



**REPORT TO CORE AREA LIQUID WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
MEETING OF WEDNESDAY 27 MAY**

SUBJECT **PROGRESS REPORT ON ACTIVITIES – CORE AREA WASTEWATER TREATMENT PROJECT**

PURPOSE

To provide a progress report on activities on the wastewater treatment project to the Core Area Liquid Waste Management Committee (CALWMC).

Past Activities

- completed third peer review team (PRT) workshop on 22-24 April and received PRT final report
- met with Ministry of Environment (MOE) staff and consulting team to review Environmental Impact Study requirements
- held seven open houses
- held five community dialogue workshops
- held three community validation workshops
- project manager and project director visited wastewater facilities in Seattle area
- initiated water quality data sampling program
- provided presentation to Greater Victoria Harbour Authority Board
- met with Transport Canada and Department of National Defence
- introduced sustainability assessment framework
- completed presentations to Saanich, Oak Bay, Esquimalt and Victoria councils

Current Activities

- request for qualifications submission under review for program manager consultant
- environmental and social reviews are underway for sites in Saanich east
- establishing planning funding agreement claims process
- wastewater characterization program and water quality data sampling
- preparing allocation of system costs and revenue methods
- preparing a report on alternative service delivery
- developing a memorandum of understanding with key stakeholders interested either in using recovered resources or in working together on wastewater priorities
- memorandum of understanding with Esquimalt First Nation is undergoing final review
- sessions underway with all three First Nations to gain information and advice on project
- seeking partnerships with memorandums of understanding
- determining if Canadian Environmental Assessment Act requirements will apply to our project
- presenting triple bottom line analysis for three strategies to CALWMC
- developing flow chart and plan showing potential solid and liquid waste integration
- continued discussions with Imperial Oil
- bylaw preparation to authorize additional borrowing for core area wastewater treatment project
- report update to the Minister of Environment
- developing community benefit framework options
- preparing report on alternative delivery

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Future Activities

- report on Liquid Waste Management Plan amendments
- Inflow and Infiltration bi-annual report to MOE
- initiate Saanich East site selection open houses
- initiate business case analysis
- recommend consultant to negotiate with for program manager assignment

RECOMMENDATION

That the Core Area Liquid Waste Management Committee receive this report for information.

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