

**SUNSHINE COAST REGIONAL DISTRICT  
SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN  
PUBLIC AND TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Wednesday, April 17, 2024**

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RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN PUBLIC AND TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE CEDAR ROOM, 1975 FIELD ROAD, SECHELT, BC

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**PRESENT:**

(Voting Members)

Chair  
Vice Chair  
Members

J. Sutherland  
D. Reeve  
S. Selzer  
N. Brenchley  
P. Robson  
S. Van Poppelen  
M. Ernst  
S. White

Director, Town of Gibsons

**ALSO PRESENT:**

(Non-Voting)

Manager, Solid Waste Services  
Recorder  
Director, Electoral Area E  
Director, Electoral Area D

M. Sole  
R. Newland  
D. McMahon  
K. Backs

**REGRETS:**

Solid Waste Operations Coordinator  
Members

A. Patrao  
A. Joe  
E. Machado  
J. Walton

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**CALL TO ORDER**

2:04 p.m.

**AGENDA**

The agenda was adopted as presented.

**MINUTES**

The minutes of the March 6, 2024, Solid Waste Management Plan Public and Technical Advisory Committee (PTAC) meeting were accepted as circulated.

**REPORTS**

**Future Disposal Options**

Marc Sole, Manager, Solid Waste Services, Sunshine Coast Regional District (SCRD), provided a presentation on Future Disposal Options, which included the following:

- Review of the 2024 SCRD Budget approved projects:
  - Construction funding for the relocation of the Sechelt Landfill contact water pond.
  - Feasibility study and engineering funding for a vertical expansion of the existing

Sechelt Landfill, within the current landfill property.

- Review of the Board directives to Solid Waste staff from the February 8, 2024, Board meeting:
  - Undertake a detailed feasibility study for exporting waste.
  - Engage with local governments, First Nations, interested parties, and residents on the feasibility of future solid waste disposal options, including:
    - New landfill options
    - Lateral expansion of Sechelt Landfill options
    - Waste export options

## COMMUNICATIONS

### Potential strategies to consider for Solid Waste System Financing

Veronica Bartlett, Senior Environmental Planner, Morrison Hershfield, provided a presentation on the Potential strategies to consider for Solid Waste System Financing, which included the following:

- Review of feedback from March 6, 2024, PTAC meeting (Strategies 13-15)
  - PTAC was satisfied with the most recent strategies, with comments on the following:
    - Strategy 14: Invasive Species Management, while important, is not as critical as some other strategies at this time.
    - Strategy 15: Emergency Debris Waste Management is important and needs to be looked into.
  - Areas highlighted by PTAC from Strategies 1-15:
    - Better management of: construction waste, restaurant waste, and tourism waste.
    - More education and outreach across all strategies.
- Solid Waste Systems Finances and Administration; reviewed the 2024-2028 Financial Plan, which included the following:
  - Relevant historical numbers related to revenue and expenses.
  - Projected revenue sources and expenses.
- Strategy 16: Develop Long-Term System Cost Forecasting and Cost Recovery
  - 16A: Assess the cost-benefit of using contractor vs in-house staff to operate the Sechelt Landfill and transition to in-house services if determined to be beneficial.
  - 16B: Assess the cost-benefit of options that can reduce service-related operating costs where private sector solutions exist or could be facilitated.
  - 16C: Assess cost recovery model to implement tipping fees and taxation that fully fund the solid waste management system.
    - Discussion on tipping fee increases and that they do not increase illegal dumping.
- Strategy 17: Maximize Disposal Capacity
  - 17A: Review options to incentivize facility contractors to divert waste and implement if deemed feasible.

**NEXT MEETING**                      TBD

**ADJOURNMENT**                      5:00 p.m.