



REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY

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Removal of material restrictions at some RDCK waste facilities

Nelson, BC: Temporary measures in place due to COVID-19 will be removed at Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) waste facilities with weigh scales by end of April with the remainder of facilities to follow in May. Measures are being implemented to protect site users and staff while increasing services to all residents. Effective immediately Ootischenia landfill and Grohman Narrows transfer station have returned to accepting payment and all material types. Balfour transfer station will change-over April 25th with Creston and Nakusp landfills and the Central (Salmo) transfer station to follow near end of the month.

“Safety of our front line staff and the public is a top priority, so we appreciate your patience, kindness, and understanding as we implement new measures to restrict person-to-person contact,” said Uli Wolf, General Manager of Environmental Services. “Please prepare for longer lines and abide by all site rules to ensure the continued use of these facilities.”

All previously accepted materials including household garbage, furniture, yard & garden, construction and demolition waste, wood waste, and scrap metal will once again be accepted. The free yard & garden program is underway and will remain in place until the end of May across the district. Temporary measures restricting material types and volumes will remain at all non-scaled, volume based waste facilities until later in May.

“We are happy to begin the transition back to more normal operations and meet the needs of our community” said Tom Newell, RDCK Area F Director. “The RDCK is working hard to ensure our entire community is safe as we adjust to this ever-changing landscape. We look forward to expanding residential and commercial services in a safe and kind manner.”

Visit the RDCK website for updates before visiting a site with currently restricted material.
<https://rdck.ca/EN/main/services/waste-recycling/faqs-covid-19-and-rdck-waste-facilities.html>

Incorporated in 1965, the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) is a local government that serves 60,000 residents in 11 electoral areas and nine member municipalities. The RDCK provides more than 160 services, including community facilities, fire protection and emergency services, grants, planning and land use, regional parks, resource recovery and handling, transit, water services and much more. For more information about the RDCK, visit www.rdck.ca.

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