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To: Chair and Directors, Cariboo Regional District Board

And To: John MacLean, Chief Administrative Officer

From: Tera Grady, Supervisor of Solid Waste Management

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Short Summary:

Update on Solid Waste Items

Voting:

Corporate Vote - Unweighted

Memorandum:

Solid Waste Management Plan Update

The Solid Waste Management Committee met at the end of June to review the progress made by the Advisory Committee for the Solid Waste Management Plan update. *Highlights will be covered during meeting by Staff.*

Deposit for Milk Containers

Came into effect in February of 2022. Still a significant amount of milk containers going into Recycle BC program or the waste stream. It is expected to take at least a year for most consumers to catch on.

Single Use Plastics Ban

Provincial Ban on Single Use Plastics will co-ordinate with Federal regulation. The Federal regulation will prohibit the manufacturing and import of the following six plastic items:

- Checkout Bags
- Straws
- Flexible Ring Carriers
- Stir Sticks
- Cutlery
- Problematic Plastic Takeout Containers

The Provincial regulation will include:

- Six items listed above
- Polystyrene foam packaging (i.e. meat trays, egg cartons, cups, to-go containers)
- PVC film wrap
- Compostable Plastics

- Oxo-degradable Plastic Packaging (plastic material with additives that, through oxidation, lead to the fragmentation of the plastic material into micro fragments or to chemical decomposition)

Phase one of the regulation is scheduled for December 2023, and phase two for 2024.

Industrial Commercial and Institutional Packaging Recycling

The Province of BC initiated an evaluation of ICI packaging and paper management early in 2022, the initial published report is scheduled for release sometime in July.

Province has committed to an ICI PPP recycling policy by 2025.

EPR for Mattresses, Compressed Canisters, Fire Extinguishers, Medical Sharps

These items will be added to the Recycling Regulation in 2023, and operational by 2025.

Attachments:

None

Financial Implications:

None

Policy Implications:

None

Alignment with Strategic Plan:

- ☒ **Communication:** Facilitate communication strategies throughout the entire Cariboo Regional District that meet the needs of residents, community stakeholders, and other levels of government.
- ☒ **Planning:** Intentionally plan services and activities of the CRD to prepare for future needs of residents and community stakeholders.
- ☐ **Economic Sustainability:** Foster an environment to ensure the economic sustainability of CRD communities and the region.
- ☐ **Governance:** Ensure that CRD governance policy and practices are intentional, transparent, and respectful.

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Recommendation:

That the agenda item summary from Tera Grady, Supervisor of Solid Waste Management, dated June 28, 2022, regarding the Solid Waste update, be received.