

Over one third of the food produced and distributed in Canada is never consumed. Strategies, such as participation in a national food waste reduction campaign, should be explored to reduce food waste.

Strongly Agree  Agree  Neutral  Disagree  Strongly Disagree

Currently the RDKS accepts municipal-type solid waste from industry (i.e., mines, work camps) with a 25% surcharge. Limits should be established on the amount of waste that can be disposed by industry.

Strongly Agree  Agree  Neutral  Disagree  Strongly Disagree

Did we miss anything? What else should our Solid Waste Plan cover? Tell us what you think.

To be entered into the draw, the best way to contact me is:

*Contact information will not be publicized. Only prize winners or those requesting to be on the distribution list will be contacted.*

By email. My name and email address is: \_\_\_\_\_

By phone. My name and phone number is: \_\_\_\_\_

By addressed mail. My name and mailing address is: \_\_\_\_\_

Please do not contact me.

Please add me to the Solid Waste Management Plan email distribution list

Return this survey by mail to: **Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine**  
300-4545 Lazelle Ave.  
Terrace, BC V8G 4E1

Submit this survey to your local Municipal or Band Office.

Complete this survey online at: [jitsutech.ca/solidwasteplan](http://jitsutech.ca/solidwasteplan)

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Regional District of **Kitimat-Stikine**



## HAZELTONS & HIGHWAY 37 NORTH AREA SOLID WASTE SURVEY

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The Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine is developing a new Solid Waste Management Plan to provide direction for how we will reduce, reuse, recycle and dispose of waste for the next decade. The new Plan will focus on improving operational efficiency and expanding service delivery to more rural communities.

The RDKS anticipates that about 20 major topics will be addressed within the new Plan. You can suggest additional topics by completing this survey. Please visit [www.rdks.bc.ca/solidwasteplan](http://www.rdks.bc.ca/solidwasteplan) for the full list of topics.

A Public and Technical Advisory Committee (PTAC) has been formed to advise on development of the Solid Waste Plan. PTAC is still looking for individuals that live in the following areas to represent their community on the committee:

- Electoral Area A (Stewart, Nass Valley)
- Electoral Area D (Telegraph, Iskut)
- Electoral Area F (Dease Lake)
- District of Stewart
- Village of Hazelton

If you live in one of these communities and would like to participate in PTAC, please contact the RDKS Environmental Services Coordinator.

**Would you like higher level of involvement in how we manage waste?** Join our **Involved Working Group** to be kept informed of PTAC business via email (agendas, minutes and reports) and participate in focused meetings regarding waste management topics of interest to you.

For information, contact the Environmental Services Coordinator at (250) 615-6100 or [solidwasteplan@rdks.bc.ca](mailto:solidwasteplan@rdks.bc.ca), or visit [www.rdks.bc.ca/solidwasteplan](http://www.rdks.bc.ca/solidwasteplan).

April 1st

Please return this survey by \_\_\_\_\_ to be entered into the draw.

**We appreciate you taking 10 to 15 minutes of your valuable time to share your thoughts on garbage and recycling in our region. We need your input for our Solid Waste Plan to be successful.**

I am replying to this survey as [pick one]:

- A Resident     A Business     Seasonal Resident

I live or run a business in:

- New Hazelton     Kispiox     Hagwilget     Two Mile     Iskut  
 South Hazelton     Meziadin     Gitsegukla     Gitanyow     Glen Vowell  
 Telegraph Creek     Witsset     Gitwangak     Kitwanga     Stewart  
 Village of Hazelton     Dease Lake     Gitanmaax     Other \_\_\_\_\_

I contribute to the reuse of quality items and materials [check all that apply]:

- I give my used items away (i.e., to family/friends, thrift stores).     No, I do not.  
 I use online or other resources (i.e., buy and sell websites).  
 I would like to see more reuse opportunities in my community, such as: \_\_\_\_\_

I divert my organics (i.e., compost) [check all that apply]:

- I compost at home.     I keep for mine or other's farm/garden/animals.  
 No, I do not compost.     I would use a public compost facility if available.

I divert my recyclable materials [check all that apply]:

- I bring my recycling to a depot.     I use curbside collection of recyclables.  
 I do not have curbside recycling collection; I would use it if available.  
 I do not have curbside recycling collection; I would not use it if available.  
 No, I do not recycle.

**Please rate your agreement with these statements:**

Education programs have changed the way I manage my waste; I now separate my recycling from the rest of my garbage.

- Strongly Agree     Agree     Neutral     Disagree     Strongly Disagree

More items should be prohibited from the landfill (e.g. Styrofoam, textiles/fabric, furniture and mattresses) as recycling opportunities become available.

- Strongly Agree     Agree     Neutral     Disagree     Strongly Disagree

Current recycling options in my community are sufficient.

- Strongly Agree     Agree     Neutral     Disagree     Strongly Disagree

Recycling depots are convenient for drop-off of recyclable materials.

- Strongly Agree     Agree     Neutral     Disagree     Strongly Disagree     Not Applicable

Recycling programs can be expensive, particularly in northern rural communities where haul distance leads to high transportation costs. A spending cap for recycling programs should be established.

- Strongly Agree     Agree     Neutral     Disagree     Strongly Disagree

Curbside collection of garbage should be provided for all residents (with a fee for service).

- Strongly Agree     Agree     Neutral     Disagree     Strongly Disagree

Curbside collection of recycling should be provided for all residents (with a fee for service).

- Strongly Agree     Agree     Neutral     Disagree     Strongly Disagree

The new Solid Waste Management Plan (SWMP) should review the current cost recovery model for the Hazelton and Highway 37 North Service Area (service costs covered through taxes, user fees and community contributions).

- Strongly Agree     Agree     Neutral     Disagree     Strongly Disagree

Where curbside collection programs exist, residential curbside waste should be inspected before being collected to confirm that households are separating their recycling from garbage.

- Strongly Agree     Agree     Neutral     Disagree     Strongly Disagree

Garbage bins at businesses and institutions (i.e., clinics) should be inspected to confirm that the organization is separating their recyclables from garbage.

- Strongly Agree     Agree     Neutral     Disagree     Strongly Disagree

There should be increased enforcement to confirm waste is being segregated (e.g. impose fines or not accept mixed wastes).

- Strongly Agree     Agree     Neutral     Disagree     Strongly Disagree

The Regional District should hold "round-up" events for residents to safely recycle or dispose of household hazardous waste (i.e., solvents, pesticides, smoke alarms, fire extinguishers, etc.).

- Strongly Agree     Agree     Neutral     Disagree     Strongly Disagree

My local waste management facility is convenient and works well for me.

- Strongly Agree     Agree     Neutral     Disagree     Strongly Disagree

The Regional District is currently working with the Ministry of Transportation, Conservation Officer Service and First Nations to address illegal dumping through education and awareness, signage, and surveillance. This is a sufficient level of effort to address illegal dumping.

- Strongly Agree     Agree     Neutral     Disagree     Strongly Disagree

Newly constructed multi-family residences and businesses should be designed to provide a designated space for managing waste.

- Strongly Agree     Agree     Neutral     Disagree     Strongly Disagree

Policies that encourage deconstruction of buildings, rather than demolition, should be established to improve recovery of reusable materials.

- Strongly Agree     Agree     Neutral     Disagree     Strongly Disagree

Single use items that are typically landfilled, such as plastic bags, Styrofoam take-out containers, straws and cups, are a leading source of pollution; The Regional District should explore options for reducing single use items.

- Strongly Agree     Agree     Neutral     Disagree     Strongly Disagree

As a strategy to reduce the amount of waste we produce, the Regional District should lobby the province to amend regulations (i.e., the Recycling Regulation) that will require manufactures to rethink the type and quantity of packaging they use for their products.

- Strongly Agree     Agree     Neutral     Disagree     Strongly Disagree