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## Media Release

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### **CRD Invites Public to Open Houses & Neighbourhood Workshop to Address Saanich East-North Oak Bay Siting for Wastewater Treatment Facilities**

Victoria, BC – The Capital Regional District is hosting a two open houses and a neighbourhood workshop for the residents of Saanich East-North Oak Bay on siting options for a wastewater facility in the area. On June 2, 2009, the Core Area Liquid Waste Management Committee endorse a distributed wastewater treatment plan which includes a treatment facility to be located in Saanich East-North Oak Bay.

The open houses will provide information on the three options identified by the CRD as candidate sites for a treatment facility. Following the open houses, a neighbourhood workshop will provide a forum for input and feedback on the candidate sites, learn about the siting process and participate in small group discussions.

The following Open Houses and Neighbourhood Workshop are taking place:

Open House (Drop-in)

Gordon Head United Church, 4102 Tyndall Avenue

Tuesday, June 16, 2009, 3-8 pm

Open House (Drop-in)

Cadboro Bay United Church, 2625 Arbutus Road

Wednesday, June 17, 2009, 3-8 pm

Neighbourhood Workshop\*

Queenswood Centre, 2494 Arbutus Road

Monday, June 22, 2009, 6:30-9 pm

\*Pre registration is requested in order to ensure all interested participants may be accommodated.

Please pre-register online at [www.wastewatermadeclear.ca/register](http://www.wastewatermadeclear.ca/register) or call 250.360.3001

In 2006 the CRD began planning to upgrade its wastewater treatment at the request of the Minister of Environment for British Columbia. The Core Area includes the municipalities of Colwood, Esquimalt, Langford, Oak Bay, Saanich, Victoria and View Royal. On June 30, 2009, the CRD must update the Minister of Environment; on December 31, an amendment to the existing Liquid Waste Management Plan will be finalized. Planning and construction of this wastewater treatment system is expected to take 10 years to complete. The new wastewater treatment plan must take into account population and infrastructure growth up to 2065.

For information on the CRD's Wastewater Treatment Project please visit: [www.wastewatertreatment.ca](http://www.wastewatertreatment.ca)

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