

# TECHNICAL AND COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE CORE AREA WASTEWATER TREATMENT

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 13, 2024

CRD Room 488

625 Fisgard Street Victoria, BC V8W 2S6

1:00 pm

PRESENT: B. Donald, C. Remington, C. Valeo (EP), D. Kobayashi (Acting Chair), D. Monsour (EP),

G. Gillespie, I. Leung (EP), J. Andrews (EP), J. Clary (EP), J. Paul (EP), J. Roe (EP),

K. Wilson, L. Hatch (EP), M. Engelsjord, R. Ding, W. Pugh

STAFF: D. Green, G. Harris, J. McAloon, L. Nickerson (Recorder), P. Kickham

GUESTS: A. Robiso (EP), C. Johnston (EP), D. Liddy (EP), K. Hamilton (EP), R. Beise

REGRETS: C. Caunce (EP), C. Coleman (Chair), J. Beatty (EP)

(EP) = Electronic Participation

Acting Chair Kobayashi called the meeting to order at 1:02 pm.

# 1. Territorial Acknowledgement

Acting Chair Kobayashi provided a Territorial Acknowledgement.

# 2. Approval of Agenda

The order of the Technical and Community Advisory Committee <u>agenda</u> was changed to present items 6 and 7 before item 5.

MOVED by G. Gillespie, SECONDED by W. Pugh That the agenda be adjusted as above. CARRIED

# 3. Adoption of Minutes of January 19, 2024

Minutes from the <u>January 19, 2024</u> Technical and Community Advisory Committee meeting.

MOVED by G. Gillespie, SECONDED by W. Pugh That the minutes of the January 19, 2024 Technical and Community Advisory Committee be adopted as circulated. CARRIED

#### 4. Chair's Remarks

Acting Chair Kobayashi had no remarks.

## 5. Biosolids Options Evaluation – D. Liddy, GHD Environmental

### a. Discussion and Q&A

D. Liddy, Engineering Consultant with GHD Environmental presented their options analysis on the long term biosolids management strategies for the CRD (see <u>Attachment A</u>). The



group discussed the short-term and long-term options and had a wide range of questions for D. Liddy. <u>Attachment B</u> shows the approach presented by GHD.

## 6. Biosolids Public Engagement Update – K. Hamilton, Tavola Strategy Group

K. Hamilton informed the group on the biosolids public consultation currently underway.

An update was provided to the CRD Board on January 31, 2024 about the public consultation process including the information being shared and the various opportunities for the public to provide input, participate and learn more over the two month process. As a result of that meeting, some information has been given greater prominence on the <u>Get Involved</u> website including increased information relating to CRD's historical land application ban and the options analysis presented by GHD. The online survey is open until March 6, 2024 and the website will continue to adapt as needed based on feedback. To date, 298 online surveys have been completed with broad representation from all municipalities and answers to specific questions are available for public viewing on the website. A virtual Open House will be held on February 20, 2024 at 6:00 pm.

Ipsos Reid will lead a representative survey (in parallel with the voluntary survey on the <u>Get Involved</u> website) until March 6, 2024. Results from both surveys will be provided to the TCAC prior to the CRD Board.

Letters regarding the public consultation to shape the long-term biosolids management plan are being sent to a comprehensive list of stakeholder groups this week as part of the public engagement plan.

#### 7. Report to the TCAC - Amendment 13 - D. Green, CRD

D. Green presented a report to the TCAC and discussed the proposed Section 5 updates to the Core Area Liquid Waste Management Plan (the Plan) and the updated Kerr Wood Leidal (KWL) report with the group. The full presentation is attached as Attachment C.

The Inflow and Infiltration (I&I) report by KWL has been updated based on comments and feedback from discussions at the last TCAC meeting on January 19, 2024. In KWL's proposed suggestions for the Plan's Section 5, the yellow highlighting represents items that are significant changes that will require future work to implement. In the final version, highlighting will be removed.

CRD staff will be preparing the Amendment 13 package and materials for the Core Area Liquid Waste Management Committee (CALWMC) meeting in June, and if approved, these amendments will be sent to the municipalities and First Nations for review, then back to the CALWMC for final approval prior to being sent to the Provincial regulator.

If there are any large shifts in direction from the municipalities or First Nations on the proposed updates, the TCAC may be requested to meet again and discuss.



D. Green requested final comments and support from the TCAC for the proposed new Section 5 and KWL report so that CRD staff can forward these items to the CALWMC.

The following motion was passed:

The Technical and Community Advisory Committee supports the proposed new Section 5 updates to the Core Area Liquid Waste Management Plan and Kerr Wood Leidal report so that CRD staff can forward it to the Core Area Liquid Waste Management Committee.

MOVED by G. Gillespie, SECONDED by M. Engelsjord CARRIED

#### 8. Other Business

There was no other business.

#### 9. Next meeting: March 7, 2024

The next meeting will be held at 1:00 pm on March 7, 2024.

# 10. Closing Comments

There were no closing comments.

# 11. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:46 pm.

MOVED and ALL IN FAVOR
That the Technical and Community Advisory Committee meeting be adjourned.
CARRIED