

## MARCH BOARD CALENDAR

- ⑤ March  
Electoral Area Services Committee Meeting  
1 p.m.
  - ⑩ March  
Nanaimo Regional Hospital District Board Meeting  
10:30 a.m.  
RDN Board Meeting  
1 p.m.
  - ⑰ March  
Committee of the Whole Meeting  
1 p.m.
  - ⑳ March  
Nanaimo Regional Hospital District Board Meeting  
10 a.m.  
RDN Board Meeting  
1 p.m.
- 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)

## MANUFACTURED HOME GUIDE

Want a cozier home and lower energy bills? The RDN's **Energy-Efficient Upgrades in Manufactured Homes Guide** shows you the upgrades that make the biggest difference, and how to get rebates up to \$19,000, free weather-stripping, and expert support.

Inside the guide, you'll learn how to:

- Cut drafts and reduce bills with better insulation, efficient windows, and weather-proofing.
- Stay cooler in summer and warmer in winter with an electric heat pump.
- Access rebates for heat pumps, window upgrades, insulation, skirting, and more.
- Get free step-by-step support from the Home Energy Navigator Program to choose upgrades and review quotes.

These improvements can boost comfort, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and may even increase your home's value.

To see this guide and our other available guides, visit [www.rdn.bc.ca/resilient-homes](http://www.rdn.bc.ca/resilient-homes).

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## PARKS AND OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The next Parks and Open Space Advisory Committee meeting is:

East Wellington/Pleasant Valley  
March 16 at 5 p.m.

East Wellington Firehall  
3269 Jingle Pot Rd, Nanaimo

For more information, visit [www.rdn.bc.ca/recreation-and-parks-advisory-committees](http://www.rdn.bc.ca/recreation-and-parks-advisory-committees).

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## WATER TO EARTH MONTH

Water to Earth Month is an activity-packed, month-long celebration between World Water Day on March 22 and Earth Day on April 22. Here are just some of the events:

- March 21- Invasive Plant work party with the City of Nanaimo
- March 28 - Interpretive walk, Englishman River
- April 1 - Birds and Wetlands Talk with Samuelle Simard Provencal
- April 8 - Rainwater Harvesting Workshop with Ken Nentwig
- April 11 - Interpretive walk, Cottle Creek
- April 15 - Invasive Species Removal Workshop with Broombusters, Hunter Jarratt and RDN Parks
- Online contests for a chance to win some great prize packs

Come to our biggest Earth Day celebration yet at Departure Bay Centennial Park on April 19 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Learn about local water resources and environmental stewardship from vendors, information booths, interactive workshops and nature walks!

Visit [www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/team-watersmart](http://www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/team-watersmart)

for information. More events, activities and online contests are still to be added!

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## SUPPORT FOR HOME IMPROVEMENTS

As the weather warms up, now's the perfect time to make your home more comfortable and energy efficient without breaking the bank. Whether you're improving insulation, changing out old windows, upgrading to a heat pump, or just getting started, free local energy experts are here to help.

Get support with:

- Rebate navigation
- Virtual home energy consultations
- Quote reviews
- Customized retrofit roadmaps
- And more

To learn more, scan the QR code below, visit

[www.homeenergynav.ca](http://www.homeenergynav.ca)  
or 1-866-381-9995.



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## MANDATORY WASTE SOURCE SEPARATION

Time to Sort Smart! Keeping food scraps and recycling out of the landfill starts with the right bins.

Under the RDN's Mandatory Waste Source Separation Bylaw, **businesses, organizations and multi-family residences** are required to provide clearly labelled bins for food scraps, recycling, and garbage, making three-stream sorting easy and effective!

For more information visit

[www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/sort-smart](http://www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/sort-smart).



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