

## FEBRUARY BOARD CALENDAR

- 8 **RDN Committee of the Whole Meeting**  
1 p.m.
- 9 **RDN Committee of the Whole Meeting**  
9 a.m.
- 9 **RDN Electoral Area Services Committee Meeting**  
1 p.m.
- 14 **RDN Special Board Meeting**  
10 a.m.
- 14 **RDN Board Meeting**  
1 p.m.
- 14 **RDN Committee of the Whole Meeting**  
3 p.m.
- 28 **RDN Board Meeting**  
1 p.m.

All Board, Electoral Area Services Committee and Hospital District Board meetings take place in the Board Chambers at 6300 Hammond Bay Road, Nanaimo and are also webstreamed.

[www.rdn.bc.ca/agendas-minutes-videos](http://www.rdn.bc.ca/agendas-minutes-videos)

## CLEAN HOME HEATING REBATES

Breath cleaner air in 2023 by switching out your old wood burning stove to a new EPA2020/CSA certified wood stove, pellet stove, electric insert or heat pump. Switching to a cleaner heating option provides year-round comfort, better indoor air quality, and can save you money on your energy bills. Through the Community Woodsmoke Reduction Program, the RDN is offering rebates for the following upgrades when you switch out your old, non-certified wood stove:

- \$400 - Electric Insert
- \$500 - EPA 2020 or CSA B415.1 Compliant Wood Stove
- \$750 - EPA 2020 or CSA B415.1 Compliant Pellet Stove
- \$1,000 - Electric Heat Pump

New in 2023, RDN electoral area residents that meet program requirements and who currently use a EPA/CSA certified wood stove for home heating can keep that certified wood stove for emergency heating and still qualify for a \$1,000 rebate on a new qualifying heat pump.

Conditions apply for all rebates. Visit [www.rdnrebates.ca](http://www.rdnrebates.ca) or call 250-390-6510 to find out more.



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## VOLUNTEERS WANTED

Discover the change your team can make in our region by signing up to Acting for Climate Together (ACT)! Join volunteers across the RDN that are taking action to reduce emissions, build community resiliency and protect our local ecosystems. With the help of the ACT toolkit, your team will learn how to move from planning to action and will choose from off-the-shelf actions or create your own unique climate action projects.

Interested in taking part in ACT? Visit [www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/acting-for-climate](http://www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/acting-for-climate) for more information, download the ACT toolkit, see how to win great prizes and complete the application form by February 10, 2023.



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## 2023 WATER STEWARDSHIP REBATES OPEN!

### Rainwater Harvesting

Thinking about installing some rainwater catchment on your property? Eligible RDN residents can receive up to \$750 for the installation or addition of 1,000 imperial gallons or more of rainwater storage.

### Irrigation Upgrades and Soil Improvements

Make your property more water efficient! Eligible RDN residents can receive up to \$675 for irrigation upgrades and/or 50 per cent off garden soil improvements up to \$100. Receive a \$100 bonus rebate for completing both irrigation and soil upgrades.

### Wellhead Upgrades and Well Water Testing

Proper maintenance is important for the longevity of your private well and quality of your drinking water. Eligible RDN residents can receive up to \$650 for wellhead upgrades and 50 per cent off up to \$250 for well water testing.

For more information on RDN rebate programs, eligibility and information on how to apply, visit [www.rdnrebates.ca](http://www.rdnrebates.ca) or call 250-390-6560.



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## REGIONAL PARKS AND TRAILS SELECT COMMITTEE

The next Regional Parks and Trails Select Committee meeting is:

February 7 at 9:30 a.m.  
Board Chambers  
6300 Hammond Bay Road, Nanaimo

The meeting will also be webstreamed. For more information, visit [www.rdn.bc.ca/recreation-and-parks-advisory-committees](http://www.rdn.bc.ca/recreation-and-parks-advisory-committees).

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## PARKS & OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The next Parks & Open Space Advisory Committee meeting is:

EA B Gabriola, DeCourcy, Mudge Islands: February 13 at 5 p.m.  
Agi Hall  
465 South Rd, Gabriola

The meeting will also be webstreamed. For more information, visit [www.rdn.bc.ca/recreation-and-parks-advisory-committees](http://www.rdn.bc.ca/recreation-and-parks-advisory-committees).

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## PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURE COMMISSION

The next Parks, Recreation & Culture Commission meeting is:

EA A: Cedar, South Wellington, Yellowpoint, Cassidy  
– February 15 at 7 p.m.  
Cedar Heritage Centre  
1644 MacMillan Rd, Nanaimo

The meeting will also be webstreamed. For more information, visit [www.rdn.bc.ca/recreation-and-parks-advisory-committees](http://www.rdn.bc.ca/recreation-and-parks-advisory-committees).

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## JOIN OUR CONVERSATION

### Presentation of the 2023 to 2027 Financial Plan

Ever wonder how your tax dollars are spent at a regional level? Do you want to learn more about our 2023-2027 Financial Plan? Join us at the following meetings where the plan will be presented.

- Wednesday, February 8 at 1 p.m.
- Thursday, February 9 at 9 a.m.
- Tuesday, February 14 at 3 p.m.
- Tuesday, February 28 at 1 p.m.

Meetings take place in the Board Chambers at 6300 Hammond Bay Road, Nanaimo or watch online at [www.rdn.bc.ca/agendas-minutes-videos](http://www.rdn.bc.ca/agendas-minutes-videos).

To share your input at these meetings, complete a delegation form at [www.rdn.bc.ca/appearing-as-a-delegation](http://www.rdn.bc.ca/appearing-as-a-delegation). Forms must be received at least 24 hours prior to the meeting.

To learn more about the budget process and to submit questions, visit [www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/rdn-budget-talks](http://www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/rdn-budget-talks).

For more information, please call 250-390-4111, email [inquiries@rdn.bc.ca](mailto:inquiries@rdn.bc.ca) or visit [www.rdn.bc.ca/finance](http://www.rdn.bc.ca/finance).

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## EXPLORE ON TRANSIT

# Explore from Nanaimo to Cowichan Valley on the 70 NCX!



### Downtown Nanaimo

Transfer Routes: 1, 5, 6, 7, 20, 20A, 25, 30, 40, 50, 78



### Nanaimo Airport

Transfer Route: 78



### Ladysmith

Transfer Routes: 31, 34, 36



### Cowichan Commons

Transfer Routes: 2, 3, 7X, 36



### Canada Ave at Beverly

Transfer Routes: 3, 7X, 36



### Downtown Duncan

Transfer Routes: 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 36, 44



### Village Green Mall

Transfer Routes: 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 36, 44, 66

Route and map info  
can be found here



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