



Air & Waste Management
A S S O C I A T I O N

**Vancouver
Island
Chapter**

Tuesday, June 27, 2006

***** Ambrosia Catering *****

638 Fisgard Street, Victoria, BC

11:30am - 1:30pm

"Rock Bay Remediation Project"

Tim Stemp, Regional Manager, Quantum Remediation Inc.

Rob MacDonald, Project Director Victoria and Esquimalt Harbours

Environmental Program Transport Canada

Doug Grimes, Project Manager, BC Hydro Engineering

On May 18, 2004, it was announced that the Government of Canada and the BC Hydro and Power Authority (BC Hydro) would be working together to clean up Victoria Harbour's Rock Bay, one of the most contaminated sites in BC. Cleanup of the 6.8-acre site began in summer 2004 and is scheduled for completion by December 2007. Over the two, to two-and-a-half years, it is expected that over 36,000 cubic metres, the equivalent of 4,000 dump trucks, of contaminated soil and sediment will be removed from the site and transported to approved off-site treatment or disposal facilities.

The Rock Bay Remediation Project has been in the planning and development phase since the 1990s. Over the last seven years BC Hydro and Transport Canada have undertaken extensive environmental studies and testing to develop a comprehensive remedial plan. The Rock Bay remediation plan was developed with input from both federal and provincial environmental agencies, the City of Victoria, technical and academic experts and various community groups. For more information, please go to:

<http://www.tc.gc.ca/mediaroom/releases/pac/2004/04-p002e.htm>

<http://www.gmcanada.com/inm/gmcanada/english/about/MissionGreen/Daily/Oct20.html>

Tim Stemp, Rob MacDonald and Doug Grimes will be presenting on the investigation, remedial planning, and first two stages of remedial action at the Rock Bay Site in Victoria BC.; the site of a former coal gasification, and hydro generation facility that operated since the mid 1800's. Coal tar, which is the main source of contamination at Rock Bay, was largely a waste by-product of the coal gasification process, which produced gas to power city lights and heat the community for over 90 years. In addition, there is also some metal and hydrocarbon contamination at the site. This residual contamination poses minimal health risks, but it does exceed the allowable levels, and limits most future activities at this site.

Luncheon Details

\$10 - paid up AWMA members (Intl)

\$20 - non-members

\$10 - students

****Cash or cheque only****

Lunch and coffee will be served at noon. Vegetarian lunches are available when arranged at time of RSVP

Parking: Pay parking is available at the City Parkade right across the street or at numerous lots along Fisgard and in the area.

RSVP: Donna Grant @ 360-3256 or E-mail: dgrant@crd.bc.ca before **3:00pm on Friday, June 23, 2006.**

Cancellation Policy

Cancellations will be accepted at no charge up until 3:00pm on the Friday prior to the luncheon by contacting Donna Grant.

Regrettably, cancellations made after this time will be subject to a \$25 service charge, as the Chapter is billed regardless of late cancellations. This will be invoiced and is requested to be paid prior to attending future luncheons.