REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NANAIMO

NEWS RELEASE

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RDN Curbside Customers Now Have the Option to Upsize their Organics Cart

Regional District of Nanaimo (RDN) curbside collection service customers can now choose a larger organics cart. After reviewing the expanded organics program participation, material volumes, costs and resident feedback, the RDN has a 240-litre organics cart option that will better meet residents' light yard waste needs while increasing waste diversion. This optional program is available at any time to residents; however, incentives are available only to those who order their new, larger carts by November 30, 2024.

To accommodate the increased range and volume of organics curbside customers can put in their organics cart, residents can choose to replace their current 100-litre organics cart with a 240-litre organics cart or keep their 100-litre organics cart and have an additional 240-litre organics cart. Annual collection service fee adjustments will be made based on the option chosen. Residents who do not wish to upsize their organics cart do not need to take any action.

Residents can order a larger organics cart online at getinvolved.rdn.ca/expanded-organics between October 28 and November 30. Those who do not have online access can call 250-390-5680 between 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. on weekdays from October 28 to November 8 and from November 18 to 29, 2024.

Curbside customers who place their organics cart order by November 8, 2024, will be eligible to win one of five prizes of curbside collection fees waived for two years, a value of over \$400. For all orders received by November 30, 2024, the fee to exchange or add a larger organics cart will be discounted to \$50, a savings of \$25. Delivery of the larger organics carts is anticipated to begin in the spring of 2025.

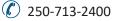
RDN curbside collection service is provided to residential single-family dwellings in RDN Electoral Areas A, B, C, E, F, G and H, Snaw-Naw-As First Nation, the District of Lantzville, the City of Parksville and the Town of Qualicum Beach.

For more information and to sign up to receive curbside expanded organics program updates, visit getinvolved.rdn.ca/expanded-organics. For information on curbside collection, schedules, updates and to download the RDN Curbside app, visit www.rdn.bc.ca/curbside.

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