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EXTRA GARBAGE SURVEY

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BACKGROUND

In 2014 the District of Port Hardy entered into an agreement with Multi Material BC (Recycle BC) that added the ability for curbside recycling for single family residential dwellings in Port Hardy. The result of this was that the recycling and garbage pick ups would be on alternate weeks.

When the District started looking at becoming a Bear Smart Community, concerns were raised with respect to the storage of garbage over the summer months and the issue of the garbage becoming a wildlife attractant.

The District is seeking input from the residents of Port Hardy to see if there is a desire to include weekly garbage service during Bear Season May 1-September 30 to reduce the requirement to store garbage.

Recycling service would remain as it is currently provided.

The cost of the additional service would be **\$24.00 per annum per dwelling.**

If this service is given, all residents will be charged. The service will not be optional.

SUMMARY

While **71%** wanted to take advantage of an extra garbage service, only **63%** were willing to pay an additional \$24.00.

And the preferred level of service was split across the board with option 1 being only slightly more preferred. This option would permit 2 cans of garbage every week with alternating recycling.

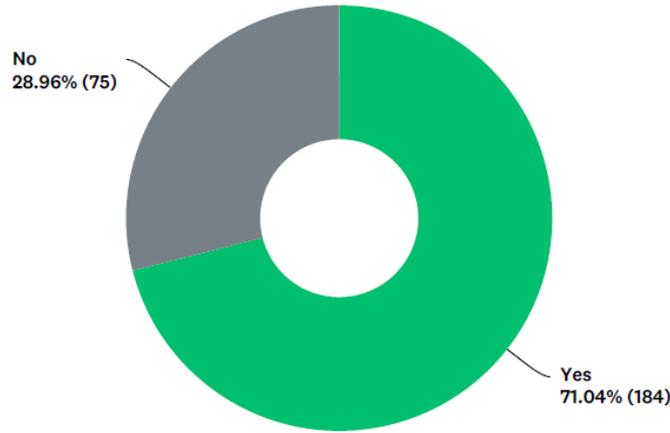
Option 2 may be confusing for some as it changes weekly.

Option 3 which would spread the garbage service (same allowable amount of garbage as currently) with the consideration of a user pay garbage tag system for additional garbage picked up at the curb.

SURVEY RESULTS

Q1 Would you be interested in additional Garbage Pick Ups (weekly service) during May 1- September 30?

Answered: 259 Skipped: 5



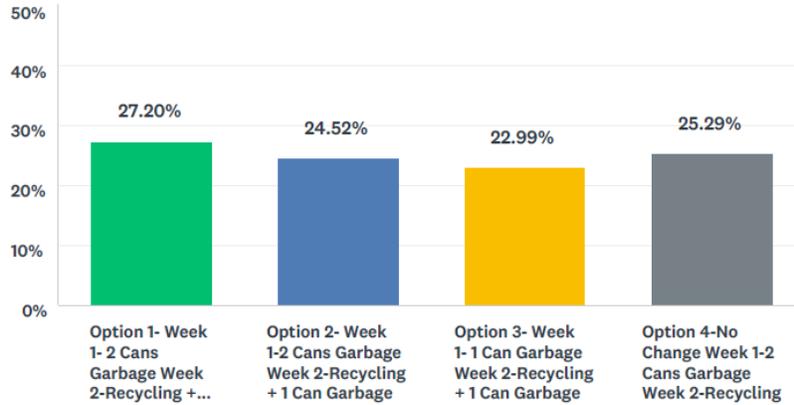
Q2 Would you be willing to pay \$2.00 additionally per month (\$24.00) per annum?

Answered: 259 Skipped: 5



Q3 Ideally what is your preferred level of service? Choose only 1

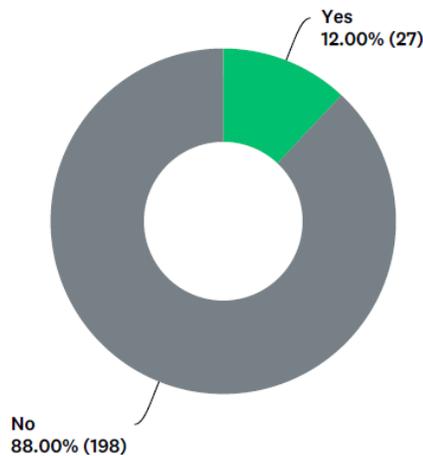
Answered: 261 Skipped: 3



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Option 1- Week 1- 2 Cans Garbage Week 2-Recycling + 2 Cans Garbage	27.20%	71
Option 2- Week 1-2 Cans Garbage Week 2-Recycling + 1 Can Garbage	24.52%	64
Option 3- Week 1- 1 Can Garbage Week 2-Recycling + 1 Can Garbage	22.99%	60
Option 4- No Change Week 1-2 Cans Garbage Week 2-Recycling	25.29%	66
TOTAL		261

Q4 Options 1 and 2 allow for more volume of garbage disposal. If you chose option 1 or 2, will this reduce your level of commitment to recycling?

Answered: 225 Skipped: 39



COMMENTS

How we got the word out there

SOCIAL MEDIA:

217 responses online

152 came from Facebook and 65 through website button

Post Details

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Take our Survey!
we need your input on the possibility of offering additional garbage pick ups in the summer months
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WBFRVTR>

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Boost this post for \$10 to reach up to 5,900 people.

2,328 people reached Boost Post

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2,328 People Reached

74 Reactions, Comments & Shares

30  Like	8 On Post	22 On Shares
1  Love	0 On Post	1 On Shares
17 Comments	3 On Post	14 On Shares
26 Shares	25 On Post	1 On Shares

492 Post Clicks

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Comments from post:

I understand that bear season is traditionally considered to be from May 1st through September 30th... But on the North Island our bears don't typically go into deep hibernation as bears do in colder climates.

October on, is when they start getting into people's garbage as their source of salmon, berries, and fruit trees are all finished for the year.

We have not seen one bear in our neighbourhood during "bear season".. I won't be able to say this come October.

Additional garbage pick ups right into December would be better. I've only seen bears in my neighborhood in Oct/Nov/Dec.

Or, place a bin somewhere in town where we can drop off garbage during those months. I would have no problem buying an extra tag to dispose of it during those months.

I vote for this especially if I have made a chicken or fish meal! 2 weeks later? Whewwww!👍

NEWSLETTER

Mailed in July with utility notices 47 returned paper surveys.

I am a single person household who recycles as much as possible. I never have more than one garbage can full every two weeks. I voted for the increased pickup during summer months because I hate to see bears being given a death sentence because people don't take responsibility! It would have been nice to explain that on the survey.

Our neighbourhood has been cleaning up someone else's garbage all summer long, not stored properly.

Yes to extra, but all year round, and only extra \$24 if it is all year round. We should remove curbside recycling as we have a depot in town.

Taxpayers who choose to go over the weekly limit should pay.

Where my mother lives if people want extra garbage pick up between weeks those are the only ones who pay for the service. Also, a suggestion which I have already mentioned a year ago about having a container at your garden waste site at the public works yard for the extra garbage in between garbage pick ups for the extra garbage people need to get rid of. In the past the province liberal government was supposed to conserve and relocate bears out to the wild but there last few years there hasn't been that happening up here! So, the liberal government saved money in this area with their shoot to kill program they put in place. There must be some funding from them to provide the cost of doing this extra garbage pick up during bear months.

Due to recycling pick up every 2 weeks the current garbage service is ample for our small amount of garbage.

I use half a kitchen can every 2 weeks.