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First Nations Engagement Summary Report

Metro Vancouver Solid Waste Management Plan 2020-2026

Territorial Acknowledgement

Metro Vancouver acknowledges that the region's residents live, work, and learn on the shared territories of many Indigenous peoples, including 10 local First Nations: q̓iċəy̓ (Katzie), q̓ʷɑ:ṅl̓əṅ (Kwantlen), kʷikʷəƛ̓əm (Kwikwetlem), máthxwi (Matsqui), xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam), qiqéyt (Qayqayt), Semiahmoo First Nation, Sḵwx̱wú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish), scəẇaθən məsteyəxʷ (Tsawwassen), səlilwətaɬ (Tsleil-Waututh).

Metro Vancouver respects the diverse and distinct histories, languages and cultures of First Nations, Métis, and Inuit.

About Metro Vancouver

Metro Vancouver is a diverse organization that plans for and delivers regional utility services, including water, sewers and wastewater treatment, and solid waste management. It also regulates air quality, plans for urban growth, manages a regional parks system, provides affordable housing, and serves as a regional federation. The organization is a federation of 21 municipalities, one electoral area, and one treaty First Nation located in the region of the same name. The organization is governed by a Board of Directors of elected officials from each member jurisdiction.

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Executive Summary

Overview

To support the update of the regional Solid Waste Management Plan, Metro Vancouver engaged with First Nations, Tribal Councils, and Treaty Associations that were identified in the provincial *Consultative Areas Database* as having territories and interests within the boundaries of the Metro Vancouver region[1]. The solid waste management plan update presented an opportunity for Metro Vancouver to advance relationship-building and reconciliation with First Nations.

Engagement and Participation

Metro Vancouver adopted a government-to-government engagement approach with First Nations as well as a community engagement approach with off-reserve and non-status First Nations, and Métis.

Metro Vancouver sent plan update information and provided opportunities for input to 50 First Nations, Tribal Councils, Treaty Associations, and relevant Indigenous organizations and held meetings with eight First Nations with communities located within the Metro Vancouver region, and received written feedback from First Nations. The meaningful input received directly shaped the draft Solid Waste Management Plan, including its vision and guiding principles, goals and targets, strategies and actions, and strategic approaches.

Feedback

First Nations feedback included themes such as the need for clarity and transparency, strong environmental stewardship, considerations of accessibility, equity and affordability, innovation and circular economy opportunities, and improving regional consistency in waste management. First Nations also noted concerns with respect to illegal dumping on traditional territories as well as concern related to historical landfills within First Nations traditional territories. This feedback is reflected in the draft Solid Waste Management Plan and included suggestions for incentivizing businesses to reduce waste and engage in zero waste practices, suggestions for additional secondary metrics to be considered related to circular economy, and consideration of environmental impacts of historic waste sites.

Metro Vancouver meticulously documented and demonstrated how feedback shaped each component of the plan, as well as revisions to the initial draft plan to result in the version of the draft Solid Waste Management Plan that was endorsed by the Greater Vancouver Sewerage & Drainage District (GVS&DD) Board and submitted to the Minister of Environment and Parks. Throughout engagement, Metro Vancouver aimed to ensure First Nations who were interested in or impacted by the plan update were provided ample opportunities for input.

Metro Vancouver communicated with each First Nation who provided feedback to let them know how feedback was incorporated into the plan update and the next steps.

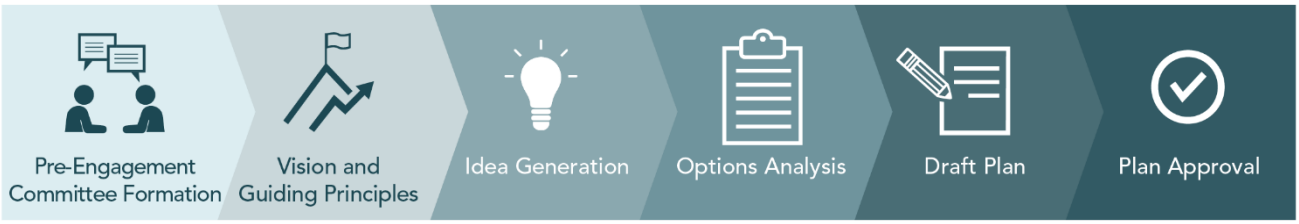
[1] Metro Vancouver engages with First Nations whose consultative area overlaps with a project location. A Consultation Area is an area in which a First Nation claims their Aboriginal Rights. The First Nations' Consultation Areas can be found using the "Consultative Areas Database," a Provincial mapping tool available to the public.

First Nations engagement summary reports for each phase of engagement are included as appendices. First Nations feedback on other Metro Vancouver solid waste projects, during the time period of the plan update process (2020 – 2026) are also summarized in this report. These other solid waste projects such as District Energy and Recycling and Waste Centre development are related to the solid waste management plan, and incorporating feedback related to those projects into the overall feedback summary ensures that all First Nations feedback is captured. Feedback for these other projects from some First Nations included concerns about waste-to-energy including feedback related to environmental and public health issues along with questions on cost. Feedback also included comments on climate and circular economy alignment, infrastructure resilience, expanded recycling opportunities, and ambitious waste diversion efforts. Summary tables outlining feedback received on each of those projects are included as Appendix E.

Additional feedback received during the comment period ending August 1 has helped to inform updates to the draft Solid Waste Management Plan. Feedback included a request for more ambitious targets with clear interim milestones, as well as greater detail on the timing, staffing, funding, and implementation of zero waste solutions. The draft plan was revised to include a table linking actions to targets, expanded 10-year financial projections and disposal cost comparisons, and a more detailed implementation schedule outlining strategy start dates, deliverables, roles, responsibilities, and associated budget allocations.

A summary of feedback is provided in Section 8 of this report, including a description of feedback and Metro Vancouver's response. The revised draft Solid Waste Management Plan will be provided to Metro Vancouver's Zero Waste Committee and the GVS&DD Board for consideration in October 2026, before being submitted to the Minister of Environment and Parks for approval.

The graphic below shows the phases of the solid waste management plan update, starting with pre-engagement in 2020.



1.0 Introduction

This First Nations Engagement Summary Report describes First Nations engagement that was undertaken by Metro Vancouver in updating the *Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan.*

Solid waste management plans are authorized and regulated through the *Environmental Management Act*. Once a waste management plan is approved by the Minister of Environment and Parks, it becomes a regulatory document.

1.1 Background and Engagement Objectives

In November of 2019, the Greater Vancouver Sewerage & Drainage District (GVS&DD) Board authorized initiating a solid waste management plan update, as recommended by the BC Government's *A Guide to Solid Waste Management Planning*.

Metro Vancouver's approach to First Nations engagement reflects its commitment to engaging with First Nations, Tribal Councils, and Treaty Associations that have been identified by the provincial *Consultative Areas Database.* Metro Vancouver engagement practices aligned with the principles of the *United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples*, as well as its own commitments towards reconciliation and meaningful engagement.

Metro Vancouver created diverse and multiple engagement opportunities for First Nations throughout the process, to ensure that Metro Vancouver and First Nations could have meaningful dialogue on the review and update of the solid waste management plan.

The objectives of First Nations engagement associated with the planning process were as follows:

- Seek to initiate engagement with relevant First Nations regarding the project as early as reasonably possible.
- Engage with First Nations to understand their interests, priorities and concerns; their interest in participating in the engagement process; and their preferred engagement approaches.
- Facilitate a process of reciprocal learning where First Nations can share their knowledge and experiences and learn about the benefits and challenges of the regional solid waste system and waste prevention initiatives.
- Support reconciliation between Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples.
- Understand perspectives, priorities, and desired outcomes of Indigenous peoples across the region for waste management.
- Foster an environment where trust and collaborative relationship building can take place.
- Build and strengthen respectful and reciprocal relationships with First Nations, guided by the principles of the *United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples*.

2.0 Plan Initiation

On February 5, 2020, Metro Vancouver shared an introductory letter outlining the Solid Waste Management Plan Update process with First Nations identified in the *Consultative Areas Database* to start engagement on a multi-year plan update.

In April 2021, Metro Vancouver launched the project web page and shared an invitation to First Nations regarding pre-engagement for the plan. One meeting was held with an interested First Nation. In 2022, Metro Vancouver informed First Nations with communities within the region know that meetings of the newly formed Solid Waste Management Plan Update Public/Technical Advisory Committee were available to observe online. Pre-engagement was a phase uniquely introduced for the solid waste management plan update and goes beyond Metro Vancouver's standard process. The goals of pre-engagement were to learn from First Nations about preferred communication channels, methods of engagement, and what was needed to enable participation.

3.0 First Nations Engagement Strategy

Metro Vancouver undertook a government-to-government engagement process with First Nations with territories and interests in the Metro Vancouver region. The multi-phased approach was interactive, accessible, and transparent. Metro Vancouver provided First Nations with early notifications and multiple opportunities to access information, engage in discussions, and provide input for consideration by Metro Vancouver staff and the GVS&DD Board to help shape the updated plan. Engagement content was tailored to the specific topics of interest expressed by First Nations during pre-engagement and early engagement phases. Metro Vancouver remained flexible to consider additional interests and issues that emerged during the process.

A First Nations Engagement Summary report for each phase of engagement (pre-engagement, vision and guiding principles, idea generation, options analysis, and initial draft plan) can be found as Appendices A - D to this report.

Metro Vancouver's *2022-2026 Board Strategic Plan* reaffirms its ongoing commitment to strengthening respectful relationships and engaging meaningfully with First Nations on plans, programs, and projects. Metro Vancouver endeavors to ensure that engagement with First Nations is meaningful, respectful and takes place early, often, and in an ongoing manner.

4.0 Feedback Opportunities

Across engagement phases, Metro Vancouver provided the following opportunities for First Nations to learn about the planning process, and provide input:

- Exchanging written correspondence with First Nations to share information about the plan update, and to seek input on their respective interests, and concerns regarding the plan update (e.g., formal engagement letters, update letters, and emails)
- Meeting with First Nations to discuss each phase of the plan update, and their respective interests, feedback, or concerns (e.g., workshops, staff meetings, and facility tours)
- Sharing and seeking comments on relevant technical and environmental reports, and other plan related materials
- Presenting at regularly scheduled technical working group meetings with individual First Nations to provide updates
- Reporting back to First Nations with a summary of relevant engagement discussions and outcomes (e.g., a summary of a potentially affected First Nation's interests, and concerns; Metro Vancouver's responses; how feedback was incorporated into the plan and reasons for not including certain feedback)

5.0 Participation

First Nations engagement was executed throughout the various phases (pre-engagement, vision and guiding principles, idea generation, options analysis, and initial draft plan) of the planning process. Metro Vancouver sent plan update information and provided opportunities for input to 50 First Nations,

Tribal Councils, Treaty Associations, and relevant Indigenous organizations over the course of the plan update. This section summarizes activities that took place during First Nations engagement.

Below is a summary of engagement metrics across all phases:

- 529 letter and email invitations to participate
- Seven meetings with eight First Nations
- One facility tour with one First Nation

Metro Vancouver received feedback from the following First Nations:

- q̓ʷɑ:ńƛ̓əń (Kwantlen First Nation)
- kʷikʷəƛ̓əm (Kwikwetlem First Nation)
- máthxwi (Matsqui First Nation)
- xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam Indian Band)
- Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish Nation)
- scəẇaθən məsteyəxʷ (Tsawwassen First Nation)
- səlilwətaɬ (Tsleil-Waututh Nation)
- Semiahmoo First Nation

Summaries of feedback received at each phase are provided in the Key Issues and Response tables in each phase report. Trackers with all outgoing First Nations communications including emails, letters, and meetings are included in each engagement summary report as Appendix 1. Copies of all outgoing communications including letters and emails are included as Appendix 2 in each engagement phase report (Appendix A-D).

6.0 Feedback During First Nations Engagement Process

At each engagement phase, Metro Vancouver typically presented background information, provided phase-specific information or discussion guides, shared what was heard previously from First Nations, shared the relevance of each phase engagement with First Nations, and provided opportunity for comments and feedback. Below is a summary of high-level themes emerging from each phase of engagement held from 2020 – 2026:

- Clarify relevance for First Nations
- Improve access to and expand solid waste programs and services
- Increase education and awareness on how to reduce waste and recycle certain items
- Align with feedback provided during other Metro Vancouver engagement processes
- Highlight economic opportunities where possible
- Consider affordability
- Focus on environmental stewardship

- Reduce plastic packaging and single-use items
- Encourage innovative solutions to waste management
- Reduce abandoned waste in residential areas and waterways
- Collaborate with interested First Nations on existing Metro Vancouver waste reduction programs and initiatives
- Consider how to track the effectiveness of the plan update implementation and transparency of data
- Support for the region's efforts to advance circular economy principles
- Concern about inconsistent recycling services across the region, including First Nations communities

First Nations feedback was considered in drafting key components of the initial draft plan including the vision statement, guiding principles, strategies, and actions. Feedback on the initial draft was then considered in developing a draft Solid Waste Management Plan that will be provided to the GVS&DD Board for endorsement and submitted to the Minister of Environment and Parks for approval.

Below are a few examples of how feedback was considered in the draft plan by Metro Vancouver. A detailed record of all feedback received and Metro Vancouver's response is included in the phase-by-phase Engagement Summary Reports (Appendices A-D).

Example Feedback	Metro Vancouver's Response
Suggestion to move towards using clear bags to improve disposal ban efficacy.	Action 4.8.1 in the draft plan specifically includes options to enhance disposal ban inspection efficacy such as innovative detection technologies and clear bag policies.
Suggestions for additional secondary metrics such as: • The number of businesses that have adopted circular design standards • Rate of circularity • Greenhouse gas emissions avoided by circular action • Tonnes of material re-used by category • Amount of food recovered, recycled and disposed • Equity of access to re-use services	Several actions in the draft plan commit to exploring additional data collection, including action 1.4.1 a., 1.4.2, 1.4.3, and 1.4.7.
Include incentives for businesses to reduce waste and engage in zero waste practices	Action 1.1.1 a., b., and c. of the draft plan include actions that advocate for incentives and funding programs for key circular activities.

Example Feedback	Metro Vancouver's Response
Concerns about legacy waste sites within traditional territories posing risks to ecological and cultural values. Recommendation to develop a comprehensive, publicly available inventory and risk assessment of all historic and active waste sites within First Nations reserves.	In 2014, Metro Vancouver completed a study titled "Landfill Inventory and Closure Status Assessment Study". The report included the methodology, closure assessment strategy and criteria for determining closure status of 24 landfill sites, 14 of which were screened from further assessment as they had an approved closure plan in place or in progress. The closure status of the 10 remaining sites was determined by a qualified professional based on assessed compliance with A) relevant Permits and Operational Certificates, and Assessed closure status against relevant Provincial guidelines or B) Best practices for landfill closure status against best practices requirements for protection of the environment and human health. A table summarizing the status of the landfill sites assessed in the 2014 study is attached to the draft plan. Action 6.5.2 in the draft plan states that Metro Vancouver will "Prepare an updated report summarizing the closure status of all closed landfills in the region, including a map with the location of all such landfills within 18 months of plan approval." Metro Vancouver will reach out to First Nations during development of this report to verify existing and historic waste sites within First Nation traditional territory.
Concerns related to illegal dumping on reserve lands and close to the Fraser River. Recommendation for the implementation of enforcement and prevention measures, including long-term monitoring strategies. Coordination among municipalities, Metro Vancouver, and the Province is necessary to address sources of dumping and improve regional waste management practices.	Litter and illegal dumping impact the environment and wildlife and result in significant costs, including for member jurisdictions, to collect and dispose of these materials. The draft Solid Waste Management Plan includes the following strategy (4.9): "Identify recycling opportunities for common litter and illegal dumping items." This strategy includes actions to reduce illegal dumping by increasing opportunity for community drop-off of items that are commonly illegally dumped, supporting community clean-up initiatives, enhancing litter and illegal dumping data, and reviewing approaches in other jurisdictions to implement in

Example Feedback	Metro Vancouver's Response
	the Metro Vancouver region if proven effective elsewhere.
Concerns regarding limited engagement of the construction and development sector in regional waste reduction efforts. Encourages Metro Vancouver to consider stronger waste reduction requirements, accountability measures, and sector-specific initiatives aimed at reducing construction and demolition waste across the region.	Metro Vancouver will continue to advocate for strong policy tools, including expanded provincial Extended Producer Responsibility programs. There are a number of actions within the draft plan that target waste reduction in the construction and demolition sector including Action 1.1.1 a, 2.1.1 a, 2.1.1 b, 3.1.2, 3.3.2. The draft plan was revised to add a new action to develop a method to better track and account for construction and demolition waste potentially leaving the region.

7.0 Feedback on Related Solid Waste Projects

In parallel to the solid waste management plan update, Metro Vancouver engaged First Nations on various other solid waste projects. These engagements followed a similar approach including early, often, and ongoing engagement and meaningful relationship building efforts. The lists below describe the projects involving First Nations feedback from 2020-2026, as well as highlights from feedback, as the projects were related to elements of the Solid Waste Management Plan.

Other solid waste projects involving First Nations engagement from 2020 – 2026:

- Waste-to-Energy Facility Operational Certificate Amendment
- Waste-to-Energy Facility District Energy System
- Langley Recycling and Waste Centre – Recycling Depot Development
- 2019 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report
- 2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report
- 2022 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report
- United Boulevard Recycling and Waste Centre Development

Key feedback themes on these projects include:

- Some Nations expressed concerns about waste-to-energy (District Energy System and Operational Certificate) including:
    - Concerns about greenhouse gas emissions, pollution control measures, operational safety, and potential impacts on human health and safety
    - Concerns about environmental impacts on land, water, fish, and habitat, along with requests for stronger regulatory review and permitting processes

    - Consideration of alternatives to incineration such as waste reduction, recycling, composting, and circular economy approaches

- Addressing solid waste infrastructure risk and resilience planning
- Increased transparency, monitoring, and data reliability
- Support for expansion of recycling opportunities at waste facilities
- Concerns regarding light pollution from facility operations and its effects on surrounding communities and the environment

8.0 Additional Comment Period Ending August 1, 2026

Following GVS&DD Board endorsement of the draft Solid Waste Management Plan on April 24, 2026, Metro Vancouver invited First Nations to submit any additional comments on the draft plan until August 1, 2026. Details of this opportunity were sent to all First Nations that had been engaged during the plan update process.

Metro Vancouver received two letters from Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish Nation) and kʷikʷəƛ̓əm (Kwikwetlem First Nation).

All correspondence was reviewed and considered. The table below summarizes Metro Vancouver's response to the feedback.

Feedback Received	Metro Vancouver Response
Use the Zero Waste Hierarchy and definition. Have this centered in the plan.	The plan is based on a zero waste hierarchy that prioritizes reduction and recycling over recovery, with disposal (including waste-to-energy) as a last resort.
Set ambitious targets in the time frame of the plan with clear interim targets.	The draft plan was revised to add a new table identifying how elements of the plan contribute to achieving proposed targets. Ambitious targets in the updated plan reflect feedback from many stakeholders who emphasized the importance of continuing to reduce waste across all sectors. The plan includes several actions designed to support businesses in achieving these targets through collaboration, innovation, and knowledge sharing. Targets were set based on current waste generation statistics and composition data and are meant to be ambitious but achievable. Progress toward targets will be reported annually and shared publicly.

A phase out plan for the incinerator (or failing that a clean detailed analysis for residual disposal with social, environmental and financial impacts for all options).	The draft plan was revised to add a comparison of disposal costs over 10 years for Vancouver Landfill, Waste-to-Energy, and contingency disposal. A recent public health risk assessment completed in consultation with health authorities concluded that emissions from the Waste-to-Energy Facility do not pose a public health risk. Waste-to-energy is a safe and cost-effective method for managing residual garbage. Waste-to-energy costs are consistent with local landfilling, and half of remote landfilling. Emissions from the Waste-to-Energy Facility are closely monitored and openly shared in real time online, in addition to being reported to regulators. All regulated emission parameter values are below regulatory emission limits, and reporting shows that in 2025 emissions from the facility were on average 15% of regulatory limits. As part of Waste-to-Energy Facility operational certificate requirements, Metro Vancouver conducted a series of technical work including a public health risk assessment in collaboration with health authorities, to support proposing updated emission limits and additional monitoring. Metro Vancouver will conduct engagement prior to submitting final proposed emission limits and additional monitoring for consideration by the Ministry of Environment and Parks. Results of a rooftop monitoring study indicate that particulates accumulating on a warehouse roof near the Waste-to-Energy Facility are not the result of deposition from the facility. Metal, dioxins, and furan concentrations on the warehouse roof, other nearby roofs, in roadside dust and in soils near the Waste-to-Energy Facility are not significantly impacted by emissions from the Waste-to-Energy Facility.
A clear plan for timing, staffing and funding of zero waste solutions including: • Waste prevention • Reuse and Repair • Recycling and Composting - enhancing programs to be simple and	The draft plan was revised to extend financial projections over the 10-year expected plan duration; provide comparison of disposal costs over 10 years for Vancouver Landfill, Waste-to-Energy, and contingency disposal; and include

consistent to ensure clean materials are captured properly. Multifamily, business, institutions, industry and construction locations need to have better programs and services. • Reducing toxicity - actions to decrease the use of toxic materials as well as the emissions of toxic pollution • Enforcing and enhancing existing bans with more inspections, a requirement for clear bags and mandatory source separation.	estimated allocation of approved budget associated with each strategy. The draft plan was also revised to expand the plan implementation schedule including estimated start date for each strategy; details on associated deliverables; and information on roles and responsibilities. The draft plan includes many actions focusing on waste prevention, reuse, repair, the circular economy, accessible and consistent recycling and composting, and improved source separation. The draft Plan specifies that actions in the plan requiring Metro Vancouver expenditures will be brought forward for consideration by the GVS&DD Board through the annual budget process, prioritizing actions where business casing shows the highest potential to advance the solid waste management plan's primary and secondary metrics. In response to similar feedback received during the initial draft plan phase of engagement, Metro Vancouver added an implementation schedule included in Reference 1 Appendix C and expanded the financial overview section of the plan (page 102).
Inclusion of consumption-based emissions metrics associated with actions.	Consumption-based emissions are considered in the draft plan under Action 1.4.3. (Develop methods for estimating and reporting environmental and economic benefits for waste prevention actions such as reduction of greenhouse gas emissions (potentially including embodied carbon), potential cost savings, affordability, and life-cycle impacts.)
A commitment to transparency with clear, regular reporting and using the zero waste definitions for recycling. Diversion should not include any items sold as or burned for fuel.	Metro Vancouver will continue to report annually on solid waste management statistics including the targets and applicable secondary metrics outlined in the draft plan and will explore increasing transparency and access to data through a public dashboard of solid waste management plan performance indicators. Transparency and accountability are guiding principles of the solid waste management plan.

	Definitions are provided in the glossary of the draft plan and are based on provincial definitions where available. Where a feasible alternative exists, Metro Vancouver aims to manage materials according to the highest applicable level of the waste hierarchy (e.g. recycling before recovery). Recovering energy and resources from non-recyclable materials is preferable to disposal according to Metro Vancouver's waste hierarchy, which is consistent with the provincial and federal hierarchies. In response to similar feedback received during the idea generation phase, recovery was added to the initial draft hierarchy for clarity and consistency with provincial and federal hierarchies. Additional clarity was also provided on how diversion is calculated.
Adopt approaches to build upon grey spaces for future infrastructure upgrades to ensure the protection of green spaces.	Metro Vancouver's commitment to ecological health is reflected in policies such as Metro 2050, the Regional Growth Strategy (2023), the Ecological Health Framework (2018), and the Climate 2050 Nature and Ecosystems Roadmap (2023). All three policies reference the consideration of ecosystem services, meaning factors like rainwater absorption, flood risk reduction, biodiversity and habitat connectivity for potential sites is quantified and valued, and any potential loss of those services would be part of the decision-making process.

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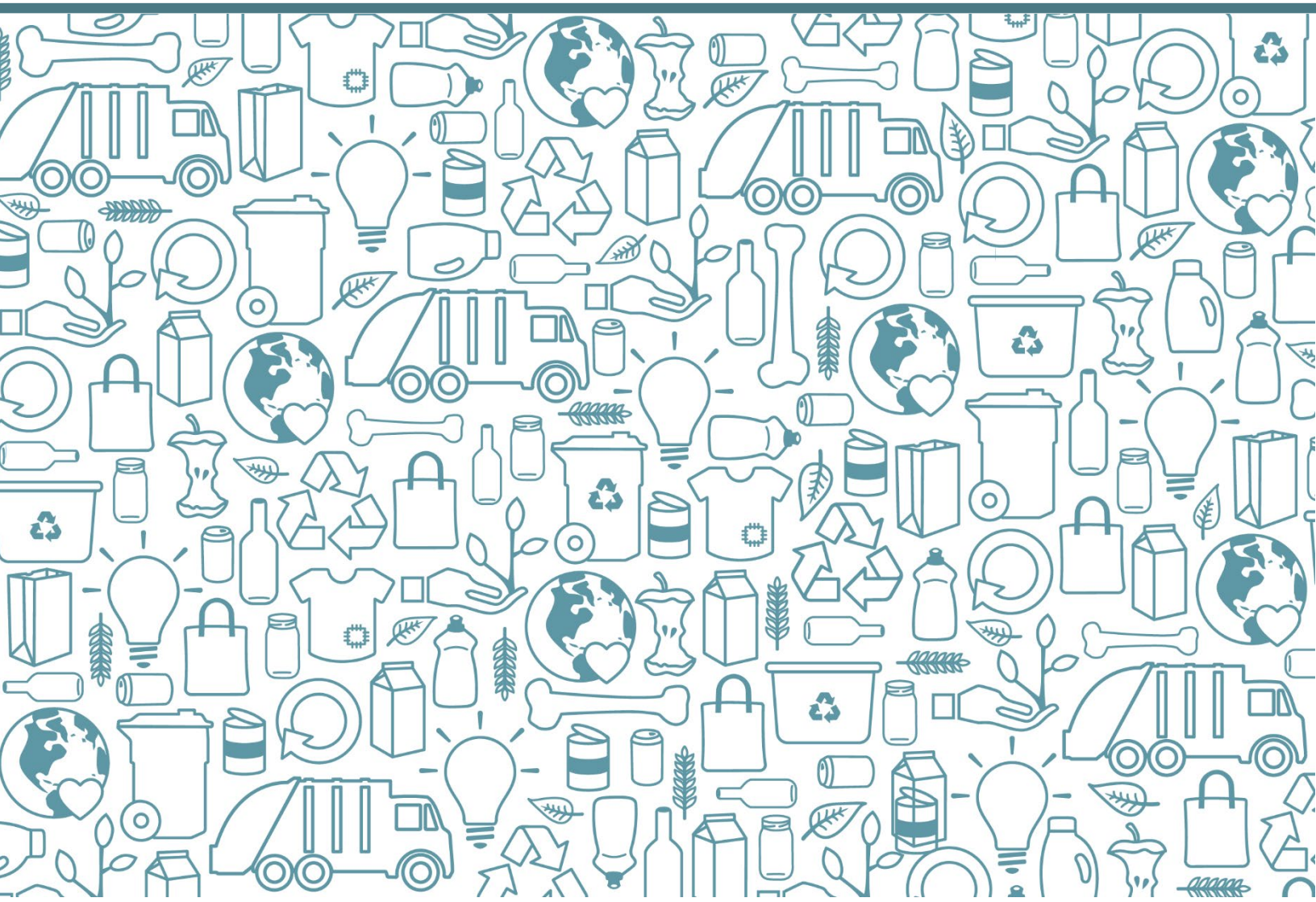

Appendix A - Solid Waste Management Plan Update Pre-Engagement and Vision and Guiding Principles

First Nations Engagement Report

March 2025

1.0 PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to provide a summary of Metro Vancouver's engagement with First Nations regarding the solid waste management plan update during the Pre-engagement and Vision & Guiding Principles phases of engagement. The updated solid waste management plan will be drafted in consideration of First Nations input, best practices research, public feedback, and input from advisory committees.

First Nations engagement summaries from all phases of the solid waste management plan update will be compiled and submitted along with Metro Vancouver's submission of a draft updated solid waste management plan for approval by the Minister of Environment and Parks.

2.0 SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE APPROVAL PROCESS

The draft solid waste management plan will be provided to the GVS&DD Board for consideration. After the Board's approval, the final draft plan will be submitted to the B.C. Minister of Environment and Parks for approval, together with the completed plan review checklist, corporate officer certification form, and consultation and engagement summary report.

3.0 SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE DESCRIPTION

Metro Vancouver is updating its solid waste management plan, building on the strengths of the current *Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan (2011)* and identifying opportunities for accelerated waste reduction and recycling while reducing greenhouse gases and promoting a circular economy.

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Solid Waste Management Plan Update Map

Metro Vancouver is responsible for waste reduction and recycling planning, and operating a series of solid waste facilities that provide waste and recycling services that benefit all residents and businesses in the region. The map below shows the Metro Vancouver and City of Vancouver solid waste facilities within the Metro Vancouver Regional District.

4.0 ENGAGEMENT PROCESS AND COMMUNICATIONS SUMMARY

First Nations and Tribal Councils Engaged

Through the provincial Consultative Areas Database, the following 47 First Nations, Tribal Councils, and Treaty Associations have been identified as having their consultative areas overlapping with the boundaries of the Metro Vancouver region during the pre-engagement and vision and guiding principles engagement phases from February 2020 to April 2024.

- Ăthelets (Aitchelitz First Nation)
- Chowéthel (Chawathil First Nation)
- Ch'íyáqtel (Tzeachten First Nation)
- Cowichan Tribes
- Douglas First Nation (Xa'xtsa)
- Halalt First Nation
- kʷikʷəƛ̓əm (Kwikwetlem First Nation)
- Kwaw'Kwaw'Apilt First Nation
- Leq' a:mel First Nation (Lakahahmen)
- Lillooet Tribal Council
- Lyackson First Nation
- máthxwi (Matsqui First Nation)
- Pauquachin First Nation
- Penelakut Tribe
- Peters First Nation
- q̓iḿəy̓ (Katzie First Nation)
- qiqéyt (Qayqayt First Nation)
- q̓ʷɑ:ńƛ̓əń (Kwantlen First Nation)
- Samahquam First Nation
- scəẃaθən məsteyəxʷ (Tsawwassen First Nation)
- Semá:th (Sumas First Nation)
- Semiahmoo First Nation
- Shxwhà:y (Skway First Nation)
- Shxw'ōwhámél (Shxw'ōwhámél First Nation)

- Skatin Nations (SkookumChuck)
- Skowkale
- Sḵwx̱wú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish Nation)
- Snuneymuxw First Nation
- Sq'éwlets (Scowlitz First Nation)
- Sq'éwqel (Seabird Island Band)
- Sq'ewá:lxw (Skawahlook First Nation)
- Sqwá (Skwah First Nation)
- Sto:lo Nation
- Stó:lō Tribal Council
- St'at'imc Chiefs Council
- Stz'uminus First Nation (Chemainus)
- səlilwətaɬ (Tsleil-Waututh Nation)
- Sxwoyehálá (Squiala First Nation)
- SȾÁUTW̱ (Tsawout First Nation)
- Th'ewá:li (Soowahlie First Nation)
- Tsartlip First Nation
- Tseycum First Nation
- Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation
- xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam Indian Band)
- Xwchíyò:m (Cheam First Nation)
- Yale First Nation
- Yeqwyeqwí:ws (Yakweakwioose First Nation)

Metro Vancouver also provided an opportunity to the Métis Nation British Columbia and Vancouver Aboriginal Friendship Centre Society to engage on the Plan given the potential interest of urban Indigenous populations in the decisions and actions outlined within the Plan. Opportunities to provide feedback were also extended to Métis Nation who have expressed interest in Metro Vancouver projects.

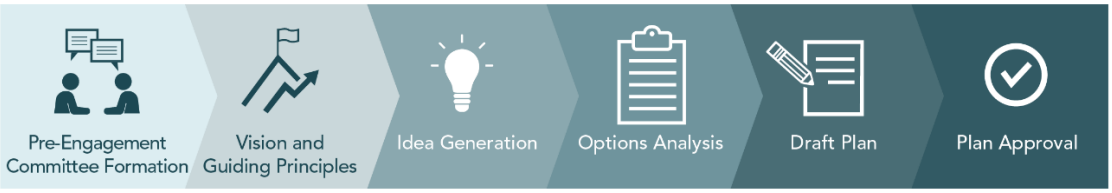
Engagement Summary

The solid waste management plan update presents an opportunity for Metro Vancouver to advance collaboration and reconciliation with First Nations. Metro Vancouver seeks to work together with First Nations through increased opportunities for collaboration and meaningful engagement, on an early, often and ongoing basis, to establish positive, constructive, and long-lasting relationships. Metro Vancouver is reaching out to and seeking connection with First Nations with communities within the Metro Vancouver region to identify and understand their priorities related to waste management in

their communities. In addition, Metro Vancouver welcomes feedback from many other First Nations communities located outside Metro Vancouver that have interests within the region.

Metro Vancouver's First Nations engagement strategy related to this project involves a collaborative government-to-government engagement approach with First Nations whose territories include all or part of the Metro Vancouver region[1] as well as a community engagement approach with urban Indigenous organizations, off-reserve and non-status First Nations, and Métis.

The plan update is a multi-year process and Metro Vancouver conducted pre-engagement in 2020 and 2021, formed advisory committees to support the plan update in 2022, and completed engagement on vision and guiding principles in 2023. Subsequent phases of engagement include idea generation, options analysis, and engagement on a draft plan.



First Nations engagement during pre-engagement and the vision and guiding principles phases are described in this report. Pre-engagement sought to learn from First Nations about preferred communication channels, methods of engagement, and what was needed to enable participation. The objective of the vision and guiding principles phase was to learn about values and priorities that should be considered as we update the solid waste management plan.

During pre-engagement, Metro Vancouver shared project information with First Nations through letters sent February 5, 2020 and April 27, 2021, and had one pre-engagement meeting. On June 16, 2022, Metro Vancouver let First Nations with communities within the region know that meetings of the newly formed Solid Waste Management Plan Update Public/Technical Advisory Committee were available to observe online.

During the vision and guiding principles phase of engagement, Metro Vancouver shared project information and opportunities to engage with First Nations between February 2023 and April 2024. In addition, Metro Vancouver met with the following First Nations:

- q̓ʷɑːn̓ƛ̓ən̓(Kwantlen First Nation)
- kʷikʷəƛ̓əm (Kwikwetlem First Nation)
- máthxwi (Matsqui First Nation)
- xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam Indian Band)
- Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish Nation)

[1] Metro Vancouver engages with First Nations whose consultative area overlaps with a project location. A Consultation Area is an area in which a First Nation claims their Aboriginal Rights. There are 34 First Nations with interests in the Metro Vancouver Regional District. First Nations' Consultation Areas can be found using the "Consultative Areas Database," a Provincial mapping tool available to the public.

- scəẇaθən məsteyəxʷ (Tsawwassen First Nation)
- səlilwətaɬ (Tsleil-Waututh Nation)

A letter was sent to First Nations with communities in the Metro Vancouver region on April 4, 2024, sharing the draft vision statement and guiding principles for feedback before consideration by the GVS&DD Board. The vision statement and guiding principles were developed considering feedback from First Nations and others.

Metro Vancouver will continue to engage with First Nations with communities and interests in the Metro Vancouver region in subsequent phases of the plan update.

Appendix 1 refers to the comprehensive tracker of all relevant correspondence, emails, phone calls, meetings from Metro Vancouver to First Nations from February 2020 – April 2024. Appendix 2 includes a copy of the outgoing letters and emails to First Nations from February 2020 – April 2024.

Leading Practice

Metro Vancouver's *2022-2026 Board Strategic Plan* reaffirms its ongoing commitment to strengthening respectful relationships and engaging meaningfully with First Nations on plans, programs, and projects. Metro Vancouver endeavors to ensure that its engagement with First Nations is meaningful, respectful and takes place early, often and in an ongoing manner.

Metro Vancouver has developed an information-sharing and engagement process based on First Nations' requests, provincial guidance, court decisions, legal advice, best practices, and ongoing research. Metro Vancouver's procedure for sharing information and engaging with First Nations ensures that staff apply a consistent approach to projects and the way they communicate with First Nations.

Early Engagement

Metro Vancouver will seek to initiate engagement with relevant First Nations regarding a project as early as reasonably possible. Metro Vancouver will engage with First Nations to understand their interests, priorities and concerns; their interest in participating in the engagement process; and their preferred engagement approaches. Metro Vancouver uses the provincial *Consultative Areas Database* to identify First Nations to engage with on specific projects.

Ongoing Engagement

Based on the information obtained through its initial engagement efforts, Metro Vancouver will seek to develop a customized and mutually agreeable engagement process with each interested First Nation. Depending on the circumstances, Metro Vancouver's engagement efforts may include:

- Exchanging written correspondence with First Nations to share information about the plan update, and to seek input on their respective interests, and concerns regarding the plan update (e.g., formal engagement letters, update letters, and emails)
- Meeting with First Nations to discuss the plan update, and their respective interests and concerns on the plan update (e.g., staff meetings, site visits, technical workshops, facility tours,

etc.)

- Sharing and seeking comments on relevant technical and environmental reports, and other project related materials
- Working together on incorporating Indigenous Knowledge into the project
- Exploring opportunities to incorporate cultural elements into the plan update
- Holding regular technical working group meetings with individual First Nations to provide updates
- Reporting back to First Nations with a summary of relevant engagement discussions and outcomes (e.g., a summary of a potentially affected First Nation's interests, and concerns; Metro Vancouver's responses; how feedback was incorporated into the plan and reasons for not including certain feedback)

The engagement efforts listed above are not intended to be exhaustive or mutually exclusive.

Information Sharing

Metro Vancouver will share relevant information with relevant First Nations regarding the project, the applicable regulatory processes, and the opportunities for First Nations participation as such relevant information becomes available.

Metro Vancouver will also seek feedback and relevant information from First Nations regarding their interests and concerns on the project to understand potential impacts. Metro Vancouver also appreciates when First Nations share relevant information in a timely and fulsome manner to inform the engagement process. Such information will vary on a case-by-case basis and may include technical reports, cultural heritage studies, traditional use studies, and/or Indigenous Knowledge studies, where appropriate and where First Nations feel comfortable sharing their Indigenous Knowledge.

5.0 ENGAGEMENT RELATED FUNDING AND AGREEMENTS

Metro Vancouver offered engagement funding during the vision and guiding principles phase to First Nations with communities in the region for the following engagement activities:

- Attending an online engagement meeting on the solid waste management plan update: vision and guiding principles to talk, learn together, and provide input.
- Reading the solid waste management plan backgrounder and discussion guide, and providing written responses to the questions in the discussion guide.

Metro Vancouver intends to continue to provide opportunities for engagement funding to First Nations with communities in the region as the solid waste management plan update progresses.

6.0 KEY ISSUES & HOW WE RESPONDED

Issues & Responses

In 2021 and 2024, Metro Vancouver gathered and recorded feedback during both the pre-engagement and vision and guiding principles phases of the solid waste management plan update. There was little feedback received in the pre-engagement phase where Metro Vancouver notified First Nations of the upcoming plan and asked how they would like to be engaged with on the plan update. The vision statement and guiding principles set the direction and created the foundation for the plan and were developed in consideration of engagement input and feedback from First Nations as well as the public, provincial guidelines, a review of the current plan, Metro Vancouver guiding documents, and a review of solid waste management plans in other jurisdictions. A summary of the key interests and concerns from First Nations included:

- Request further clarity from Metro Vancouver on how the plan update is relevant to or impacts First Nations
- Consider other feedback provided during other Metro Vancouver engagement processes
- Improve access to solid waste programs and services
- Increase education and awareness on how to reduce waste and recycle
- Highlight economic opportunities where possible
- Consider affordability
- Focus on environmental stewardship
- Reduce plastic packaging and single-use items
- Encourage innovation
- Reduce abandoned waste
- Simplify recycling
- Collaborate on existing Metro Vancouver waste reduction programs and initiatives

Details on how Metro Vancouver responded are outlined in the table below.

Key Issues and Response Table

Solid Waste Management Plan Update Feedback Summary – Pre-Engagement and Vision and Guiding Principles

Participating First Nations: q̓ʷɑ:ƛ̓ən̓(Kwantlen First Nation), kʷikʷəƛ̓əm (Kwikwetlem First Nation), máthxwi (Matsqui First Nation), xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam Indian Band), Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish Nation), scəẇaθən məsteyəxʷ (Tsawwassen First Nation), and səlilwətaɬ (Tsleil-Waututh Nation)

First Nation Key Issue/Concern	How Metro Vancouver Responded
Concerns about the impact of urbanization, causing increased solid waste generation and management challenges and thus impacting First Nations and territories.	Awareness and consideration of regional growth and urbanization helped to inform the vision and guiding principles.
Challenges with economic accessibility to proper waste disposal methods, including the affordability of garbage bins and bags, affecting community participation. Calls for	This feedback helped inform the guiding principle *"A solid waste and recycling system that is affordable, convenient, and consistent across the*

First Nation Key Issue/Concern	How Metro Vancouver Responded
easier, more affordable, and accessible waste management solutions.	*region."*
Questions regarding the regulation and reduction of packaging, particularly in takeout food, to minimize waste.	This feedback will be considered as part of Idea Generation phase.
Interest in sharing background studies and information for future planning.	Metro Vancouver will share ongoing solid waste studies and the findings from these with First Nations.
Interest in waste-to-energy facilities, including potential for additional facilities, as part of efforts to find climate-conscious ways to reduce waste.	Metro Vancouver shared information on the Metro Vancouver owned Waste-to-Energy Facility and the focus on prioritizing waste reduction and maximizing the community benefit. Metro Vancouver currently has no plans to expand waste-to-energy capacity.
Questions about specific aspects of waste management, including the number of landfills, the expansion of recycling depots and the control of waste sources by Metro Vancouver.	Metro Vancouver's regulatory authority and associated mechanisms for encouraging waste reduction and recycling are primarily at the regional solid waste facilities rather than in manufacturing, distributing, or at the curb. Metro Vancouver works closely with municipalities and waste haulers but most waste reduction work has to come from education and behavior change. Noted for future phases of engagement.
Recognition of Metro Vancouver's efforts to improve waste management, with appreciation for initiatives like reducing light pollution at waste facilities and considering community concerns.	Feedback noted.
Confusion about proper disposal methods for items like thin compost bags, plastic grocery bags, and clothing, and a desire for clearer guidelines or educational materials.	Metro Vancouver shared information about current recycling regulations.
Advocacy for reducing non-recyclable materials and promoting sustainable alternatives like cloth or paper bags.	This feedback will be considered as part of Idea Generation phase.
Concerns about Styrofoam disposal, with suggestions for separate pickups and calls for	Decreasing waste at the manufacturing level helped inform the guiding principle

First Nation Key Issue/Concern	How Metro Vancouver Responded
companies to reduce usage.	"*Accountability from residents, businesses and governments to prevent waste."*
Issues with items like mattresses not being accepted at recycling centers, leading to illegal dumping.	Increasing access to and availability of recycling options helped inform the guiding principle *"A solid waste and recycling system that is affordable, convenient, and consistent across the region."*
Interest in community clean-up initiatives and providing alternatives for waste disposal, such as seasonal clean-up events.	Increasing access to alternative recycling options helped inform the guiding principle of *"A solid waste and recycling system that is affordable, convenient, and consistent across the region."*
Concerns about the relevance of solid waste management plan discussions to First Nations and the need for more thoughtful consideration of Indigenous rights and perspectives.	Throughout all engagement phases of the plan update, Metro Vancouver is seeking to identify First Nations values, interests, and priorities in order to develop the draft solid waste management plan.
Calls for better recognition of First Nations rights and title within waste management strategies and more research to inform consultations.	Metro Vancouver will seek to acknowledge and recognize how Rights and Title apply to the plan in future stages of engagement.
Concerns about inadequacies in funding for First Nation participation in waste management processes.	Metro Vancouver's Indigenous Relations team met with the concerned First Nation to discuss engagement approaches and funding on August 10, 2023. We are continuing to work to improve practices to meet the needs of both the First Nation and Metro Vancouver.
Questions about the direct benefits of waste management strategies to First Nation communities, including improvements to waste systems, environmental impacts, and financial assistance.	This feedback on direct benefits to First Nations helped inform the development of these guiding principles: • *"A solid waste system that is resilient to climate change and future challenges."* • *"A solid waste and recycling system that is affordable, convenient, and consistent across the region."* • *"Environmental stewardship and climate action."*
A First Nation is developing a climate action strategy through community engagement, including sharing circles, meetings, and	Metro Vancouver looks forward to hearing more about the climate action strategy, with the hope of incorporating and aligning key priorities and

First Nation Key Issue/Concern	How Metro Vancouver Responded
ceremonies, with a focus on themes like waste. They aim to ensure the strategy is easily understandable and incorporates regulation of their territory, with draft values emphasizing diligence, dignity, community care, and interconnectedness.	values with the updated solid waste management plan.
A First Nation wants to make their climate action strategy as understandable as possible so actions are focused and understood by their community and ways of living but want to have some regulation of the territory also.	The feedback about understanding information and the ability to action goals helped inform the guiding principle *"Transparency about what happens to garbage and recycling."*
Concerns about affordability leading to the choice of lower quality products, contributing to waste generation.	This feedback on affordability of products helped inform the guiding principle *"A solid waste and recycling system that is affordable, convenient, and consistent across the region."*
Comments about education and waste management, as many community members have asked for traditional waste management practices to be shared and adopted by the Nation government.	This feedback will be considered as part of the Idea Generation phase. Metro Vancouver would like to learn more about traditional waste management practices adopted by First Nations.
Recognition of an increase in illegal dumping on traditional territory and interest in enforcing policies against it, as well as supporting a levy against single-use items.	This feedback will be considered as part of Idea Generation phase.
There is interest in delivery of education on sustainability practices for reducing, reusing, recycling, composting and minimizing waste. Also, there is an interest in promoting access to ethical and durable products through partnering with industry.	This feedback will be considered as part of the Idea Generation phase.
The Nation is developing an internal waste management policy to ensure reducing, reusing, and repurposing happens at all Nation offices and community buildings.	Metro Vancouver looks forward to hearing more about the policy and hopes that information from it can be incorporated into the solid waste management plan.
Comment that the Nation is interested in having baseline data about waste composition specific to the community.	Metro Vancouver conducts waste composition studies each year. Metro Vancouver is interested in having further conversations with First Nations on potential opportunities to work together on these types of studies.

First Nation Key Issue/Concern	How Metro Vancouver Responded
Inquiry about the implementation of the Waste-to-Energy Facility District Energy project, including concerns about potential underground piping and suggestions to increase waste-to-energy capacity and consider additional facilities to reduce landfill reliance.	Metro Vancouver shared information on the upcoming Waste-to-Energy Facility District Energy project and the focus on reducing waste and maximizing the community benefit.
Advocacy for improved waste management programs, including better management of fish waste.	This feedback on improving waste management programs will be considered as part of Idea Generation phase.
Concerns about environmental impacts (protecting wildlife and waterways). Comment that environmental stewardship and environmental protection should be emphasized in this plan. Metro Vancouver is a steward of the land and should focus on preserving it.	This feedback on considering environmental impacts and stewardship helped inform the guiding principle *"Environmental stewardship and climate action."*
Priorities and interests identified about First Nations access to programs and services related to Metro Vancouver's solid waste function, ease of use, and affordability.	This feedback on access to solid waste programs and services helped inform the guiding principles of *"A solid waste and recycling system that is affordable, convenient, and consistent across the region"* and *"Inclusive solid waste services and programs."*

7.0 ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATION AND NEXT STEPS

Metro Vancouver intends to provide the Ministry of Environment and Parks with updates on First Nations engagement on the solid waste management plan update as the process continues. In 2024, Metro Vancouver engaged on the idea generation, and subsequently will engage on options analysis, and a draft solid waste management plan.

Each phase of First Nations engagement will be summarized and a report will be submitted upon completion of the final phase of plan development, along with the submission of the draft plan for the Minister's consideration.

8.0 APPENDICES

Appendix 1 – The First Nations communications and engagement tracker with incoming and outgoing communication regarding the Solid Waste Management Plan Update February 2020 – April 2024

Appendix 2 – Copies of First Nations engagement letters and emails outgoing regarding the Solid Waste Management Plan Update February 2020 - April 2024.

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Date (DD-MMM-YY)	Project Name	First Nation	Engagement Type	Description	Incoming/ Outgoing
5-Feb-20	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Aitchelitz First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Metro Vancouver's 2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report and Upcoming Engagement on Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Outgoing
5-Feb-20	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Chawathil First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Metro Vancouver's 2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report and Upcoming Engagement on Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Outgoing
5-Feb-20	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Cheam First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Metro Vancouver's 2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report and Upcoming Engagement on Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Outgoing
5-Feb-20	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Cowichan Tribes	Letter #1 (Intro)	Metro Vancouver's 2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report and Upcoming Engagement on Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Outgoing
5-Feb-20	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Halalt First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Metro Vancouver's 2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report and Upcoming Engagement on Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Outgoing
5-Feb-20	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Hwlitsum First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Metro Vancouver's 2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report and Upcoming Engagement on Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Outgoing
5-Feb-20	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Katzie First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Metro Vancouver's 2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report and Upcoming Engagement on Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Outgoing

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5-Feb-20	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Kwaw-kwaw-apilt First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Metro Vancouver's 2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report and Upcoming Engagement on Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Outgoing
5-Feb-20	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Kwikwetlem First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Metro Vancouver's 2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report and Upcoming Engagement on Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Outgoing
5-Feb-20	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Lake Cowichan First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Metro Vancouver's 2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report and Upcoming Engagement on Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Outgoing
5-Feb-20	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Leq’ a:mel First Nation (Lakahahmen)	Letter #1 (Intro)	Metro Vancouver's 2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report and Upcoming Engagement on Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Outgoing
5-Feb-20	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Lyackson First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Metro Vancouver's 2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report and Upcoming Engagement on Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Outgoing
5-Feb-20	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Malahat First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Metro Vancouver's 2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report and Upcoming Engagement on Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Outgoing

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5-Feb-20	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Musqueam Indian Band	Letter #1 (Intro)	Metro Vancouver's 2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report and Upcoming Engagement on Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Outgoing
5-Feb-20	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Pauquachin First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Metro Vancouver's 2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report and Upcoming Engagement on Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Outgoing
5-Feb-20	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Penelakut Tribe	Letter #1 (Intro)	Metro Vancouver's 2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report and Upcoming Engagement on Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Outgoing
5-Feb-20	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Popkum First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Metro Vancouver's 2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report and Upcoming Engagement on Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Outgoing
5-Feb-20	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Qayqayt First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Metro Vancouver's 2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report and Upcoming Engagement on Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Outgoing
5-Feb-20	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Scia'new First Nation (Beecher Bay First Nation)	Letter #1 (Intro)	Metro Vancouver's 2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report and Upcoming Engagement on Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Outgoing

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5-Feb-20	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Seabird Island Band	Letter #1 (Intro)	Metro Vancouver's 2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report and Upcoming Engagement on Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Outgoing
5-Feb-20	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Semiahmoo First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Metro Vancouver's 2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report and Upcoming Engagement on Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Outgoing
5-Feb-20	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Shxw'ow'hamel First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Metro Vancouver's 2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report and Upcoming Engagement on Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Outgoing
5-Feb-20	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Shxwha:y Village	Letter #1 (Intro)	Metro Vancouver's 2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report and Upcoming Engagement on Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Outgoing
5-Feb-20	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Skawahlook First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Metro Vancouver's 2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report and Upcoming Engagement on Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Outgoing
5-Feb-20	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Skowkale First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Metro Vancouver's 2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report and Upcoming Engagement on Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Outgoing

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5-Feb-20	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Songhees Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Metro Vancouver's 2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report and Upcoming Engagement on Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Outgoing
5-Feb-20	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Soowahlie First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Metro Vancouver's 2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report and Upcoming Engagement on Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Outgoing
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5-Feb-20	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Squiala First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Metro Vancouver's 2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report and Upcoming Engagement on Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Outgoing
5-Feb-20	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Sto:lo Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Metro Vancouver's 2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report and Upcoming Engagement on Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Outgoing
5-Feb-20	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Sto:lo Tribal Council	Letter #1 (Intro)	Metro Vancouver's 2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report and Upcoming Engagement on Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Outgoing

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5-Feb-20	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Sumas First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Metro Vancouver's 2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report and Upcoming Engagement on Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Outgoing
5-Feb-20	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Te'mexw Treaty Association	Letter #1 (Intro)	Metro Vancouver's 2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report and Upcoming Engagement on Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Outgoing
5-Feb-20	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Tsartlip First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Metro Vancouver's 2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report and Upcoming Engagement on Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Outgoing
5-Feb-20	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Tsawout First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Metro Vancouver's 2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report and Upcoming Engagement on Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Outgoing
5-Feb-20	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Tseycum First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Metro Vancouver's 2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report and Upcoming Engagement on Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Outgoing
5-Feb-20	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Tsleil-Waututh Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Metro Vancouver's 2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report and Upcoming Engagement on Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Outgoing

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5-Feb-20	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Tzeachten First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Metro Vancouver's 2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report and Upcoming Engagement on Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Outgoing
5-Feb-20	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Yakweakwioose First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Metro Vancouver's 2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report and Upcoming Engagement on Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Outgoing
5-Feb-20	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Tsawout First Nation	Letter - Issues/Response	Email reply	Incoming
5-Feb-20	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Matsqui First Nation	Letter - Issues/Response	Email reply	Incoming
6-Mar-20	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Matsqui First Nation	Meeting	SW team and Metro 2050 team met with Ms. Collins at Matsqui. Robin Beukens from FVRD also attended	Not Applicable
13-Mar-20	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Leq' a:mel First Nation (Lakahahmen)	Letter - Issues/Response	Email reply	Incoming

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27-Apr-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Katzie First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
27-Apr-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwantlen First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
27-Apr-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Matsqui First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
27-Apr-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Musqueam Indian Band	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
27-Apr-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Qayqayt First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
27-Apr-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Semiahmoo First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
27-Apr-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Squamish Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing

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27-Apr-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsawwassen First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
27-Apr-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsleil-Waututh Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
27-Apr-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwikwetlem First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Douglas Band (Xa'xtsa)	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Cowichan Tribes	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Halalt First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Lake Cowichan First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing

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28-Apr-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Pauquachin First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Penelakut Tribe	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Peters First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Samahquam First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Seabird Island Band	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Shxw'ow'hamel First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing

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28-Apr-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Skatin Nations	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Skawahlook First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Snaw-Naw-As First Nation (Nanoose First Nation)	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Soowahlie First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	St'at'imc Chiefs Council (Lillooet Tribal Council)	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Sto:lo Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Sto:lo Tribal Council	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing

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28-Apr-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Métis Nation of BC	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Stz'uminus First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Te'mexw Treaty Association	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Te'mexw Treaty Association	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsartlip First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsawout First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tseycum First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing

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28-Apr-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Lyackson First Nation	Letter - Issues/Response	Alternate email address and request for capacity funding	Incoming
6-May-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Lyackson First Nation	Letter - Issues/Response	Reply to request for capacity funding	Outgoing
7-May-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Katzie First Nation	Phone Call	Voicemail - asking if interested in a meeting	Outgoing
7-May-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwantlen First Nation	Phone Call	Voicemail - asking if interested in a meeting	Outgoing
10-May-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwikwetlem First Nation	Phone Call	Voicemail - asking if interested in a meeting	Outgoing
10-May-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Matsqui First Nation	Phone Call	No voice mail available	Outgoing
10-May-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Musqueam Indian Band	Phone Call	Told to email Erin Sweeney	Outgoing

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10-May-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Qayqayt First Nation	Phone Call	Voicemail - asking if interested in a meeting	Outgoing
10-May-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Semiahmoo First Nation	Phone Call	Left a message at reception	Outgoing
10-May-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Squamish Nation	Phone Call	Received the letter, had a meeting about it, are looking to respond and that would be from Kathleen Edwards	Outgoing
10-May-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsawwassen First Nation	Phone Call	Voicemail - asking if interested in a meeting	Outgoing
10-May-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsleil-Waututh Nation	Phone Call	Told to email Cora or Chloe as there is not cell number for them.	Outgoing
22-Jun-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsleil-Waututh Nation	Letter - Issues/Response	Request for capacity funding	Incoming
30-Jun-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsleil-Waututh Nation	Letter - Issues/Response	Reply to request for capacity funding	Outgoing

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5-Jul-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Squamish Nation	Phone Call	Spoke with Aaron - asked is there still a letter coming after July 2 closing period. Aaron to text kathleen to ask.	Outgoing
6-Jul-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Squamish Nation	Letter - Issues/Response	Request for capacity funding	Incoming
6-Jul-21	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Squamish Nation	Letter - Issues/Response	Reply to request for capacity funding	Outgoing
28-Apr-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Cowichan Tribes	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Douglas Band (Xa'xtsa)	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Halalt First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Katzie First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing

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28-Apr-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Kwantlen First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Kwikwetlem First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Lyackson First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Matsqui First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Musqueam Indian Band	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Pauquachin First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing

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28-Apr-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Peters First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Qayqayt First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Samahquam First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Seabird Island Band	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Semiahmoo First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Shxw'ow'hamel First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing

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28-Apr-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Skawahlook First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Snaw-Naw-As First Nation (Nanoose First Nation)	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Snuneymuxw First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Soowahlie First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Squamish Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	St'at'imc Chiefs Council (Lillooet Tribal Council)	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing

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28-Apr-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Sto:lo Tribal Council	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Stz'uminus First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Te'mexw Treaty Association	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Tsartlip First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Tsawout First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Tsawwassen First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing

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28-Apr-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Tseycum First Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Tsleil-Waututh Nation	Letter #1 (Intro)	Project introduction and request for engagement preference feedback	Outgoing
28-Apr-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Samahquam First Nation	Letter - Issues/Response	Letter will send to Council for review	Incoming
16-Jun-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Cowichan Tribes	Letter #2 (CRP)	Reminder	Outgoing
16-Jun-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Douglas Band (Xa'xtsa)	Letter #2 (CRP)	Reminder	Outgoing
16-Jun-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Halalt First Nation	Letter #2 (CRP)	Reminder	Outgoing
16-Jun-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Katzie First Nation	Letter #2 (CRP)	Reminder + PTAC meetings information	Outgoing

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16-Jun-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Kwikwetlem First Nation	Letter #2 (CRP)	Reminder + PTAC meetings information	Outgoing
16-Jun-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation	Letter #2 (CRP)	Reminder	Outgoing
16-Jun-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Lyackson First Nation	Letter #2 (CRP)	Reminder	Outgoing
16-Jun-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Matsqui First Nation	Letter #2 (CRP)	Reminder + PTAC meetings information	Outgoing
16-Jun-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Musqueam Indian Band	Letter #2 (CRP)	Reminder + PTAC meetings information	Outgoing
16-Jun-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Pauquachin First Nation	Letter #2 (CRP)	Reminder	Outgoing

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16-Jun-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Penelakut Tribe	Letter #2 (CRP)	Reminder	Outgoing
16-Jun-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Peters First Nation	Letter #2 (CRP)	Reminder	Outgoing
16-Jun-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Qayqayt First Nation	Letter #2 (CRP)	Reminder + PTAC meetings information	Outgoing
16-Jun-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Samahquam First Nation	Letter #2 (CRP)	Reminder	Outgoing
16-Jun-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Seabird Island Band	Letter #2 (CRP)	Reminder	Outgoing
16-Jun-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Semiahmoo First Nation	Letter #2 (CRP)	Reminder + PTAC meetings information	Outgoing
16-Jun-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Shxw'ow'hamel First Nation	Letter #2 (CRP)	Reminder	Outgoing

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16-Jun-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Skawahlook First Nation	Letter #2 (CRP)	Reminder	Outgoing
16-Jun-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Snaw-Naw-As First Nation (Nanoose First Nation)	Letter #2 (CRP)	Reminder	Outgoing
16-Jun-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Snuneymuxw First Nation	Letter #2 (CRP)	Reminder	Outgoing
16-Jun-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Soowahlie First Nation	Letter #2 (CRP)	Reminder	Outgoing
16-Jun-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Squamish Nation	Letter #2 (CRP)	Reminder + PTAC meetings information	Outgoing
16-Jun-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	St'at'imc Chiefs Council (Lillooet Tribal Council)	Letter #2 (CRP)	Reminder	Outgoing

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16-Jun-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Sto:lo Tribal Council	Letter #2 (CRP)	Reminder	Outgoing
16-Jun-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Stz'uminus First Nation	Letter #2 (CRP)	Reminder	Outgoing
16-Jun-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Te'mexw Treaty Association	Letter #2 (CRP)	Reminder	Outgoing
16-Jun-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Tsartlip First Nation	Letter #2 (CRP)	Reminder	Outgoing
16-Jun-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Tsawout First Nation	Letter #2 (CRP)	Reminder	Outgoing
16-Jun-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Tsawwassen First Nation	Letter #2 (CRP)	Reminder + PTAC meetings information	Outgoing

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16-Jun-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Tsleil-Waututh Nation	Letter #2 (CRP)	Reminder + PTAC meetings information	Outgoing
20-Jun-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Lyackson First Nation	Letter - Issues/Response	Response to ' 2021 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report'	Incoming
6-Jul-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Samahquam First Nation	Letter #2 (CRP)	Reminder	Outgoing
7-Jul-22	2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Kwikwetlem First Nation	Email	Response to ' 2021 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report'	Incoming
11-Jul-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Lyackson First Nation	Email	Response to ' 2021 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report'	Outgoing
12-Jul-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Lyackson First Nation	Email	Response to ' 2021 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report'	Incoming

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14-Jul-22	2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Seabird Island Band	Letter via Email	Response to ' 2021 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report'	Incoming
23-Feb-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Katzie First Nation	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement letter for the plan update to local First Nations	Outgoing
23-Feb-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwantlen First Nation	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement letter for the plan update to local First Nations	Outgoing
23-Feb-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwikwetlem First Nation	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement letter for the plan update to local First Nations	Outgoing
23-Feb-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Matsqui First Nation	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement letter for the plan update to local First Nations	Outgoing
23-Feb-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Musqueam Indian Band	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement letter for the plan update to local First Nations	Outgoing
23-Feb-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Qayqayt First Nation	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement letter for the plan update to local First Nations	Outgoing

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23-Feb-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Semiahmoo First Nation	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement letter for the plan update to local First Nations	Outgoing
23-Feb-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Squamish Nation	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement letter for the plan update to local First Nations	Outgoing
23-Feb-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsawwassen First Nation	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement letter for the plan update to local First Nations	Outgoing
23-Feb-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsleil-Waututh Nation	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement letter for the plan update to local First Nations	Outgoing
23-Feb-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Sto:lo Nation	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement letter for the plan update to local First Nations	Outgoing
3-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Leq' a:mel First Nation (Lakahahmen)	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement letter for the plan update to out of region First Nations	Outgoing
3-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Douglas Band (Xa'xtsa)	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement letter for the plan update to out of region First Nations	Outgoing

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3-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Cowichan Tribes	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement letter for the plan update to out of region First Nations	Outgoing
3-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsawwassen First Nation	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement letter for the plan update to out of region First Nations	Outgoing
3-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsleil-Waututh Nation	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement letter for the plan update to out of region First Nations	Outgoing
3-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Qayqayt First Nation	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement letter for the plan update to out of region First Nations	Outgoing
3-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Musqueam Indian Band	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement letter for the plan update to out of region First Nations	Outgoing
3-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Matsqui First Nation	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement letter for the plan update to out of region First Nations	Outgoing
3-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwikwetlem First Nation	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement letter for the plan update to out of region First Nations	Outgoing

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3-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	St'at'imc Chiefs Council (Lillooet Tribal Council)	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement letter for the plan update to out of region First Nations	Outgoing
3-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Halalt First Nation	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement letter for the plan update to out of region First Nations	Outgoing
3-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Katzie First Nation	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement letter for the plan update to out of region First Nations	Outgoing
3-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwantlen First Nation	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement letter for the plan update to out of region First Nations	Outgoing
3-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Skatin Nations	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement letter for the plan update to out of region First Nations	Outgoing
3-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Métis Nation of BC	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement letter for the plan update to out of region First Nations	Outgoing
3-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement letter for the plan update to out of region First Nations	Outgoing

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3-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsawout First Nation	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement letter for the plan update to out of region First Nations	Outgoing
3-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Stz'uminus First Nation	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement letter for the plan update to out of region First Nations	Outgoing
3-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsartlip First Nation	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement letter for the plan update to out of region First Nations	Outgoing
3-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Snuneymuxw First Nation	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement letter for the plan update to out of region First Nations	Outgoing
3-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Peters First Nation	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement letter for the plan update to out of region First Nations	Outgoing
3-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Penelakut Tribe	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement letter for the plan update to out of region First Nations	Outgoing

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3-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Pauquachin First Nation	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement letter for the plan update to out of region First Nations	Outgoing
3-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Lyackson First Nation	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement letter for the plan update to out of region First Nations	Outgoing
6-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwikwetlem First Nation	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement reminder for the plan update to local First Nations	Outgoing
6-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Katzie First Nation	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement reminder for the plan update to local First Nations	Outgoing
6-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwantlen First Nation	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement reminder for the plan update to local First Nations	Outgoing
6-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Matsqui First Nation	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement reminder for the plan update to local First Nations	Outgoing
6-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Musqueam Indian Band	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement reminder for the plan update to local First Nations	Outgoing

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6-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Semiahmoo First Nation	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement reminder for the plan update to local First Nations	Outgoing
6-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsawwassen First Nation	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement reminder for the plan update to local First Nations	Outgoing
6-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsleil-Waututh Nation	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement reminder for the plan update to local First Nations	Outgoing
6-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Qayqayt First Nation	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement reminder for the plan update to local First Nations	Outgoing
6-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Squamish Nation	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement reminder for the plan update to local First Nations	Outgoing
6-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Sto:lo Nation	Letter via Email	Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement reminder for the plan update to local First Nations	Outgoing
7-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Matsqui First Nation	Email	Email response from Matsqui First Nation for the SWMP	Incoming

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7-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwantlen First Nation	Email	Email response from Kwantlen First Nation for the SWMP	Incoming
7-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwantlen First Nation	Email	Kwantlen First Nation email response to MV's correspondence sent on 23/02 2023	Incoming
7-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwantlen First Nation	Email	Response to Kwantlen First Nation's email on 07/03 2023	Outgoing
8-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Squamish Nation	Other	Message via Squamish portal, reminding about invitation to attend engagement meeting on SWMP Update or provide written responses	Outgoing
9-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Katzie First Nation	Phone Call	Reminder phone call of invitation to the engagement meeting for the plan update on March 28/29 2023	Outgoing
9-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwikwetlem First Nation	Phone Call	Reminder phone call of invitation to the engagement meeting for the plan update on March 28/29 2023	Outgoing
9-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Musqueam Indian Band	Phone Call	Reminder phone call of invitation to the engagement meeting for the plan update on March 28/29 2023	Outgoing

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9-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Qayqayt First Nation	Phone Call	Reminder phone call of invitation to the engagement meeting for the plan update on March 28/29 2023	Outgoing
9-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Semiahmoo First Nation	Phone Call	Reminder phone call of invitation to the engagement meeting for the plan update on March 28/29 2023	Outgoing
9-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Squamish Nation	Phone Call	Reminder phone call of invitation to the engagement meeting for the plan update on March 28/29 2023	Outgoing
9-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsawwassen First Nation	Phone Call	Reminder phone call of invitation to the engagement meeting for the plan update on March 28/29 2023	Outgoing
9-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsleil-Waututh Nation	Phone Call	Reminder phone call of invitation to the engagement meeting for the plan update on March 28/29 2023	Outgoing
10-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwikwetlem First Nation	Email	Kwikwetlem First Nation email response to the invitation meeting sent on 06/03 2023	Incoming
13-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwikwetlem First Nation	Email	Response to Kwikwetlem First Nation's response on 10/03 2023	Outgoing

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13-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwantlen First Nation	Email	Response to Kwantlen First Nation's email on 07/03 2023	Outgoing
13-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwantlen First Nation	Email	Kwantlen First Nation email response to Brooke's email on 13/03 2023	Incoming
14-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwantlen First Nation	Email	Response to Kwantlen First Nation's email on 13/03 2023	Outgoing
15-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Squamish Nation	Other	Message via Squamish portal, reminding about an online engagement meeting	Outgoing
21-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Musqueam Indian Band	Email	Email to suggest meeting date for Musqueam Indian Band	Outgoing
21-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Musqueam Indian Band	Email	Email by Musqueam Indian Band to confirm meeting date selection	Incoming
21-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwantlen First Nation	Email	Email to confirm meeting date by Kwantlen First Nation	Outgoing

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21-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwantlen First Nation	Email	Email by Kwantlen First Nation to confirm meeting date	Incoming
21-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsawwassen First Nation	Email	Email to confirm meeting date by Tsawwassen First Nation	Outgoing
21-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsawwassen First Nation	Email	Email by Tsawwassen First Nation to confirm meeting date	Incoming
21-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Semiahmoo First Nation	Email	Reminder of invitation to the engagement meeting for the plan update on March 28/29 2023	Outgoing
24-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwikwetlem First Nation	Email	Email to provide further information (backgrounder and discussion guide) for the meeting on March 28th/29th	Outgoing
24-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwantlen First Nation	Email	Email to provide further information (backgrounder and discussion guide) for the meeting on March 28th/29th	Outgoing
24-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Semiahmoo First Nation	Email	Reminder of invitation to the engagement meeting for the plan update on March 28/29 2023	Outgoing

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24-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Semiahmoo First Nation	Email	Further follow-up to set up engagement meeting for the plan update	Outgoing
27-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Matsqui First Nation	Email	Response to Engagement meeting invitation - cannot join	Incoming
28-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update		Meeting	What We Hear dSummary, Menti Results & Solid Waste Background and Engagement Presentation - First Nations Engagement Meeting & First Nations Workshop - What we heard - March 28 2023	Not Applicable
28-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsawwassen First Nation	Meeting	Meeting on the vision and guiding principles feedback session with multiple local First Nations What We Hear dSummary, Menti Results & Solid Waste Background and Engagement Presentation - First Nations Engagement Meeting & First Nations Workshop - What we heard - March 28 2023	Not Applicable
28-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwantlen First Nation	Meeting	Meeting on the vision and guiding principles feedback session with multiple local First Nations What We Heard Summary, Menti Results & Solid Waste Background and Engagement Presentation - First Nations Engagement Meeting & First Nations Workshop - What we heard - March 28	Not Applicable
28-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsleil-Waututh Nation	Meeting	Meeting on the vision and guiding principles feedback session with multiple local First Nations What We Heard Summary, Menti Results & Solid Waste Background and Engagement Presentation - First Nations Engagement Meeting & First Nations Workshop - What we heard - March 28	Not Applicable
28-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Musqueam Indian Band	Meeting	Meeting on the vision and guiding principles feedback session with multiple local First Nations What We Heard Summary, Menti Results & Solid Waste Background and Engagement Presentation - First Nations Engagement Meeting & First Nations Workshop - What we heard - March 28	Not Applicable

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20-Apr-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Matsqui First Nation	Meeting	Meeting on the vision and guiding principles feedback session with multiple local First Nations What We Heard Summary, Menti Results & Solid Waste Background and Engagement Presentation - First Nations Engagement Meeting & First Nations Workshop - What we heard - March 28	Not Applicable
30-Mar-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Matsqui First Nation	Email	Suggest to host Engagement meeting for Matsqui FN only on Apr 20	Outgoing
14-Apr-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwikwetlem First Nation	Email	Further follow-up to set up engagement meeting for the plan update	Outgoing
14-Apr-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsawwassen First Nation	Email	Invoice request - Engagement funding is available for providing written responses	Outgoing
14-Apr-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwantlen First Nation	Email	Invoice request - Engagement funding is available for providing written responses	Outgoing
14-Apr-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsleil-Waututh Nation	Email	Invoice request - Engagement funding is available for providing written responses	Outgoing
14-Apr-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Musqueam Indian Band	Email	Invoice request - Engagement funding is available for providing written responses	Outgoing

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19-Apr-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Matsqui First Nation	Email	Check and confirm Engagement meeting for Matsqui FN only on Apr 20	Outgoing
20-Apr-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Matsqui First Nation	Meeting	What We Heard Summary & presentation - Solid Waste Management Plan Update Vision and Guiding Principles - Matsqui First Nation - April 20 2023	Not Applicable
1-May-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Squamish Nation	Meeting	Meeting with Squamish Nation on the vision and guiding principles engagement for the plan update Presentation & Attachment - Engagement Funding Scope of Work for Input on the Solid Waste Management Plan Update - 10 Local First Nations - February 23 2023	Not Applicable
9-May-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsleil-Waututh Nation	Email	Follow-up after Engagement Meeting on March 28 2023	Outgoing
9-May-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwantlen First Nation	Email	Follow-up after Engagement Meeting on March 28 2023	Outgoing
9-May-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Musqueam Indian Band	Email	Follow-up after Engagement Meeting on March 28 2023	Outgoing
9-May-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsawwassen First Nation	Email	Follow-up after Engagement Meeting on March 28 2023	Outgoing

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10-May-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwikwetlem First Nation	Meeting	Engagement meeting with Kwikwetlem on the vision and guiding principles phase of the plan update	Not Applicable
10-May-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwikwetlem First Nation	Email	MV SWMP Update - May 10 2023 Engagement Meeting - Follow Up - Kwikwetlem First Nation	Outgoing
10-May-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Matsqui First Nation	Email	Follow-up after Engagement Meeting on April 20 2023	Outgoing
19-May-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwikwetlem First Nation	Email	Follow-up after Engagement Meeting on May 10 2023	Outgoing
5-Jun-23	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Squamish Nation	Other	Message via Squamish portal, Meeting Summary	Outgoing
3-Aug-23	Solid Waste Management Plan Update		Email	Email invitation to all 10 local First Nations for the 2023 Zero Waste Conference attendance	Outgoing
8-Aug-23	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Semiahmoo First Nation	Email	Reply to email reaching out from MV to invite engagement as Semiahmoo was unable to attend the April workshop. Reply is we will be in touch once they set fall schedule	Incoming

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8-Aug-23	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Semiahmoo First Nation	Email	Follow-up email MV SWMP update engagement	Outgoing
22-Sep-23	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Squamish Nation	Other	Message posted on Squamish portal to confirm receipt of Squamish Nation's interest in attending the Zero Waste Conference on November 1-2, 2023	Outgoing
4-Apr-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsleil-Waututh Nation	Email	MV SWMP Vision and Guiding Principles—Update and Opportunity for Review	Outgoing
4-Apr-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Métis Nation of BC	Email	MV SWMP Vision and Guiding Principles—Update and Opportunity for Review	Outgoing
4-Apr-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Katzie First Nation	Email	MV SWMP Vision and Guiding Principles—Update and Opportunity for Review	Outgoing
4-Apr-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwantlen First Nation	Email	MV SWMP Vision and Guiding Principles—Update and Opportunity for Review	Outgoing
4-Apr-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwikwetlem First Nation	Email	MV SWMP Vision and Guiding Principles—Update and Opportunity for Review	Outgoing

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4-Apr-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Matsqui First Nation	Email	MV SWMP Vision and Guiding Principles—Update and Opportunity for Review	Outgoing
4-Apr-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Musqueam Indian Band	Email	MV SWMP Vision and Guiding Principles—Update and Opportunity for Review	Outgoing
4-Apr-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Qayqayt First Nation	Email	MV SWMP Vision and Guiding Principles—Update and Opportunity for Review	Outgoing
4-Apr-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Semiahmoo First Nation	Email	MV SWMP Vision and Guiding Principles—Update and Opportunity for Review	Outgoing
4-Apr-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsawwassen First Nation	Email	MV SWMP Vision and Guiding Principles—Update and Opportunity for Review	Outgoing
4-Apr-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Cowichan Tribes	Email	MV SWMP Vision and Guiding Principles—Update and Opportunity for Review	Outgoing
4-Apr-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Leq’ a:mel First Nation (Lakahahmen)	Email	MV SWMP Vision and Guiding Principles—Update and Opportunity for Review	Outgoing

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4-Apr-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Halalt First Nation	Email	MV SWMP Vision and Guiding Principles—Update and Opportunity for Review	Outgoing
4-Apr-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	St'at'imc Chiefs Council (Lillooet Tribal Council)	Email	MV SWMP Vision and Guiding Principles—Update and Opportunity for Review	Outgoing
4-Apr-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Lyackson First Nation	Email	MV SWMP Vision and Guiding Principles—Update and Opportunity for Review	Outgoing
4-Apr-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Douglas Band (Xa'xtsa)	Email	MV SWMP Vision and Guiding Principles—Update and Opportunity for Review	Outgoing
4-Apr-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Pauquachin First Nation	Email	MV SWMP Vision and Guiding Principles—Update and Opportunity for Review	Outgoing
4-Apr-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Penelakut Tribe	Email	MV SWMP Vision and Guiding Principles—Update and Opportunity for Review	Outgoing
4-Apr-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Peters First Nation	Email	MV SWMP Vision and Guiding Principles—Update and Opportunity for Review	Outgoing

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4-Apr-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Samahquam First Nation	Email	MV SWMP Vision and Guiding Principles—Update and Opportunity for Review	Outgoing
4-Apr-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Skatin Nations	Email	MV SWMP Vision and Guiding Principles—Update and Opportunity for Review	Outgoing
4-Apr-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Snuneymuxw First Nation	Email	MV SWMP Vision and Guiding Principles—Update and Opportunity for Review	Outgoing
4-Apr-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	St'at'imc Chiefs Council (Lillooet Tribal Council)	Email	MV SWMP Vision and Guiding Principles—Update and Opportunity for Review	Outgoing
4-Apr-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Stz'uminus First Nation	Email	MV SWMP Vision and Guiding Principles—Update and Opportunity for Review	Outgoing
4-Apr-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsartlip First Nation	Email	MV SWMP Vision and Guiding Principles—Update and Opportunity for Review	Outgoing
4-Apr-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsawout First Nation	Email	MV SWMP Vision and Guiding Principles—Update and Opportunity for Review	Outgoing

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4-Apr-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tseycum First Nation	Email	MV SWMP Vision and Guiding Principles—Update and Opportunity for Review	Outgoing
4-Apr-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation	Email	MV SWMP Vision and Guiding Principles—Update and Opportunity for Review	Outgoing
4-Apr-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Vancouver Aboriginal Friendship Centre Society	Email	MV SWMP Vision and Guiding Principles—Update and Opportunity for Review	Outgoing
4-Apr-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Squamish Nation	Other	Message posted on Squamish portal about the SWMP update - providing a draft vision statement and guiding principles for the updated solid waste management plan for feedback	Outgoing
9-Apr-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Sto:lo Nation	Email	MV SWMP Vision and Guiding Principles—Update and Opportunity for Review	Outgoing
10-Apr-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Métis Nation of BC	Email	MV SWMP Vision and Guiding Principles—Update and Opportunity for Review	Outgoing
12-Apr-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwikwetlem First Nation	Email	MV SWMP Vision and Guiding Principles—Update and Opportunity for Review	Incoming

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2-May-24	2022 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Snuneymuxw First Nation	Email	Metro Vancouver's 2022 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Outgoing
2-May-24	2022 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Kwikwetlem First Nation	Email	Metro Vancouver's 2022 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Outgoing
2-May-24	2022 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Katzie First Nation	Email	Metro Vancouver's 2022 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Outgoing
2-May-24	2022 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Stz'uminus First Nation	Email	Metro Vancouver's 2022 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Outgoing
2-May-24	2022 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Tsawout First Nation	Email	Metro Vancouver's 2022 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Outgoing
2-May-24	2022 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Musqueam Indian Band	Email	Metro Vancouver's 2022 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Outgoing
2-May-24	2022 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	St'at'imc Chiefs Council (Lillooet Tribal Council)	Email	Metro Vancouver's 2022 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Outgoing

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2-May-24	2022 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Tsleil-Waututh Nation	Email	Metro Vancouver's 2022 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Outgoing
2-May-24	2022 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Semiahmoo First Nation	Email	Metro Vancouver's 2022 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Outgoing
2-May-24	2022 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Samahquam First Nation	Email	Metro Vancouver's 2022 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Outgoing
2-May-24	2022 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Kwantlen First Nation	Email	Metro Vancouver's 2022 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Outgoing
2-May-24	2022 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Qayqayt First Nation	Email	Metro Vancouver's 2022 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Outgoing
2-May-24	2022 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Peters First Nation	Email	Metro Vancouver's 2022 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Outgoing
2-May-24	2022 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Penelakut Tribe	Email	Metro Vancouver's 2022 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Outgoing

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2-May-24	2022 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Pauquachin First Nation	Email	Metro Vancouver's 2022 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Outgoing
2-May-24	2022 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Matsqui First Nation	Email	Metro Vancouver's 2022 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Outgoing
2-May-24	2022 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Lyackson First Nation	Email	Metro Vancouver's 2022 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Outgoing
2-May-24	2022 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Leq’ a:mel First Nation (Lakahahmen)	Email	Metro Vancouver's 2022 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Outgoing
2-May-24	2022 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Cowichan Tribes	Email	Metro Vancouver's 2022 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Outgoing
2-May-24	2022 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Skatin Nations	Email	Metro Vancouver's 2022 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Outgoing

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2-May-24	2022 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Douglas Band (Xa'xtsa)	Email	Metro Vancouver's 2022 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Outgoing
2-May-24	2022 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Vancouver Aboriginal Friendship Centre Society	Email	Metro Vancouver's 2022 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Outgoing
2-May-24	2022 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Tseycum First Nation	Email	Metro Vancouver's 2022 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Outgoing
2-May-24	2022 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation	Email	Metro Vancouver's 2022 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Outgoing
2-May-24	2022 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Cowichan Tribes	Email	Metro Vancouver's 2022 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Outgoing
2-May-24	2022 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Métis Nation of BC	Email	Metro Vancouver's 2022 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Outgoing

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2-May-24	2022 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Sto:lo Nation	Email	Metro Vancouver's 2022 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Outgoing
2-May-24	2022 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Tsawwassen First Nation	Email	Metro Vancouver's 2022 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Outgoing
2-May-24	2022 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Kwikwetlem First Nation	Email	Response from Kwikwetlem asking about engagement funding	Incoming
8-May-24	2022 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Squamish Nation	Other	Message via portal to inform Squamish that the spatial file for the report has been updated	Outgoing
9-May-24	2022 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Sto:lo Nation	Email	MV 2022 Integrated SW and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report - Response from Sto:lo Nation	Incoming
27-May-24	2022 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Tsawwassen First Nation	Email	Metro Vancouver's 2022 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Outgoing

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28-Jun-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Matsqui First Nation	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
28-Jun-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwantlen First Nation	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
28-Jun-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwikwetlem First Nation	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
28-Jun-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Katzie First Nation	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
28-Jun-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Musqueam Indian Band	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
28-Jun-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsawwassen First Nation	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
28-Jun-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsleil-Waututh Nation	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing

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28-Jun-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Qayqayt First Nation	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
28-Jun-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Squamish Nation	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
4-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Peters First Nation	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
4-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Cowichan Tribes	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
4-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Douglas Band (Xa'xtsa)	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
4-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Halalt First Nation	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing

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4-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Leq’ a:mel First Nation (Lakahahmen)	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
4-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	St'at'imc Chiefs Council (Lillooet Tribal Council)	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
4-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Lyackson First Nation	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
4-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Métis Nation of BC	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
4-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Pauquachin First Nation	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
4-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Penelakut Tribe	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
4-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Samahquam First Nation	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing

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4-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Skatin Nations	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
4-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Snaw-Naw-As First Nation (Nanoose First Nation)	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
5-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Snuneymuxw First Nation	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
4-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	St'at'imc Chiefs Council (Lillooet Tribal Council)	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
4-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Stz'uminus First Nation	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
4-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Te'mexw Treaty Association	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
4-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsartlip First Nation	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing

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4-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsawout First Nation	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
5-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Vancouver Aboriginal Friendship Centre Society	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
5-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tseycum First Nation	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
5-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Halalt First Nation	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities - second email sent after the first got undelivered	Outgoing
5-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Lake Cowichan First Nation	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities - second email sent after the first got undelivered	Outgoing
26-Jul-24	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Squamish Nation	Meeting	Meeting with multiple local First Nations on the idea generation phase of the plan update Idea Generation Presentation & Solid Waste Management Plan Update Issues and Opportunity Discussion Questions	Not Applicable
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29-Jul-24	2022 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Squamish Nation	Other	Message via portal from Squamish suggesting MV to reconsider waste diversion target	Outgoing
31-Jul-24	2022 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report	Squamish Nation	Other	Message via portal to inform Squamish that the target will be revisitted in the options analysis phase of the plan update next year.	Outgoing
5-Sep-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwantlen First Nation	Email	Provide summary of the July 26 meeting and ask for response via feedback form	Outgoing
5-Sep-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwikwetlem First Nation	Email	Provide summary of the July 26 meeting and ask for response via feedback form	Outgoing

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5-Sep-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Semiahmoo First Nation	Email	Provide summary of the July 26 meeting and ask for response via feedback form	Outgoing
5-Sep-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Squamish Nation	Email	Provide summary of the July 26 meeting and ask for response via feedback form	Outgoing
5-Sep-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsawwassen First Nation	Email	Provide summary of the July 26 meeting and ask for response via feedback form	Outgoing
5-Sep-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Katzie First Nation	Email	Follow up on letter dated June 28, 2024, titled “Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities”	Outgoing
5-Sep-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Matsqui First Nation	Email	Follow up on letter dated June 28, 2024, titled “Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities”	Outgoing
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5-Sep-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsleil-Waututh Nation	Email	Follow up on letter dated June 28, 2024, titled “Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities”	Outgoing
5-Sep-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwikwetlem First Nation	Email	Payment info for Kwikwetlem FN's participation in the solid waste management plan update	Incoming

Appendix 2 Copies of First Nations engagement letters and emails outgoing regarding the Solid Waste Management Plan Update 2020-2024

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Office of the Chair
Tel. 604 432-6215 Fax 604 451-6614

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File: CP-16-01

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Dear [redacted] and Members of Council:

Re: Metro Vancouver's 2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report and Upcoming Engagement on Solid Waste Management Plan Update

Metro Vancouver and its member jurisdictions submit progress reports on the implementation of the *Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan* (ISWRMP) to the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy every second year. Metro Vancouver would like to inform you of the opportunity to provide input on the 2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report.

The ISWRMP sets out the goals, targets and strategies for Metro Vancouver and its member municipalities. The overriding principle of the Plan is the avoidance of waste through aggressive waste reduction, reuse and recycling, and the recovery of material and energy from the waste that remains.

You can download the Biennial Report from Metro Vancouver's website at metrovancouver.org by searching "2019 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Year Report". Written submissions received by April 9, 2020 will be included in Metro Vancouver's submission to the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy, in accordance with the requirements of the ISWRMP. Feedback provided after this time will be forwarded to the Ministry separately. Submissions can be sent by email to solidwasteoperations@metrovancouver.org or by mail to the address listed below.

Metro Vancouver – Solid Waste Services
4730 Kingsway
Burnaby, BC V5H OC6

If you have questions or would like to meet in person to discuss the Biennial Report, please contact Andrew Marr, Director, Solid Waste Planning, Solid Waste Services by phone at 604-436-6807 or by email at Andrew.Marr@metrovancouver.org.

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On a related note, on November 29, 2019, the Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Board (GVS&DD) approved initiating an update of the regional solid waste management plan. You can access more information in the report available at our website www.metrovancouver.org by searching "November 29 GVS&DD Agenda". The report is item E 2.2 on page 24. If you would like updates on this project, search "solid waste mailing list" at www. metrovancouver.org, complete the form and click the box labelled "solid waste management plan update". More information on this upcoming engagement will be shared as it becomes available.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Sav Dhaliwal

Sav Dhaliwal
Chair, Metro Vancouver Board

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cc: Marino Piombini, Supervisor, Indigenous Relations, Metro Vancouver

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April 27, 2021

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[redacted] and Members of Council
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VIA EMAIL: [redacted]

Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update

Dear [redacted] and Members of Council:

Metro Vancouver is updating its solid waste management plan, and would like to learn how the [redacted] wishes to participate in the development of the new plan over the next two to three years.

Developed by Metro Vancouver's Board and approved by the Provincial Government in 2011, the current *Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan* established goals and targets for waste reduction and recycling, and contained supporting strategies and actions for Metro Vancouver and its member jurisdictions. For reference, the plan can be downloaded from metrovancouver.org by searching "solid waste management plan".

Over the next two to three years, Metro Vancouver is updating the plan and hopes to engage with Indigenous peoples, stakeholders, governments, and communities of interest. By applying a framework of resilience, equity and prosperity, the updated plan will build upon the strengths of the current plan to identify opportunities to accelerate waste reduction and diversion, while reducing greenhouse gases and promoting a circular economy that minimizes waste, maintains materials at their highest value, and generates economic opportunities in the region. Metro Vancouver's engagement on this project is guided by the Independent Consultation and Engagement Panel, a group of engagement experts established to advise and guide Metro Vancouver staff and Board.

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Metro Vancouver is committed to collaborating with [redacted] in developing and implementing a solid waste management plan that responds to your values and priorities. We would like to learn about your community's priorities and areas of interest in waste reduction, recycling, and economic development and how you would like to engage with us. We welcome your input via email, letter, online submission (available here) or a meeting, to help shape an Indigenous engagement strategy for this project.

Given the current COVID-19 meeting constraints, we would be pleased to schedule an online meeting with your staff, or alternatively can present to [redacted] and Council at your convenience to determine how we can best work together toward the development of the new plan for solid waste in the region.

We would appreciate meeting with or receiving comments from you before **July 2, 2021** about how to structure engagement on developing the plan. If you're not able to participate in this initial phase we understand, but do hope we can connect at a later date on the content of the plan. There will be multiple future opportunities to help shape the content of the solid waste management plan.

If you have any questions or require additional information regarding the update of Metro Vancouver's solid waste management plan, or wish to schedule a meeting or presentation with Metro Vancouver, a third party consultant that will summarize feedback, or the Engagement Panel, please contact Nanette van Doorn by email at Nanette.vanDoorn@metrovancouver.org or by phone at 604-451-6073. More information is available here or at metrovancouver.org by searching 'solid waste management plan engagement'.

Thank you in advance for your consideration and I look forward to the opportunity of working together.

Yours sincerely,

Sav Dhaliwal
Chair, Metro Vancouver Board

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April 28, 2021

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[redacted] and Members of Council
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VIA EMAIL: [redacted]

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Yours sincerely,

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April 28, 2022

File: CP-02-01

[redacted] and Members of Council
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VIA EMAIL: [redacted]

Dear [redacted] and Members of Council:

Metro Vancouver's 2021 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report

Metro Vancouver submits progress reports on the implementation of the *Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan* (ISWRMP) to the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy every second year. Thus, Metro Vancouver would like to inform you of the opportunity to provide input on the 2021 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report.

Approved in 2011, the ISWRMP sets out the goals, targets and strategies for Metro Vancouver and its member jurisdictions. The overriding principle of the Plan is the avoidance of waste through aggressive waste reduction, reuse and recycling, and the recovery of material and energy from the waste that remains.

The Biennial Report can be downloaded from Metro Vancouver's website at metrovancouver.org by searching "2021 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Year Report".

Written submissions received by July 4, 2022 will be included in Metro Vancouver's submission to the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy, in accordance with the requirements of the ISWRMP. Feedback provided after this time will be forwarded to the Ministry separately.

Submissions can be sent by email to solidwasteoperations@metrovancouver.org or by mail to the address listed below.

Metro Vancouver – Solid Waste Services
4515 Central Boulevard
Burnaby, BC V5H OC6

Metro Vancouver is updating its solid waste management plan, building on the strengths of the current plan, and identifying opportunities for accelerated waste reduction and recycling while reducing greenhouse gases and promoting a circular economy. The plan update process is expected

to take two to three years and will be supported by robust Indigenous and public engagement. Please visit metrovancouver.org and search "Solid Waste Management Plan Update" to sign up to learn about future opportunities to have your voice heard as an individual, organization, or government.

If you have comments or questions about the 2021 Biennial Report, please contact Terry Fulton, Senior Project Engineer, Zero Waste Implementation, Solid Waste Services by email at Terry.Fulton@metrovancouver.org.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Sav Dhaliwal
Chair, Metro Vancouver Board

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June 16, 2022

File: CP-02-01

[redacted] and Members of Council
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VIA EMAIL: [redacted]

Dear [redacted] and Members of Council:

Metro Vancouver's Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan 2021 Biennial Report: Reminder to Provide Input and Plan Update

This letter is a follow-up to our letter, dated April 28, 2022, regarding the Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan 2021 Biennial Report (2021 Biennial Report) and Metro Vancouver's solid waste management plan update. Metro Vancouver would value your feedback on the 2021 Biennial Report, and would like to provide you with additional information on the solid waste management plan update process.

Biennal Report Feedback

The current solid waste management plan sets out solid waste management goals, targets and strategies for Metro Vancouver and its member municipalities. Metro Vancouver submits progress reports on the implementation of the solid waste management plan to the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy every second year.

You can download the 2021 Biennial Report from Metro Vancouver's website at metrovancouver.org by searching "2021 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report".

We would appreciate receiving your written submissions by July 4, 2022. If you wish to provide your input after July 4, please kindly let us know when we can expect to hear from you. Written submissions will be included in Metro Vancouver's submission to the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy, in accordance with provincial requirements. Feedback provided after July 4 will be forwarded to the Ministry separately.

Solid Waste Management Plan Update

An update to the solid waste management plan is underway. An updated solid waste management plan will build on the strengths of the current plan and identify opportunities for accelerated waste reduction and diversion while reducing greenhouse gases and promoting a circular economy.

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Metro Vancouver Regional District | Greater Vancouver Water District | Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District | Metro Vancouver Housing Corporation

Metro Vancouver is committed to developing and implementing a solid waste management plan that reflects your interests, values and priorities. Metro Vancouver is developing an Indigenous engagement strategy for the plan update that outlines a collaborative government-to-government engagement approach with Indigenous Nations whose territories include all or part of the Metro Vancouver region. In early 2023, we will be in contact with proposed strategies for engagement and look forward to incorporating your feedback into the Indigenous engagement strategy.

In addition to Indigenous engagement, Metro Vancouver has recently formed a public/technical advisory committee of individuals with relevant knowledge and experience, who will provide advice and input on the solid waste management plan update. Meetings will begin this summer and continue four to six times a year for the duration of the plan update. There will be two meetings in 2022. The first on June 30 from 2:30 PM to 5:00 PM online and the second on September 21 from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM. For more information on this committee, see the terms of reference at metrovancouver.org by searching "public/technical advisory committee".

Submissions/Comments/Questions

Submissions or questions/comments on the 2021 Biennial Report can be sent by email to **solidwasteoperations@metrovancouver.org** or by mail to the address listed below.

Metro Vancouver – Solid Waste Services
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Burnaby, BC V5H OC6

You can also email any questions or comments on the solid waste management plan update process, the public/technical advisory committee including requesting information on attending meetings as an observer, or if you wish to schedule a meeting with Metro Vancouver staff to **solidwasteoperations@metrovancouver.org**.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Paul Henderson, P.Eng
General Manager, Solid Waste Services, Metro Vancouver

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June 16, 2022

File: CP-02-01

[redacted] and Members of Council
[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]
VIA EMAIL: [redacted]

Dear [redacted] and Members of Council:

Metro Vancouver's 2021 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report: Reminder to Provide Input

This letter is a follow-up to our letter, dated April 28, 2022, regarding the 2021 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report (2021 Biennial Report). Metro Vancouver would value your feedback on the 2021 Biennial Report.

The *Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan*, Metro Vancouver's current solid waste management plan, sets out solid waste management goals, targets and strategies for Metro Vancouver and its member municipalities. Metro Vancouver submits progress reports on the implementation of the solid waste management plan to the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy every second year.

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We would appreciate receiving your written submissions by July 4, 2022. If you wish to provide your input after July 4, please kindly let us know when we can expect to hear from you. Written submissions will be included in Metro Vancouver's submission to the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy, in accordance with provincial requirements. Feedback provided after July 4 will be forwarded to the Ministry separately.

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February 23, 2023

File: PE-13-01

[redacted]
VIA EMAIL: [redacted]

To: Referrals Office

Vision and Guiding Principles Engagement:
Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update

This letter outlines opportunities for further engagement related to updating Metro Vancouver's solid waste management plan. Metro Vancouver is committed to engaging on developing a solid waste management plan that responds to the unique interests, values, and priorities of the [redacted]. We previously shared information on the plan update process, describing the opportunity to share your community's unique priorities and areas of interest in waste reduction, recycling and economic development (Attachment 1), and asked for input on our 2021 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report (Attachment 2).

Solid Waste Management Plan Update
Metro Vancouver is updating its solid waste management plan, a long-term strategic plan that guides our region's policies and collective actions over the next decade and beyond. An updated solid waste management plan will build on the strengths of the current plan and identify opportunities for accelerated waste reduction and diversion while reducing greenhouse gases and promoting a circular economy.

Metro Vancouver will begin engaging on the vision and guiding principles of the updated solid waste management plan in spring 2023, and would value input from the [redacted].

First Nations Engagement
The vision and guiding principles will set the plan foundation and direction, and reflect fundamental values that guide plan development and implementation. Inputs and inspiration will include existing vision statements and guiding principles from Metro Vancouver, the Province, and leading jurisdictions worldwide, complemented by engagement feedback.

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Metro Vancouver values and respects the unique knowledge, expertise, and perspectives of the [redacted] To support First Nations engagement on the vision and guiding principles of the solid waste management plan update, the proposed Scope of Work (Attachment 3) outlines potential engagement activities and associated engagement funding. Further logistics, particularly around payment, will follow upon confirmation of the [redacted] interest in participating in these engagement activities.

Potential engagement activities include:

- Attending an online engagement meeting on the Solid Waste Management Plan Update: Vision and Guiding Principles to talk, learn together, and provide input.
- Reading the solid waste management plan backgrounder and discussion guide, and providing written responses to the questions in the discussion guide.

If the [redacted] is not able to participate in this phase of engagement we understand, but we do hope we can connect at a later date on the plan update. Metro Vancouver will provide updates as the solid waste management planning process continues. We look forward to continued discussions and collaboration with the [redacted]

Please let us know by March 10, 2023 which activities the [redacted] would like to participate in, and the preferred date if the [redacted] plans to attend the engagement meeting (March 28 or 29).

If you have any questions or require additional information regarding the update of Metro Vancouver's solid waste management plan, or wish to schedule a meeting with Metro Vancouver, please contact me by email at Paul.Henderson@metrovancouver.org or by phone at 604-432-6400.

Thank you in advance for your consideration and I look forward to the opportunity of working together.

Sincerely,

Paul Henderson, P.Eng
General Manager, Solid Waste Services, Metro Vancouver

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Attachment 1: Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update – April 27, 2021 Letter
Attachment 2: Metro Vancouver's 2021 Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan Biennial Report – April 28, 2022 Letter
Attachment 3: Engagement on the Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Proposed Scope of Work

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April 27, 2021

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[redacted] and Members of Council
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VIA EMAIL: [redacted]

Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update

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Engagement on the Metro Vancouver Solid Waste Management Plan Update
Proposed Scope of Work

Background: Solid Waste Management Plan Update - Metro Vancouver updating its solid waste management plan and is engaging with First Nations, member jurisdictions, government agencies, waste and recycling industry, waste producers, businesses, and communities of interest. The updated plan will build on the strengths of the current plan and identify opportunities to accelerate waste reduction and diversion, while reducing greenhouse gases and promoting a circular economy. Metro Vancouver is committed to engaging with First Nations in developing and implementing a solid waste management plan that aligns with their respective values and priorities.

Engagement Opportunity: Metro Vancouver values and respects the unique knowledge, expertise, and perspectives of each First Nation. In order to effectively reflect First Nations perspectives and interests, Metro Vancouver is coordinating an engagement process for the solid waste management plan update. Representatives and subject matter experts from each First Nation within the Metro Vancouver region are invited to participate in the activities outlined below related to the current phase of engagement: vision and guiding principles.

First Nations may wish to select which activities to participate in based on interests and availability. Please notify Metro Vancouver by **March 10, 2023** of the preferred activity(ies) for completion. If your community is not able to participate in the activities outlined below but is interested in providing input at this time, please contact Metro Vancouver staff to discuss alternative options for engagement. There will be multiple future phases with opportunities for engagement to help shape the content of the solid waste management plan.

Activity	Timeline	Fees
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From: Alison Hilkewich **On Behalf Of** Paul Henderson
Sent: Thursday, April 4, 2024 3:04 PM
To: [redacted]
Subject: Metro Vancouver Solid Waste Management Plan Vision and Guiding Principles—Update and Opportunity for Review

Dear Referrals Office,

In 2023, Metro Vancouver conducted engagement on the vision and guiding principles for an updated solid waste management plan. The engagement was part of an ongoing multi-phase process to update the regional solid waste plan.

Thank you to those who participated or met with Metro Vancouver staff to provide your insights and comments. In spring 2023 Metro Vancouver staff met with seven local First Nations, and feedback included:

- Request for further clarity on how the plan update is relevant to or impacts First Nations
- Consider other feedback provided during other Metro Vancouver engagement processes
- Improve access to solid waste programs and services
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- Highlight economic opportunities where possible
- Consider affordability
- Focus on environmental stewardship
- Reduce plastic packaging and single-use items
- Encourage innovation
- Reduce abandoned waste
- Simplify recycling
- Collaborate on existing Metro Vancouver waste reduction programs and initiatives

Draft Vision and Guiding Principles for Comment

Metro Vancouver has now developed a draft vision statement and guiding principles for the updated solid waste management plan (attached). This draft was developed based on direct feedback from First Nations, local governments, adjacent regional districts, advisory committees, interested parties, and the public. The draft is being provided to First Nations, member jurisdiction staff, and advisory committees for feedback. Subsequently, the draft vision and guiding principles will be provided to the Zero Waste Committee and GVS&DD Board for consideration.

We welcome your comments by **May 6, 2024**, to ensure your comments are considered and included prior providing the draft vision and guiding principles to the Zero Waste Committee and GVS&DD Board for consideration.

Biennial Report for Existing Solid Waste Management Plan
The 2022 *Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan* Biennial Report is being finalized and will be provided to First Nations for review and comment in the coming weeks, prior to submission to the province. This report is a regular progress report on the implementation of the existing solid waste management plan, as required by the province.

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Thank you.

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Attachment: Draft Vision and Guiding Principles for the Updated Metro Vancouver Solid Waste Management Plan

Draft Vision and Guiding Principles

Metro Vancouver Solid Waste Management Plan Update

Draft Vision Statement	Feedback Considered
Together we build a thriving, sustainable region where nothing is wasted.	• Collaboration and coordination between different sectors to improve waste management practices • Technological innovation, sustainable design for longevity, ease of repair, and closed loop circular systems • Global leadership • Growth of circular economy, jobs, economic resiliency • Livability and prosperity (Board Strategic Plan) • Ecosystem protection; protection of biodiversity; sustainable use of natural resources; environmental stewardship • Prevent excessive waste such as over-packaging • Cultural shift to reduce consumption; increase reuse; reduce single-use items

Draft Guiding Principles	Feedback considered
1. Advocate for increased accountability from residents, businesses and governments to reduce waste.	• Corporate accountability and responsibility for waste generation, recycling products • Individual accountability for properly recycling or disposing of waste; consumer behavior change to reduce buying and promote a waste-free lifestyle
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3. Create a solid waste system that is resilient to climate change and future challenges.	• Plan for long-term sustainability and adapt to changing climate and societal needs • Adapt to evolving conditions
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5. Foster innovation and collaborative solutions to support a vibrant regional economy.	• Embrace technology for waste management and a circular economy • Product innovation for longevity, ease of repair • Cooperation between groups to improve waste management practices • Promote a circular economy

6. Prioritize environmental stewardship by valuing and conserving materials and products.	• Promote material reuse, minimize waste generation • Align waste management with broader goals of protecting biodiversity and ecosystems • Sustainable resource use
7. Promote a solid waste and recycling system that is easy to use, convenient to access, and consistent across the region.	• Make recycling and disposal more accessible and convenient for residents • Consistent rules and services across the region • Ensure all groups have access to services and information
8. Take action to reduce the carbon footprint of materials used in our region.	• Sustainable resource use • Promote material reuse and minimize waste generation • Acknowledge the climate crisis and focus on systems with low climate impact • Consider the entire life cycle of waste

Appendix B - Solid Waste Management Plan Update Idea Generation

First Nations Engagement Report

July 2025

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2. ENGAGEMENT AND COMMUNICATION SUMMARY

First Nations and Tribal Councils Engaged

Through the provincial Consultative Areas Database, the following 49 First Nations, Tribal Councils, and Treaty Associations have been identified as having their consultative areas overlapping with the boundaries of the Metro Vancouver region during the idea generation engagement phase from June to September 2024.

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- Ch’íyáqtel (Tzeachten First Nation)
- Chowéthel (Chawathil First Nation)
- Cowichan Tribes
- Douglas First Nation (Xa'xtsa)
- Halalt First Nation
- kʷikʷəƛ̓əm (Kwikwetlem First Nation)
- Kwaw’Kwaw’Apilt (Kwaw’Kwaw’Apilt First Nation)
- Leq’ a:mel First Nation (Lakahahmen)
- Lillooet Tribal Council
- Lyackson First Nation
- máthxwi (Matsqui First Nation)
- Pauquachin First Nation

- Penelakut Tribe
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- ɋićəý (Katzie First Nation)
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- Shxwhà:y Village (Skway First Nation)
- Skatin Nations (SkookumChuck)
- Snaw-Naw-As First Nation (Nanoose First Nation)
- Snuneymuxw First Nation
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- Sq’ewá:lxw (Skawahlook First Nation)
- Sqwá (Skwah First Nation)
- Sto:lo Nation
- Stó:lō Tribal Council
- St'at'imc Chiefs Council
- Stz'uminus First Nation (Chemainus)
- səlilwətaɬ (Tsleil-Waututh Nation)
- Sḵwx̱wú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish Nation)
- Sxwoyehálá (Squiala First Nation)
- Te'mexw Treaty Association
- Th’ewá:li (Soowahlie First Nation)
- Tsartlip First Nation
- Tsawout First Nation
- Tseycum First Nation
- Ts’uubaa-asatx Nation (Former Lake Cowichan First Nation)
- xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam Indian Band)

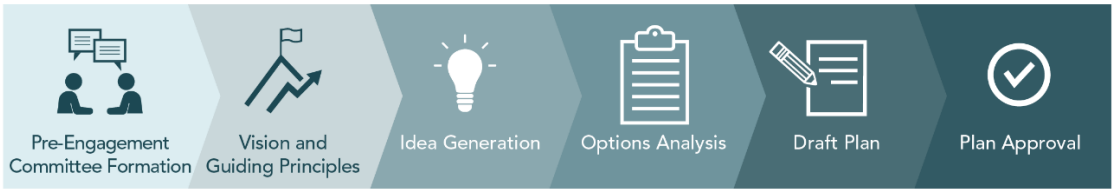
- Xwchíyò:m (Cheam First Nation)
- Yale First Nation
- Yeqwyeqwí:ws (Yakweakwioose First Nation)

Metro Vancouver also reached out to the Métis Nation British Columbia and the Vancouver Aboriginal Friendship Centre Society given the potential interest of urban Indigenous populations in the decisions and actions outlined within the Plan.

Please note that the list of First Nations and Tribal Councils identified by the Consultative Areas Database has changed over the life of the project. Metro Vancouver confirms that the First Nations and Tribal Councils list is accurate and comprehensive prior to the distribution of engagement letters sent by phase.

Engagement Summary

The solid waste management plan update is a multi-year process and this report provides a summary of Metro Vancouver's engagement with First Nations during the idea generation phase of engagement. Metro Vancouver conducted pre-engagement in 2020 and 2021, formed advisory committees to support the plan update in 2022, completed vision and guiding principles engagement in 2023, and conducted idea generation engagement in 2024. Subsequent phases of engagement include options analysis and engagement on a draft plan.



First Nations engagement during the idea generation phase is described in this report. During this phase, Metro Vancouver described potential relevance of the solid waste management plan to First Nations, defined the idea generation phase objectives, and received feedback on discussion questions to identify potential strategies and actions for the updated plan.

During idea generation, Metro Vancouver shared project information and an opportunity to provide input through letters sent on June 28, 2024 and July 4, 2024 to 49 First Nations with interest in the Metro Vancouver region. First Nations with communities within the Metro Vancouver region were invited to attend an online information session to learn how their feedback in previous phases was used in forming the vision and guiding principles, and to provide feedback directly to Metro Vancouver staff on idea generation. On September 5, 2024, Metro Vancouver followed up with all who attended the information session to provide a summary of what was heard and an opportunity to provide further feedback via an online form. First Nations with communities in the region who did not attend the meeting received a follow up letter on September 5, 2024 as well.

On July 26, 2024, Metro Vancouver met with five First Nations:

- q̓ʷɑ:n̓ƛ̓ən̓(Kwantlen First Nation)

- kʷikʷəƛ̓əm (Kwikwetlem First Nation)
- Semiahmoo First Nation
- Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish Nation)
- scəẇaθən məsteyəxʷ (Tsawwassen First Nation)

Metro Vancouver will continue to engage with First Nations with communities and interests in the Metro Vancouver region in subsequent phases of the plan update.

Appendix 1 refers to the comprehensive tracker of correspondence, emails, and meetings from June – September 2024. Appendix 2 includes a copy of the outgoing letters and emails to First Nations from June – September 2024.

3. ENGAGEMENT RELATED FUNDING AND AGREEMENTS

Metro Vancouver offered engagement funding during the idea generation phase to First Nations with communities in the region for the following engagement activities:

- Attending an online information session on the solid waste management plan update: idea generation to talk, learn together, and provide feedback.
- Reading the solid waste management plan idea generations discussion questions and providing written responses to any of the questions.

Metro Vancouver intends to continue to provide opportunities for engagement funding to First Nations with communities in the region as the solid waste management plan update progresses.

4. KEY ISSUES & HOW WE RESPONDED

Key Issues and Response Table

Solid Waste Management Plan Update Feedback Summary – Idea Generation

Participating First Nations: q̓ʷɑ:n̓ƛ̓ən̓(Kwantlen First Nation), kʷikʷəƛ̓əm (Kwikwetlem First Nation), Semiahmoo First Nation, Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish Nation), and scəẇaθən məsteyəxʷ (Tsawwassen First Nation)

First Nation Key Issue/Concern	How Metro Vancouver Responded
Interest was expressed on how the regional recycling rate of 65% is calculated and if it takes into account non-recyclable material removed by recycling processors.	The recycling rate is calculated using data provided by municipalities, producer responsibility stewards, and recycling processors. Material collected for recycling but not recycled is removed from the recycling rate calculations whenever that data is available. Metro Vancouver continues to monitor waste and recycling

First Nation Key Issue/Concern	How Metro Vancouver Responded
	streams and opportunities to improve the quality of data collected.
Interest was expressed in services that repurpose old materials into new materials.	Metro Vancouver works with non-profits and contractors to collect reusable and recyclable items at Metro Vancouver's recycling and waste centres. Metro Vancouver also works with member jurisdictions to fund repair cafes which promote reuse and repurposing of materials for residents. This feedback will be considered as we develop strategies and actions to include in the plan update.
Communication between Metro Vancouver and producers and suppliers is important to reduce packaging and other waste.	Metro Vancouver does not have regulatory authority over producers and suppliers, but will continue to collaborate through the National Zero Waste Council to promote waste prevention across the country. Metro Vancouver will continue to communicate with the Province on the importance of implementing new extended producer responsibility programs as set out in their five year action plan (*Advancing Recycling in B.C. Extended Producer Responsibility Five-Year Action Plan 2021-2026*).
Comment that there is a lack of confidence that all recycled materials sorted by residents into different bins actually ends up being recycled. Appreciate the reassurance that efforts are improving the situation.	Metro Vancouver will continue to identify opportunities to build confidence in recycling systems and improve how we communicate about the annual recycling rate and what happens to recycling. For example, this is a key objective of Metro Vancouver's ongoing solid waste activation at the Pacific National Exhibition to provide information and education opportunities to the public.
Comment regarding how new technology and innovative solutions may be used to reduce waste and create renewable energy to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.	Metro Vancouver is developing a Waste-to-Energy Facility District Energy System to supply heat and hot water to up to 50,000 homes in Vancouver, Burnaby, and potentially New Westminster. This project will reduce greenhouse gas emissions by up to 70,000 tonnes per year and aligns with Metro Vancouver's goals for a resilient region. Metro Vancouver will continue to seek opportunities for meaningful engagement on these types of projects

First Nation Key Issue/Concern	How Metro Vancouver Responded
	with First Nations on the future of solid waste in the region.
Interest was expressed in what the criteria is for determining locations for Metro Vancouver solid waste facilities. Some of the existing facilities are far away from many communities. Inquiry about plans for any new facilities soon.	One of the main criteria for siting Metro Vancouver recycling and waste centres is drive time, with the goal of having a facility within 30 minutes' maximum driving time for all residents of the region. Work coming out of the updated plan would include mapping out the need for new facilities and to address any service gaps to help make facilities more accessible to residents and businesses in the region. Metro Vancouver is also working to standardize services at recycling and waste centres with the goal of providing maximum opportunities for reuse and recycling at all regional solid waste facilities.
Interest in how Metro Vancouver collects feedback and level of participation from First Nations throughout the plan update.	Metro Vancouver began engagement with First Nations on this plan update in 2021, and will continue engaging throughout the development of the plan. To date seven First Nations have participated in engagement sessions. In addition to engagement meetings, we also welcome written feedback. The feedback gathered through the vision and guiding principles phase was directly used in helping to shape the vision statement and guiding principles which will support the plan update as we move forward. We appreciate all of the contributions so far from First Nations and look forward to continuing work together.
Comment that many First Nations do not receive municipal waste collection services and must contract out these services.	Metro Vancouver will continue to coordinate with member jurisdictions and private sector service providers on sharing information about increasing consistency and simplicity of services delivered. Metro Vancouver has regular contact with haulers that provide services in First Nations communities and

First Nation Key Issue/Concern	How Metro Vancouver Responded
	develops educational materials that are available to those hauling companies.
Comment on how it is difficult to see the value of First Nations participating in engagement on projects when First Nations do not have a direct role in governance and decision making at Metro Vancouver.	Metro Vancouver recognizes that BC's Declaration Act action plan item 1.11 identifies First Nations participation on regional district boards as an item that will be advanced by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs. The Province is actively working to advance this initiative, and Metro Vancouver looks forward to receiving further direction and information regarding the legislative changes to the *Local Government Act* that are required to support this action. The Province anticipates this legislative change being a few years away. In the meantime, Metro Vancouver is committed to meaningful engagement with First Nations throughout the solid waste management plan update and being transparent on how this valuable feedback is included in the outcome of each phase of engagement for the plan update.
Interest in the efficiency of the Waste-to-Energy Facility.	The Waste-to-Energy Facility handles approximately a quarter of the region's garbage. Waste heat from the facility is used to produce enough electricity to power approximately 16,000 homes on a continuous basis. Projects are underway to further increase recovery of energy recovered at the facility through district energy systems.
Monitoring the effectiveness of the solid waste management plan is important; transparency on data and progress year to year is helpful.	Metro Vancouver publishes annual solid waste and recycling progress reports on our website, including a detailed methodology that describes which data sources are used and how they are incorporated. The goal is for solid waste data to be easily accessible and fully transparent. Examining how progress is measured will be

First Nation Key Issue/Concern	How Metro Vancouver Responded
	considered as part of the options analysis phase. A study is underway reviewing various options for reporting metrics in addition to the metrics currently in use that focus on quantities of material recycled and disposed.
Comment regarding how safety at solid waste facilities should be a priority. This may be a barrier to participation.	Metro Vancouver is dedicated to providing safe environments for customers and employees at our facilities. We would like to be informed of any negative experiences where anyone feels unsafe or unwelcomed. Some private facilities also provide solid waste services, for example private bottle depots. Metro Vancouver does not control the operation of these facilities, but is interested in hearing any concerns with respect to safety at any solid waste and recycling facilities to allow Metro Vancouver to share that information with the appropriate entities.

5. ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS AND NEXT STEPS

Metro Vancouver intends to provide the Ministry of Environment and Parks with updates on First

Nations engagement on the solid waste management plan update as the process continues. In 2025, Metro Vancouver will start engagement on the options analysis phase, and subsequently will engage on a draft solid waste management plan.

Each phase of First Nations engagement will be summarized and a report will be submitted upon completion of the final phase of plan development, along with the submission of the draft solid waste management plan for the Minister's consideration.

6. APPENDICES

Appendix 1 – The First Nations communications and engagement tracker outgoing communication regarding the Solid Waste Management Plan Update June – September 2024

Appendix 2 – Copies of First Nations Engagement letters and emails outgoing regarding the Solid Waste Management Plan Update June – September 2024

Appendix 1 The First Nations communications and engagement tracker outgoing communication regarding the Solid Waste Management Plan Update 2024 – 2025

Date (DD-MMM-YY)	Project Name	First Nation	Engagement Type	Description	Incoming/ Outgoing
28-Jun-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Matsqui First Nation	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
28-Jun-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwantlen First Nation	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
28-Jun-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwikwetlem First Nation	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
28-Jun-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Katzie First Nation	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
28-Jun-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Musqueam Indian Band	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
28-Jun-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsawwassen First Nation	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
28-Jun-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsleil-Waututh Nation	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
28-Jun-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Semiahmoo First Nation	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
28-Jun-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Qayqayt First Nation	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
28-Jun-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Squamish Nation	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
4-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Peters First Nation	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
4-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Cowichan Tribes	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
4-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Douglas Band (Xa'xtsa)	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
4-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Halalt First Nation	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
4-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Leq' a:mel First Nation (Lakahahmen)	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
4-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	St'at'imc Chiefs Council (Lillooet Tribal Council)	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
4-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Lyackson First Nation	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
4-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Métis Nation of BC	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
4-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Pauquachin First Nation	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
4-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Penelakut Tribe	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
4-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Samahquam First Nation	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
4-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Skatin Nations	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
4-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Snaw-Naw-As First Nation (Nanoose First Nation)	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
5-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Snuneymuxw First Nation	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
4-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	St'at'imc Chiefs Council (Lillooet Tribal Council)	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing

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4-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Stz'uminus First Nation	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
4-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Te'mexw Treaty Association	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
4-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsartlip First Nation	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
4-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsawout First Nation	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
5-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Vancouver Aboriginal Friendship Centre Society	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
5-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tseycum First Nation	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities	Outgoing
5-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Halalt First Nation	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities - second email sent after the first got undelivered	Outgoing
5-Jul-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Lake Cowichan First Nation	Email	SWMP Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities - second email sent after the first got undelivered	Outgoing
26-Jul-24	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Squamish Nation	Meeting	Meeting with multiple local First Nations on the idea generation phase of the plan update	Not Applicable
26-Jul-24	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsawwassen First Nation	Meeting	Meeting with multiple local First Nations on the idea generation phase of the plan update	Not Applicable
26-Jul-24	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Semiahmoo First Nation	Meeting	Meeting with multiple local First Nations on the idea generation phase of the plan update	Not Applicable
26-Jul-24	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwikwetlem First Nation	Meeting	Meeting with multiple local First Nations on the idea generation phase of the plan update	Not Applicable
26-Jul-24	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwantlen First Nation	Meeting	Meeting with multiple local First Nations on the idea generation phase of the plan update	Not Applicable
5-Sep-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwantlen First Nation	Email	Provide summary of the July 26 meeting and ask for response via feedback form	Outgoing
5-Sep-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwikwetlem First Nation	Email	Provide summary of the July 26 meeting and ask for response via feedback form	Outgoing
5-Sep-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Semiahmoo First Nation	Email	Provide summary of the July 26 meeting and ask for response via feedback form	Outgoing
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5-Sep-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Katzie First Nation	Email	Follow up on letter dated June 28, 2024, titled "Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities"	Outgoing
5-Sep-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Matsqui First Nation	Email	Follow up on letter dated June 28, 2024, titled "Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities"	Outgoing
5-Sep-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Musqueam Indian Band	Email	Follow up on letter dated June 28, 2024, titled "Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities"	Outgoing
5-Sep-24	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Qayqayt First Nation	Email	Follow up on letter dated June 28, 2024, titled "Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities"	Outgoing
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Solid Waste Services Department
Tel. 604-432-6200 or via Email
Zerowaste@metrovancouver.org

June 28, 2024

File: PE-13-01

[redacted]

Dear [redacted]

Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update Engagement Opportunities

This letter outlines opportunities for engagement related to updating Metro Vancouver's solid waste management plan. Metro Vancouver is committed to engaging on developing a solid waste management plan that responds to the unique interests, values, and priorities of the [redacted] and Local Authority.

Solid Waste Management Plan Update

Metro Vancouver is updating its solid waste management plan, a long-term strategic plan that guides our region's policies and collective actions over the next decade and beyond. An updated solid waste management plan will build on the strengths of the current plan and identify opportunities for accelerated waste reduction and recycling while reducing greenhouse gases and promoting a circular economy.

Vision and Guiding Principles Phase Complete

Metro Vancouver completed engagement on the vision and guiding principles phase of the plan update in 2023. Engagement feedback from [redacted] during the March 28, 2023 meeting (Attachment 1) was considered and included in creating the vision statement and guiding principles (Attachment 2). We would like to thank [redacted] for the thoughtful feedback.

Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities

The next phase of the plan update is idea generation. The objective of this phase is to develop a set of potential actions and strategies and to identify priority goals for the updated solid waste management plan. These ideas will to be analyzed in the next phase of engagement: options analysis.

We hope to work with [redacted] to generate ideas for an updated plan that includes your community's interests and priorities. We would like to invite you to an online information session for local First Nations on **July 26, 2024** from **2:00 pm to 3:30 pm**. We are offering engagement funding for this project, including [redacted] for your participation in the information session. Please email zerowaste@metrovancouver.org if you are interested in attending.

At the July 26 session, we will describe how the solid waste management plan may be relevant to First Nations, define the idea generation phase objectives, and present the discussion questions (Attachment 3). There will be future meeting opportunities in the fall to respond to the discussion questions outside of this introductory meeting. Please submit any feedback on the idea generation phase by **December 13, 2024.**

If you are not able to participate at this time we understand, but do hope we can connect at a later date as idea generation engagement proceeds. There will be two future phases with opportunities for input to help shape the content of the solid waste management plan (options analysis and engagement on a draft plan).

If you have any questions or require additional information regarding the update of Metro Vancouver's solid waste management plan, or wish to schedule a meeting with Metro Vancouver, please contact us by email at zerowaste@metrovancouver.org or by phone at 604-432-6200.

Thank you in advance for your consideration and I look forward to the opportunity of working together.

Sincerely,

Paul Henderson, P.Eng
General Manager, Solid Waste Services

PH/CU/ba

Attachment 1: Solid Waste Management Plan Update Vision and Guiding Principles First Nations Engagement Workshop – What We Heard Summary March 28, 2023
Attachment 2: Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Vision Statement and Guiding Principles
Attachment 3: Solid Waste Management Plan Update Issues/Opportunities Discussion Questions

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Tel. 604-432-6200 or via Email
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July 4, 2024

File: PE-13-01

[redacted]

To: [redacted]

Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update Engagement Opportunities

This letter outlines opportunities for engagement related to updating Metro Vancouver's solid waste management plan. Metro Vancouver is committed to engaging on developing a solid waste management plan that responds to the unique interests, values, and priorities of First Nations.

Solid Waste Management Plan Update

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Vision and Guiding Principles Phase Complete

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Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities

The next phase of the plan update is idea generation. The objective of this phase is to develop a set of potential actions and strategies and to identify priority goals for the updated solid waste management plan. These ideas will to be analyzed in the next phase of engagement: options analysis.

As we start engagement on the idea generation phase, Metro Vancouver welcomes input from your Nation. Attachment 2 outlines discussion questions to help prompt ideas and input on potential actions to further reduce waste and improve recycling. Metro Vancouver would be happy to meet

with you to answer questions or hear your input. Please submit any feedback on the idea generation phase to zerowaste@metrovancouver.org by **December 13, 2024.**

If you are not able to participate at this time we understand, but do hope we can connect at a later date as the solid waste management plan update proceeds. There will be two future phases with opportunities for engagement to help shape the content of the solid waste management plan (options analysis and engagement on a draft plan).

If you have any questions or require additional information regarding the update of Metro Vancouver's solid waste management plan, or wish to schedule a meeting with Metro Vancouver, please contact us by email at zerowaste@metrovancouver.org or by phone at 604-432-6200.

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Attachment 1: Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Vision Statement and Guiding Principles
Attachment 2: Solid Waste Management Plan Update Issues/Opportunities Discussion Questions

Solid Waste Management Plan
Vision and Guiding Principles

Vision:

A thriving region where nothing is wasted and resources are valued.

Guiding Principles:

1. Accountability from residents, businesses, and governments to prevent waste.
2. A solid waste and recycling system that is affordable, convenient, and consistent across the region.
3. A solid waste system that is resilient to climate change and future challenges.
4. Environmental stewardship and climate action.
5. Inclusive solid waste services and programs.
6. Innovation and collaboration to support a vibrant regional economy that keeps products and materials in circulation.
7. Transparency about what happens to garbage and recycling.

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Solid Waste Management Plan

Idea Generation: Issue/Opportunity Discussion Questions

Since the Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan was approved in 2011, Metro Vancouver's waste generation rate has decreased 11%, while our recycling rate has increased from 57 to 65% – nearly twice the Canadian average recycling rate. As we update the plan, **what actions can build on our success to**:

1. Build confidence in recycling systems?
2. Develop more inclusive programs and services?
3. Enhance accountability for eliminating waste?
4. Improve infrastructure and systems for waste management across the region?
5. Increase participation and reduce contamination in organics and recycling programs?
6. Leverage knowledge and expertise through collaboration?
7. Rethink and prevent waste in the first place?

From: Metro Vancouver Solid Waste Management Plan Update
Sent: Thursday, September 5, 2024 3:20 PM
To: [redacted]
Cc: Paul Henderson <Paul.Henderson@metrovancouver.org>; Indigenous Relations Requests <IndigenousRelationsRequests@metrovancouver.org>
Subject: Follow-Up Information: Solid Waste Management Plan Update First Nations Meeting – July 26 2024

Hello,

Thank you for your participation at the July 26 meeting with Metro Vancouver to discuss the solid waste management plan update. We appreciate your time and input. We have attached a summary of what we heard at the July 26 meeting – please let us know if you have any feedback.

We are currently in the idea generation phase of this multi-phase project. This process and discussion will be ongoing and there will be future opportunities to provide additional feedback during the current idea generation phase and also subsequent phases of the plan update process.

We welcome additional written responses to the discussion questions described in our meeting. Please provide responses through this feedback form by **December 13, 2024**. You may choose to submit feedback on one or more of the discussion questions There is engagement funding available [redacted] for providing written responses.

Supporting Resources

A backgrounder on the solid waste management plan update is available here, providing a description of the solid waste management plan and is the current phase of engagement: idea generation.

In addition, there are links to informational handouts on each discussion question available below. Please read these before answering the questions in the feedback from. These handouts provide information about what Metro Vancouver and its residents are currently doing to tackle solid waste issues in our region.

- Informational Handouts for Idea Generation: https://metrovancouver.org/services/solid-waste/Documents/waste-prevention-reduction-idea-generation-supporting-documents.pdf

The PowerPoint presentation provided at the July 26 meeting is available here.

Payment

Please send an invoice to zerowaste@metrovancouver.org for your participation in the July 26 information session on the solid waste management plan update in the amount of [redacted], and indicate your preferred form of payment:

1. cheque requisition,
2. credit card or
3. electronic funds transfer*.

*If you choose electronic funds transfer, please complete and attach the *Electronic Funds Transfer Authorization Agreement* (attached to this email) along with your invoice.

Please email zerowaste@metrovancouver.org if you have any questions about this process.

We look forward to having further conversations as we continue to engage First Nations on updating the regional solid waste management plan.

Sent on behalf of Paul Henderson

From: Metro Vancouver Solid Waste Management Plan Update
Sent: Thursday, September 5, 2024 3:47 PM
To: [redacted]
Cc: Paul Henderson <Paul.Henderson@metrovancouver.org>; Indigenous Relations Requests <IndigenousRelationsRequests@metrovancouver.org>
Subject: Opportunity to Engage on the Solid Waste Management Plan Update Idea Generation Phase before December 13, 2024

Hello,

We would like to follow up on a letter sent to [redacted] dated June 28, 2024, titled "*Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Idea Generation Engagement Opportunities*". This letter outlined engagement opportunities for the idea generation phase of the solid waste management plan update, including inviting your Nation to an information session on July 26, 2024. As you were not able to attend the July 26 meeting, we would like to offer some information about additional opportunities to provide input.

Engagement Opportunities

During the idea generation phase of the plan update, we are looking to develop a set of potential actions and strategies and to identify priority goals for the updated solid waste management plan. We would welcome [redacted] input by:

- Attending an information session with Metro Vancouver staff to learn more about the idea generation phase. This can be set up with [redacted] for this fall.
- Submitting written feedback to discussion questions here before **December 13, 2024**. The online form includes links to background information on the solid waste management plan and on each discussion question. You may choose to provide input on one or more discussion questions.

Engagement funding is available for this project, including [redacted] for participation at an information session and [redacted] for your written feedback via the online form.

Supporting Resources

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In addition, there are links to informational handouts on each discussion question available below. Please read these before answering the question in the feedback from. These handouts provide information about what Metro Vancouver and its residents are currently doing to tackle solid waste issues in our region.

- Idea Generation Informational handout download link: https://metrovancouver.org/services/solid-waste/Documents/waste-prevention-reduction-idea-generation-supporting-documents.pdf

If you are interested in participating in the above opportunities, or would like to connect with us to discuss potential alternative opportunities, please email zerowaste@metrovancouver.org. We look forward to having further conversations with local First Nations as we update the regional solid waste management plan.

Sent on behalf of Paul Henderson

Appendix C - Solid Waste Management Plan Update Options Analysis

First Nations Engagement Report

January 2026

1. SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE DESCRIPTION

Metro Vancouver is updating its solid waste management plan, building on the strengths of the current solid waste management plan (approved in 2011) and identifying opportunities for reducing waste, increasing recycling, reducing greenhouse gas emissions, and promoting a circular economy. The updated solid waste management plan will be drafted in consideration of First Nations input, best practices research, public feedback, and input from advisory committees.

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Engagement Specialist, Community Engagement, brooke.atkinson@metrovancouver.org

2. ENGAGEMENT AND COMMUNICATION SUMMARY

First Nations and Tribal Councils Engaged

Through the provincial Consultative Areas Database, the following 47 First Nations, Tribal Councils, and Treaty Associations were identified as having consultative areas that interact with the Metro Vancouver region during the options analysis engagement phase from August to December 2025.

- Ăthelets (Aitchelitz First Nation)
- Ch'íyáqtel (Tzeachten First Nation)
- Chowéthel (Chawathil First Nation)
- Cowichan Tribes
- Douglas First Nation (Xa'xtsa)
- Halalt First Nation
- kʷikʷəƛ̓əm (Kwikwetlem First Nation)
- Kwaw'Kwaw'Apilt (Kwaw'Kwaw'Apilt First Nation)
- Leq' a:mel First Nation (Lakahahmen)
- Lillooet Tribal Council
- Lyackson First Nation
- máthxwi (Matsqui First Nation)
- Pauquachin First Nation

- Penelakut Tribe
- Peters First Nation
- q̓iḿəy̓ (Katzie First Nation)
- qiqéyt (Qayqayt First Nation)
- q̓ʷɑ:ńɬ̓əń (Kwantlen First Nation)
- Samahquam First Nation
- scəẃaθən məsteyəxʷ (Tsawwassen First Nation)
- Semá:th (Sumas First Nation)
- Semiahmoo First Nation
- Shxw’ōwhámél (Shxw’ōwhámél First Nation)
- Shxwhà:y Village (Skway First Nation)
- Skatin Nations (SkookumChuck)
- Skowkale
- Snuneymuxw First Nation
- Sq’éwlets (Scowlitz First Nation)
- Sq’éwqel (Seabird Island Band)
- Sq’ewá:lxw (Skawahlook First Nation)
- Sqwá (Skwah First Nation)
- Sto:lo Nation
- Stó:lō Tribal Council
- St'at'imc Chiefs Council
- Stz'uminus First Nation (Chemainus)
- səlilwətaɬ (Tsleil-Waututh Nation)
- Sḵwx̱wú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish Nation)
- Sxwoyehálá (Squiala First Nation)
- SƛÁUTW̱ (Tsawout First Nation)
- Th’ewá:li (Soowahlie First Nation)
- Tsartlip First Nation
- Tseycum First Nation
- Ts’uubaa-asatx Nation (Former Lake Cowichan First Nation)
- xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam Indian Band)
- Xwchíyò:m (Cheam First Nation)

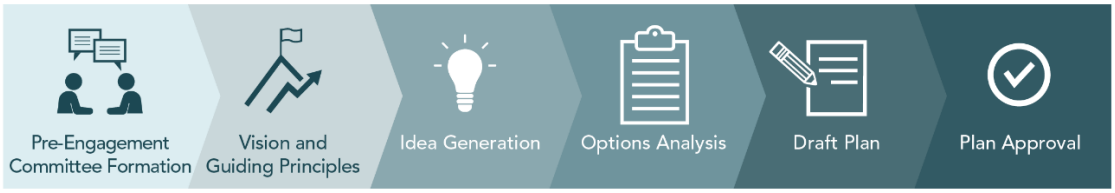
- Yale First Nation
- Yeqwyeqwí:ws (Yakweakwioose First Nation)

Metro Vancouver also reached out to Métis Nation British Columbia and the Vancouver Aboriginal Friendship Centre Society given the potential interest of Indigenous populations in the decisions and actions outlined within the solid waste management plan.

Please note that the list of First Nations and Tribal Councils identified by the Consultative Areas Database has changed over the life of the project. Metro Vancouver confirms that the First Nations and Tribal Councils list is accurate and comprehensive prior to the distribution of engagement letters sent by phase.

Engagement Summary

The solid waste management plan update is a multi-year process and this report provides a summary of Metro Vancouver's engagement with First Nations during the options analysis phase of engagement. Metro Vancouver conducted pre-engagement in 2020 and 2021, formed industry and public/technical advisory committees to support the plan update in 2022, completed vision and guiding principles engagement in 2023, completed idea generation engagement in 2024, and conducted options analysis engagement in 2025. The final engagement phase will be on a draft plan.



First Nations engagement during the options analysis phase is described in this report. The objectives of this phase were to evaluate ideas that were generated in the previous phase by applying criteria and gathering feedback to decide what strategies and actions to include in the draft plan.

During options analysis, Metro Vancouver shared project information and offered several opportunities to provide input. On August 22, 2025, letters were sent to ten First Nations with communities currently located within the Metro Vancouver region, customized to reflect their level of participation in previous phases of engagement and invited them to participate in an online feedback session. In addition, Metro Vancouver sent letters to the 37 First Nations with interests in the region, as identified through the Province's *Consultative Area Database* to share project information and offer an opportunity to provide feedback.

On September 26, 2025 Metro Vancouver hosted the online feedback session with kʷikʷəƛ̓əm (Kwikwetlem First Nation) in attendance; three other First Nations accepted the meeting invitation but did not attend. The session provided an update on how input from earlier engagement phases informed the development of potential options. Metro Vancouver outlined how the options analysis phase relates to First Nations interests, and provided an opportunity for participants to comment on the potential strategies and actions that could be included in the draft updated solid waste management plan. Following the session, Metro Vancouver contacted the participating Nation to share a summary of the discussion and to offer an opportunity to provide further feedback via an online survey form. A

summary of feedback on options analysis can be found in the table below titled “Solid Waste Management Plan Update Feedback Summary – Options Analysis”.

In addition to attending the September 26, 2025 meeting, kʷikʷəƛ̓əm (Kwikwetlem First Nation) responded to engagement regarding the Metro Vancouver Waste-to-Energy Facility District Energy System. Metro Vancouver and kʷikʷəƛ̓əm (Kwikwetlem First Nation) also met on December 5, 2025 to discuss the solid waste management plan and the Waste-to-Energy Facility. A summary of feedback provided at that meeting and in letter communications have been included in Appendix E in the cover report in the submission package.

Metro Vancouver also received a response from a letter sent to scəẇaθən məsteyəxʷ (Tsawwassen First Nation) as a member of the federation of Metro Vancouver Regional District. Along with being a member of Metro Vancouver Regional District, scəẇaθən məsteyəxʷ (Tsawwassen First Nation) is also a First Nation within the region and were sent two letters to address scəẇaθən məsteyəxʷ (Tsawwassen First Nation) as a member and as a First Nations.

Metro Vancouver will continue to engage with First Nations with communities and interests in the Metro Vancouver region in the next phase of the draft plan review and finalization.

Appendix 1 refers to the comprehensive tracker of correspondence, emails, and meetings from August – December 2025. Appendix 2 includes copies of outgoing letters to First Nations from August – December 2025.

3. ENGAGEMENT RELATED FUNDING AND AGREEMENTS

Metro Vancouver offered engagement funding during the options analysis phase to First Nations with communities in the Metro Vancouver region for the following engagement activities:

- Attending an online information session on the solid waste management plan update: options analysis to talk, learn together, and provide feedback.

Metro Vancouver uses a variety of approaches to funding engagement on its projects, ranging from project-specific engagement agreements to annual Nation-specific funding agreements.

4. KEY ISSUES & HOW WE RESPONDED

Key Issues and Response Table

Solid Waste Management Plan Update Feedback Summary – Options Analysis

Participating First Nations: kʷikʷəƛ̓əm (Kwikwetlem First Nation) and scəẇaθən məsteyəxʷ (Tsawwassen First Nation)

First Nation Key Issue/Concern	How Metro Vancouver Responded
Interest in moving toward zero waste and asked whether clear garbage bags have been considered. Noted research in other jurisdictions showing ~30-50% waste reduction when used.	Clear bags are included in Metro Vancouver's list of potential actions for the updated plan – ID107 (e.g. for the purpose of enhancing disposal ban inspections.) Metro Vancouver's past research suggests clear bags don't work as well locally because many communities use mechanically collected containers for curbside collection that preclude seeing the container contents (clear bags work better where bags are set out at the curb). Metro Vancouver shared other mechanisms that have been shown to be effective locally: bi-weekly garbage collection with weekly organics collection resulted in ~35% reduction in garbage, and rollout of film plastics collection via Recycle BC.
Interest in understanding potential for use of clear bags for garbage.	Metro Vancouver will review information provided by the concerned First Nation with respect to the use of clear bags for garbage, and comment back on the applicability of this approach for reducing waste in the Metro Vancouver region. This will include the findings from the New Westminster clear bag trial.
Request to receive the strategies and actions to review internally.	Metro Vancouver sent a link to the potential strategies and actions, as well as a feedback form.
Expressed support for Metro Vancouver to continue advocating to the Provincial Government for expanded Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) programs.	Metro Vancouver continuously advocates for the expansion of EPR programs. Most recently, Metro Vancouver urged the Ministry of Environment and Parks to expedite the amendments to the B.C Recycling Regulation to include mattresses, compressed canisters, fire extinguishers, medical sharps, and other priority products. In the past, Metro Vancouver has worked collaboratively with the provincial government to identify gaps in the existing EPR product categories. In November 2025, the Province announced several new products to be obligated under the B.C. Recycling Regulation, beginning in 2027.
Interest in potential for opportunities to collaborate on community-specific zero waste ideas (e.g., repair cafés).	Metro Vancouver will welcome any ideas from the interested First Nation to collaborate on waste reduction initiatives.

First Nation Key Issue/Concern	How Metro Vancouver Responded
Suggestion to investigate AI tools (e.g., Intuitive AI) for waste sorting and monitoring.	Metro Vancouver is investigating the possibility of using AI to enhance the current disposal ban inspection program.
Concerns about inconsistent recycling services across the region.	Metro Vancouver is responsible for waste reduction and recycling planning as well as operating a series of solid waste facilities in the region. Residential recycling services are the responsibility of extended producer responsibility organizations. As part of updating the solid waste management plan for the region, one of the guiding principles for the updated plan is a solid waste and recycling system that is affordable, convenient, and consistent across the region. Convenience is an important aspect of solid waste services for all users in the region.
Support for expanded recycling services at depots and education campaigns to educate and encourage behaviour change towards circular economy.	Metro Vancouver is working to develop recycling depots at the North Surrey and Langley Recycling and Waste Centres. The purpose of the project is to increase free recycling opportunities for users of the recycling and waste centre through the construction of a recycling depot ahead of the weigh scales. Similar services are in place at all of Metro Vancouver's other recycling and waste centres. Construction is expected to start at both facilities in 2026 – 2027, with the operations of both facilities expected in 2028.
Support for the region's efforts to advance circular economy principles, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and enhance regional collaboration. A request to remain informed as this process advances, particularly regarding any regional infrastructure or waste management actions that may occur within or adjacent to First Nations traditional territories.	Metro Vancouver will keep First Nations informed and engaged throughout the solid waste management plan update process and is committed to continuing meaningful engagement.

5. ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS AND NEXT STEPS

Metro Vancouver intends to provide the Ministry of Environment and Parks with updates on First

Nations engagement on the solid waste management plan update as the process continues. In 2026, Metro Vancouver will start engagement on a draft solid waste management plan. This will include:

- An opportunity to provide feedback on an initial draft plan prior to a revised draft plan being provided to the Metro Vancouver Zero Waste Committee and GVS&DD Board
- Additional feedback opportunity after the GVS&DD Board, prior to submission to the Minister of Environment and Parks.

Reports on First Nations engagement on the solid waste management plan update will be submitted to the Minister of Environment and Parks along with the submission of the draft solid waste management plan.

6. APPENDICES

Appendix 1 – The First Nations communications and engagement tracker outgoing and incoming communication regarding the Solid Waste Management Plan Update September - December 2025

Appendix 2– Copies of First Nations Engagement letters and emails outgoing regarding the Solid Waste Management Plan Update September – December 2025

Appendix 1 The First Nations communications and engagement tracker outgoing and incoming communication regarding the Solid Waste Management Plan Update 2025

Date (DD-MMM-YY)	Project Name	First Nation	Engagement Type	Description	Incoming/ Outgoing
22-Aug-25	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwantlen First Nation	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Options Analysis Engagement Invitation LETTER 1: Local First Nations Previously Participated	Outgoing
22-Aug-25	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwikwetlem First Nation	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Options Analysis Engagement Invitation LETTER 1: Local First Nations Previously Participated	Outgoing
22-Aug-25	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Matsqui First Nation	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Options Analysis Engagement Invitation LETTER 1: Local First Nations Previously Participated	Outgoing
22-Aug-25	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Musqueam Indian Band	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Options Analysis Engagement Invitation LETTER 1: Local First Nations Previously Participated	Outgoing
22-Aug-25	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Semiahmoo First Nation	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Options Analysis Engagement Invitation LETTER 1: Local First Nations Previously Participated	Outgoing
22-Aug-25	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Squamish Nation	Letter via Email	Sent via Portal - Squamish Connect Metro Vancouver Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Options Analysis Engagement Invitation LETTER 1: Local First Nations Previously Participated	Outgoing
22-Aug-25	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsleil-Waututh Nation	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Options Analysis Engagement Invitation LETTER 1: Local First Nations Previously Participated	Outgoing

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Date (DD-MMM-YY)	Project Name	First Nation	Engagement Type	Description	Incoming/ Outgoing
22-Aug-25	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsawwassen First Nation	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Options Analysis Engagement Invitation LETTER 1: Local First Nations Previously Participated	Outgoing
22-Aug-25	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Qayqayt First Nation	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Options Analysis Engagement Invitation LETTER 2: Local First Nations who did **not previously participate**	Outgoing
22-Aug-25	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Katzie First Nation	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Options Analysis Engagement Invitation LETTER 2: Local First Nations who did **not previously participate**	Outgoing
25-Aug-25	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Stz'uminus First Nation	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Options Analysis Phase Letter 3 - Non Local First Nations and Metis Nation	Outgoing
25-Aug-25	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsartlip First Nation	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Options Analysis Phase Letter 3 - Non Local First Nations and Metis Nation	Outgoing
25-Aug-25	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Skatin Nations	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Options Analysis Phase Letter 3 - Non Local First Nations and Metis Nation	Outgoing
25-Aug-25	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	St'at'imc Chiefs Council (Lillooet Tribal Council)	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Options Analysis Phase Letter 3 - Non Local First Nations and Metis Nation Note: the FN category is combined - both FN letters are attached in the orbit link #1 section	Outgoing

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Date (DD-MMM-YY)	Project Name	First Nation	Engagement Type	Description	Incoming/ Outgoing
25-Aug-25	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Samahquam First Nation	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Options Analysis Phase Letter 3 - Non Local First Nations and Metis Nation	Outgoing
25-Aug-25	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Cowichan Tribes	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Options Analysis Phase Letter 3 - Non Local First Nations and Metis Nation	Outgoing
25-Aug-25	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Peters First Nation	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Options Analysis Phase Letter 3 - Non Local First Nations and Metis Nation	Outgoing
25-Aug-25	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Penelakut Tribe	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Options Analysis Phase Letter 3 - Non Local First Nations and Metis Nation	Outgoing
25-Aug-25	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Pauquachin First Nation	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Options Analysis Phase Letter 3 - Non Local First Nations and Metis Nation	Outgoing
25-Aug-25	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Lyackson First Nation	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Options Analysis Phase Letter 3 - Non Local First Nations and Metis Nation	Outgoing
25-Aug-25	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Leq' a:mel First Nation (Lakahahmen)	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Options Analysis Phase Letter 3 - Non Local First Nations and Metis Nation	Outgoing

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Date (DD-MMM-YY)	Project Name	First Nation	Engagement Type	Description	Incoming/ Outgoing
25-Aug-25	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	St'at'imc Chiefs Council (Lillooet Tribal Council)	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Options Analysis Phase Letter 3 - Non Local First Nations and Metis Nation Note: the FN category is combined - both FN letters are attached in the orbit link #1 section	Outgoing
25-Aug-25	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Douglas Band (Xa'xtsa)	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Options Analysis Phase Letter 3 - Non Local First Nations and Metis Nation	Outgoing
25-Aug-25	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Halalt First Nation	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Options Analysis Phase Letter 3 - Non Local First Nations and Metis Nation	Outgoing
25-Aug-25	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tseycum First Nation	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Options Analysis Phase Letter 3 - Non Local First Nations and Metis Nation	Outgoing
25-Aug-25	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Métis Nation of BC	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Options Analysis Phase Letter 3 - Non Local First Nations and Metis Nation	Outgoing
25-Aug-25	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Vancouver Aboriginal Friendship Centre Society	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Options Analysis Phase Letter 3 - Non Local First Nations and Metis Nation	Outgoing
25-Aug-25	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Snuneymuxw First Nation	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Options Analysis Phase Letter 3 - Non Local First Nations and Metis Nation	Outgoing

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Date (DD-MMM-YY)	Project Name	First Nation	Engagement Type	Description	Incoming/ Outgoing
25-Aug-25	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Sto:lo Tribal Council	Project Update Letter	Submitted through portal - Aitchelitz, Chawathil, Cheam, Kwaw'Kwaw'Apilt, Scowlitz, Seabird Island, Skway, Shxw'ōwhámél, Skawahlook, Skowkale, Skwah, Soowahlie, Squiala, Stó:lō, Sumas, Tzeachten, Yakweakwioose, and Yale First Nations and Stó:lō Tribal Council	Outgoing
25-Aug-25	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation	Project Update Letter	Submitted through Nations Connect portal - Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Options Analysis Phase Letter 3 - Non Local First Nations and Metis Nation	Outgoing
25-Aug-25	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsawout First Nation	Project Update Letter	Submitted through Nations Connect portal - Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Options Analysis Phase Letter 3 - Non Local First Nations and Metis Nation	Outgoing
25-Aug-25	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwikwetlem First Nation	Email	Metro Vancouver Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Options Analysis Engagement Invitation	Outgoing
27-Aug-25	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation	Letter via Portal Letter - Issues/Response	Response via Portal Ts-uubaa-asatx-nation - Response via Portal - Solid Waste Management Plan Update - August 27 2025.pdf Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation is in receipt of the referral for: Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Incoming
19-Sep-25	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsawwassen First Nation	Email	FOR REVIEW - Local First Nations Letter for SWMP Options Analysis - DUE August 15 Email bounce back (Tsawwassen First Nation) scəwaθən məsteyəxʷ	Incoming
26-Sep-25	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwikwetlem First Nation	Meeting	What We Heard Summary & Presentation - Solid Waste Management Plan Update Options Analysis - Sept 26, 2025	Not Applicable

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Date (DD-MMM-YY)	Project Name	First Nation	Engagement Type	Description	Incoming/ Outgoing
3-Oct-25	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwikwetlem First Nation	Letter - Issues/Response	An email sent on behalf of Paul Henderson to Kwikwetlem: File links of the Potential strategies and actions being considered, Feedback form, PPT presentaiton provided on Sept 26, 2025 meeting, WTEF Air Quality Info and ZWC Registration	Outgoing
9-Oct-25	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwikwetlem First Nation	Letter - Issues/Response	A reply from Kwikwetlem about the SWMP update and District Energy project The Nation will ensure the Feedback Form is completed prior to the October 31st deadline	Incoming
15-Oct-25	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsawwassen First Nation	Email	Options Analysis Engagement: Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update An email from Shawna (Tsawwassen First Nation) sent to Ruth Teka. Then forwarded this email to Paul as FYI.	Incoming
2-Dec-25	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwikwetlem First Nation	Email	An email titled Metro Vancouver Solid Waste Management Plan Update - Options Analysis Engagement Meeting - September 26, 2025 sent to Kwikwetlem FN. This meeting is mainly to discuss WTE concerns.	Outgoing
5-Dec-25	Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwikwetlem First Nation	Meeting	What We Heard Summary - Waste-to-Energy Facility and Solid Waste Management Plan Update - Kwikwetlem First Nation Meeting	Not Applicable

1. **Letter sent to First Nations that previously provided feedback**

Appendix 2 Copies of all First Nations Engagement letters and emails outgoing regarding the Solid Waste Management Plan Update 2025

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Solid Waste Services Department
Tel. 604-432-6200 or via Email
Zerowaste@metrovancouver.org

August 22, 2025

File: PE-13-01

[redacted]

VIA EMAIL: [redacted]

To: Referrals Office

Metro Vancouver's Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Options Analysis Phase

This letter outlines upcoming opportunities for engagement related to updating Metro Vancouver's solid waste management plan. Metro Vancouver started engaging on this project with First Nations in April 2021, and is committed to developing a solid waste management plan that responds to the unique interests, values, and priorities of [redacted]

Solid Waste Management Plan Update
Metro Vancouver is updating its solid waste management plan, a long-term strategic plan that guides our region's policies and collective actions over the next decade and beyond. An updated solid waste management plan will build on the strengths of the current plan and identify opportunities for accelerated waste reduction and recycling while reducing greenhouse gases and promoting a circular economy.

Engagement Meeting
As we start engagement on the options analysis phase of the plan update, we would value the participation of [redacted] to continue creating an updated plan that includes your community's interests and priorities. We would like to invite you to an engagement meeting with local First Nations on **September 26, 2025** from **2:00 pm to 3:30 pm** online. A calendar invitation will be sent to you shortly – please accept the calendar invitation if you are able to attend.

Idea Generation Phase Complete
Metro Vancouver completed engagement on the idea generation phase of the plan update in late 2024. The idea generation phase aimed to build on the vision and guiding principles established in the previous engagement phase, and helped inform a set of potential strategies and actions. Engagement feedback from [redacted] during the July 26, 2024 meeting on

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idea generation (Attachment 1) was considered and used to create a set of potential strategies and actions, along with the waste hierarchy and goals for the plan update (Attachment 2).

Options Analysis Engagement Opportunities

The current phase of the plan update is options analysis. The objectives of this phase are to evaluate ideas that were generated in the previous phase by applying criteria (Attachment 3) and gathering feedback to decide what strategies and actions to include in the draft plan. This is the last step before the new plan is drafted. Below is a graphic of the project timeline.

At the September 26, 2025 session, we will present previous feedback provided by First Nations, explain how the options analysis phase is relevant to First Nations, and provide an opportunity for participants to comment on the potential strategies and actions that could be included in the draft updated solid waste management plan. Below is a table highlighting potential strategies and actions being considered that relate to feedback previously shared by First Nations. In addition to these potential strategies and actions, a full list of strategies and actions being considered will be made publicly available on the project web page.

Previous First Nations Feedback	Potential Strategies and Actions
Improving regional recycling rate, increasing services for repurposing materials and reducing plastic packaging.	This feedback helped inform the vision and guiding principles part of the plan update. **Strategy:** Promote design for recyclability and the use of recycled content in products and packaging **Action:** Enhance partnerships with the provincial government, industry, academia, and community groups to research and develop solutions to overcome barriers to reuse and recycling and opportunities to incorporate recycled content into new products. **Strategy:** Increase access to reuse, refill, and repair **Action:** Support community-based waste reduction and reuse programs for schools, non-profit organizations, and community groups.

	Action: Support increasing the size, number and frequency of repair and reuse events around the region. **Action:** Continue working collaboratively with national plastics waste reduction organizations, businesses, non-profits and member jurisdictions to reduce plastic waste and identify additional hard to recycle plastics for elimination.
Research options for expanding existing solid waste facilities.	**Strategy:** Encourage the development of new recycling infrastructure **Action:** Advocate for federal and provincial government funding programs to scale recycling infrastructure and innovation for challenging materials such as food for remanufacturing, anaerobic digestion feedstock, wood waste, carpet and plastic-lined paper products.
Tracking the effectiveness of the plan update implementation and transparency of data. Investment into new technologies for innovative solutions in renewable energy and reducing greenhouse gas emissions.	**Strategy:** Collect and enhance data to track progress towards a circular economy **Action:** Develop methods for estimating and reporting environmental benefits for waste prevention actions, such as reduction of GHG emissions (including embodied carbon), water use, and life-cycle impacts. **Action:** Identify and implement pilots and technology research that could advance and improve organics recycling in the commercial/institutional sector.
Priorities and interests identified about First Nations access to programs and services related to Metro Vancouver's solid waste function, ease of use, and affordability.	This feedback helped inform the vision and guiding principles part of the plan update. **Strategy:** Encourage and celebrate residents and businesses that prioritize reuse and refill practices **Action:** Provide education for residents on affordable actions they can take to prevent waste through everyday activities. **Strategy:** Make recycling easier and more effective by reducing confusion and improving convenience. **Action:** Centralize information sources to make it consistent and easier for the public to find information and look for resources.

If you are not able to participate at this time we understand, and we will follow up with you at a later date as the solid waste management plan update process progresses. There will be an additional opportunity to provide feedback on the draft plan in 2026.

In addition to the scheduled session described above, we would be happy to meet with you to answer any questions, or you can submit any feedback to zerowaste@metrovancouver.org by **October 31, 2025.**

If you have any questions or require additional information regarding the update of Metro Vancouver's solid waste management plan, or wish to schedule a meeting with Metro Vancouver, please contact staff by email at zerowaste@metrovancouver.org.

Thank you in advance for your consideration and I look forward to the opportunity of working together.

Sincerely,

Paul Henderson, P.Eng
General Manager, Solid Waste Services

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cc: Indigenous Relations

Attachments:
1: What we Heard Summary – Local First Nations – Information Session – Idea Generation – July 26, 2024
2: Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Options Analysis Backgrounder
3: Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Options Analysis Criteria

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Solid Waste Management Plan Update – Idea Generation -
Local First Nations Information Session – What We Heard Summary
July 26, 2024

What We Heard	How We Will Incorporate What We Heard
Relevance/Connection of Plan to First Nations	
Interest in how Metro Vancouver collects feedback and level of participation from First Nations throughout the plan update.	Metro Vancouver began engagement with First Nations on this plan update in 2021, and will continue engaging throughout the development of the plan. To date seven local First Nations have participated in engagement sessions. In addition to engagement meetings, we also welcome written feedback. The feedback gathered through the vision and guiding principles phase was directly used in shaping the vision statement and guiding principles which will support the plan update as we move forward. We appreciate all of the contributions so far from First Nations and look forward to continuing to receive more.
Comment on how it is difficult to see the value of First Nations participating in engagement on projects when First Nations do not have a direct role in governance and decision making at Metro Vancouver.	Metro Vancouver recognizes that BC's Declaration Act action plan item 1.11 identifies First Nations participation on regional district boards as an item that will be advanced by the Ministry of Municipal Affairs. The Province is actively working to advance this initiative, and Metro Vancouver looks forward to receiving further direction and information regarding the legislative changes to the Local Government Act that are required to support this action. The Province anticipates this legislative change being a few years away. In the meantime, Metro Vancouver is committed to meaningful engagement with First Nations throughout the solid waste management plan update and being transparent on how this valuable feedback is included in the outcome of each phase of engagement for the plan update.
Comment that many First Nations do not receive municipal waste collection services and must contract out these services.	Metro Vancouver will continue to coordinate with member jurisdictions and private sector service providers on sharing information about increasing consistency and simplicity of services

	delivered. Metro Vancouver currently works with haulers that provide services in First Nations communities and develops educational materials that are available to those hauling companies.
Metro Vancouver Solid Waste Services	
Interest was expressed on how the regional recycling rate of 65% is calculated and if it takes into account non-recyclable material removed by recycling processors.	The recycling rate is calculated using data provided by municipalities, product stewards and recycling processors. Material collected for recycling but not recycled is removed from the recycling rate calculations whenever that data is available. Metro Vancouver continues to monitor waste and recycling streams and opportunities to improve the quality of data collected.
Interest was expressed in services that repurpose old materials into new materials.	Metro Vancouver works with non-profits and contractors to collect reusable and recyclable items at Metro Vancouver's recycling and waste centres. Metro Vancouver also works with member jurisdictions to fund repair cafes which promote reuse and repurposing of materials for residents. This feedback will be considered as we develop ideas and actions to include in the plan update.
Issues/Opportunities Discussion Questions	
Monitoring the effectiveness of the solid waste management plan is important; transparency on data and progress year to year is helpful.	Metro Vancouver publishes annual solid waste and recycling progress reports on our webpage, including a detailed methodology which describes which data sources are used and how they are incorporated. The goal is for solid waste data to be easily accessible and fully transparent. Examining how progress is measured will be considered as part of the Idea Generation phase. A study is underway reviewing various options for reporting metrics in addition to the metrics currently in use that focus on quantities of material recycled and disposed.
Communication between Metro Vancouver and producers and suppliers is important to reduce packaging and other waste.	Metro Vancouver does not have regulatory authority over producers and suppliers, but will continue to collaborate through the National Zero Waste Council to promote waste prevention across the country. Metro Vancouver will continue to communicate with the Province on the importance of implementing new extended producer responsibility (EPR) programs as set out in their

	five year action plan (*Advancing Recycling in B.C. Extended Producer Responsibility Five-Year Action Plan 2021-2026*).
Comment that there is a lack of confidence that all recycled materials sorted by residents into different bins actually ends up being recycled. Appreciate the reassurance that efforts are improving the situation.	Metro Vancouver will continue to identify opportunities to build confidence in recycling systems and improve how we communicate about the annual recycling rate and what happens to recycling. For example, this is a key theme of Metro Vancouver's solid waste PNE activation.
Other Comments	
Comment regarding how new technology and innovative solutions may be used to reduce waste and create renewable energy to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.	Metro Vancouver is developing a Waste-to-Energy Facility District Energy System to supply heat and hot water to up to 50,000 homes in Vancouver, Burnaby and potentially New Westminster. This project will reduce greenhouse gas emissions by up to 70,000 tonnes per year and aligns with Metro Vancouver's goals for a resilient region. Metro Vancouver will continue to seek opportunities for meaningful engagement on these types of projects with First Nations on the future of solid waste in the region.
Interest was expressed in what the criteria is for determining locations for Metro Vancouver solid waste facilities. Some of the existing facilities are far away from many communities. Inquiry about plans for any new facilities soon.	One of the main criteria for locating Metro Vancouver recycling and waste centres is drive time, with the goal of having a facility within 30 minutes' maximum driving time for all residents of the region. A goal of the updated plan is to map out the need for new facilities and to address any service gaps to help make them more accessible for residents and businesses in the region. Metro Vancouver is also working to standardize services at recycling and waste centres with the goal of providing maximum opportunities for reuse and recycling at all regional solid waste facilities.
Comment regarding how safety at solid waste facilities should be a priority. This may be a barrier to participation.	Metro Vancouver is dedicated to providing safe environments for customers and employees at our facilities. We would like to be informed of any negative experiences where anyone feels unsafe or unwelcomed. Some private facilities also provide solid waste services, for example private "bottle depots". Metro Vancouver does not control the operation of these facilities, but is interested in hearing any concerns with respect

	to safety at those facilities to allow Metro Vancouver to share that information with the appropriate entities.
Interest in the efficiency of the Waste-to-Energy Facility.	The Waste-to-Energy Facility handles approximately a quarter of the region's garbage producing enough electricity to power approximately 16,000 homes on a continuous basis. Projects are underway to further increase recovery of energy recovered at the facility through district energy systems.

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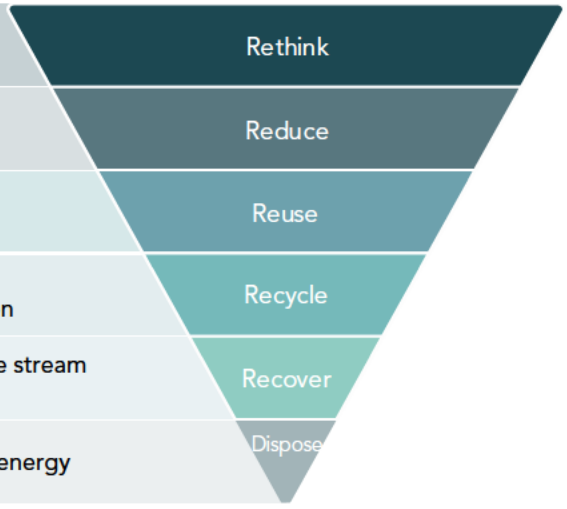

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2. Letter sent to First Nations who have not previously provided feedback (in Metro Vancouver region)

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August 22, 2025

File: PE-13-01

[redacted]
VIA EMAIL: [redacted]

To: Referrals Office

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Engagement Meeting
As we start engagement on the options analysis phase of the plan update, we would value the participation of [redacted] to continue creating an updated plan that includes your community's interests and priorities. We would like to invite you to an engagement meeting with local First Nations on **September 26, 2025** from **2:00 pm to 3:30 pm** online. A calendar invitation will be sent to you shortly – please accept the calendar invitation if you are able to attend.

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At the September 26, 2025 session, we will present previous feedback provided by First Nations, explain how the options analysis phase is relevant to First Nations, and provide an opportunity for participants to comment on the potential strategies and actions that could be included in the draft updated solid waste management plan. Below is a table highlighting potential strategies and actions being considered that relate to feedback previously shared by First Nations. In addition to these potential strategies and actions, a full list of strategies and actions being considered will be made publicly available on the project web page.

Previous First Nations Feedback	Potential Strategies and Actions
Improving regional recycling rate, increasing services for repurposing materials and reducing plastic packaging.	This feedback helped inform the vision and guiding principles part of the plan update. **Strategy:** Promote design for recyclability and the use of recycled content in products and packaging **Action:** Enhance partnerships with the provincial government, industry, academia, and community groups to research and develop solutions to overcome barriers to reuse and recycling and opportunities to incorporate recycled content into new products. **Strategy:** Increase access to reuse, refill, and repair **Action:** Support community-based waste reduction and reuse programs for schools, non-profit organizations, and community groups. **Action:** Support increasing the size, number and frequency of repair and reuse events around the region.

	Action: Continue working collaboratively with national plastics waste reduction organizations, businesses, non-profits and member jurisdictions to reduce plastic waste and identify additional hard to recycle plastics for elimination.
Research options for expanding existing solid waste facilities.	**Strategy:** Encourage the development of new recycling infrastructure **Action:** Advocate for federal and provincial government funding programs to scale recycling infrastructure and innovation for challenging materials such as food for remanufacturing, anaerobic digestion feedstock, wood waste, carpet and plastic-lined paper products.
Tracking the effectiveness of the plan update implementation and transparency of data. Investment into new technologies for innovative solutions in renewable energy and reducing greenhouse gas emissions.	**Strategy:** Collect and enhance data to track progress towards a circular economy **Action:** Develop methods for estimating and reporting environmental benefits for waste prevention actions, such as reduction of GHG emissions (including embodied carbon), water use, and life-cycle impacts. **Action:** Identify and implement pilots and technology research that could advance and improve organics recycling in the commercial/institutional sector.
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If you have any questions or require additional information regarding the update of Metro Vancouver's solid waste management plan, or wish to schedule a meeting with Metro Vancouver, please contact staff by email at zerowaste@metrovancouver.org.

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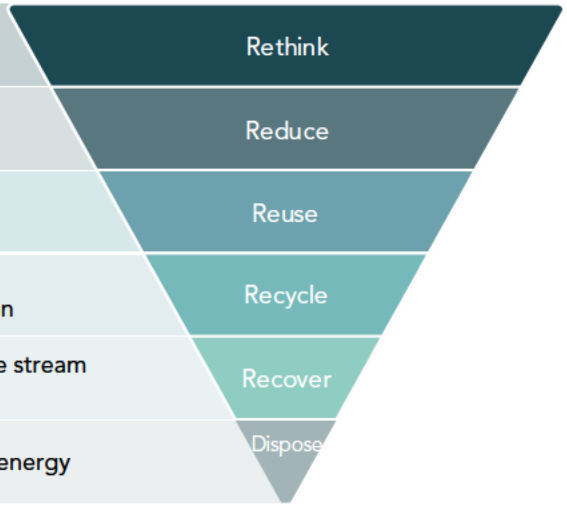

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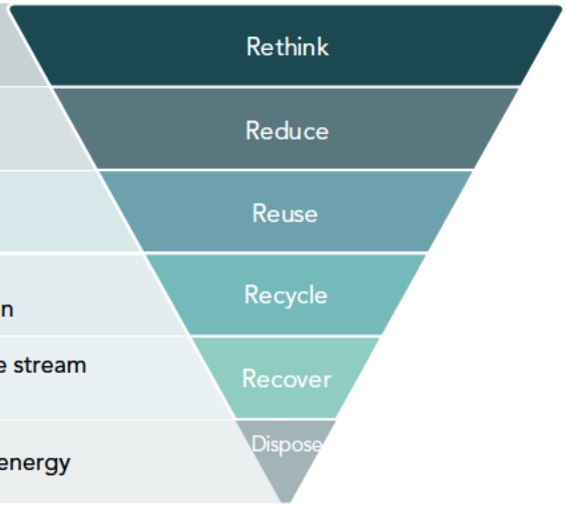

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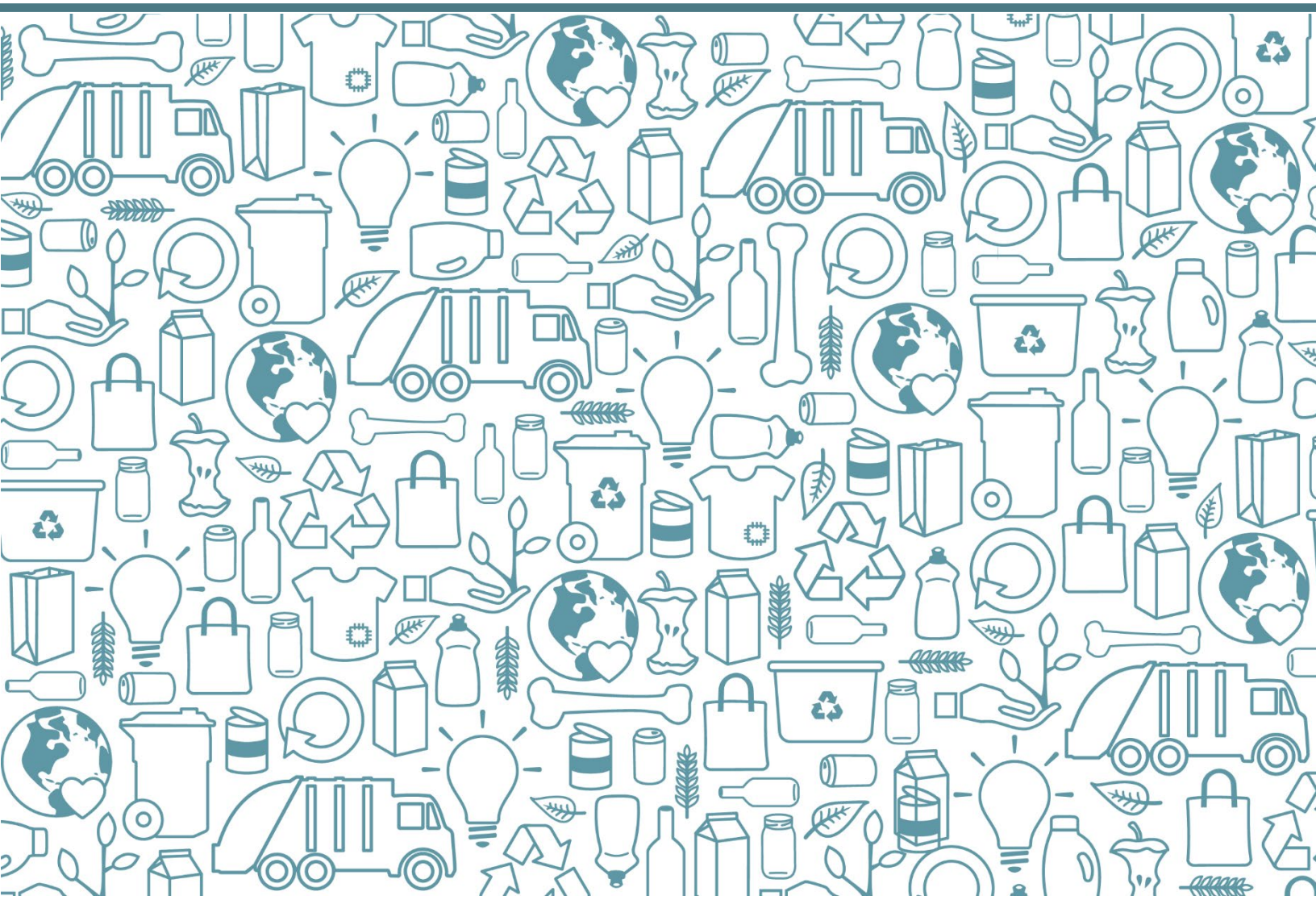

Appendix D - Solid Waste Management Plan Update Initial Draft Plan

First Nations Engagement Report

June 2026

1.0 SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE DESCRIPTION

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2.0 ENGAGEMENT AND COMMUNICATION SUMMARY

First Nations and Tribal Councils Engaged

Through the provincial Consultative Areas Database, the following 47 First Nations, Tribal Councils, and Treaty Associations were identified as having consultative areas that interact with the Metro Vancouver region during the initial draft plan engagement phase from January to June 2026.

- Ăthelets (Aitchelitz First Nation)
- Ch’íyáqtel (Tzeachten First Nation)
- Chowéthel (Chawathil First Nation)
- Cowichan Tribes
- Douglas First Nation (Xa'xtsa)
- Halalt First Nation
- kʷikʷəƛ̓əm (Kwikwetlem First Nation)
- Kwaw’Kwaw’Apilt First Nation
- Leq’ a:mel First Nation (Lakahahmen)
- Lillooet Tribal Council
- Lyackson First Nation
- máthxwi (Matsqui First Nation)
- Pauquachin First Nation
- Penelakut Tribe

- Peters First Nation
- q̓iḱəy̓ (Katzie First Nation)
- qiqéyt (Qayqayt First Nation)
- q̓ʷɑ:ńɬ̓əń (Kwantlen First Nation)
- Samahquam First Nation
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- Semá:th (Sumas First Nation)
- Semiahmoo First Nation
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- Shxwhà:y (Skway First Nation)
- Skatin Nations (SkookumChuck)
- Skowkale
- Snuneymuxw First Nation
- Sq’éwlets (Scowlitz First Nation)
- Sq’éwqel (Seabird Island Band)
- Sq’ewá:lxw (Skawahlook First Nation)
- Sqwá (Skwah First Nation)
- Sto:lo Nation
- Stó:lō Tribal Council
- St'at'imc Chiefs Council
- Stz'uminus First Nation (Chemainus)
- səlilwətaɬ (Tsleil-Waututh Nation)
- Sḵwx̱wú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish Nation)
- Sxwoyehálá (Squiala First Nation)
- SƛÁUTW̱ (Tsawout First Nation)
- Th’ewá:li (Soowahlie First Nation)
- Tsartlip First Nation
- Tseycum First Nation
- Ts’uubaa-asatx Nation
- xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam Indian Band)
- Xwchíyò:m (Cheam First Nation)
- Yale First Nation

- Yeqwyeqwí:ws (Yakweakwioose First Nation)

Metro Vancouver also reached out to Métis Nation British Columbia and the Vancouver Aboriginal Friendship Centre Society given the potential interest of Indigenous populations in the decisions and actions outlined within the solid waste management plan.

Please note that the list of First Nations and Tribal Councils identified by the Consultative Areas Database has changed over the life of the project. Metro Vancouver confirms that the First Nations and Tribal Councils list is accurate and comprehensive prior to the distribution of engagement letters sent by phase.

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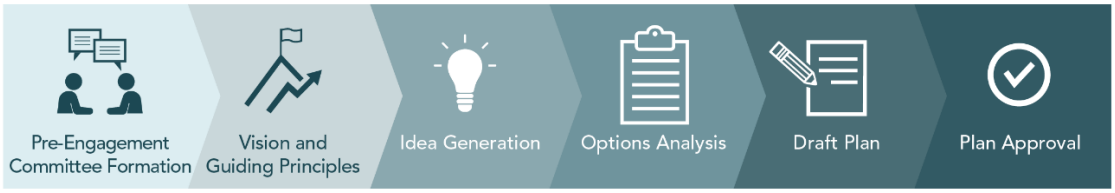

First Nations engagement during the initial draft plan phase is described in this report. The objectives of this phase were to share an initial version of the draft regional solid waste management plan for feedback, including targets, metrics, strategies and actions, and other components.

Metro Vancouver shared project information and requested comments or feedback on the initial draft plan that would be used to inform a revised draft. On January 23, 2026, letters were sent to ten First Nations with communities currently located within the Metro Vancouver region and 38 other First Nations with interests in the region to share project information and offer an opportunity to provide feedback. Feedback regarding the initial draft Solid Waste Management Plan received from First Nations is summarized in the table below labelled "Solid Waste Management Plan Update Feedback Summary – Initial Draft".

Metro Vancouver also received feedback and met with kʷikʷəƛ̓əm (Kwikwetlem First Nation) on the Waste-to-Energy Facility Operational Certificate Amendment and Waste-to-Energy Facility District Energy System from kʷikʷəƛ̓əm (Kwikwetlem First Nation). At the request of kʷikʷəƛ̓əm (Kwikwetlem First Nation), Metro Vancouver held a tour of the Waste-to-Energy Facility with kʷikʷəƛ̓əm (Kwikwetlem First Nation) staff, council members and Metro Vancouver staff, Directors, and the CAO on March 31, 2026. A summary of feedback provided on those projects is included in the cover report in the submission package.

Metro Vancouver will continue to engage with First Nations with communities and interests in the Metro Vancouver region during the final draft plan review and plan implementation.

Appendix 1 refers to the comprehensive tracker of correspondence, emails, and meetings from January – June 2026. Appendix 2 includes copies of outgoing letters and emails to First Nations from January –

June 2026.

3.0 KEY ISSUES & HOW WE RESPONDED

Key Issues and Response Table

Solid Waste Management Plan Update Feedback Summary – Initial Draft

Participating First Nations: kʷikʷəƛ̓əm (Kwikwetlem First Nation)

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Secondary Metrics: Suggestions for additional secondary metrics could include the number of businesses that have adopted circular design standards, rate of circularity (materials cycled back into use versus new inputs), greenhouse gas emissions avoided by circular action, tonnes of material re-used by category, amount of food and equity of access to re-use services (some communities such as several Indigenous communities, may experience gaps in access to reuse services).	Several actions in the plan commit to exploring additional data collection, which may allow Metro Vancouver to integrate these suggestions for additional metrics over time. Example actions include action 1.4.1 a., 1.4.2, 1.4.3, and 1.4.7 which can be found in the draft plan on the Metro Vancouver website.
Consumer Responsibility: As noted in earlier communications regarding the Waste-to-Energy Facility, this First Nation encourages further study of the feasibility of implementing clear bins and/or transparent plastic bags across the region.	Metro Vancouver staff conducted a desktop scan of other Canadian jurisdictions that have implemented, considered, or rescinded the adoption of clear bag requirements for garbage collection. The results suggest that jurisdictions adopting clear garbage bag requirements started from lower baseline performance and typically relied on manual curbside collection, whereas most Metro Vancouver communities use automated cart collection. This indicates that implementation of clear bags would have limited success in reducing waste at the source in Metro Vancouver. Clear bags have been suggested as an option to improve disposal ban efficacy during the solid waste management plan update engagement process. In response to feedback, action 4.8.1 in the draft plan specifically includes an example of possible solutions

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	to increase the efficacy of the disposal ban program the exploration of clear bag use. The encouragement of the use of clear bags will be explored as one possible option for increasing efficacy of the disposal ban program.
Meaningful Engagement: Metrics could also be developed to assess meaningful engagement, which could include post-engagement surveys inviting First Nations to provide feedback on the effectiveness of the engagement process.	Metro Vancouver will explore options to receive post-engagement feedback to help assess effectiveness of engagement. Metro Vancouver will inform First Nations once an approach has been confirmed.
Themes for Working Collaboratively with First Nations: Suggestion that this section could be expanded on by potentially including the following in its list: • Exploring opportunities for shared governance and advisory roles within the development of the SWMP when feasible; • Addressing environmental effects within First Nations' traditional territories; • Respecting First Nations' governance structures, laws, protocols, and Traditional Knowledge in both the planning and implementation of the SWMP; • Committing to transparent reporting and accountability on actions related to First Nations engagement; • Promoting employment and training of First Nations throughout the process; • Committing to supporting long-term	**Exploring opportunities for shared governance and advisory roles within the development of the SWMP when feasible:** Metro Vancouver notes that *BC's Declaration Act* Action Plan item 1.11 identifies First Nations participation on regional district boards as an item that will be advanced by the Ministry of Housing and Municipal Affairs. Metro Vancouver has been in close communication with the Ministry on this work and looks forward to receiving further direction. **Addressing environmental effects within First Nations' traditional territories and committing to supporting long-term environmental protection for future generations by considering cumulative environmental impacts across the region:** The guiding principles for the draft plan include a commitment to environmental stewardship and climate action which will guide implementation of the updated plan. The plan is intended to result in positive environmental benefits by reducing the amount of waste generated overall, leading to less residual garbage requiring management and reduced greenhouse gas emissions. **Respecting First Nations' governance structures, laws, protocols, and Traditional Knowledge in both the planning and implementation of the solid waste**

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environmental protection for future generations by considering cumulative environmental impacts across the region; and • Recognizing that First Nations may wish to provide input at any time and welcoming new input from Nations at all stages throughout the planning and implementation process.	**management plan:** Throughout the plan update process, Metro Vancouver has heard from First Nations that respectful engagement is required and to include traditional values and knowledge from First Nations in the plan update. Metro Vancouver welcomes any further feedback related to advancing meaningful engagement during plan implementation. **Committing to transparent reporting and accountability on actions related to First Nations engagement:** Metro Vancouver is committed to engaging meaningfully with First Nations during implementation of actions within the updated solid waste management plan and being open and responsive to ongoing input. Consistent with Metro Vancouver's commitment to transparency and accountability, Metro Vancouver will continue regular reporting on plan progress, including performance measures and progress on the detailed actions in the solid waste management plan. The most recent biennial report is available on the Metro Vancouver website. **Promoting employment and training of First Nations throughout the process:** Metro Vancouver will explore opportunities to encourage First Nations employment opportunities during plan implementation, in alignment with the guiding principle of inclusive solid waste services and programs. **Recognizing that First Nations may wish to provide input at any time and welcoming new input from Nations at all stages throughout the planning and implementation process:** Feedback on the draft Solid Waste Management Plan is welcome up until August 1, after which that feedback will be submitted to the Minister of Environment and Parks along with the draft plan for approval. Please submit any feedback to

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	zerowaste@metrovancouver.org .
Table 2 (in the initial draft plan) – Alignments and Linkages: Regarding Table 2, Metro Vancouver's single-use item reduction target is 30% by 2050, whereas ECCC's target is a 5% reduction in plastics entering the environment by 2030. Could the proponent clarify how Metro Vancouver's short and medium-term actions will contribute to meeting the federal 2030 target? Additionally, how will single-use plastics "entering the environment as pollution" be defined for implementation? For example, will monitoring include visible litter, stormwater runoff or discharge, sewage effluent, industrial or commercial releases, and microplastics? Clarification on which pathways and types of plastics are included, as well as the geographic scope and measurement methods would be helpful for understanding how progress toward the federal target will be tracked.	The draft plan's targets have been updated to reflect 10-year targets including 10 per cent reduction in per capita waste generation by 2036, which will help to reduce the amount of all materials, including single-use plastics, entering the environment and being disposed, supporting federal plastics reduction targets. Although the plan does not propose a specific single-use item reduction target, Metro Vancouver continues to track single-use items disposed as garbage through waste composition studies. It is challenging to accurately measure single-use plastics that are entering the environment as pollution due to the potential for multiple sources. Environment and Climate Change Canada has announced a Federal Plastics Registry, which Metro Vancouver will report data to, that will help provide a more fulsome picture to facilitate estimating the quantity of single-use plastics entering the environment.
Incentives for Businesses to Reduce Waste: Has the proponent identified incentives for businesses to reduce waste/engage in Zero Waste practices? For context, scientists estimate that about 10 million tonnes of plastic enter the oceans annually, and abandoned, lost, or discarded fishing gear ("ghost gear") contributes a significant sea-based source of marine plastic pollution, with roughly 640,000 tonnes entering the oceans each year, accounting for a large amount of macroplastic debris in marine environments.	Action 1.1.1 a., b., and c. of the draft plan include actions that advocate for incentives and funding programs for key circular activities. Commercial fishing gear is outside of the scope of materials managed by Metro Vancouver and is typically managed by policy enacted at the provincial or federal level.

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Table 5 (in the initial draft plan): In addition to the measures listed, suggestion also advocates for the inclusion of building upon existing grey spaces instead of infringing into green spaces, wherever feasible.	Building upon existing grey spaces to reduce impacts on green spaces is not currently within the scope of the solid waste management plan update. However, this comment will be provided to the Regional Planning department at Metro Vancouver for consideration.
First Nation Oversight: Request that any archaeological or environmental fieldwork taking place as a result of the Project be completed with the presence of a First Nations Guardian to provide oversight.	The development of the solid waste management plan does not include any archaeological or environmental field work. Metro Vancouver will keep First Nations informed of any archaeological or environmental fieldwork that may arise from implementing strategies and activities identified in the plan.
Lack of clarity on roles and responsibilities (municipalities, regional government, and province) when it comes to illegal dumping.	Metro Vancouver will share information with the concerned First Nation with respect to its understanding of roles and responsibilities when it comes to illegal dumping.
Concerns about population growth and development pressures, increasing waste generation, and landfill disposal requirements.	Metro Vancouver will continue to monitor population growth and disposal requirements, and will engage with First Nations related to the reporting and monitoring. However, the focus remains waste prevention to reduce the amount of waste requiring disposal. The draft Solid Waste Management Plan, which requires approval by the Ministry of Environment and Parks, prioritizes waste reduction at the source, education, diversion, and includes policy tools to help reduce the amount of waste requiring disposal over the long term. The updated draft plan emphasizes the use of existing waste management infrastructure in the region and does not include landfill expansion within the next decade.
Concern that developers and the construction sector are not sufficiently engaged in reducing waste.	Metro Vancouver will continue to advocate for strong policy tools, including expanded provincial Extended Producer Responsibility programs. There are a number of actions within the draft plan that target waste reduction in the construction and demolition

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	sector including action 1.1.1 a, 2.1.1 a, 2.1.1 b, 3.1.2, 3.3.2.
Legacy Waste Sites and Cumulative Impacts: The Nation emphasized that existing and historic waste sites within First Nations traditional territory, including capped and inactive landfill areas, continue to pose risks to ecological and cultural values. These risks are exacerbated during storm and freshet events, where mobilization of waste materials can impact downstream environments, including key fishing areas along the Fraser River. As such, the Nation recommends the development of a comprehensive, publicly available inventory and risk assessment of all historic and active waste sites within the Territory. This assessment should prioritize sites with known or potential hydrological connectivity to fish-bearing waters and include long-term monitoring, particularly during extreme weather events	Action 6.5.2 of the draft Solid Waste Management Plan states that Metro Vancouver will "Prepare an updated report summarizing the closure status of all closed landfills in the region, including a map with the location of all such landfills within 18 months of plan approval." Metro Vancouver will reach out to the First Nations during development of this report to verify existing and historic waste sites within First Nations traditional territory.
Solid Waste Management and Illegal Dumping: The Nation continues to observe issues related to illegal dumping, including single-use plastics, particularly in areas that drain into the Fraser River. These impacts are heightened during freshet conditions. The Nation recommends the implementation of enforcement and prevention measures, including long-term monitoring strategies such as surveillance in high-risk areas. Coordination among municipalities, Metro Vancouver, and the Province is necessary to address sources of dumping and improve regional waste management practices. As such, the Nation requests greater clarity regarding the respective roles and responsibilities of these jurisdictions in preventing, monitoring, and responding to illegal dumping incidents.	Litter and illegal dumping impact the environment and wildlife and result in significant costs, including for member jurisdictions, to collect and dispose of these materials. The draft Solid Waste Management Plan includes the following strategy (4.9): "Identify recycling opportunities for common litter and illegal dumping items." This strategy includes actions to reduce illegal dumping by increasing opportunity for community drop-off of items that are commonly illegally dumped, supporting community clean-up initiatives, enhancing litter and illegal dumping data, and reviewing approaches in other jurisdictions to implement in the Metro Vancouver region if proven effective elsewhere. Example roles/responsibilities related to illegal dumping: **Provincial government:** • manage illegal dumping on crown lands

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	• enforcement actions related to illegal dumping on crown lands **Metro Vancouver:** • manage illegal dumping in regional parks • compile data provided by member jurisdictions to track and share best practices for managing illegal dumping **Metro Vancouver member jurisdictions:** • manage illegal dumping on municipal lands • enforcement actions related to illegal dumping on municipal lands • property use enforcement provisions related to accumulated materials on private lands **Individual property owners:** • manage illegal dumping on their individual properties
Concerns over illegal dumping near reserve.	Metro Vancouver is working on finding recycling opportunities for common items that are illegally dumped. This work is ongoing and will continue during implementation of the draft solid waste management plan. We are open to working with First Nations to help reduce illegal dumping on reserve lands through resident and facility education and sharing best practices to deter illegal dumping.
Concerns regarding limited engagement of the construction and development sector in regional waste reduction efforts. In light of ongoing regional growth pressures, the Nation encourages Metro Vancouver to consider stronger waste reduction requirements, accountability measures, and sector-specific initiatives aimed at reducing construction and demolition waste across the region.	Metro Vancouver will continue to advocate for strong policy tools, including expanded provincial Extended Producer Responsibility programs. There are a number of actions within the draft Solid Waste Management Plan that target waste reduction in the construction and demolition sector. Examples of some of these initiatives include: • 1.1.1a Advocate for incentives and funding programs for circular built environment solutions such as design for disassembly, buildings as material banks, and

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	incorporation of used building materials for new construction). • 2.1.1 Collaborate with the construction and demolition sector to develop solutions for waste reduction that can be implemented at the regional level. • 3.1.2 Collaborate with member jurisdictions to develop, test and share improved tools and approaches for house relocation and deconstruction programs and policies including data review. • 3.3.2 Accelerate development of second-hand building material markets by working with industry and economic development agencies.
The Nation acknowledges that a focus more on waste reduction in the region is important.	A lot of the discussions between the Nation and Metro Vancouver are directly related to waste reduction in the region. The only alternative to local disposal options, including the Vancouver Landfill and the Waste-to-Energy facility, is to ship the waste elsewhere at a much higher cost. Metro Vancouver's draft Solid Waste Management Plan prioritizes rethinking and reducing waste, and includes ambitious targets for waste reduction and increased recycling. Advocating for strong policy tools around Extended Producer Responsibility programs is something we are working on, as well as finding innovative ways to scale up reuse systems.
Concern about the potential effects on fish and wildlife from abandoned landfill sites.	The draft Solid Waste Management Plan includes an action to prepare a report summarizing the closure status of all closed landfills in the region. Metro Vancouver will engage with First Nations to increase understanding of historic waste sites within traditional territories. Under the draft plan the report on closed landfills is required to be submitted to the Province within 18 months of the Minister's approval of the solid waste management plan. Metro Vancouver therefore expects to begin engagement on the scope of the study in early 2027.

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Illegal dumping is occurring in fish-bearing creeks and watersheds within traditional territory.	Metro Vancouver will continue coordination with municipalities and the Province, including supporting diversion and education efforts aimed at reducing illegal dumping, including signage and regular communication. Metro Vancouver Solid Waste staff have shared the information on concerns about illegal dumping with the Metro Vancouver Parks department.
Concerns around abandoned liquid waste infrastructure and the impacts on the environment around reserve land.	There are communications being set up with the Metro Vancouver Liquid Waste Services staff to discuss further possibilities to identify abandoned liquid waste infrastructure on reserve land.
Importance of engaging First Nation Elders, particularly to find out where the cultural practices happen on the traditional territory.	Metro Vancouver is available to meet with First Nation Elders, to listen, to understand cultural and environmental concerns, and to provide an overview of the solid waste management plan priorities, strategies and actions. Metro Vancouver will reach out for scheduling once priority sites of historic landfills are identified.
Impacts to Fish, Wildlife, and Cultural Sites: The Nation requests a detailed understanding of how waste management activities (both current and historic) intersect with fish habitats and hunting areas within the Territory. The Nation recommends that Metro Vancouver undertake spatial mapping to identify these waste sites. The Nation recommends that spatial mapping be undertaken to identify overlaps between waste sites and areas of ecological and cultural importance. This work should be conducted in collaboration with the Nation and incorporate Indigenous knowledge to ensure completeness and accuracy.	These suggestions will be considered with respect to the closed landfill study required in the draft solid waste management plan. Facility development processes for all Metro Vancouver solid waste facilities include environmental reviews and archaeological assessments. Facility operations for all regional solid waste facilities include management of nuisance impacts on surrounding lands, such as litter and vector control, illegal dumping clean up along access roads, and noise, odour and dust management.
Aging Infrastructure and Pipe Integrity: The Nation is concerned about aging pipes and related infrastructure within the Territory,	Metro Vancouver's Liquid Waste Services Department collects sewer condition data annually through its ongoing sewer inspection program. The

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which are deteriorating and may be contributing to contamination of aquatic environments. As such, the Nation recommends a full assessment of pipe integrity within the service area, with prioritized repair or replacement of failing infrastructure. Ongoing inspection and maintenance schedules should be established, with results shared transparently. The Nation is currently in the process of coordinating discussions with Metro Vancouver staff from relevant departments to address these infrastructure concerns and looks forward to advancing this dialogue during our upcoming meeting.	program's purpose is to understand the condition of the infrastructure and develop recommendations for sewer maintenance, rehabilitation, or replacement, as appropriate, to ensure the safe and reliable conveyance of wastewater. In accordance with Metro Vancouver's Integrated Liquid Waste and Resource Management Plan (LWMP), sewers are inspected on a twenty-year cycle, which equates to 5% of the system being inspected annually. The system comprises approximately 75% gravity pipe, which is inspected internally by camera, and approximately 25% full pipe, which is inspected by a variety of appropriate technologies. The Liquid Waste Services team looks forward to continuing discussions about Metro Vancouver's sewer infrastructure within First Nations territory.

4.0 ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS AND NEXT STEPS

On April 24, 2026, the GVS&DD Board directed staff to seek additional feedback on the draft Solid Waste Management Plan to be communicated to the Minister of Environment and Parks when the draft plan is submitted for their consideration.

Reports describing First Nations engagement on the solid waste management plan update will be submitted to the Minister of Environment and Parks when the draft Solid Waste Management Plan is submitted for approval.

5.0 APPENDICES

Appendix 1 – The First Nations communications and engagement tracker outgoing and incoming communication regarding the Solid Waste Management Plan Update January – June 2026

Appendix 2 – Copies of First Nations Engagement letters and emails outgoing regarding the Solid Waste Management Plan Update January – June 2026

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Date (DD-MMM-YY)	Project Name	First Nation	Engagement Type	Description	Incoming/ Outgoing
8-Jan-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwikwetlem First Nation	Email	An email to KFN re SWMP and District Energy Project. With an attached What We Heard Summary document describing comments raised at the meeting and Metro Vancouver's response	Outgoing
23-Jan-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Stz'uminus First Nation	Email	Email re Metro Vancouver Initial Draft Solid Waste Management Plan	Outgoing
23-Jan-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Cowichan Tribes	Email	Email re Metro Vancouver Initial Draft Solid Waste Management Plan	Outgoing
23-Jan-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Douglas Band (Xa'xtsa)	Email	Email re Metro Vancouver Initial Draft Solid Waste Management Plan	Outgoing
23-Jan-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Halalt First Nation	Email	Email re Metro Vancouver Initial Draft Solid Waste Management Plan	Outgoing
23-Jan-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwikwetlem First Nation	Email	Email re Metro Vancouver Initial Draft Solid Waste Management Plan	Outgoing
23-Jan-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Leq' a:mel First Nation (Lakahahmen)	Email	Email re Metro Vancouver Initial Draft Solid Waste Management Plan	Outgoing

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23-Jan-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Lyackson First Nation	Email	Email re Metro Vancouver Initial Draft Solid Waste Management Plan	Outgoing
23-Jan-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Matsqui First Nation	Email	Email re Metro Vancouver Initial Draft Solid Waste Management Plan	Outgoing
23-Jan-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Pauquachin First Nation	Email	Email re Metro Vancouver Initial Draft Solid Waste Management Plan	Outgoing
23-Jan-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Penelakut Tribe	Email	Email re Metro Vancouver Initial Draft Solid Waste Management Plan	Outgoing
23-Jan-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Peters First Nation	Email	Email re Metro Vancouver Initial Draft Solid Waste Management Plan	Outgoing
23-Jan-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Katzie First Nation	Email	Email re Metro Vancouver Initial Draft Solid Waste Management Plan	Outgoing

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23-Jan-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Qayqayt First Nation	Email	Email re Metro Vancouver Initial Draft Solid Waste Management Plan	Outgoing
23-Jan-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwantlen First Nation	Email	Email re Metro Vancouver Initial Draft Solid Waste Management Plan	Outgoing
23-Jan-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Samahquam First Nation	Email	Email re Metro Vancouver Initial Draft Solid Waste Management Plan	Outgoing
23-Jan-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsawwassen First Nation	Email	Email re Metro Vancouver Initial Draft Solid Waste Management Plan	Outgoing
23-Jan-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsleil-Waututh Nation	Email	Email re Metro Vancouver Initial Draft Solid Waste Management Plan	Outgoing
23-Jan-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Semiahmoo First Nation	Email	Email re Metro Vancouver Initial Draft Solid Waste Management Plan	Outgoing
23-Jan-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Skatin Nations	Email	Email re Metro Vancouver Initial Draft Solid Waste Management Plan	Outgoing

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23-Jan-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsartlip First Nation	Email	Email re Metro Vancouver Initial Draft Solid Waste Management Plan	Outgoing
23-Jan-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tseycum First Nation	Email	Email re Metro Vancouver Initial Draft Solid Waste Management Plan	Outgoing
23-Jan-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Musqueam Indian Band	Email	Email re Metro Vancouver Initial Draft Solid Waste Management Plan	Outgoing
23-Jan-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Squamish Nation	Email	Squamish Nation Connect Portal re Metro Vancouver Initial Draft Solid Waste Management Plan	Outgoing
23-Jan-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Sto:lo Nation	Email	Stolo Nation Connect Portal re Metro Vancouver Initial Draft Solid Waste Management Plan	Outgoing
23-Jan-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsawout First Nation	Email	Tsawout First Nation Connect Portal re Metro Vancouver Initial Draft Solid Waste Management Plan	Outgoing

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23-Jan-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation	Email	Tsububaaasatx Connect Portal re Metro Vancouver Initial Draft Solid Waste Management Plan	Outgoing
6-Feb-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwikwetlem First Nation	Email	Email re What We Heard summary- a few areas where important specificity, technical detail, or context was not fully captured. To support accuracy of the record and to clarify understanding of outstanding issues, theyhave provided additional comments.	Incoming
10-Feb-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwikwetlem First Nation	Letter via Email	KFN draft plan response, this is also tracked in the SWMP Initial draft plan tracker	Incoming
13-May-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwikwetlem First Nation	Meeting	Email with Attachment re KFN follow-up letter regarding the recent WTEF Site Tour, as well as feedback on the What We Heard Report	Incoming
1-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Katzie First Nation	Letter via Email	Feedback on Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan - Letters sent to FN	Outgoing
1-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwantlen First Nation	Letter via Email	Feedback on Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan - Letters sent to FN	Outgoing
1-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwikwetlem First Nation	Letter via Email	Feedback on Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan - Letters sent to FN	Outgoing

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1-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Matsqui First Nation	Letter via Email	Feedback on Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan - Letters sent to FN	Outgoing
1-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Musqueam Indian Band	Letter via Email	Feedback on Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan - Letters sent to FN	Outgoing
1-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Semiahmoo First Nation	Letter via Email	Feedback on Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan - Letters sent to FN	Outgoing
1-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Squamish Nation	Other	Via Portal - Feedback on Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan - Letters sent to FN	Outgoing
1-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsawwassen First Nation	Letter via Email	Feedback on Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan - Letters sent to FN	Outgoing
1-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsleil-Waututh Nation	Letter via Email	Feedback on Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan - Letters sent to FN	Outgoing
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1-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Sto:lo Tribal Council	Other	Via Portal - Feedback on Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan - Letters sent to FN	Outgoing
1-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Cowichan Tribes	Letter via Email	Feedback on Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan - Letters sent to FN	Outgoing
1-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Douglas Band (Xa'xtsa)	Letter via Email	Feedback on Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan - Letters sent to FN	Outgoing
1-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Halalt First Nation	Letter via Email	Feedback on Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan - Letters sent to FN	Outgoing
1-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Leq' a:mel First Nation (Lakahahmen)	Letter via Email	Feedback on Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan - Letters sent to FN	Outgoing
1-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Lillooet Tribal Council	Letter via Email	Feedback on Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan - Letters sent to FN	Outgoing
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1-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Penelakut Tribe	Letter via Email	Feedback on Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan - Letters sent to FN	Outgoing
1-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Peters First Nation	Letter via Email	Feedback on Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan - Letters sent to FN	Outgoing
1-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Samahquam First Nation	Letter via Email	Feedback on Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan - Letters sent to FN	Outgoing
1-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Skatin Nations	Letter via Email	Feedback on Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan - Letters sent to FN	Outgoing
1-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Snuneymuxw First Nation	Other	Via Portal - Feedback on Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan - Letters sent to FN	Outgoing
1-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	St'at'imc Chiefs Council (Lillooet Tribal Council)	Letter via Email	Feedback on Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan - Letters sent to FN	Outgoing

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1-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation	Other	Via Portal - Feedback on Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan - Letters sent to FN	Outgoing
1-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsartlip First Nation	Letter via Email	Feedback on Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan - Letters sent to FN	Outgoing
1-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsawout First Nation	Other	Via Portal - Feedback on Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan - Letters sent to FN	Outgoing
1-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tseycum First Nation	Letter via Email	Feedback on Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan - Letters sent to FN	Outgoing
1-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Te'mexw Treaty Association	Letter via Email	Feedback on Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan - Letters sent to FN	Outgoing
1-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Métis Nation of BC	Letter via Email	Feedback on Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan - Letters sent to FN	Outgoing

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1-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Vancouver Aboriginal Friendship Centre Society	Letter via Email	Feedback on Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan - Letters sent to FN	Outgoing
2-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation	Other	Nations Connect portal	Incoming
2-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Snuneymuxw First Nation	Letter via Email	Reply from Snumeymuxw First Nation - Initiation Letter - Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Incoming
2-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Snuneymuxw First Nation	Letter via Email	Reply from Snuneymuxw First Nation - Initiation_Fee_Payment_Form - Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Incoming
4-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwantlen First Nation	Email	Feedback on Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan	Incoming
8-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Lillooet Tribal Council	Letter via Email	Feedback on Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan - with letter attached	Outgoing
24-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsawout First Nation	Other	Reminder Email for Feedback on Draft Plan - Submitted via Portal	Outgoing

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Date (DD-MMM-YY)	Project Name	First Nation	Engagement Type	Description	Incoming/ Outgoing
24-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Penelakut Tribe	Other	Reminder Email for Draft Plan Feedback - Submitted via Nations Connect Portal	Outgoing
24-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation	Other	Reminder Email for Draft Plan Feedback - Submitted via Nations Connect Portal	Outgoing
24-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Snuneymuxw First Nation	Other	Reminder Email for Draft Plan Feedback - Submitted via Portal	Outgoing
24-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Squamish Nation	Other	Reminder Email onf Draft SWMP - Submitted via Squamish Connect Portal	Outgoing
24-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Sto:lo Nation	Other	Reminder Email for Feedback on Draft Plan - Submitted Via Stolo Connect	Outgoing
24-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Matsqui First Nation	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver’s Draft Solid Waste Management Plan – Provide Feedback by August 1, 2026	Outgoing
24-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsawwassen First Nation	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver’s Draft Solid Waste Management Plan – Provide Feedback by August 1, 2026	Outgoing

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24-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Vancouver Aboriginal Friendship Centre Society	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan – Provide Feedback by August 1, 2026	Outgoing
24-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsawout First Nation	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan – Provide Feedback by August 1, 2026	Outgoing
24-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Métis Nation of BC	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan – Provide Feedback by August 1, 2026	Outgoing
24-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Te'mexw Treaty Association	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan – Provide Feedback by August 1, 2026	Outgoing
24-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Stz'uminus First Nation	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan – Provide Feedback by August 1, 2026	Outgoing
24-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	St'at'imc Chiefs Council (Lillooet Tribal Council)	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan – Provide Feedback by August 1, 2026	Outgoing
24-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Skatin Nations	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan – Provide Feedback by August 1, 2026	Outgoing

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24-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Peters First Nation	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan – Provide Feedback by August 1, 2026	Outgoing
24-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Pauquachin First Nation	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan – Provide Feedback by August 1, 2026	Outgoing
24-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Lyackson First Nation	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan – Provide Feedback by August 1, 2026	Outgoing
24-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Lillooet Tribal Council	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan – Provide Feedback by August 1, 2026	Outgoing
24-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Leq' a:mel First Nation (Lakahahmen)	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan – Provide Feedback by August 1, 2026	Outgoing
24-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Halalt First Nation	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan – Provide Feedback by August 1, 2026	Outgoing

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24-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Cowichan Tribes	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan – Provide Feedback by August 1, 2026	Outgoing
24-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Qayqayt First Nation	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan – Provide Feedback by August 1, 2026	Outgoing
24-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsleil-Waututh Nation	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan – Provide Feedback by August 1, 2026	Outgoing
24-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Semiahmoo First Nation	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan – Provide Feedback by August 1, 2026	Outgoing
24-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Musqueam Indian Band	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan – Provide Feedback by August 1, 2026	Outgoing
24-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tseycum First Nation	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan – Provide Feedback by August 1, 2026	Outgoing

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24-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwantlen First Nation	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan – Provide Feedback by August 1, 2026	Outgoing
24-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Tsartlip First Nation	Letter via Email	Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan – Provide Feedback by August 1, 2027	Outgoing
24-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Penelakut Tribe	Other	Reply from Penelakut Tribe and Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation - Reminder Email for Feedback on Draft Plan - Submitted via Nations Connect	Incoming
25-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation	Other	Reply from Penelakut Tribe and Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation - Reminder Email for Feedback on Draft Plan - Submitted via Nations Connect	Incoming
25-Jun-26	Solid Waste Management Plan Update	Kwikwetlem First Nation	Letter via Email	Reminder for Feedback on Draft Solid Waste Management Plan and What We Heard Summary - June 15 2026 Meeting Email with attachments of Letter and What We Heard Summary	Outgoing

From: Alison Hilkewich on behalf of Paul Henderson
Sent: Friday, January 23, 2026 9:23 AM
To: [redacted]
Subject: Metro Vancouver Initial Draft Solid Waste Management Plan

Dear Referrals Office:

Metro Vancouver would like to share an initial version of the draft regional solid waste management plan, and is inviting comments and feedback by **February 20, 2026**. There will be an additional opportunity for feedback on a revised version of the draft plan later this Spring.

Metro Vancouver is updating its solid waste management plan, a long-term strategic plan that guides our region's policies and collective actions over the next decade and beyond. An updated solid waste management plan will build on the strengths of the current plan and identify opportunities for accelerated waste reduction and recycling while reducing greenhouse gases and promoting a circular economy. Metro Vancouver has been engaging with First Nations since April 2021, including correspondence and offering meetings at each phase of the plan update. We appreciate the thoughtful feedback we have received from First Nations during this process.

In Fall 2025, we conducted engagement on options analysis, where we published a set of potential strategies and actions and received comments and feedback. This feedback helped to shape an initial draft solid waste management plan, which has been published and is available here. We welcome any comments or feedback to inform a revised draft – please email zerowaste@metrovancouver.org by **February 20, 2026**.

The following outlines the steps remaining prior to submission of the solid waste management plan to the BC Minister of Environment and Parks for approval:

- January – Share initial draft plan for feedback (**current step**).
- February – Create a revised draft plan, considering feedback.
- March – Present revised draft plan to the Metro Vancouver Zero Waste Committee and Board for consideration.
- April/May – Publish revised draft plan and invite additional feedback. Any major proposed revisions following comment period would be brought back to the Metro Vancouver Zero Waste Committee and Board for consideration.
- June (to be confirmed) – Submit a final draft plan, along with all engagement reports and any additional feedback from the comment period, to the BC Minister of Environment and Parks for approval.

Thank you,

Paul Henderson, M.A.Sc., M.B.A., P.Eng.
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From:	Alison Hilkewich on behalf of Paul Henderson
To:	[redacted]
Bcc:	Brooke Atkinson; Indigenous Relations Requests
Subject:	Feedback on Metro Vancouver"s Draft Solid Waste Management Plan
Date:	Monday, June 1, 2026 12:12:00 PM
Attachments:	image001.jpg Feedback on Metro Vancouver"s Draft Solid Waste Management Plan.pdf

Dear Referrals Office,

Please find attached correspondence regarding Feedback on Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan.

Thank you

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June 1, 2026

File: PE-13-01
Action ID: 3795

[redacted]
VIA EMAIL: [redacted]

Dear Refferals Office:

Re: Feedback on Metro Vancouver's Draft Solid Waste Management Plan

On April 24, 2026, the GVS&DD Board directed staff to seek additional feedback on the draft Solid Waste Management Plan to be communicated to the Minister of Environment and Parks when the draft plan is submitted for their consideration. This letter describes the process to provide feedback on the draft plan.

Metro Vancouver started engaging on this project with First Nations in April 2021. Feedback heard on the unique interests, values, and priorities of First Nations has helped contribute to the development of the draft plan. An initial draft plan was published on the Metro Vancouver website in January 2026 for comment, and a revised draft was endorsed by the Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District Board on April 24, 2026. Metro Vancouver intends to submit the draft Solid Waste Management Plan for approval to the Ministry of Environment and Parks. In advance of this submission, Metro Vancouver is inviting feedback on the draft plan, which is available on the Metro Vancouver website. Please share your feedback by **August 1, 2026**. Metro Vancouver staff would welcome the opportunity to meet with you to discuss the draft plan further.

Solid Waste Management Plan Update
Regional districts are required by the province to develop, and submit for approval, plans for the management of municipal solid waste and recyclable materials. Building on the strengths of the current *Integrated Solid Waste and Resource Management Plan*, approved by the province in 2011, Metro Vancouver has developed a draft Solid Waste Management Plan that identifies opportunities to accelerate waste reduction and recycling, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and promote a circular economy.

Work to update the Solid Waste Management Plan initiated in 2021 and has culminated in the current draft plan that Metro Vancouver intends to submit for approval to the Ministry of Environment and Parks. The current draft plan includes a vision statement, guiding principles, goals, waste hierarchy, and a series of strategies and actions. In addition, strategic approaches for residual waste, regulatory options, and recycling and waste centres outline criteria for future decision making in those areas.

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Engagement on the Solid Waste Management Plan Update

Metro Vancouver is committed to actively engaging with governments — including First Nations and member jurisdictions — the waste and recycling industry, waste producers, businesses, communities of interest, and Metro Vancouver residents to guide updates to the plan. Metro Vancouver received valuable engagement feedback at each phase of the plan update as described in the graphic below. An Independent Consultation and Engagement Panel supports the development and implementation of the engagement program, and two advisory committees have provided ongoing advice and input across all project phases.

First Nations Feedback

Feedback heard from First Nations during the plan update process included:

- Clarity needed on the solid waste system and impacts to First Nations
- Increasing engagement opportunities for First Nations due to limited governance role with Metro Vancouver
- Access to services and affordability is important
- Focus on increased waste reduction, simplifying recycling systems, and resident education
- Reduce plastic packaging and single-use items
- Work towards zero waste innovations and prioritizing environmental stewardship
- Include economic opportunities
- Interest in improving emissions monitoring by aligning with global best practices and exploring carbon capture and emerging technologies, including AI for waste sorting and monitoring
- Support for expanded Extended Producer Responsibility programs
- Interest in air emissions for Metro Vancouver facilities
- Interest in understanding how First Nations feedback is collected, considered, and reflected during the plan update process

Metro Vancouver appreciates all the feedback heard from First Nations and has taken it into consideration while drafting the plan.

Feedback Opportunity

Metro Vancouver welcomes input from [redacted] on the draft Solid Waste Management Plan prior to Metro Vancouver submitting it to the Minister of Environment and Parks for approval. Please note that feedback received from First Nations may be provided to the Ministry of Environment and Parks. We will make every effort to remove culturally sensitive information as identified by First Nations during engagement.

The draft plan is available on the Metro Vancouver website (visit metrovancouver.org and search swmp).

Please share any feedback by **August 1, 2026** by submitting written feedback to zerowaste@metrovancouver.org, or reaching out to schedule a meeting with Metro Vancouver staff**.**

If you have any questions about Metro Vancouver's draft Solid Waste Management Plan, require additional information, or wish to schedule a meeting, please contact Paul Henderson, General Manager, Solid Waste Services, by email at paul.henderson@metrovancouver.org.

Thank you in advance for your consideration and I look forward to your feedback.

Sincerely,

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General Manager, Solid Waste Services

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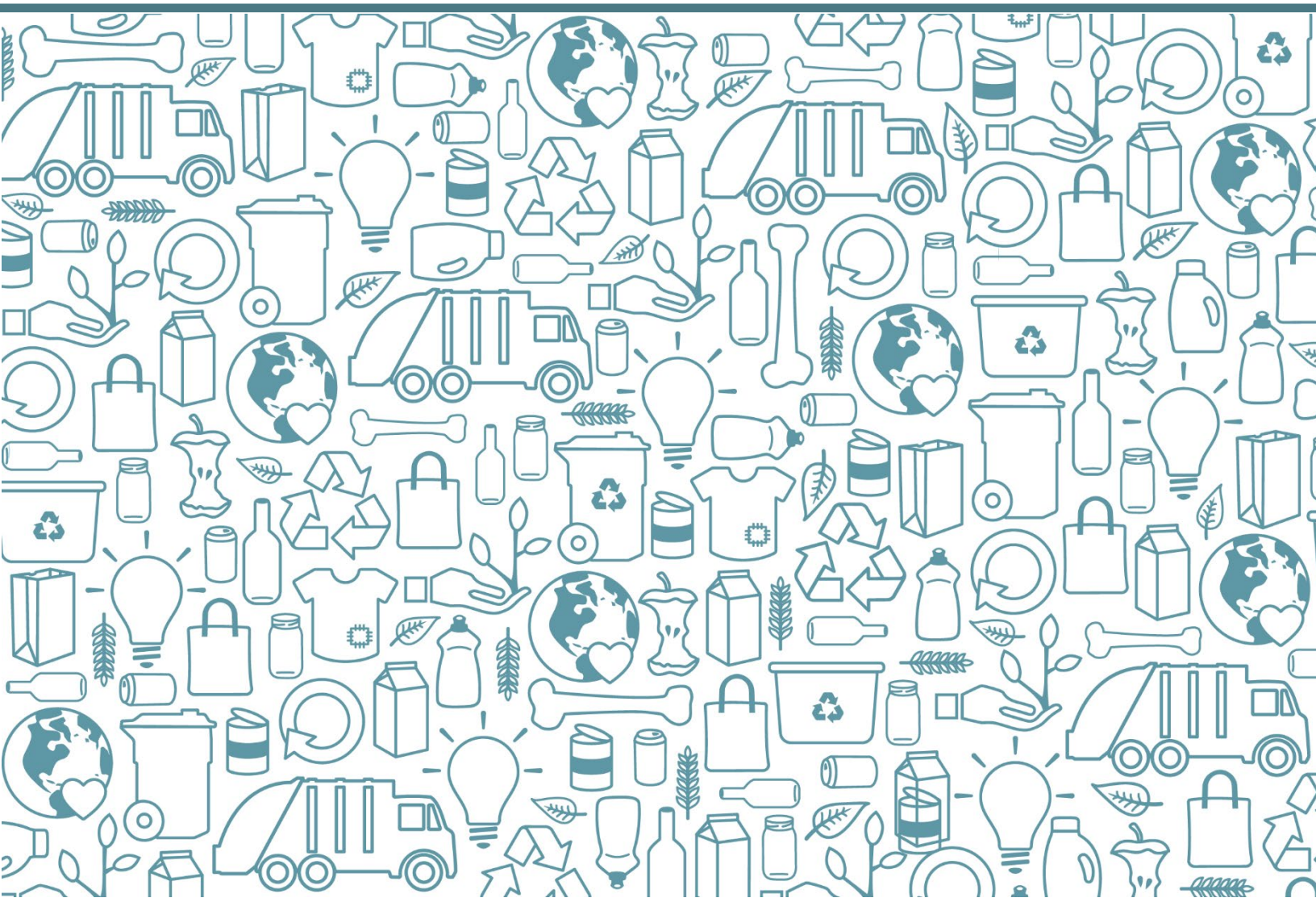

Appendix E - Related Solid Waste Services Projects – First Nations Engagement Summary 2020 - 2026

First Nations Engagement Report

June 2026

1.0 List of Solid Waste Services Projects that included First Nations Engagement – 2020-2026

Metro Vancouver engaged with First Nations on multiple additional solid waste projects during the solid waste management plan update engagement between 2020 – 2026. There was separate engagement processes held for each of these projects (listed below), and feedback opportunities included engagement meetings and written correspondence. Feedback gathered from First Nations on these projects was considered in drafting the Solid Waste Management Plan as the projects were related to elements of plan.

The list below includes the solid waste services projects that Metro Vancouver engaged with First Nations on during the solid waste management plan update process from 2020 – 2026:

- 2019 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report (no First Nations feedback received)
- 2021 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report (no First Nations feedback received)
- 2022 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report (First Nations feedback received)
- Waste-to-Energy Operational Certificate Amendment (First Nations feedback received)
- Waste-to-Energy Facility District Energy System (First Nations feedback received)
- Langley Recycling and Waste Centre – Recycling Depot Development (First Nations feedback received)
- United Boulevard Recycling and Waste Centre Development (First Nations feedback received)

The tables below summarize the feedback received on each project, and Metro Vancouver's response:

2.0 2022 Integrated Solid Waste & Resource Management Plan Biennial Report – Feedback Summary

Engagement from May – July 2024:

- Written correspondence received from Sḵwx̱wú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish Nation)

First Nation Key Concerns/Input	How Metro Vancouver Responded
Concern about reducing waste diversion ambition: Metro Vancouver's decision to lower its waste diversion target from 80% to 65% raises concerns that progress toward long-term	The current 2011 Solid Waste Management Plan still includes the aspirational 80% recycling target and the target has not been officially reduced. While recycling rates have plateaued at around

First Nation Key Concerns/Input	How Metro Vancouver Responded
waste reduction, environmental sustainability, and climate action goals may be weakened, particularly given the continued stagnation of diversion rates at 63–64%.	65%, Metro Vancouver plans to review goals and targets as part of its ongoing plan update. Feedback supporting the retention of an ambitious recycling target will be considered during that process.

3.0 Waste-to-Energy Operational Certificate Amendment - Feedback Summary

Engagement from November 2024 – June 2026:

- One meeting held with Sḵwx̱wú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish Nation) on January 3, 2025
- Two meetings held with kʷikʷəƛ̓əm (Kwikwetlem First Nation) on December 5, 2025 and June 15, 2026
- Written correspondence received from Sḵwx̱wú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish Nation), máthxwi (Matsqui First Nation), and kʷikʷəƛ̓əm (Kwikwetlem First Nation)

First Nation Key Concerns/Input	How Metro Vancouver Responded
Questions about the history, details, purpose of the facility and the permit.	Metro Vancouver provided an overview of the facility, its role in the regional solid waste system, as well as purpose of the operational certificate and explained that an additional three-year extension amendment request to defer lowering of discharge limits from March 2025 to March 2028.
Questions about environmental impacts of the emissions, nature of the upgrades needed to meet lower emissions, radius of air quality monitoring, and what will happen at the end of the operational certificate extension.	Metro Vancouver shared that at current emission levels, ambient air concentrations of hydrogen chloride and sulphur dioxide are less than 10 percent of ambient air objectives. The upgrades would require significant capital upgrades, estimated to cost approximately $100 million. The proposed amendment would allow more time to better understand the need for emission reductions.
At the end of the proposed 3-year amendment, there should be consultation regarding the future of the Operational Certificate. Encourage Metro Vancouver to explore opportunities to improve emissions, including funding streams which may allow for retrofits and improvements.	Metro Vancouver will keep First Nations updated regarding any future proposed amendments to the Operational Certificate. Metro Vancouver is committed to ensuring excellent environmental performance at the Waste-to-Energy Facility.

First Nation Key Concerns/Input	How Metro Vancouver Responded
Expressed interest in findings of the monitoring activities that will occur in the coming years. Ideally, an annual overview of findings would be beneficial to better understanding emissions related to the facility.	Metro Vancouver will assess how reporting, including annual reporting, can improve understanding of emissions related to the facility.
Concerns about cumulative effects, the health and environment of the land, water and fish habitat.	Metro Vancouver conducted various studies required in the Operational Certificate, including dispersion modelling, start-up/shut-down emission analysis, and a public health risk assessment. These initial studies were completed by 2018 and concluded that: • Predicted air parameter concentrations at the point of highest potential impact were within ambient air quality objective levels • Emissions during start-up and shut-down events were within regulatory limits • Emissions from the Waste-to-Energy Facility do not pose a health risk to people, the environment, and water or fish habitat • Metro Vancouver is committed to regulatory compliance and protection of human health and the environment
Concerns on the impacts of building the facility and effluent contamination into the Fraser River for serious health concerns of the environment, land, water, and fish habitat.	This project results in no discharges to the Fraser River.
Concerns regarding increases in fossil-fuelbased emissions from the Waste-to-Energy Facility from 2014 levels and that they are inconsistent with the BC Government goals of reducing GHG emissions.	Both landfill and waste-to-energy disposal options result in greenhouse gas emissions. Anthropogenic emissions from the Waste-to-Energy Facility are carbon dioxide from combustible non-organic material such as plastic. Emissions from landfills are fugitive methane emissions that are not captured in the landfill gas management system. Currently, electricity generation at the Waste-to-Energy-Facility reduces greenhouse gas emissions by offsetting the requirement to generate power by other means. Recycled metals from the Waste to-Energy Facility are estimated to result in the reduction of approximately 1,000 tonnes per year of greenhouse gas emissions by offsetting requirements to mine, process, and transport

First Nation Key Concerns/Input	How Metro Vancouver Responded
	metals. The District Energy System provides an opportunity to triple the energy recovery of the facility and further reduce greenhouse gas emissions by up to 70,000 tonnes per year.
Request for a summary of CO2 emissions from the Waste-to-Energy Facility per year.	Methane emissions converted to CO2 equivalent emissions are the appropriate emissions standard for landfills as it provides the CO2 equivalent emissions for the facility resulting from the release of uncollected methane from the facility. The reported CO2 emissions from the Waste-to-Energy Facility are the emissions associated with non-organic materials such as plastics that release CO2 on combustion. Metro Vancouver reports both anthropogenic and biogenic CO2 on an annual basis from the facility.
Comments regarding waste-to-energy facilities not being the most effective solution for waste disposal when compared to alternatives such as reducing waste through recycling, composting, and more robust implementation of circular economy principles.	Metro Vancouver's top priorities are waste prevention and reduction to minimize the amount of waste requiring disposal through landfilling or waste-to-energy. Education, enforcement, policy changes, and advocacy are working, and the region is a North American leader in waste reduction and recycling, with a recycling rate of 65% – more than twice the Canadian average. Per-capita disposal has decreased by 26% since 2011. Despite our collective efforts to reduce waste, approximately 1,000,000 tonnes of garbage require disposal each year. The Waste-to-Energy Facility manages approximately 25% of that garbage, with the remainder being managed at the Vancouver Landfill and remote contingency landfills.
Concerns regarding operating costs of the incinerator being close to double that of landfills and the continued operation of the facility overall.	The Waste-to-Energy Facility is a cost-effective option for managing residual garbage and is the least expensive option currently available for the region. The cost at the Waste-to-Energy Facility for disposal per tonne is $122.90, and is comparable or slightly less than disposal at the Vancouver Landfill ($123.10), and approximately half the cost of disposal in remote landfills ($230.60).
Question related to the Waste-to-Energy Facility Operational Certificate – why does Metro Vancouver not have a local ambient air objective for HCl?	Metro Vancouver completed a two-year ambient air study, comparing ambient HCl, NO_x, and SO_2 levels to recognized ambient air objectives (using Canada-wide or other references where Metro Vancouver-specific values don't exist). Findings: ambient levels

First Nation Key Concerns/Input	How Metro Vancouver Responded
	were below 10 per cent of objectives 100% of the time and below 3 per cent of objectives 97% of the time; a public-health risk assessment concluded the facility does not pose a risk to human health.
Request for detail on Vancouver Landfill and Waste-to-Energy Facility costs, including categories and expenses factored into each calculation. Clarity requested about anticipated capital investments at the Waste-to-Energy Facility, increasing costs by an additional $55 per tonne by 2030.	The Waste-to-Energy Facility continues to be a cost-effective way to manage residual garbage. If the Waste-to-Energy Facility was to close, the alternative would be shipping garbage to remote disposal facilities. An updated Operational Certificate issued on September 23, 2025 replaces the requirement to develop acid gas reduction infrastructure with a requirement to conduct a series of studies to support new emission limits to be proposed to the Ministry of Environment and Parks.
Concerns about the environmental and health impacts of incinerators, specifically the release of toxic pollutions (dioxins, mercury, cadmium, lead, sulfur dioxide, nitrogen oxides). Adverse health impacts have been identified as congenital anomalies, infant deaths, and miscarriage in humans and heart failure leading to death in fish.	Emissions data from the Waste-to-Energy Facility is reported to various regulatory entities and Metro Vancouver elected officials. Testing and analysis for emission parameters is consistent with requirements specified in the facility's Operational Certificate, issued by the Province. A Waste-to-Energy Facility Public Health Risk Assessment study concluded that emissions from the Waste-to-Energy Facility do not pose a health risk to people
Comment about exceedances of health-based benchmarks for 1-hr HCl, 24-hr total PAHs, and 1-hr NO2, and exceedances of Carbon Monoxide limits every month in 2024.	A 2018 public health risk assessment concluded that "the current emissions from the facility do not pose a health risk to people". This conclusion was based on a broad review of parameters and modelled projected ambient concentrations. The assertion that carbon monoxide levels exceeded emission limits every month throughout 2024 is not correct. As reported, in the Waste-to-Energy Facility Environmental Monitoring and Reporting 2024 Update Zero Waste Committee Agenda Package - July 3, 2025 carbon monoxide levels in 2024 were always within emission limits specified in the Waste-to-Energy Facility Operational Certificate, and on average were 56% of the emission limits.
Concerns that this facility threatens to undermine the efforts to advocate for the protection and restoration of their lands and	As reported in the annual Waste-to-Energy Facility Environmental Monitoring and Reporting 2024 Update Zero Waste Committee Agenda Package - July 3, 2025, the Waste-to-Energy Facility has

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waters, and further erode a way of life that has already endured generations of loss.	excellent environmental performance, with emissions within regulatory limits and much lower than regulatory limits for many parameters.
Concerns about insufficient engagement with some First Nations on the Waste-to-Energy Facility B.C. Hydro electricity purchase agreement renewal submission to the British Columbia Utilities Commission.	BC Hydro led the engagement for the electricity purchase agreement approval application to the B.C. Utilities Commission with potentially affected First Nations as the proponent of the project. Nonetheless, Metro Vancouver could have communicated about the process directly to First Nations. We apologize for not sharing the information from B.C. Hydro.
Request for transparency and updates on the upcoming Waste-to-Energy Facility Operational Certificate process.	The provincial Ministry of Environment and Parks issued an Operational Certificate that requires Metro Vancouver to propose draft emission limits to the Ministry by September 23, 2025. Following submission of the draft emission limits, Metro Vancouver will engage on the draft emission limits in advance of proposing final emission limits to the Ministry for consideration. In alignment with the requirements of the Operational Certificate, Metro Vancouver has initiated a comprehensive third-party review of the Waste-to-Energy Facility emissions to identify opportunities for reducing emission limits, reducing emissions, and increasing environmental monitoring. The work will also include updating dispersion modelling, and a public health risk assessment to be developed in consultation with Vancouver Coastal Health and the Fraser Health Authority which will inform the discharge limits. In advance of engagement on the draft Operational Certificate amendment, Metro Vancouver will share the requirements within the amendment with First Nations.
Expressed concern about bias within consultant studies funded by Metro Vancouver on the Waste-to-Energy Facility emissions.	Metro Vancouver relies on third party consultants to provide recommendations on various aspects of the solid waste system. These consultants are professionals, and information collected through this work is typically available for public review/comment.

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Concerns about emission spikes during start-up periods, including CO_2 spikes, dioxins, and furans. Specific question on whether dioxins and furans remain below regulatory limits. Reference to independent research (CAPE, Zero Waste BC) that suggests high emissions from the facility leading to potential health and safety risks.	The work that will be conducted as part of developing draft proposed emission limits as per the requirements of the Operational Certificate will be focused on understanding emissions and any potential public health implications of the emissions The work will update studies completed previously as part of the requirements of the original 2016 Waste-to-Energy Facility Operational Certificate that showed that current emission levels from the Waste-to-Energy Facility do not pose a health risk.
Concern that NO_x levels are close to allowable limits – which is too high.	Metro Vancouver advised that the previous upgrades at the facility have reduced NO_x by 60% constituting 0.6% of regional NO_x emissions. A review of current emissions and any opportunities for reduction will be part of the current study.
Interest in potential of carbon capture at the Waste-to-Energy Facility.	In 2025, Metro Vancouver conducted a carbon capture study on the facility and it is available on the website.
Interest in matching global best practices for emissions monitoring.	The upcoming consultant work will review opportunities for additional emission monitoring, including reviewing best practices globally.
Questions with respect to the information in the public around particulates on a warehouse roof close to the Waste-to-Energy Facility.	A recent study conducted on the Analysis of the Potential Dispersion and Deposition Effects of Particulate Matter Emission from the Waste-to-Energy Facility on the Surrounding Environment concluded that there are no significant particulate emissions from the facility other than the permitted emissions through the Waste-to-Energy Facility stack. In addition to stack testing, continuous opacity monitoring confirms that stack testing data is representative of actual particulate emissions. Particulate emissions from the facility are well below regulatory limits.
Appreciation for providing updates and ongoing engagement undertaken to date regarding the Waste-to-Energy Facility Operational Certificate process, and being kept informed of the ongoing	Metro Vancouver appreciates First Nations interest and engagement on the project and will provide the

First Nation Key Concerns/Input	How Metro Vancouver Responded
technical studies, regulatory process, and anticipated opportunities for future engagement. Request to review the proposed emission limits and associated technical information once they become available. Future comments and concerns will be provided through the Solid Waste Management Plan engagement process.	proposed emission limits and other technical information and studies as they become available.
Interest in seeing arm's length third party oversight of the environmental performance of the Waste-to-Energy Facility.	Metro Vancouver engages third party expert professionals to provide engineering and environmental protection advice with respect to the Waste-to-Energy Facility. Environmental performance data from the Waste-to-Energy Facility is reported to the Zero Waste Committee, and regulatory agencies. The information is also available on the Metro Vancouver website. Metro Vancouver is not contemplating another model at this time. The September 23, 2025 Operational Certificate amendment requires Metro Vancouver engage a qualified professional to develop a public health risk assessment in consultation with Vancouver Coastal Health Authority and Fraser Health Authority which will inform discharge limits proposed by Metro Vancouver by September 23, 2026. Metro Vancouver will engage with First Nations on proposed emission limits for the Waste-to-Energy Facility Operational Certificate following submission of the initial draft discharge limits, and in advance of submitting final proposed discharge limits.
Concern with respect to dust emissions at the facility due to proximity to Fraser River.	A recent study conducted on the Analysis of the Potential Dispersion and Deposition Effects of Particulate Matter Emission from the Waste-to-Energy Facility on the Surrounding Environment concluded that there are no significant particulate emissions from the facility other than the permitted emissions through the Waste-to-Energy Facility stack. In addition to stack testing, continuous opacity monitoring confirms that stack testing data is representative of actual particulate emissions.

First Nation Key Concerns/Input	How Metro Vancouver Responded
	Particulate emissions from the facility are well below regulatory limits. Metro Vancouver acknowledges that there is observable dust within the fly ash loading area of the site, and also in some locations within the facility. Metro Vancouver is working closely with the facility operator on various housekeeping issues including dust management.
Concerns about historical, abandoned, and capped landfill and dump sites within First Nations traditional territory.	Metro Vancouver will share information available to Metro Vancouver on historic landfill sites, and work with First Nations to review alignment with their traditional territories, cultural knowledge, and concerns.
Concern that the opacity monitor measures particulates, but not other contaminants such as dioxins and furans.	Dioxins and furans are caused by uncontrolled combustion. Carbon monoxide is an indicator of incomplete combustion and is continuously monitored as an indicator of complete combustion. The facility has a series of monitoring systems to understand the environmental performance of the Waste-to-Energy Facility. As part of the proposed updates to the Operational Certificate, Metro Vancouver is intending to propose new emission monitoring approaches where appropriate. Metro Vancouver's approach is that if an emission monitoring approach is widely used in Europe, we would propose an approach to use similar monitoring at the Waste-to-Energy Facility.
Concern regarding the planned approach of adopting new environmental monitoring equipment only if it is being used broadly in Europe.	The most important aspect when using monitoring equipment is the reliability of the equipment. We are looking at the European Union as their requirements for emissions monitoring are very standardized and the equipment is being used broadly. It's important to ensure that any spending on additional monitoring provides reliable data and meaningful information.
Interest in understanding the risks and monitoring approach to cumulative effects of the dust over time from the facility.	The recent Analysis of the Potential Dispersion and Deposition Effects of Particulate Matter Emission from the Waste-to-Energy Facility on the Surrounding Environment study tested soil in addition to roadside and rooftop dust. The study concluded that there was no statistical difference in

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	the metal and dioxin and furan concentrations in soil samples within 500m of the facility versus 10 km or more away from facility in similarly industrial zoned neighbourhoods. This is the first time Metro Vancouver has done soil testing at the facility since its original construction and initial operation in 1988, and the study indicates that even though the facility has been in operation nearly 40 years there have been no discernable impacts on soil metal and dioxin and furans concentrations.
Concern about piecemeal approach for seismic and flooding prevention to the Waste-to-Energy Facility.	Metro Vancouver meets building code requirements, including seismic design requirements, for all projects related to the Waste-to-Energy Facility. Analysis of requirements for each project is conducted by third party consultants, and this approach is consistent with the approach Metro Vancouver takes with respect to upgrades and capital replacement for all its solid waste facilities.
Request to see historic hospital dumps included in landfill report and is concerned about contaminants in the water surrounding the sites.	The scope of Metro Vancouver's prior work on closed landfill sites was focused on municipal sites. At the time, the study did not consider disposal from private or other level of government facilities such as hospitals. Metro Vancouver would be interested to learn about any historic hospital dump sites or others that First Nations are aware of, as this information could help inform the upcoming review of closed landfills in the region. Metro Vancouver will engage with First Nations in the development of the study.

4.0 Waste-to-Energy Facility District Energy System – Feedback Summary

Engagement from March 2023 – May 2026:

- One meeting with xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam Indian Band) on April 14, 2023
- Two meetings with kʷikʷəƛ̓əm (Kwikwetlem First Nation) on December 5, 2025 and June 15, 2026

- Written correspondence received from sc̓əw̓aθən məsteyəxʷ (Tsawwassen First Nation), xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam Indian Band), kʷikʷəƛ̓əm (Kwikwetlem First Nation), Sḵwx̱wú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish Nation)

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Concerns regarding how pollutants will be prevented from being emitted to the atmosphere from the burning of the waste	The Waste-to-Energy Facility District Energy System will not result in any increase in emissions or the amount of garbage managed at the Waste-to-Energy Facility. The District Energy System will convert steam generated at the facility to hot water for space heat and hot water that will be delivered to the River District community through an approximately 6 km piping system. Steam is currently used to generate electricity that is sold to B.C. Hydro. District energy will triple the energy efficiency of the Waste-to-Energy Facility and reduce greenhouse gas emissions by replacing natural gas used for heat and hot water at River District. The Waste-to-Energy Facility will continue to generate electricity in addition to providing district energy. The Waste-to-Energy Facility has been in operation since 1988 and has consistently achieved excellent environmental performance, with enhancements regularly implemented through technology advances. The facility is equipped with state-of-the-art emission control equipment, resulting in extremely low levels of air emissions. More information about the facility and emissions data can be found at this webpage: About Metro Vancouver's Waste-to-Energy Facility
Interest in understanding the habitat enhancement works that may be proposed for any construction impacts	The project has not yet progressed to the point where environmental impacts of construction, if any, have become clear. Both piping system alignments being considered are within existing streets. The analysis of the two piping system alignments is expected to be completed in April and will include an environmental impact assessment. The assessment will serve as the starting point for further investigation of any impacts and formulation of a plan to pursue any habitat enhancement opportunities.
Comments on archaeological materials found on Metro Vancouver's Annacis Water Supply	Metro Vancouver and Terra Archaeology are aware of these recent findings and will make sure this

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Tunnel and to keep that in mind for this project area.	knowledge is reflected in archaeology approaches for this project.
Questions about environmental impacts of the project and request to review the environmental reports related to the project.	The Environmental Impact Assessment Report was shared with First Nation.
Comments that First Nations want to be engaged early on projects, while there is still time to determine whether the project will proceed.	The Indigenous Relations team at Metro Vancouver is currently revising its engagement process and will take this into consideration. The project team welcomes feedback at this stage and are looking for input on the proposed alignments and the interests of First Nations with the project.
Comment that Metro Vancouver staff should be having internal conversations with other departments so that First Nations do not have to provide the same feedback and concerns multiple times to different projects.	Noted and will be improved upon moving forward with our engagement process.
Request to review the Thermal Energy Transmission Line Alignment Conceptual Design Options report including the environmental screening.	Metro Vancouver provided the Thermal Energy Transmission Line Alignment Conceptual Design Options report.
Request to have a qualified archaeologist to present the Chance Find Protocol to all on site construction crew.	Metro Vancouver will ensure that a qualified archaeologist provides the Chance Find Protocol to all construction crew on site.
What are the expected environmental impacts associated with the construction and development of the energy center? First Nation requests to review any additional associated EIAs and EMPs relating to these works.	We are currently working with the City of Burnaby to construct the Energy Centre on an existing street adjacent to the Waste-to-Energy Facility. This location has been previously disturbed by roadway construction. An environmental impact assessment will be completed for that location and shared with First Nations once complete.
Are any of the potentially impacted watercourses fish-bearing?	All of the proposed project alignment options are located within existing streets with crossings of fish bearing streams. We are committed to impact mitigation measures to protect the fish bearing streams for whichever alignment route is chosen. Once the alignment is finalized, we will conduct an analysis and assessments to ensure all impact mitigation measures are taken during

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	construction. Information with respect to analysis and impact mitigation measures will be shared with interested First Nations as it is available.
Will a Qualified Environmental Professional (QEP) be retained for vegetation clearing works and works in and around streams?	Yes, a QEP will be retained for any vegetation clearing works and works in and around streams
How were environmental indicators ranked in Table 5-2 of the Thermal Energy Transmission Line Alignment Conceptual Design Options Report? For example, in the Environmental Assessment, Option A stands out as having a lower impact to watercourses, sensitive ecosystems, and species at risk and critical habitat areas. However, Table 5-2 gives Option A a rating of 139 and Option B a rating of 88 (lower impact).	Based on the environmental screening assessment, all of the options can be constructed with minimal impact; however, the required mitigation effort varies between alignment options. The difference in scoring the different options relates to the difficulty / level of mitigation effort required for each option, with the higher scoring representing lower difficulty. This is reflected in the higher scoring of Option A compared to Option B on the Environmental Criteria in Table 5-2. The Weighted Score included in Table 5-2 is the summation of the scoring of each option across the different criteria being assessed. Option A rating of 139 reflects a higher scoring than Option B rating of 88. We would also like to update that our consultant Kerr Wood Liedal and Associates Ltd. has completed an updated draft of the *Thermal Energy Transmission Line Alignment Conceptual Design Options* Report.
Recommendation to consider the implementation of climate resilient standards (e.g., HEPA smoke filters, passive cooling, and increased stormwater drainage capacity) and recommend the building design incorporates future climate impacts (increased temperatures, increased risk to fire and smoke, increased rainfall and wind, as well as changes to external flood risks). We also recommend buildings are designed to net zero carbon emissions (considering clean power/heat, building envelope, renewables, and embodied carbon) and the highest sustainability standards as possible (including considerations for water conservation, stormwater management, waste	Thank you for your feedback on the development of the design for the Waste-to-Energy Facility Energy Centre. Your suggestions with respect to the use of climate resilient standards, the consideration of future climate impacts, sustainability and net zero design align with Metro Vancouver's goals for the development of the Energy Centre. We look forward to further discussions on the Waste-to-Energy Facility Energy Centre and the sustainable features of this building. We will provide your feedback to the project architect and further engage with you as we move through the programming and conceptual phases of designing this building.

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management, transportation, environmental conservation, and food security).	
Regarding the application to the British Columbia Utilities Commission for the Waste-to-Energy Facility British Columbia Hydro Electricity Purchase Agreement: Concerns the Waste-to-Energy Facility is a significant source of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and directly contradicts the goals outlined in the First Nations Framework, which prioritizes: • Ambitious reductions in GHG emissions • Protection of land and water • A transition to clean, renewable energy sources	The Waste-to-Energy Facility manages approximately 25% of the region's garbage and produces enough electricity to meet the needs of approximately 16,000 homes. Environmental performance including emissions data from the facility are reported to Metro Vancouver's Zero Waste Committee on an annual basis and reported to various regulatory entities. Real time emission monitoring data, stack testing, and environmental performance data be found on the webpage: About Metro Vancouver's Waste-to-Energy Facility. Of the 2024 emission parameters reported to the Zero Waste Committee the parameter emissions averaged 17% of the provincial Operational Certificate limits. A third-party study conducted in 2018, *Waste-to-Energy Facility Public Health Risk Assessment*, carefully reviewed air contaminants of the facility to assess risks to public health. The study concluded that emissions from the facility were well below health-based benchmarks and do not pose a health risk to people.
Regarding the application to the British Columbia Utilities Commission for the Waste-to-Energy Facility British Columbia Hydro Electricity Purchase Agreement: The facility is consistently one of British Columbia's top 25 GHG emitters, with fossil-fuel emissions rising 12% between 2014 and 2023. Waste incineration produces more GHGs than landfilling and far more than reuse and recycling, which also provide broader community benefits. Renewing the EPA would extend the life of a high-emission facility, undermining the First Nation's goals of achieving net-zero emissions, restoring ecosystems, and advancing climate leadership.	**Greenhouse Gas Emissions** All solid waste disposal options result in greenhouse gas emissions. A comparison of the greenhouse gas emissions between landfills and waste-to-energy is challenging because landfill greenhouse gas emissions are estimated based on modelling and emissions occur over many years following disposal of garbage. Waste-to-energy greenhouse gas emissions are measured directly and occur as part of the combustion of the garbage. Currently, electricity generation at the Waste-to-Energy-Facility reduces greenhouse gas emissions by offsetting the requirement to generate power by other means. Recycled metals from the Waste-to-Energy Facility are estimated to result in the reduction of approximately 1,000 tonnes per year of greenhouse gas emissions by offsetting

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	requirements to mine, process, and transport metals.
Regarding the application to the British Columbia Utilities Commission for the Waste-to-Energy Facility British Columbia Hydro Electricity Purchase Agreement: The facility burns plastic waste, releasing toxic pollutants such as dioxins and furans that threaten air quality, human health, and the environment. There is concerns that EPA renewals are treated as routine, without adequately reassessing environmental impacts or meaningfully involving Indigenous communities. Renewing the agreement would conflict with the Nation's commitment to environmental stewardship and climate action. The Nation urges BC Hydro and the BCUC to reject the renewal and instead invest in initiatives that align with First Nations climate strategies such as zero-waste initiatives, clean energy alternatives, and Indigenous-led solutions that protect lands, waters, and future generations.	**District Energy** No changes in operations or emissions will result from the implementation of the district energy system. The district energy system will involve the conversion of some of the steam from the Waste-to-Energy Facility to hot water to provide space heating and hot water for neighbouring communities including River District in Vancouver and Metrotown and Edmonds neighbourhoods in Burnaby. Because the conversion of steam to hot water and electricity is more efficient than the conversion of steam to electricity only, combining district energy with electricity production will triple the energy recovery from the facility. At build-out, the system will provide heat and hot water for up to 50,000 homes and reduce greenhouse gas emissions by up to 70,000 tonnes per year through reduced natural gas use by the buildings receiving the heat. **Waste-to-Energy Facility Operational Certificate** In the coming months, Metro Vancouver will provide details to First Nations on the process required by the province to consider amendments to the Operational Certificate for the Waste-to-Energy Facility. **Engagement Process** Metro Vancouver is committed to working with First Nations through opportunities for collaboration and meaningful engagement, on an early, often, and ongoing basis. Metro Vancouver has conducted engagement since the outset of the Waste-to-Energy Facility District Energy project in 2023. Engagement included letters to First Nations on proposed project route alignments, environmental assessments, archaeology, and construction impacts. Throughout this engagement process, we have communicated about the environmental and health considerations,

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	performed multiple tests and studies, and have heard and considered the feedback received and used it to apply to the project when feasible. There will be ongoing opportunities to provide feedback as the District Energy System progresses into construction.
Archaeological information regarding the Waste-to-Energy Facility District Energy project should be shared with First Nations and a First Nation Guardian should be on site when work takes place.	An Archaeological Overview Assessment for the project was completed in 2023. An Archaeological Impact Assessment of pre-construction and construction activities will be conducted. First Nations can expect to hear from the archeological consultant regarding First Nation heritage permitting and to arrange for the participation of field technicians during archaeological fieldwork
Questions with respect to Metro Vancouver's work related to the Waste-to-Energy Facility include seismic safety, dust management, and pollution controls as it is near the Fraser River and fish-bearing streams.	Metro Vancouver meets building code requirements for all projects related to the Waste-to-Energy Facility. Metro Vancouver continues to provide air quality monitoring in real-time on the website. Metro Vancouver has published a new study examining the potential for deposition of particulate matter emissions from the Waste-to-Energy Facility in the surrounding environment. The analysis evaluates whether emissions from the facility could contribute to particulate matter deposition in the surrounding area. The study concluded that the particulates accumulating in the area are not the result of deposition from the Waste-to-Energy Facility. The full study, *Analysis of the Potential Dispersion and Deposition Effects of Particulate Matter Emission from the Waste-to-Energy Facility on the Surrounding Environment*, is now available on the Metro Vancouver website.
Flooding, Climate Resilience, and Infrastructure Integrity: Members of the Nation have raised concerns regarding the interaction between flooding events and facility infrastructure, including boilers and associated systems. Given increasing climate variability,	The Waste-to-Energy Facility was built in accordance with local and provincial requirements, and any future works will consider applicable standards and regulations related to flood risk.

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infrastructure must be designed and maintained to withstand both current and projected flood conditions. The Nation recommends that a climate resilience assessment be undertaken, specifically addressing flood risk, system redundancy, and failure scenarios. Clear contingency and emergency response measures should be established and shared with the Nation.	
Seismic Risk and Incremental Upgrades: The Nation is concerned that a piecemeal approach to infrastructure replacement may not adequately address seismic vulnerabilities, particularly in a high-risk seismic region. Failure of the facility during an earthquake could have significant impacts on adjacent aquatic systems. Consequently, the First Nation recommends a comprehensive, system-wide seismic assessment of the facility, including independent verification. Assurance is required that upgrades meet modern seismic standards holistically, rather than component-by-component. Potential impacts to the Fraser River and surrounding habitats must be explicitly evaluated.	Metro Vancouver meets building code requirements, including seismic design requirements, for all projects related to the Waste-to-Energy Facility. Analysis of requirements for each project is conducted by third party consultants, and is this approach is consistent with the approach Metro Vancouver takes with respect to upgrades and capital replacement for all its solid waste facilities.
Air Quality and Dust Generation: Nation members observed significant dust generation in the area during the site visit, raising concerns about deposition into nearby aquatic environments and subsequent impacts to fish and fish habitat. The Nation asserts that mitigation measures must be strengthened, including operational controls and site management practices to reduce fugitive dust. The relative contributions of nearby industrial activities should be clearly distinguished but not used to diminish responsibility for site-specific emissions.	Emissions monitoring information is available on the Metro Vancouver website. Metro Vancouver has published a new study examining the potential for deposition of particulate matter emissions from the Waste-to-Energy Facility in the surrounding environment. The analysis evaluates whether emissions from the facility could contribute to particulate matter deposition in the surrounding area. The study concluded that the particulates accumulating on the roofs of nearby warehouses are not the result of deposition from the Waste-to-Energy Facility. The full study, Analysis of the Potential Dispersion and Deposition Effects of Particulate Matter Emissions from the Metro Vancouver Waste-to-Energy Facility on the

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	Surrounding Environment, is now available on the Metro Vancouver website. Metro Vancouver acknowledges that there is observable dust within the fly ash loading area of the site, and also in some locations within the facility. Metro Vancouver is working closely with the facility operator on various housekeeping issues including dust management.

5.0 Langley Recycling and Waste Centre – Recycling Depot Development – Feedback Summary

Engagement from September 2025 – May 2026:

- Written correspondence received from máthxwi (Matsqui First Nation)

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There is a high level of interest in the site including environmental protection, community quality, traffic control.	**Environmental Impacts** No new environmental permits or approvals are anticipated for the project other than those municipal permits typically associated with construction projects such as an erosion and settlement control permit. Compliance with regulatory requirements will be verified with a Qualified Environmental Professional on-site. **Traffic Impacts** All intersections near the property are expected to operate with acceptable level of service and volume-to-capacity ratios under the 2024 existing and 2026 full-build out conditions.
Support for and encourages waste reduction policies and actions in First Nations territory, and requests more information (redevelopment site plan, ownership status of lands, impacts including Direct and Cumulative).	The recycling depot will be constructed within the existing property on the west side of the Langley Recycling and Waste Centre, located at 1070 – 272 Street, Township of Langley. The site is a Metro Vancouver owned property. The new depot would provide customers access to free recycling drop-off services ahead of the facility weigh scales. Paid

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	recyclables and garbage are dropped off after the weigh scales. This is a developed site, and any ground disturbance related to construction of the new infrastructure will be shallow. There are no known archeological sites or other indications of elevated archaeological potential in the area. Metro Vancouver's contractors will conduct construction in compliance with our corporate Archaeological Chance Find Guidelines during ground disturbing works.

6.0 United Boulevard Recycling and Waste Centre Development Engagement – Feedback Summary

Engagement in March 2022:

- Written correspondence received from kʷikʷəƛ̓əm (Kwikwetlem) First Nation

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Concern about lighting at the United Boulevard Recycling and Waste Centre causing light pollution	The lighting structures at the United Boulevard Recycling and Waste Centre are selected and positioned to minimize light dispersion off site and to the surrounding area. The light units are also made to direct the light downward and forward in order to minimize light travelling off the property. In addition, the site design incorporates landscaping along the perimeters to further reduce light migrating off site. The times of operations for the lights on site differ between seasons, these times are designed to maintain site security and enough light for night operations, and currently dim to 50% at night. Modifications will be made to further reduce night time light levels along the western and northern boundaries of the site by reducing the dimming levels of select fixtures. Metro Vancouver is committed to reducing any unforeseen effects to wildlife in this area and will be conducting a light level study to ensure effects to surrounding environment and habitats are minimized while still ensuring safety and operation of the site.

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	The results of the study will further guide adjustments to site lighting.