

**Update Apex Alpine Waste Transfer Station
Apex Property Owners Association AGM March 17th, 2012**



SURVEY RESULTS

A mail back survey was sent to every Apex property owner last year with 169 surveys returned.

Solid Waste Management Plan Apex Survey results

SURVEY QUESTIONS	Totally Agree	Somewhat Agree	Not an Issue	Somewhat Disagree	Totally Disagree
Apex Mountain needs a transfer station for garbage and recyclables.	45%	20%	6%	4%	26%
My main concern with a transfer station is cost.	60%	27%	8%	3%	2%
Every home and condo should pay the same towards the transfer station.	39%	11%	3%	8%	39%
The cost of the transfer station should be placed on taxes.	29%	12%	3%	7%	49%
Any transfer station should be built to reduce bear attractants.	58%	17%	19%	1%	5%
This issue should go to referendum.	32%	9%	16%	13%	30%

Common comments in the survey:

- *As reasons opposing building a Transfer Station, many owners stated they bring waste to a home in the Valley or only use their properties seasonally*
- *Many owners felt that full time Apex residents and businesses should pay more*
- *Illegal dumping at the current garbage compactor is recognized as a problem*
- *The placement of the Transfer Station close to the Village and near homes was a concern*

INCLUSION IN SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN

The results of the survey were looked at by Public and Technical Committees overseeing the Solid Waste Management Plan and the RDOS Board. The adopted Solid Waste Management Plan states ‘the RDOS will establish a garbage transfer station and recycling depot for the Apex Alpine Ski Area.’

Does this mean that the RDOS must build a recycling depot at Apex?

No. It does allow the RDOS to negotiate, plan and raise revenue for the facility without going to referendum. The RDOS Board will determine whether the facility is built and how costs will be charged to property owners.

Has the site of a potential depot been decided?

No. The RDOS has been working with the Apex Resort to locate a potential Waste Transfer Facility in an area near the current Apex Resort compactor. A preliminary site survey has been conducted by a professional surveyor. Developing the design plan and determining construction and operational service costs are the next steps needed to be undertaken.

When could the facility be ready?

The RDOS is considering summer 2012 construction for completion for the 2012/2013 ski season. Depending on a number of factors this timeline could be delayed.