

# EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS WEEK - MAY 5-11, 2024

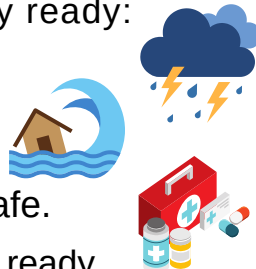
Emergency Preparedness Week presents an ideal opportunity to think about how you might prepare yourself, your family and community in a time of emergency. There are many actions you can take to be better prepared. Here are some basic steps you can take to be emergency ready:

**Know the risks-** Understand the hazards that can cause an emergency or disaster. This will help you better prepare!

**Make a plan-** A plan can help guide how you and your family respond in times of an emergency, stay focused & safe.

**Make an emergency kit-** Have an emergency kit or grab bag ready to go with your emergency supplies so you are ready when disaster strikes.

**Stay informed-** The District's Emergency Alert System plays an important role in keeping residents informed. This system offers a quick and efficient way to share information. Subscribe to receive alerts via text, email, or phone in real-time in the event of an emergency by scanning the QR code or visiting [porthardy.ca](http://porthardy.ca) online.



**Report Wildfires**  
Call \*5555 or  
1 800 663-5555

Open burn fires are restricted in the District from May 1- September 30. This restriction includes both Category A and Category B Open Fires as defined in the District's Control of Burning and Smoke Bylaw No. 15-2012. **Campfires are still permitted however are subject to seasonal bans. Follow BC Wildfire for the latest regulation changes.**

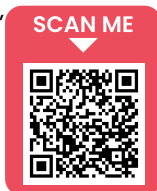
**REMINDER** Weekly curbside garbage pick-up begins the week of May 5. Curbside recycling pick-up will continue every other week. View the calendar online at [porthardy.ca](http://porthardy.ca) or pick up a hard copy from the Municipal Hall.



## SHORT-TERM VACATION RENTALS REGULATIONS



Looking to operate a Short-Term Vacation Rental (STVR), also referred to as an Air B&B, in Port Hardy? Operators of a STRV must ensure compliance with all zoning, use, building and health licensing, and any other requirements, including a business licence, prior to operating. Get informed before opening your STVR, visit us online at [porthardy.ca](http://porthardy.ca), call (250)-949-6665 or scan the QR code.



## CONNECT WITH COUNCIL!

Stay informed with what is on the go at the Municipal Hall and in the community! Subscribe to receive agendas straight to your inbox, stream meetings LIVE, view minutes or catch a past Regular Council meeting on our YouTube Channel.



- District of Port Hardy
- @DPortHardy
- DPortHardy
- [porthardy.ca](http://porthardy.ca)

Online Meeting Portal: <https://porthardy.civicweb.net/Portal/>



DISTRICT OF  
PORT HARDY



## COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mayor Pat Corbett-Labatt  
Councillors: Janet Dorward, Dennis Dugas, Fred Robertson, Treena Smith, Brian Texmo, John Tidbury

## DEPUTY MAYOR

Councillor Brian Texmo  
MARCH - OCTOBER 31, 2024

## 2024 COUNCIL MEETING DATES

Regular Council Meetings - 7:00 PM  
2nd & 4th Tuesdays of every month

## SCHEDULED MEETING DATES

April 9 & 23	September 10 & 24
May 14 & 28	October 15 & 29
June 11 & 25	November 12 & 26
July 9	December 10
August 13	



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**NOW IN EFFECT  
LEVEL 1 WATERING RESTRICTIONS**



**DISTRICT OF PORT HARDY  
WATER CONSERVATION LEVEL**

Stay informed! Know the latest water conservation status, follow watering restrictions and permitted uses by stage. Spread the word! Help educate neighbours, family, friends, and visitors on the water conservation stage. Report infractions.



- Fix leaky faucets or broken fixtures.
- Take shorter showers or shallower baths.
- Turn off the tap when brushing your teeth.
- Fill the sink when washing the dishes.
- Fill & store a jug of water in the fridge for fresh, cold water rather than running the tap.



**ACTIVITY:**

**Watering frequency & times**



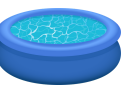
**Flowers, trees, shrubs & vegetables**



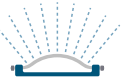
**Washing vehicles, RVs, boats, & houses**



**Filling pools, hot tubs & fountains**



**New Lawns**



**Pressure washing driveways, & siding**



**Micro & Drip Irrigation Systems**

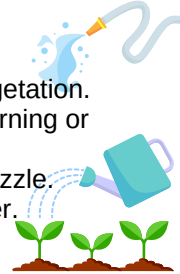


Stage One watering restrictions took effect March 19, 2024. These measures are implemented in an effort to get ahead of water conservation following a dry winter, forecasts of drought, and high-water demand. Water conservation is a shared responsibility, that of both users and the local government. By taking early action with community-wide conservation measures, together we can take the necessary steps to curb overconsumption, reduce waste, and ensure everyone's water needs are met throughout the year, especially during an emergency.



**WHAT CAN YOU DO?**

- Plant drought-friendly trees, shrubs, & vegetation.
- Water the garden & plants in the early morning or later in the evening.
- Equip hoses with a water-controlled nozzle.
- Use a rain barrel to collect rain water.
- Recycle water when possible.



**WATER CONSERVATION TIPS**

**RESIDENTIAL WATERING RESTRICTIONS**

Watering restrictions are in effect annually, May 1-October 31. Subject to change at any time.

STAGE:	1	2	3	4
<b>7-9 AM OR 8-10 PM</b> Even # houses (Mon, Wed, & Sat) Odd # houses (Tues, Thurs, & Sun)	<b>7-9 AM OR 8-10 PM</b> Even # houses (Wed & Sat) Odd # houses (Thurs & Sun)	<b>Prohibited</b>	<b>Prohibited</b>	<b>EMERGENCY STAGE ALL ACTIVITIES RESTRICTED</b>
By sprinkler during prescribed times (Hand watering or hose with nozzle shut off <b>ANYTIME</b> )	Anytime using pail, hose with nozzle shut off, or car wash	Anytime using pail, hose with nozzle shut off, or car wash	Daily by hand 7-9 AM OR 8-10 PM	
Anytime using pail, hose with nozzle shut off, or car wash	Anytime	Anytime	Car wash or dealership ONLY	
Anytime	Anytime	<b>PROHIBITED</b>	<b>Prohibited</b>	
Permit required	Permit required	Permit required	Permit required	
Anytime	Anytime	Only as required to prepare surface	Only as required to prepare surface	
Anytime during stages 1, 2, & 3 up to a MAXIMUM of 3 hours per day				



Established and enforceable by bylaw, each water conservation level guides residential and commercial water use through a step-wise restriction of non-essential activities. View the guide to learn the permitted activities by stage.

For alerts, current restrictions, conservation tips, scan the QR code or contact us!

www.porthardy.ca  
(250)-949-6665  
general@porthardy.ca

**Annual Spring Clean-Up Week**

TUESDAY to SATURDAY  
MAY 7-11, 11 AM - 4 PM

FREE Drop off at Fox's Disposal at the Tacan Site (5990 Steel Rd.)



**3 vehicles will be permitted at a time. Respect instructions from staff.**

**NO:** Styrofoam, fluorescent tube lights, hot tubs, tires, chemicals, drywall, contractor waste or commercial waste.

**ACCEPTING:**

- Furniture (wooden or fabric-covered wood)
- Residential wood waste
- Washers, dryers, stoves & dishwashers
- Carpets, rugs and mattresses
- Scrap metal, barbecues
- Toys, bicycles, child car seats, strollers
- Batteries
- TV & computer monitors to be placed in designated bins
- EMPTY propane tanks with valves removed
- Food waste at a charge\*

**FREE PICK-UP AT THE CURB FOR SENIORS & PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

Seniors and persons with disabilities can call **250-949-7779**, April 29-May 3 to register for pick-up of approved items. **Space will be limited. Curbside pick-up will be subject to the availability of volunteers.**

Thank you to the Grad Class of 2024 for volunteering to support our community members in need of a hand with their spring clean-up efforts!

**Bear Smart Starts With You!**



Spring is here, now is the time to be Bear Smart. Here are some tips to help reduce human-wildlife conflicts:



- Do not store garbage or recycling outside.
- Do not put garbage or recycling until 7 am on pick-up day.
- Harvest fruit as soon as it ripens & remove fallen fruit from the ground.
- Do not use outdoor fridges or freezers to store food.
- Do not use bird feeders. Instead use bird baths or plant native flowers to attract birds.
- Feed pets inside and store their food inside.
- Ensure chicken enclosures are electrified.
- Clean BBQ immediately after use by burning residue.

To report a bear encounter where public safety is at risk call the Conservation Officer at 1.877.952.RAPP (7277)

