



Media Release

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Residuals Treatment Facility Preferred Proponent Selected

Victoria, BC-- Hartland Resource Management Group has been selected as the preferred proponent to design, build, partially finance, operate and maintain the Residuals Treatment Facility over a 20-year term for the Wastewater Treatment Project.

Residual solids from the McLoughlin Point Wastewater Treatment Plant will be piped to the Residuals Treatment Facility at Hartland Landfill, where they will be treated and turned into what are known as Class A biosolids. These biosolids are a high quality by-product safe for beneficial reuse.

Hartland Resource Management Group was selected by the Capital Regional District through a competitive selection process and is a consortium of experienced firms including:

- Bird Construction Inc.;
- Maple Reinders PPP Ltd.; and
- Synagro Capital.

Located within the footprint of the Hartland Landfill in Saanich, the facility site was selected in 2013, after an assessment of potential locations that included technical, environmental, social and economic considerations.

The Residuals Treatment Facility will use an anaerobic digestion process followed by a dryer process to produce a dried Class A biosolid. The dryer will be fueled by biogas generated during the digestion process. The dried product will look similar to a dark ash and will be suitable for several beneficial reuses, including as an alternative energy source. The ultimate use of these biosolids will be determined by a separate planning process which is being considered by the Integrated Resource Management (IRM) Advisory Committee of the CRD Board. The CRD will continue to engage with the Province, First Nations and the public throughout the IRM planning process, and will produce a definitive plan for the beneficial reuse of biosolids by June 30, 2019.

The Residuals Treatment Facility contract will be performance-based, with payment tied to the quantity of residual solids treated. All treatment processing tanks will be covered and odour control systems will

ensure there is no discernible odour in the community from the facility. Noise from the facility will be minimal and will comply with District of Saanich bylaws.

A robust community engagement plan will ensure the surrounding community have advance notice of construction activity. Communication tools will include: project information line phone number, email, social media, website, community updates, construction bulletins, traffic media updates, door-to-door advisories where appropriate and community information meetings.

The Residuals Treatment Facility is being funded by P3 Canada, the Province of British Columbia and the Capital Regional District. The contract is expected to be awarded in February 2018, with construction anticipated to begin in the spring of 2018 and take approximately 2.5 years to complete.

About the Wastewater Treatment Project

The Residuals Treatment Facility is being built as part of the Wastewater Treatment Project. The Wastewater Treatment Project will provide tertiary treatment for wastewater from the core area municipalities of Victoria, Esquimalt, Saanich, Oak Bay, View Royal, Langford and Colwood, and the Esquimalt and Songhees Nations. The Project will be built to comply with federal regulations for treatment by December 31, 2020.

For more information, please visit: wastewaterproject.ca

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