

CMC

3. Public tours of the Otter Lake Facility

Information on public tours of the Otter Lake Facility.

CMC members expressed distress that the promised public access through tours of the Otter Lake facility has not occurred. Discussion emphasized: there is a pent up demand for access to the facility continuing public interest and support is to be encouraged in the Solid Waste/Resource Strategy implementation and access to facilities part of interest and support,

Saturdays and Sundays should be considered for tours for the general public,

M. Bernard indicated that HRM is responsible for public tours as part of its public information program. A schedule for public tours for 2 days per week has been concluded with MIRROR. Requests for tours presently exceed time available and a backlog exists. The operator, MIRROR, has ongoing concerns about safety of the public during plant operating hours.

M. Bernard will provide to CMC details of the public tour schedule and activities.

4. Construction and debris disposal

Several members raised a source of public complaint is the implementation of construction and debris disposal (C&D) throughout HRM and in particular the facility at Goodwood.

M. Bernard stated that his department was aware of the public concerns and complaints. but C&D disposal is not administered by his department. He said his department was cooperating in seeking better methods of implementation of C&D. The matter is complicated because C&D is inert material and not included inorganic waste legislation nor the Otter Lake facility agreement. C&D implementation is considered private business regulated by commercial or industrial zoning by HRM.

5. Hazardous waste

Members inquired of the progress of hazardous waste collection throughout HRM and its disposal.

M. Bernard indicated that the program is proceeding and improving based on the knowledge gained during implementation. A recent report by his department on the hazardous waste collection and disposal is available to CMC.