

## APRIL BOARD CALENDAR

- ⑨ April  
Electoral Area Services Committee Meeting  
1 p.m.
- ⑭ April  
RDN Board Meeting  
1 p.m.
- ⑳ March  
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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)

## NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK - APRIL 19 – 25

Thank you to the hundreds of RDN volunteers who help make the region a great place to live. From responding to emergencies and watershed monitoring to serving on committees, leading community clean-ups and so much more, every volunteer is making a difference.

This year's National Volunteer Week celebrates the ways in which people have ignited volunteerism in their communities. Volunteers in our region contribute significantly to the quality of life we all strive for. The RDN and the communities we serve appreciate their dedication, compassion and care.

*Thank you for all that you do*

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## ENGLISHMAN RIVER REGIONAL PARK

### We want to hear from you!

The RDN is updating the Englishman River Regional Park Management Plan to guide the future of the park over the next 20 years. The updated plan will build on the 2009-2014 plan and identify the key actions the RDN will take to manage and improve the park.

How can you get involved and learn more?

- Subscribe to the Get Involved RDN page to receive email notifications with news and updates
- Share your experiences and ideas about the park by completing our survey by April 26, 2026
- Drop by the open house on Saturday, April 18, 2026, between 12:30 – 3:30 p.m. at the Top Bridge parking lot at the end of Allsbrook Road, Parksville

For more information, visit [www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/errp-management-plan](http://www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/errp-management-plan).

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## HOME ENERGY NAVIGATOR

Thinking about upgrading your home? Could you use a little help? The RDN's free Home Energy Navigator program is here for you!

- Free virtual home energy consultation
- Support applying for rebates
- Help identifying best retrofits for your money
- Creating a retrofit plan for your home
- Understanding and comparing contractor quotes?

Home Energy Navigator is a free program offered by the Regional District of Nanaimo to support homeowners throughout their retrofit journey – ensuring you get the most out of available retrofit rebates.

To learn more, scan the QR code,

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



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## WATER TO EARTH MONTH!

Celebrate World Water Day and Earth Day with us until April 27 with activities focused on protecting water and our natural environment in communities across our region.

There are many events still happening this month including:

- Cottle Creek Interpretive Walk
- Hamilton Marsh Interpretive Walk
- Invasive Species Removal Workshop
- WellSmart workshop in Nanaimo
- Nanaimo River Watershed Tour
- City Nature Challenge Bioblitz



Plus a family-friendly Earth Day Celebration on April 19 from 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. at Bowen Park in Nanaimo with community groups, nature walks, kids activities and more!

For a full list of events and activities, visit [www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/team-watersmart](http://www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/team-watersmart).

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## SEED FUNDING FOR LOCAL PROJECTS

Have a project that could make your neighbourhood more climate-friendly? The RDN offers Climate Action Seed Funding to support small, community-led initiatives that reduce emissions, build resilience and inspire change.

Eligible projects can receive up to \$1,000 in funding and must benefit residents in an RDN electoral area. Whether it is a repair café, climate resilient home tour, or community garden, your idea could help create a healthier, more sustainable future.

Learn more and apply at

[www.rdn.bc.ca/climate-action-seed-funding](http://www.rdn.bc.ca/climate-action-seed-funding). Questions?

Email [sustainability@rdn.bc.ca](mailto:sustainability@rdn.bc.ca) or call **250-390-6510**

[www.rdn.bc.ca/resilient-homes](http://www.rdn.bc.ca/resilient-homes)

## PARKS, RECREATION AND CULTURE COMMITTEE

### The next Parks, Recreation and Culture Committee meeting is:

Electoral Area A (Cedar, South Wellington, Yellowpoint, Cassidy)  
April 15 at 7 p.m.  
Cedar Heritage Centre  
1644 MacMillan 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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## MANDATORY WASTE SOURCE SEPARATION

Did you know? The RDN is taking the next steps towards 90 per cent waste diversion from the landfill.

Multi-family residences, businesses and organizations are now required to have separate bins to sort their waste, just like single-family residences do.

Questions? We are here to help! Visit [www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/sort-smart](http://www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/sort-smart).



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