

APRIL BOARD CALENDAR

- ⑥ **RDN Electoral Area Services Committee**
1 p.m.
- ⑪ **Nanaimo Regional Hospital District Board Meeting**
10:30 a.m.
- ⑪ **RDN Board Meeting**
1 p.m.
- ⑮ **RDN Special Board Meeting**
1:30 p.m. (Qualicum Beach Civic Centre)
- ⑳ **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 unless otherwise noted and are also webstreamed.

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TRANSIT SURVEY

**Help shape the future
of transit on route
70 Nanaimo-Cowichan
Express (NCX)!**



APRIL 3 – APRIL 17, 2023

BC Transit is seeking your feedback on transit service on the NCX after its first year of operation.

Paper surveys are available for pick up at the following locations:

- CVRD Head Office (175 Ingram St.)
- Ladysmith Resources Centre Association (630 2nd Ave.)
- RDN Administration and Transportation (Transit) Office Buildings (6300 Hammond Bay Rd.)
- Vancouver Island University (Fifth St. Building 193, Upper Level)
- Oceanside Place Arena (830 West Island Highway Parksville)
- Ravensong Aquatic Centre (737 Jones Street Qualicum Beach)

To access our online survey, visit **engage.bctransit.com/ncx2023** or scan the QR code



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GET INVOLVED!

Keep up-to-date on RDN projects and initiatives on our Get Involved website at www.getinvolved.rdn.ca

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WATER TO EARTH MONTH

Celebrate World Water Day and Earth Day with us during a month-long celebration from March 22 to April 22! This year's themes are *Accelerating Change* with an emphasis on partnerships and cooperation and *Invest in our Planet*. Activities focused on protecting water and our natural environment are taking place in communities across our region.

There are still spots left to join us and our community partners for a streamside walk, WellSmart and WaterSmart Gardening workshops, Nanaimo river watershed tour and a Stewards in the Spotlight event.

You can also do some work in your own backyard and enter our online contest for some great prizes! For a full list of events and activities visit www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/team-watersmart



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SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

A Special Board Meeting will be held for the RDN Board to consider public engagement results and potential next steps for RDN District 69 Swimming Pool Local Service Establishment Bylaw No. 899.

April 18, 2023

1:30 PM

Qualicum Beach Civic Centre
747 Jones St, Qualicum Beach

The meeting will also be webstreamed.

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CURBSIDE ORGANICS COLLECTION EXPANDED

Residents who receive RDN curbside collection can now put leaves, grass and light trimmings in their green-lidded organics cart! Expanding what can go in the organics cart beyond food waste provides an accessible way to dispose of light yard material. This program utilizes your existing 100-litre organics cart. Alternative cart sizes will be considered based on program participation and material volumes.

General Guidelines:

- Keep the lid completely closed
- If the cart is over 75% full, leave the cart in the unlocked position
- Continue to set your carts out by 8 a.m. until 6 p.m. in your typical collection location

To use the What Goes Where tool and get reminders about your collection days, download the free smartphone 'RDN curbside' app or scan the QR code.

Frequently Asked Questions about the Expanded Organics program can be found at www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/expanded-organics



NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK - APRIL 16 - 22

Thank you to the hundreds of RDN volunteers who help make the region a great place to live. From responding to emergencies and watershed monitoring to serving on committees, leading community clean ups and so much more, every volunteer is making a difference for our community.

This year's theme, Volunteering Weaves us Together, highlights the importance of volunteering to the strength and vibrancy of our communities through the interconnected actions we take to support one another.

Volunteers in our community continue to give their time and effort when and where it is needed most. Their dedication, compassion and care are greatly appreciated by the RDN and the community we serve.

Thank you for all that you do!

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RECREATION

Registration for spring programs is open and registration is ongoing. Registration for summer programs, camps and lessons will open on May 9.

Be sure to enter your **Spring Play Passport by April 11** for a chance to win a private swim rental. Visit REC Connect at www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/rec-connect.

Youth Week May 1-7

Local organizations are hosting events in celebration of our young people. Visit REC Connect at www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/rec-connect.



www.rdn.bc.ca/recreation

GOLDEN SHOE HUNT

The 17th Annual Golden Shoe Hunt is back and starts April 14. Clues and instructions will be posted weekly to www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/golden-shoe and on the RDN Facebook, Twitter and Instagram accounts.



www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/golden-shoe

EA F GOVERNANCE AND SERVICES STUDY COMMITTEE OPEN HOUSE

April 26, 2023

6 - 9 p.m.

Bradley Centre, 975 Shearme Rd, Coombs

For more information on the Electoral Area F Governance and Services Study and to register to receive study updates, visit www.getinvolved.rdn.ca/eaf-gsstudy.

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RDN GRANTS

RDN Oceanside Services Recreation Grants provide funds on a District-wide basis to organizations requesting financial assistance to offer recreation programs, special events or projects. Deadline to apply is April 28, 2023.

RDN Community grants assist registered non-profit organizations in the RDN to provide social programs and services that serve a local community or provide a regional benefit.

Deadline to apply is April 28, 2023. If approved for a grant, organizations can only receive one RDN grant per project. For more information and to download the application forms, visit www.rdn.bc.ca/grants.

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RDN WATERMAIN FLUSHING

Madrona (Madrona Point & Wall Beach)	April 3 - 6
Surfside Drive & McFeely Drive	April 11 - 12
French Creek (Sandpiper Only)	April 13 - 14
Westurne Heights	April 17 - 18
Melrose Terrace	April 18 - 19
San Pareil	April 19 - 21
Rivers Edge	April 24 - 27
Decourcy	April 24

The RDN will be flushing (cleaning) watermain in the above RDN Water Service Areas as part of the annual watermain maintenance program. Customers should expect the following between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. on the dates listed above:

- Temporary disruption of service
- Intermittent drops in water pressure
- Discolouration of water.

During the flushing, and for a short time when service is resumed, the water may be discoloured. This discolouration is due to disturbed deposits in the pipes and is not harmful. Please do laundry only in the evenings or on the weekend and ensure that you have sufficient water for the day. The RDN is not responsible for any damages resulting from the use of discoloured water.

For more information, contact RDN Regional & Community Utilities at 250-390-6560 or rcu@rdn.bc.ca

www.rdn.bc.ca/watersmart-communities