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ACRD launching solid waste survey with movie night for public

Port Alberni - Join the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District (ACRD) for a free movie screening of the Canadian-made documentary *Scrap* – a film about what happens to things when people are finished with them and how some people are reimagining those materials into something new.

The screening event will be held Oct. 17, marking the kick-off of a community survey from the ACRD. The survey aims to gather valuable insight on how our residents currently create and manage waste. It is the first stage of public engagement in the new Solid Waste Management Plan (SWMP) process now underway.

“Asking people to think about waste in a different way will be a key part of the SWMP process,” said Jodie Frank, solid waste project coordinator for the ACRD. “We need to understand that garbage doesn’t just go away and switch focus to how we can reduce it and how it can be treated like a resource. We want to think ‘Beyond the Bin’, and this film is a great tie - we’re excited to share it with the community.”

Join us: Scrap Movie Screening and Survey Launch

- Tuesday, Oct. 17, 6 - 8 pm
- Char’s Landing, 4815 Argyle St.
- Free Admission

ABOUT SCRAP

SCRAP is a love letter to the things we use in our daily lives. This cinematic documentary tells the story of people who each have a deep connection to objects that have reached their 'end of life'. Together these stories convey a deeper environmental and human message about our relationship to things, the sadness we feel at their eventual loss, and the joy that we can find in giving them a new purpose.

<https://scrapdoc.ca/>

ABOUT SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN AND SURVEY

Regional Districts are required to create plans for managing waste. The ACRD’s current SWMP is now more than 10 years old, and the goals it established have been achieved. It’s time for an update! The extensive plan development process will include technical review and public input as new goals and strategies are identified to continue waste reduction work.

The community survey will be live from Oct. 16 to Nov. 13, 2023. Follow for the latest project news and access the survey at: www.letsconnect.ca/swmp

For more updates on the plan and next steps, follow along at letsconnectacrd.ca/swmp

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