35 p m.

2. ICI Disposal Bans

Options and issues for OCC disposal ban were discussed:

- a. Could the Co-op(s) take ICI OCC into their compactor? If so, what would the costs be associated for this?
- b. Need to gain more understanding of Sonbird's costs for the collection, depot and transportation to markets.
- c. District of Ucluelet Council is visiting all business on May 19th. This may be a good opportunity to discuss the disposal ban with the businesses.
- d. Consider a competitive bid to provide a service – should more than just OCC be included?
- e. Group agreed to go ahead with bylaw amendment in September 2015 and start up in January 2016.

3. Organics Diversion Opportunities Assessment

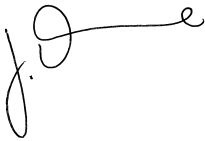
- a. PMAC recommendation: Focus on commercial collection (perhaps residential later).
- b. Backyard burning is not banned in the municipalities.
- c. Backyard composting is banned in Ucluelet – does this bylaw need revising to prohibit composting in a manner that attracts wildlife (rather than all composting?)
- d. Residential:
 - i. Tofino could consider providing accessible drop off area for food waste
 - ii. Tofino Urban Farm Company's collection business could expand
 - iii. Backyard composting coaching supportable
 - iv. Could bring backyard composters to Ukee Days – with compost trainers
- e. How much are landscapers paying to get rid of their debris? Josie to make some calls to see where landscaping waste is going.

- f. There are some small fish plants that could be targeted to send their fish waste to the composting facility.
- g. Gibsons and Crow are the main companies in the area involved with land clearing.
- h. Davey Tree does right-of-way clearing and cleaning – gives chips away (eg. To Parks Canada, Botanical Gardens)
- i. Issue of how food waste ban would affect small businesses.
- j. Need to continue to move this forward as quickly as reasonable. Josie would like to see a draft strategy brought forward in June 2015.
- k. PMAC recommendations:
 - i. Preference for citing a composting facility at the WC landfill
 - ii. Preference for contracting out the operation

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 pm.

Next meeting: Thursday, June 18th, 2015, @ 1:30 pm (TBD).

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Osborne', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Josie Osborne, Chair