

## MAY CALENDAR

- 5 RDN Electoral Area Services Committee**  
1 p.m.
- 10 RDN Board Meeting**  
1 p.m.
- 10 Nanaimo Regional Hospital District Board Meeting**  
12:30 p.m.
- 15 Broombusting**  
Various RDN Parks and Trails  
10 a.m. – 12 p.m.  
Join a work party to help remove Broom.  
[www.rdn.bc.ca/recreation](http://www.rdn.bc.ca/recreation)
- 24 RDN Board Meeting**  
1 p.m.
- 28 Science in the Park at the Arboretum**  
1210 Maughan Rd, Nanaimo  
11 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
Learn about trees and their life cycles.  
Free drop-in. [www.rdn.bc.ca/recreation](http://www.rdn.bc.ca/recreation)
- 29 Qualicum Beach Family Day Free Swim**  
Ravensong Aquatic Centre  
737 Jones St, Qualicum Beach  
4 - 7 p.m. (maximum capacity 120)

All Board, Electoral Area Services Committee and Hospital District Board meetings take place in the Board Chambers at 6300 Hammond Bay Road, Nanaimo and are also webstreamed.

[www.rdn.bc.ca/agendas-minutes-videos](http://www.rdn.bc.ca/agendas-minutes-videos)

## NO MOW MAY

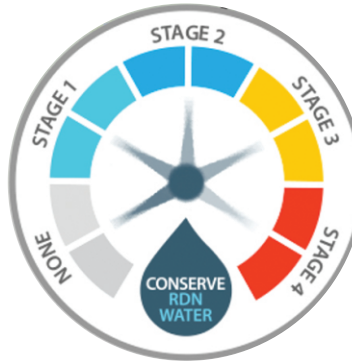
This May, consider allowing lawn flowers to bloom for pollinators such as bees and other insects, helping protect biodiversity. Keeping your grass long also helps shade and protect the soil below, increasing water retention for a healthier, more water efficient lawn. This is referred to “Slow Mow/ No Mow May” and is a growing community movement across Canada and the U.S. For more tips on efficient lawn maintenance, check out the Team WaterSmart Get Involved [www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/team-watersmart](http://www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/team-watersmart).

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## WATERING RESTRICTIONS

Stage 2 Watering Restrictions for automated sprinkling systems begin on May 1. This allows even or odd day watering based on house number, for a maximum of two hours between 7 and 10 a.m. or

7 and 10 p.m. This watering schedule comes into effect annually, helping everyone get in the habit of water conservation as we move into the summer months. To learn more about watering restrictions visit: [www.rdn.bc.ca/watering-restriction-map](http://www.rdn.bc.ca/watering-restriction-map).



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## DCC RATE AND BYLAW REVIEW

The RDN is updating the DCC rates and bylaws for the northern and southern sewer service areas. Two virtual information sessions will be held virtually to present background material on how the rates have been calculated and to obtain comments to be considered prior to adoption of the bylaw.

**Southern Communities:** Nanaimo and Lantzville  
Thursday, May 19, 2022, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

**Northern Communities:** Parksville, Qualicum Beach and parts of Electoral Areas G and E  
Friday, May 20, 2022, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

Both meetings will be held virtually via Zoom. A link to attend the meeting will be available on the project webpage at: [www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/dcc\\_review](http://www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/dcc_review).

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## CURBSIDE COLLECTION

Receive your curbside collection reminders through email, text message or telephone call. Scan the QR code or visit [www.rdn.bc.ca/curbside](http://www.rdn.bc.ca/curbside) to sign up today!



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## REGIONAL PARKS AND TRAILS SELECT COMMITTEE

The next Regional Parks and Trails Select Committee meeting is:

May 3 at 10 a.m.  
Board Chambers (webstreamed)  
6300 Hammond Bay Road, Nanaimo

[www.rdn.bc.ca/recreation-and-parks-advisory-committees](http://www.rdn.bc.ca/recreation-and-parks-advisory-committees)

## PAYING YOUR UTILITY BILL

The RDN issues approximately 19,000 water, sewer and garbage utility bills in May and approximately 3,000 water bills in September each year.

### Pay by Credit Card – Now Available!

Link and register your utility account to pay by credit card (1.75 per cent surcharge applies), to set up electronic billing and to view your transaction history online. Go to [rdn.bc.ca/payments](http://rdn.bc.ca/payments) for details. Existing E-Billing customers (signed up prior to September 2021) who do not link and register their account will receive paper bills.

### Prompt Payment Discount

If we receive your payment on or before July 4, 2022, a 10 per cent prompt payment discount applies for the water and sewer charges and a \$15 flat rate discount applies for the residential curbside collection charges (discounts not applicable for Sandpiper Bulk Water surcharge). If a bill is outstanding at the end of December, the amount is transferred to the Surveyor of Taxes for collection.

[rdn.bc.ca/payments](http://rdn.bc.ca/payments)

## TRANSIT SURVEY

The Comox Valley Regional District (CVRD) and BC Transit, in collaboration with the RDN, are conducting a Transit Future Action Plan survey until May 12, 2022, to identify improvements to CVRD transit services. One of the survey topics is a proposed interregional transit service between the CVRD, RDN and south island. Residents within the RDN are encouraged to complete questions 1 to 10 and 41 to 46 of the online survey at <https://engage.bctransit.com/comoxvalley2022>. Your feedback will help determine the need for interregional transit service to the CVRD.

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