

MEMORANDUM



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PROJECT No.: 190397600

RE: Memo: Revised Strategies addressing COW feedback
from the November 26 meeting

DATE: December 1, 2020

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The Peace River Regional District (PRRD) is in the process of developing a new Regional Solid Waste Management Plan (RSWMP, or simply the Plan). The PRRD initiated the Plan review process on May 12, 2018, when the PRRD's Solid Waste Committee recommended a renewal of the RSWMP to the Board. Through several meetings in 2020, the Public Technical Advisory Committee (PTAC)¹ and the Committee of the Whole (COW) have reviewed multiple strategies to be incorporated into the new Plan.

This Memo summarizes the changes that were requested to the Draft RSWMP by the COW during the meeting on November 26, 2020. Table 1 identifies the changes requested and the resulting final wording to consider for inclusion in the Draft RSWMP.

¹ PTAC is a required stakeholder group consisting of members at large, waste haulers, agricultural and industry members, First Nations, municipal staff, private/non-profit groups. The purpose of PTAC is to provide input, feedback on the Plan review, and to provide input and recommendations to the Peace River Regional District on proposed programs and policies that would make up the updated Regional Solid Waste Management Plan.

Table 1 Proposed revisions to sections of the Draft RSWMP

Strategy/ Plan section discussed	Changes requested	Revised wording for inclusion in the Draft RSWMP
<p>Strategy 8: Facilitate collection of compostable organics in the Region</p> <p>If organics processing capacity is available:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Work closely with member municipalities to investigate the feasibility for improving organic waste collection in the region from residents and the ICI sector. b) Investigate the feasibility of accepting organics at suitable solid waste sites for on-site processing or transfer to a central facility. <p>Implement programs at PRRD facilities, where feasible.</p>	<p>Make this strategy less specific and instead refer to supporting the diversion of compostable organics.</p>	<p>Strategy 8: Support the organics diversion in the Region</p> <p>If organics processing capacity is available, this can include but is not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Support ICI and residential programs that promote organics diversion in the Region. b) Investigate the feasibility of accepting organics at suitable solid waste sites for on-site processing or transfer to a central facility. <p>Implement programs at PRRD facilities, where feasible.</p>
<p>Section 7. RSWMP financing and administration: Staffing Implications</p>	<p>Remove language relating to additional staffing requirements. The COW regarded this to be more relevant to the implementation and not relevant to the Plan.</p>	<p>Removal of section.</p>
<p>7.4 Monitoring and Measurements</p>	<p>Some COW members had concerns about conflict of interest for Plan Monitoring and Advisory Committee (PMAC) members.</p>	<p>No significant change proposed to the Draft RSWMP. The Terms of Reference developed for PMAC will consider potential conflict of interests.</p>