

AGENDA
COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9
March 22, 2022 6:00 pm
Council Chambers

- A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA
- B. DELEGATIONS
- C. MINUTES/NOTES
1. Special Committee Meeting Minutes
 - March 8, 2022
 2. Special Council Meeting Minutes
 - March 8, 2022
 3. Special Council Meeting Minutes
 - March 10, 2022
 4. Special Council Meeting Minutes
 - March 15, 2022
- D. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES
- a. Citizens Supportive of Crowsnest Coal
 - Letter and draft motion from Citizens Supportive of Crowsnest Coal
- E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
- a. H3TDA Annual General Meeting – April 1, 2022 10:00 am to 12:00 pm.
 - Who would like to attend?
- F. COMMITTEE REPORTS / DIVISIONAL CONCERNS
1. Councillor Tony Bruder – Division 1
 2. Reeve Rick Lemire – Division 2
 3. Councillor Dave Cox– Division 3
 4. Councillor Harold Hollingshead - Division 4
 5. Councillor John MacGarva – Division 5
- G. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS
1. Operations
 - a) Operations Report
 - Report from Director of Operations dated March 16, 2022
 - Public Works Call Log
 2. Finance
 3. Planning and Community Services
 4. Municipal
 - a) Chief Administrative Officer Report
 - Report from CAO, dated March 17, 2022
- H. POLICY REVIEW
- I. CORRESPONDENCE
1. For Action
 - a. Cowboy Show Sponsorship Letter
 - Request for Sponsorship
 - b. Economic Development Week – May 9 – 13, 2022
 - Draft resolution
 - Draft photo for EDA

2. For Information

- a. Grant Specialist Report
 - Report for January 2022
- b. Eastern Slopes watershed values—the view from Crowsnest Pass
 - Email from David McIntyre
- c. Alberta Energy Regulator Presentation
 - General Stakeholder Engagement Session on Directive 088
 - Q&A Information Session
- d. Altalink Update
 - Chapel Rock to Pincher Creek Area Transmission Development Project Update
 - Intertie Restoration Project Update
- e. Giving Together publication
 - Newsletter from Community Foundation

J. NEW BUSINESS

K. CLOSED MEETING SESSION

- a. Road Closure and Purchase Request (SW 35-5-29 W4M)– FOIP Sec. 17
- b. Road Closure and Purchase Request (between W 3-7-2 W5M and E 4-7-2 W4M) – FOIP Sec. 17

L. ADJOURNMENT

MINUTES
SPECIAL COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9
Tuesday, March 8, 2022 3:00 pm
Via GoToMeeting

Present: Reeve Rick Lemire, Deputy Reeve Tony Bruder, and Councillors Dave Cox, Harold Hollingshead and John MacGarva.

Staff: CAO Troy MacCulloch, Director of Development and Community Services Roland Milligan, Director of Finance Meghan Dobie, and Executive Assistant Jessica McClelland.

Notice of the meeting was given to each Councillor and a signed Waiver of Notice Form is attached to and forms part of these minutes.

Reeve Rick Lemire called the meeting to order, the time being 3:00 pm.

1. Approval of Agenda

Councillor Tony Bruder

Moved that the agenda for Special Council Committee Meeting on March 8, 2022 be approved as presented.

Carried

2. Delegations

Citizens Supportive of Crowsnest Coal

Ken Allred and Mike Dobie, along with various other members of the Citizens Supportive of Crowsnest Coal, attended the meeting at this time to present to Council their groups plans to encourage support for coal development in the Crowsnest Pass. Grassy Mountain and Tent Mountain coal mines were discussed. The presentation is attached to, and forms part of these minutes.

Members of the Citizens Supportive of Crowsnest Coal left the meeting at this time, the time being 3:39 pm.

3. Round Table

4. Road Maintenance – Internal vs. Contracted Services

At Council's request, Public Works performed a lifetime operating cost analysis on 4 of their own graders and reached out to 2 different county/MD's to inquire about their contracted road maintenance program. Council discussed the information presented and asked that more information be provided for a baseline for next years budgeting process.

5. Closed Session

Councillor John MacGarva

Moved that Council move into closed session to discuss the following, the time being 4:17 pm:

- a. 2022 Property Tax Discussion – Part One – Overview – FOIP Sec. 17
(Due to time constraints, b and c will be discussed at a future committee meeting)
- b. Pincher Creek Emergency Services – FOIP Sec. 16
- c. Code of Conduct Complaint – FOIP Sec. 17

Carried

Councillor John MacGarva

Moved that Council move out of closed session, the time being 5:20 pm.

Carried

5. Adjournment

Councillor Dave Cox

Moved that the Committee Meeting adjourn, the time being 5:21 pm.

Carried

Citizens Supportive of Crowsnest Coal

MD Of Pincher Creek Council
Presentation
March 8, 2022

Who Are We

- **Citizens Supportive of Crowsnest Coal (CSCC) is a respectful, positive, inclusive, fact driven and peaceful organization located in the Crowsnest Pass.**
- **Supportive for Coal projects that are Environmentally responsible and provide Economic benefit to our community and those communities that are our neighbours**
- **Supportive of other Environmentally responsible Industries and Tourism**
- **Have created our own website**
<https://citizensupportivecrowsnestcoal.ca/>

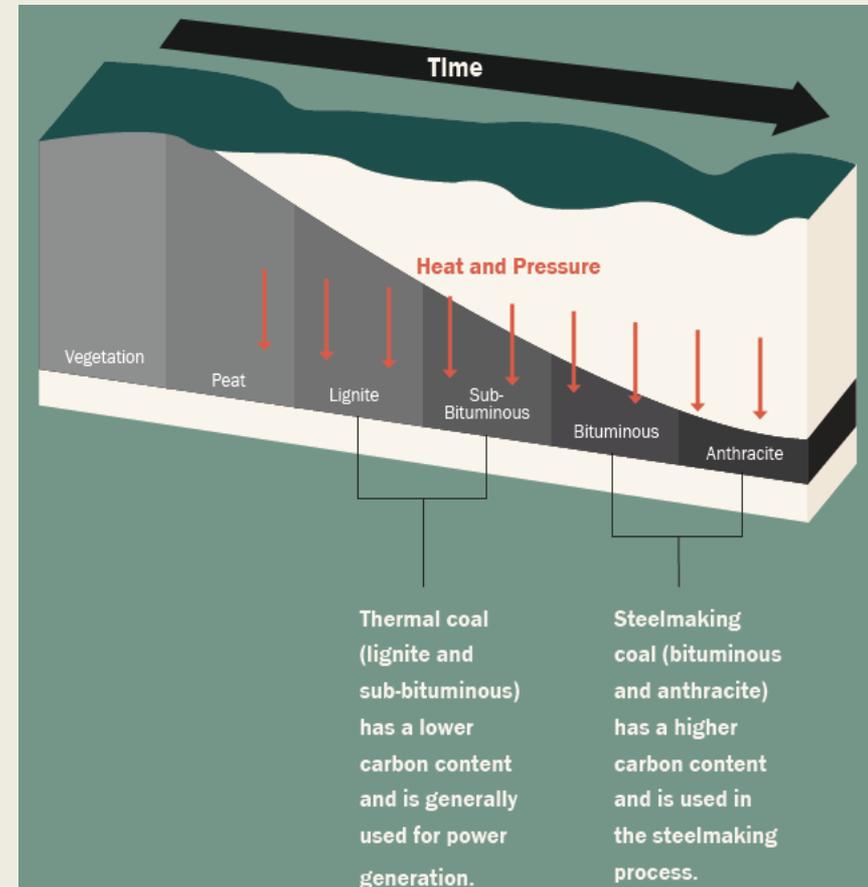
We have provided a link, to an industry developed webpage with factual information about coal and the many areas of importance:

www.responsiblemining.ca



Coal Facts

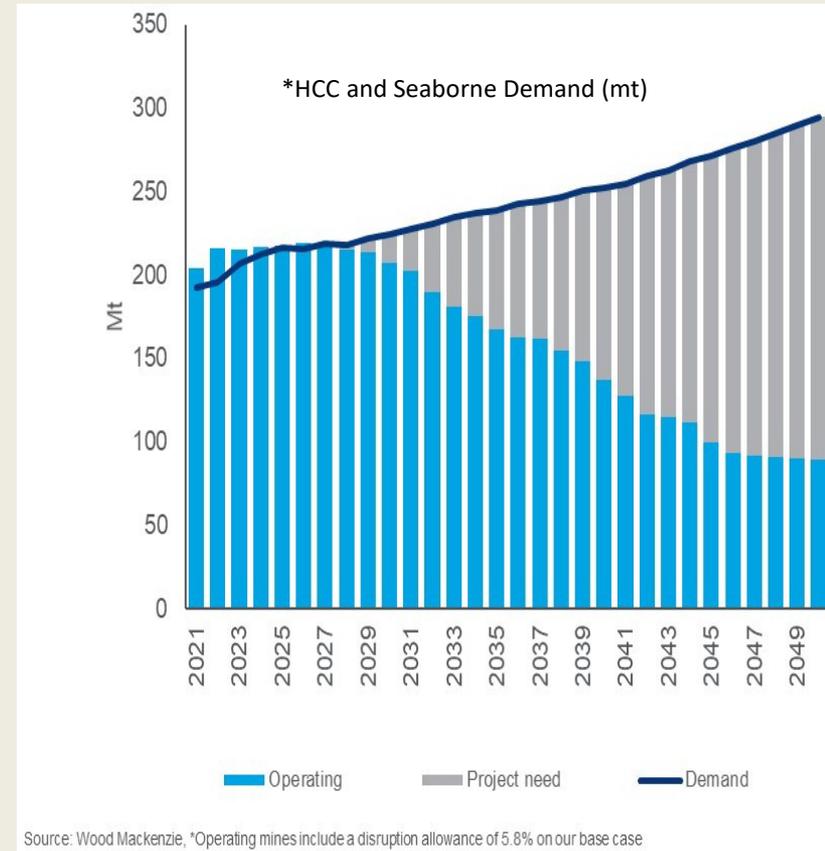
- **Two types of Coal – Thermal and Metallurgical**
- **Thermal Coal – Lower Carbon content, Low Ranking, Power generation**
- **Metallurgical Coal (Met) – Higher Carbon content, High Ranking, Steel Making**



SOCIETY'S NEED FOR STEEL

Participating in Global Supply Chain

- **Global demand for steel, and the met coal needed to make it, is growing to support strong and emerging economies. By 2050, global steel use is expected to increase by 20% to meet the requirements of the world's societies.**
- **De-carbonizing our economies only possible through steel usage... continue to seek ways to improve.**
- **ALBERTA has always been an incubator for innovation...let's continue to do that.**



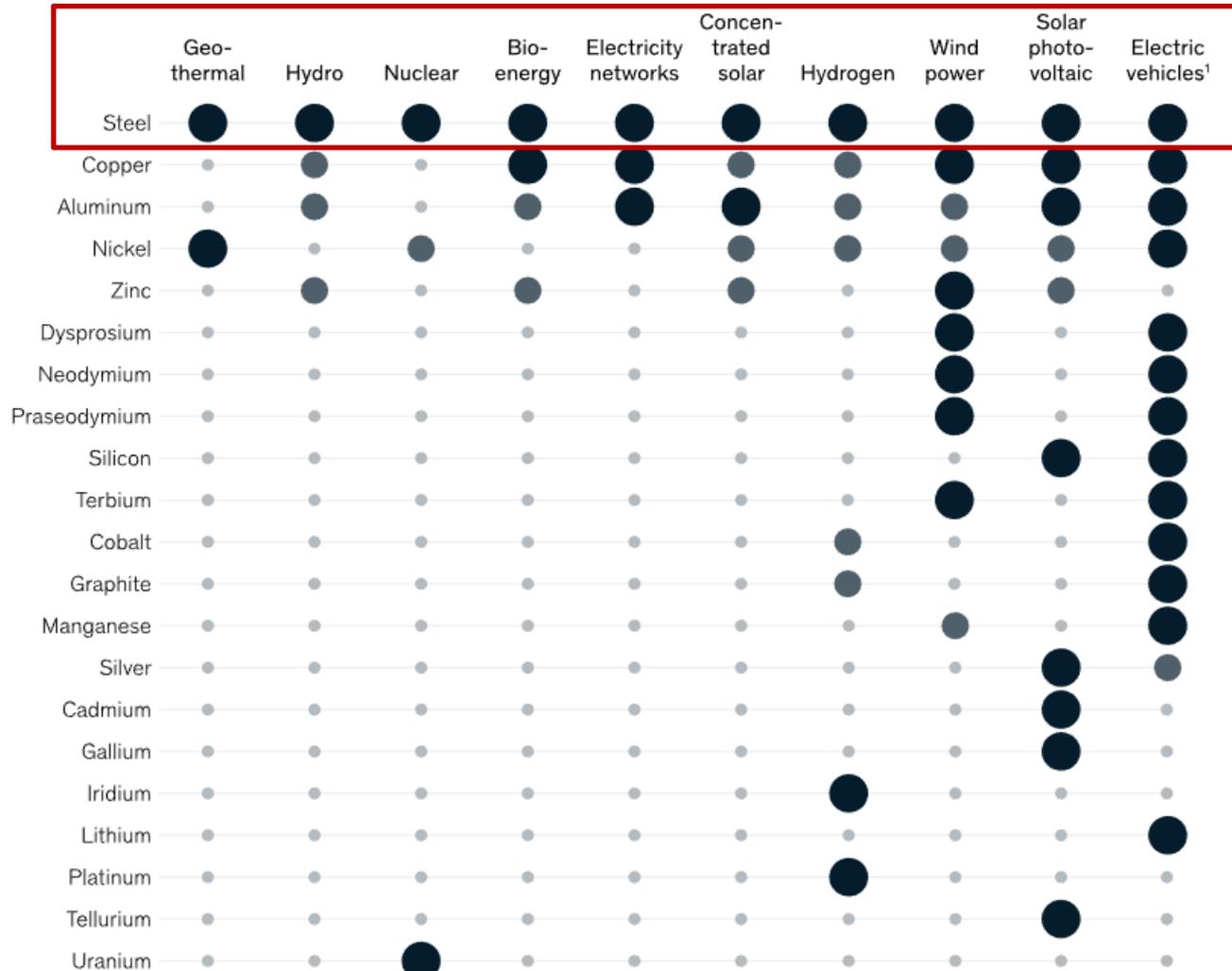
***Seaborne Metallurgical Supply & Demand Outlook*

All data and graphs supplied by Wood Mackenzie. The information was obtained from Coal Market Service™, a product of Wood Mackenzie. Commentary by Coal Association of Canada.

While steel will be crucial as an infrastructure enabler for all technological transition, specific elements will play an important role in each technology.

Materials critical for transition to a low-carbon economy, by technology type

Importance
Low to none    High



¹Includes energy storage.

Source: *Critical raw materials for strategic technologies and sectors in the EU*, A foresight study, European Commission, Mar 9, 2020; *The role of critical minerals in clean energy transitions*, IEA, May 2021; McKinsey analysis

WHAT WE HAVE BEEN HEARING

- **Indigenous rights and participation**
- **Coal has become a four letter word**
- **Employment, business and regional investment opportunities**
- **Coal Policy Release**
- **Visual Impacts – Land Reform and Design**
- **Water Quality (Selenium)**

Indigenous Rights and Participation

- **Create Entrepreneurial and Employment Opportunities**
- **Partnerships**
- **Benefit agreements**
- **Stewardship, and traditional knowledge would be incorporated into these projects**

Coal has become a Four Letter Word (And Why it Shouldn't Be)

- **Steel is required in the construction of Windmills, Electrical transmission towers, electric vehicles and Steel requires Coal – a trade off is achieved , an increase in Coal Production will result in the overall reduction of carbon emissions**
- **Progressive Reclamation - as areas are mined out, this area is reclaimed into a similar state, like the surrounding ecological systems (including aquatic habitat) as the mining process continues.**
- **Reclamation bonds can be issued to ensure the work is done properly**
- **Mining occurring in a country, like Canada, that has strong environmental laws versus jurisdictions that do not, results in a net gain for the environmental protection & de-carbonization of the world**

Economic Impact of Coal Mine Development

Teck Mines Elk Valley (25.7m MTCC)*

- \$6.3B contribution to CDN GDP
- \$2.3B to Labour Income
- \$1.5B to Gov't revenues
- 30,490 jobs
- \$4.6B contribution to BC GDP
- 1.3B to Labour Income BC
- \$.6B to gov't revenues BC
- 12,820 jobs in BC

CNP Mines and Area (Potential 21.5m MTCC)***

- \$5.27B contribution to CDN GDP
- \$1.9B to Labour income
- \$1.5B ** to Gov't revenues
- ~5,000 jobs (high paying jobs)
- Reduce dependency on residential tax base for municipal income
- Partnership with First Nations, Neighbouring Municipalities and businesses to share the wealth generated

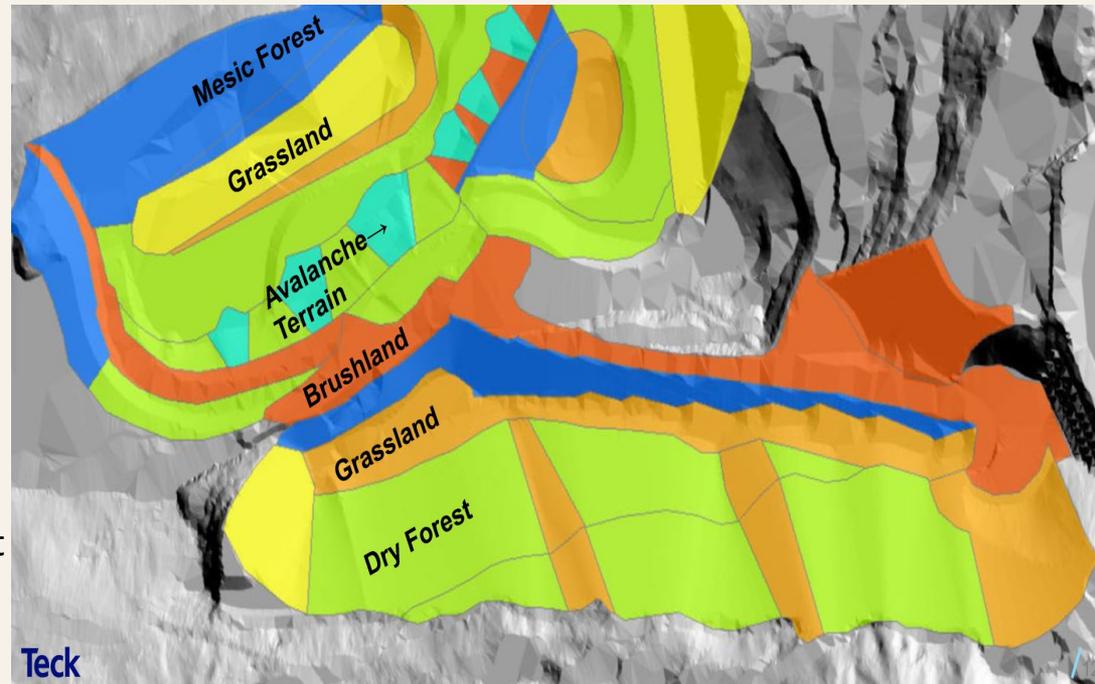
Coal Policy Release

- Will keep the 1976 policy with some exceptions
- Coal exploration and development halted for Categories 3 & 4 pertains to our area
- Two projects, Grassy Mountain & Tent Mountain are in an advanced phase of the regulatory process and are excluded from this limitation.
- Projects still require review and approval to proceed.

Incorporating features into design

Designing post mining landforms with purpose

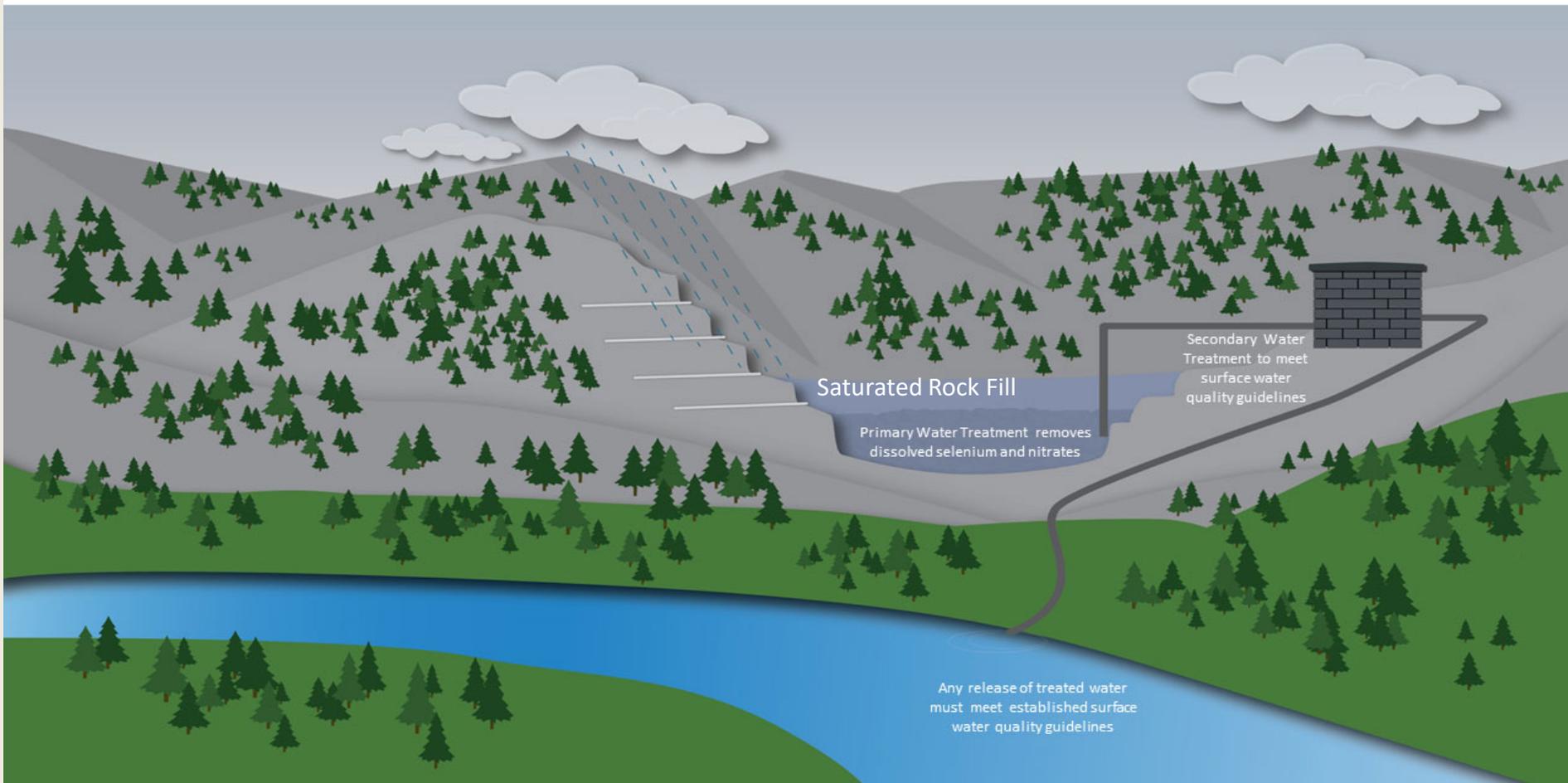
- Sections of highwalls can be left to replace valuable high angle escape terrain
- Constructing gullies and protruding areas in final spoils can support snow catchment and create drainage areas
- Designing post mining topography to support different types of vegetation
 - For example, designing elevation and aspect conditions to support different types and vegetation. All combined can create effective winter ranges



Managing Selenium

- **To comply with Federal and Provincial regulations , evolving technologies & practices to control the release of Selenium into the watershed have been developed**
 - **The Federal government has endorsed these technologies in the proposed Coal Mining Effluent Regulations, acknowledging the capabilities of the technology to remove 95% of selenium in the treated water**
- **Some Selenium is necessary in our drinking water**
- **Adaptive management is applied as changing mine plans are revised**
- **Essential part of the permitting process – mines must be in compliance or risk having their permits pulled**
- **Selenium can be and is managed!**

Modern Mining Practices capture and treat water affected by mining



We Want Mining

- **When it is done in a Responsible Environmental manner and progressive reclamation is done during and post mine life**
- **When it generates jobs and economic well being for the communities and its residents in which it resides and impacts**
- **When the facts support a viable mine(s) not when unsupportive rhetoric is against it**
- **To be endorsed and supported by our citizenry, neighbours and partners**





THANK YOU

<https://citizensupportivecrowsnestcoal.ca/>

MINUTES
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 8, 2022

The Special Meeting of Council of the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 was held on Tuesday, March 8, 2022, at 6:00 pm, via GoToMeeting.

Notice of the meeting was given to each Councillor and a signed Waiver of Notice Form is attached to and forms part of these minutes.

PRESENT Reeve Rick Lemire, Deputy Reeve Tony Bruder, Councillors Dave Cox, Harold Hollingshead and John MacGarva.

STAFF CAO Troy MacCulloch, Director of Development and Community Services Roland Milligan, Director of Finance Meghan Dobie, Public Works Superintendent Eric Blanchard and Executive Assistant Jessica McClelland.

Reeve Rick Lemire called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Councillor Dave Cox 22/084

Moved that the Council Agenda for March 8, 2022 be approved as presented.

Carried

B. DELEGATIONS

C. MINUTES

1. Council Meeting Minutes

Councillor Dave Cox 22/085

Moved that the Minutes of the Council Meeting of February 22, 2022 be approved as presented.

Carried

2. Special Council Meeting Minutes

Councillor Dave Cox 22/086

Moved that the Special Council Meeting Minutes of February 25, 2022 be approved as presented.

Carried

D. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

F. COMMITTEE REPORTS / DIVISIONAL CONCERNS

1. Councillor Tony Bruder – Division 1
 - a) Special Committee to Investigate Code of Conduct Complaint
2. Reeve Rick Lemire – Division 2
 - a) Alberta SouthWest
3. Councillor Dave Cox– Division 3
 - a) Beaver Mines Community Association
 - b) Castle Mountain Community Association
 - c) Pincher Creek Foundation
4. Councillor Harold Hollingshead - Division 4
5. Councillor John MacGarva – Division 5
 - a) Lundbreck Citizens Council was cancelled due to weather

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Councillor John MacGarva 22/087

Moved to accept the Committee Reports and information.

Carried

H. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

1. Operations

a) Operations Report

Councillor John MacGarva 22/088

Moved that Council receive the Operations report, which includes the call log, for the period February 23, 2022 to March 8, 2022 as information.

Carried

2. Finance

3. Development and Community Services

a) AES Report March 2022

Councillor Harold Hollingshead 22/089

Moved that the AES Report for March 2022 be received as information.

Carried

b) Land Use Bylaw Amendment – Bylaw 1334-22 within Hamlet of Twin Butte

Councillor Tony Bruder 22/090

Moved that Council give first reading to Bylaw No. 1334-22, being a bylaw to amend Land Use Bylaw No.1289-19, to allow for the development of a commercial storage facility the land use designation of lands legally described as:

Portion of NW4 4-29 W4M containing the southerly 400 feet of the westerly 330 feet, which lies to the east of the widening of the No. 6 Highway, on Plan 3293HX from "Hamlet Single-Detached Residential 2 - HR-2" to "Hamlet Commercial -HC",

AND THAT the required Public Hearing be scheduled for April 12, 2022 at 6:00 pm.

Carried

c) Crowsnest Pass Q3 RCMP Report

Councillor Harold Hollingshead 22/091

Moved that the Crowsnest Pass Q3 RCMP Report be received as information.

Carried

4. Municipal

a) Chief Administrative Officer Report

Councillor Harold Hollingshead 22/092

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Moved that Council receive for information, the Chief Administrative Officer's report for the period of February 23, 2022 to March 8, 2022.

Carried

b) Arena Roof Funding Request

Councillor Harold Hollingshead

22/093

Moved that Council approve a \$12,500 contribution to the Ag Society for a new roof, and for the contribution to be funded from the Regional Community Initiatives Reserve (6-12-0-754-6740).

Carried

H. POLICY REVIEW

I. CORRESPONDENCE

1. For Action

a) Oldman Watershed Council

Councillor Dave Cox

22/094

Moved that any interested Councillor be authorized to attend the virtual event hosted by the Oldman Watershed Council on Groundwater: Making the Invisible, Visible.

Carried

2. For Information

Councillor Dave Cox

22/095

Moved that the following be received as information:

- a) Pincher Creek Curling Club Fundraising Event
- b) Budget 2022
 - Letter from Alberta Municipal Affairs dated February 24, 2022
- c) Highway 3 Twinning Development Association
 - Notice of AGM/Call for Nominations
 - Minutes from April 2021
 - Update February 28, 2022
- d) Accurate Assessment Group (AAG) Ltd.
 - Letter from Clearwater County re Shell/Pieridae
- e) Thank you Letter
 - Letter from STARS, dated March 1, 2022
- f) 2021 Annual Audit of MD of Pincher Creek
 - Audit report from AVAIL LLP
- g) 2024 Alberta Winter Games/2024 Alberta Summer Games
 - Letter from Minister of Culture

Carried

K. NEW BUSINESS

a) Newsletter Discussion

Discussion took place regarding the MD's annual newsletter that goes out with the tax notices.

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L. CLOSED SESSION

Councillor John MacGarva 22/096

Moved that Council move into closed session to discuss the following, the time being 7:08 pm:

a. Tax Roll 0272.000 – Additional Requests – FOIP Sec. 17

Carried

Councillor Harold Hollingshead 22/097

Moved that Council open the meeting to the public, the time being 7:17 pm.

Carried

a) Tax Roll 0272.000 – Additional Requests

Councillor John MacGarva 22/098

Moved that Council deny the request to waive the 12% penalty on tax roll 0272.000.

Carried

M. ADJOURNMENT

Councillor John MacGarva 22/099

Moved that Council adjourn the meeting, the time being 7:20 pm.

Carried

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REEVE

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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

**MINUTES
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 10, 2022**

The Special Meeting of Council of the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 was held on Thursday, March 10, 2022, at 3:30 pm, via GoToMeeting.

Notice of this Special Council Meeting was posted on the MD website and social media.

PRESENT Reeve Rick Lemire, Deputy Reeve Tony Bruder, Councillors Dave Cox, Harold Hollingshead and John MacGarva.

STAFF CAO Troy MacCulloch

Reeve Rick Lemire called the meeting to order at 3:30 pm.

A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Councillor Dave Cox 22/100

Moved that the Council Agenda for March 10, 2022 be approved as presented.

Carried

B. CLOSED SESSION

Councillor Harold Hollingshead 22/101

Moved that Council move into closed session to discuss the following, the time being 3:35 pm:

a. Code of Conduct Complaint – FOIP Sec. 17

Carried

CAO was excused at 4:35pm.
Reeve Lemire was excused at 4:40 pm.

Councillor Dave Cox 22/102

Moved that Council open the meeting to the public, the time being 5:10 pm.

Carried

a) Code of Conduct Complaint

Councillor Harold Hollingshead 22/103

Moved that the investigation on the Code of Conduct complaint, finalized by Councillor Tony Bruder, be received as information.

Carried

C. ADJOURNMENT

Councillor John MacGarva 22/104

Moved that Council adjourn the meeting, the time being 5:12 pm.

Carried

REEVE

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

**MINUTES
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 15, 2022**

The Special Meeting of Council of the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 was held on Wednesday, March 15, 2022, at 4:30 pm, via GoToMeeting.

Notice of this Special Council Meeting was posted on the MD website and social media.

PRESENT Reeve Rick Lemire, Deputy Reeve Tony Bruder, Councillors Dave Cox, Harold Hollingshead and John MacGarva.

STAFF CAO Troy MacCulloch

Reeve Rick Lemire called the meeting to order at 4:28 pm.

A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Councillor Dave Cox 22/105

Moved that the Council Agenda for March 15, 2022 be approved as presented.

Carried

B. CLOSED SESSION

Councillor Dave Cox 22/106

Moved that Council move into closed session to discuss the following, the time being 4:29 pm:

a) Environmental Appeals Board Process - Appellant requests – FOIP Sec. 17

Carried

Councillor John MacGarva 22/107

Moved that Council open the meeting to the public, the time being 5:35 pm.

Carried

C. ADJOURNMENT

Councillor John MacGarva 22/108

Moved that Council adjourn the meeting, the time being 5:35 pm.

Carried

REEVE

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER



Citizens Supportive of Crowsnest Coal

March 10, 2022

To: Reeve Lemire and Councillors of the MD of Pincher Creek;

Firstly, on behalf of the Citizens Supportive of Crowsnest Coal, we would like to thank you for taking the time to listen to our presentation and for the chance to answer your questions.

We want to stress that we are supportive of Coal projects and other Industrial projects that are environmentally responsible and provide economic benefit to the Municipality of the Crowsnest Pass and its neighbours.

We agree, we don't want orphaned mines. The projects that are being contemplated, will have to reclaim areas already mined in addition to any new disturbances.

As an action coming from our presentation, and as a neighbour who can benefit from the projects, we would like the MD to draft a motion in support of Coal Mining.

A suggested motion might be:

"The Municipal District of Pincher Creek is supportive of Coal Mining provided the projects are Environmentally Responsible, and provide economic benefit to the area and the Province of Alberta"

Should you require further information please do not hesitate to give us a call.

Sincerely;

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'M. Dobie', written over a light blue horizontal line.

Michael Dobie CPA, CMA
Chairman Citizens Supportive of Crowsnest Coal
Ph: 403-562-7422
Cell: 250-425-5142



OPERATIONS REPORT

Current Public Works Activity

- Road Maintenance – Snow removal in all Divisions. Public Works has Nine (9) graders out on the roads doing maintenance.
- 1 - Cat loader doing snow removal in the Hamlet of Lundbreck.
- 1 - John Deer Tractor doing snow removal in Beaver mine.
- Graders and Dozer are pushing back snow drift from road edges and ditches to protect the road surface during the spring break up.
- Attended the Lundbreck Citizen Association meeting March 14th, 2022. Plan to improve the snow removal within the MD will be put in place for next winter.
- Read on Road has been contacted to assist with filling the potholes on the cold mix section of the Gladstone Valley road with their spray patching truck. Schedule for the work to be set when the holes are dry.
- Steamer unit is being use to unplug icy culverts and ditches.
- Planning for crushing and gravel pit reclamation is on going. Test holes being performed on the MD Summerview property to find aggregates.
- Tender for the dust control product and the gravel program have been prepared and have been poster to APC on March 11th 2022.
- Posting for Operator 2 position and for seasonal operator have been posted March 01, 2022 and will closing March 25th, 2022.
- Seasonal and summer student position have been posted online and will be closing April 02, 2022.
- PW is working with CPP environmental to do a full desktop assessment of our gravel pit liability. Review is still ongoing. CPP to prepare reclamation proposals for all registered pit when all information is received from AEP.
- Mulching operation on going with our excavator. Several Location have been completed throughout the MD. More area to be mulch throughout the winter as weather permit.
- Grader training for operator 2 started November 22. 2021 and will be going on for a few months. The first of the two part sign off has been done, 2nd and final sign off will take place on April 29/22 or until operators are fully signed off by trainer.
- MD will be hiring the Heavy Equipment College to provide certified training to our operator. Training has been scheduled for May 24th to May 31st 2022.
- Garbage, Recycling, water to the airport... being done weekly by PW crew.
- Working on call log items daily.

Capital Projects Update - Bridges

- **Bridge File 75009 – Wild Cat Ranch, NE-09-09-02-W5M**
 - Tender awarded to NL Smith and Sons at **\$257,977.50 (Budget \$580,000)**
 - 2nd East Butte Contracting Ltd
 - 3rd Don Boyce Contracting Ltd
 - The contractor repaired the silt fence and will seed the site in the Spring.

- **Bridge File 75377 – Local Road over Screwdriver Creek, NW-08-06-02-W5M**
 - Project has gone back to Council and is deferred until Aug. of 2022. Project will be retendered in Spring 2022. MD has issued payment to Armtec for the culvert. The culvert will stay in the PW yard until installed in the Summer of '22.
 - Negotiation with the second lowest tenderer are underway.

- **Bridge File 75265 – Local Road over Heath Creek, NE-11-10-01-W5M**
 - Tender awarded for engineering in 2021
Roseke Engineering at **\$52,162.00 (Budget \$53,000.00)**
 - Construction set to commence in 2022
 - The preliminary design report draft is completed and will be used for the AT STIP – BIM Grant application.
 - Roseke Engineering has been instructed to complete the bridge design detail as well as provide engineering and construction estimates for an adjacent stream bank protection work.
 - Survey has determined that the whole bridge and road is off the road right of way. Roseke Engineering will provide the MD with a survey plan to use for land negotiations.
 - The STIP-LRB grant application for this project has been submitted.
 - Land requirements for the roadway are being pursued. Signed documents will be forwarded to Council for approval.
 - The Historical Resources Application for this project has been approved.
 - Draft tender documents are being reviewed

- **Bridge File 7743 – Local Road over Gladstone Creek, SW-23-05-02-W5M**
 - Tender awarded for engineering in 2021
Roseke Engineering at **\$45,015.00 (Budget \$46,000.00)**
 - Have requested updated proposed construction costs to be ready for September for 2022 budget discussions
 - the contractor has indicated that work is underway.
 - Construction set to commence in 2022
 - The preliminary design report is awaiting results from the coring process prior to completion.
 - Coring has been scheduled following changes to Alberta Transportation changes to inspector ratings.
 - Coring has been completed with favourable results.
 - A tender package is due to be completed by the end of November for Budgeting and allocation of Gas Tax Funds. AT has confirmed this bridge is not eligible for STIP-LRB funding given its current condition rating.
 - Preliminary report & design review received December 6.
 - Council approval of increased scope January 11, 2022.
 - Roseke Engineering will proceed to tender the project.
 - Draft tender documents are being reviewed.

- **Bridge File 2488 – Fisher Bridge, NW-26-07-02-W5M**
 - Engineering to be completed in 2021 due to change in rating since first inspected
 - Construction/replacement/removal options to be presented to Council for action in 2022
 - The STIP-LRB grant application for this project has been submitted.
 - Pending AT Grant and Council approval this bridge can be built outside of the Restricted Activity Period (RAP) as no contact with the water is needed.

Roads

- **Range Road 1-2 (Bitango Road) - Engineering 2022 – Budget \$40,000 - Const. 2023**

Replace 64m of culvert 24" culverts with a 36" diameters culvert. Repair slides and sink holes on side slope.

- Engineering Proposals have been submitted by 3 different firms and is under review by Public Work. Engineering contract will be awarded in 2022.
- Service agreement for professional service has been signed with ISL Engineering and Land Services LTD on February 23rd 2022.

- **Station Street (Pincher Station) - Engineering 2022 – Budget \$40,000 - Const. 2023**

Repair subgrade and install new asphalt on approximately 70m on intersection of 3rd avenue and Station Street and approximately 360m on Station Street going east to seed cleaning plant. Install culvert across 3rd avenue to drain water from North side of Station Street.

- Engineering Proposals have been submitted by 3 different firms and is under review by Public Work. Engineering contract will be awarded in 2022.
- Service agreement for professional service has been signed with ISL Engineering and Land Services LTD on February 23rd 2022.

- **Cabin Hill Road - Engineering 2021 , Construction moved to 2023**

- Wood Engineering to design the Local Road - Design option have been reviewed.
- I approved SC#2 to include post construction legal survey. Topographic survey was completed April 8-9 and Geotechnical drilling was completed April 15-16
- Detailed design and C-estimate has been received June 23rd 2021.
- Preliminary design drawing have been reviewed and accepted September 27, 2021
- Council approved a motion to move the construction to 2023.

Large Capital and other Water Projects

- **Lundbreck Shop Floor - Construction 2022 – Budget \$30,000**

Install concrete floor and sumps into the Lundbreck shop.

- Quotes and Estimates from local contractor are being requested and review for construction to begin Spring of 2022.

- **Patton Park Sprinkler System - Construction 2022 – Budget \$40,000**

Connect the Patton Park Sprinkler and drip system to the Municipal Water distribution line.

- Quotes from Scenic Landscaping is being review for approval. Construction to begin Summer of 2022.

- **ECO Station**

- IMDP Committee passed a resolution stating they have no concerns with this development.
 - continued work with AEP for approval process and issuing of Development Permit
 - construction set to commence in April. Needs to begin after the standpipe at our sand shed is completed.
 - September 17, 2021, project information sent to Alberta Health Services for comment.
 - September 22, 2021, letters requesting consent to vary the *Subdivision and Development Regulation's* 300m setback requirement from a Storage Site were sent via registered mail to all landowners within the 300m radius of the site. Many have been returned with positive endorsement of this project and agreement to the waiver.
 - AEP information circulation process completed.
- Direction from MDPC to submit to AEP for variance on development permit on Dec 08. Submission currently being worked on by Director Milligan. Construction in Spring 2022
- soon as the Pronghorn Standpipe is operational, earth work will begin by our PW crew to prep the site, so when we get our variance from AEP we are good to go on construction.

- **Beaver Mines Water Distribution, Collection System.**

- Tender was awarded to BYZ on July 21, 2021.
- 1. BYZ Enterprises Inc. **\$5,468,977.50 (Budget \$6,251,600)**
- 2. Porter Tanner Associates Inc.
- 3. McNally Contractors (2011) Ltd.
- 4. Jenex Contracting Ltd.
- 5. Whissell Contracting Ltd.

- work to commence again by BYZ in late March or early April dependent upon weather.

- **Beaver Mines Waste Facility/System**

- Tender packages are ready for the Waste Facility/System.
- Waste System will not started be until 2022 at the earliest to allow for the AEP Approval Process to run its course.
- AB Appeals Board Hearing/Mediation is slated to begin Dec 15-17, 2021. 1st round of mediation is completed and next meeting is slated for early February.

- **Beaver Mines Forcemain & Lift Station**

- The tender packages are ready
- Construction start date is being reviewed and may possibly fall under the scope of the Appeal. This is being reviewed by all parties as well as the Appeals Board.

25 June, 2021 - Draft Approval returned to AEP with signed LOU (Letter of Understanding) which is the legal document that binds us to the conditions of the approval.

13 July, 2021 – Updated Project Forecast presented to Council. Project currently stands at 380k over previous due to protracted AEP Approval, design changes to further address SOC's, legal and commodity cost increases. (3.6% increase in the budget).

21 July, 2021 – Tender closed for Distribution and Collection portion of the project and was awarded to BYZ. As of this report they have already mobilized to site and will commence site prep and surface work – ground breaking will await a decision of the Appeals Board to ensure we are in compliance with the Appeal Process.

24 August, 2021 – Appellants withdraw their request for “a stay” in regards to our construction based upon the proposed build schedule. Where the Force Main and Waste Water Facility will be later in 2022 and 2023, it is felt that there is enough time for the Appeal to run its natural course without impacting our proposed construction schedule. This approach by the Appellants was very much appreciated by the MD.

Our first pre-meeting with the Board was Dec 8th, 2021

Our first Mediated Meeting with the Board and the Appellants is Dec 15th, 2021. (Calgary)

First meeting was held and follow up meeting is slated for February 23, 2022. Meeting with the Board was on Feb 23rd and now we are awaiting the date for round 2 of Mediation.

Tenders are now being prepared and released for some portions of this project so we can proceed with construction this Spring and Summer. This is a multi-month process, so it is hoped our Appeal process will conclude within this timeframe and any direction by the Appeal Board in the manner of additions to our project, can be treated as change orders.

- **Standpipes (Cowley, PC and new site in BM)**

BM Standpipe is fully operation by this meeting – it was interrupted by a break west of Cowley and as part of our water shortage response plan, commercial standpipes need to be turned off to maintain pressure on the transmission lines. Card access should be available shortly. Both overhead and bottom load lines are functional via coin op.

PC Standipe has two weeks of work left to complete – this is being worked on by MPE and the contractor to secure confirmed dates for this work. Should be fully operational by end of March/first week of April.

Cowley interface upgrade has been completed. Coin operated only for now.

The card reader takes three to four weeks to switch on – they are all energized at the sites but this company takes time to set up the back end with our bank to get everything talking to each other. So by April it is our hope that the three card readers will be good to go as well.

Recommendation:

That the Operations report for the period Mar 09, 2021 to Mar 22, 2022 is received as information.

Prepared by: Eric/Roland/Troy

Date: March 16, 2022

Submitted to: Council

Date: March 22, 2022

	DIVISION	LOCATION	APPROACH NUMBER	CONCERN/REQUEST	ASSIGNED TO	ACTION TAKEN	REQUEST DATE	FOLLOW UPDATE	COMPLETION DATE
3004	Division 4	WC Ranches	by Glider Strip	To put in another approach & possible culvert	Jonathan	-	March 31, 2021	will be completed when available, not a priority	-
3138	Division 1	SW4 T4 R29 W4	#29326 TWP4-6	Re wanting to clean ditch for drainage to direct water from his property to drain into the culvert	Jonathan	-	August 30, 2021	Meet with him, might have to wait till spring 2022	-
3178	Division 2	SE25 T5 R30 W4	-	Requested Grader to level his field after fence has been removed.	Eric/John	-	September 20, 2021	Jon has talk to Mick B at the end of October and the work would be schedule in the spring of 2022	-
3221	Division 4	-	-	Rd north past M&H Feedlot im bad shape /re culvert promised	Eric/John	-	November 2, 2021	Road has been graded. Culvert would be extended Spring 2022. Jon talk to him November 05, 2021	-
3228	Division 4	NE20 T8 R29 W4	#8320 RR29-4	Dead End sign knocked down in summer by mowers needs fixing Also has requested RR29-4 be maintained	John/Don	-	November 15 & 17	First call to be submitted March 21st	-
3233	Division 1	SE27 T5 R30 W4	#2012 RR30-1	Permanent snow fence is in bad condition due to the wind	Eric	-	November 29, 2021	On the list to be completed. Lots to be rebuilt. First call has been submitted. Waiting for supplies to come in.	-
3237	Division 4	SW28 T8 R1 W4	#810 RR1-3	Two corner signs blown down botton of Paridaen Hill RR8-4	Eric/Don	-	December 2, 2021	First call to be submitted March 21st	-
3247	Lundbreck	21 Oakley Drive	(1st Street)	Yield sign knocked down, removed and not replaced Needs to be put back up	Eric	-	December 15.	First call to be submitted March 21st	-
3249	Division 3	NW9 T6 R30 W4	#6217	House sign is down & also further down sign at Texas gate	John/Don	-	December 16, 2021	First call to be submitted March 21st	-
2022-49	Division 3	Lundbreck Hall	-	Water accumulating south side of building	-	-	January 12, 2022	Will need to check in spring	-
2022-58	Division 1	SE19 3 29 W4	RR 29-5	Old Snow Fence falling/inquiring about rebuild	-	-	January 26, 2022	Old snow fence have been cleaned up. First call has been submitted for the rebuild.	-
2022-65	Division 5	SW36 9 3 W5	-	Fence Posts broken and wire down	John/Tony	-	February 9, 2022	Moved to spring 2022	-
2022-66	Division 4	NW25-8-1-W5	8428	Fence Posts broken and wire down	John/Tony	-	February 10, 2022	Moved to spring 2022	-
2022-71	Division 5	Willow Valley	9309	Snow moved in driveway	Dave S	Complete	March 1, 2022	Dave informed	March 3, 2022
2022-72	Division 3	Buckhorn	5418	Request Driveway Plowed	Glen S	Complete	March 4, 2022	Glen Informed	March 4, 2022
2022-73	Division 3	Gladstone		Would like to have potholes filled / Solution to Gladstone	Eric		February 23, 2022	Read On Road spray patching truck schedule for Tuesday March 22nd	-
2022-74	Division 5	Burmis Mtn	-	Drift over his fence, Neighbors dog are coming in. Requested help to remove drift.	Tony N	Complete	March 7, 2022	Tony N to meet with Rob March 7 afternoon, would bring loader as soon as available	March 11, 2022
2022-75	Lundbreck	313 Wood Ave	-	Water Meter leaking	Randy M	-	March 8, 2022	Plumber was called and has been repaired	March 10, 2022
2022-76	Division 5	SW8-8-2-W5	2412	Request Driveway Plowed	Dave S	-	March 8, 2022	Snow Removal Form Received. Completed by Neighbour	-
2022-77	Division 3	Alberta Ranch		Road needs plowing	Shawn D	Complete	March 8, 2022	Shawn D informed - Rate Payer Called to confirm	March 9, 2022
2022-78	Division 3	Beaver Mines	206	4 Street needs clearing	Joey G	Complete	March 8, 2022	Joh J cleared Beaver Mines	March 9, 2022
2022-79	Division 5	N Fischer Bridge		RR 2-1A be plowed	Brad B	Complete	March 8, 2022	Brad informed	March 9, 2022
2022-80	Division 3	Airport		Inquiring if Airport was plowed	Joey & Bob	Complete	March 9, 2022	Bob & Joey Informed	March 9, 2022
2022-81	Division 1	RR 30-0	-	Asking that Brian backs into driveway to push road	Brian L	Complete	March 9, 2022	Brian Informed	March 9, 2022
2022-82	Lundbreck	Hamilton Ave	401	Requested Snowbank cleared - Person with Disability	Joh & Don	Complete	March 9, 2022	Don & Joh Informed	March 9, 2022
2022-83	Division 3	RR 2-1	-	Requested Road be done to the end - Nearly Impassable	Glen S	Complete	March 9, 2022	Glen Informed	March 9, 2022
2022-84	Division 1	NE9-4-29-W4	4118	RR 29-3	Brian L	Complete	March 8, 2022	Brian Informed	March 10, 2022
2022-85	Division 5	SE16-8-2-W5		Requested Road be done	Dave S	Complete	March 9, 2022	Dave had just completed before call came in	March 9, 2022

	DIVISION	LOCATION	APPROACH NUMBER	CONCERN/REQUEST	ASSIGNED TO	ACTION TAKEN	REQUEST DATE	FOLLOW UPDATE	COMPLETION DATE
2022-86	Division 1	SW9-5-30-W4	-	Requested Road be done - West Kerr Rd.	Brian L	Complete	March 9, 2022	Brian Informed	March 9, 2022
2022-87	Multiple	Multiple	-	Old Shell & Terpstra	Kent/Brian	Complete	March 10, 2022	Kent & Brian Informed	March 10, 2022
2022-88	Division 1	Myers Corner	-	Wondering why Grader stop at Myers corner and havent went toward waterton colony on TWR 4-0	Eric	-	March 10, 2022	TWR 4-0 past Myers corner is a priority 2 and would be completed in next couple days	March 11, 2021
2022-89	Division 1	SE9-29-4-W5	-	RQ operator to snow plow bridge and closer to catlle guard	Eric/Brian	Complete	March 10, 2022	-	March 14, 2022
2022-90	Division 1	RR 30-1	-	Inquiring when RR 30-1 would be cleared, Infomred it would happen after priority 1 roads	Brian L	Complete	March 9, 2022	Brian Informed	March 10, 2022
2022-91	Lundbreck	Robinson Ave	107	Greywater Backup	Randy M	Complete	March 10, 2022	Randy Infomred - He has called Roto Rooter to get camera to see blockage	March 10, 2022
2022-92	Division 1	SW9-5-30-W4		Complaint about snow plowing on West Kerr Corners	Brian L	Complete	March 11, 2022	Brian Informed	March 14, 2022
2022-93	Division 4	NE23-8-1-W5	TWP 8-4	Culvert Plugged - Ran over road Sunday	John	Complete	March 14, 2022	Jon has gone to assess the job	March 14, 2022
2022-94	Division 1	RR 30-0	4218	Complaint about drifts on RR 30-0, South of Shell Plant	Brian L	Complete	March 14, 2022	Brian Informed	March 14, 2022
2022-95	Division 3	Twp Rd 6-3 East of Hwy 507	-	Water tracking on road	Tony T	Complete	March 14, 2022	Tony T Informed	March 15, 2022
2022-96	Division 3	PC Colony	-	Colony Road Washing out - Runoff	Tony T	Complete	March 15, 2022	-	March 15, 2022
			Indicates Completed						
			Indicates Defered to Spring						
			indicates On the To Do List						

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

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Mar. 09 – Mar. 22, 2022

Discussion:

Mar. 09	Covid-19 Update for Municipalities with Mun. Affairs (Chief Medical Officer) Post Council items with SMT Prelim meeting with IBI - Broadband Joint Health and Safety Meeting
Mar 10	Staff Meeting – In Person Affordable Housing Needs Assessment EV (electric vehicle) update from MCCAC Consultant Special Council Meeting – Code of Conduct Complaint
Mar 11	Onboarding and Project review with D. Desabrais Airport Terms of Reference Meeting
Mar 14	SMT (Senior Mgmt Team) Meeting Water Plant Meeting with PW Super and Water Operator Lundbreck Citizen Meeting with Cllr MacGarva and PW Super
Mar 15	MCCAC Candidate review with Town and Project Lead Intro Meeting with IBI Team and IT Specialist and D. Desabrais Special Meeting – Environmental Appeal Mediation
Mar 16	Land Purchase Finalization with Banner, BOA and Brownlee Changes to Airport TOR
Mar 17	Council Prep Project review with Leo Reedyk and David Desabrais
Mar 18	Airport Governance Meeting with Regional Cao's
Mar 21	SMT (Senior Mgmt Team) Meeting ARMAA Div 1 Meeting – Lethbridge Interviews begin for MCCAC Candidate
Mar 22	Committee and Council Meetings

Numerous other meetings throughout this period to address any issues or tasks from the Mar 08 meeting.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council receive for information, the Chief Administrative Officer's report for the period Mar. 09, 2021 – Mar. 22, 2022.

Prepared by: Troy MacCulloch, CAO

Date: Mar. 17, 2022

Respectfully presented to: Council

Date: Mar. 22, 2022

Letters from last Council:

Ag roof donation

Tax Penalty waiver denial

Advertising/social:

Update to eco station/water standpipe

Pincher Creek energy & emissions series quiz

Volunteer Luncheon

Advertising for Public Hearing

2022 Gravel Tender

Summer student applications

Notice of Special meeting – March 10

Notification of Special meeting – March 15

Economic Developers Association Photo for 2022

Ukraine flag at MD office

Upcoming Meetings of Importance:

Mar. 23 Landfill AGM – Cowley
RCMP Citizen Townhall Meeting – Lundbreck with CNP Detachment

Mar. 24 ORRSC Orientation for Councillors – Lethbridge

Mar. 30 Joint Council

From: [Shelley Stokke](#)
To: [MDInfo](#)
Subject: Pincher Creek Ranch Rodeo (The Cowboy Show)
Date: March 11, 2022 11:18:47 AM
Attachments: [THE COWBOY SHOW Sponsorship Letter.docx](#)

Good Morning:

I represent the Pincher Creek Ranch Rodeo (The Cowboy Show). As a Committee member we are very excited to be planning our event again this year. Last year we had a record amount attendance, and looking forward to the same this year.

I am sending this email asking for \$1000.00 cash sponsorship from the MD to help pay for prizes we give out for our event.

Attached is our sponsorship letter with all of the information regarding The Cowboy Show. Please email me or call me if you have any questions.

Looking forward to hearing back from you,
Shelley

Shelley Stokke

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Pincher Creek, AB T0K 1W0**

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*THE COWBOY SHOW
PINCHER CREEK, AB*

THE COWBOY SHOW hosted by the Pincher Creek Ag Society, **June 17th & 18th, 2022**. The focus of our event is to provide a venue to display the traditions and craftsmanship of the working cowboy. Our goal is to offer our audience with an entertaining and educational weekend and our cowboys with a top quality competition to compete in.

*Ranch Horse Competition on Saturday which gives our competitors, who are some of the top horse trainers and Cowboys in Canada, an opportunity to show the true bond between a cowboy and his horse by maneuvering through a ranch style obstacle course as well as roping an animal and showing their control of that animal as if in a doctoring situation on a ranch.

*This is followed by our Buckwild event on Saturday evening, this is a traditional ranch saddle bronc riding with a \$5000 cash prize payout, it draws Cowboys from Canada and the US and is a real crowd favorite. We are proud to have our bronc riding as part of the Bronc Star Tour, which includes two other Canadian venues.

*Sunday we host the ranch rodeo. This event consists of five man teams. We have teams that travel in from across Alberta, BC, and Saskatchewan. Pincher Creek was the first community in Canada to host such an event and currently has the longest running ranch rodeo of this type. In addition, we host a trade show all weekend featuring some of Alberta's finest western artisans, a beer gardens, live cowboy music, concessions, saddle raffle, silent auction and a supper both nights.

We are very proud of the growth our event has seen over the past several years, it is very well attended by our local community and has become a destination weekend by people from all over western Canada.

This letter is presented to you as a request for sponsorship for the Cowboy Show weekend. Your logo will go in our programs, a provided business banner will be hung in the arena, sponsors will be listed on our Facebook page as well as announced repeatedly throughout the weekend.

We hope you will take our request into consideration. If you have any questions or require more information please call Shelley Stokke.

1-403-624-4334

Email sstokke4@gmail.com

Sponsorship for this event can be directed to:

Shelley Stokke

Box 2046 Pincher Creek, AB T0K 1W0

Please make cheque's payable to the PC Ag Society, e-transfer is available upon request.

We invite you to attend the Cowboy Show and experience what we have to offer first hand, this is a family event and has free admission, we hope to see you there! To stay on top of the Cowboy Shows events and news please follow along with us on Facebook, The Cowboy Show/Pincher Creek Ranch Rodeo or check out our website @

<http://pinchercreekranchrodeo.ca>

Sincerely

The Cowboy Show Committee



MD of Pincher Creek No. 9 Resolution for Economic Development Week

Resolution

WHEREAS, the International Economic Development Council is the largest professional economic development organization dedicated to serving economic developers; and

WHEREAS, for almost 50 years, Economic Developers Alberta has been Alberta's leading economic development network, committed to advancing the economic development profession by providing resources, professional development and networking opportunities; and

WHEREAS, economic developers promote economic well-being and quality of life for their communities by creating, retaining, and expanding jobs that facilitate growth, enhance wealth, and provide a stable tax base; and

WHEREAS, economic developers stimulate and incubate entrepreneurship in order to help establish the next generation of new businesses, which is the hallmark of Alberta's economy; and

WHEREAS, economic developers are engaged in a wide variety of settings including rural and urban, local, state, provincial, and federal governments, public-private partnerships, chambers of commerce, universities, and a variety of other institutions; and

WHEREAS, economic developers attract and retain high-quality jobs, develop vibrant communities, and improve the quality of life in their regions; and

WHEREAS, economic developers work in the Municipal District of Pincher Creek and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Reeve does hereby recognize May 9-13, 2022 as "Economic Development Week" in the MD of Pincher Creek, and remind individuals of the importance of this community celebration which supports the expansion of career opportunities and improving quality of life.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor is authorized and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Economic Developers Alberta in support of these provincial celebrations.

Reeve Richard D. Lemire



*Pincher Creek Airport - CZPC and Fire Base
Augmented Photo and credits unconfirmed*



January 2022

Grant Specialist report for general circulation.

Spent quite a bit of time this month working with Town of Pincher Creek staff, including LaVonne on an application to Tree Canada to replace some trees around town and some new trees for the Early Learning Centres. We applied last year but due to Covid their funds were re-allocated and although we got through to the final round we missed out. Fingers crossed this year will be different.

With advice from the Alberta Historic Resources Foundation, we were encouraged to apply for the full \$50K available for the replacement of the Lebel balcony. As the AHRF are working at about 30% of their capacity I am hoping we will receive at least \$20k. Wendy and the other Town staff were very helpful and efficient with getting the required documentation to me so that I could put the application together in plenty of time. I really enjoy Heritage or Historical type applications.

Allied Arts are very active right now with a number of projects that were stalled by Covid coming back around, so we are actively looking for funders to get some of these exciting projects underway.

SASCI is working with Rotary to try and find a way to move the Apple Tree project forward. We have generated quite a bit of interest from funders, so we need to get the project to a place where we can start asking for contributions.

Please let me know if you would like any clarification on any of the points in this report.

Fast Facts

Total Applications made since May 2018	Funding received to date (This is money in the bank for organizations)	Funding outstanding. (This is applications made, but yet to have responses from funders)
\$ 5,996,727.00	\$ 1,605,406.00	\$ 1,010,183.00

We appreciate your support.

Liza Dawber

Pincher Creek Community Grant Specialist – Grants@pccdi.ca or 403-682-7421

From: David McIntyre <ravensview@toughcountry.net>

Sent: March 11, 2022 3:56 PM

To: themayor@calgary.ca; legislativeservices@highriver.ca; mayor@lethbridge.ca

Cc: Troy MacCulloch <AdminCAO@mdpincercreek.ab.ca>; MD of Ranchland Acting CAO Kathy Wiebe <cao@ranchland66.com>

Subject: Eastern Slopes watershed values—the view from Crowsnest Pass

Dear Mayors of Calgary, Lethbridge, and High River,

(Please note copies to the CAOs of the MD of Pincher Creek and the MD of Ranchland.)

Media coverage of controversial coal mine proposals has given the appearance that virtually all Crowsnest Pass residents support new coal mines. I know this isn't true.

Certainly, the elected mayor and council from Crowsnest Pass have stood by a pro-coal vision. This noted, it's my firm belief that the populace not supporting this vision is intimidated and, in a community where neighbours know neighbours, views counter to coal-is-king thinking often pay a steep price by revealing their views. The price: flattened tires, smashed windshields, and more.

I, a victim of this form of retaliation, have, while weathering the storm, tried to maintain a public voice in the community. I've done this for several reasons, perhaps the prime two being to provide the media with more than one-sided reporting, and to give intimidated residents—as well as pro-coal proponents—an alternate vision.

The attached is a letter to the editor as sent today to The Crowsnest Pass Herald and Shootin' the Breeze (two weekly newspapers with distribution in Crowsnest Pass and Pincher Creek), provides a snapshot of my vision. I expect my letter to be published.

Sincerely,
David McIntyre
Box 309
Crowsnest Pass, AB T0K 0C0
403-564-4289

My letter to the editor:

Coming home

I fell in love with greater Crowsnest Pass, my beloved home, the second I saw it. Still wearing the grit of its black years, the community, while wounded, lay cradled between spectacular mountain ranges and looked up to a sublime—one of a kind—quintessential power peak.

Rain washed away the grit and grime, and sunlight exposed a land of beauty and intrigue. I looked out at ten thousand years of captivating human history framed within a sea of thrust-faulted mountains. I was exposed to the wealth and worth of head-turning Rocky Mountain peaks, picturesque waterfalls, rising trout, and hidden springs.

I stepped into this scene wanting to walk into the lure of dark shadows and, in sunlight, be part of the community's commitment to embrace—and profit from—the haunting allure of its tragic past. I wanted, too, to see Crowsnest Pass step up to redefine itself and, in the process, preserve its headwaters virtue while gaining long-range economic benefit.

My love affair with this land and its people, now decades old, has been laden with loss. I've watched the needless destruction of public lands, weathered wildfires and floods, and witnessed a litany of injustices. I've looked on as the community, stumbling, tried to find its future in its past.

Today, as the world, off-balance, spins in disarray, and discordant voices tend to shatter visions of hope and harmony, we, ironically, may have have our best chance to set things right.

Many communities face economic hardship. Precious few are blessed with the profound wealth of natural capital that makes Crowsnest Pass a winning—quality of life—treasure on the world stage.

The people of Crowsnest Pass have an opportunity, perhaps now more than ever, to take a fresh look at their world-renowned, Crown of the Continent landscape, its troubled past and present, and set a course toward a more just, equitable, and sustainable future.

The work leading to the realization of this lofty goal will be hard. It will be infuriating and heart-rending, but it will also be inspiring. It can also be profoundly rewarding, empowering, flavoured in fun, fortified with optimism and good cheer.

If we do it right, we can come home to a place we've never been before.

Sent from my iPad



**Alberta
Energy
Regulator**

Liability Management Framework

Directive 088: Licensee Life-Cycle Management

General Stakeholders

February 3, 2022

Presentation Overview

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Liability
Management
Framework &
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Directive 088:
Licensee
Life-Cycle
Management

- ✓ *Holistic Licensee Assessment*
- ✓ *Inventory Reduction Program*
- ✓ *Licensee Management*
- ✓ *Licence Transfers*
- ✓ *Security Framework*

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Where to
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Next Steps





Liability Management Framework & Policy

LMF Strategic Overview

Strategic Goal

To mitigate the magnitude and likelihood of potential liability exposure to Albertans.

Vision

A holistic, lifecycle approach to liability management that encourages proactive liability reduction through timely closure work.

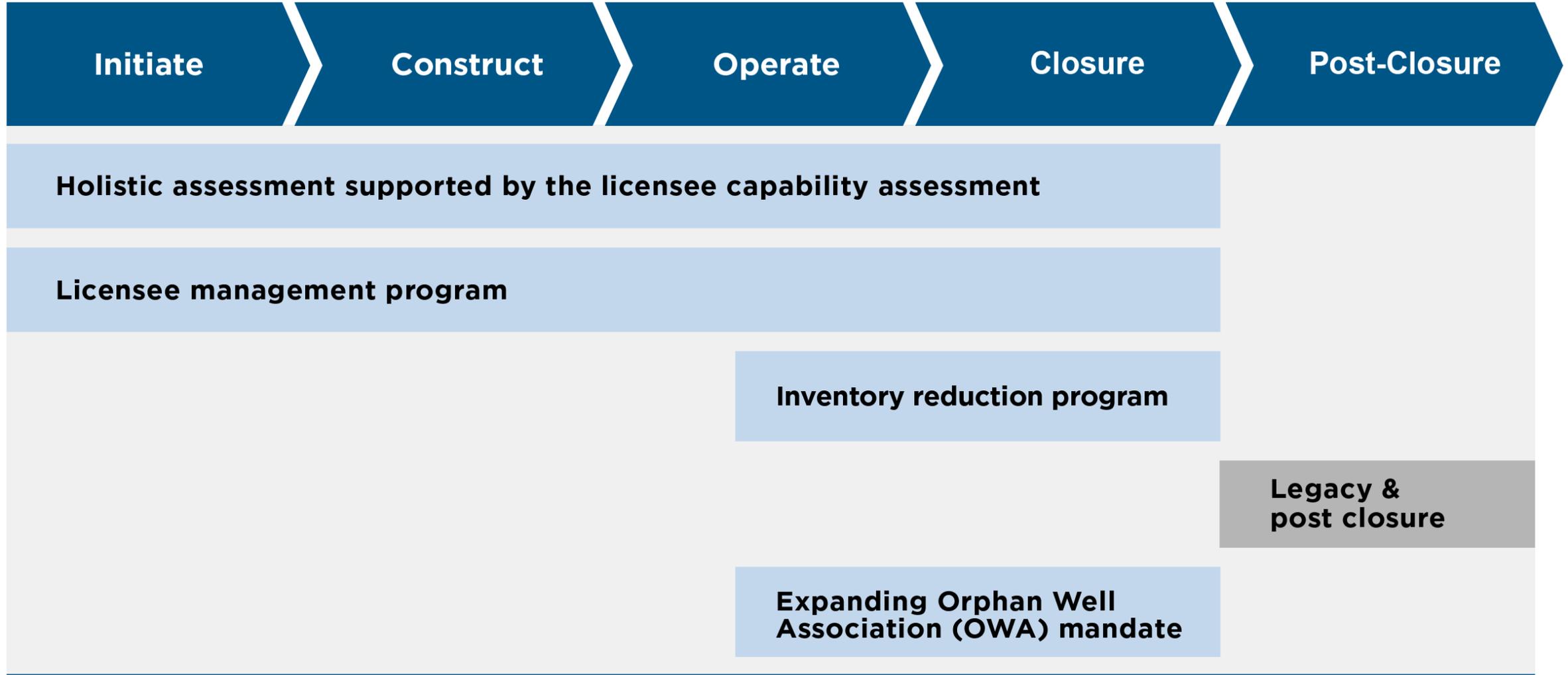
Outcomes

- Licensees actively reduce energy development liability throughout the lifecycle
- Licensees conduct timely closure work
- Licensees maintain their capability to ensure they manage and maximize their current and future assets
- Appropriate mitigation strategies are applied when licensees are not able or willing to conduct timely closure work

Guiding Principles

- Regulatory decisions are proactively driven through the holistic licensee assessment
- The AER focuses on activities and licensees that have the greatest impact on reducing liability
- Public safety and the environment is a key focus when working with financially distressed licensees
- Industry retains the liability for energy development

New Liability Management Framework



A row of yellow and green exercise machines, possibly treadmills or ellipticals, in an outdoor gym setting. The machines are arranged in a line, and the background shows a clear blue sky with scattered white clouds. The foreground is filled with dry, brown grass.

Directive 088: Licensee Life-Cycle Management

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Manual 023: Licensee Life-Cycle Management



Enable **Holistic Assessment** to Support Regulatory Decisions

- Provides details on the multifactor approach - *Section 4.5 D067: Unreasonable Risks*
- Licensee capability assessment
- Any other factor appropriate in the circumstance



Proactive Licensee Management

- Use of engagement or appropriate regulatory tools or compliance assurance activity



Requirements for **Inventory Reduction Program**

- Overview of closure spend targets
- Eligible closure spends
- Reporting and compliance



Transfer Process Alignment with Liability Management Framework

- Holistic licensee assessment for transfers applications.
- Identifies factors that require further scrutiny
- Submission, review and decision



Redefine Factors Influencing **Security Deposits and Refunds**

- Using the holistic licensee assessment for security determination, calculation and refund

Licensee Liability Rating (LLR) Program

Moving Away from Liability Management Rating (LMR)

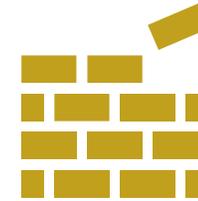


Holistic assessment in Directive 088 will replace the use of LMR for license transfer and security collection as outlined in Directive 006



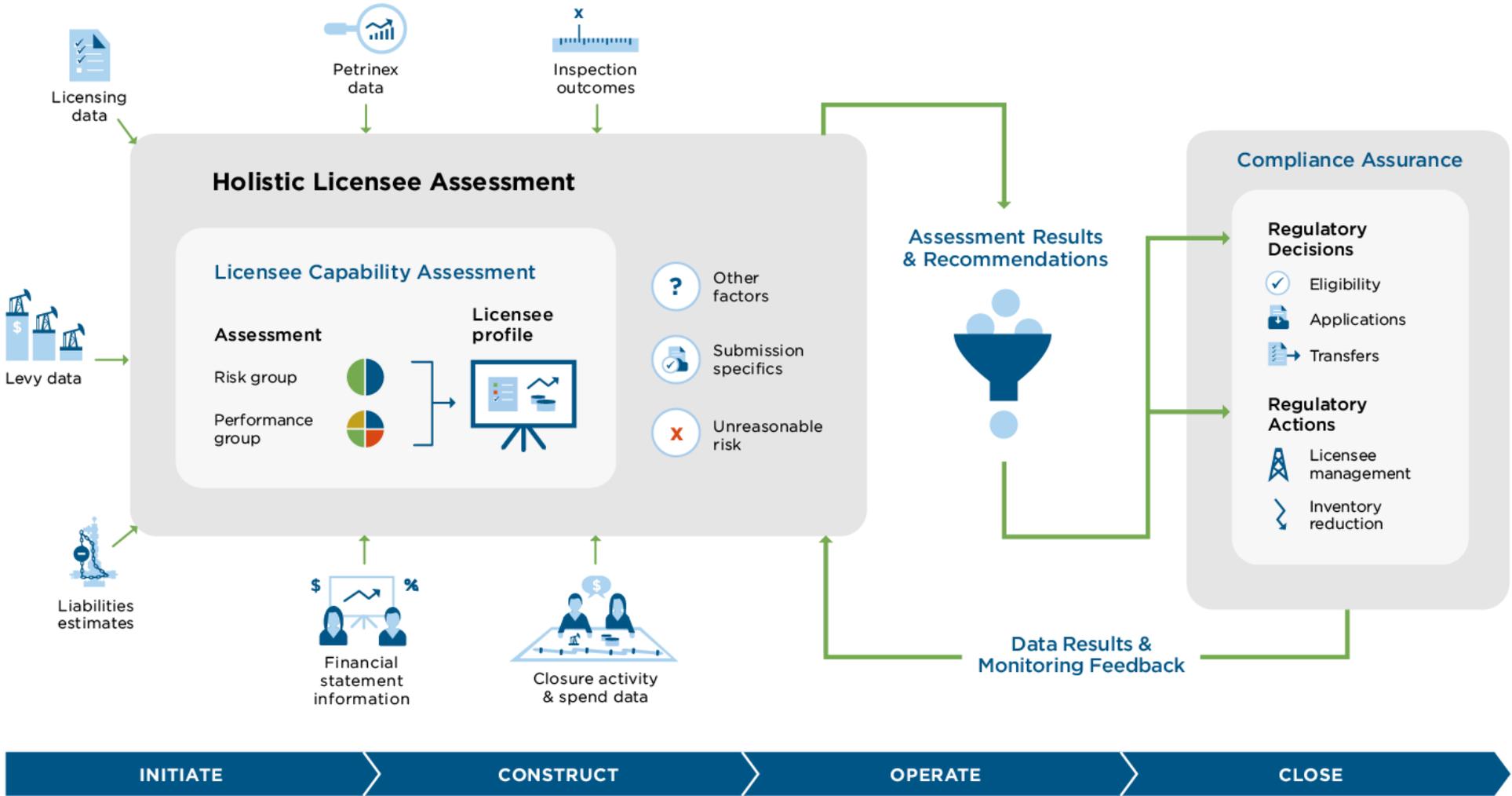
LMR will continue to be used as outlined in the updated Directive 006 and will remain in effect for:

- *Directive 001*
- *Directive 011*
- *Directive 024*
- *Directive 075*



Directive 088 will be expanded in the future as we move away from the LLR program and use of LMR as outlined in Directive 006

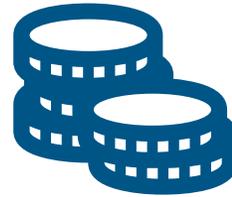
Holistic Licensee Assessment



Eligibility Requirements for Licensees



Revisions increase scrutiny and ensures eligibility is **granted to and maintained** by responsible parties



Companies must provide financial information annually, and as required by the Regulator



Identification of additional unreasonable risks for obtaining and maintaining licence eligibility

- *Additional criteria*
- *Resolve outstanding noncompliances*
- *Major changes in information or arrangements (e.g. Working Interest Participants [WIPs])*

Licensee Management

Proactively Monitoring Licensees



- Supports the responsible management of energy development



- Use results from the holistic assessment to identify licensees that are at greater risk of not meeting their obligations



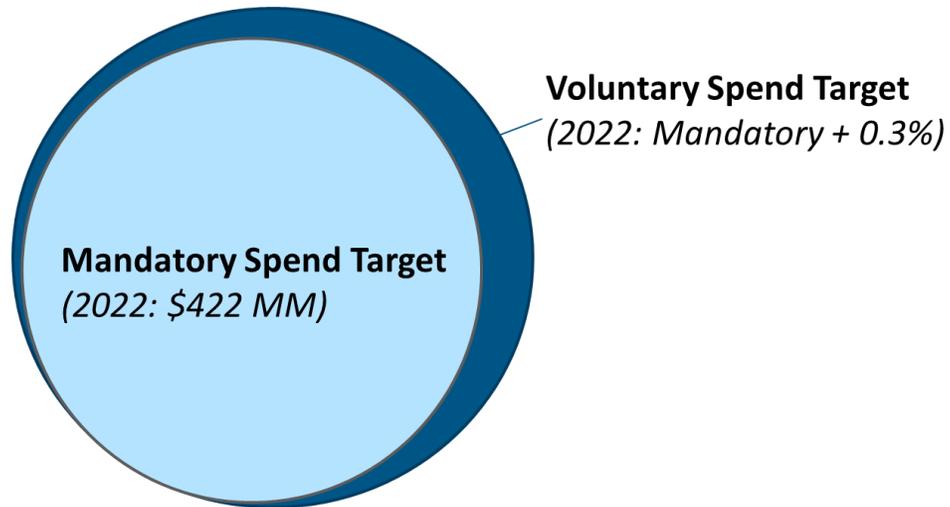
- We will tailor our actions taken with individual companies, which can range from providing education to taking enforcement action



- More information will be provided throughout 2022 as the program evolves

Inventory Reduction Program

Mandatory Closure Spend Targets



- Licensees with inactive liability receive a mandatory closure spend target as a minimum requirement



- Voluntary target includes regulatory incentives



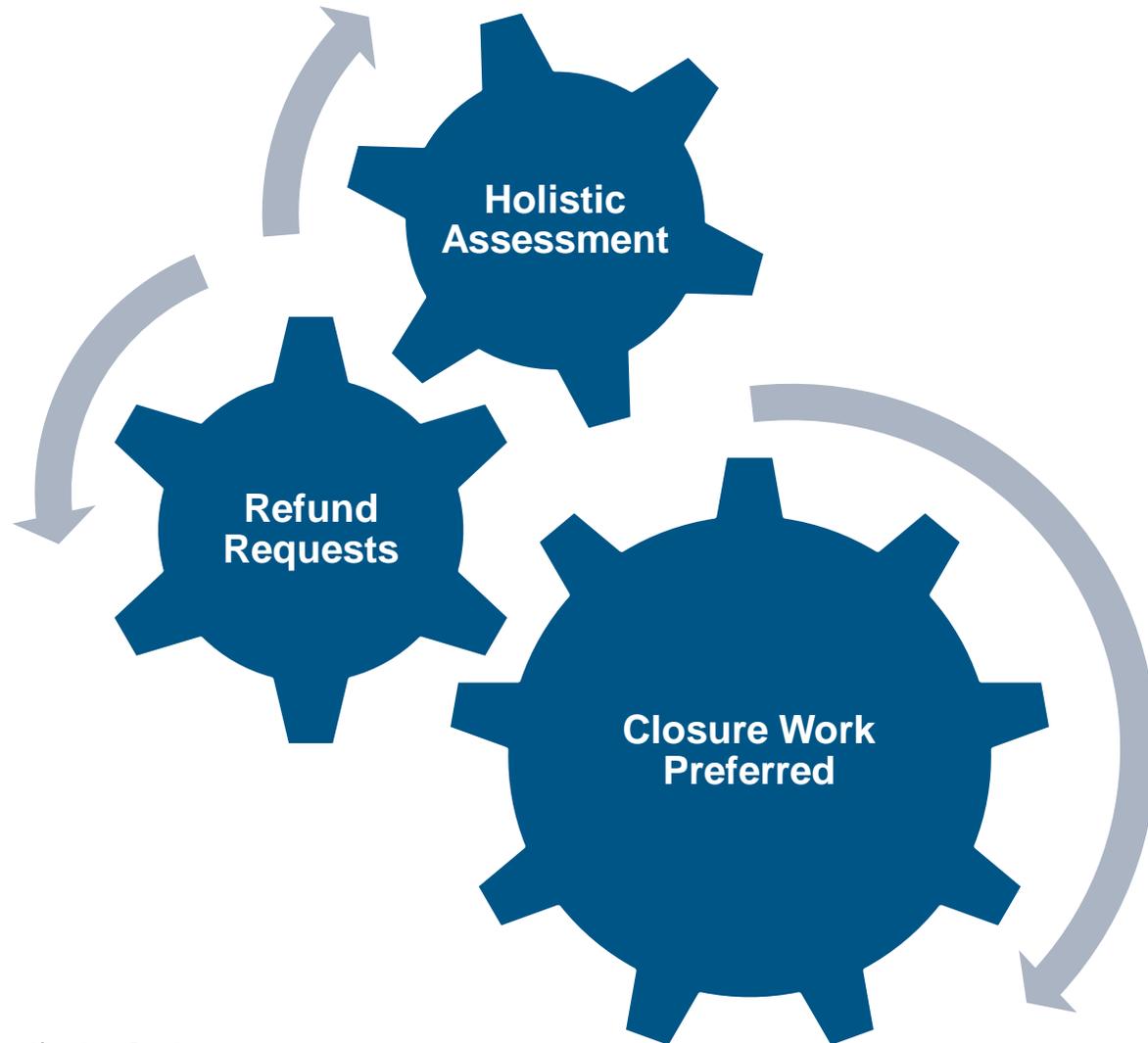
- Target calculations takes into consideration Licensee Capability Assessment data



- A variety of tools will be used to manage noncompliance to the target

Security Framework

Security Determination and Refunds

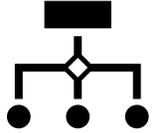


- **Holistic assessment** of the licensee determines the need for security and the amount of security requested
 - *Licensee capability assessment factors support the determination*
- **Refund requests** will trigger a holistic assessment of the licensee
 - *Refund process is described in Directive 068*
- **Closure work** to reduce liabilities is preferred over securitization

Next Steps



Next Steps



- Implementation of the new requirements for the oil and gas sector. The holistic assessment will be extended to apply to all regulatory decisions across the lifecycle



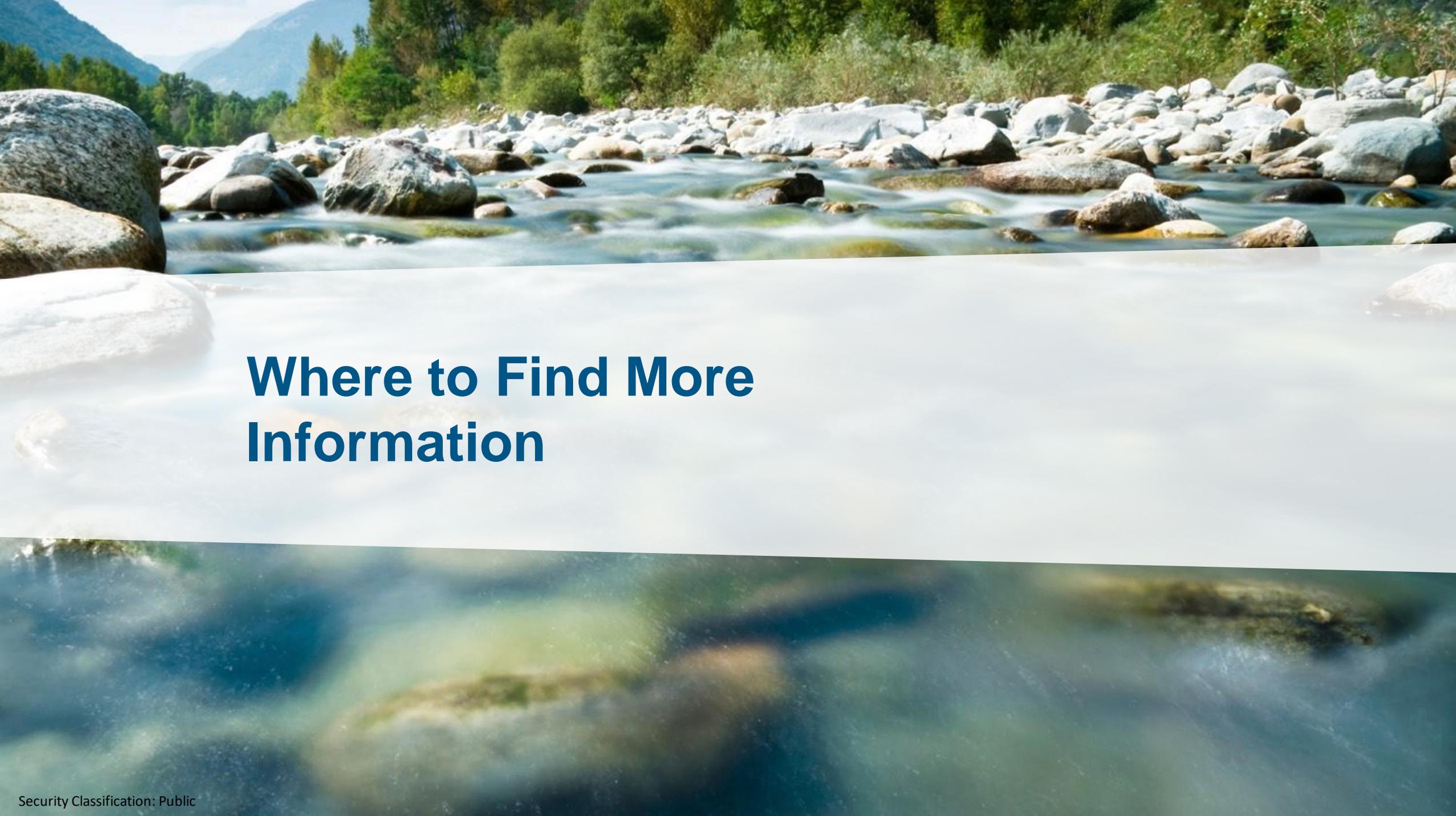
- Next phase of replacing the licensee liability rating (LLR) program and liability management rating (LMR)



- Further development of the licensee management program and an 'opt-in' program to nominate sites for closure



- Applying the liability management framework to other sectors the AER regulates

A scenic view of a river flowing through a rocky landscape. The river is clear and fast-moving, with white water rapids. The banks are covered in large, smooth, light-colored rocks. In the background, there are green mountains and dense forest. The overall scene is bright and natural.

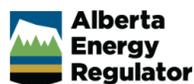
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Directive 088 & Manual 023



Directive 088 & Manual 023 can be found on www.aer.ca, under **Regulating Development > Rules and Directives**



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Liability Management Framework



Our **Liability Management Framework (LMF)** page can be found under **Providing Information > By Topic > Liability Management**



The LMF page has all the latest information and links to the programs introduced by D088



More information on D088 and LMF can be found on YouTube: [Liability Management – A new holistic approach](#)



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Thank You

Q & A

LMF Program: *D088* General Stakeholder Information Session

February 3, 2022

Questions and answers from the stakeholder session on February 3 were grouped into the following 7 themes:

[General & Miscellaneous](#)

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General and Miscellaneous

Q1. Will you be providing us with a copy of this presentation and slides?

A1. Yes, all information provided at this session will be made available via our [website](#) and [YouTube](#).

Q2. During the presentation, you said industry liability was one of the top three risks facing the AER – what are the other two top risks?

A2. The AER has specific strategic priorities. More information about the AER Strategic Plan can be found on the [website](#).

Q3. Will the AER conduct a yearly assessment with municipalities to assess tax liabilities?

A3. The AER may request information from companies on unpaid municipal taxes when determining if they are eligible to hold a licence. The AER does not have the jurisdiction to collect unpaid municipal taxes or implement compliance or enforcement actions related to unpaid municipal taxes.

Q4. Why did the new rules not obligate the Orphan Well Association to build a reserve to handle future obligations?

A4. The [Oil and Gas Conservation Rules](#) established that the annual orphan levy, collected from industry, will fund the [Orphan Well Association](#) (OWA) activities that are carried out within that fiscal year. The new Liability Management [Framework](#) policy direction from the Government of Alberta, and the [Pipeline Rules](#) that were drafted to enable the direction, did not change how the OWA is funded.

Q5. Are licensees permitted to engage in businesses other than oil and gas? If yes, how does the “Holistic assessment” consider the assets and liabilities inherent to the non-oil and gas businesses?

A5. Licensees are permitted to engage in business other than oil and gas. While the overall holistic licensee assessment is intended for oil and gas, the financial risk assessment does take into consideration the operations of the entity as a whole. This includes operations outside of Alberta and activities outside of oil and gas.

Q6. My understanding from the presentation is that if we have a site on our land that we would like to have closed, we need to ask the operator to consider it, not AER. Is that correct? We already nominated the site under the Site Rehabilitation Program. Will that have any impact on having the operator consider closing this site?

A6. The closure opt-in program, which will enable sites to be nominate for closure, is currently under development. It will be similar to the Government of Alberta’s [Site Rehabilitation Program](#). Eligible requestors will be able to nominate sites based on criteria defined in Section 3.016(2) of the [Oil & Gas Conservation Rules](#). Eligible sites nominated under the SRP that meet the criteria outlined in the Oil & Gas Conservation Rules Section 3.016(1)

will be transferred over to the AER for further assessment and consideration under the closure opt-in program.

More information will be shared as this program is implemented closer to Fall, 2022.

Q7. Is there a mandatory closure date guideline for historic/abandoned/long time inactive sites?

A7. There are no requirements or timelines for closing a particular type of site; the mandatory spend target includes any closure work on inactive and abandoned licensed sites a licensee wants to undertake. Further information on eligible closure spends can be found in Section 3.5 of [Manual 023](#).

Security

Q8. Who holds security deposits?

A8. The AER holds deposits in the form of cash and letters of credit. They are held in trust for licensees. The Royal Bank of Canada provides a monthly account statement to each licensee that has paid a cash security deposit to us.

Q9. Why is it that the licensee does not pay security for the well up front so that when profits decline, the public does not pay?

A9. The collection of upfront security is not part of the policy direction set by the Government of Alberta. We prefer companies conduct regular, proactive closure work instead of providing security upfront and the new Liability Management Framework supports this approach. The AER will continue to use security as a regulatory tool to mitigate the risks of licensees not being able to meet their regulatory and liability obligations as required.

Q10. What are the conditions where will security deposits be required? Will licence transfer requests be denied?

A10. Security is assessed at the time of application based on the holistic licensee assessment of the transferor and transferee. Notification of security as a condition of approval will be provided to the applicant(s). The decision to meet conditions of approval would lie with the applicant(s). If the applicant does not meet the conditions of approval, which may include the

requirement to provide a security deposit, the application would be closed as incomplete. License Transfers, like all other applications, can be denied per their parent regulations.

Liability Estimates/ Liability Management Rating and Reporting

Q11. How does AER determine the liability estimate? Does it use only input from the company transferring? Is there any review by third party?

A11. Liability estimates currently use information from [Directive 011](#) and from [Directive 001](#) for site specific liability assessments (SSLAs). We know the information in Directive 011 is not up to date. The information submitted by licensees regarding the mandatory closure spend targets will support the eventual update of these estimates.

Q12. Will Directive 11 be a continued part of the liability management landscape? If yes, then when will the costs be updated?

A12. Yes, [Directive 011](#) will continue to be used in the calculation of liability for now. We know the costs included in D011 are out of date. The information licensees submit to OneStop pertaining to their mandatory closure spend targets will enable AER to collect better data for updating those costs in the future.

Q13. When is Liability Management Rating and Reporting (LLR/LMR) expected to be phased out?

A13. We are taking a phased approach to this work. In phase one, transfer requirements were moved from [Directive 006](#) to [Directive 088](#). Future work will be undertaken over the next 2+ years to fully replace the [LLR](#) program and use of [LMR](#). We will share more information on the website as it becomes available.

Closure Spend Targets

Q14. How does the process work when the operator and current licensee of a well are different? Is the spend target based on the licensee?

A14. The mandatory spend target applies to the licensee, not operator. We don't regulate operator agreements.

Q15. How was the 2022 Mandatory Closure Spend Target of \$422 million calculated? How will the Mandatory Closure Spend Targets be calculated for future years? Will AER release the methodology for how targets are calculated?

A15. The industry mandatory closure spend targets are based on historical estimates of closure spend rates and AER estimates of liability.

We are looking at providing more detail on how the target is calculated in future updates to [Manual 023](#).

Q16. What is the process for licensees that do not meet their spend target? How will spending above the mandatory spend target in a given year be considered as a part of a licensee's overall compliance?

A16. Licensees are considered non-compliant if they do not meet their mandatory or voluntary target (if elected) each year. Spending over the mandatory target will not be carried forward to future years; however, total liability will be reduced, affecting future mandatory spend targets.

Q17. Are there any restrictions to the sites a licensee can conduct closure activities on to meet their mandatory or voluntary targets? For example, we have one active site and two abandoned well sites which the AER is currently holding a deposit on. We do closure work on other sites licensed by the AER as they are retired. Will closure on these sites count towards our required spend?

A17. As outlined in sec. 3.5 of [Manual 23](#), closure spend on inactive and abandoned sites as well as active sites that become abandoned will count toward a spend target. Closure spend on sites that remain active will not.

Q18. Can you confirm that only spend against facilities with a D056 licence are counted towards a licensee's spend?

A18. Mandatory closure spend targets are based on licenced infrastructure; therefore, only closure activities conducted on licenced wells, facilities and pipelines count towards the spend target.

Q19. How will spend targets be managed when assets are transferred from one licensee to another over the course of a given year?

A19. Mandatory closure spend targets are calculated once annually and will not be adjusted. The impact of transfers will factor into compliance assurance and the following year's target. It is important to note that spend on a licence must be submitted to [OneStop](#) prior to it being transferred. The [OneStop](#) system and [Inventory Reduction Program](#) will not accept spend submitted on a licence held by another company.

Q20. Why are Site Rehabilitation Program grants not applicable towards a licensee's mandatory spend target?

A20. Only the licensee-funded portion of closure work for a [Site Rehabilitation Program](#) (SRP) grant counts toward a licensee's mandatory spend target. The government-funded portion does not. The mandatory closure spend target is a minimum requirement intended to increase the amount of closure work occurring in the province. The targets are based on historical industry closure rates and were designed to maximize closure activity while remaining achievable for licensees. Allowing the government-funded portion to count towards the mandatory spend target would contradict the principles of the inventory reduction program.

Eligibility

Q21. Under the current system, companies that have a poor LMR rating have started new companies and drilled new wells under the new company's name and rating. How will Directive 88 address this problem?

A21. Licensees must maintain eligibility requirements outlined in [Directive 067](#). *Directive 067* was updated in April 2021 to add additional requirements and includes factors that are considered in determining unreasonable risk. These include compliance history, outstanding compliance of current/former licensees, directors, and shareholders. The holistic assessment considers any unreasonable risks as outlined in *D067* in its assessment of a licensee.

Transfers

Q22. In situations where one company plans to transfer licenses to another company to use for a purpose other than oil & gas:

- **What are the rights of the landowner in such a situation?**

A22. Landowners can make [statements of concern](#) on any application they feel they are directly and adversely affected by

- **What are the legal obligations to notify the landowner of the transfer?**

The AER posts all transfer applications on [Public Notice of Application](#). Neither the AER nor companies have a regulatory obligation to notify landowners of a transfer application under review.

- **What avenue can a landowner use to object to such a transaction and protect their rights?**

The [Surface Rights Act](#) applies for oil and gas development. Landowners can file [statements of concern](#) when they feel they are adversely affected by development, regardless of the type of activity being conducted. There is no requirement for transferors/transferees or the AER to notify landowners prior to initiating a transfer. Landowners are encouraged to watch for public notices of application on the [AER website](#). Landowners can contact the [Land and Property Rights Tribunal](#) if they have concerns with surface access and payments.

Q23. Will Directive 088 expand to include other areas such as coal, abandoned well sites use for geothermal or bitcoin mines?

A23. The concepts and requirements will be applied to other sectors as appropriate in the future. We are focused on oil and gas only for now.

A draft Geothermal [Directive](#) went out for comment last year, which introduced components of the new liability management framework that would apply to geothermal development.

LCA Results

Q24. It is difficult to replicate the results of LCA. Will we be able to see the details?

A24. Some information with respect to LCA calculations is available in [Manual 023](#). This information will continue to be refined. Please contact liabilitymanagement@aer.ca with specific questions.

Q25. Will the AER make LCA information available to the public?

A25. The financial and reserve information provided is confidential under the [Oil & Gas Conservation Rules](#). We are assessing and refining what data might be able to be consolidated and shared publicly. We encourage transparency; however, the decision to share LCA results lies with licensee, and requests for information pertaining to a licensee's LCA will be redirected to that licensee.

Q26. How can licensees confirm what their LCA assessment results are? Will AER's calculations be available for review?

A26. Licensees can review their results in the Liability Management section in [OneStop](#). Information on the calculation is available in [Manual 23](#). Please contact liabilitymanagement@aer.ca with specific questions.



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February 28, 2022

Chapel Rock to Pincher Creek Area Transmission Development Project update

You are receiving this letter because you are near the Chapel Rock to Pincher Creek Area Transmission Development, and we want to provide you with a project update.

In August 2020, we provided information to stakeholders indicating we would file an application with the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC) in Fall/Winter 2020, but an application was not filed as the Alberta Electric System Operator (AESO) determined that further studies were required.

The studies are complete, and you should have received an update from the AESO indicating that although they have determined that the development is still required, there is some flexibility to align the timing of the project with generation projects in the area.

AltaLink continues to work with the AESO on the project. Based on their latest assessment, we do not anticipate receiving direction to file an application for the project until 2023 at the earliest.

We remain committed to keeping you informed and will provide you with an update when more information is available.

Project background

The proposed Chapel Rock to Pincher Creek Area Transmission Development includes:

- A new 240 kV transmission line connecting a new proposed substation, to be called Chapel Rock, to either the existing Goose Lake Substation or Castle Rock Ridge Substation, both located north of Pincher Creek.
- The new proposed Chapel Rock Substation will connect the new transmission line with the existing 1201L transmission line, which is the Alberta/British Columbia intertie.

Contact us

We are available to address any questions or concerns you may have. Please contact us at stakeholderrelations@altalink.ca or 1-877-267-1453. Further information about this project and maps are available on www.altalink.ca/chapelrock.

Sincerely,

Dave Lee
Manager, Stakeholder Engagement

February 28, 2022

Intertie Restoration Project Project update

You are receiving this letter because you are near the Intertie Restoration Project, and we want to provide you with a project update.

In August 2020, we provided information to stakeholders indicating the Alberta Electric System Operator (AESO) was continuing to evaluate the project to determine the appropriate next steps and AltaLink paused all activities on the project at that time.

Recently you should have received an update from the AESO indicating that it will continue to evaluate all available options for the intertie restoration over the next year. As a result, AltaLink will continue to pause activities on the project until the AESO has completed this work.

We remain committed to keeping you informed and will provide you with an update when more information is available.

Project background

The Intertie Restoration Project involves electrical system upgrades to restore the intertie transmission line, which connects British Columbia and Alberta, to near its originally designed capacity. This existing transmission line is named the 1201L line. The Intertie Restoration Project includes:

- adding new equipment along the existing 1201L transmission line
- adding new equipment and expanding the fenceline at the existing Bennett Substation, located southwest of Langdon

Contact us

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Sincerely,

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March 11, 2022

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 Dear Mr. Hammond,

I am happy to enclose the 2022 edition of our annual *Giving Together* publication. We thought it fitting that, given we are entering our third year of the pandemic, this edition of *Giving Together* focus on our community's resiliency by highlighting some innovate and creative work happening across the region. I am always so proud to share this publication with our community and showcase the positive impact our donors help us make in our region. Thanks to the generosity of our many donors, the Community Foundation awarded over \$1.366 million in grant funding last year. I encourage you to read this publication so that you can see what we're doing in your community.

I extend you to an invitation to contact me or my team if there is a need or an initiative in your community that we might be able to support with a grant. We are committed to knowing and understanding our diverse community so that we always address the pressing needs of the day and ensure that Southwestern Alberta communities continue to thrive through generosity.

All best wishes,

Charleen Davidson
 Executive Director



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Grants from the Community Priorities Fund

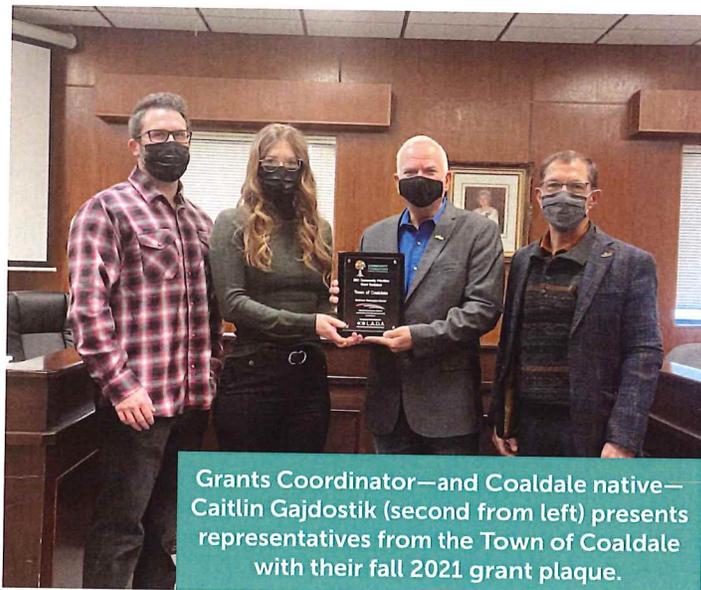
Unrestricted donations to the Community Foundation support the Community Priorities Fund, which is comprised of gifts from many donors, the earliest of which was received in 1966. These gifts allow the Community Foundation to support the causes and charities working to address the current needs of the community. In 2021, this fund supported 54 projects with **\$516,440**. Italics indicate projects highlighted in this publication.

Spring 2021

Elim Society for Senior Citizen's Care, **\$15,000**
Foothills Alcohol Action Society, \$8,800 (p. 3)
Fort Macleod Historical Association, **\$15,000**
Fresh Start Recovery Centre, Lethbridge County, **\$15,000**
Historical Society of Alberta: Lethbridge Historical Society, **\$3,500**
Horizon School Division: Chamberlain School, Grassy Lake, **\$5,300**
Lethbridge Food Bank Society, **\$15,000**
Lethbridge Senior Citizens Organization, **\$5,400**
Link Pathway Committee, Coaldale, **\$12,000**
Milk River Municipal Library, **\$1,500**
Municipality of Crowsnest Pass: Pass Powderkeg Ski Society, **\$15,000**
Nanton Lancaster Society, **\$8,900**
Opokaa'sin Early Intervention Society, Lethbridge, **\$9,000**
Palliser School Division: Coalhurst High School, **\$10,000**
Palliser School Division: Dorothy Dalglish School, **\$10,000**
Pincher Creek Community Centre Hall Society, **\$15,000**
Prairie Winds Clubhouse Society, Claresholm, **\$15,000**
Ranchlands Victim Services Society, **\$4,900**
Town of Fort Macleod: Senior Citizens Welcome Mat, **\$5,540**
Town of Nanton: Nanton & District Leo Club, **\$5,000**
Town of Raymond: Raymond Seniors Centre, **\$6,000**
Village of Barnwell: Pickleball Courts, **\$10,000**
Village of Stirling: West Recreation Updates, **\$12,000**
Village of Warner: Revitalization Committee, **\$7,500**
Vulcan County: Milo and District Fire Association, **\$5,100**
Westwind School Division: Raymond Elementary School, **\$10,000**
Westwind School Division: Mountain View School, **\$15,000**
Willow Creek Agricultural Society, **\$15,000**

"Thanks to the Community Foundation's grant funding, we have been able to create a safe place for Indigenous children to grow, learn, and thrive."

—Tanya Pace-Crosschild, Opokaa'sin Early Intervention Society



Grants Coordinator—and Coaldale native—Caitlin Gajdostik (second from left) presents representatives from the Town of Coaldale with their fall 2021 grant plaque.

Fall 2021

Bridges of Hope International Network of Development Agencies Inc.: YouthONE and NineBar Foundation, Lethbridge, **\$12,500**
Carmangay and District Municipal Library, **\$5,000**
Fort Macleod Hospital Auxiliary, **\$10,500**
Gem of the West Museum, Coaldale, **\$6,900**
Good Samaritan Society, Lethbridge, **\$13,500**
Holy Spirit School Division: St. Michael's School, Pincher Creek, **\$10,000**
Horizon School Division: Taber Central Elementary School, **\$3,500**
Kainai Food Bank Society and Blood Tribe Harm Reduction Project, **\$3,500**
Lethbridge Detachment Victim Assistance Society: Lethbridge Corridor Victim Services Unit, **\$7,500**
Lethbridge School Division: Dr. Gerald B. Probe Elementary School, Lethbridge, **\$8,500**
Lethbridge Youth Foundation: 5th on 5th Youth Services, Lethbridge, **\$11,500**
Livingstone Range School Division: Horace Allen School, Coleman, **\$10,000**
McNally Community Association: Southern Accord Chorus Society, **\$3,700**
Napi Friendship Association: Piikani Food Bank, **\$14,600**
Pincher Creek and District Historical Society: Kootenai Brown Pioneer Village, **\$10,700**
Royal Canadian Legion, General Stewart Branch No. 4, Lethbridge, **\$15,000**
Stavely and District Agricultural Society, **\$10,000**
Town of Claresholm: Claresholm Skatepark Association, **\$6,600**
Town of Coaldale: Recreation Centre, **\$13,500**
Town of Fort Macleod: Fort Macleod Swimming Pool, **\$5,000**
Town of Milk River: Milk River Community School Enhancement Society, \$12,500 (p. 5)
Town of Stavely: Stavely Municipal Library, **\$6,500**
Town of Vulcan: Get-A-Way Youth Centre, Vulcan, **\$15,000**
Westwind School Division: Cardston Elementary School, **\$10,000**
Westwind School Division: Cardston Junior High School, **\$7,500**
Westwind School Division: Raymond Junior High School, **\$7,500**

Grants from the Henry S. Varley Fund for Rural Life

The Henry S. Varley Fund for Rural Life was established as the result of a bequest from Pincher Creek-area rancher Bill Long, who named the fund in honour of his uncle. Grants from this fund support projects that promote a high quality of life in rural Southwestern Alberta. In 2021, this fund awarded grants to projects from eleven organizations, totaling **\$172,600**. The fund also awarded **\$12,500** in scholarships to students from rural Southwestern Alberta attending Lethbridge College. Italics indicate projects highlighted in this publication.

SPRING 2021 *Interfaith Food Bank Society of Lethbridge, \$28,000 (p. 4)*
Napi Friendship Association: Piikani Food Bank, **\$5,000**
Raymond & District Futures Society: Farm Safety Centre, **\$20,000**
Schizophrenia Society of Alberta, **\$10,000**
University of Lethbridge: Prentice Institute, **\$15,000**

FALL 2021 Careers: The Next Generation Foundation, **\$7,500**
Lethbridge Therapeutic Riding Association, \$28,000 (p. 6)
Ranchlands Victim Services Society, **\$4,300**
Safe Haven Women's Shelter Society, **\$30,000**
Southwest Alberta Sustainable Community Initiative Centre:
Adaptable Outdoors, **\$21,400**
Taber & District Museum Society, **\$3,400**

SCHOLARSHIPS Lethbridge College, **\$12,500**



Lethbridge Auto Dealers Association



The Community Foundation acknowledges the financial contributions of the Lethbridge Auto Dealers Association (LADA) to the Community Priorities and Henry S. Varley Fund for Rural Life granting programs. In 2021, the LADA supported nine projects with a total of **\$17,000**.

Bridges of Hope International Network of Development Agencies Inc.:
YouthONE and NineBar Foundation, **\$2,500**
Gem of the West Museum Society, **\$1,500**
Good Samaritan Society, **\$1,500**
Kainai Food Bank Society and Blood Tribe Harm Reduction Project, **\$1,500**
Lethbridge School Division: Dr. Gerald B. Probe Elementary School, **\$1,500**
Lethbridge Therapeutic Riding Association, **\$2,000**
Lethbridge Youth Foundation: 5th on 5th Youth Services, **\$3,500**
Town of Coaldale: Recreation Centre, **\$1,500**
Town of Fort Macleod: Fort Macleod Swimming Pool, **\$1,500**

Youth in Action Grants

The Youth in Action Granting Program funds dynamic projects initiated by youth living in Southwestern Alberta. Grants are awarded to projects that are developed, led, and organized by individuals and groups up to the age of 25, in partnership with a registered charity. This program helps to introduce youth to philanthropy through firsthand experience working on a project that will benefit their community. In 2021, this program supported six projects with a total of **\$6,600** in grant funding. Italics indicate the project is highlighted in this publication.

Bridges of Hope International Network of Development Agencies, Inc.: YouthONE, **\$1,000**
Lethbridge School Division: Winston Churchill High School, **\$500**
Palliser School Division: Coalhurst High School, **\$700**
Stitch It Forward Society of Lethbridge, **\$2,000**
Volunteer Lethbridge Association, \$1,000 (p. 11)
Westwind School Division: Raymond Elementary School, **\$1,400**

COVID-19 Response and Recovery Grants Program

Community Foundation expresses its gratitude to all those who supported our community throughout the pandemic with the COVID-19 Response and Recovery Grants Program. Thanks to continued support from our donors, a further eight organizations received a total of **\$72,600** in grants from this program in 2021.

Forta Birds of Prey Foundation, **\$10,000**
Community Foundations of Canada Indigenous Peoples Resilience
Project: Sweetgrass Youth Alliance, **\$17,600**
Lethbridge Food Bank Society of Lethbridge, **\$1,000**
Lethbridge College Students' Association: LCSA Food Bank, **\$3,000**

Lethbridge Food Bank Association, **\$10,000**
Opokaa'sin Early Intervention Society, **\$4,000**
Southern Alberta Ethnic Association, **\$20,000**
University of Lethbridge: ULSU Food Bank: **\$7,000**

Emerald Anniversary Grants Program

Community Foundation marked its 55th anniversary on April 18, 2021. To commemorate this milestone, the Emerald Anniversary Grants Program awarded ten grants of **\$5,500** for projects that adapt, create, or enhance public spaces to facilitate social gathering.

Town of Claresholm: Patterson Park
Town of Claresholm and Claresholm Lions Club: Amundsen Park Gazebo
Town of Magrath: Swimming Pool
Town of Raymond: Disc Golf Course
Town of Taber: Confederation Park
Town of Barnwell: Heritage Park
Town of Carmangay: Carmangay Community Centre

"We are very pleased to receive a grant for our Immersive Blackfoot Experience at Fort Whoop-Up. This new experience will be very beneficial to all who visit the fort by helping them understand the ways of the Blackfoot people through their voices."

—Chris Roedler, Galt Museum & Archives

Random Act of Kindness Day Grants

The first Friday in November is celebrated by community foundations across Canada as Random Act of Kindness Day. On Friday, November 5, 2021, the Community Foundation encouraged residents of Southwestern Alberta to perform a good deed, share it on our office, or post it on social media with the hashtag #rakdayCFLSA. Those who did so were entered to win one of ten \$500 Random Act of Kindness Grants to give to the local CRA-registered charity of their choice, for a total of **\$5,000** in Kindness Grants. The recipient charities are listed below.

Town of Claresholm: Claresholm Arts Society
Town of Picture Butte: Picture Butte Firefighters
YWCA Harbour House

St. Michael's Health Centre
Milo Municipal Library Society
Piyami Lodge
Lethbridge and District Humane Society
Lethbridge Food Bank Society
Lethbridge Soup Kitchen
Lethbridge School Division: Sunnyside School

Investment Readiness Program

In February, the second and final round of allocations from the Investment Readiness Program (IRP) were awarded. Led by Community Foundations of Canada and funded by the federal government, this program awarded non-repayable capital to growing social enterprises. For Southern Alberta, the IRP was administered jointly by the community foundations of Southwestern and Southeastern Alberta, of which the CFLSA was regional lead. Four organizations received a total of **\$98,660**.

Centre Society of Southern Alberta, **\$21,758**
Macleod Historical Association, **\$30,802**
Sine Hat College Foundation, **\$34,900**
Sit Forward Society of Lethbridge, **\$11,200**

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Morteza Faraji (left) and Steven Yang (right) pose with one of their completed cigarette butt receptacles.

Cleaning up the community: No ifs or ands, but some “butts”

If necessity is the mother of invention, then fluke might be its wacky, unpredictable aunt. Solutions to all sorts of problems have come from totally unrelated starting points, often simply by nurturing an impulse of curiosity and just seeing where things go. It's as much about the process as it is the end result. Even if spontaneous inspiration does strike, acting on it can be daunting—especially if you're young. The Community Foundation's Youth in Action Grants Program was established by a donor as a way to encourage young people to ease those barriers and follow through on that inspiration. As two Lethbridge high school students discovered, it's more than worth the risk to see it through.

It all started for Morteza Faraji and Steven Yang when they were kicking around ideas for a project for the International Genetically Engineered Machine (iGEM) competition. To get into iGEM, explains Yang, “you have to make a pitch for a sustainability project that you can tackle using synthetic biology. My project pitch was cigarette butts and how you can degrade those.” Cigarette butts don't break down naturally—they're made mostly of plastic. As small as they are, they can cause serious damage to the environment, from the toxic chemicals they leach out or the chance that they might spark a wildfire, for instance. Numerous studies, including a few assessments of Lethbridge's coulees, identify cigarette butts as the most common type of litter found.¹

Through conversations with City of Lethbridge officials, Faraji and Yang found that even though cigarette butt litter was of particular concern—especially in areas like Indian Battle Park and downtown Lethbridge—there weren't any existing strategies in place that addressed it directly. “That's how we knew this was a problem worth tackling,” says Yang. They also knew, from time spent on their iGEM pitch, that even though

the butts aren't biodegradable, they are recyclable. If they came up with some kind of collection system, then not only would their solution help to keep a bit of trash out of the coulees or off of the sidewalk, but it would also keep it out of the landfill.

Taking their project from plan to reality led the pair to apply to the Community Foundation's Youth in Action Grants Program in 2021. Their application—which required partnership with a local charitable organization, one that they found in Volunteer Lethbridge—netted their project a \$1,000 grant. Moreover, it attracted the attention of the program's establishing donor, who supported the grant with an additional \$1,000 from his family's Donor-Advised Endowment Fund. “Not very many teenagers have to write grants, so [this] was a big step for us,” remarks Faraji. But a taste of success was sweet enough to encourage a second helping, and the pair filled out another grant application, receiving an additional \$3,000 from the City of Lethbridge's Heart of Our City Committee. With the grants, Faraji and Yang were able to fabricate six cigarette butt receptacles: two large-capacity drums and four slim poles. The receptacles are painted to resemble cigarette butts, and are placed throughout the community, ideally to make proper disposal easier than littering. As a bonus, TerraCycle, the recycling company that processes the waste collected by the receptacles, donates \$1 to the Interfaith Food Bank for each pound of material they receive.

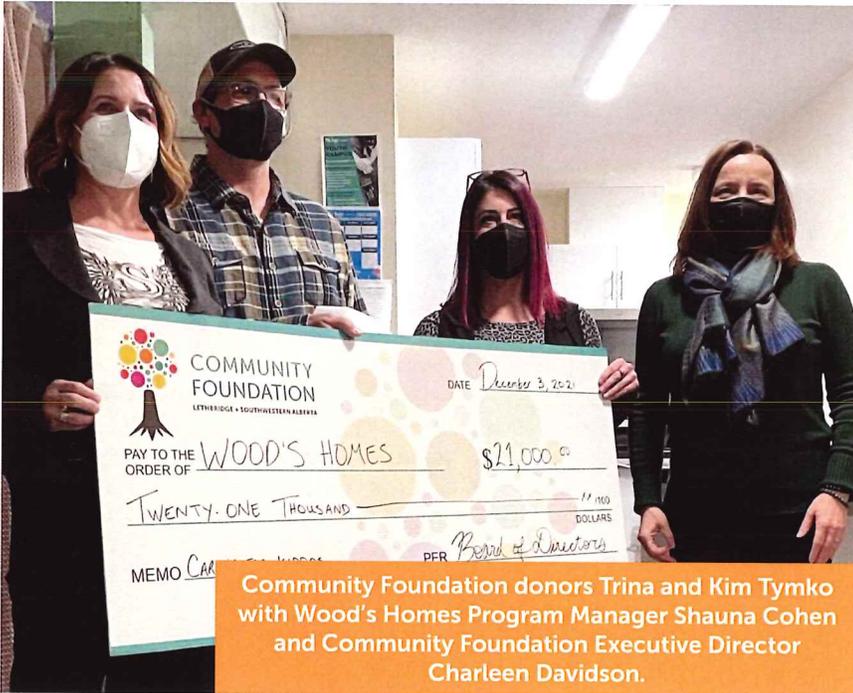
The project's outcomes include more than cleaner streets and parks. “It's been such a good learning process for me,” says Yang. “It's something that I can use in my life in future.” Encouraging young people to develop these tools is a big reason why Volunteer Lethbridge agreed to support the pair as their community partner. “Enabling and supporting [youth] to explore their goals is just such a great contribution to the community,” says Chelsea Eastman, Volunteer Lethbridge's Volunteer Program Manager. “It helps them thrive and gives them confidence to let them know that there are adults and organizations in the community that support them and want to see them succeed.”

It's safe to say that when Faraji and Yang started thinking about their extracurricular projects, they had no idea where the process of discovery would lead them. As it turns out, nurturing their curiosity brought them down quite the unexpected path. Faraji hopes his experiences might encourage others. “If you have an idea and you truly think it's good, please take a leap,” he says. “You'll better your community, you'll better yourself, and it'll be a really fun process along the way.” Necessity might be the mother of invention, but more often than not, that invention's just the beginning.

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—Steven Yang, Youth in Action Grant Recipient

¹<https://naturecentre.ca/news/2021/5/13/collaboration-with-lethbridge-college-provides-perspective-on-impact-of-coulee-cleanup> (Accessed February 15, 2022.)



Community Foundation donors Trina and Kim Tymko with Wood's Homes Program Manager Shauna Cohen and Community Foundation Executive Director Charleen Davidson.

She cites their participation with the Lethbridge International Air Show as one such example: Kim served on the event's board of directors and Trina acted as a media liaison. Offering their time and effort alongside their material contributions was a way for the Tymkos to connect with the community beyond the atmosphere of corporate sponsorship. "We wanted the community to know that this is who we are. We are people, we were not a corporate entity," explains Trina. They learned that putting the phrase "we support the communities that support us" into action was a key to their success.

After selling Prime Rentals in 2019, the Tymkos had entered a new phase of their lives and were eager to pay more direct attention to their charitable goals. They began their philanthropic journey with the Community Foundation the same year, establishing a Donor-Advised Endowment Fund. "We had already been thinking about trying to do something or set something up, so this just made sense," Kim says. He and Trina were drawn to the Community Foundation because it gave

them the option to provide support for a wide array of causes right in their own backyard—and the benefits of endowing their gift made good financial sense. "It takes care of our money and lets it grow, so we have more money to give in the end," says Trina. "For the amount of years the Community Foundation has been around, [there's] a proven track record of accountability and transparency."

A Donor-Advised fund gives them the tools to provide financial support through grants to personally-chosen causes and organizations as they see fit. "When we made our initial donation and established our fund, we didn't know 100% at that time where we wanted to use it," recalls Trina. They had tentatively decided to focus on initiatives that provide support for children and families, while at the same time generating awareness of the issues addressed by these initiatives through the donations themselves. "You don't know where it's needed until you know what you know," says Trina.

The search for a cause that spoke meaningfully to the Tymkos led them to Wood's Homes, which provides treatment and support to children, youth, and families with mental health needs. Wood's Homes operates an emergency shelter—known as "The CORE"—for youth up to the age of 18, and also provides outreach and both phone-in and walk-in crisis

"We are committed to making a difference in areas that have touched our family while bringing about awareness in our community."

—Trina Tymko, Community Foundation Fundholder

Perspectives on Giving Back: A Donor-Advised Fund Success Story

The Community Foundation's many donors come from a variety of different backgrounds, and have a variety of different goals and priorities to match. Regardless of position, means, or perspective, however, it can safely be said that all donors are united by a passion for their community and a generosity of spirit to help improve it. This generosity makes truly remarkable things happen. Whether donors choose to support the Community Priorities Fund or establish a private endowment fund, their gifts help address the needs of the day while establishing a legacy that helps build a vibrant community as it continues to grow.

Private endowment funds offer Community Foundation donors the freedom and flexibility to support the community in an entirely personal way. When Kim and Trina Tymko established their family endowment fund, they had a vision of using it to show their gratitude to a community that had made their business a success and helped their family thrive. The former proprietors of Prime Rentals Ltd., the Tymkos had initially become familiar with community charitable giving from a commercial perspective. "One of our slogans with Prime Rentals was 'no is not an answer.' If someone came to us for a donation, we would always make something work," says Trina Tymko. "A good portion of it was gift in-kind," adds her husband, Kim. The Tymkos view their involvement as an indivisible component of any sponsorship they'd provide. "As part of our donations, we would make an effort to participate in the community event. We felt that our support wasn't just in writing a cheque or loaning a piece of equipment. We somewhat became attached to the donation," Trina says.

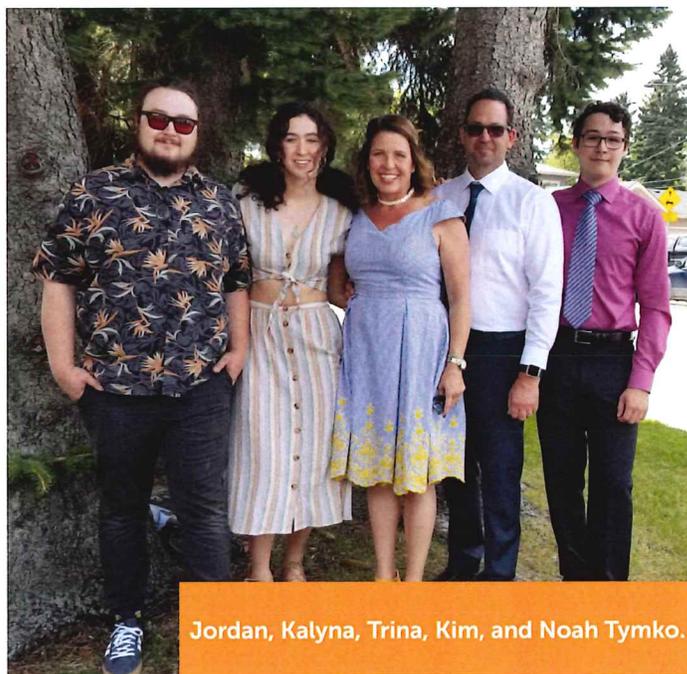
support. "We provide that temporary safe place to stay, but part of the work that we do, in conjunction with meeting the basic needs of young people who are at risk of homelessness, is we also work with the family," says Wood's Homes Lethbridge Program Manager Shauna Cohen. She adds that recent events have only served to increase the pressure felt by Wood's Homes and many other organizations working in this field. "Mental health issues have increased throughout the pandemic," Cohen says. "We're seeing a need now more than ever."

Being able to provide support for initiatives addressing mental health was a priority for the Tymkos. "Our family has been affected by mental health issues. It's been a huge challenge," says Trina. "We have the means to be able to help ourselves, but there are so many families that just don't have those means." For Cohen, that's where Wood's Homes and its resources can play a role. "Lots of people need help, and we just want to make sure people [and] families know that we're a safe, supportive, non-judgmental place to turn to. If we can do anything to keep those kids off the street, we're going to do as much as we possibly can," she says.

According to Cohen, Wood's Homes receives a great deal of its operational funding from provincial and municipal governments, but there are, unfortunately, shortfalls. "It doesn't necessarily cover the need—the additional things that people need, those unforeseen things we don't typically get," she says. Wood's Homes supplements its budget through fundraising, but the organization must still be strategic with how its resources are deployed. "We have to use our funds [to staff the shelter] in the hours of greatest need," she says. Consequently, the emergency shelter isn't able to stay open year-round during daytime hours, including on the weekend. "This year we were not fully funded for two staff to be able to keep the doors open during the winter," says Cohen. "Fortunately, because of the Tymkos, we have been able to do that."

The Tymkos awarded a \$21,000 grant from their family fund to Wood's Homes in December of 2021. Thanks to this grant, Cohen says the shelter has been able to schedule staff and provide support during the daytime on weekends, which has been especially significant in the face of cold weather. The grant also gave Wood's Homes a boost in funding for smaller expenses, such as employment attire, additional counseling, and transportation passes—what Cohen describes as "those things that don't get included as line items in our budget. [The grant] has had a huge impact on what we're able to do as an organization for vulnerable young people in our community."

Cohen indicates that in the two months since first receiving the grant, Wood's Homes has already been able to support youth during the weekend on a total of 45 separate occasions, providing for access to basic needs through the shelter or crisis counseling with staff members. "Right there, that's help, especially during times like this," Cohen says. "The biggest piece right now is that we're going to make sure that kids have a safe place to be or come to on the weekends," she says. "There's such a great need, but it's so nice to see that a family that has the ability to contribute is trying a little bit at a time to



address some of those needs."

As much as their gift aligns with their goal to provide support for a personally meaningful cause, the Tymkos also hope that it might bring some much-needed advocacy and public awareness. "We want it to be about the organization that we're giving to, and what their need is, and why they have this need," says Trina. She asserts this need exists in part due to gaps in government funding. "The government is lacking in their support for youth," she says. "We're having to do this because our government is not. They're not supporting these very important organizations."

The Tymkos hope that their family fund has a lasting impact not just throughout the community, but within their family as well. The opportunity to play an active role in making remarkable things happen is one they're keen on seizing and passing down. "We want to be directly involved while we are still here to see the difference we are making with our giving," says Kim. "It's a legacy that we want our kids to be very proud of, that we're using our money towards good in the community," adds Trina. "It's not just us, it's a family contribution." Having brought together the Tymkos, Wood's Homes, and the community at large, it's certainly a contribution that demonstrates how Southwestern Alberta is a place that thrives through generosity.

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—Kim Tymko, Community Foundation Fundholder

Giving to the Community Foundation

A gift to the Community Foundation is a gift to the community. We are proud to offer you a number of flexible fund options and ways to give. Let us help you find the option that fulfills your charitable goals and meets your financial needs. Whether you choose to support the community with a donation today, or leave a future gift in your Will, your gift will be a source of financial support for Southwestern Alberta forever.

Fund options

Charity Support Funds: You can support your favourite charity through the Community Foundation. Charity Support Funds provide annual grants to charities designated by donors, providing a permanent source of income. You can choose to support any of the existing Charity Support Funds at the Community Foundation, or you can establish your own Charity Support Fund for the charity of your choice. For a full list of Charity Support Funds, please visit our website at cflsa.ca/donate.

Community Priorities Fund: The Community Foundation's oldest and largest fund, this fund is comprised of unrestricted gifts made by numerous donors over the years. These gifts allow the Community Foundation to be responsive to the greatest priorities in our community. The Community Priorities Granting Program supports up to 100 charities from across Southwestern Alberta with grants each year.

Donor-Advised Fund: With this fund type, you are actively involved in selecting the charities you wish to support annually based on causes that matter to you.

Donor-Designated Fund: With this fund type, you choose

which charity or charities you want to support at the time that you establish your fund, and the Community Foundation will award the respective grants every spring.

Field of Interest Fund: When you establish your fund, you choose to support an area of interest—a specific age group, a geographical location, or an issue—about which you are passionate. When the Community Priorities Grants Committee reviews grant applications, a project that matches one or more of these fields receives support from your fund.

Scholarship: When you establish your endowment fund, you choose which school or schools you want to support with an annual scholarship. You can also specify additional criteria, including academic field, year of study, or other academic qualifications.

When you establish your endowment, you may also choose the fund name. Grants awarded by your fund will be sent to the charities you have chosen to support, always bearing the fund name. You can name your fund after yourself, memorialize someone special, or choose something else entirely—the legacy is yours to make.

Tax benefits of supporting the Community Foundation

No matter which of the above options you choose, the benefits of supporting the Community Foundation are endless, but include: helping to build a vibrant and inclusive community, making a difference in someone's life, and feeling good about giving back. Supporting our work with a gift also results in tax benefits, no matter how or when you decide to donate.

Cash and Credit: We can accept donations by cash, cheque, or major credit card. Donations of \$20 or greater are eligible for a tax receipt.

In-Kind Securities: In-kind donations of publicly traded securities results in a tax receipt for the fair market value of your gift and eliminates the capital gains tax. We can facilitate the trade through our investment firm, RBC PH&N Investment Counsel.

Life Insurance Policies: When you name the Community Foundation as the beneficiary of a life insurance policy, you receive tax receipts for the premiums paid. Your estate receives a tax receipt when the policy is realized.

Bequests: When you leave a gift or a portion of your estate to the Community Foundation in your Will, your estate will receive a tax receipt for your gift. You can even include directions or restrictions relating to what causes or charities you want your gift to support. You can advise the Community Foundation of these directions in advance with a Fund Agreement for your future gift, or outline them in your Will.

Carrying forward your donation: In Alberta, the maximum amount of donations that you can claim in a year is 75% of your net income. However, Canadian tax regulations allow unclaimed donations to be carried forward for up to five years, though they must still be reported in the year that they are made.



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About the Community Foundation

The Community Foundation is a registered Canadian charity and the ninth-oldest of Canada's 191 community foundations. We manage charitable gifts from donors, whose generosity allows us to create permanent, income-earning endowment funds. The income generated by these funds is distributed to the charities our donors wish to support. In doing so, the Community Foundation helps charitable organizations succeed in building the community of Southwestern Alberta.

Our Mission

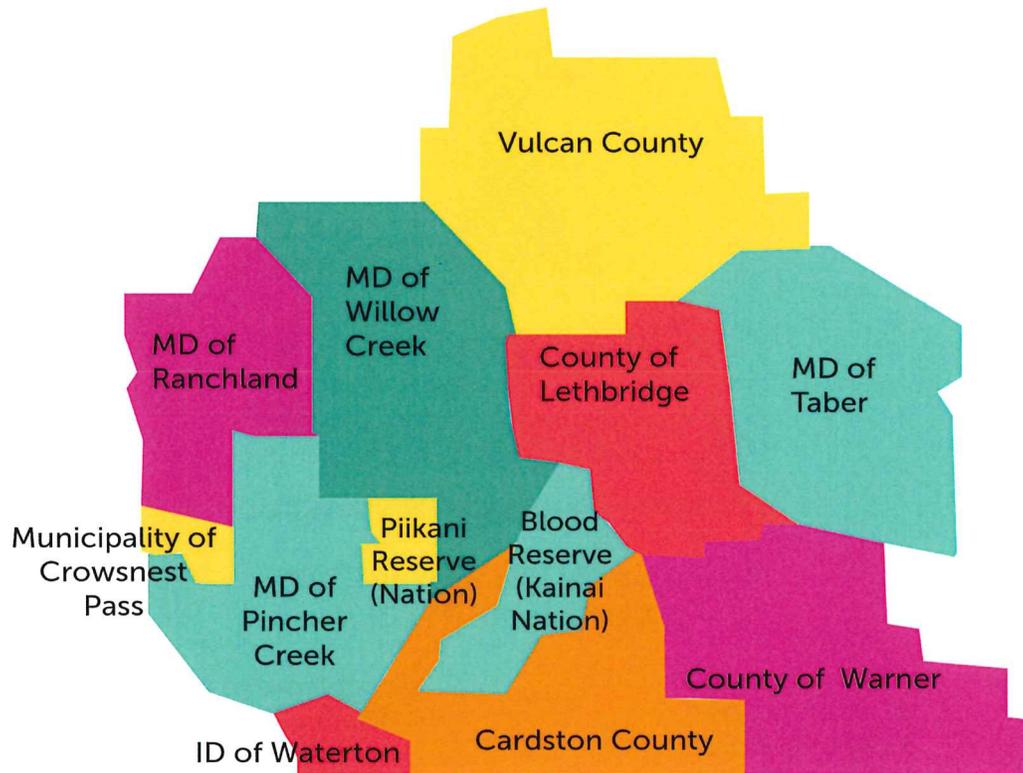
To inspire charitable giving and steward funds to help build a vibrant Southwestern Alberta.

Our Vision

Helping Southwestern Alberta communities *thrive* through generosity.

Our Region

The Community Foundation serves Southern Alberta from Vulcan County south to the Canada–U.S. border, and from the M.D. of Taber west to the Alberta–B.C. border.



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