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District of Sechelt receives LEED Gold certification for Water Resource Center

Sechelt, BC - Andrew Ambrozy, National Business Development Manager from Maple Reinders [will](#) attend the regular meeting of Council at 7pm to present the District with the LEED Gold certificate.

To be certified LEED Gold, projects meet high standards for sustainable sites, water efficiency, energy and atmosphere, materials and resources, indoor environmental quality, innovation in design and regional priority. The LEED Review Committee awarded the Centre, which was commissioned in early 2015, 62 out of a possible 100 points in the certification process.

“This state of the art project allows us to take a waste product and turn it into a resource. This facility meets our community needs on several levels: it will meet the needs of our current population and expected growth while providing the highest level of waste water treatment. It also provides enhanced public education regarding water reuse and a demonstration platform for the use of innovative approaches and technologies,” stated Mayor Bruce Milne.

In response to higher demand from its growing population, the District of Sechelt replaced two aging wastewater treatment plants with a new state of the art facility to meet capacity and effluent quality demands. The Centre, located at 5678 Surf Circle, processes a daily average of 2,300 cubic meters of wastewater collected by the municipal sanitary sewer system. Licensed to treat up to 4,750 cubic meters of wastewater per day it will continue to meet Sechelt’s expected growth. The Centre uses sequential batch processing as well as organic and membrane filtration to separate waste into de-watered biosolids and reclaimed water. The biosolids are collected for composting offsite. The reclaimed water, which is clean enough to meet the standards for non-potable uses, is discharged into the Salish Sea.

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