

**REPORT TO ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE
MEETING OF WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2017**

SUBJECT Kitchen Scraps Hauling and Processing

ISSUE

To seek direction for the management of kitchen scraps being received at the Hartland kitchen scraps transfer station beyond February 2018.

BACKGROUND

Kitchen scraps are banned from disposal as garbage at Hartland landfill. Source-separated kitchen scraps are accepted for composting at the Hartland transfer station, in order to provide a convenient drop-off option for landfill customers using dual-compartment trucks that collect both garbage and kitchen scraps. Kitchen scraps received at the transfer station are hauled off-site and composted under contract with private industry, and approximately 6,500 tonnes are received annually.

The current kitchen scraps hauling and processing contract with DL Bins Limited is scheduled to expire on February 28, 2018. A new tender needs to be issued to ensure that the current level of service can be maintained while any potential Integrated Resource Management procurement and construction process is undertaken.

ALTERNATIVES

That the Environmental Services Committee recommend to the Capital Regional District Board:

Alternative 1

That staff be directed to issue a 3-year tender for kitchen scraps hauling and processing that begins March 1, 2018 and expires February 28, 2021.

Alternative 2

That the contract be allowed to expire and current Hartland transfer station users be advised to find an alternative processing option.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

The issuance of a new 3-year kitchen scraps processing tender will ensure that the region continues to have a default kitchen scraps processing option until other local options for managing these materials are fully explored.

ECONOMIC IMPLICATIONS

Costs under the current kitchen scraps hauling and processing contract are offset by the \$120 per tonne tipping fees applied to kitchen scraps being received at the Hartland transfer station, and it is expected that costs under a new contract would be similarly offset.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

A new 3-year kitchen scraps processing tender will ensure that municipalities, and other local businesses currently using the Hartland transfer station, will continue to have the option to use the Hartland kitchen scraps transfer station until a long-term processing alternative for the region is determined.

CONCLUSION

In order to maintain the continuity of service provided by the Hartland kitchen scraps transfer station, a new kitchen scraps processing contract is required once the current contract expires on February 28, 2018. A new 3-year contract would ensure that the current level of service can be maintained while any potential Integrated Resource Management procurement and construction process is undertaken.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Environmental Services Committee recommend to the Capital Regional District Board:

That staff be directed to issue a 3-year tender for kitchen scraps hauling and processing that begins March 1, 2018 and expires February 28, 2021.

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