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The District of Summerland Receives Modified Used Oil and Antifreeze Return Collection Facility from the BC Used Oil Management Association

The District of Summerland is pleased to announce that they have received a Return Collection Facility (RFC) infrastructure grant from the BC Used Oil Management Association (BCUOMA) for a modified sea container to facilitate the responsible collection and management of residential used oil, antifreeze, filters and containers. BCUOMA is a not-for-profit group dedicated to the collection and recycling of lubricating oil, oil filters, oil containers, antifreeze and antifreeze containers in British Columbia.

The modified Used Oil and Antifreeze RFC is now open and located within the Household Hazardous Waste area of the Summerland Sanitary Landfill. Residential quantities of used oil and antifreeze materials are accepted for no charge when properly returned for recycling in the Used Oil and Antifreeze RFC.

“We are excited to have been selected by the BC Used Oil Management Association to receive a residential Used Oil and Antifreeze Return Collection Facility,” stated Mayor Toni Boot. “The new infrastructure is a great benefit to our community, providing DIY residents a free and safe method to recycle their used oil and antifreeze materials.”

Used oil is a valuable resource and there is a market for used oil. If it is recycled at a BC used oil recycling centre, it can be recovered and re-used. Used oil can be re-refined into new lubricating oil and used as a fuel in pulp mills, cement plants and asphalt plants. Any vehicle maintenance facilities, automobile owners, and other machinery maintenance operations that use oil can also use re-refined oil. Additionally, used oil filters contain reusable scrap metal, that steel producers can reuse for metal products like rebar, nails and wire. Used antifreeze can be reprocessed to produce new automotive antifreeze. Plastic oil and antifreeze containers can be recycled into new oil containers, flowerpots, pipe, guardrails, and patio furniture.

The modified Used Oil and Antifreeze RFC is located within the Summerland Sanitary Landfill at 17202 Bathville Road.



Links

For more information regarding Summerland's solid waste, recycling and organics programs, visit www.summerland.ca/solidwaste.

To learn more about the BC Used Oil Management Association, visit www.bcusedoil.com.

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