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The Western Regional Service Board (WRSB) will assume administrative responsibility for both the St. Georges and the Wild Cove Waste Sites beginning **January 1, 2014**. This means that the WRSB will administer operations at both of these sub-regional sites into the future. As one of its first functions, the WRSB will set a **common per tonne tipping fee** for all users, household and commercial, at both waste sites beginning **January 1, 2014**.

The Bay St. George (BSG) sub-regional waste site has been operated by the Town of St. Georges in cooperation with the BSG sub-regional committee during the past two years. Despite problems, that included the storm loss of the weigh scales house at the site, the sub-region has benefited significantly from the voluntary contribution of the Town of St. Georges in operating this as a sub-regional waste site open to all users within the Bay St. George sub-region. This has included the good work of town personnel in running the sub-regional waste site in an efficient manner for the benefit of the whole sub-region. The tipping fee is currently based on a per household rate; when the WRSB takes over administration, a per tonne rate will apply for ALL household and commercial waste crossing the weigh scales at both waste sites.

The City of Corner Brook has operated the Wild Cove Waste Site for many years. During the past several years Wild Cove has been open for waste deposits from many other surrounding towns including the Bay of Islands and the Humber Valley as far east as Pasadena. A tipping fee has been paid to Corner Brook by all towns using the waste site.

Based on a review of the Corner Brook and area and the Bay St. George budgets, financial statements, historical scale data and expected tonnages, the WRSB has determined with assistance from consultants that a base tipping fee of **\$40.12 per tonne** will be administered for ALL waste crossing the weight scales at both St. Georges and Wild Cove waste sites during 2014.

A surplus has been accumulated at the **St. Georges Waste Site**, serving all users in the Bay St. George and Port au Port areas. This surplus will be returned to all users during 2014 by charging an adjusted tipping fee rate of **\$35.98 per tonne** during 2014. When the surplus has been repaid to users, the base tipping fee will revert to \$40.12, or an appropriate rate to be determined at that time.

The **Wild Cove Waste Site**, serving all users in the Corner Brook and Area (including the Bay of Islands and all communities in the Humber Valley as far east as Pasadena) has accumulated a deficit. This deficit will be recovered during 2014 by charging an adjusted tipping fee of **\$48.73 per tonne** for all users during 2014. When the deficit has been recovered the base tipping fee will revert to \$40.12, or an appropriate rate to be determined at that time.