# REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NANAIMO

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### New Development Cost Charges Proposed in the Regional District of Nanaimo

The Regional District of Nanaimo (RDN) has identified eligible solid waste and recycling facility projects that need to be constructed over the next 25 years to support the solid waste generated by new development in the residential, multi-family, industrial, commercial and institutional sectors. To help pay for the cost of this infrastructure, the RDN is proposing region-wide Solid Waste and Recycling Facilities Development Cost Charges (DCCs). The proposed DCCs would be collected from land developers on the basis that infrastructure costs should be paid for by those who use and benefit from such systems.

Recent amendments to the *Local Government Act* added waste management and recycling facilities to the list of eligible categories for DCC programs. The RDN would be the first regional district to implement this new category of DCCs.

Impacted and interested people and groups are invited to provide feedback on how the cost of this proposed new category of DCCs, Solid Waste and Recycling, should be imposed on new development and assessing whether development will be deterred and construction of affordable housing will be discouraged as a result. Input can be given through virtual public meetings and an online survey.

#### **Virtual Public Meetings**

November 3 at 2 p.m. November 5 at 7 p.m.

The links for the two virtual public meetings are available on the Get Involved project page. The recordings of the meetings will also be posted on the project page for those unable to attend.

#### **Online Survey**

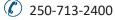
Input may also be provided through an online survey on the project page until November 30, 2025.

For more information on the proposed bylaw, to submit questions, to provide feedback and to register and sign up to receive project updates, visit getinvolved.rdn.ca/solid-waste-dcc.

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