

## Jurisdiction Scan

A jurisdiction scan of major western Canadian cities as well as communities in Saskatchewan that offer organics collection was completed. While consistent weekly or bi-weekly collections of garbage and recycling is the most common service level, there is significantly greater variation in the collection frequency for organics.

Of the major western Canada cities, 8 of the 9 municipalities offered weekly summer organics collection, with only Winnipeg offering bi-weekly collection (this is the only yard-waste only program included in the scan). Of those reducing collection frequency for winter, 2 maintained weekly year-round collections (Surrey, Burnaby), 5 moved to bi-weekly collections in winter, and Winnipeg does not offer winter collections. Of the 5 that reduced summer collection frequency, there were three variations:

- January – February - Vancouver
- November – April - Red Deer, Lethbridge
- November – March - Calgary, Edmonton, Regina

Many also offered additional yard waste collection, as noted in the table below.

Of the Saskatchewan municipalities that were included in the scan:

- 6 of 12 offered weekly summer collections and the other 6 bi-weekly summer collections.
- 4 do not carry out winter collections.
- Of the remaining 8, 4 had bi-weekly winter collection and 4 had monthly winter collections.
- All 8 reduced frequency starting in November.
- 2 increased collection frequency in April.
- And 6 increased collection frequency in May.
- Regina, the only municipality of a comparable size to Saskatoon, has weekly collections April – October and bi-weekly collections from November – March using a medium sized cart (240L).

Western Canada Collection Frequency Jurisdiction Scan

| City       | Services  | Summer |           |         |     | Winter |           |         |     | Organics Frequency and Cart Size Notes   |
|------------|-----------|--------|-----------|---------|-----|--------|-----------|---------|-----|--|
|            |           | Weekly | Bi-weekly | Monthly | N/A | Weekly | Bi-weekly | Monthly | N/A |  |
| Vancouver  | Garbage   |        | ✓         |         |     |        |           | ✓       |     | Bi-weekly in January and February; extra leaf collections bi-weekly on weekends from October - January; choice of green cart size available  |
|            | Recycling |        |           |         | ✓   |        |           | ✓       |     |  |
|            | Organics  | ✓      |           |         |     |        |           | ✓       |     |  |
| Burnaby    | Garbage   |        | ✓         |         |     |        | ✓         |         |     | Weekly green cart collections; year-round; choice of green cart size available.  |
|            | Recycling | ✓      |           |         |     | ✓      |           |         |     |  |
|            | Organics  | ✓      |           |         |     | ✓      |           |         |     |  |
| Surrey     | Garbage   |        | ✓         |         |     |        |           | ✓       |     | Weekly green cart collections, year-round; choice of green cart size available.  |
|            | Recycling |        | ✓         |         |     |        |           | ✓       |     |  |
|            | Organics  | ✓      |           |         |     | ✓      |           |         |     |  |
| Red Deer   | Garbage   | ✓      |           |         |     | ✓      |           |         |     | Weekly from early-April to mid-November; biweekly mid-November to early-April; excess yard waste collected from bags placed by carts; no choice of cart size   |
|            | Recycling | ✓      |           |         |     | ✓      |           |         |     |  |
|            | Organics  | ✓      |           |         |     | ✓      |           |         |     |  |
| Calgary    | Garbage   |        | ✓         |         |     |        |           | ✓       |     | Bi-weekly November to March: weekly April to October weekly; excess yard waste collected from paper bags placed next to cart; One size cart is available (240L)  |
|            | Recycling | ✓      |           |         |     | ✓      |           |         |     |  |
|            | Organics  | ✓      |           |         |     |        |           | ✓       |     |  |
| Edmonton   | Garbage   |        | ✓         |         |     |        | ✓         |         |     | Food scraps collected bi-weekly November to March, weekly from April to October. Monthly yard waste collection is provided May and June and in October and November. Yard waste is not collected in carts but bags. Provides 120 L food scraps cart. |
|            | Recycling | ✓      |           |         |     | ✓      |           |         |     |  |
|            | Organics  | ✓      |           |         |     |        |           | ✓       |     |  |
| Lethbridge | Garbage   |        | ✓         |         |     |        |           | ✓       |     | Weekly May to October; Bi-weekly from November to April; One cart size (240L)  |
|            | Recycling |        | ✓         |         |     |        |           | ✓       |     |  |
|            | Organics  | ✓      |           |         |     |        |           | ✓       |     |  |

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| <b>Regina</b>   | Garbage   |   | ✓ |  | ✓ | Weekly April-October); Biweekly November- March; One 240 L cart size available.  |
|                 | Recycling |   | ✓ |  | ✓ |  |
|                 | Organics  | ✓ |   |  | ✓ |  |
| <b>Winnipeg</b> | Garbage   | ✓ |   |  | ✓ | Provides seasonal curbside yard waste collection service Spring through Fall (weather dependent). Expansion to include food waste is in development. |
|                 | Recycling | ✓ |   |  | ✓ |  |
|                 | Organics  |   | ✓ |  |   |  |

**Saskatchewan Collection Frequency Jurisdiction Scan**

| City                    | Services  | Summer |           |         |     | Winter |           |         |     | Organics Collection Frequency Notes               |
|-------------------------|-----------|--------|-----------|---------|-----|--------|-----------|---------|-----|---|
|                         |           | Weekly | Bi-weekly | Monthly | N/A | Weekly | Bi-weekly | Monthly | N/A |   |
| <b>Dalmeny</b>          | Garbage   |        | ✓         |         |     |        | ✓         |         |     | Bi-weekly November - April, weekly May - October  |
|                         | Recycling |        | ✓         |         |     |        | ✓         |         |     |   |
|                         | Organics  | ✓      |           |         |     |        | ✓         |         |     |   |
| <b>Dundurn</b>          | Garbage   |        | ✓         |         |     |        | ✓         |         |     | Monthly November - April; Weekly May - October    |
|                         | Recycling |        | ✓         |         |     |        | ✓         |         |     |   |
|                         | Organics  | ✓      |           |         |     |        |           | ✓       |     |   |
| <b>Hepburn</b>          | Garbage   |        | ✓         |         |     |        | ✓         |         |     | Monthly November - April; Bi-Weekly May - October |
|                         | Recycling |        | ✓         |         |     |        | ✓         |         |     |   |
|                         | Organics  |        | ✓         |         |     |        |           | ✓       |     |   |
| <b>Langham</b>          | Garbage   |        | ✓         |         |     |        | ✓         |         |     | Monthly November - April; Bi-Weekly May - October |
|                         | Recycling |        | ✓         |         |     |        | ✓         |         |     |   |
|                         | Organics  |        | ✓         |         |     |        |           | ✓       |     |   |
| <b>Martensville</b>     | Garbage   |        | ✓         |         |     |        | ✓         |         |     | No winter collections; Bi-weekly May - October    |
|                         | Recycling |        | ✓         |         |     |        | ✓         |         |     |   |
|                         | Organics  |        | ✓         |         |     |        |           |         | ✓   |   |
| <b>North Battleford</b> | Garbage   |        | ✓         |         |     |        | ✓         |         |     | No winter collections, Bi-weekly April-October    |
|                         | Recycling |        | ✓         |         |     |        | ✓         |         |     |   |
|                         | Organics  |        | ✓         |         |     |        |           |         | ✓   |   |
| <b>Osler</b>            | Garbage   |        | ✓         |         |     |        | ✓         |         |     | Bi-weekly November - April, Weekly May - October  |
|                         | Recycling |        | ✓         |         |     |        | ✓         |         |     |   |

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|---------------------|-----------|---|---|---|--|
|                     | Organics  | ✓ |   | ✓ |  |
| <b>Rosetown</b>     | Garbage   |   | ✓ | ✓ |  |
|                     | Recycling |   | ✓ | ✓ |  |
|                     | Organics  |   | ✓ |   | ✓  |
| <b>Warman</b>       | Garbage   |   | ✓ | ✓ |  |
|                     | Recycling |   | ✓ | ✓ |  |
|                     | Organics  |   | ✓ |   | ✓  |
| <b>Lloydminster</b> | Garbage   | ✓ |   | ✓ |  |
|                     | Recycling | ✓ |   | ✓ |  |
|                     | Organics  | ✓ |   | ✓ |  |
| <b>White City</b>   | Garbage   |   | ✓ | ✓ |  |
|                     | Recycling |   | ✓ | ✓ |  |
|                     | Organics  | ✓ |   |   | ✓  |
| <b>Regina</b>       | Garbage   |   | ✓ | ✓ |  |
|                     | Recycling |   | ✓ | ✓ |  |
|                     | Organics  | ✓ |   | ✓ |  |
|                     |           |   |   |   | No winter collections; Bi-weekly May - October     |
|                     |           |   |   |   | No winter collections; Bi-weekly May - October     |
|                     |           |   |   |   | Bi-weekly November - April 5; Weekly May - October |
|                     |           |   |   |   | Monthly November - March; Weekly April - October;  |
|                     |           |   |   |   | Biweekly November-March; Weekly April- October     |