

NEWS RELEASE

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Residents Invited to Provide Input on Regional Liquid Waste Management Plan

The Regional District of Nanaimo (RDN) is revising its Liquid Waste Management Plan (LWMP) and invites residents to take part in the next phase of the project. Residents can learn about the LWMP amendment at virtual and in-person information sessions and open houses, attend SepticSmart workshops and participate in a survey in May and June.

The LWMP is the RDN's long-range plan to manage the region's wastewater. It allows the RDN to apply community-driven solutions to wastewater management goals. The purpose of the LWMP amendment is to:

- Continue protecting human health and the environment through the latest best practices
- Build on LWMP successes and set new action items to reflect current priorities
- Update Nanoose Bay Capital Plan projects
- Propose a new timeline for secondary treatment at the Nanoose Bay Pollution Control Centre
- Outline revised cost estimates and the borrowing needed to implement LWMP projects

The LWMP amendment organizes the new action items into six focus areas: wastewater infrastructure, biosolids management, water protection, education and outreach, administrative tasks and financial planning. These action items will be part of the information presented at the following events:

LWMP Information Sessions (virtual)

May 4: LWMP general information session

May 16: Nanoose Bay Pollution Control Centre

May 18: Greater Nanaimo Pollution Control

Centre and Duke Point Pollution Control Centre

May 31: French Creek Pollution Control Centre

LWMP Information Sessions (in person)

May 8: Nanoose Bay Pollution Control Centre

(event is at Nanoose Place, Nanoose)

May 23: French Creek Pollution Control Centre (event is at St. Columba Church Hall, Parksville)

SepticSmart Workshops (in person)

June 6: Parksville Community & Conference

Centre, Parksville

June 8: Gabriola Island Agricultural Hall, Gabriola

June 20: Jonanco Hobby Shop, Nanaimo

June 22: Nanoose Library Hall, Nanoose

LWMP Open Houses (in person)

May 6: Greater Nanaimo Pollution Control Centre,

Nanaimo

June 3: French Creek Pollution Control Centre,

Parksville

Virtual information session links and in-person event details are on the project webpage.

For more information on the LWMP, to register for upcoming events, submit questions and sign up to receive updates, visit getinvolved.rdn.ca/lwmp-amendment.

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