

AWMA
Vancouver Island
Chapter

Luncheon Details

\$10 – paid up AWMA members and local associates

\$20 - non-members (see note)

\$10 - students

Lunch and coffee will be served. Vegetarian lunches are available if arranged when you RSVP.

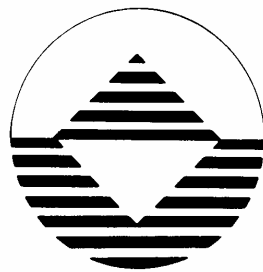
Parking: Free parking passes are available at the AWMA registration desk or street parking is also available.

RSVP: Donna Alan @ 360-3256 or E-mail dgrant@crd.bc.ca before **4:30 pm on Nov 19/2004**

Cancellation Policy

Cancellations will be accepted at no charge up until noon on the Monday prior to the luncheon by contacting Donna Grant

Regrettably, cancellations made after this time will be subject to a \$25 service charge which will be invoiced and must be paid prior to attending future luncheons



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Tuesday, November 23rd, 2004
Harbour Towers, 345 Quebec Street
11:30 - 1:30

The Environmental Management Act

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The *Environmental Management Act* (the EMA) was brought into force on July 8, 2004. The act replaces the *Waste Management Act* and the *Environment Management Act*, and brings provisions from both of those acts into one statute.

The regulatory regime administered under the old *Waste Management Act* strictly prohibited the introduction of waste into the environment. As a result, any persons or companies wanting to discharge waste required a permit, regulation or plan or other such authorization from the ministry. The new EMA fundamentally alters this regime. The act eliminates the overall strict prohibition on the introduction of waste. Instead, the EMA prescribes through the Waste Discharge Regulations (WDR) that only certain industries, trades, businesses, activities or operations are prohibited from discharging waste.

Christine Houghton will provide an overview of the new EMA. Christine is the Assistant Director of Public Safety and Prevention Initiatives of the Environmental Management Branch. Her duties include flood hazard management, river forecasting, integrated pest management, industry product stewardship, municipal and industrial discharges, hazardous waste and centralized permitting.

Christine has been with the Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection since July 2000.