

# **Southern Alberta Waste-to-Energy Board**

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### **Who We Are**

As a result of a proposal submitted to the province by the Vulcan Business Development Society, funding has been granted to form the Southern Alberta Waste-to-Energy Board. The purpose of the Board is to establish a strategic partnership that will research the feasibility of applying waste-to-energy technologies in southern Alberta.

### **Progress to Date**

The Waste-to-Energy Committee invited representatives from waste management commissions/authorities in southern Alberta to attend a meeting in Lethbridge on Friday, February 5 to discuss the formation of the Southern Alberta Waste-to-Energy Board (SAWEB).

Participants at the board formation meeting included the following:

#### **Municipally Elected Representatives**

- Rod Ruark, Councillor, Vulcan County, (Vulcan District Waste Commission)
- Ben Goetz, Councillor, Village of Glenwood (Chief Mountain Regional Solid Waste Authority)
- Henry Doeve, Councillor, County of Lethbridge (Lethbridge Regional Waste Management Services Commission)
- Earl Hemmaway, Councillor, M.D. of Willow Creek (Willow Creek Regional Waste Management Services Commission)
- Lynden Hutchinson, Councillor, County of Forty Mile (South Forty Waste Services Commission)
- Harold Lewis, Councillor, Town of Vulcan (Vulcan District Waste Commission)
- Gord Nelson, Councillor, Vulcan County (Vulcan District Waste Commission)
- Ed Neufeld, Councillor, M.D. of Willow Creek (Willow Creek Regional Waste Management Services Commission)
- George Piper, Councillor, Village of Foremost (South Forty Waste Services Commission)
- Tom White, Councillor, County of Lethbridge (Lethbridge Regional Waste Management Services Commission)
- Ralph Wilson, Town of Okotoks (Foothills Regional Waste Services Commission)

- Hank Van Beers, Reeve, M.D. of Taber (Taber and District Regional Waste Management Authority)

#### Staff Representatives

- Deb Hartung, Vulcan County
- Dick Ellis, Vulcan District Waste Commission
- Robert Strauss, Southern Alberta Waste-to-Energy Project Manager
- John Carstairs, Southern Alberta Waste-to-Energy Project Manager

Meeting participants discussed a number of issues related to board operation for inclusion in a letter of intent for the SAWEB.

## What's Next?

At the next meeting of SAWEB participants will adopt the final version of the letter of intent, elect officers, and develop an action plan. Meeting details are as follows:

Date: Friday, March 13, 2009-02-13

Time: 1:00 pm

Place: Room 2, Lethbridge Centre (upstairs adjacent to the Vietnamese restaurant).

Subsequent regular meetings will be held on the fourth Friday of each month.

Please inform John Carstairs by March 12 how many representatives from your authority/municipality will attend. John's email address is [j.carstairs@yahoo.com](mailto:j.carstairs@yahoo.com).