

PROPOSED PLAN REVISIONS

In line with provincial guidance, staff have considered all feedback received through phase two consultation. A fulsome summary of the feedback received, cross referenced against the draft plan, along with proposed approach to addressing feedback is found in Appendix D of the staff report. In response to phase two consultation, staff recommend a series of revisions that have been incorporated into the final draft Plan. These revisions include:

Glossary

- Definition of zero waste has been added to the plan.

Section 1.4: Climate Change and the Solid Waste Management Plan

- Content has been strengthened to further highlight the inter-relationship between climate change and solid waste management. This section discusses the greenhouse gas implications of the waste system more broadly than the landfill, references the important roles that zero waste and the circular economy play in addressing climate change, and identifies the potential to mitigate fugitive emissions from the landfill.

Section 4.2.2.1.6: Hartland Landfill (Estimated Lifespan)

- Content has been revised to speak more explicitly to the vision to keep the Hartland footprint as small as possible, and to review evolving regional demand and landfill capacity as part of the annual progress report on the Solid Waste Management Plan before phasing-in future development of the Hartland Property in 2030, unless more waste is diverted, or a new technology for managing waste becomes available and economically feasible for the CRD.

Section 4.2.2.1.7: Hartland Landfill (Community Benefit)

- Content has been revised to speak to how phasing-in future development of the Hartland Property will impact the existing mountain biking trails, and that if closing trails is necessary, staff will work with the mountain biking community on alternative trail options.

Section 5: Strategies and Actions

- A new paragraph has been added in the preamble that explains why the actions are articulated at a high-level and clarifies the scope of the plan as a guiding document intended to provide the policy framework to guide the CRD's programming around solid waste, rather than specific operational details.
- Minor revisions have been made to actions throughout, to clarify intent and ensure actions are consistent in their level of detail.
- Action 1E has been revised to explicitly reference First Nations groups.
- Actions 3B and 3C have been merged into one for clarity.
- Action 11B has been revised from "develop an organic waste processing facility at the Hartland Landfill site to receive and process kitchen scraps" to "continue to utilize and monitor existing private sector organics processing capacity and seek to develop a facility at the Hartland Landfill site in the future, should needed processing capacity not be found to be sufficiently available to meet the region's needs".
- Action 14A has been revised to clarify the CRD's intent to both maximize and optimize the beneficial use of landfill gas.
- Action 15C has been revised to explicitly reference the revised content within 4.2.2.1.6 on Hartland Landfill estimated lifespan (see above).
- Action 15D has been revised, based on feedback from the Township of Esquimalt, to clarify intention to explore alternatives to landfilling—including integrated resource management and gasification—and report out on findings.

Section 6: Organics Processing Facility Decision Process

- Section has been revised to indicate that the CRD intends to continue to provide the community with receiving and transport services for kitchen scraps through the transfer facility at Hartland, while monitoring in-region and on-island organics processing capacity. In response to a need to secure additional processing capacity for the community, a facility at Hartland may also be pursued in an effort to reduce the greenhouse gas emissions associated with the current transportation and processing model.

Section 11: Plan Monitoring and Measurement

- Section 11 now includes explicit commitment to publicly promote the annual report/per capita disposal rate.

Plan Appendices

- Following the *Guide to Solid Waste Management Planning*, the detailed evaluation of the plan strategies and actions, and the public consultation feedback on Hartland Landfill was included for engagement purposes and has been removed from the final draft Plan and is on the CRD website. The phase one and phase two engagement reports will be filed directly with the Ministry as part of the submission seeking plan approval, and are also on the website. The final draft plan now includes four schedules:
 - Schedule A: Solid Waste Advisory Committee Terms of Reference
 - Schedule B: Plan Dispute Resolution Procedures
 - Schedule C: Implementation Schedule
 - Schedule D: Estimated Financial Impact.

There have been no significant changes to the content of these schedules, except Schedule D, Estimated Financial Impact now considers the financial impact of the proposed Hartland access mitigation funding of up to \$4 million.