

LGAC MEETING MINUTES

Date: 09/09/2026

Time: 02:00 pm

Attendance:

Presenter: Adélaïde Terrien, MARR Program Manager

Local Government Representatives:

Melanie Tromp Hoover, Capital Regional District

Lucinda Phillips, IZWTAG

Calvin Jameson, IZWTAG

Andrew Doi, Metro Vancouver

Darren Murray, Regional District of North Okanagan

Uli Wolf, Regional District of Central Kootenay

Tal Bogdonov, City of Vancouver

Janette Derksen, Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako

Absence:

Nishesh Poudyal, Regional District of Mount Waddington

Sarah Scheibelhut, Metro Vancouver

Sandra Davidon, City of Vancouver

BA Belton, Regional District of Kootenay Boundary

Greg Wilson, Retail Council of Canada

MARR Observers:

Liza Bobanova, MARR Program Specialist

Christopher Campbell, MARR Executive Director

Time	Item
02:00 pm	Welcome
02:04 pm	Agenda adoption
02:04 pm	Collection Network Update • 230 active collection sites • 22 collection bins • Total coverage: 27 of 27 Regional Districts in BC + Stikine Region and Northern Rockies MARR continues expanding its Rural and First Nations Collection Bin Program.
02:06 pm	Collection Summary (Q1-Q2 2026) Collection results presented as a preview of the upcoming annual report: • 213,118 large appliances collected • 3,598 kg of ODS removed • 603 mercury switches collected • 33 PCB capacitors recovered Tal Bogdonov asked whether the year-to-date slight decline in collection statistics was concentrated in a particular region or area. Adélaïde Terrien advised that the decline appears across BC rather than in one specific area. No clear trend has been identified yet, and additional Q3 and Q4 data may be needed to better understand the pattern. Christopher Campbell added that feedback from ODS technicians is consistent with this observation: they are generally seeing less material. He noted that declining sales may be one possible factor, although the cause has not yet been determined.
02:07 pm	MARR dedicated 40-yard roll-off bin program • 18 active bins in communities • 4 switch bins • Since the last LGAC meeting, three additional collection bins have been added to the network. • New bin locations include: ○ Saulteau First Nation ○ Sts'ailes ○ Tla-o-qui-aht First Nation The dedicated bin program continues to support appliance collection in rural, remote, and First Nations communities, improving accessibility to the MARR program throughout British Columbia.

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02:09 pm	2026 Collection Events/Bin Exchanges - To date in 2026, 14 bin pick-ups have been completed through the dedicated collection bin program. - MARR has also supported 7 collection events in partnership with IZWTAG and FNRI, helping to increase collection opportunities in rural, remote, and First Nations communities throughout British Columbia.
02:09 pm	2025 Annual Report Adélaïde Terrien provided an overview of the 2025 Annual Report and highlighted that the report is now publicly available on the MARR website. - Members were encouraged to review the report for additional information on program performance, collection results, environmental outcomes, and program accomplishments during 2025. - The report can be accessed through the MARR website at marrbc.ca/about.
02:10 pm	Marketing Campaigns MARR's ongoing marketing and public awareness initiatives designed to promote responsible large appliance recycling and increase public awareness of available collection options across British Columbia. Current marketing activities include: - Google Ads - Meta Ads - TikTok Ads - Programmatic Ads - Digital Out-of-Home Advertising - Reddit Ads - Connected TV Advertising MARR continues to use a mix of digital advertising platforms to expand program awareness, improve consumer engagement, and support collection activities throughout the province.
02:13 pm	Post-Wildfire Recovery Christopher Campbell provided an update on MARR's post-wildfire recovery efforts, which are being carried out in collaboration with regional districts, municipalities, and Seldom Silent to support cleanup and recovery activities in affected communities To date, recovery activities have included: - Clinton (TNRD, Pear Lake Wildfire): 300 appliances processed. - Boston Bar (FVRD): 124 appliances processed. - Summerland (RDOS): Recovery activities pending. - Canoe Creek (CRD): Recovery activities pending. - Kelly Lake (SLRD): Recovery activities pending. Darren Murray thanked the MARR team for reaching out during a difficult wildfire season in the North Okanagan and for offering support where it was most needed, particularly for cleanup efforts on Okanagan Indian Band lands. Darren noted that this was his first experience working through the wildfire recovery process and expressed appreciation for MARR being an important part of the response.
02:17 pm	EPR Plan Update The current EPR Plan covers the period 2022-2027, with the next plan submission scheduled for June 2027. Development of the draft EPR Plan is expected to begin in early 2027, with stakeholder consultation planned for Q1 (January to March 2027). LGAC members and other stakeholders will be invited to participate in the consultation process. Key priorities for the next plan include: - Maintaining and improving province-wide accessibility to the program. - Ensuring long-term program stability and continuous improvement. - Increasing focus on promotion, education, and public awareness initiatives. The Committee was encouraged to provide feedback during the consultation period to help inform future program planning and priorities.
02:27 pm	End of the LGAC meeting. Next meeting will be organized in December 2026.