

New by-laws impact on food trucks

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Good Morning,

I have several concerns about the current by-law changes being put forward by the CVRD. One issue of great concern is the proposed restrictions on food trucks. Many food trucks in the Cowichan Valley are community hubs and are visited often by locals and visitors alike. Restricting their operational hours and requiring them to move the truck every day is short-sighted and unfair.

The people that run these trucks are small business owners, like anyone with a bricks and mortar store. Their contribution is just as valuable as anyone else's. Several trucks have a "spot" where they are permanently or seasonally set up. They don't infringe on residential or park areas, they've not in anyone's way. They are providing a wonderful service and being creative in running their business. Driving out to Drifter's Creamery on a warm evening, or taking our grandchildren to Mad Eats for yummy fries, or trying out one of the many interesting food trucks in the Valley is a fun thing for us to do.

This should be encouraged!!! These folks are part of what makes this Valley unique. Why regulate them out of business??

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