

# External Committee Report

## Northern Region Solid Waste Resource Committee

### April 2023

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#### Northern Region Meeting

The NR Committee met on March 31<sup>st</sup> where Councillor Jennifer Houghtaling was nominated and voted in as the Chair of the Northern Region. The committee also passed a motion stating that all meetings will be held virtually, with a minimum of 1 in-person meeting per year.

#### C&D Regulation Changes

Nova Scotia Environment and Climate Change (NSECC) has released a “What We Heard” document from the C&D engagement which was circulated to NR members.

The finalized guidelines have been approved and are available online:

- [Solid Waste Management Facility Guidelines for Construction and Demolition \(C&D\) Debris Storage, Transfer, Process and Disposal](#)
- [Solid Waste Management Facility Guidelines for Municipal Waste Transfer Facilities](#)

The Guidelines will come into effect on July 5, 2023 which align with the following two regulatory changes:

- Treated wood ban from disposal at C&D facilities
- Approvals required for processing, transfer and storage of C&D material

#### 300 kg Disposal Target

Divert NS is anticipating that the landfill audits will begin this spring.

#### Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR)

- EPR remains a priority with NSECC and environment staff are hoping that the recommendations on regulations will be going to the Minister shortly.
- Divert NS is being recommended as the oversight body for EPR.
- NSECC staff are recommending a 3-year timeline from when EPR is announced to when industry will start collecting recyclable materials.
- The Priorities Committee met with the NSECC consultants to discuss a data collection plan. Municipalities will be required to submit information within 6 months of EPR being announced on how many households they collect from, and the number of commercial properties they collect from, etc.

#### Divert NS Scholarship

As a reminder, the Divert NS Scholarship is now open for applications. There are 7, **\$2500 Regional scholarships** which will be distributed. The deadline for applications is April 30, 2023.

## Diversion and MAP Funding

Region 3 received the final portion of the Diversion and MAP Funding. The tables below outline how the funding was distributed within our region.

<b>Northern Region Funding</b>				
<b>Diversion Credit Funding F2023</b>				
	Tonnage (21/22)	Overall Payment	Advancement (August)	Outstanding Funding (final pymt)
Region	31,613	\$ 449,603.97	\$ 331,100.00	\$ 118,503.97
Cumberland	4,558	\$ 64,824.44	\$ 38,692.47	\$ 26,131.96
Colchester	21,168	\$ 301,053.90	\$ 212,084.43	\$ 88,969.47
East Hants	5,887	\$ 83,725.64	\$ 80,323.10	\$ 3,402.54
Final Payment				
Tonnage	31,613			
Funding Allowance	\$ 449,604			
\$/T	\$ 14.22212			

<b>Northern Region</b>				
<b>Municipal Approved Program Funding F2023</b>				
	Tonnage (20/21)	Overall Payment	Advancement (August)	Outstanding Funding (final pymt)
Region	31,613	\$ 94,416.83	\$ 69,500.00	\$ 24,916.83
Cumberland	4,558	\$ 13,613.13	\$ 8,121.80	\$ 5,491.34
Colchester	21,168	\$ 63,221.32	\$ 44,517.87	\$ 18,703.44
East Hants	5,887	\$ 17,582.38	\$ 16,860.33	\$ 722.05
Final Payment				
Tonnage	31,613			
Funding Allowance	\$ 94,416.83			
\$/T	\$ 2.99			