



REPORT

To: Chair and Directors

Report Number: ENV-BRD-228

From: Environmental Services

Date: February 20, 2025

Subject: Public Technical Stakeholder Committee – Amendment to Terms of Reference

RECOMMENDATION: *[Corporate Unweighted]*

That the Regional Board approve the amended Public Technical Stakeholder Committee (PTSC) Terms of Reference, which will allow for the PTSC to act as an Advisory Committee and provide advice and feedback on the required consultation activities when major amendments to the Regional Solid Waste Management Plan are proposed or required.

BACKGROUND/RATIONALE:

On November 24, 2022 the Regional Board approved the establishment and Terms of Reference for the Public Technical Stakeholder Committee (PTSC) Resolution #RD/22/11/11(24).

The intent of the PTSC is to oversee the implementation of the Regional Solid Waste Management Plan (RSWMP) and make recommendations to the Solid Waste Committee (SWC). The PTSC has a number of objectives outlined in the Terms of Reference [click here](#).

Through implementation of the strategies within the RSWMP over the 10-year timeframe, some amendments to the plan may be required. Amendments that may cause a substantial change to an approved Solid Waste Management Plan, such as opening of a new landfill, are considered a major amendment. Major amendments to the RSWMP require public review and consultation as well as submission of the amendment for the minister's approval.

The proposed amendment to the Terms of Reference is the addition of the following:

Addition of new subsection under Section 2 - Goal of the Committee

2.2 When the need for a major amendment has been identified through implementation of the 10-year Regional Solid Waste Management Plan timeframe, the Public Technical Stakeholder Committee will act as an Advisory Committee to provide advice and feedback on consultation activities with the stakeholders provided in the consultation plan for these planned amendments to the Solid Waste Committee.

This addition will allow for the PTSC to act as an Advisory Committee through major amendments, providing advice and feedback on the required consultation activities as recommended in the BC Ministry of Environments "A Guide to Solid Waste Management Planning".

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS:

1. That the Regional Board provide further direction.

STRATEGIC PLAN RELEVANCE:

Not Applicable to Strategic Plan

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION(S):

None at this time.

COMMUNICATIONS CONSIDERATION(S):

None at this time.

OTHER CONSIDERATION(S):

None at this time.

Attachments:

1. PTSC Revised Draft Terms of Reference_Marked up