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## **ORGANIC WASTE COLLECTION AT FURRY CREEK/BRITANNIA BEACH** **SUMMARY OF THE MAY 29, 2019 MEETING**

The Squamish-Lillooet Regional District hosted a meeting May 29, 2019 in Britannia Beach to provide residents with information on the up-coming Organics Collection.

The information below is a summary of what was discussed during the meeting.

In 2017, the District of Squamish adopted Bylaw No. 2547, 2017 regulating solid waste disposal and, as such, banning organic waste from being disposed of at the Squamish landfill.

Under the Bylaw, residents are required to ensure that organic materials, recyclable materials and residential waste are kept in appropriate containers, without contamination. In 2018, a landfill audit was conducted and the breakdown of garbage going into the landfill was: 45% organic; 31% recyclable; 24% garbage.

### **Totes for organic collection will be delivered on or about June 5, 2019.**

All residents will receive 65 gallon totes, with the exception of Oliver's Landing, where residents will receive 35 gallon totes. All residents will have until December 1, 2019 to request a different size bin (35 gallon or 65 gallon) one time free of charge.

Along with the tote, a small kitchen-size collection bin will be delivered (a kitchen catcher); these can be used with no bags, with purchased bags or with liner made of newspaper, etc.

Beginning the second week of June, the collection day schedule will change from Tuesday to Wednesday.

Collection will alternate every other Wednesday with garbage collection beginning Wednesday, June 12 and recycling and organics collection beginning Wednesday, June 19. A Schedule is available on the Regional District and GFL websites. <https://www.slrd.bc.ca> and [www.carneyswaste.com](http://www.carneyswaste.com).

The glass collection bin will continue to be located at the current location for all Furry Creek residents to use.

All recycling, including organic, can be taken to GFL and to the Squamish Landfill at no cost and disposed of in the proper container.

**Everything you ingest can be composted but keep liquids to a minimum (definitely NO plastic, including compostable or biodegradable plastic)**

A brochure explaining “what goes where” will be distributed along with the kitchen catcher on June 5<sup>th</sup> with the organic totes. Yard waste, food-soiled paper and cardboard (pizza boxes) food scrap, coffee filter, etc.) can be composted; kitty litter, diapers, animal waste, compostable and biodegradable plastic bags cannot be composted.

**The large yard waste bin will be removed the last week of June.**

In 2018, the Squamish-Lillooet Regional District Wildlife Attractant Bylaw (No. 1551-2018) was adopted. The bylaw requires residents to: store and secure of refuse and food sources so as to reduce the likelihood of refuse and food sources generated or controlled by human activity from becoming wildlife attractants. A person must not leave, place or store outdoors any solid waste that is an attractant unless such solid waste that is an attractant is left, placed or stored in both of the following: (a) in a wildlife resistant container; and (b) in a wildlife resistant enclosure. Violations are subject to a \$450 fine per occurrence. (Bylaw No. 1447-2016)

Tips:

- Keep the tote lock at all times, except on collection day between 6:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.
- Store the organics tote inside a garage or a shed.
- Empty the tote every collection day even if it is not full.
- Freeze meat, poultry, fish food scraps (smelly food).

**ReCollect App.**

There is an app called ‘ReCollect Squamish’; enter your address and get a weekly reminder and use the Waste wizard option to find “What Goes Where”.

Questions and information:

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