Appendix A:

Updated Consultation Plan
Objective

To provide opportunities for First Nations, the public, stakeholders, and member municipalities to review and provide input on the Liquid Waste Management Plan (LWMP) amendment process.

Methodology

Consultation will be achieved through mechanisms including, but not limited to:

- A Regional Liquid Waste Advisory Committee with representatives from First Nations, the public, stakeholders (business and environment sectors), member municipalities, the RDN Board, Ministry of Environment, Environment Canada, Vancouver Island Health Authority. Meetings appear in the Board Calendar and are open to the public.
- Ensuring a range of opportunities for First Nations to meet, engage, and participate directly with the RDN and others in the liquid waste management planning process.
- A website with information on the review, existing LWMP, discussion papers, committee agendas and minutes, and mechanisms for providing input.
- Mail-out(s) and newspaper notice(s) with information on the LWMP amendment process and ways to get involved and provide feedback.
- Pollution control centre open houses and public meetings during the review process to discuss key components of the LWMP Amendment with the public.
- Meetings with municipal officials and councils.

Wastewater Services will obtain feedback from parties through Regional Liquid Waste Advisory Committee meetings, and through mail, phone, email, and one-on-one conversations with the public.

Outcomes and Products

The proceedings and results of consultation activities will be documented and available to the public at the conclusion of the consultation process. The LWMP Amendment will be revised to address consultation feedback and will include a Consultation Report.

Schedule

The amended LWMP will be submitted to the RDN Board for their consideration for submission to the Minister of Environment. Subject to the outcome of the consultation process and Board consideration, the target for completion of the amendment process, including consultation, is December 31, 2013.

Resources

The RDN Wastewater Program Coordinator will coordinate and facilitate the public consultation activities under the supervision of the Manager of Wastewater Services.

Budget

Consultation activities are considered in the approved 2013 Wastewater Services Liquid Waste Management Planning budget.