



**REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO  
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING  
SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA  
Thursday, May 11, 2017**

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**ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT**

**ACTION**

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**Janette Derksen, Environmental Services  
Coordinator – Vanderhoof Area Illegal Dump  
Site Project – Request**

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**REGIONAL DISTRICT OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO  
SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA  
MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Chairperson Miller and Board of Directors (May 11, 2017)  
**From:** Janette Derksen  
 Environmental Services Coordinator  
**Date:** May 10, 2017  
**Subject:** Vanderhoof Area Illegal Dump Site Project - Request

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In July 15, 2010, the Regional District Board received and granted a request to waive tipping fees, for a specified period of time, in an effort to assist in the cleanup of illegal dump sites in the Vanderhoof area. The waiving of tipping fees was associated primarily with appliances containing ozone depleting substances for which a fee is applied at time of disposal at RDBN solid waste management facilities.

The practice has been to waive these disposal fees associated with the clean-up of illegal dump sites in the Vanderhoof area since 2010. The Regional District has now received another request for the waiving of tipping fees associated with further cleanup activities of illegal dump sites in the Vanderhoof area. Correspondence from Rob Grouchy, Compliance and Enforcement Branch, Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations (MFLNRO) dated May 9, 2017 (see attachment) has requested that the RDBN waive the disposal fees for the 2017 clean-up which is to start on May 17, 2017. The proposed cleanup activities include the removal of appliances, household garbage, vehicle hulks, campers and damaged trailers from various locations. The correspondence from Mr. Grouchy also implies the request for these fees to be waived annually.

Currently the RDBN has Bylaw 1764 pertaining to the types of materials included in the request from the MFLNRO, which authorizes the RDBN to charge a tipping fee of \$20/appliance for appliances containing or that could have contained ozone depleting substances. As well, Bylaw 1764 authorizes the RDBN to charge \$90/tonne for the disposal of construction/demolition and land clearing waste in loads greater than 2 m<sup>3</sup> (equivalent to a standard pickup truck box). Loads greater than 2 m<sup>3</sup> must be taken to either the Knockholt or Clearview Landfill.

Auto hulks may be disposed at RDBN transfer stations or the Knockholt Landfill, free of charge, however all fluids must be removed, batteries must be removed and the tires removed prior to disposal.

Should the Board of Directors wish to consider granting the request to waive tipping fees, staff would recommend the following:

- That the RDBN is advised annually prior to the potential Clean-up dates and a mutually agreed upon time frame is determined. This time frame should be restricted to a two-week period each year.



- That Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations ensure that materials disposed at RDBN solid waste management facilities originate from sites within the RDBN.
- Campers and damaged trailers (if greater than 2 m<sup>3</sup> in volume) are required to be disposed at the Clearview Landfill.
- That during clean-up activities, any metal materials that can be recycled be separated and brought to RDBN transfer stations for placement in the metal collection areas.
- Time period for authorization to waive tipping fees expires once the agreed upon two-week time frame each year is complete.

**RECOMMENDATION**

(All/Directors/Majority)

1. That the Board of Directors receive the memorandum titled, "Vanderhoof Area Illegal Dump Site Project - Request" and dated May 10, 2017.
2. That the Fees for disposal be waived for the Spring Clean-up of illegal dump sites in the Vanderhoof area for 2017 starting May 17, expiring May 31, 2017 under the following conditions:
  - That Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations ensure that materials disposed at RDBN solid waste management facilities originate from sites within the RDBN;
  - Campers and damaged trailers (if greater than 2m<sup>3</sup> in volume) are required to be disposed at the Clearview Landfill.
  - That during cleanup activities any metal materials that can be recycled be separated and taken to RDBN transfer stations for placement in the metal collection areas;
  - Time period for authorization to waive tipping fees expire May 31, 2017.
3. Further, that the Board of Directors authorize the waiving of tipping fees annually to assist in the clean-up of illegal dump sites in the Vanderhoof area, restricted to a two-week time frame, decided upon between the Ministry of Forests, Lands & Natural Resource Operations and the Regional District.

**From:** Grouchy, Robert FLNR:EX <Robert.Grouchy@gov.bc.ca>  
**Sent:** May-09-17 2:03 PM  
**To:** janine.Dougall  
**Subject:** Waving Tipping Fee

Good afternoon Janine,

I hope this e-mail finds you well. On Wednesday May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017 our office and other agencies will be host a spring clean-up on some of our illegal dump sites on Crown Land in the Vanderhoof area. I remember e-mailing you last year regarding waving tipping fees for our waste disposal areas as we will be cleaning up large fridges, freezers, etc. Could we possibly wave the tipping fees for this event like last year? We would like to make this an annual thing for many years to come.

Thanks,

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