

Strategy	Update	Priority	Progress
Reduction and Reuse			
Investigate options to support the reuse of items	Continue to hold various reuse events (outside of COVID) including two annual repair cafés and two trunk sales. Partner with reuse organizations like Canadian Diabetes clothing collection program at Transfer Stations	High	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Establish reuse events <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Establish reuse partnerships <input type="checkbox"/> Explore Landfill Reuse Facility
Encourage residents to reuse bags through an awareness campaign and consider banning targeted materials (e.g. single-use plastic bags)	<p>In 2020, the RDCO and member Municipalities through the Solid Waste Technical Advisory Committee have participated in engagement sessions with the Federal government surrounding the nation-wide initiative to ban single use plastics.</p> <p>The first round of engagement has concluded, and we are awaiting further information from the Federal government regarding this initiative.</p> <p>Awareness campaign not yet developed.</p>	Medium	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Engage with Federal Government <input type="checkbox"/> Establish Awareness Campaign (2021) <input type="checkbox"/> Consider bans in RDCO (2021)
Investigate collection of EPR materials at RDCO's recycling depots	Not yet formally investigated.	Medium	<input type="checkbox"/> Investigation Complete <input type="checkbox"/> Consider Policy Recommendations
Increase public awareness of existing collection opportunities for EPR products	Continue to promote all recycling options to residents through website, Recycle Coach App, social media, recycling guides. New processes and methods to improve engagement with public continually being evaluated and implemented.	Medium	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Continue Recycle Coach App <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Promote through Social Media <input type="checkbox"/> Detailed Communication Plan (2021) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Establish Student Ambassadors
Assess options to incentivize backyard composting (residents)	Subsidized composters (\$5/composter), sell between 300-400 composters annual. Introduced Green Cone with \$20/unit subsidization (sold between 25-75 units per year. Plan to increase exposure to the Green Cone Food digester as a way to manage all food waste from households	Medium	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Establish Annual Subsidization <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Release Instructional Videos
Recycling			
Conduct a review of services offered at RDCO's recycling depots	Reviewed hours and services at NWSTS and Trader's Cove transfer station, both which also include depots. Additional review required to include other facilities.	High	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Northwest <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trader's Cove <input type="checkbox"/> Westside <input type="checkbox"/> Glenmore
Re-evaluate organic waste diversion opportunities while considering the need to maintain landfill gas collection and use at the landfill	Waste Reduction to review 2011 Organics Lifecycle Assessment Plan to complete gap analysis and confirm need to update Organic Waste Management within the RDCO.	Medium	<input type="checkbox"/> Complete Organics Gap Analysis (2021) <input type="checkbox"/> Complete Organics Study Update (2021) <input type="checkbox"/> Evaluate Curbside Organics Prg. <input type="checkbox"/> Evaluate Multifamily Organics Prg. <input type="checkbox"/> Evaluate Commercial Organics Prg.
RDCO to adopt a preferential purchasing policy for green procurement that supports the 3Rs and encourage member municipalities to follow its example.	CNG powered trucks being used for all curbside collection. Corporate green procurement policy has not yet been developed. Green procurement incorporated into evaluation for some planned purchases, such as 'Wildlife Resistant Curbside Carts'	Medium	<input type="checkbox"/> Consider Policy Recommendations <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consider Green Evaluation
Lobby through the BC Product Stewardship Council to influence issues relating to EPR products and programs.	RDCO staff sits on BC Product Stewardship Council - a coalition of regional districts that contributes to the success of EPR programs in BC	Medium	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Undertake BCPSC Advocacy
Investigate policy options to encourage recycling.	Multifamily recycling study commissioned in 2020 to identify barriers to increased recycling. Best practices and tool kit ready in 2021. Will include bylaw and policy recommendations.	Medium	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Complete Multifamily Study <input type="checkbox"/> Consider Bylaw Recommendations (2021) <input type="checkbox"/> Provide Planning Feedback (2021) <input type="checkbox"/> Consider Policy Recommendations (2021)
Investigate requiring all contractors for construction and demolition (C&D) projects to develop waste management plans to meet specified recycling target	Not yet started	Medium	<input type="checkbox"/> Investigation Complete <input type="checkbox"/> Consider Policy Recommendations
Encourage recycling and waste minimization at events	Guidance documents to encourage recycling and waste minimization not yet developed.	Medium	<input type="checkbox"/> Develop Guidance Documents <input type="checkbox"/> Broadcast Guidance Documents
Establish a mechanism for sharing knowledge with other stakeholder and interest groups within the region in order to improve waste diversion opportunities	Formal mechanism not yet established. Communication occurring regularly between RDCO and other Municipalities, Regional Districts, and interest groups.	Medium	<input type="checkbox"/> Mechanism Established <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Knowledge sharing underway
Increase public awareness of existing recycling opportunities	Bin label program, boots on the ground education, increased promotion of Recycle Coach App, improved signage at depots planned for 2021	Medium	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Establish Cart Labelling Program <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Establish Student Ambassadors <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Promote Recycling Coach App <input type="checkbox"/> Update Transfer Station Signs (2021)

Investigate facilitating waste audits to educate businesses/organizations on what is in their waste stream and to initiate discussion on diversion options	Multi-family study completed, which included waste audits. While not business specific, this study will assist with overall Commercial Diversion Programming	Medium	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Complete Multifamily Study <input type="checkbox"/> Consider Diversion Recommendations (2021)
Before renewing the curbside collection contract, investigate a number of changes to the service to encourage improved waste diversion.	Expanded length of yard waste collection system by one additional month in 2019. Consulted with MMBC to assess feasibility of accepting depot materials at curbside.	Medium	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Implement Yard Waste Extension <input type="checkbox"/> Consider Weekly Recyclable Collection <input type="checkbox"/> Consider 'Pay per cart tip' <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consider Reduced Garbage pickup <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consider 'depot only' at curbside <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Consider Recycle BC curbside
Investigate opportunities to process and recycle C&D materials	Not yet started	Medium	<input type="checkbox"/> Investigate Opportunities <input type="checkbox"/> Consider Policy Recommendations
Recovery and Residual Waste			
Investigate opportunities to process and recover energy from C&D materials.	Not yet started	Medium	<input type="checkbox"/> Investigate Opportunities <input type="checkbox"/> Consider Policy Recommendations
Develop Glenmore Landfill in accordance with proposed fill plan.	City of Kelowna continues to operate landfill in accordance with operating certificates and approved fill plans. RDCO and City of Kelowna remain in consistent communication regarding Solid Waste management.	Medium	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Follow fill plan
Review tipping fees over the next 2-3 years as part of the development of Glenmore Landfill design, operation and closure plan	Tipping fees recently adjusted following review by City of Kelowna.	Medium	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Review tipping fees
Conduct feasibility studies to review overall services at transfer stations and potential improvements. Including review of the transfer station within the City of West Kelowna, and the possibility of moving it to an industrial zone within the City.	Service review completed for North Westside Transfer Station and Trader's Cove Transfer Station - completed in 2018. Implementation of recommendations taking place in 2021 including increased hours and site reconfiguration. Review of Westside Transfer Station within the City of West Kelowna not yet started.	High	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> North Westside Road <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trader's Cove <input type="checkbox"/> Westside (West Kelowna) <input type="checkbox"/> Consider additional station
Illegal dumping			
Investigate the success in other regions to mitigate illegal dumping by providing curbside collection of bulky items	Conducted 2 month Bulky Item Pilot program Oct-Dec 2017 including follow up survey with residents. Sent out RFI, received 6 responses. Did not proceed further as full cost recovery pricing was deemed too high.	Medium	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Investigate Programs <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sponsor illegal dump clean-ups <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Support local clean-up efforts
Wildlife and Waste Management			
When renewing the curbside collection contract, assess the option to incorporate bear-proof locks on the garbage carts for residents that report issues with wildlife	2020 began bear resistant cart pilot. Will continue to pilot carts in 2021 while developing funding and service models	Medium	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Initiate pilot <input type="checkbox"/> Assess options (2021) <input type="checkbox"/> Consider Bylaw Recommendations (2021)
Policy and Landuse Planning			
Work with municipal and RDCO planning departments to ensure that that long-range planning tools identify and preserve lands for future waste management facilities	Formal framework not yet developed. Landfill footprint identified in community plan.	High	<input type="checkbox"/> Lands preserved <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lands identified
Ministry of Environment - Requirements			
RDCO shall complete a Five-Year effectiveness review as recommended within 'A Guide to Solid Waste Management Planning'. A review report shall be submitted to the Ministry by December 31, 2024	Effectiveness review planned for 2024.	High	<input type="checkbox"/> Report Complete
RDCO shall re-evaluate organic waste diversion opportunities and assess effectiveness of maintaining landfill gas collection and use at the landfill. A report should be submitted to the Ministry by December 31, 2030.	The 2021 organics gap analysis review will inform on the next steps to capture organic waste diversion opportunities. Next steps to take place 2022-2024.	High	<input type="checkbox"/> Report Complete