

February 26, 2021

Chair Karla Kozakevich Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen 101 Martin Street Penticton, BC V2A 5I9

Dear Chair Kozakevich:

Re: 2020 Resolution(s) Referred to UBCM Executive

A resolution(s) sponsored by your community was included in the 2020 Resolutions Book for consideration at the annual UBCM Convention.

Due to a lack of time at the Convention, delegates did not have an opportunity to consider your resolution(s). UBCM Policies provide that all resolutions not considered at Convention are referred automatically to the UBCM Executive for their consideration and action.

At the recent February Executive meeting, the Executive considered the resolutions referred to them from the 2020 Convention, including your resolution(s). The Executive were provided with the Resolutions Committee comments and recommendations, as outlined within the Resolutions Book, to assist them in their deliberations.

Upon review, the Executive decided to Endorse:

NR42 Venting Index Requirement and Efficiency of Burns

NR53 Hazardous Materials Recycling Regulation

As such, they will be conveyed to the appropriate order of government or organization.

Should you have any questions, please contact Jamee Justason, Resolutions and Policy Analyst, at 604-270-8226 Ext. 100 or jjustason@ubcm.ca

Yours truly,

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Enclosure

## 2020 NR42 Venting Index Requirement and Efficiency of Burns

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Whereas there is a large amount of smoke created during forest fuel reduction burns and/or agricultural burns;

And whereas there are minimal days that the venting index permits burning resulting in a large number of burns being undertaken during the permitted times, which results in a tremendous amount of smoke being produced, as all burning is taking place within a short period of time;

And whereas forced air curtain burner or trench burner systems greatly reduce the smoke created during combustion by improving the efficiency of a fire resulting in clean burns with very little atmospheric particulate being produced:

Therefore be it resolved that UBCM request the Province of British Columbia to allow burning outside of the venting days with the use of forced air systems, such as trench or curtain burners.

**CONVENTION DECISION:** 

**NOT CONSIDERED - AUTOMATIC REFERRAL TO EXECUTIVE** 

**EXECUTIVE DECISION:** 

**ENDORSED** 

## 2020 NR53 Hazardous Materials Recycling Regulation

## Okanagan-Similkameen

Whereas non refillable pressurized tanks and sharps (needles) have been identified across British Columbia as creating serious health and safety concerns for the public and workers engaged in garbage and recycling collection, processing and landfilling;

And whereas the Province of British Columbia can include these hazardous materials under the Recycling Regulation to ensure cost effective and safe disposal under an Extended Producer Responsibility Program:

Therefore be it resolved that UBCM request the Province of British Columbia to include nonrefillable pressurized tanks and sharps (needles) under the Recycling Regulation.

**CONVENTION DECISION:** 

**NOT CONSIDERED - AUTOMATIC REFERRAL TO EXECUTIVE** 

**EXECUTIVE DECISION:** 

**ENDORSED**