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City clarifies information for NEW automated residential waste collection carts

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The City of Vernon has started to deliver new 240L garbage carts to residences across Vernon for a transition to automated residential waste collection.

When residents receive their new cart, they are asked to start using it for automated waste collection immediately.

In light of the ongoing wildfire situation, some portions of Vernon have been offered a **temporary** alternative use of the new carts. These residences are located in the wildland urban interface and could be at higher risk of having spot fires develop.

Residents in **four specified areas** may choose to roll the new carts to the end of their driveways and fill them with water for quick and easy access for themselves and neighbours. If you choose to use the cart for water, please only fill it 3/4 of the way to avoid damaging the cart, leave the cart lid open, and include a smaller bucket for easy water transfer.

The four areas that may use this temporary option include:

- Canadian Lakeview Estates
- Adventure Bay
- The southwest portion of Tronson Road
- Eastside Road

Residents being offered this option have received a letter detailing specifics of this recommendation.

All other residents in Vernon are asked to use the new carts for waste collection only. If a cart filled with water is unknowingly lifted by the automated waste collection truck, it can damage the truck and the cart.

If residents in other portions of the City would like to use a different container for water (such as their old garbage cart or can), please ensure the container is clearly marked or the lid is open for this purpose.

As of the time of this media release, an [Evacuation Alert](#) remains in place for Canadian Lakeview Estates, Adventure Bay and a portion of Tronson Road. Properties on Eastside Road are not currently under Evacuation Alert, but this offer for water bin use is being made out of an abundance of caution due to it being a heavily treed area.

The City thanks all residents for their assistance with this transition to automated residential waste collection. For more information about the program, please visit vernon.ca/residentialgarbage.

To receive emergency alert notifications and updates from the City on other matters, you can sign up for email notifications quickly and easily at vernon.ca/subscribe.

For more information about emergency preparedness and the City's response to the ongoing wildfire situation, please visit vernon.ca/whiterocklake.

Below is an image of the new residential garbage collection cart.

