



# The Board Reports

Regional District of Central Okanagan  
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## Highlights of the Regional Board Meeting – January 17, 2013

### Board Committee Appointments

The Regional Board has approved appointments of Directors to various statutory committees such as the Sterile Insect Release program, Okanagan Basin Water Board and Okanagan Regional Library Board. In addition, appointments have been confirmed for Regional District committees such as Audit-Human Resources, Economic Development Commission and the Chief Executive Officer Selection Committee.

### Regional Gas Tax Funding Reassigned

The Regional Board has approved reassigning federal Regional Gas Tax funding for transit improvements in the District of West Kelowna. The more than \$3.5-million will be transferred to the municipality from the City of Kelowna in order to construct a new Westgate Road transit exchange in the District as part of the Rapid Bus project. The funding had previously been approved with the Regional District prior to the incorporation of West Kelowna in 2007. In addition, staff will work with the Union of BC Municipalities which administers the federal Gas Tax funding agreement and West Kelowna to prepare a new funding arrangement with the West Kelowna local government.

### Regional Airshed Management Plan

The Regional Board has authorized staff to proceed with a Request for Proposals to update the Regional Airshed Management Plan. The current plan has been in place since 2007 and needs to be updated to reflect changes in Federal and Provincial air quality objectives and monitoring along with changes in various emissions that impact health and air quality.

### Land Trust Funding Request Considered

The Regional Board has given approval in principle to a funding request from the Central Okanagan Land Trust. The Board will consider providing \$15,000 a year over the next three years to support the organization, which has a long-standing partnership with the Regional District for securing and preserving additional lands for parks and nature reserves as legacies for all Central Okanagan residents. The request will be considered during formal budget discussions in February and March.

### Heritage Orchard Management Plan

The Regional Board has received the Gellatly Nut Farm Regional Park Tree Inventory and Heritage Orchard Management Plan. The comprehensive document outlines key recommendations for preserving and managing the cultural landscape, genetic significance of heritage trees and operations and management practises for the historic nut farm orchard. The plan was developed with funds from the Parks Services budget and a \$15,000 grant from the Tree Canada TD Green Streets program.

### Regional Board Meetings

Regional District office – 1450 KLO Road, Kelowna (Woodhaven Board Room). Residents are welcome to attend.

- **Monday, January 28<sup>th</sup>** – 7:00 pm
- **Thursday, February 14<sup>th</sup>** – following 8:30 am Governance & Services Committee meeting
- **Monday, February 25<sup>th</sup>** – 7:00 pm
- **Thursday, February 28<sup>th</sup>** – 8:30 am Governance & Services Committee - Preliminary Budget Discussion




The Board Report is published monthly after each regular meeting of the Board of the Regional District of Central Okanagan. The Regional Board meets once a month in regular session in the Woodhaven Board Room at the Regional District office, 1450 KLO Road. The public is welcome to attend.

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# Winter Tracks and treks!

A new outdoor discovery program!



**B**eginning Sunday January 6 and continuing every Sunday and Wednesday until March 6, join a Park Interpreter and explore a Regional Park by foot, poles, snowshoe or bike!


Experience new activities, get to know like minded people and move for your health! All events begin at 10 a.m.

If you have poles and/or winter footwear traction devices ("Yaktrax"), please bring them.

### January Schedule

Date	Park	Meeting place
Jan 6	Mission Creek	EECO patio entrance
Jan 9	Mission Creek	EECO patio entrance
Jan 13	Mission Creek - 2	Hollywood Rd. S. lot
Jan 16	Stephens Coyote	North dog park lot
Jan 20	Mill Creek	Park entrance
Jan 23	Mission Creek - 2	Hollywood Rd. S. lot
Jan 27	Stephens Coyote	North dog park lot
Jan 30	Mill Creek	Park entrance

Registration required: 250-469-6140  
[regionaldistrict.com/parks](http://regionaldistrict.com/parks)



## Families in Parks

Join us for some free winter activities for the entire family. To register, call 250-469-6139.



Date	Event	Meeting Place
Jan. 12 1 pm - 3 pm	<b>Discover Snow</b> - Hunt for animal tracks in the snow, make a snow fort, snowy crafts, snow mold, maple toffee and lots more!	Mission Creek Regional Park <i>Meet at the gazebo.</i>
Feb. 16 1 pm - 3 pm	<b>Geocaching</b> - Learn to geocache and find treasures. Prizes too!	Rose Valley Regional Park <i>Meet at the Westlake Road parking lot.</i>
Mar. 2 1 pm - 3 pm	<b>Beavers &amp; Bugs</b> - Discover spring emerging in the pond and shapers of the ecosystem at the lake.	Kaloya Regional Park <i>Meet in the parking lot.</i>
Apr. 6 1 pm - 3 pm	<b>Let's G.O. (Get Outside) and explore</b> <a href="http://www.childrepannature.org">www.childrepannature.org</a>	Mission Creek Regional Park <i>Meet at the EECO.</i>

For more information on this and other Regional Parks programs, visit [regionaldistrict.com/parks](http://regionaldistrict.com/parks) or contact the EECO Phone: 250-469-6140, Email: [eeeco@cord.bc.ca](mailto:eeeco@cord.bc.ca)



Winter/Spring

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