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Free building and development forum June 1 on City's Environmental Protection Bylaw

Have you ever seen a stream of brown muddy water leaving a construction site and running into the storm drain or watched as someone dumps their paint or concrete wash water onto the street? Perhaps you've watched wheelbarrows of yard waste being deposited in natural areas that line streamside habitat.

"These activities are regulated under the City of Campbell River's Environmental Protection Bylaw," says Terri Martin, environmental specialist.

Learn more about the bylaw during the City's free lunch 'n' learn session for local developers and qualified environmental professionals (QEPs).

"The bylaw also helps to ensure that the environmental development permit process in the Official Community Plan is supported and that all development permit conditions are implemented," says Chris Osborne, the City's senior planner.

"Currently, the bylaw focuses on watercourses and bald eagle nest tree habitat," he adds.

"We are in the process of developing two checklists that will be of interest for builders and QEPs," says Martin.

The first checklist covers the full range of items that should be included in performance security quotes for restoration and environmental monitoring works as QEPs help clients through the development permit process. The second list details the requirements for oil and grit interceptors.

Seating for the free forum is limited. Local industry professionals are reminded to bring their own brown bag lunch, and to reserve a spot by calling the City at 250-286-5725 or emailing planning@campbellriver.ca

This session is scheduled for one hour, starting at noon, Wednesday, June 1 in the Enterprise Centre boardroom at 900 Alder Street, beside City Hall.

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