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Spring spruce up in Campbell River

Tree pruning, yard and garden clean-up, sweeping, painting...yes, it's that time of year.

"While residents and businesses are brushing away cobwebs and cleaning up their properties, City crews are also sprucing up around the community," says Drew Hadfield, the City's director of operations.

"Drivers, please keep a cautious eye out for parks crews who are pruning trees and weeding and planting in flower beds and highway planters," Hadfield says.

"You'll soon see roads crews out cleaning signs, sweeping streets and clearing catch basins from all the debris that collects over winter," he adds.

As the weather warms, roads crews will begin paving and sidewalk repairs, followed by crosswalk and line painting. Parks crews will keep busy in gardens and with flower baskets as well as nourishing playing fields, followed by mowing, mowing and more mowing.

To assist Campbell River residents with spring cleaning efforts, the yard waste drop-off centre is open for Campbell River residents, and curbside collection began this week.

Curbside yard waste collection will run weekly, on the same day as residential garbage and recycling collection, until Friday, November 30.

Important how-to tips:

- Place yard waste in a rigid, lidded container no larger than 80L each (maximum weight 20kg/44lbs)
- Container must be clearly marked Yard Waste, or in bags labeled as biodegradable or compostable by the manufacturer.
- Branches and prunings must be tied in secure bundles measuring maximum 90cm (36") long and 60cm (24") wide. Individual branches must not exceed 7.5cm (3") in diameter.
- Unlimited amounts of yard waste are accepted.

The Yard Waste Drop-off Centre is open year-round Friday to Tuesday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (closed Wednesday and Thursday). The Yard Waste Drop-off Centre is located west of the Inland Highway off Willis Road, past the Shell Station. There is no charge for City of Campbell River residents to drop yard waste material at this site.

The Campbell River Waste Management Centre at 6700 Argonaut Road accepts yard waste that requires chipping for a fee (\$6 for less than 100 kilograms or \$65/tonne).

For more information on the City's curbside collection program, visit <u>www.campbellriver.ca</u> under City Services.

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