Solid Waste Management Plan Public Advisory Committee

The Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen (RDOS) is reviewing the Solid Waste Management Plan (SWMP). SWMP reflects a long-term vision for how each regional district manages solid waste, including diversion and disposal.

The current plan was adopted in 2012 after approval from the Ministry of Environment and Parks. The new plan will set the legal framework for how waste, recycling, and waste reduction is managed, evaluate how the systems are working and recommend areas of improvement.

The RDOS SWMP will focus on the five "R"s of the pollution prevention hierarchy as a tool to evaluate and prioritize future improvements: Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Recover, and Residuals Management.

The RDOS is in search of dedicated individuals to form the Public Advisory Committee (PAC) to provide advice and input in the development of the SWMP. The RDOS is currently looking at the following issues as priority considerations:

1. Waste Shed Efficiency – waste disposal analysis, looking at ways to add efficiency to the current system, and diversifying revenue.
2. Upstream Waste Avoidance – improving infrastructure and systems, enhancing programs and education, and supporting the circular economy approach.
3. Diversion Opportunities for Single Family (SF), Multi-Family (MF) and Industrial, Commercial and Institutional (ICI):
    - Organics
    - Recycling
    - Construction and Demolition (C&D) waste prevention/diversion
    - Policy and program tools

A key component of the review will be consultation with the public and Indigenous communities. The RDOS seeks PAC members from diverse locations within the South Okanagan. All voices matter in shaping the waste management strategy for the region over the next decade. Committee meetings will be held via Zoom/WebEx or in-person at the RDOS office located at 101 Martin Street, Penticton, BC.

- Please review the Public Advisory Committee Terms of Reference on the RDOS website at rdos.bc.ca/solid-waste/solid-waste-management-plan/.
- The RDOS Board will review applications and appoint the PAC.

Interested applicants should complete and submit this form by ***December 20, 2024.***

Submit your application by email to SolidWaste@rdos.bc.ca

Or in person or by mail to: Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen

101 Martin Street, Penticton, V2A 5J9

Attn: Solid Waste Department

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Application Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

What option below best represents your connection to the community?

- ☐ Resident
- ☐ Owner of local business
- ☐ Other : _____

What community do you feel you would represent if selected?

- ☐ **Electoral Area** _____
- ☐ **Municipality** _____

Briefly explain your reasons for wanting to join the Public Advisory Committee.

Briefly explain how you demonstrate community involvement and ability to work with others with openness to different/opposing views.

Do you have any background in 5 R pollution hierarchy (Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Recover, and Residuals Management) that might be of interest?

How did you hear about the opportunity to join the Public Advisory Committee?

Declaration and Consent of Applicant

- ☐ I declare that I have reviewed the Solid Waste Management Plan Public Advisory Terms of Reference and understand the scope and responsibility of the Public Advisory Committee.

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Date: _____