



The Board Reports

Regional District of Central Okanagan
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Highlights of the Regional Board Meeting – November 10, 2011

Westside Road Development Rezoning

The Regional Board has adopted a Zoning Amendment Bylaw for South Okanagan Land Developments Incorporated for its proposed 'Rockchild Landing' development. The rezoning approval comes after the applicant registered a legal covenant on the approximately 127-hectare property adjacent to Westside Road, restricting any building, construction and site disturbance until letters of credit are provided to the Regional District. The development proposal calls for a 43-lot residential subdivision along with a dedication of approximately 88-hectares to the Regional District for parklands.

Regional Parks Fire Fuel Modification Project

The Regional Board has approved two contracts for fire fuel hazard modification projects in two regional parks. Nine companies responded to the tendering process and after review, Landmark Forest Management Limited was recommended as the most cost effective and experienced for the proposed work on 50-hectares in Rose Valley Regional Park and 10-hectares in Glen Canyon Regional Park. The contract for Rose Valley is worth \$303,710.40 and in Glen Canyon the contract is valued at \$74,872. Funding for both projects is being provided through a grant from the Union of BC Municipalities Strategic Wildfire Prevention Initiative. It is anticipated work will begin later in the month. As needed, collected debris in Rose Valley Regional Park will be chipped or burned only when air quality and venting conditions permit and with approval and permits from West Kelowna Fire Rescue. In Glen Canyon, only non-merchantable materials will be chipped and removed from the site or burned when conditions allow. Merchantable timber from this site will be stockpiled for sale by the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations.

Air Curtain Burner Sale Approved

The Regional Board has approved the sale of the Regional District Air Curtain Burner to Stone Pacific Contracting Group for \$23,250 plus HST. Since it was purchased in 2006 to assist with fuel disposal from the pine beetle outbreak, the unit has seen limited use by the region and member municipalities due to the small scale size of forest fuel and pine beetle mitigation projects and disposal options such as the sale of merchantable timber or wood chips.

Air Quality Program Funding

The Regional Board has adopted allocating some existing funds from the Regional Air Quality Program to launch a Neighbourhood Trip Planning pilot project. Just over \$32,000 in unused funding will be utilized to help develop and test the pilot project which is designed to reduce single occupancy vehicles and boost levels of active transportation. While the pilot project is planned for Kelowna, it is intended the Neighbourhood Trip Planning program would be available throughout all areas of the Central Okanagan.

Regional Board Meetings

Regional District office – 1450 KLO Road, Kelowna (Woodhaven Board Room). Residents are welcome to attend.

- **Monday, November 28th – 7:00 pm**
 - **Inaugural Meeting - Monday, December 12th – 7:00 pm**
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The Board Report is published after each regular meeting of the Board of the Regional District of Central Okanagan.

The Regional Board meets at least once a month in regular session in the Woodhaven Board Room at the Regional District office, 1450 KLO Road.

The public is welcome to attend.

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