


**Comox Strathcona
Waste Management**

2014 Regional District CEO/CAO Forum

Chair Edwin Grieve
Comox Valley Regional District
Mayor Leslie Baird
Village of Cumberland

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Comox Strathcona waste 'stream' transporting to Comox Valley engineered landfill 2018



- Service area population 104,950 (2011)
- Wasteshed area 21,725 square km
- Focus on meeting and respecting the individual needs of each community and rural areas (23 in total), while working towards fulfilling operational requirements and provincial regulations
- Solid Waste Management Plan approved by ministry on May 23, 2013
- Host community Village of Cumberland 20 years : 2013 to 2032
- Engineered landfill construct by 2018

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Host Community Agreements

Assists with addressing some of the challenges:

- Not in my back yard – incredibly challenging to site waste management facilities;
- Ministry of Environment regulations - challenging to meet, costly to implement, non-compliance no longer an option;
- RDs exempt from paying municipal taxes ; grant-in-lieu.

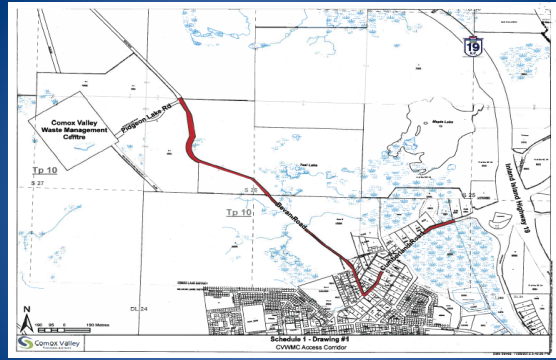
Provides acknowledgement to the community 'host' for the location of a significant greater regional environmental facility:

- A partnership approach to managing operations and addressing community concerns;
- A financial approach to addressing infrastructure impacts and ongoing maintenance/other community concerns;
- A legal approach to provide for inclusiveness, enforceability and accountability.

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Concerns raised by Village of Cumberland regarding landfill siting (2010 prior to SWMP approval)

- No evidence of first nations consultation;
- Landfill location not compatible with long term development plans;
- Request to explore other options for "Regional Facility";
- Regional Landfill will add to existing environmental and logistical problems;
- Concerns of pollution and proximity of water source;
- Deterioration, illegal dumping, litter and pollution of roads;
- Decreased property values.



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Agreement, Mitigation of Concerns & Relationship Building

February 14, 2013 – board authorizes host community agreement, subject to obtaining elector approval from residents.

20 year agreement, key components (2013 – December 31, 2032):


EXISTING ROADWAYS REHABILITATION AND PROVISIONS:

- one time upgrade to the traffic corridor ;
- MOTI standards for design and construction;
- not to exceed \$3,000,000.00 ;

HOST COMMUNITY RATE FEE: Host community rate fee of \$300,000.00 per annum;

REVIEW: Mandatory joint review every five years commencing 2020;

COMMUNICATION: parties agree to meet no less than once per calendar year to review matters relating to the agreement.



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Questions?

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