

AN APPLICATION FOR AN ENVIRONMENTAL
ASSESSMENT CERTIFICATE

CACHE CREEK LANDFILL
EXTENSION PROJECT

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BACKGROUND

The Cache Creek Landfill Extension Project (the "Project") would involve the extension of the existing Cache Creek Landfill, located on the southern edge of the Village of Cache Creek. Located 330 km northeast of Greater Vancouver, the existing facility operates under the terms set forth in permit PR-7577 issued by the BC Ministry of Environment. Permittees include Wastech Services Ltd (Wastech), a member of the Belcorp Group of Companies, and the Village of Cache Creek.

The Cache Creek Landfill receives up to 500,000 tonnes municipal solid waste per year. In operation since 1989, the current permitted site capacity is sufficient to allow the site to operate until late 2010.

The Project has been accepted for review under the British Columbia Environmental Assessment Act (BCEAA). This document constitutes the draft Terms of Reference (DTOR) for what will become the Proponents' Application for an Environmental Assessment Certificate (EAC). The DTOR have been developed by the proponents to meet the requirements of the BCEAA with full consideration of the issues raised during the proponents past consultations with First Nations, members of the public, the Province, and other stakeholders.

PROPOSERS

Project proponents include Belcorp Environmental Services Inc. (Belcorp) and the Village of Cache Creek. Belcorp is a Canadian company with a solid reputation in Western Canada as a leader in waste and recycling management, providing services ranging from landfill and transfer station management to recycling programs and equipment sales and service. The Village of Cache Creek is located at the junction of BC Highway #97 and the Trans Canada Highway #1, and has a population of approximately 1,200 residents.

PROJECT LOCATION, DESCRIPTION AND SCOPE

The proposed Project site is adjacent to the western boundary of the existing Cache Creek Landfill, approximately 330 km northeast of Greater Vancouver in the Village of Cache Creek. The site is located on Provincial Crown Land and within the legal property boundary of the

Village of Cache Creek. Figure 1 provides the location of the Project within the Regional setting.

The Project will provide for the continued full time employment of about 120 employees for 20 to 30 years including expenditures of over 300 million in the interior of British Columbia (over the same time period).

For the purpose of the BCEAA, the Project's scope includes all of the following existing and/or proposed onsite and offsite facilities and activities associated with their construction (if applicable), operation and maintenance, and eventual decommissioning (refer to Section 4.0 for a more complete description):

Proposed Onsite Facilities:

- o Landfill Extension;
- o Surface Water Drainage Ditches;
- o Leachate Recirculation System;
- o Landfill Gas Collection System;
- o Energy Utilization (in conjunction with existing landfill);
- o Pipeline from the Cache Creek Wastewater Treatment to the landfill site;
- o Storage reservoir at the landfill site; and
- o Perimeter fencing.

Proposed Off-site facility:

- o Forestry road re-alignment

The Project will utilize existing facilities at the existing Cache Creek Landfill, including:

- o Scales;
- o Administration Building;
- o Maintenance Shop / Service Area;

- o Equipment Wash Bays;
- o Staff Parking Area;
- o Transfer Trailer Parking Area; and
- o Highway interchange and municipal road.

Figure 1: Location of the Cache Creek Landfill Extension Project

