

## AUGUST BOARD CALENDAR

There are no board or committee meetings scheduled in August.

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)

## EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS EXPO

Be Aware. Plan. Prepare. Survive! The free Emergency Preparedness Expo 2025 is on September 6. Hosted by the Regional District of Nanaimo, the City of Parksville and the Town of Qualicum Beach, this is your chance to explore all things emergency preparedness.

- Live emergency response demos
- Expert advice on planning and preparedness
- Emergency supply vendors and exhibitors
- QuakeCottage earthquake simulator
- Kids' activities
- Door prizes
- Free drop-in workshops



Whether you're just getting started or looking to level up your emergency plan, there's something for everyone. Come meet your local first responders, connect with community partners and get inspired to be ready for anything!

[www.emergencyoceanside.ca](http://www.emergencyoceanside.ca)

## OUTDOOR WATER CONSERVATION

Outdoor water conservation helps our region be resilient to drought and maintain water supply for essential needs, fire protection and environmental flows. Our water is a shared resource, thank you for doing your part!

Watering restrictions are in place across the region. If you are a customer of a municipal, improvement district or RDN water system, please check [www.rdn.bc.ca/watering-restriction-map](http://www.rdn.bc.ca/watering-restriction-map) to see which watering restrictions are in place where you live.

Veggie gardens, fruit trees and drip irrigation are exempt from restrictions.



[www.rdn.bc.ca/outdoor](http://www.rdn.bc.ca/outdoor)

## WASTE SORTING RULES IN EFFECT!

The grace period is over! All households, businesses and institutions must now use the three-bin system for recyclables, organics and garbage. Let's keep our community clean and green! If you're struggling to get your three-bin collection set up, check out our Get Involved page for guides, hauler lists, signage and more!

For more information, visit [www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/waste-separation](http://www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/waste-separation) or email [zerowaste@rdn.bc.ca](mailto:zerowaste@rdn.bc.ca).



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## HEAT PREPAREDNESS

Did you know? There are two categories of heat events.

1. Heat Warning: means that temperatures are very hot and there is a moderate public health risk. A heat warning will usually be issued one to three times in a typical summer.
2. Extreme Heat: means that temperatures are dangerous and there is a very high public health risk. An extreme heat emergency may only be issued one to two times per decade.

Have a plan to keep you cool and safe! It is important to evaluate whether you can safely stay in your home during an extreme heat emergency (prolonged exposure to temperatures over 31°C is dangerous for vulnerable people). For more information, visit [www.rdn.bc.ca/extreme-weather](http://www.rdn.bc.ca/extreme-weather) or [www.preparedbc.ca/extremeheat](http://www.preparedbc.ca/extremeheat).



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## HOME UPGRADE REBATES

Looking to upgrade your home? The RDN offers rebates to make your home more comfortable and climate resilient. We have a variety of options to suit your project, including:

- **Upgrade to Climate-Friendly Heating:** up to \$1,500
- **Sustainable Development Checklist:** up to \$1,000
- **Fossil Fuel to Heat Pump:** \$1,000
- **Home Energy Assessments:** up to \$350
- **Renewable Energy Systems:** up to \$400
- **Graded Site-Cut Timber:** \$250
- **Residential EV Charging Station:** \$150

All rebates are first-come, first-serve for qualifying applicants and can be stacked with provincial rebate offers.

For more information on eligibility criteria and how to apply, visit [www.rdnrebates.ca](http://www.rdnrebates.ca) or scan the QR code.



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## SUPPORT FOR HOME UPGRADES

Home energy upgrades can lower your bills and reduce emissions—and now it's easier than ever. The Home Energy Navigator program offers free support to RDN residents, including:

- Rebate navigation
- Virtual home energy consultation
- Quote reviews
- Customized retrofit roadmap
- Access to resources and workshops

To learn more visit [www.homeenergynav.ca](http://www.homeenergynav.ca) or call 1-866-381-9995.



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## ELECTORAL AREA A RECREATION PROGRAMS

Did you know that Electoral Area A Recreation offers summer camps in Cedar? Calling all children 6-9 years old who love LEGO®, science experiments, art, games and more. Join the LEGO® Robotics and Science Camp (6-9 yrs) – Mon-Fri, August 18-22, from 9 a.m. to 4p.m. at the Cedar Heritage Centre. Camp details are available online at [www.rdn.bc.ca/area-a-recreation](http://www.rdn.bc.ca/area-a-recreation).

Registration is now open, and financial assistance is available for those in need. Scan the QR code or call 250-268-7354 for program details or to register and make unforgettable memories this summer.



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250-390-4111 or 1-877-607-4111



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