

# Recycle BC Update

Regional Board Meeting

February 2, 2023

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# What is Recycle BC

- Funded by Producers (retailers, manufacturers, restaurants)
- Not-for-profit
- Services 99% of BC households
- Mandate to collect and recycle packaging and paper products
- RDCO collects recycling on Recycle BC's behalf



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# Recycling Contamination

- Contract Performance Requirement: 3% or less contamination
- Performance Penalty:
  - \$2500 to \$20,000 per incident, depending on population
  - Maximum of 24 penalties, per community, per year
- Penalties to date:
  - 6 in West Kelowna (\$30,000)
  - 2 in Kelowna (\$10,000)

# EPR (BC) Expansion – January 2023



# Recycle BC – Draft Plan

## ▪ New community eligibility criteria

Depot	Community	Meets New Criteria
Glenmore Landfill Depot	Kelowna	Yes
North Westside Depot (NWS)	RDCO – Electoral Area West	Yes, if Trader's Cove removed
Traders Cove Depot	RDCO – Electoral Area West	No
Westside Transfer Station Depot	West Kelowna	No
Planet Earth Recycling	West Kelowna (private depot)	No
Boucherie Bottle Depot	West Kelowna (private depot)	No
Columbia Bottle Depots	Kelowna (private depots)	Yes

## ▪ RDCO Actions

- Reviewed impact with SWTAC
- Distributed letter re: Community Impacts and opposition to Recycle BC

# Next Steps

- Staff recommend presenting a comprehensive informational review of the RDCO Waste Reduction Service to a Committee of the Whole meeting.

# Recommendation

*All Directors – Unweighted Corporate Vote – Simple Majority – (LGA s.208)*

**THAT** the Board receive the report from the Director of Engineering Services titled Recycle BC Update, dated February 2, 2023.

**AND THAT** the Board authorize the Chair to send a letter to the Ministry of Environment opposing to changes proposed by Recycle BC that would eliminate existing Recycle BC Depots within the Central Okanagan, and shift costs for the collection of EPR onto local governments.



End of Presentation