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News Release

Circular Materials Takes Over Local Recycling Program

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EASTERN CHARLOTTE – Management of local recycling shifts from the Southwest New Brunswick Service Commission (SNBSC) to Circular Materials as of May 1, 2024. According to SNBSC, Circular Materials “will now [be] responsible for implementing and managing the new extended producer responsibility recycling system in New Brunswick.”

In January, SNBSC announced changes to the recycling program were imminent in 2024. As recycling providers they distributed blue recycling bins to residents, produced printed annual recycling calendars, and maintained an online calendar. These services are no longer available from SNBSC.

Circular Materials developed and proposed the *New Brunswick Stewardship Plan for Packaging and Paper*, which was approved by Recycles New Brunswick in May 2023, beginning the transition of residential recycling programs. Transferring services from SNBSC is part of the second phase for New Brunswick residents.

According to their website, the role of Circular Materials is not direct collection but “implementing and managing the new extended producer responsibility recycling system in New Brunswick.” Circular Materials is a national company, and also oversees recycling services for the provinces of Alberta, Ontario, and Nova Scotia.

Fero Waste & Recycling will serve as the recycling contractor for all of Eastern Charlotte. Blacks Harbour recycling will no longer be collected by the municipality. Residents in need a first time or replacement recycling bin, inquiring about a missed collection, or having any other recycling questions, can reach out to FERRO at (506) 755-3373.

More information can be found on websites for SNBSC (www.snbsc.ca/recycling/recycling-transition-2024) and for Circular Materials (www.circularmaterials.ca), including transition information, local contact information for the recycling contractor, and accepted recyclable materials.

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