



City of
Kelowna

Biosolids Joint Operating Agreement Update

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Overview

- ▶ Regional Biosolids Composting Facility (RBCF) is jointly owned by Cities of Vernon and Kelowna
- ▶ Facility manages biosolids from both municipal wastewater treatment plants
- ▶ More than 30,000 tonnes of biosolids are composted to a Class A compost marketed as OgoGrow™
- ▶ RBCF is overseen by Joint Biosolids Advisory Committee (JBAC)

Historical Agreement

- ▶ Joint Operations Agreement signed November 1, 2011
- ▶ The Agreement specifies the obligations of each City
- ▶ Includes items such as:
 - ▶ Funding allocation
 - ▶ Withdrawal from the Facility Agreement
 - ▶ Insurance coverage
 - ▶ Water and Fire service
 - ▶ Land acquisition



Proposed Amendment

- ▶ Staff from Vernon and Kelowna reviewed with recommended edits:
 - ▶ Align contract for expenditure limits
 - ▶ Operationalize equipment funding for replacement costs
 - ▶ Clarify the withdrawal clause
 - ▶ Delete sections that are no longer relevant
 - ▶ Update insurance and fire protection to current values
 - ▶ Minor format updates

Proposed Amendment

- ▶ JBAC reviewed edits and suggested revisions
- ▶ These revisions have been included in the latest draft contract
- ▶ Now ready for Council review and execution





Questions?

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