



Harmonizing Electoral Area Official Community Plans

The CVRD is currently undertaking harmonization of its seven Electoral Area Official Community Plans (OCPs) and nine Zoning Bylaws to create one unified OCP and one Zoning Bylaw. This is part of ongoing efforts to harmonize and modernize the Regional District's numerous land use Planning policy and regulatory documents. There is as much as 30 years between the oldest and newest CVRD OCPs. Issues, regulations, and even terminology have changed considerably over this period.

In addition, the harmonization project will reduce the size of the exiting OCPs by about 50%, removing repetitive and sometimes conflicting objectives and policies that unnecessarily clutter and complicate the planning process. The outcome of this administrative exercise will be a single, stream-lined OCP document for all CVRD electoral areas with complementary local area plans for village areas focussing on the particular character of each area. The project also includes harmonizing the CVRD's nine zoning bylaws into a single integrated bylaw to complement and implement the policies contained with the harmonized OCP.

A steering committee, comprised of the Chairs from each Electoral Area Advisory Planning Commission, has been established to help work through the review process by providing oversight with respect to harmonized policies, land use designations, development permits, etc. it is anticipated that the first draft will be completed by spring 2019.

This work reflects the vision set out within the Cowichan 2050 project by improving the coordination and collaboration in land use planning within the region.

For further information, please contact **Coralie Breen, Senior Planner** - Special Projects at cbreen@cvrd.bc.ca



Cowichan Recycles Mobile App

Download the Cowichan Recycles mobile app to access your curbside collection schedule and get collection day reminders sent directly to your phone. Unsure about which items can be recycled at curbside? The app features the new updated Cowichan Recyclopeda.

For further information, visit cvrd.bc.ca/recycling or call the Recycling Hotline at 250.746.2540.



Regional Grants-in-Aid

2019 Application Process

The CVRD is accepting submissions from qualified organizations for Regional Grants-in-Aid for 2019. To qualify, the organization must be registered as - or belong to - a parent society under the laws of British Columbia and/or Canada. Organizations must be locally based, providing a service that benefits the residents of the region, and whose efforts are regional in nature.

Organizations applying for Regional Grants-in-Aid must also provide a description of the project, event or service for which funding is requested; the beneficiaries of the project, event or service; and the total cost of the project, event or service in order to have its application considered.

For further information and a full list of requirements please visit www.cvrld.bc.ca/regionalgrantsinaid



Cowichan Bay Community Conversation on Recycling and Solid Waste

Residents in Electoral Area D, Cowichan Bay are invited to attend a community conversation about garbage and recycling. CVRD Recycling and Waste Management



CALENDAR

September

24 **OPEN HOUSE - Affordable Housing and Drinking Water & Watershed Protection**
Aggie Hall, Ladysmith
6:30 p.m. - 9 p.m. Monday, September 24

26 **Regional Services Committee**
CVRD Board Room
9:30 a.m. Wednesday, September 26

26 **Board**
CVRD Board Room
1:30 p.m. Wednesday, September 26

26 **OPEN HOUSE - Affordable Housing and Drinking Water & Watershed Protection**
Duncan United Church
6:30 p.m. - 9 p.m. Wednesday, September 26

27 **Cobble Hill Community Conversations**
Cobble Hill Hall
6:30 p.m. Thursday, September 27

27 **Cowichan Lake Recreation Commission**
Cowichan Lake Sports Arena Meeting Room
7 p.m. Thursday, September 27

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staff will be in attendance to answer questions and provide information about the materials that are accepted in curbside recycling. Staff will also provide an overview of the Solid Waste Management Plan describing the 13 strategies the CVRD is proposing to improve recycling and waste management in the region.

Date: Thursday, October 4

Time: 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Location: Bench Elementary School, Multi-Purpose Room, 1501 Cowichan Bay Road, Cowichan Bay.

For further information, please contact Director Lori Iannidardo at 250.510.3504 or email liannidardo@cvrd.bc.ca

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