

Department Report

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Subject Environmental Services Report

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SOLID WASTE

Due to illegal dumping of green waste at the Fairmont Transfer Station, lock blocks and chains have been installed on site. In 2025, the total budget allocated to rural sites illegal dumping cleanup in the Columbia Valley was \$2,500. To date, the Fairmont Transfer Station has cost ~\$10,000 with cleanup efforts and added site controls. Additional signage has been added to the site to make the public aware of the changes.

Staff attended compost facility training on June 18 and 19 at the Central Landfill. Staff are currently developing a plan to operationalize the three sites summer 2025.

RECREATION SERVICES

Wycliffe Park

The remaining 8 campsites at Wycliffe Park Campground opened June 25; the campground construction contract is now complete with many positive reviews and happy campers. All campsites are available for bookings annually May 15 through September.



Yagakxagłamki Regional Park

The (Yaqakxaqtamki Regional Park) Koocanusa Boat Launch opened for another season with Brendan Kerr returning as the site contractor.

Moyie Lake Access

On June 4, 2025, provincial Natural Resource Officers placed 30-day dock trespass Notices on 7 docks that are illegally moored along the foreshore of the park. Upon expiry of the Notice, remaining docks of value will be seized by the province and auctioned; docks assessed by the province as having no value will be disposed of.

Eddie Mountain Arena

Staff are currently working on off-season projects inside the facility. The new Electric Zamboni retrofit project has been completed. The refrigeration plant is set to be turned on by mid-July in anticipation of the first week of the Columbia Valley Hockey School which begins at the end of July.



Markin-MacPhail Westside Legacy Trail

Staff, alongside Southeast Paving, completed asphalt repairs on the Legacy Trail.



CONTROL SERVICES

Invasive Plant Program

Staff have been responding to Neighborhood Invasive Plant Program applications and issuing and responding to enforcement correspondence.

Mosquito Control

Morrow BioScience staff have been monitoring floodwater areas for mosquito larvae populations and have been treating floodwater fringe areas using backpacks blowers. Aerial treatment(s) have not been required to date.