

# **Board Newsletter**

## **Recycling Services Contract Awarded**

The Regional Board awarded the "Recycling Services" contract to R-3 Recycle It Resource Recovery (Recycle It), for a five year term, in the approximate annual amount of \$1,504,700, excluding taxes.

#### **Bylaws**

The Board authorized staff to develop an amendment to the Peace River Regional District Charlie Lake Sewer Regulation Bylaw No. 835, 1993 to ensure that no person shall discharge or cause or permit to be discharged to any public sewer any waste that has not originated on the property with the connection being used.

The Peace River Regional District Board adopted the Board Procedure Amendment Bylaw No. 2256, 2016.

The Peace River Regional District Board read Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 2249, 2016 for a third time, and; adopted Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 2249, 2016. Staff were then directed to prepare zoning bylaw amendments to rezone the Charlie Lake Lagoons and the City of Fort St. John Lagoons to the P-3 Zone.

### **ALR Application**

The Board support authorization for the subdivision application 117/2016 (L'Heureux) to proceed to the Agricultural Land Commission as it is consistent with the OCP.

#### **Grants to Community Organizations**

The Regional Board approved the grant application from the High School Rodeos of BC for a grant in the amount of \$750 to assist with the cost of the Hudson's Hope Fall High School Rodeo in September.

#### **Letter of Support**

A letter will be forwarded to the North Peace Light Horse Association in support of their funding application to Northern Development Initiative Trust to assist with the building of a new roof for the arena.

## **Water Quality Baseline Project**

The Regional Board endorsed the following recommendations from the Water Stewardship Committee based on research conducted by Dr. Gilles Wendling of GW Solutions Inc.:

Issue Date: August 25, 2016 Location: Dawson Creek

- 1. That the Board acknowledges and affirms that it is the Province who is ultimately the steward and regulator for water in the Province of BC, and that the Province recognizes that the quantity and quality of our water supply is essential to public health and sustainable communities, and that, the PRRD has received the report regarding the studies done on watersheds in the Peace, which will be posted for public use.
- 2. That the newly developed data base be presented to appropriate regulators and provincial decision makers and request that, in collaboration with the PRRD, a review of all updated information be completed biannually in order to continue with trend analysis.
- **3.** That the Province be encouraged to share with the public, all new water information in a timely manner.
- **4.** That the Province, through the North East Water Strategy Working Group (a working group that includes input of local knowledge on water initiatives), determines at risk watersheds or parts of watersheds and conducts further assessment to identify causes and create mitigation strategies.
- **5.** That the BC Ministry of Environment and the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations be requested to create regulations to characterize and monitor the movement of fluids in the intermediate zone between the depths of 500 meters and 2,000 meters.
- **6.** That the Province be requested to implement monitoring programs to continue to define water baselines both for quantity and quality in areas of the region that are poorly defined or monitored.
- 7. That the PRRD host three public meetings to communicate these recommendations and any advancements on them. Stakeholders and the public will be invited to the public meetings.

#### Have you taken the Communication Survey?

The survey can be found at:

http://www.surveygizmo.com/s3/2959783/43f241a18bdd

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