Interview of waste management in Kamloops – Alejandro Ruiz Caballero

-Questionnaire/Interview

Interviewee: Marcia Dick (Solid Waste Coordinator)

Questionnaire:

1. How many years has this sustainability issue been in Kamloops?

This issue could probably have started since the Industrial Revolution. From there, countries have revolutionized the use of plastic in lots of areas and have influenced its way to Canada.

2. You are an stakeholder? Which group or individual do you correspond? Can you tell me your name, role and what position of stakeholder you are currently holding.

Yes. I am a solid waste reduction coordinator and work for policies in federal and provincial levels. My name is Marcia Dick.

3. If you are an stakeholder, why are you interested in the world of solid waste reduction? What is your point of view on solid waste reduction? What are your values regarding this issue to become a more sustainable city? Are there any programs or initiatives that solve this issue?

I started volunteering and being involved in the sustainability department of TRU. I was involved in a club called ECO club by TRUSU and I was the founder of that club. The goal is to follow a circular economy pipeline. And Kamloops is doing their best to follow a zero waste plan. I am considered an advocate and a social communicator. I am very responsible and try my best efforts to help society.

4. Is there any other concerns that could be considered within this issue?

The City of Kamloops doesn't have the enough resources to get rid of waste daily. The City of Kamloops have 3 landfills owned and operated.

5. Are you considered a decision-maker for the pilot programs? If so, did those programs were discussed with other members and collaborated with other organizations? Who of these decision makers consult to the pilot programs?

No. The city council makes the final decision. The city of Kamloops collaborates with the city council to make votes and final decisions by the union. In addition, other members such as engineers can help and develop case studies to provide information about this issues and come up with a decision towards waste management.