#### **AGENDA COUNCIL MEETING**

#### MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9

### August 22, 2023 6:00 pm

#### **Council Chambers**

- ADOPTION OF AGENDA A.
- B. **DELEGATIONS**
- C. MINUTES/NOTES
  - 1. **Council Committee Meeting Minutes** 
    - July 11, 2023
  - 2. **Council Meeting Minutes** 
    - July 11, 2023
  - Special Council Meeting Minutes 3.
    - August 8, 2023
- D. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
- E. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES
- F. COMMITTEE REPORTS / DIVISIONAL CONCERNS
  - Councillor Tony Bruder Division 1
    - **ORRSC Minutes**
    - WBRA Update July
    - WBRA Update August
  - Reeve Rick Lemire Division 2 2.
  - Councillor Dave Cox Division 3 3.
  - Councillor Harold Hollingshead Division 4 4.
  - Councillor John MacGarva Division 5 5.
    - Crowsnest Pincher Creek Landfill Minutes June 2023

#### **ADMINISTRATION REPORTS** G.

- Operations 1.
  - a) Public Works Operations Report
    - Report from Public Works dated August 16, 2023
    - Public Works Call Log
  - b) Asphalt Testing Lab Compensation
    - Report from Public Works dated August 16, 2023
  - c) Utilities & Infrastructure Report
    - Report from Public Works/Administration dated August 16, 2023
- 2. Finance
- 3. Planning and Community Services
  - a) Crowsnest Pass Quarterly RCMP Report
    - Final 2023 Q1 Community Letter
    - RCMP Provincial Policing Report
    - Crowsnest Pass Provincial Crime Stats
  - b) Pincher Creek Quarterly RCMP Report
    - Final 2023 Q1 Community Letter
    - RCMP Provincial Policing Report
    - Pincher Creek Provincial Crime Stats
  - c) Road Closure Bylaw 1348-23 Portion undeveloped lanes and roadways Adjacent to Lots 4-10 Plan 6507GX within Pincher Station
    - Report from Development dated August 17, 2023
- 4. Municipal
  - a) Chief Administrative Officer Report
    - Report from CAO, dated August 17, 2023

#### H. CORRESPONDENCE

#### 1. For Action

- a) Invitation to Cypress County Ag Connections Conference
- Conference November 22, 2023
- b) Potential Meeting Opportunity (Municipal Affairs Minister)
- 2023 Rural Municipalities of Alberta Fall Convention November 6-9, 2023
- c) Request for Sponsorship Pincher Creek & District Chamber of Commerce
- 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Awards of Excellence October 20, 2023
- d) Request for Two Texas Gate Installations
- Letter from Bruce Mowat

#### 2. For Information

- a) AER community engagement event
- Event at Heritage Inn September 7, 2023
- b) NGTL West Path Delivery 2023 Socio-Economic Effects Monitoring
- NGTL West Path Delivery 2023
- c) Sunrise Solar/Evolugen
- Response to July 18 2023 Letter from Evolugen and Update on Project Engagement
- Response from AUC regarding Evolugen
- d) Thank you Email
- Email from Beaver Mines
- e) Chief Mountain Gas Co-op Ltd. Staff Appreciation Golf Day
- September 21, 2023
- f) Heritage Acres Thank you Council & Public Works
- g) County of Stettler No. 6 Letters to Ministers
- Feed and Transportation Assistance Programs for Alberta Ag Disaster Areas
- Special Areas Board request for additional supports
- Additional Supports Required for Agricultural Producers Special Area No. 2, 31 & 4
- h) Funding letter from Municipal Affairs
- Municipal Sustainability Initiative (MSI) Capital and Operating programs, and the Canada Community-Building Fund (CCBF) program

#### I. NEW BUSINESS

#### J. CLOSED MEETING SESSION

a) Road Closure Purchase Request – FOIP Sec. 16.1.ii

#### K. ADJOURNMENT

# MINUTES REGULAR COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9

Tuesday, July 11, 2023 2:00 pm Council Chambers

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

Staff: CAO Roland Milligan, Director of Finance Meghan Dobie, Utilities & Infrastructure Manager David Desabrais, Municipal Energy Project Lead Tristan Walker, and Executive Assistant Jessica McClelland.

Reeve Rick Lemire called the meeting to order, the time being 2:00 pm.

#### 1. Approval of Agenda

Councillor John MacGarva

Moved that the agenda for the July 11, 2023 Committee meeting be approved as presented.

#### Carried

#### 2. Delegations

#### a) QUEST

Ronak Patel, Program Manager and Hammad Ahmed, Project Lead with Quest presented virtually the Net Zero Communities Accelerator Program Overview.

The goal for the program is to establish a community energy and emissions planning and implementation accelerator to equip 15+ diverse communities across the Prairies with the tools and knowledge to develop and continuously implement community energy and emissions plans and initiatives.

Their main contact is Tristan Walker, Municipal Energy Project Lead, with the Town and MD of Pincher Creek but will attend Council meetings with updates as needed.

#### b) Climate Risk Assessment & Adaptation Plan

Tristan Walker, Municipal Energy Project Lead presented the final report on the Pincher Creek Climate Adaptation Plan. The project focuses on managing the impacts of climate change. The full report, and brochures, are available on both Town and MD websites as well as in both offices.

Renewable Energy EV's

Tristan Walker, Municipal Energy Project Lead presented an update on the MD's purchase of a Ford Lightning (and EV vehicle). Tristan overviewed the pros and cons on the purchase, as well as the cost savings. He also overviewed the potential

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solar upgrades to the airport and what the MD could see in cost savings though energy costs.

Tristan Walker left the meeting at this time, the time being 3:28 pm.

#### c) Basketball Court

Patty Zoratti, MD resident and school teacher at St. Michaels School, and Ted Harrity attended the meeting at this time to discuss the community basketball court located on the school grounds.

This project was started pre COVID and is continuing. Due to it being on school grounds, it was required to be engineered to a certain standard which ran into delays which caused much higher costs. The group has raised \$138 thousand through grants, donations and fundraisers but has ran short of funds to complete the project. To finish the court they require approximately \$10,000 towards the sealant and fencing. Their ask today is for financial contribution or in-kind donation from the MD, they are presenting to the Town Council at the next meeting as well.

The deadline for their matching grant is in October 2023, so funds would need to be secured prior to that.

Patty Zoratti and Ted Harrity left the meeting at this time, the time being 3:45 pm.

#### d) Asset Management

Brendan Schlossberger, Financial Services & Asset Management Specialist, presented the 2<sup>nd</sup> stage of the Asset Management Risk Management Plan.

#### 3. Closed Session

Councillor Dave Cox

Moved that Council move into closed session to discuss the following, the time being 4:45 pm.

a) Draft A-ADMIN-003 Organizational Chart – FOIP Sec. 23.1.a

Councillor Dave Cox

Moved that Council move out of closed session, the time being 5:15 pm.

Carried

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- 5. Round Table
- 6. Discussion on Eco Centre Survey Questions
- 7. Adjournment

Councillor John MacGarva

Moved that the Committee Meeting adjourn, the time being 5:35 pm.

Carried
REEVE
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

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# MINUTES MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING JULY 11, 2023

The Regular Meeting of Council of the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 was held on Tuesday, July 11, 2023 at 6:00 pm, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal District Administration Building, Pincher Creek, Alberta.

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

STAFF CAO Roland Milligan, Director of Finance Meghan Dobie, Utilities & Infrastructure Manager David Desabrais, and Executive Assistant Jessica McClelland.

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

#### A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Councillor John MacGarva

23/274

Moved that the Council Agenda for July 11, 2023 be amended to include:

- Planning and Community Services :
  - o Community Basketball Court (St. Michaels location)
- Municipal
  - o CAO Action List
- Action:
  - o Blood Tribe and Region Council

AND THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

Carried

#### B. DELEGATIONS

Pincher Creek Ramrodders Black Powder Club – Lease Discussion

President Barry Carney and Treasurer Lynn Brasnett attended the meeting at this time to discuss the lease on the land rented by the Pincher Creek Ramrodders Black Powder Club. The club has leased the land from the MD for over 40 years, in that time they had shelters and an outhouse built that were vandalized. In 2017 the club paid to have a fence and locked gate installed, which has assisted with the random camping, misuse and litter that was occurring. The club has asked very little from the MD throughout the years and does its best to maintain the cleanliness of the area.

To lease the land the Ramrodders pays \$250 a year, to which the 25 members have private access for camping and events. The club will allow other groups to use the area, with permission. Council has no concerns with the Black Powder club utilizing the land for its original intent, as a licenced gun range and appreciates the work the club puts into the land. The MD is concerned that campers are parked most of the summer and with camping land being a premium in the area, Council feels the cost is unfair for the small amount of people to use. The clubs rule is any campers parked there have to be removed by October. Presently there are 6 campers parked there, and on weekends during events there can be up to 20.

Council requested a detailed list of maintenance and costs that the club currently provides through volunteers and membership base.

Barry Carney and Lynn Brasnett left the meeting at this time, the time being 6:23 pm.

#### C. MINUTES

1. Committee Meeting Minutes – June 27, 2023

Councillor Tony Bruder

23/275

Moved that the Committee Meeting Minutes of June 27, 2023 be approved as presented.

2. Council Meeting Minutes – June 27, 2023

Councillor John MacGarva

23/278

Moved that the Council Meeting Minutes of June 27, 2023 be approved as presented.

Carried

#### D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

#### E. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- a) Travel Alberta
- b) Fire Chief Pat Neumann
- c) Springpoint Colony

Councillor Tony Bruder

23/279

Moved that administration be directed to write a letter to the Hutterite Colonies that attended the meeting on June 27, 2023 (Livingstone, Spring Point and Pincher) stating that Council appreciates them coming to the meeting to discuss health care concerns in our community.

Carried

#### F. COMMITTEE REPORTS / DIVISIONAL CONCERNS

- 1. Councillor Tony Bruder Division 1
  - Pincher Creek Crowsnest Landfill Association
  - Joint Funding Subcommittee Meeting
  - BMO Farm Family Awards
- 2. Reeve Rick Lemire Division 2
  - Canada Day Celebration
- 3. Councillor Dave Cox– Division 3
  - Castle Mountain Community Association
  - Pincher Creek High School Reunion
  - CALUA Open House (TransAlta Power Line)
- 4. Councillor Harold Hollingshead Division 4
- 5. Councillor John MacGarva Division 5
  - Subdivision Meeting
  - Tour with Public Works Manager
  - Safety Meeting
  - CALUA Open House (TransAlta Power Line)

Councillor Harold Hollingshead

23/280

Moved to accept the Committee Reports as information.

Carried

Councillor Tony Bruder

23/281

Moved that Councillor John MacGarva be authorized for payment for attendance and the - Community Open House - Climate Risk Assessment and Adaption Plan on June 28, 2023.

Carried

#### G. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

#### 1. Operations

a) Utilities & Infrastructure Report

Councillor Tony Bruder

23/282

Moved that Council receive the Utilities & Infrastructure Report, for the period June 22, 2023 to July 5, 2023 as information.

Carried

b) Beaver Mines Wastewater Treatment Facility Cost Update

Councillor Tony Bruder

23/283

Moved that Council approve an additional \$175,000 and a revised project total of \$4.75M, for the Beaver Mines Wastewater Treatment Facility,

AND THAT Council amend resolution 22/254 to allow for a maximum use of \$3.6M from the Municipal Sustainability Initiative (MSI).

Carried

c) Public Works Operations Report

Councillor John MacGarva

23/284

Moved that Council receive the Public Works Operations report, which includes the call log, for the period June 26, 2023 to July 7, 2023 as information.

Carried

David Desabrais left the meeting at this time, the time being 7:33 pm.

- 2. Finance
  - a) Q2 Financial Update

Councillor Dave Cox

23/285

Moved that the Q2 Financial Update be received as information.

Carried

- 3. Development and Community Services
  - a) Community Basketball Court (St. Michaels location)

Councillor Dave Cox

23/286

Moved that Council authorize a donation of \$5000 towards the Community Basketball Court (St. Michaels location), with the amount to be taken from Grants to Groups and Organization.

Carried

#### 4. Municipal

a) Chief Administrative Officer Report

Councillor John MacGarva

23/287

Moved that Council receive for information, the Chief Administrative Officer's report for the period of June 23, 2023 to July 3, 2023.

Carried

b) Proposed Amendments to Funding Model for the Pincher Creek Emergency Services Commission

Councillor Harold Hollingshead

23/288

Moved that Council request that the Pincher Creek Emergency Services Commission amend the funding bylaw, Bylaw No. 3-2016, and revisit the Membership Agreement in order to revise the funding formulas as follows:

Remove the Equalized Assessment pillar from the Funding Formula, thereby using the three remaining pillars for determining the funding levee for the respective municipalities (population, number of assessed properties, calls per municipality), and further;

That the funding level for both real property (all capital purchases), as defined in the agreement, as well as the funding of reserves be set as an equal share for each municipality.

Carried

c) CAO Action List

Councillor Dave Cox

23/289

Moved that the CAO provide an action list for Council, as part of the CAO Report, regarding actionable items.

Carried

#### H. CORRESPONDENCE

#### 1. For Action

a) Alberta Development Officers Week

WHEREAS, A Development Officer is a current planning and development specialist with knowledge in current legislation, policy and bylaws, systems and technical requirements for physical development within communities in the Province of Alberta. A Development Officer enforces and administers land use regulations and policies on behalf of a municipality and is designated to the position of Development Authority by the municipality as defined by the Municipal Government Act, RSA 2000, Chapter M-26.

WHEREAS the Alberta Development Officers Association, representing professional Development Officers in Alberta, endorses Alberta Development Officers Week to recognize sound development and planning practices and the contribution made by Development Officers to the quality of development within our communities and environment; and,

WHEREAS Alberta Development Officers Week helps us to publicly recognize the work of our municipal colleagues in planning and development for the improvement of the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9; and,

WHEREAS we recognize Development Officers and their commitment to public service; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Rick Lemire, do hereby proclaim the week of September 19th to September 22nd, 2023, to be designated as Alberta Development Officers Week in the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9.

Proclaimed this 11th day of July 2023.

b) Regular Meeting Foothills Little Bow Municipal Association

Councillor Tony Bruder

23/290

Moved that Administration draft a resolution regarding boat inspection stations in Alberta, to be presented at the Foothills Little Bow Municipal Association on September 15, 2023;

AND THAT this draft resolution be brought back to the Council meeting in August.

Carried

c) Request for Sponsorship - Alberta Fire Training Conference

No action taken

d) Blood Tribe and Region Council

Councillor Tony Bruder

23/291

Moved that a donation in the amount of \$250 be authorized for the Pancake Breakfast for the Blood Tribe and Region MOU during the Kainai Fair and Rodeo on July 22, 2023, with the amount to be taken from Grants to Groups and Organization,

AND THAT unfortunately due to a conflict in schedules, Council will be unable to attend the Pancake Breakfast.

Carried

2. For Information

Councillor Tony Bruder

23/292

Moved that the following be received as information:

- a) Resignation from Role as Deputy Director of Emergency Management
  - Letter from CAO Roland Milligan
- b) STARS
  - Thank you for Donation
- c) AltaLink's TransAlta Riplinger Wind Project Connection
  - Riplinger Newsletter June 2023
  - Need Overview: Transmission Development Information
  - Proposed TransAlta Riplinger Wind Project Connection Map
- d) Watercraft Inspection Stations
  - Letter from Minister Rebecca Schultz
- e) Riplinger Wind LP Transmission Line Landowners Sessions
  - July 13, 2023 at Heritage Inn (call 1-888-893-4980 to book)

Carried

#### K. NEW BUSINESS

#### L. CLOSED SESSION

Councillor Harold Hollingshead

23/293

Moved that Council move into closed session to discuss the following, the time being 8:48 pm:

- a) Proposed Sale on Tax Forfeiture Property FOIP Sec. 24.1.a
- b) Draft Letter Forestry and Parks FOIP Sec. 23.1.a
- c) Fire Hall Discussion FOIP Sec. 24.1.a

Meghan Dobie left the meeting at this time, the time being 8:56 pm.

Councillor Tony Bruder

23/294

Moved that Council move out of closed session, the time being 9:20 pm.

Carried

a) Proposed Sale on Tax Forfeiture Property

Councillor Harold Hollingshead

23/295

Moved that Council authorize Administration to move forward with selling of the Tax Forfeiture Property located at NW 36-7-1 W5, Lot 4, Block 2, Plan 9813289,

AND THAT the Council requires the sale to be advertised on MLS.

Carried

#### M. ADJOURNMENT

Councillor Dave Cox

23/296

Moved that Council adjourn the meeting, the time being 9:21 pm.

Carried

REEVE

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

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# MINUTES MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9 SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING AUGUST 8, 2023

The Special Meeting of Council of the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 was held on Tuesday August 8, 2023 in the MD of Pincher Creek Council Chambers.

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

PRESENT Reeve Rick Lemire, Deputy Reeve Tony Bruder, and Councillors Dave Cox, Harold

Hollingshead and John MacGarva.

STAFF CAO Roland Milligan, Agricultural Fieldman Shane Poulsen, and Executive Assistant

Jessica McClelland.

Reeve Rick Lemire called the meeting to order at 9:30 am.

#### A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Councillor Dave Cox

23/297

Moved that the Council Agenda for August 8, 2023 be approved as presented.

Carried

#### B. AGRICULTURAL DISASTER WITHIN OUR MUNICIPALITY

Drought conditions are impacting 50-90% of crops, pasture, and range yields in the MD of Pincher Creek due to lack of spring and in-season moisture combined with long durations of high temperatures and winds. Due to these extreme conditions, and with discussions with the Agriculture Fieldman and the Agricultural Service Board, it is recommended that an Agricultural Disaster is declared for the MD of Pincher Creek.

Councillor Dave Cox

23/298

Moved that the Council for the MD of Pincher Creek declare a Municipal Agricultural Disaster due to drought.

Carried

Upon Council declaring a Municipal Agricultural Disaster, Administration will notify the Province of Alberta, and the Agricultural Financial Services Corporation (AFSC) of the declaration.

#### C. ADJOURNMENT

Councillor Harold Hollingshead

23/299

Carried

Moved that Council adjourn the meeting, the time being 10:12 am.

REEVE

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER



## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES May 11, 2023; 6:00 pm

**ORRSC Boardroom (3105 - 16 Avenue North, Lethbridge)** 

The Executive Committee Meeting of the Oldman River Regional Services Commission was held on Thursday, May 11, 2023, at 6:00 pm, in the ORRSC Administration Building, as well as virtually via Zoom.

#### **Attendance**

Executive Committee:
Gordon Wolstenholme, Chair
Don Anderberg, Vice Chair
David Cody
Christopher Northcott, Virtual
Jesse Potrie
Brad Schlossberger
Neil Sieben

Staff:

Lenze Kuiper, Chief Administrative Officer Raeanne Keer, Executive Assistant

Chair Wolstenholme called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm.

#### 1. Approval of Agenda

Moved by: Don Anderberg

THAT the Executive Committee adopts the May 11, 2023 Executive Committee Meeting Agenda, as presented.

**CARRIED** 

#### 2. Approval of Minutes

Moved by: Jesse Potrie

THAT the Executive Committee approves the April 13, 2023 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes, as presented.

**CARRIED** 

#### 3. Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

#### 4. Official Business

#### a. 2022 Annual Report - Draft

L. Kuiper presented the draft 2022 Annual Report to the Committee

The Committee discussed the report.

#### Moved by: Brad Schlossberger

THAT the Executive Committee approves the presentation of 2022 Annual Report to the Board of Directors on June 1, 2023 Annual General Meeting for approval, as presented.

**CARRIED** 

#### Brownlee Planning and Development Law: Current Trends, Issues & Updates Webinar; May 17, 2023

L. Kuiper stated that staff have registered to participate in the Brownlee LLP Planning and Development Law: Current Trends, Issues & Updates webinar scheduled for May 17, 2023.

#### c. Subdivision Internal Database - Update

- L. Kuiper stated that Administration has been working to digitize our subdivision records to develop an internal digital database. He stated that the objective of the internal database is to streamline searchability of our subdivision records and to mitigate risk management that is associated with historical records.
- L. Kuiper noted that to date 12,236 records have been digitized, and that it is estimated that we are in possession of over 20,000 subdivision files.

#### d. June 1, 2023 Board of Directors Annual General Meeting and BBQ

- L. Kuiper stated that in conjunction with the Annual General Meeting on June 1, 2023, a BBQ will be hosted prior to the start of the meeting.
- R. Keer stated that the invitation will be distributed to the Board on Friday, May 12, 2023.

#### e. Summer Meeting Schedule

L. Kuiper stated that historically the Executive Committee only meets once through the summer months, and inquired if the Committee would like to cancel would of the summer meetings.

The Committee discussed the Regular Meetings schedule for 2023.

The Committee determined that the Regular Meeting scheduled for July 13, 2023 would be held and that the Regular Meeting of August 10, 2023 would be cancelled.

#### f. Vehicle Update

L. Kuiper stated that the third vehicle was ordered in December 2022, and that notice was received that it has gone to production on May 1, 2023. He stated that it is anticipated to be delivered in June 2023.

#### g. Subdivision Activity

- As of April 30, 2023
- L. Kuiper presented the Subdivision Activity as of April 30, 2023 to the Committee.

#### Moved by: David Cody

THAT the Executive Committee accepts the Subdivision Activity as of April 30, 2023 for information purposes.

**CARRIED** 

#### 5. Accounts

- a. Office Accounts
  - (i) Monthly Office Accounts
    - March 2023
  - (ii) Payments and Credits
    - February 2023
  - L. Kuiper presented the Monthly Office Accounts for March 2023 and the Payments and Credits for February 2023 to the Committee.

#### Moved by: Christopher Northcott

THAT the Executive Committee approves the Monthly Office Account for March 2023 and the Payments and Credits for February 2023, as presented.

**CARRIED** 

#### b. Financial Statements

- (i) Balance Sheet
  - As of January 31, 2023 to March 31, 2023
- (ii) Comparative Income Statement
  - As of January 31, 2023 to March 31, 2023
- (iii) Details of Account
  - As of March 31, 2023

L. Kuiper presented the Balance Sheet, as of January 31, 2023 to March 31, 2023, the Comparative Income Statement, as of January 31, 2023 to March 31, 2023, and the Details of Account, as of March 31, 2023 to the Committee.

#### Moved by: Jesse Potrie

THAT the Executive Committee approves the Balance Sheet, as of January 31, 2023 to March 31, 2023, the Comparative Income Statement, as of January 31, 2023 to March 31, 2023, and the Details of Account, as of March 31, 2023.

**CARRIED** 

#### 6. New Business

There was no new business for discussion.

#### 7. CAO's Report

L. Kuiper presented his CAO Report to the Committee.

#### 8. Round Table Discussions

Committee members reported on various projects and activities in their respective municipalities.

#### 9. Adjournment

Following all discussions, Chair Gordon Wolstenholme adjourned the meeting, the time being 7:05 pm.

CHAIR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

#### Jessica McClelland

From: Tony Bruder

Sent:July 10, 2023 3:46 PMTo:Jessica McClellandSubject:FW: WBRA Update

Please for information.

Thanks Tony

From: Waterton Biosphere Reserve Association <info+watertonbiosphere.com@ccsend.com>

Sent: July 6, 2023 3:45 PM

To: Tony Bruder <CouncilDiv1@mdpinchercreek.ab.ca>

Subject: WBRA Update





Photo by Mackenzie Brown

## **Cooperation Plan 2023-2027**



Photo by Lisa Salonen

Thank you to all who came out to our Annual General Meeting (AGM) earlier this month in Mountain View. We were grateful for the opportunity to gather and reflect upon the past year together.

Our AGM also presented the perfect setting to look toward the future. We were pleased to share and discuss our new Cooperation Plan (2023-2027) with those in attendance.

This Cooperation Plan (2023-2027) will provide strategic direction for operational planning and activities.

The Plan has 3 strategic priorities:

- Build long term community relationships
- Support resilient landscapes and livelihoods
- Promote and deliver educational opportunities

These priorities will be realized by implementing key strategies and actions in the Plan while maintaining the organizational health and integrity of the WBRA. This

blueprint provides both direction and flexibility in responding to opportunities and changing circumstances in the coming years.

We would like to thank the communities, neighbours, friends, and partners of WBR who took time to participate in the development of our Cooperation Plan (2023-2027).



Click to view Plan

A sincere thank you to <u>Parks Canada</u> and the staff at <u>Waterton Lakes National</u> <u>Park</u> for their financial and collaborative support which made this important endeavour possible.

We would also like to thank the <u>Community Development Unit of Alberta</u> for their skillful guidance throughout this development process.

#### **Updating our Operating Name**

The Waterton Biosphere Reserve Association (WBRA) Board of Directors has approved the proposal to update the operating name of Waterton Biosphere Reserve to Waterton Biosphere Region.



More information about this decision can be found within the Plan.

View the Cooperation Plan (2023-2027) on our website

What else have we been up to?



Recently, some WBRA staff were able to put both muscle and brain to work for a day of willow staking within WBR alongside a local landowner, the <a href="Nature">Nature</a> Conservancy of Canada, and Oldman Watershed Council.

This opportunity allowed WBRA staff to learn more about the role willow can fulfil in riparian areas, which are areas along a river or natural waterbodies that host moisture-loving or moisture-tolerant vegetation, as well as the chance to learn the practice of willow staking in these areas.

Willow and the vegetation found growing in riparian areas provide many functions and benefits to the lands, waters, and animals around them including;

- Capture sediments before they enter the waterbody.
- Bind soil with their roots to help stabilize banks and reduce erosion.
- Store water including snowmelt and spring run-off, and release during times of little precipitation and low water flow levels.
- Absorb and dissipate water during floods and high water events.
- Provide habitat for many birds, insects, amphibians, and other wildlife.
- Offer shade to help cool and regulate water temperature.
- Recycle nutrients within the ecosystem.
- Provide important food sources for wildlife.



#### What can you do to support riparian areas?

There are ways you can support these important areas on your land. Some actions you can take include:

- Consider alternatives to removing willow or riparian vegetation where able.
- Maintain fencing around river banks or waterbodies prone to livestock use.
- Adjust or harden focused waterbody access points.
- Install off-site watering systems for cattle.



We now have funding available to support landowners wishing to complete projects that maintain or improve habitats for local biodiversity.

If you have ideas on how to improve your operation in tandem with conserving local biodiversity, reach out to Elizabeth at 403-563-0058 or eanderson@watertonbiosphere.com.

Eligible costs include site preparation, materials and supplies (e.g., pond leveller, fencing supplies, native plants), capital purchases (e.g., solar waterer, portable electric fence, charger, fencing tools; subject to limits or grant restrictions), equipment rental, contractor costs, and professional services.

Projects are typically on a cost-share basis; the landowner portion can include cash or in-kind contributions (in-kind materials, planning time, equipment, and/or labour) or can include partner funding.

Please get in touch to see if we can help financially support your project!

Thank you for reading our eNewsletter. Please feel free to follow us on social media and visit our website to learn more about the Waterton Biosphere Reserve Association and our projects.









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#### Jessica McClelland

From: Tony Bruder

**Sent:** July 27, 2023 11:13 AM **To:** Jessica McClelland

**Subject:** FW: WBRA Update and Employment Opportunity

From: Waterton Biosphere Reserve Association <info+watertonbiosphere.com@ccsend.com>

**Sent:** July 26, 2023 1:05 PM

**To:** Tony Bruder < CouncilDiv1@mdpinchercreek.ab.ca> **Subject:** WBRA Update and Employment Opportunity





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## **Employment Opportunity**



#### **WBRA** is hiring a Communication Coordinator

Are you a proven communicator, problem-solver, and critical thinker who can confidently deliver solid communications advice to a team? Are you a community-minded individual, good listener, and relationship builder interested in working closely with staff, partner organizations, stakeholders, and our local community? Are you knowledgeable, self-motivated, well-organized, and passionate about promoting stewardship of our southwestern Alberta landscape? If so, you might be the person Waterton Biosphere Reserve Association is seeking for our growing team.

As our Communication Coordinator, you will work closely with the Executive Director, program managers, team members, and others to support implementation of the new WBR Communications Plan, including engaging with target audiences, building brand awareness and appreciation for what WBR is and what it does, and keeping communications fresh and current.

If you aren't the person we are looking for but know somebody who is, please share the posting!

**Deadline to Apply is Monday, August 7, 2023**. <u>CLICK HERE</u> to view the full Communication Coordinator job posting and see how to apply.

### **Carnivores and Communities Program**



Electric fencing continues to be an effective tool to separate large carnivores from livestock and other attractants. The <a href="WBRA Technical Guide: Electric Fencing">WBRA Technical Guide: Electric Fencing</a> is a good resource for anyone contemplating electric fencing, and for anyone doing maintenance on their electric fence. Checking your fence regularly is good insurance for keeping bears and wolves out.

Some maintenance tips to remember at this time of year are:

- Make sure the solar panel is clean to permit optimal charging
- Ensure that wires are 'guitar-string tight'
- Ensure wire spacing is correct for the wildlife you are keeping out
- Check to ensure that at least 7000 Volts are being delivered
- Remove any vegetation that may be contacting the fence

#### The Dirt on Digging

Some landowners have experienced problems with bears attempting to dig under newly installed fences. With regular checking of the entire fence, these spots can be filled in and possibly reinforced with extra wire to deter bears. The digging is almost always curtailed. If the fence is not monitored, bears may eventually tunnel under the fence, requiring more effort to fill larger holes and discourage the bears from continuing to dig.

#### **Gate Options**

Gates are an important part of any fence, electric fencing included. We all know the one thing everyone loves to do is open and close gates! For most fences, gates are not travelled through often enough that opening and closing the gate is problematic but for places with regular traffic, Texas gates and other automatic options have been put in place. Some producers in Montana have begun using drive-over electrified mats for situations where travel is frequent for both humans and bears.

Check out this five-minute video from the Blackfoot Challenge demonstrating these gates: Blackfoot Challenge - Wildlife

Learn more about Electric Fencing

**Supporting Species at Risk** 



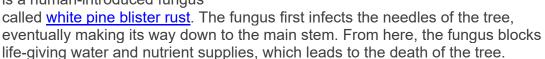
In what felt like a visit to an old friend, we returned to <u>Burke Creek</u>

<u>Ranch</u> alongside the <u>Whitebark Pine Ecosystem Foundation of Canada</u> (WBPEF-C) to monitor the health of the limber pine seedlings planted last year.

These seedlings were planted to support the long-term coordinated recovery effort to restore five-needle pine on the landscape.

As one of two endangered tree species in Alberta, limber pine are seeing rapid declines throughout their once wideranging populations.

One of the leading threats to limber pine is a human-introduced fungus



Fire suppression, mountain pine beetles, and climate change are also among the threats facing limber pine.



It can be tough to be a tree. Despite the limber pine's ability to establish and live in harsh, exposed, steep, rocky, and of course, windy areas, the dry fall we experienced contributed to some seedling mortality. This experience, along with shared findings at other planting sites, highlight the importance of learning how we need to be forward-thinking about seedling resiliency in a changing climate. Other threats to seedling survival were observed, including rodent chewing on the seedling stems, and browsing of the needles.

Nonetheless, we were also greeted by living limbers and were heartened to see them thriving following their first winter. Carefully selected limber-friendly microsites help ensure conditions that lead to healthy seedlings. In the tree planting world, a microsite is a place that has everything a particular tree will need to grow, and different tree species require unique microsites. A limber pine microsite includes the presence of a feature that can regulate the seedling's temperature and retain a bit of soil moisture, which can include shade-relief in the form of taller surrounding vegetation, fallen woody debris, or a well-placed rock. Professional planters try to mimic naturally occurring limber pine seedling microsites, such as those selected by the Clark's nutcracker or by small granivorous rodents when caching seeds for overwinter storage.

The WBPEF-C taught our team at WBRA how to assess the health condition of the planted seedlings which will allow us to continue to evaluate their field

performance and health over time. Because these seedlings were selected from mature trees that show promising resistance to white pine blister rust, WBPEF-C will be able to use this information and compare their resistant tree screening results to the results collected in the field.

The goal of limber pine seed planting is for these trees to eventually produce resistant white pine blister rust seeds of their own, contributing to a more resilient population.

If you have questions about supporting limber pine on your land, please reach out to Elizabeth at 403-563-0058 or <a href="mailto:eanderson@watertonbiosphere.com">eanderson@watertonbiosphere.com</a>.



A limber pine seedling that took root within a well-rounded microsite

A sincere thank you to the Burton family of the <u>Burke Creek Ranch</u> for making this project possible. Private land plantings can play a crucial role in the effort to see

these trees persist on the landscape. You can read about this limber pine regeneration project from the Burke Creek Ranch perspective <a href="here">here</a>.

A thank you to the Whitebark Pine Ecosystem Foundation of Canada for their unwavering commitment to restore five-needle pine species on our landscape. Their teams knowledge was skillfully woven into each piece of this project.

And finally, thank you to to the <u>Crown Managers Partnership</u> for their great support.

Thank you for reading our eNewsletter. Please feel free to follow us on social media and visit our website to learn more about the Waterton Biosphere Reserve Association and our projects.









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# THE CROWSNEST/PINCHER CREEK LANDFILL ASSOCIATION MINUTES June 21, 2023

The regular meeting of The Crowsnest/Pincher Creek Landfill Association was held at 9:00 am

Wednesday June 21, 2023, at the Cowley Community Hall.

Present: John MacGarva, Municipal District of Pincher Creek #9

Dean Ward, Municipality of Crowsnest Pass Doreen Glavin, Municipality of Crowsnest Pass

Mark Barber, Town of Pincher Creek Dave Slingerland, Village of Cowley Dean Bennett, Landfill Manager

Chelsie Antoniuk, Landfill Administrator

#### **AGENDA**

Additions to the Agenda:

6,C. Pincher Planners requested by Mark Barber

Doreen Glavin Moved the agenda be adopted with above additions.

Carried. 06.21.23-2181

## **MINUTES**

Mark Barber

Moved the minutes of May 24, 2023, be adopted as circulated.

Carried. 06.21.23-2182

### **MANAGER'S REPORT**

- -MSW continues to slightly pick up.
- The new Industrial cell is in full construction mode. We have run into a glitch in combining the old cell and new cell. We have sorted it out, but it has delayed the project by 7-10 days.
- We are showing some progress on the monthly budget. We still want to add in the work the new mechanic is doing into repairs and maintenance, along with streamlining some other things.
- After all, said and done, we made about \$50.00 on a load of cardboard, not to great, but if we factor in the amount of air space, we diverted with 45,000lbs of cardboard offset that.
- -Eco Centre remains very busy, averaging 219 people a day, with highs of 284, that's roughly a vehicle every 2 minutes for 10 hours, so its nice to see its running smooth with no issues.
- -Recycling in the CNP remains a problem, with people stacking garbage and furniture around the bins. The recycle centre at the Landfill continues to run trouble free.

**Dave Slingerland** 

Moved the Manager's report be adopted as presented.

Carried. 06.21.23-2183

#### FINANCIAL REPORT

Administration provided the Income Statement/Balance Sheet and Budget to May 31, 2023 Carried. 06.21.23-2184 Doreen Glavin Moved the financial reports be accepted as information.

### DONATION REQUEST FROM TOWN OF PINCHER CREEK RECREATION OFFICE

A Donation request from Town of Pincher Creek Recreation for the children's festival Doreen Glavin moved this be adopted as information.

Carried, 06.21.23-2185

## SCHOLORSHIP REQUEST FROM JOSH MACGARVA (LIVINGSTONE SCHOOL)

A scholarship request was presented from Josh Macgarva who will be pursuing an educational program with Lethbridge college.

The Board has requested an acceptance letter from an accredited university Carried. 06.21.23-2186

### **CLOSED IN CAMERA SESSIONS WAS CALLED BY THE LANDFILL MANGER**

Time In 9:30 AM Moved by Dave Slingerland

Carried. 06.21.23-2187

Time Out

10:03 AM

Moved by John Macgarva

Carried. 06.21.23-2188

## Correspondence:

Thank you card from Ainsley Harriott

#### **NEXT MEETING DATES 9:00 AM**

July 19, 2023 At the Landfill office August 16, 2023 September 20, 2023 October 18, 2023 November 15, 2023 December 20, 2023

### **ADJOURNMENT**

John MacGarva Moved the meeting adjourn at 9:28 am

Carried. 06.21.23-2189

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## **Administration Guidance Request**

TITLE: PUBLIC WORK	TO OF PINCHER COSTON		
PREPARED BY: PATRIC	CK GAUVREAU	<b>DATE: AUGUST 16, 2023</b>	-
DEPARTMENT: PUBLIC	WORKS		
Department Supervisor	Date	ATTACHMENTS: 1. None	
	APPR	OVALS:	
(fill)	A416 2022		
	August 16, 2023		
<b>Department Director</b>	Date	CAO	Date

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT Council, accept the Public Works Operational report for the period of July 11, 2023 to August 18, 2023 as information.

### **BACKGROUND:**

## PUBLIC WORKS OPERATIONS FROM JULY 11, 2023 TO AUGUST 18, 2023:

### FLEET/MECHANICS SHOP

Fixed a couple trailers (the water trailer, small utility trailer)

418 – box repair

Oil changes on misc trucks

Kabota UTV repair

Regular grader maintenance

### IN FIELD OPERATIONS

Pulverized all of the millings from Christina Mines Road – added dust control product to stabilize the road surface. Started pulverizing the Gladstone Road

Maycroft grading

Internal grader mowing (1/2 a day for the past couple weeks)

Lundbreck park maintenance - ongoing

Gravel haul completed

Dust control completed, will add dust control to road projects.

Bridge inspections – ongoing

Presented to: Council

Date of Meeting: August 22, 2023

## **Administration Guidance Request**

Signage repair/replacement - ongoing Lowbed equipment various locations Average 6 graders out

# FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: None

Presented to: Council Date of Meeting: August 22, 2023

REQUEST ID NUMBER	DIVISION	CONCERN/REQUEST	ASSIGNED TO	REQUEST DATE	ACTION TAKEN	FOLLOW UP	COMPLETION DATE
2023-137	Division 2	5-6 Snow fences, need to be repaired or removed as debris is landing in field.		June 22, 2023	Scheduled for later date	•	
2023-144	Division 3	Potholes and Wash boarded, would like it graded		June 28, 2023	Completed		
2023-145	Division 1	RR29-2 would like approach to get new gravel, was told last year it would happen but mist have got missed		June 28, 2023	Completed		July 10, 2023
2023-147	Division 3	Would like road graded. RR1-1 south off highway 507		July 4, 2023	Completed		July 21, 2023
2023-149	Division 3	Would like the road graded.		July 4, 2023	II OMNIETED	Joey Informed - to be done when gravel & dust control finished in area	July 18, 2023
2023-151	Division 2	Wants Crook road graded.		July 4, 2023	Completed	Kent informed	July 6, 2023
2023-153	Division 1	Butte Ranches, He said that the grader or gravel truck took out his fence post today July 6 between 8-11 am, between him and his neighbours house.		July 6, 2023	To be actioned		
2023-147	Division 3	Would like road graded. RR1-1 south off highway 507		July 4, 2023	Completed		July 21, 2023

REQUEST ID NUMBER	DIVISION	CONCERN/REQUEST	ASSIGNED TO	REQUEST DATE	ACTION TAKEN	FOLLOW UP	COMPLETION DATE
2023-149	Division 3	Would like the road graded.		July 4, 2023	Completed	Joey Informed - to be done when gravel & dust control finished in area	July 18, 2023
2023-151	Division 2	Wants Crook road graded.		July 4, 2023	Completed	Kent informed	July 13, 2023
2023-153	Division 1	Terry from Butte Ranches, He said that the grader or gravel truck took out his fence post today July 6 between 8-11 am, between him and his neighbours house.		July 6, 2023	To be actioned		
2023-154	Division 3	( he lives at NE-14-6-2-w5)he would like dust control on the road to blue bridge, as there's lots of traffic to it he says		July 7, 2023	Not actionable		
2023-155	Division 5	Rain water has started washing out road, please check.		July 10, 2023	To be actioned		
2023-156	Division 4	RR 29-1 has a "no overweight vehicles" sign and large feedlot trucks over 1 ton are driving on the road  Not sure what she wants done but wanted us to know		July 12, 2023	Not actionable		
2023-157	Division 1	Would like the road graveled. West section of Mitchell Road. By Island lake. If gated is locked call Bill	John G.	July 13, 2023	To be actioned	To be inspected	
2023-158	Division 2	TWP 7-2 West of the 507, east side of bridge there is a lot of potholes. As well as the west side of bridge. 2 worst are by the bridge. If we could get filled.	Tony N.	July 17, 2023	To be actioned	To be inspected	

REQUEST ID NUMBER	DIVISION	CONCERN/REQUEST	ASSIGNED TO	REQUEST DATE	ACTION TAKEN	FOLLOW UP	COMPLETION DATE
2023-159	Division 2	Would like yield sign changed to stop sign 28-3. from the east coming up the hill. Almost been T-bone twice there. Would like slow down children playing sign 28-3 for crossing 5-0.		July 20, 2023	Completed	Signage Installed	August 16, 2023
2023-160	Division 4	Would like roadside mowing from road to the buildings. 8432 NE-28-8-29-W4 RR 23-3		July 21, 2023	Not actionable	Called to inform we are no longer doing the roadside mowing. SLM	August 8, 2023
2023-161	Division 3	Would like Mowing along driveway 15 Villavegga Acres Burmis		July 21, 2023	Not actionable	Emailed to inform we are no longer doing the roadside mowing. SLM	August 8, 2023
2023-162	Division 5	North burmis road, would like water trucks or dust control because of TC Energy's traffic.		July 21, 2023	Completed	Dust Controlled	July 27, 2023
2023-163	Division 1	Wants dust control on her road but doesn't want to pay for it, she says it's a main road to twin butte store and gravel pit. SE-02-04-29-W4		July 21, 2023	Not actionable	Dust Control Program Complete	July 27, 2023
2023-164	Division 1	Roadside mowing, same as list year. NW-2-3-2W4		July 21, 2023	Not actionable	Called to inform we are no longer doing the roadside mowing. SLM	August 8, 2023
2023-165	Division 1	Would NOT like the road graded as there no gravel and its just digging up dirt and making the dust worse. They are wondering why they don't get gravel with the grading.		July 24, 2023	Not actionable		
2023-166		Would like to thank Public Works for keeping them watered down at the Annual Show, and Council Members for Flipping Pancakes.		July 24, 2023	Completed		July 22, 2023
2023-167		Access off hiway road need to be graded to bottom of hill	Glen S.	July 31, 2023	To be actioned	Glen Informed	
2023-168	Division 5	Dusty at chapel rock road, from work trucks, would like dust control.		August 1, 2023	Completed		August 3, 2023

REQUEST ID NUMBER	DIVISION	CONCERN/REQUEST	ASSIGNED TO	REQUEST DATE	ACTION TAKEN	FOLLOW UP	COMPLETION DATE
2023-169	Division 5	Heavy Haul Road is getting dust control, but the keep missing in front of his place the entrance is on the west side.		August 1, 2023	Completed	Last load done on Aug 3	August 3, 2023
2023-170	Division 3	Road to Beaver mines lake is wash boarded really bad and could use a grading		August 1, 2023	Not actionable	Alberta Parks	August 10, 2023
2023-171	Division 3	Damaged Road Sign, TWP 54 and RR 1-0 A	Don J.	August 2, 2023	Completed		August 10, 2023
2023-172	Division 5	dust control on chapel Rock road, but the missed about 1/2 Km just in front of his place. He's just wondering why they skipped in front of his property and then started back up again. Would like it done, maybe cause they cant see his house from the road		August 8, 2023	Not actionable	Was done at approach, not in problem area. Must speak with TC Energy on the matter.	August 10, 2023
2023-173	Division 2	To much gravel dumped, then grader pushed all into the ditch.	Kent Z.	August 8, 2023	Not actionable	Noted and operator informed	August 16, 2023
2023-174	Division 5	Waiting for driveway grading. 1/2 SW 28-7-2-W5	Glen S.	August 10, 2023	Completed		August 16, 2023
2023-175	Division 5	Waiting for driveway grading	Glen S.	August 10, 2023	Completed		August 16, 2023
2023-176	Division 4	waiting for gravel, wondering when he can get it		August 11, 2023	To be actioned	To be discussed	
2023-177	Division 1	Wanted to inform us of a drilling rig on fish lake road, trucks driving fast. Tandem trucks getting stuck at the top of the hill and they had to get cat to pull it out and its wrecking the road		August 11, 2023	Not actionable	noted	
2023-178	Division 4	Damaged Road Sign, TWP 84		August 14, 2023	To be actioned	To be inspected	
2023-179	Division 3	Purchased gravel from us, and wasn't home when delivered. would like gravel leveled out, and spread around evenly.	Glen S.	August 15, 2023	To be actioned		
2023-180	Division 2	increased traffic from new arena and bus route, intersection is becoming dangerous and worried about collisions would like yield too a stop sign. PW already came to look at intersection last November and placed markers for signs. Resident under impression that the signs were getting switched?		August 15, 2023	Scheduled for later date		

REQUEST ID NUMBER	DIVISION	CONCERN/REQUEST	ASSIGNED TO	REQUEST DATE	ACTION TAKEN	FOLLOW UP	COMPLETION DATE
2023-181	Division 1	Says they received dust control and its already gone Didn't get enough put on in the first place would like to talk to someone about it. Wondering if he could get a call		August 16, 2023	Not actionable		

REQUEST ID NUMBER	DIVISION	CONCERN/REQUEST	ASSIGNED TO	REQUEST DATE	ACTION TAKEN	FOLLOW UP	COMPLETION DATE
2023-182		wondering about putting a slow sign because of dust, campground users creating a lot of dust. site 2 Hidden Valley, near burmis. Or wondering about getting road paved, They did not order dust control this year as it doesn't last long she said		August 16, 2023	Not actionable		

TITLE: ASPHALT TES	PINCHER CREEK		
PREPARED BY: Patrick	Gauvreau	<b>DATE: August 16, 2023</b>	
<b>DEPARTMENT:</b> Public V	Works		
Department Supervisor	Date	ATTACHMENTS: 1. None	
	APPR	OVALS:	
Patrick Gauvreau			
Department Manager	Date	CAO	Date

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT Council, accept this report as information only.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

In June of 2023, Roads West Engineering Ltd. approached the MD to see if it could accommodate their asphalt testing lab for the Highway 3 paving project happening through and surrounding Cowley, AB.

The MD accommodated Roads West Engineering Ltd. by providing them with a location within the Public Works Yard compound to set up their asphalt testing lab / trailer and provide them with electricity and water.

Roads West was in our public works compound for 8 weeks.

The Public Works Manager was asked by Roads West if the MD would accept asphalt as a form of compensation and agreed.

Here are a few statements from Breanne Leach (Project Manager from Roads West): "The total tonnage was 112.73 that the MD received. Contract cost would be \$72.20/tonne but that including hauling and placing. Supply only would be estimated around haft of that. Although not completely conventional, and a communication error on quantity, I feel this worked out as a win win for all. You've got a great team of people that were super helpful and nice to be around. We're thankful to have been there and hope to work with you in the future."

All of the asphalt was hauled and placed by our staff in our Public Works employee parking lot on August  $2^{nd}$ ,  $3^{rd}$  and  $4^{th}$ . Our staff hauling the asphalt were instructed to haul two loads and had returned a second

## **Recommendation to Council**

time to the asphalt plants pit and got filled. When they arrived at the plant a second time, a call was made to Roads West and they approved the additional asphalt for the MD.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:	
None	

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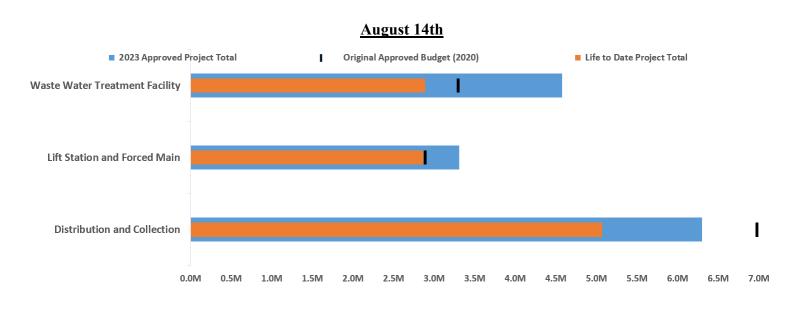


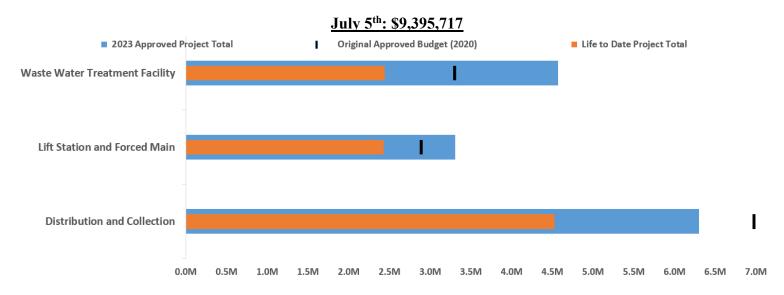
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## **BEAVER MINES**

Spend as of August 14st: \$10,821,806 / \$14,183,311 (77%)





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## • Beaver Mines Water Distribution, Collection System

- o Tender was awarded to BYZ on July 21, 2021.
  - 1. BYZ Enterprises Inc. \$5,468,977.50 (Budget \$6,251,600)
- o U/G Schedule A & B Completion May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023 (excluding additional service work)
- Finalizing CO to accommodate additional days request for scope additions for additional gas crossings, manhole wrapping, fencing and ROW cleanup modifications, U/G Telus lines
- o Deficiencies walkthrough complete June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023. Anticipate project full construction completion by end of month
- Final walkthrough completed August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023. Total completion was requested based on a July 21<sup>st</sup> completion date, with minor deficiencies to be addressed under holdback
  - Completion date request under review
- o Projecting final costs to be within current budget
- Working to closeout contractual duties related to landowner ROW agreements and remaining related costs

## • Beaver Mines Waste Facility/System

- Tender was awarded to BYZ on May 31, 2022
   BYZ Enterprises \$2,338,309.00 (Original Budget \$2,076,999)
- Site experienced break-in and theft week of July 17<sup>th</sup>. No damage to permanent or long lead equipment
- ← Culvert across 7 gates road replacement for increased storm flow complete excluding some cleanup flow redirection on the outlet
- Laterals installed, commissioning ongoing. Building work mostly complete, generator arrived early and installed
- Lagoon cells base civil work complete, liner installed. Significant deficiencies related to liner installation have been noted, which is resulting in a delay of initial fill and commissioning of lagoon system
- Anticipate completing initial fill of lagoon system and commission of aeration systems week of Aug 28<sup>th</sup>. 2 week process with flow acceptance expected after successful test
- Anticipate substantial completion of construction end of September, 2023

### • Beaver Mines Forcemain & Lift Station

- Tender was awarded to Parcon for Lift Station June 15<sup>th</sup> \$2,326,091 (Original Budget: \$2,220,000)
- o Construction awarded to low bidder for forcemain work:
  - o TA Excavating: \$386,925 (Eng. Est. \$600,000)
- Long lead generator and electrical control center identified as major point of supply chain delay that has potential for substantial delay. Working with contractor and engineering firm to mitigate this issue.
  - Substantial completion is now June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023 (up and running date), total completion (permanent MCC/generator installed) Nov. 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023
- Site visit complete June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023 to discuss handover plan. Pump testing and programming complete
- Forcemain work revised into a contract, contractual end date is end of June, 2023.
   Deficiency review complete June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023, substantial performance certificate issued
- O Site is ready to convey flows. Substantial completion excluding permanent MCC/generator installation anticipated for September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023

 Anticipate opening the lift station and forcemain to full potable water flows to fill the wastewater lagoon week of Aug 28th

Appeal was dropped July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023 and the file was officially closed by the Alberta Environmental Appeals Board July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

## **Current Water Operations Activity**

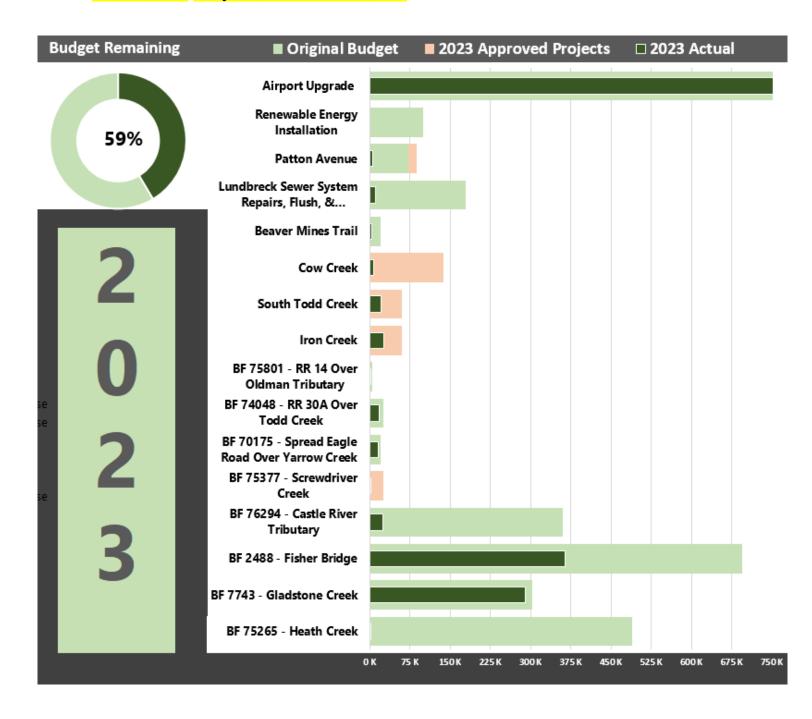
- Issued a Stage 3 water restriction August 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023 just prior to release of this report.
   Emergent/developing situation
- Beaver Mines Lot Servicing Utility Services Guidelines released May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023. 43 general and 21 plumbing contractor prequalified to date. Application process open to residents
- 6 applications received, 2 fully approved
- Confirmed the MD Distribution System Code of Practice does not require flow testing for capacity. National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) guidance recommends every 5 years. The intent is not to mandate routine 5-year testing of all hydrants. Flushing is completed annually for MD hydrants
- Hydrant flow testing in BM was completed by PCES and passed for fire flow. PCES is updating the Fire Underwriters Survey
- Standpipes
  - PC Standpipe coin acceptor sent for warranty replacement. BM coin acceptor moved to PC for time being. Fixed part received and installed July 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Spare ordered for coin acceptor
  - Last Known Issue: June 2023
  - o PC Standpipe experienced vandalism July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023
  - o Replacement equivalent systems (coin/credit ready with remote communication) estimated at \$25-\$35,000/site

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## **Large Capital and Other Projects**

Total Approved Budget: \$3,559,000. Spend as of August 14th, 2023:

\$1,718,298 July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023: \$711,490



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## Airport Lighting – Design 2022, Construction 2023

Install Airport Airfield Lighting Replacement, with portion of funds from STIP

- Design-build contract awarded to Black & McDonald (Cost: \$979,600, Original Budget: \$867,000). Revised Contract: \$1,016,435 + line removal/paint
- o Generator installation will be completed after Aug 1, 2023 due to long lead delivery
- o Deficiency walkthrough complete June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Partial completion for entire scope excluding generator install has been executed
- Approached by an AI drone company to capture images of our new painting for free as part of their data gathering/algorithm improvement

## Lundbreck Sewer System Repairs – Design/Construction 2023

Repair of 3 sewer main locations within the Hamlet of Lundbreck

- Working with MPE on brief scope of work package for quotation. Design work awarded February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023, project setup and quotation package underway
- o Draft drawings received March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023, review complete. Quotation package received April 6<sup>th</sup>, review complete. Released May 18<sup>th</sup>, due back May 30<sup>th</sup>
- o 2 bids received, budget exceeded. Met with low bidder to review options to keep costs under the budget, found a path forward
- On-site construction meeting held August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023. Construction has started, majority of work excluding pavement anticipated to be finalized by end of month

## Lundbreck Lagoon Resiliency Analysis & Regionalization – Engineering 2023

Review Lagoons ability to take on more flow (both regular and high strength). Review Cowley Lagoons ability to do the same, and options for regionalization

- o ACP Grant submitted in 2022, will not hear back until March/April 2023. Notice of successful grant received March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023. Expanding scope to include Cowley
- o Kickoff meeting held March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Anticipate starting analysis work and investigations throughout April
- o Reached out to brewery April 4<sup>th</sup> to arrange sampling. Sampling complete May 11<sup>th</sup> at lagoon and brewery 2023. Plan to setup actual flow monitoring this summer.
  - o Plan is to measure flow over course of Summer to confirm mass balance
  - Continued delays with metering device. Plan to draft report with assumed flows and update once flow monitoring device arrives. Anticipate preliminary results by September
- O Sampling results received and sent to brewery for reference

## Beaver Mines Trail – Design/Construction 2023

Phase 1 design along HWY between  $5^{th}$  and  $4^{th}$  street and potential construction (if funds are available)

- o Began engagement with MPE and kicked off preliminary routing February 1st, 2023.
- Permit received June 23, 2023. A crosswalk has been requested by ATEC across 4<sup>th</sup>
   St. In discussion regarding this piece

Construction of pathway complete, with exception of signage and benched area

## Therriault Dam – Geotechnical & Misc. Studies – Engineering 2023

Address high priority deficiencies for the Therriault Dam

- o Agreement signed with SNC Lavalin for Geotechnical & Hydrotechnical Assessments for the damn Jan 11, 2023
- Kickoff complete Jan 24, 2023. Geotechnical drill complete March 22<sup>nd</sup>. Piezometers (water pressure measurement tools) placed, will check readings in 2 weeks
- o Spillway drone photogram will be complete when weather allows. Complete April 21st
- o Draft reports received end of May, initial review complete. Working with SNC to finalize reports and recommendations

## **Energy Projects**

MD Estimated Annual Energy Savings: \$22,434

MD Achieved Annual Savings\*: \$26,287

MD Funding Secured (Total): \$192,098

\*Based on utility bill review adjusted cost savings and the ICF agreement framework. This number is expected to rise as projects completed within the last year haven't seen a full year of savings.

## • General Updates

- Arena and MPF retrofit
  - Community Building Retrofit grant pre-application submitted for 25% of Arena upgrades March 3, 2023
  - Feasibility study completed August 11, 2023
  - o Full application submitted end of August, 2023
- O High efficiency furnace replacement in Airport
  - o Complete Airport July 26, 2023
  - o Savings projected to be \$500 and 2.5 tonnes of GHGs annually
- Received confirmation of \$22,080 for Electrical Tracking System at the Multipurpose facility
  - o Install tentatively scheduled for late September
- o Grant received from Lethbridge Community Foundation for \$5,000 to install offgrid equipment and remove the electrical service at the Lundbreck Welcome Sign
  - $\circ$  Anticipate awarding to low bidder for  $\sim$ \$7,500
  - o Install expected early September
  - Annual savings projected to be \$980-\$1,100
  - QUEST net zero accelerator
    - Launch survey completed
    - Engaged Fortis and Apex with utility survey
  - Lebel solar project
    - To include a solar array and display inside to teach residents about the outputs of solar and the process for developing it
    - o \$10,000 received from Lethbridge Community Foundation
    - 57,000 USD from Enel North America has been committed
      - Town has tabled project for review in August

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- Submitted expression of interest for Energy Futures Lab roadshow in 2024. Received letters of support from Matthew Halton high school, Fortis Alberta, Riteline Electric, Southwest Alberta Sustainable Communities Initiative, and Enel North America
  - Decision expected October 2023

## • EV Chargers

- o PW no longer has capacity to complete concrete finishing at Administration Chargers
  - Contractor started work August 15, 2023
  - Castle Mountain chargers complete and funding closeout submitted

### • Eco-centre Solar Installation

- o Complete July 20, 2023, producing power into grid
  - 320 kw-hr produced to date

## • Climate Resiliency and Adaptation Plan

- Presented results to Town Council August 2, 2023
- PC-REMO to take lead on:
  - Firesmart and flooding legislation recommendations
  - Fuel management program
  - Heat and Smoke emergency response plans
  - Flood infrastructure development plans

## o Project brief developed for review by Climate Resilience Team

- Wind projections study
- Sustainable procurement policy
- Homeowner assessment toolkit
- Drought response plan
- Natural Asset inventory
- Tourism and recreation master plan
- Emergency preparedness education and communication

## • Clean Energy Improvement Program

- o Full application submitted June 29, 2023
- o Amendments made based on FCM feedback and resubmitted August 11, 2023
- Expected launch pending grant approval in Q2 2024

### • Ford Lightning

- o Tender received from Marlborough Ford with estimated ETA of September 2023
  - Awarded to only bidder Marlborough Ford \$80,371.25 (Budget \$85,000)
  - Received July 26, 2023
  - Tracking usage to compare vs gas equivalent
  - Funding closeout to be submitted upon release of newspaper article expected
     August 16, 2023

#### • Solar Installation

- o RFP closed March 31, 2023
  - 5 proposals received
  - Preferred contractors selected, awaiting funding streams before awarding

- Discussion underway with NavCanada about specific requirements for ensuring glare mitigation
  - A stamped Engineering report on the glare characterises of the selected panels has been provided
  - Transport Canada has reviewed the glare report and declared it sufficient
- Project Award pending funding release
- Contractor has indicated August 1<sup>st</sup> latest launch date to complete project before Winter
- o Beginning microgeneration and Transport Canada application process in preparation for grant launch
- o Discussion with MCCAC indicates grant funding to be available later than expected

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## **Capital Projects Update - Bridges**

- Bridge File 75265 Local Road over Heath Creek, NE-11-10-01-W5M
  - o Tender awarded for engineering in 2021
    - o Roseke Engineering at \$52,162.00 (Budget: \$53,000.00)
  - Tender awarded for construction in 2023
    - o Volker Stevin at \$367,000 (Estimate: \$475,700)
    - o Awarded bidder \$124,000 lower than cancelled Tender May, 2022
  - o Land is purchased and agreements are signed. Title registration may take a few months
  - o STIP Application submitted, not awarded
  - o Anticipated completion by Sep. 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023
  - Pre-construction kickoff meeting held August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023. Construction anticipated to begin August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023
- Bridge File 7743 Local Road over Gladstone Creek, SW-23-05-02-W5M
  - o Project complete
- Bridge File 75377 Local Road over Screwdriver Creek, NW-08-06-02-W5M
  - Project complete
- Bridge File 2488 Fisher Bridge, NW-26-07-02-W5M
  - o ISL awarded Supply-Build Engineering contract
  - Design, Supply, & Fabrication of Prefabricated Bridge awarded to Algonquin Bridge (Cost: \$458,040. Eng. Est: \$638,000).
  - RFPQ (Request for Contractor Pre-Qualification) for Installation has been sent out and closed July 26<sup>th</sup>. Installation RFQ bids received September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Awarded to low bidder (Cost: \$330,954. Eng. Est: \$349,000)
  - o Existing abutments will have partial depth repairs complete, and cracks will be epoxy injected and sealed. Work falls under new DFO code of practice for clear span bridge
    - Scour identified under existing abutment. Awaiting costed plan from ISL for discussion
  - Bridge open for traffic flow
  - o Guardrail, abutment epoxy/sealing, and signage work to follow
- Bridge File 74048 Todd Creek Culvert, NW-36-009-03 W5M
  - o Pricing Received for Preliminary Engineering & Design
    - o Awarded to Roseke Engineering at \$18,286 (QAES Assessment scope added)
  - o Evaluating maintenance and/or replacement options for the 1962 1.8mx1.1mx15.8m culvert
  - o Class C waterbody with Restricted Activity Period (RAP). No detour
  - o Preliminary Engineering complete May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023
  - o Recommendation is to replace if STIP funding can be obtained, or install timber struts until funding can be obtained (to be discussed in 2024 budget planning)
- Bridge File 70175 Yarrow Creek Bridge Rehabilitation, NW-22-003-030 W4M
  - o Pricing Received for Preliminary Engineering & Design from multiple firms.
    - O Awarded to Roseke Engineering at \$17,990 (Budget \$20,000)
  - Class C waterbody with Restricted Activity Period (RAP) and critical habitat for atrisk species

- o Preliminary engineering report complete June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Proceeding with design and permitting. Scope includes:
  - O Perform a pile splice repair on two piles in the west abutment, replace the east pile cap, place fill and riprap at the west headslope, minor wheel guard repairs & repairs to east timber span, channel realignment, and west abutment riprap work

## • Bridge File 75801 – Oldman River Tributary Culvert, SW-09-010-01 W5M

- o Pricing Received for Preliminary Engineering & Design
  - o Awarded to Roseke Engineering at \$4,314.83 (Budget \$5,000)
- o Evaluating maintenance design for struts the 1953 1.4mx1.6mx24m culvert
- o Class D waterbody with no RAP
- o Preliminary engineering complete. Struts recommended, drawing complete
- Determining feasibility of doing in-house vs. contracting out in 2024. To be discussed in 2024 budget planning

## • Bridge File 76294– 2<sup>nd</sup> Tributary to Castle River, SW 32-006-01 W5M

- o Preliminary Engineering & Design awarded to Roseke July 14, 2022
- Tender awarded for construction in 2023
  - o East Butte at \$198,407 (Estimate: \$253,500)
- o Recommendation is replacement with an upsized 1.6m diameter x 27m L single culvert (existing structure is 1.5m diameter x 18.3m L)
- o STIP funding confirmed April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023
- o Anticipated completion by Nov. 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023
- Contract signed
- ECO Plan and Traffic plan submitted and sent back with comments

### • Watercourse Crossing Inspection & Remediation Project – 100% Grant funded

- o \$150,000 in grant funding awarded for Year 1 of this program
- o **Fintegrate** awarded initial contract to assess all MD crossings, prioritize for remediation, & perform detailed regulatory authorizations
- o Work has begun on prioritization & initial assessment, 175+ crossings reviewed
- O Anticipate moving forward with design of 3 crossings. Proposals received for 3 eligible crossings, kicked off preliminary design January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023
  - o BF 7080 Dungarvan Creek Culvert Replacement, SW-17-003-29 W4M
  - Tapay (Carbondale) Road over Iron Creek Culvert Replacement, SW-15-006-03 W5M
  - TWN Rd. 31A (Chapel Rock) over South Todd Creek Culvert Replacement, SE-023-09-03 W5M
- o Anticipating regulatory Directives making dealing with SAR crossings mandatory
- o Y1 grant extension to November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023 received
- o Funding agreement signed March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023 for additional \$1.55M to cover additional assessment, and engineering along with replacement of 2 crossings, to be complete by March 2025

## • WCR #1: Iron Creek under Tapay (Carbondale) Road, LSD SE-15-006-03 W5M

- o Prelim. engineering complete. Design awarded to Roseke Engineering
- o 100% grant funded (excluding potential land costs)
- o Anticipated structure is a 4.7m x 2m corrugated steel box culvert
- o Anticipate 2024 construction

- WCR #2: South Todd Creek Trib. under Chapel Rock Road, LSD SE-23-009-03 W5M
  - o Prelim. engineering complete. Design awarded to Roseke Engineering
  - o 100% grant funded (excluding potential land costs)
  - o Anticipated structure is a 1.6m open bottom CSP culvert
  - o Anticipate 2024 construction
- WCR #3: Cow Creek Trib. under North NU Road, LSD NE-35-008-03 W5M
  - o Design & QAES portion awarded to ISL Engineering
  - o Engineering and design will be 100% grant funded (excluding potential land costs)
  - QAES report complete
  - o Anticipate construction late Summer/Fall 2023 by PW

## Roads

• Patton Avenue (Lundbreck) - Engineering and construction 2023 - Budget \$72,000

Improve drainage on the east boulevard of Patton Avenue to create positive drainage to the catch basin on the North end.

- Service agreement for professional service has been signed with ISL Engineering and Land Services LTD on December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022
- Project has been awarded to Ground Breakers. Contractual project completion August 31st, 2023
- Council decided May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023 to proceed with paving up to property edge. CCN issued, change order received and approved
- o TAS, ECO Plan underway. Contractor preliminarily plans to start work July 4<sup>th</sup>
- o Pre-construction meeting held July 4<sup>th</sup>
- Construction complete, construction certificate issued August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2023

#### **Recommendation:**

That the Utilities & Infrastructure report for the period July 6<sup>th</sup> – August 16<sup>th</sup> is received as information.

Prepared by: Roland/David/Tristan Date: August 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Submitted to: Council Date: August 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023

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August 9th 2023

Constable Christopher McKerracher Acting Corporal Crowsnest pass, Alberta

Dear Community leaders,

Please find the quarterly Community Policing Report attached that covers the April 1<sup>st</sup> to June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023 reporting period. The attached report outlines a quarterly snapshot of the human resources, financial data and crime statistics for the Crowsnest Pass.

As part of the Alberta RCMP's ongoing priority to ensure public safety, encouraging citizens to report all crimes plays a vital role in building community well-being. We recognize that non-urgent crimes such as minor thefts and property crime may go unreported due to various reasons such as perceived insignificance or fear of inconvenience. Thus, the Alberta RCMP continues to engage citizens on the importance of reporting non-urgent crimes to help us optimize our crime prevention efforts.

To help facilitate this, we have made reporting of non-urgent crime easier through the Alberta RCMP APP (available as a free download on the <u>Apple App Store</u> or <u>Google Play</u>). Online crime reporting offers a convenient way for citizens to report non-emergent crime to Alberta RCMP from their computer or smartphone without having to phone or visit the police detachment.

An informed community is a safer community. Here are some reasons why online reporting of non-urgent crimes matters:

- Alberta RCMP police officers in the Call Back Unit are responsible for investigating online crime reports, thus reducing the need for frontline police officers to respond. Encouraging the public to use online crime reporting gives the Detachment frontline officers an opportunity to spend more of their time for proactive policing activities in the community.
- Non-urgent online crime reporting also has the potential to reduce those same nonurgent phone calls to our 911 Operators (OCCS) and Detachment Staff.



The Alberta RCMP encourages citizens to report every crime to allow us to leverage reliable data to identify patterns and trends in criminal activities in our communities. We also use this intelligence to distribute our resources strategically and ensure that our police officers are deployed where they are most needed.

Thank you for your ongoing support and continued guidance in ensuring that we are consistently meeting your community's evolving policing needs. As the Chief of Police for your community, I invite you to contact me should you have any questions or concerns.

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Notes/Comments No entries found









## **Community Priorities**

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Reduce Street Gang Activity

## Current Status & Results

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## **Priority 4**

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July 4, 2023

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Offences Related to Death		0	0	1	0	1	N/A	N/A	0.2
Robbery		0	0	1	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Sexual Assaults	/	3	2	1	0	0	-100%	N/A	-0.8
Other Sexual Offences		0	2	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	-0.2
Assault		20	26	25	13	13	-35%	0%	-2.7
Kidnapping/Hostage/Abduction		0	2	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	-0.2
Extortion		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Criminal Harassment	<b>∼</b>	5	10	2	15	5	0%	-67%	0.5
Uttering Threats	<b>^</b>	10	14	5	10	5	-50%	-50%	-1.4
TOTAL PERSONS	~	38	56	35	38	24	-37%	-37%	-4.6
Break & Enter	<u> </u>	10	7	10	9	6	-40%	-33%	-0.6
Theft of Motor Vehicle	<b>\</b>	4	4	2	1	5	25%	400%	-0.1
Theft Over \$5,000		1	1	0	1	1	0%	0%	0.0
Theft Under \$5,000	~	18	25	14	21	14	-22%	-33%	-1.2
Possn Stn Goods	<b>△</b>	2	5	1	2	1	-50%	-50%	-0.5
Fraud	<b>✓</b>	10	7	9	15	9	-10%	-40%	0.6
Arson		1	1	2	3	0	-100%	-100%	0.0
Mischief - Damage To Property		0	21	22	22	13	N/A	-41%	2.7
Mischief - Other	<u>\</u>	29	11	6	13	15	-48%	15%	-2.6
TOTAL PROPERTY	~	75	82	66	87	64	-15%	-26%	-1.7
Offensive Weapons	$\sim$	0	1	0	2	0	N/A	-100%	0.1
Disturbing the peace	~	10	11	9	20	10	0%	-50%	0.9
Fail to Comply & Breaches	~	6	12	4	4	5	-17%	25%	-1.0
OTHER CRIMINAL CODE		3	6	8	9	3	0%	-67%	0.3
TOTAL OTHER CRIMINAL CODE	~	19	30	21	35	18	-5%	-49%	0.3
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Drug Enforcement - Production		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Drug Enforcement - Possession	$\overline{}$	1	5	2	0	1	0%	N/A	-0.5
Drug Enforcement - Trafficking	$\bigvee$	1	0	1	1	0	-100%	-100%	-0.1
Drug Enforcement - Other		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Total Drugs		2	5	3	1	1	-50%	0%	-0.6
Cannabis Enforcement	$\wedge$	0	1	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	-0.1
Federal - General	<u> </u>	1	6	2	3	2	100%	-33%	-0.1
TOTAL FEDERAL	/	3	12	5	4	3	0%	-25%	-0.8
Liquor Act	<b>/~~</b>	1	6	4	5	4	300%	-20%	0.5
Cannabis Act	\ _	3	0	0	0	1	-67%	N/A	-0.4
Mental Health Act		18	36	37	17	23	28%	35%	-0.9
Other Provincial Stats	<b>)</b>	38	31	29	24	27	-29%	13%	-2.9
Total Provincial Stats	~	60	73	70	46	55	-8%	20%	-3.7
Municipal By-laws Traffic		3	2	1	0	1	-67%	N/A	-0.6
Municipal By-laws	1	7	23	4	10	12	71%	20%	-0.3
Total Municipal	~	10	25	5	10	13	30%	30%	-0.9
Fatals	$\wedge$	0	1	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	-0.1
Injury MVC	<b>\</b>	3	3	9	5	7	133%	40%	1.0
Property Damage MVC (Reportable)	<b>\</b>	58	24	44	52	44	-24%	-15%	0.0
Property Damage MVC (Non Reportable)		9	11	13	8	4	-56%	-50%	-1.3
TOTAL MVC	<b>\</b>	70	39	66	65	55	-21%	-15%	-0.4
Roadside Suspension - Alcohol (Prov)	/	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	3	N/A	N/A	N/A
Roadside Suspension - Drugs (Prov)		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total Provincial Traffic	<b>\</b>	436	234	317	113	385	-12%	241%	-22.3
Other Traffic		9	4	2	0	2	-78%	N/A	-1.8
Criminal Code Traffic		15	14	7	6	12	-20%	100%	-1.4
Common Police Activities									
False Alarms	~	8	6	7	5	9	13%	80%	0.1
False/Abandoned 911 Call and 911 Act	<b>^</b>	3	7	1	6	4	33%	-33%	0.1
Suspicious Person/Vehicle/Property	~	42	58	32	18	28	-33%	56%	-6.8
Persons Reported Missing	~	6	7	1	2	6	0%	200%	-0.5
Search Warrants		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Spousal Abuse - Survey Code (Reported)		10	24	25	25	21	110%	-16%	2.3
Form 10 (MHA) (Reported)		0	0	4	0	3	N/A	N/A	0.6









August 8, 2023

Sgt Ryan Hodge Detachment Commander Pincher Creek, AB

Dear Reeve Lemire,

Please find the quarterly Community Policing Report attached that covers the April 1<sup>st</sup> to June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023 reporting period. The attached report outlines a quarterly snapshot of the human resources, financial data and crime statistics for the Pincher Creek Detachment.

As part of the Alberta RCMP's ongoing priority to ensure public safety, encouraging citizens to report all crimes plays a vital role in building community well-being. We recognize that non-urgent crimes such as minor thefts and property crime may go unreported due to various reasons such as perceived insignificance or fear of inconvenience. Thus, the Alberta RCMP continues to engage citizens on the importance of reporting non-urgent crimes to help us optimize our crime prevention efforts.

To help facilitate this, we have made reporting of non-urgent crime easier through the Alberta RCMP APP (available as a free download on the <u>Apple App Store</u> or <u>Google Play</u>). Online crime reporting offers a convenient way for citizens to report non-emergent crime to Alberta RCMP from their computer or smartphone without having to phone or visit the police detachment.

An informed community is a safer community. Here are some reasons why online reporting of non-urgent crimes matters:

- Alberta RCMP police officers in the Call Back Unit are responsible for investigating online crime reports, thus reducing the need for frontline police officers to respond. Encouraging the public to use online crime reporting gives the Detachment frontline officers an opportunity to spend more of their time for proactive policing activities in the community.
- Non-urgent online crime reporting also has the potential to reduce those same nonurgent phone calls to our 911 Operators (OCCS) and Detachment Staff.









The Alberta RCMP encourages citizens to report every crime to allow us to leverage reliable data to identify patterns and trends in criminal activities in our communities. We also use this intelligence to distribute our resources strategically and ensure that our police officers are deployed where they are most needed.

Thank you for your ongoing support and continued guidance in ensuring that we are consistently meeting your community's evolving policing needs. As the Chief of Police for your community, I invite you to contact me should you have any questions or concerns.

Sgt Ryan Hodge Sgt Ryan Hodge

**Detachment Commander** 

Pincher Creek









### **RCMP** Provincial Policing Report

Detachment	Pincher Creek Provincial
Detachment Commander	Sgt Ryan Hodge
Quarter	Q1
Date of Report	20230801

#### **Community Consultations**

Community Consultations
<b>Date</b> 2023-04-28
Meeting Type Community Connection
Topics Discussed Education Session
Notes/Comments Attended the annual trade fair for two days.

Date 2023-05-17
Meeting Type Meeting with Stakeholder(s)
Topics Discussed Regular reporting information sharing
Police Advisory Committee meeting. Regular meeting with reporting from RCMP.  Notes/Comments Discussion about the need for community peace officers to assist police and the community.

Date 2023-06-13	
Meeting Type Meeting with Elected Officials	
Topics Discussed Regular reporting information sharing	
Notes/Comments Quarterly reporting to Town Council	









### **Community Priorities**

Priority 1	Building Relationships in Communities
Current Status & Results	Members have been making school patrols as part of the regular patrols each day. In school visits have fallen off and will need to improve for next fall. School is now over for the next two months. Members have been out patrolling and getting involved in community events such as rodeo, farmers markets, car shows, and trade fair.

Priority 2	Enhance Road Safety
Current Status & Results	Traffic enforcement is exceeding expectations for the quarter which is good given the noticeable increase in highway traffic levels. Traffic enforcement initiatives in line with the traffic safety calendar need improvement but resourcing challenges existed during this quarter due to a variety of higher priority matters.

Priority 3	Crime Reduction
Current Status & Results	Training has not been completed due to other training commitments and resource shortages. Property related offences has increased 24% for the quarter when compared to last year. This is in part due to several prolific offenders being released back into the community. The clearance rate for theft related offences is below our target but is actually higher due to several theft charges being laid after the data was collected.









#### Crime Statistics<sup>1</sup>

The following table provides policing statistics on actual offences within the periods listed. Please see Appendix for additional information and a five-year comparison.

		April - Jun	е	January - December			
Category	2022	2023	% Change Year-over- Year	2021	2022	% Change Year-over- Year	
Total Criminal Code	113	187	65%	642	581	-10%	
Persons Crime	18	38	111%	173	128	-26%	
Property Crime	68	84	24%	330	290	-12%	
Other Criminal Code	27	65	141%	139	163	17%	
Traffic Offences							
Criminal Code Traffic	10	16	60%	61	48	-21%	
Provincial Code Traffic	323	274	-15%	1,034	1,147	11%	
Other Traffic	0	0	N/A	1	2	100%	
CDSA Offences	3	4	33%	1	2	100%	
Other Federal Acts	12	7	-42%	31	33	6%	
Other Provincial Acts	46	56	22%	222	216	-3%	
Municipal By-Laws	2	4	100%	21	12	-43%	
Motor Vehicle Collisions	51	34	-33%	281	265	-6%	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Data extracted from a live database (PROS) and is subject to change over time.

#### **Trends/Points of Interest**

Although various offence types are trending up for the first part of 2023, they are still within norms for a 5 year period. The Pincher Creek Detachment is aware of the increases and are working diligently to address several prolific offenders.









#### **Provincial Police Service Composition Table<sup>2</sup>**

Staffing Category	Established Positions	Working	Soft Vacancies <sup>3</sup>	Hard Vacancies⁴
Police Officers	11	9	2	0
Detachment Support	3	3	1	0

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Data extracted on June 30, 2023 and is subject to change.

#### Comments

Police Officers: Of the 11 established positions, nine officers are working. There are two officers on special leave (One Medical and One Parental leave).

Detachment Support: Of the three established positions, three resources are working. One resource is on special leave (One Leave without Pay) and that position is backfilled. There is no hard vacancy detected at this time.

### **Quarterly Financial Drivers**

Not available

<sup>3</sup> Soft Vacancies are positions that are filled but vacant due to maternity/paternity leave, medical leave, etc. and are still included in the overall FTE count.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Hard Vacancies reflect positions that do not have an employee attached and need to be filled.



## Pincher Creek Provincial Detachment Crime Statistics (Actual)

Q1: 2019 - 2023

All categories contain "Attempted" and/or "Completed"

July 4, 2023

All categories contain "Attempted" and/or	"Completed"								July 4, 202
CATEGORY	Trend	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	% Change 2019 - 2023	% Change 2022 - 2023	Avg File +/ per Year
Offences Related to Death		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Robbery		0	1	2	0	0	N/A	N/A	-0.1
Sexual Assaults		2	2	1	0	0	-100%	N/A	-0.6
Other Sexual Offences		1	0	0	0	1	0%	N/A	0.0
Assault	~	23	22	18	10	22	-4%	120%	-1.4
Kidnapping/Hostage/Abduction		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Extortion		0	1	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	-0.1
Criminal Harassment	~	6	6	9	4	8	33%	100%	0.2
Uttering Threats	~	14	7	8	4	7	-50%	75%	-1.7
TOTAL PERSONS	~	46	39	38	18	38	-17%	111%	-3.7
Break & Enter		11	4	6	8	9	-18%	13%	0.0
Theft of Motor Vehicle	<b>\_</b>	10	3	6	4	3	-70%	-25%	-1.3
Theft Over \$5,000		1	0	0	0	3	200%	N/A	0.4
Theft Under \$5,000	~	36	20	35	19	27	-25%	42%	-1.9
Possn Stn Goods	\	5	1	2	2	1	-80%	-50%	-0.7
Fraud	~	14	9	11	14	7	-50%	-50%	-0.9
Arson		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Mischief - Damage To Property	/	0	12	12	8	23	N/A	188%	4.2
Mischief - Other	\	36	5	9	13	11	-69%	-15%	-4.2
TOTAL PROPERTY	~	113	54	81	68	84	-26%	24%	-4.4
Offensive Weapons	<b>\</b>	3	0	4	6	5	67%	-17%	1.0
Disturbing the peace		17	18	18	14	24	41%	71%	1.0
Fail to Comply & Breaches	<b>\</b>	36	18	7	6	31	-14%	417%	-2.2
OTHER CRIMINAL CODE	~~	4	3	5	1	5	25%	400%	0.0
TOTAL OTHER CRIMINAL CODE	>	60	39	34	27	65	8%	141%	-0.2
TOTAL CRIMINAL CODE	<b>~~</b>	219	132	153	113	187	-15%	65%	-8.3



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#### **Crime Statistics (Actual)** Q1: 2019 - 2023

All categories contain "Attempted" and/or "Completed"

July 4, 2023

All categories contain "Attempted" and/or "C	Trend	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	% Change 2019 - 2023	% Change 2022 - 2023	Avg File +/- per Year
Drug Enforcement - Production		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Drug Enforcement - Possession	$\overline{}$	2	7	1	1	2	0%	100%	-0.6
Drug Enforcement - Trafficking		0	1	2	0	1	N/A	N/A	0.1
Drug Enforcement - Other		0	0	0	2	1	N/A	-50%	0.4
Total Drugs	<b>_</b>	2	8	3	3	4	100%	33%	-0.1
Cannabis Enforcement		0	0	0	1	1	N/A	0%	0.3
Federal - General	$\overline{\setminus}$	6	2	0	8	2	-67%	-75%	-0.2
TOTAL FEDERAL	<b>~</b>	8	10	3	12	7	-13%	-42%	0.0
Liquor Act	<u>\</u>	40	13	18	14	4	-90%	-71%	-7.1
Cannabis Act		0	1	2	2	0	N/A	-100%	0.1
Mental Health Act	~	5	20	18	19	23	360%	21%	3.5
Other Provincial Stats	<b>\</b>	28	22	22	11	29	4%	164%	-0.9
Total Provincial Stats	~	73	56	60	46	56	-23%	22%	-4.4
Municipal By-laws Traffic		1	0	0	0	0	-100%	N/A	-0.2
Municipal By-laws	~	7	6	11	2	4	-43%	100%	-1.0
Total Municipal	~	8	6	11	2	4	-50%	100%	-1.2
Fatals		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Injury MVC	~	3	3	2	4	2	-33%	-50%	-0.1
Property Damage MVC (Reportable)	~	42	37	47	44	28	-33%	-36%	-2.1
Property Damage MVC (Non Reportable)	~	2	7	6	3	4	100%	33%	0.0
TOTAL MVC		47	47	55	51	34	-28%	-33%	-2.2
Roadside Suspension - Alcohol (Prov)	/	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2	N/A	N/A	N/A
Roadside Suspension - Drugs (Prov)		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total Provincial Traffic	<b>\</b>	556	164	271	323	274	-51%	-15%	-40.5
Other Traffic		5	2	0	0	0	-100%	N/A	-1.2
Criminal Code Traffic	~	25	22	17	10	16	-36%	60%	-3.0
Common Police Activities									
False Alarms	<b>✓</b>	6	9	20	8	8	33%	0%	0.3
False/Abandoned 911 Call and 911 Act	<b>~</b>	23	7	14	13	14	-39%	8%	-1.2
Suspicious Person/Vehicle/Property	<b>\</b>	32	26	22	17	21	-34%	24%	-3.1
Persons Reported Missing	~	5	6	11	2	5	0%	150%	-0.4
Search Warrants		0	0	1	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Spousal Abuse - Survey Code (Reported)	<u></u>	15	6	8	11	12	-20%	9%	-0.1
Form 10 (MHA) (Reported)		0	1	0	0	2	N/A	N/A	0.3

#### **Recommendation to Council**

TITLE:

## Road Closure Bylaw 1348-23 Portion undeveloped lanes and roadways Adjacent to Lots 4-10 Plan 6507GX within Pincher Station



PREPARED BY: Laura N	IcKinnon	DATE: August 17, 2023					
DEPARTMENT: Planning	g and Development						
(Day 0)	2023/08/17	ATTACHMENTS:					
Department Date Supervisor		<ol> <li>Description for Proposed Consolidation</li> <li>Bylaw No. 1348-23</li> <li>GIS Aerial</li> </ol>					
APPROVALS:							
		Roland Milligan	2023/08/17				
Department Director	Date	CAO	Date				

#### RECOMMENDATION:

That Council give first reading to Road Closure Bylaw No. 1348-23, and further;

That Council set the date and time for the required Public Hearing for September 26, 2023, at 6:00pm.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

On June 13, 2023, the MD approved the proposal from landowner Shift Real Estate, requesting to close and purchase the roadway and alleys adjacent to their parcel. Being, the undeveloped roadway west of Lot 6 and Lot 7, Plan 6507GX, along with the alleys between Lots 4-10, Plan 6507GX and south of Lots 4-6, Plan 6507GX.

The applicant has submitted the required road closure fee and engaged the services of an Alberta Land Surveyor. The MD has received a description for the required road closure bylaw from the ALS.

The ALS has also supplied a copy of the legal description showing the closed road being consolidated with the adjacent title (*Attachment No. 1*).

Road Closure Bylaw No. 1339-22 (Attachment No. 2) has been prepared and is being presented for first reading.

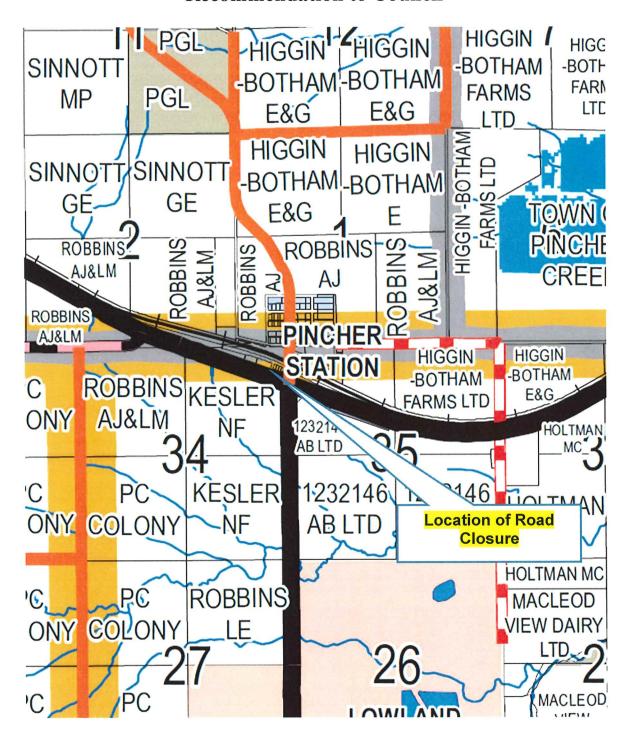
#### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None. The applicant is responsible for all costs regarding this proposal.

Presented to: Council

Date of Meeting: August 22, 2023

### **Recommendation to Council**



Presented to: Council

Date of Meeting: August 22, 2023

#### MD OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9 BYLAW NO. 1348-23

A BYLAW OF MD OF PINCHER CREEK FOR THE PURPOSE OF CLOSING TO PUBLIC TRAVEL AND CREATING TITLE TO AND DISPOSING OF PORTIONS OF A PUBLIC HIGHWAY IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 22 OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT ACT, CHAPTER M26, REVISED STATUTES OF ALBERTA 2000, AS AMENDED.

WHEREAS, the lands hereafter described are no longer required for public travel,

WHEREAS, application has been made to Council to have the roadway closed, and

WHEREAS, the Council of MD OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9 deems it expedient to provide for a bylaw for the purpose of closing to public travel certain roads or portions thereof, situated in the said municipality and thereafter creating title to and disposing of same, and

WHEREAS, notice of intention of Council to pass a bylaw has been given in accordance with Section 606 of the Municipal Government Act, and

WHEREAS, Council was not petitioned for an opportunity to be heard by any person claiming to be prejudicially affected by the bylaw

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of MD OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9 in the Province of Alberta does hereby close to Public Travel and creating title to and disposing of the following described highways, subject to rights of access granted by other legislation.

PLAN 6507GX
ALL THOSE PORTIONS OF UNNAMED ROADS AND LANES
FORMING A PART OF LOT 4, BLOCK 1, PLAN
CONTAINING 0.234 HECTARES (0.58 ACRES) MORE OR LESS
EXCEPTING THEREOUT ALL MINES AND MINERALS

Received first reading this	day of	,	20		
			Chief Elected Official Seal Chief Administrative Officer		
		Ap	proved this _	day of	, 20
			Mini	ster of Transport	tation
Received second reading this _	day of		_, 20		
Received third reading and fina	lly passed this	day of _		, 20	
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#### CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

July 8, 2023 to August 18, 2023

### **Discussion:**

July 11	Council Committee and Council Meetings
July 12	Planning Meeting
July 12	JHSC Meeting
July 17	SMT Meeting
July 20	Violence and Harassment Leadership Training
July 24	Asset Management Check-in
July 25	Mediation Prep Meeting
August 2	Public Works Safety Meeting
August 2	Violence and Harassment Leadership Training
August 2-4	Vacation
August 8	Special Council Meeting
August 9	JHSC
August 9	Physicians Group Meeting
August 15	Eco-Centre Meeting with Town
August 17-18	CUPE Mediation
August 19	Pincher Creek Parade

#### **Upcoming**

August 21	Special Council Meeting
August 22	Council Committee and Council Meetings
August 28	SMT Meeting
August 28-29	External COR Audit
August 30	Planning Meeting
September 5	Subdivision Authority & Municipal Planning Commission
September 6	ASB Meeting
September 7	Joint Council Meeting

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council receive for information, the Chief Administrative Officer's report for the period June 23, 2023 – August 17, 2023.

Prepared by: CAO, Roland Milligan Date: August 17, 2023

Respectfully presented to: Council Date: August 22, 2023

## Administrative Support Activity since last Council Meeting - prepared by Jessica McClelland, EA

#### **Letters from last Council:**

- Pincher Creek Emergency Services Proposed Amendments to Funding Model
- Community Basketball Court Donation
- Kainai Fair and Rodeo Pancake Breakfast

#### **Advertising/Social:**

- Level 3 Water Restriction
- Public Engagement Session AHS
- Gladstone Road Construction
- Lundbreck Construction
- Declaring Agricultural Disaster
- No Private Driveway Mowing for 2023
- Ford F-150 Lightning
- July Energy Newsletter
- Advertising for Temp Full-Time Accounting Clerk
- Public Meeting Rogers Tower
- Heath Creek Culvert Construction
- Pincher Station Road Reconstruction Project
- Road Side Mowing Watch for Crews
- Christie Mines Road
- Beaver Mines Project Updates

#### **Other Activities:**

Preparing for Rodeo Parade

#### Invitations to Council:

- Lorne Thompson checking his schedule
- Irrigation District spoke with Ministers Assistant, meeting will be scheduled following RMA and will be virtual

#### **Upcoming Meetings of Importance:**

Pancake Flipping – August 19, 2023 Pincher Creek Parade – August 19, 2023 Regular Committee, Council – August 22, 2023 Public Meeting – Rogers Tower – September 5, 2023 Joint Funding Meeting – September 6, 2023 Joint Council (Special Council) – September 7, 2023 Regular Committee, Council – September 12, 2023



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August 10, 2023

MD of Pincher Creek Council 962 St John Ave Pincher Creek, AB TOK 1W0

RE: Invitation to Cypress County Ag Connections Conference Presented by MNP

MD of Pincher Creek Council,

On behalf of Cypress County, I would like to encourage your Council and your ratepayers to attend the first-annual Cypress County Ag Connections Conference Presented by MNP, taking place November 22, 2023, in Medicine Hat, Alberta at the Medicine Hat Exhibition and Stampede Grounds.

"Cypress County Ag Connections" aims to support the growth, diversification, and sustainability of the agriculture industry in the region, through innovation and education. The event will feature over 18 agriculture-focused speakers discussing topics relevant to beef and crop producers in southern Alberta. We plan to welcome over 250 attendees including primary producers, ag retailers, businesses, and students.

Keynote speaker, farmer and mental health advocate Lesley Kelly will share 'When Stress is more than a Season'. Other sessions include Smart Irrigation, Innovation in Ag: Drones, The First 48 Hours of a Calves Life, In-Bin Grain Storage & Management, Farm Direct Marketing, Farm Financials, Forage Blends for Southern Alberta, Trends in Ag Technology, 2024 Global Farming Outlook, and more. Additionally, there will be exhibitors set up promoting various organizations and projects in agriculture.

For more information on the event or to register starting September 1, 2023, please visit <a href="www.cypresscountybusiness.ca">www.cypresscountybusiness.ca</a>. If you have any questions about the event, please contact Event Coordinator Beth Cash at <a href="mailto:beth.cash@cypress.ab.ca">beth.cash@cypress.ab.ca</a> or 403-52-3238.

Yours truly,

Dan Hamilton

Reeve, Cypress County

**From:** MA Engagement Team <ma.engagement@gov.ab.ca>

**Sent:** July 31, 2023 2:58 PM

**To:** MA Engagement Team <ma.engagement@gov.ab.ca>

**Cc:** Ijeoma Okolo < Ijeoma.Okolo@gov.ab.ca>; Karen Pottruff < Karen.Pottruff@gov.ab.ca>

Subject: Potential Meeting Opportunity (Municipal Affairs Minister) - 2023 Rural Municipalities of

Alberta Fall Convention

#### Dear Chief Administrative Officer:

We are writing to inform you of a potential opportunity for municipal councils to meet with the Honourable Ric McIver, Minister of Municipal Affairs, at the 2023 Rural Municipalities of Alberta (RMA) Fall Convention, scheduled to take place at the Edmonton Convention Centre from November 6-9, 2023. These meetings will be in person at the convention centre.

Should your council wish to meet with Minister McIver during the convention, please submit a request by email to <a href="mailto:ma.engagement@gov.ab.ca">ma.engagement@gov.ab.ca</a> no later than <a href="mailto:September 1">September 1</a>, 2023.

We generally receive more requests than can be reasonably accommodated over the course of the convention. To ensure suitable consideration of requests, municipalities should be mindful of the following criteria:

- No more than three policy items or issues <u>directly relevant to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and the department will be given priority</u>.
- Municipalities located within the Capital Region can be more easily
  accommodated throughout the year, so priority will be given to requests from
  municipalities at a distance from Edmonton and to municipalities with whom
  Minister McIver has not yet had an opportunity to meet.
- Meeting requests received after the deadline will not be considered for the convention.

Meeting times with the Minister are scheduled for approximately 15 minutes per municipality. This will allow the Minister the opportunity to engage with as many municipal councils as possible. All municipalities submitting meeting requests will be notified at least two weeks prior to the convention as to the status of their request.

Municipal Affairs will make every effort to find alternative opportunities throughout the remainder of the year for those municipalities the Minister is unable to accommodate during the convention.

Engagement Team Municipal Services Division Municipal Affairs



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### 28<sup>™</sup> ANNUAL AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE ~ OCTOBER 20, 2023

#### SPONSORSHIP INFORMATION

The Pincher Creek & District Chamber of Commerce is proud to host the 28th Annual Awards of Excellence on Friday, October 20, 2023

Location: Pincher Creek Community Hall

Join us in celebrating Alberta Small Business Week!

#### **DIAMOND SPONSOR - \$1500.00 + GST** (4 available)

**Includes:** - opportunity to present a short video

- roll-up banner on the stage
- presents 2 awards
- preferred seating
- receives 8 tickets to the banquet
- double-page ad in the program (2 8.5" (H) x 5.5" (W))
- special mention in the script
- frequent social media mentions leading up to the event

#### **GOLD SPONSOR - \$750.00 + GST** (10 available)

**Includes:** - 8 tickets to the banquet

- full-page ad in the program (8.5" (H) x 5.5" (W))

- social media mentions prior to the event

#### **SILVER SPONSOR - \$500.00 + GST** (8 available)

**Includes:** - 4 tickets to the banquet

- half-page ad in the program (4.25" (H) x 5.5" (W))

#### BRONZE SPONSOR - \$250.00 + GST

**Includes:** - 2 tickets to the banquet

- business card ad in the program (2.125" (H) x 5.5" (W))





The deadline for sponsorship registration is on September 29th, 2023.

#### **2023 Schedule of Events**

5:30 p.m. Doors open - appetizers, lemonade, and table seating

6:30 p.m. Dinner served

7:30 p.m. Awards of Excellence

9:00 p.m. Live Music by Deulling Pianos

9:30 p.m. Doors open to the public for Duelling Pianos

12:30 a.m. Last call for alcohol

#### **Individual Tickets**

\$60.00 Chamber Member \$70.00 Non-Chamber Member \$20.00 Dance Only (after 9:30 p.m.)

#### Tables of 8:

\$420.00 Chamber Members only

Location: Pincher Creek Community Hall

#### Who are we supporting at this event?

Pincher Creek & District Chamber of Commerce Local Pincher Creek business community The bar and the clean-up crews are local, not-for-profit organizations.

We thank you in advance for your support, and we look forward to seeing you at the 2023 Awards of Excellence!



#### **REQUEST FOR TEXAS GATE INSTALLATION**

August 16, 2023

From:

Bruce Mowat NW1 – R1 – T9 – W5

To:

Council as a Whole MD of Pincher Creek No. 9 1037 Heron Avenue Pincher Creek, AB TOK1W0

RE: Request for Two Texas Gate Installations

Dear Council,

I am requesting two Texas Gates be installed.

The first Texas Gate is on a "Major Road" as per Policy C-PW-005 (more than three land owners accessing property). Therefore I am requesting Council make an exception for this Texas Gate installation. The alternative is to fence 0.5 linear miles, two approaches and two Texas Gates as the Road Allowance cuts through the quarter section. This requested Texas Gate would be off of the Snake Trail on road 9-0 located SE3 - R1 - T9 - W5.

The second Texas Gate is on a undeveloped Road Allowance and is considered a "Minor Road" as per Policy C-PW-005 (less than three land owners accessing property). The location of this Texas gate is in NE2-R1-T9-W5 just South of 9-0

Sincerely,

**Bruce Mowat** 

#### **CORPORATE POLICY**

C-PW-005

TITLE: TEXAS GATES

**Approved by Council** 

Date: April 26, 2014

**Revised by Council** 

Date:

**Applicable Provincial Legislation** 

No Applicable Legislation

**Policy Statement** 

This policy may be cited as the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 Texas Gate Policy

#### Requirements

Within the Municipal District farming and ranching are significant economic components and Texas Gates are a tool used by farmers and ranchers to manage livestock. The Municipal District has authority and responsibility for all Texas gates installed within municipal road allowances.

Texas gates installed in a municipal right-of-way within the Municipal District may become obsolete because of land ownership changes or changes in land use. Council encourages the removal of Texas gates, especially in those cases where they are no longer required or do not conform with the land use adjacent to the roadways. At the time the need for a Texas gate at a certain location is questionable, or from time to time, the MD may undertake a survey of landowners with property adjacent to existing Texas gates, to determine whether the need for the Texas gate is current.

When the need for a Texas gate can no longer be substantiated or when the landowner is in agreement, the MD will pay the cost of materials for the initial fence installation, to the landowners adjacent to a municipal roadway where an agreement has been reached to remove an existing Texas gate. The Municipal District will pay the price of materials to the current Alberta Transportation specification for a four (4) barb wire fence, per linear metre, to fence one or both sides of the roadway. Payment will be made on the completion of the fencing project at which time the fence ownership shall revert to the landowner.

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The existing Texas Gates within the Municipal District have been classified into three categories;

- 1. "Major Road" where there are more than three land owners who access parcels beyond the Texas gate or the road is a major thoroughfare;
- 2. "Minor Road" where three or less residents access their parcels across a Texas Gate; and
- 3. "Private Texas Gate" where the gate accesses private property. All Private Texas Gates are to be placed on private property.

Texas Gates that provide residents access to their properties from a municipal road allowance will be considered private Texas Gates and will not be considered part of this policy. They must be adequate for Municipal District equipment to travel over to be considered for snow removal and the owner will be responsible for a" repairs. Where a private Texas gate is currently positioned within the public road allowance it will be relocated to private property by the land owner at the time it is identified or by the Municipal District at the time of significant road improvements.

No new Texas gates will be installed on "Major Roads" except in exceptional

Land owners wishing to install a Texas gate on minor roads at a new location on a Municipal District Road allowance will be required to:

Make application to Council;

circumstances and approved by Council.

- Purchase an engineered Texas Gate, minimum 7.32m X 2.54m (pending road surface dimension) similar to Alberta Infrastructure and Transportation Drawing number CB6-2.13M7 or CB6-2.13M11; and
- Pay for the Municipal District to install the Texas Gate.

Once installed as per Alberta Transportation Master Specification, Section 02843, within the Municipal District's road a Texas gate will be the responsibility of the Municipal District. The gate will receive at minimum, one inspection per year, by the municipality, preferably in spring, to determine the condition of the Texas gate and appurtenances. Repairs or cleaning identified during inspections will be the responsibility of the Municipal District.

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An existing Texas gate at the time of the signing of this Policy that requires replacement because of its condition will automatically require an assessment to determine if the Texas gate is still warranted.

The Municipal District shall be responsible for purchasing, installing and maintaining "Texas Gate Ahead" and "Cattle at Large" signs.

Appendix to C-PW-005

Alberta Transportation Drawing # CB6-2.13M7, 7.32m Texas Gate Standard Alberta Transportation Drawing # CB6-2.13M11, 9.145m Texas Gate Standard Alberta Transportation Section 02843, Texas Gate Installation

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C-PW-005

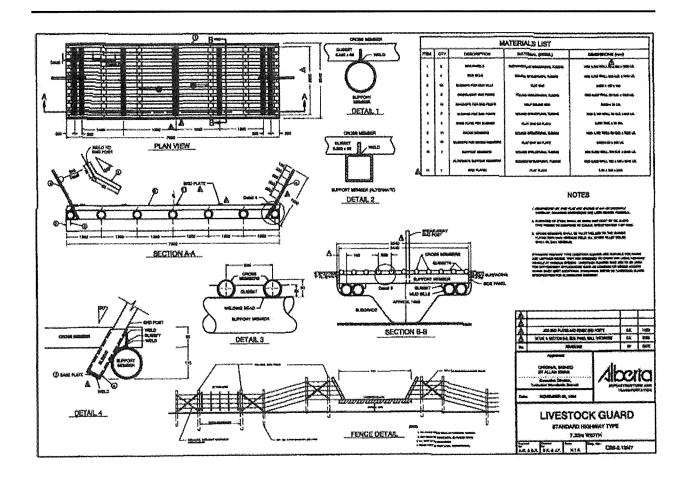
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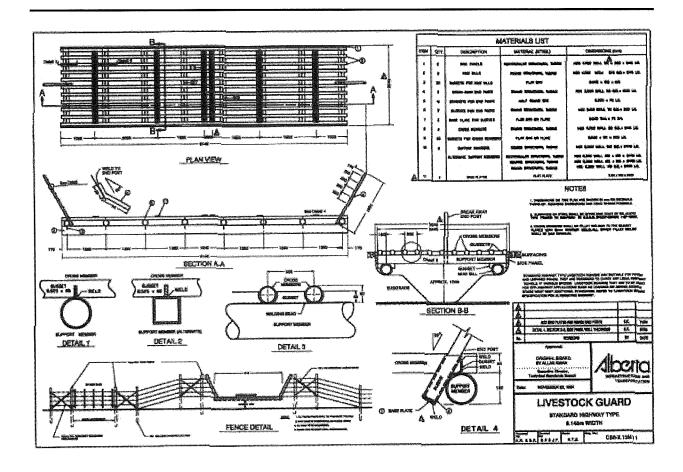
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#### 2006-10-31

Use this section to specify requirements for Texas gates.

Carefully co-ordinate this section with Section 05505 – Metal Fabrications, if used, and particularly when both sections include similar items. Close attention to the scope, measurement, and payment clause in Section 01280 – Measurement Schedule is required, particularly in cases where the metal fabrications specified in this section are being paid for under a Lump Sum or Unit Price per number, and metal fabrications in Section 05505 – Metal Fabrications are being paid under a Unit Price per kilogram.

Edit this section to suit the Contract requirements.

#### Heading of Specification Text

#### **Specification Note**

Part 1 General

1.1 Detail Drawings

Attach the appropriate detail drawing to the end of this section. Verify that the structural members are adequate for the design vehicle loads and span.

- 1.2 References
- 1.3 Submittals
- 1.4 Delivery, Storage, and Handling
- Part 2 Products
- 2.1 Materials
- 2.2 Shop Fabrication
- Part 3 Execution
- 3.1 Installation
- 3.2 Repair of Damaged Coating

#### **END OF COVER SHEET**

Page 1 Tender No.: [ ] PART 1 **GENERAL** 1.1 **DETAIL DRAWINGS** .1 The following detail drawing is appended hereto and forms part of this section. Number Title [Typical Texas Gate] [02833.01] 1.2 REFERENCES Provide Texas gates in accordance with the following standards (latest revision) .1 except where specified otherwise. American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) .2 Specifications for Structural Steel. ASTM A36 .1 Canadian General Standards Board (CGSB) .3 Anticorrosive Structural Steel Alkyd CAN/CGSB-1.40 .1 Primer. Canadian Standards Association (CSA) .4 General Requirements for Rolled or .1 CSA-G40.20 Welded Structural Quality Steel. Structural Quality Steel. .2 CSA-G40.21 Limit States Design of Steel Structures. CAN/CSA-S16 .3 Certification of Companies for Fusion CSA-W47.1 .4 Welding of Steel Structures. Filler Metals and Allied Materials for CSA-W48 .5 Metal Arc Welding. Welded Steel Construction (Metal Arc CSA-W59M 6 Welding) (Metric Version). Structural Steel Painting Council (SSPC) .5

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Commercial Blast Cleaning.

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#### 1.3 SUBMITTALS

- .1 Provide the following submittals.
- .2 Shop drawings of the gates, including material specifications, dimensions, finishes, and other details, at least 20 days prior to fabrication.

#### 1.4 DELIVERY, STORAGE, AND HANDLING

- .1 Inspect each shipment of material and timely replace any damaged materials.
- .2 Unload, handle, and store materials using methods and equipment that do not cause damage to the gates or shop-applied coatings.

#### PART 2 PRODUCTS

#### 2.1 MATERIALS

- .1 Provide materials in accordance with the following.
- .2 Hollow structural sections: In accordance with CSA-G40.21, 350W steel.
- .3 Plates, bars, and other miscellaneous steel items: In accordance with ASTM A36.
- .4 Barbed wire: Refer to Section 02825 Barbed Wire Fencing.

#### 2.2 SHOP FABRICATION

- .1 Employ a fabricator certified by the Canadian Welding Bureau in accordance with CSA-W47.1, Division 3.
- .2 Fabricate the Texas gates in accordance with CSAS16. Perform welding in accordance with CSA-W59 using welding electrodes in accordance with CSA-W48.
- .3 Prior to shop painting, commercial blast clean steel surfaces in accordance with SSPC-SP-6 and provide a 0.050 mm profile.
- .4 Shop paint steel surfaces with 2 coats of red coloured oil alkyd primer in accordance with CAN/CGSB-1.40. Apply paint in accordance with the paint manufacturer's written instructions.

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#### PART 3 EXECUTION

#### 3.1 INSTALLATION

- .1 Install the Texas gates at the locations, of the sizes, and to the lines, grades, slopes, and elevations specified in the Contract Documents.
- .2 Excavate the foundation pit to the specified depth, and of sufficient size to accommodate the entire gate.
- .3 Centre the gate with the road centre line and orient it so that it is perpendicular to the road alignment.
- .4 Fasten barbed wire to the end fence posts.
- .5 Clean the gate and foundation pit of any accumulations of soil and debris.

#### 3.2 REPAIR OF DAMAGED COATING

.1 Power tool clean surfaces to be repaired and re-coat with the specified primer in accordance with the paint manufacturer's written instructions.

**END OF SECTION** 

From: Minerals

**Subject:** AER community engagement event: Let's talk minerals!

**Date:** August 14, 2023 1:28:39 PM

Attachments: Minerals Resource Development Handout.pdf



Let's have a conversation about the future of minerals regulation in Alberta.

Registration is open for our public, in-person workshops on rock-hosted minerals.

Feedback collected from these discussions will inform the regulations overseeing the development of rock-hosted minerals (see attachment to learn more).

The Alberta Geological Survey will also be present to discuss where minerals are located in Alberta and to share information on public geoscience resources.

#### Workshop details

We have chosen engagement sites based in part on known mineral deposit locations. Please register for the event that best suits your needs.

#### Locations:

Each event will include a two-hour engagement session followed by a lunch or reception with our minerals team.

**Crowsnest Pass**, Country Encounters Hospitality September 7, 10:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

**Pincher Creek**, Heritage Inn Hotel & Convention Centre September 7, 7:00-9:30 p.m.

**Grande Prairie**, Holiday Inn & Suites Grande Prairie - Conference Center September 12, 10:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

**Slave Lake**, Slave Lake Inn & Conference Centre September 13, 10:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

**Fort McMurray,** MacDonald Island Park September 14, 7:00-9:30 p.m.

#### **REGISTER HERE**

Registration is mandatory for this event; however, registration is open until the event starts.

If you cannot join us in person, please share your ideas, concerns, and questions via the <u>minerals@aer.ca</u> inbox or during the public feedback period in the fall.

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#### **Background:**

The community events build on a series of engagements informing the regulation of mineral development in Alberta. We strongly encourage participants to review the <u>recording</u> from the previous information session on rock-hosted minerals.

So far, we've heard input through:

- Two virtual information sessions with Indigenous communities and groups and the public
- Two virtual workshops with existing mineral operators and new/potential mineral operators
- Post-event surveys
- The minerals@aer.ca inbox
- Attendance at conferences and events throughout 2022/2023
- Previously held mineral engagement events supporting the regulation of brine-hosted minerals in 2022
- The Government of Alberta led engagement events supporting the Minerals Strategy and Action Plan and Mineral Resource Development Act (MRDA)

Do you know someone who might be interested in these events? Follow the links to share this with your LinkedIn, Twitter, or Facebook networks.

#### Regards,

Minerals Strategy and Implementation Team

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# Minerals Resource Development



Mineral resource development is part of the Government of Alberta's <u>strategy</u> to diversify the energy and resource sector. As such, the Government of Alberta is expanding the Alberta Energy Regulator's (AER) mandate to include the regulation of minerals. Once fully proclaimed into law, the <u>Mineral Resource Development Act</u> (MRDA) will establish the AER as the life-cycle regulator for the province's mineral resources. Historically, several regulators oversaw mineral development. The transfer of this oversight to a single regulatory authority will promote the safe, efficient, orderly, and environmentally responsible development of mineral resources from the application stage to reclamation and closure.

#### Why are we regulating minerals?

The Government of Alberta wants to capitalize on the province's mineral potential and become a preferred international producer and supplier of minerals and mineral products while promoting resource conservation, environmental protection, and public safety.

Many different minerals, including rare earth elements, can be found throughout Alberta. They can be used in batteries, portable devices, TVs, toothpaste, buildings, eyeglasses, computers, vehicles, hospital equipment, and many other daily-use items.

#### What minerals will the AER regulate?

According to the MRDA, AER-regulated minerals will include most metallic and industrial minerals, including lithium, limestone, uranium, iron, zinc, lead, gold, diamonds, silver, and rare earth elements, to name a few. To support the engagement period, we have categorized minerals as either brine-hosted or rock-hosted minerals.

 Brine-hosted minerals are typically found in underground salt water and are mostly extracted using wells. Mineral extraction from brines will look like a traditional well operation on the landscape.

Update: After a series of engagements in 2022 and the partial proclamation of the *MRDA*, the AER became the life-cycle regulator of brine-hosted minerals in March 2023.



2. Rock-hosted minerals are mined using traditional mining or quarrying techniques and will look similar to other surface or underground mining operations on the landscape. However, minerals can be extracted from the rock by dissolving them in place (i.e., in situ) and processing them on the surface. In situ extraction involves minimal ground disturbance.

Update: The AER will start engagement on the rock-hosted phase of mineral resource development in July 2023. These engagements will inform future regulatory requirements before the MRDA is fully proclaimed.



#### Rare earth minerals are used for ingredients in:



Batteries

Portable

devices



Toothpaste



Vehicles



Hospital equipment

Find out more at aer.ca.



Alberta Energy Regulator June 2023

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August 14, 2023

NOVA Gas Transmission Ltd. (NGTL) is writing to provide you with an update on TC Energy's construction activity taking place as part of the West Path Delivery 2023 Project (the Project). Our team has been in contact with local authorities over the last few years with early engagement information on project work taking place in your area.

Below is a snapshot of the ongoing project work with construction timelines and workforce estimates.

#### Construction schedule and workforce size for the West Path Delivery 2023 Project:

Section	Average number of construction workers	Construction period (start date and construction end date)	Peak construction number of workers	Peak construction period (start/end date)
Turner Valley	400	June – Nov. 2023	600	July – Aug. 2023
Longview	300	June – Nov. 2023	400	July – Aug. 2023
Lundbreck	200	June – Nov. 2023	300	AugSept. 2023

Below are some key measures that TC Energy's projects are implementing to reduce the use of local first responders and healthcare services:

- Environment, Health and Safety Orientation and Training: The Project provides mandatory orientation to workers on the expectations and requirements for protecting the environment, supporting a safe workplace and respecting the well-being of nearby residents and communities. In addition, the Project conducts daily tailgate meetings where continuous training is provided on potential environmental, health and safety risks and their mitigation measures.
- Implementing TC Energy's policies and plans on health and safety, respectful workplace and business ethics: The Project has policies, plans and mitigation measures for potential effects to safety, health and well-being. Examples of these policies and plans are Alcohol and Drug Policy, Code of Business Ethics, Harassment-Free Workplace Policy, Site-Specific Safety Plan and the Fire Suppression Contingency Plan.
- **First Aid and Medical Services:** The Project has field medical and health services, following our legislated requirements for Occupational Health and Safety.
- Mitigating potential adverse traffic effects: TC Energy implements a Traffic Control Management Plan and engaged local Municipalities and stakeholders to identify and implement mitigation for potential adverse traffic effects in local roads and highways.

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• For monitoring adverse socio-economic effects, the Project is implementing a Socio-Economic Effects Monitoring Plan (SEEMP), as part of the regulatory commitments with the CER.

We strive to engage stakeholders early and often. We believe engagement is a two-way process and invite your organization, communities, landowners, and other interested stakeholders to share their questions and concerns with us so that we can provide information, follow up, and, where possible, mitigate potential effects and incorporate input into our plans. Should you have any questions or concerns regarding TC Energy in your community, please do not hesitate to reach out to our Community Relations department at 1-855-895-8754 or <a href="mailto:public affairs ca@tcenergy.com">public affairs ca@tcenergy.com</a> in regard to the proposed project.

Sincerely,

Ashley Anderson

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Community Relations Advisor, External Relations Canada

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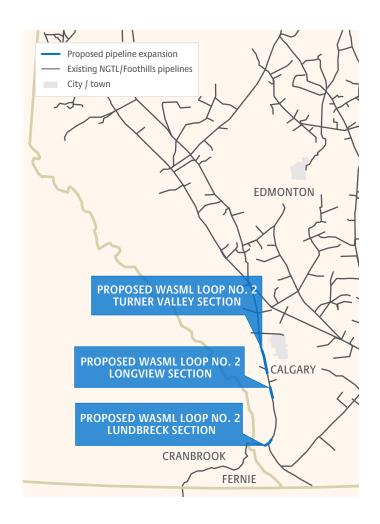
TC Energy periodically provides information beginning at the early stages of project development, including prospecting, continuing throughout the life of assets. The information provided is intended to give people the opportunity for meaningful input and inform interested parties of our proposed activities. Please be aware that as planning progresses, new information becomes available and details may change from the time of this printing.

TC Energy follows the Official Languages Act and respects your choice to receive relevant information from us in English or in French. Please contact us if you prefer to receive French-language materials and updates.

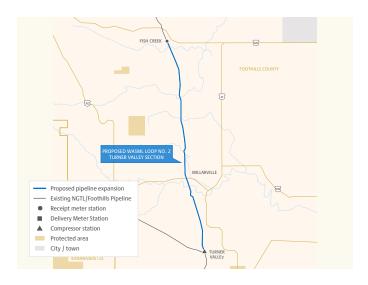
# NGTL West Path Delivery 2023.

NOVA Gas Transmission Ltd. (NGTL), a wholly-owned subsidiary of TransCanada PipeLines Limited (TCPL), an affiliate of TC Energy Corporation (TC Energy), is investigating options for prospective future growth on our NGTL System in Alberta (A.B.). The proposed NGTL West Path Delivery 2023 Project (Project) is necessary to supply growing demand in southwest A.B., southern B.C. and downstream North American markets, with natural gas produced in Western Canada. NGTL anticipates filing an application with the Canada Energy Regulator (CER) under Section 183 of the Canadian Energy Regulator Act in Q4 2020, with an anticipated in-service date in Q4 2023. The proposed Project is made up of three pipeline sections.

- 1. The proposed Western Alberta System Mainline (WASML) Loop No. 2 Turner Valley Section
- 2. The proposed Western Alberta System Mainline (WASML) Loop No. 2 Longview Section
- 3. The proposed Western Alberta System Mainline (WASML) Loop No. 2 Lundbreck Section







#### **Turner Valley Section**

The proposed Turner Valley Section will consist of approximately 23 km of 48-inch diameter pipeline, located approximately 3 km northwest of the Town of Turner Valley, A.B.

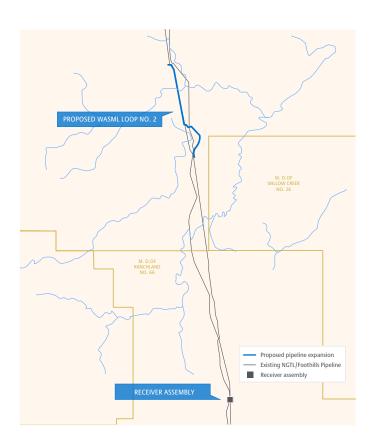
Q3 2019	Engagement Start
Q2 2020	Project Notification
Q4 2020	Application
Q1 2023	Early Clearing and Access Prep Work
Q3 2023	Mainline Construction Start
Q4 2023	(commercial) In Service Date



#### **Lundbreck Section**

The proposed Lundbreck Section will consist of approximately 7 km of 48-inch diameter pipeline, located approximately 30 km northwest of the Town of Pincher Creek, A.B.

Q3 2019	Engagement Start	
Q2 2020	Project Notification	
Q4 2020	Application	
Q1 2023	Early Clearing and Access Prep Work	
Q3 2023	Mainline Construction Start	
Q4 2023 (commercial)	In Service Date	



#### **Longview Section**

The proposed Longview Section will consist of approximately 9 km of 48-inch diameter pipeline, located approximately 30 km southwest of the Town of High River, A.B.

Q3 2019	Engagement Start
Q2 2020	Project Notification
Q4 2020	Application
Q3 2023	Mainline Construction Start
Q4 2023	(commercial) In Service Date

#### **Contact us**

Contact us with any questions about our prospecting:

1-855-895-8754

public\_affairs\_ca@tcenergy.com

Or write to us at:

TC Energy

450 - 1 Street S.W. Calgary, AB Canada, T2P 5H1

For further information regarding the CER's processes, please contact us or contact the regulator directly:

Canada Energy Regulator Suite 210, 517 – 10 Avenue S.W. Calgary, AB Canada, T2R 0A8 1-800-899-1265 info@cer-rec.gc.ca www.cer-rec.gc.ca

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Our NGTL and Foothills assets are regulated by the Canada Energy Regulator (CER) and when we determine a feasible growth strategy with input from our customers, we will bring you more information clearly identifying a scope for the proposed project, indicating the type of regulatory application we will plan to submit.

With more than 65 years' experience, TC Energy is a leader in the responsible development and reliable operation of North American energy infrastructure including natural gas and liquids pipelines, power generation and gas storage facilities. We safely deliver the energy that millions of North Americans rely on every day to power their lives and fuel industry.

#### Responsible stakeholder and rightsholder engagement

Guided by our values of safety, responsibility, collaboration and integrity, we are proud of the positive relationships we have built with our neighbours for the last 65 years. We recognize that ensuring Indigenous groups, as rightsholders, and our stakeholders are engaged and respected is critical to TC Energy's success.

We are committed to sharing information and seeking public input which results in better plans – for us, stakeholders, rightsholders and communities as a whole. We document the entire stakeholder engagement process including the issues raised by stakeholders and rightsholders, along with the ways we address these issues.

#### Commitment to engagement and addressing concerns

Our approach to consultation and engagement with stakeholders, landowners, and Indigenous groups is focused on understanding concerns and addressing issues related to our projects and operations. We engage and consult early and often, invite feedback, provide updates and address concerns throughout the regulatory process and throughout operations.

Our preference for addressing concerns is through direct and respectful discussion. Issues received or identified during these discussions are systematically tracked and followed to promote mutual resolution. If mutual resolution is not achievable, parties may consider use of the Canada Energy Regulator's (CER) collaborative Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) process.

#### **Engaging Indigenous groups**

Building and maintaining relationships with Indigenous groups near our proposed projects and existing facilities has long been an integral part of our business. We recognize Indigenous groups as rightsholders who have a distinct relationship with the land. We know that our activities have the potential to affect the lives of Indigenous groups in a tangible way.

We work closely with Indigenous groups to understand the potential effects of the Project on the exercise of Indigenous rights and any other interests of Indigenous peoples in the Project area. The information we work with Indigenous groups to collect is considered in the project planning process and evaluated by provincial and federal authorities, including the CER, as part of their regulatory review.

We aim to conduct our activities in a way that fosters mutual understanding and benefit – this includes working with communities to identify and manage potential effects of our activities and provide enduring economic opportunities. TC Energy also provides business, employment, training opportunities, and supports community-led initiatives of Indigenous groups that focus on safety, community, environment and education.

#### **Community benefits**

Our projects offer long-term economic benefits and help strengthen the economy on a local, provincial and national level:

- Employment and business opportunities Construction requires the services of equipment operators, welders, mechanics, truck drivers, labourers, and more, as well as creates demand for local goods and services. Vendors interested in working with us can visit TCEnergy.com to register as an interested local service provider. We award contracts to qualified pipeline construction contractors and work with them to provide local employment opportunities.
- Annual revenue to support local services Project construction results in tax payments to all levels of government. When the project is operational, annual tax payments help support schools, hospitals, emergency services and other local programs vital to communities.
- Investment in local communities and Indigenous groups

   Giving back to the communities where we operate has always been part of our culture. Whether it's partnering with community groups, supporting local initiatives or encouraging our employees to be involved in their neighbourhoods, the goal of our Build Strong community investment program is to build strong and vibrant communities across North America. Visit TCEnergy.com/BuildStrong for more information.

#### Managing our environmental footprint

Whether it's designing, building, or operating energy infrastructure, we are committed to being responsible environmental stewards on the land we share – and our environmental principles of stewardship, protection and performance help guide our decisions. As part of our commitment, and in support of the regulatory process, we assess potential effects that may be associated with construction and operation of a proposed project. Some examples of possible effects associated with meter station, compressor station or pipeline projects include potential effects to soil, water, fish, and wildlife, air quality, and noise.

The Environmental and Socio-Economic Assessment prepared for a proposed project considers potential effects on communities and groups whose interests may inform our planning process, including the potential for the a project to impact diverse groups of people. We propose mitigation and enhancement measures and evaluate the significance of residual effects once these measures are implemented. An Environmental Protection Plan is also developed to identify the necessary measures to be used during construction, and the best practices we use to guide operations of the assets throughout their life cycle to manage effects and maintain equivalent land capability.

At the end of a pipeline's lifecycle, the asset is taken out of service with as much thought and care as when it was proposed and constructed. We follow the Canada Energy Regulator's processes for end-of-life planning. More information about pipeline end-of-life is available on our website at TCEnergy.com/about/energy-101/lifecycle-of-a-pipeline/

#### **Route selection**

TC Energy employs a systematic and thorough route selection process during prospecting using a variety of considerations, such as:

- · desktop studies
- · helicopter surveys
- ground verification and on-the-ground field survey
- · engineering, geotechnical and environmental field studies
- co-location of the pipeline along existing disturbances and corridors to minimize new footprint

Route selection takes into account the objectives of minimizing the total route length or land requirements, meeting applicable regulatory requirements and reducing the environmental footprint, while carefully assessing overall construction complexity and our ability to meet customer needs.

Once a route is proposed, feedback received through stakeholder, landowner and Indigenous engagement informs the assessment of proposed routes and sites.

#### What to expect during and after construction

The planning that goes into the construction and operation of our pipeline projects reflects commitments we've made and conditions we receive during the regulatory review process. We track and report our progress on regulatory conditions with the CER and follow up on the commitments we've made to honour the relationships we've built with Indigenous groups, communities and landowners.

During pipeline construction there is an increase in traffic in and around the project area as well as heavy equipment onsite for earthworks, material handling/hauling, welding and testing. We adhere to construction plans and the Environmental Protection Plan to ensure that the impacts of construction activities on communities are minimized.

Many of our projects include the use of temporary work space and, where required, workforce accommodations purpose-built to support construction. Where our plans include these features, we begin the conversation with potentially affected stakeholders early on to hear and understand community interests.

Access to-and-from site is planned based on a number of factors including finding the safest and most efficient routes to our work site, existing infrastructure, new infrastructure required to support construction, and municipal planning. Access planning is refined throughout project development and final plans are communicated to communities prior to work starting.

Once construction is completed, the impacted land area including our temporary work space and workforce accommodation areas is reclaimed to an equivalent land capability so that it can support various uses such as wildlife habitat or agricultural purposes, similar to the ability that existed previously. Measures are taken to prevent topsoil/surface material loss from wind and water erosion and to establish a vegetative cover native to the surrounding vegetation and land use. After the facilities are constructed, there will be minimal traffic associated with ongoing operations and maintenance.

On freehold lands, landowners have the right to fully use and enjoy the right of way subject to the terms of the right-of-way agreement, and CER and Damage Prevention Regulations. To provide public safety and to protect property and the environment,

written consent from TC Energy is required for certain activities on the pipeline right of way and within the 30-metre prescribed area. These activities include but are not limited to: operating motor vehicles or mobile equipment, reducing or adding soil cover and any excavation or ground disturbance. Stakeholders may contact TC Energy with at least 10 working days' notice to apply for written consent at writtenconsent.transcanada.com. After written consent has been received, request a locate by visiting ClickBeforeYouDig. com or calling the appropriate provincial One-Call Centre.

#### **Ensuring our pipelines are safe**

Our safety program starts before construction. We use only high-quality materials, the latest proven technologies and industry-leading practices to ensure the integrity of our pipelines before they go in the ground. We are a leader in North America in the use of automatic welding and ultrasonic testing technologies to construct pipelines. These technologies ensure high quality welds are made and every weld is inspected by qualified independent inspectors during construction. Prior to placing a pipeline in service, it is hydrostatically tested with water at a higher pressure than it will see during operations. In addition, pipeline inspection tools with high resolution sensors are run through the pipeline to check for any other irregularities prior to flowing natural gas.

Once operational, we use state-of-the-art leak detection systems, safety features such as shut-off valves and provide highly specialized training for people working on our assets. Our pipeline systems are monitored 24 hours a day, 365 days a year by trained operators in our Operations Control Centres who manage the most sophisticated pipeline monitoring equipment and technology available. Our industry-leading asset integrity programs manage our pipeline and facilities for their entire life cycle to ensure they provide safe and reliable energy to consumers throughout North America.

#### **Emergency preparedness and response**

Our goal is to ensure that our pipeline and energy facilities operate safely every day and that the public, our employees, and the environment are protected during the unlikely event of incident involving our assets. All TC Energy safety initiatives are designed to advance one goal: Zero is Real. We are proud to have an industry leading safety record and continue to work towards our goal of zero safety incidents. Being prepared for the rare cases when something does go wrong is part of the commitment to ensuring the safety of the communities where we live and operate.

At the first sign of any potential issue on our pipeline systems, our control centre operators can stop the flow of product through the pipeline in minutes and investigate. If an irregular condition is detected, pipeline operators immediately dispatch emergency personnel to the scene to investigate. The pipeline is not restarted until it has been confirmed on site by qualified personnel that it is safe to do so.

In the unlikely event of an incident, all our assets have specific Emergency Response Plans that outlines the steps we'll take to respond. Our Emergency Preparedness and Response team is focused on quickly and effectively responding to emergencies and mitigating any impacts that may have occurred to public safety, property or the environment in a timely manner.

If there is an incident, we work closely with authorities, emergency responders and the media to ensure local residents are safe and aware of the situation.

In the event of an emergency, please contact TC Energy's 24-hour emergency line at 1-888-982-7222. Find out more by visiting TCEnergy.com.



August 11, 2023

Mr. Rick Lemire Reeve, Municipal District of Pincher Creek Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 PO Box 279 1037 Herron Ave Pincher Creek, AB TOK 1W0

Mr. Don Anderberg Mayor, Town of Pincher Creek Town of Pincher Creek PO Box 159 962 St. John Ave Pincher Creek, AB TOK 1W0

Via email

#### Subject: Response to July 18 2023 Letter and Update on Project Engagement

Evolugen is writing to acknowledge receipt of the letter we received on July 18, 2023 from the Municipal District of Pincher Creek (the MD) and Town of the Pincher Creek (the Town) regarding the Sunrise Solar Project (the project).

We appreciate the importance the MD and Town place upon their planning processes and local land use policies, and will take some time to further review the issues raised in the Town and MD's letter before commenting on them.

Evolugen is committed to our principles of public engagement and working closely with community partners to achieve positive impacts that are aligned with both the needs of local stakeholders and our business values. Since acquiring the Sunrise Solar project in December 2022, Evolugen has proactively sought to engage the local community on project planning. This includes undertaking early meetings with both the M.D. and Town staff, as well as public consultation with those living in proximity to the site and the public at large.



Since these meetings, our team has continued to refine the project to optimize its performance and minimize its impacts, including through incorporation of the feedback we have received to date. Many final decisions have yet to be made on the project.

As you are no doubt aware, on August 3, the Alberta government directed the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC) to pause further approval of renewable projects until February 29, 2024 and launch an inquiry into many of the issues raised by the MD, the Town and the public. We anticipate this inquiry will provide important policy direction to guide further development.

In parallel to this process, we want to continue to engage with stakeholders to understand concerns around the project and work collaboratively on solutions, recognizing that final decisions will not be possible until the inquiry is complete.

We remain optimistic that with greater policy certainty, and continued dialogue and collaboration, we can position this project as a win-win for the local community. The Pincher Creek area is a site of significant solar power potential, and the Sunrise Solar project will be a clean electricity solution that provides community benefits through local investment and tax revenue.

We look forward to further engagement with you on the project in due course.

Sincerely,

Mike Peters

Director, Public Affairs

Mike Peters



July 19, 2023

Reeve Rick Lemire Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 Box 279 1037 Herron Avenue Pincher Creek, Alta. T0K 1W0

Dear Reeve Rick Lemire:

#### **Sunrise Solar Project**

Thank you for your letter received by email on July 17, 2023.

The Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC) has not received an application from Evolugen regarding the Sunrise Solar Project. We appreciate your letter; however, at this time we do not have a proceeding (public process) underway to consider this project. Correspondence received before an application is filed, such as your letter, will not be considered by the Commission.

The Commission is aware that Evolugen is currently engaged in <u>public consultation</u>, also called a participant involvement program, for the project. At this point in the project development process, the AUC encourages you to continue to contact Evolugen with your concerns so that they can be raised, addressed, and if possible, resolved, before the application is submitted. The proposed location of facilities is subject to change until an application is filed with the AUC.

If an application is received, the AUC will issue a public notice of application. Since you have engaged with Evolugen in its participant involvement program, you should receive a notice in the mail. The notice will provide you with information about how to submit your concerns regarding the proposed project for consideration by the Commission. You can also watch for the notice on the AUC website. At that time, anyone with unresolved objections or concerns about the project can file a written submission with the AUC.

Municipal participation in the AUC's application review process is important to ensure that local perspectives are heard, understood and considered when decisions are made on the development of utility and power plant infrastructure.

Input from municipalities provides valuable insight into the potential environmental and economic impacts of proposed utility projects and helps to identify potential risks and mitigation strategies. Municipal participation also assists the AUC in understanding the needs of local citizens and helps ensure that any proposed projects comply with provincial laws, the AUC's rules, and its application requirements.

Please visit the AUC website at <a href="www.auc.ab.ca">www.auc.ab.ca</a>, and review the information under "Get involved," particularly the sections entitled "Review process for facility

<u>applicationshttps://www.auc.ab.ca/auc-review-process-steps/</u>" and "<u>Have your say about a utility project</u>" for more information about the process used to assess and consider applications for electric and natural gas utility projects in Alberta.

Should you have any questions or need assistance with finding the information on the AUC website, please contact us at 310-4AUC or by email at <a href="mailto:info@auc.ab.ca">info@auc.ab.ca</a>.

Yours truly,

Wayne MacKenzie Executive Director Facilities Division

cc:

Mayor Don Anderber Town of Pincher Creek Box 159 962 St. John Ave Pincher Creek, Alta. T0K 1W0 Ce: MDInfo < MDInfo@mdpinchercreek.ab.ca>; Subject: A big thank you!

H2d

Dear Dave,

Please pass along my personal note of thanks to the MD Council for approving the creation of our pathway in Beaver Mines beside the highway from 4th Street to 5th Street. BYZ did a great job of our new pathway and many of us are using it regularly. The portion of pathway behind Garry Marchuk's house is great too.

Now we just need a pathway in the big open field south of the tennis court. Is any of this land owned by the MD? It would be so good to avoid walking on the highway at the south end of town too with the traffic increasing all the time.

Hope to see you at our corn roast on August 26!

Sincerely,

Mary May

Sent from my iPad

### Chief Mountain Gas Co-op Ltd. - Staff Appreciation Golf Day

#### <u> September 14, 2023 – Cardston Lee Creek Valley Golf Course – 10:00am</u>

September 21 – Backup Day if weather is bad.

The cost for this event is \$75.00 for 18 Holes of golf, cart, and Steak Supper - per person.

Best Ball Format! There will be Hole Prizes, Long drive, Closest to Pin, etc.

Hole Prize Sponsors welcome!

#### Back again this year!.....A Beer/beverage Cart!

Free Driving Range before 10:00 Shotgun Start!

Please RSVP by **September 7th** if possible! First 85 Golfers accepted.

This event is open to all gas co-ops, managers, and staff, and to selected businesses/dealers who receive this invitation.

# Businesses/dealers are encouraged to bring your bling and some door prizes if possible! Thank You!

This is planned as a fun enjoyable day to network with those in the industry.

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PhoneNumber	Fax		
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## **Thank You**

Councilors For The Early Morning Flapjack Flipping!

We Appreciate You!







## **Thank You**

**Public Works!** 

We Really Appreciated You Keeping
Us Watered Down At The Annual Show



## County of Stettler No. 6

Box 1270 6602 – 44 Avenue Stettler, Alberta TOC 2L0 T:403.742.4441 F: 403.742.1277 www.stettlercounty.ca

July 20, 2023

Honourable RJ Sigurdson Minister of Agriculture and Irrigation 229 Legislature Building 10800-97 Avenue Edmonton, AB T5K 2B6

Dear Minister Sigurdson,

#### RE: Feed and Transportation Assistance Programs for Alberta Ag Disaster Areas

The County of Stettler No. 6 declared an Agricultural Disaster on Wednesday, June 14, 2023 at their Regular Council Meeting.

We gratefully acknowledge the drought support so far provided in the form of a Temporary Livestock Water Assistance Program, which assists producers who have an urgent need for water for livestock and poultry.

Heading into mid-summer, our agricultural producers who provide a valuable commodity to Canada are struggling to find enough affordable feed in our region. Producers are searching beyond normal regional boundaries in order to provide adequate feed for today and for the coming fall, winter and spring.

Council for the County of Stettler No. 6 respectfully requests additional assistance for producers in the form of a feed and transportation assistance program, to compensate Alberta producers who are affected by drought, for extraordinary feed costs.

Additionally, we are seeking expanded mental health supports be advertised and made available to all producers, highlighted in areas of Agricultural Disaster. Our citizens, friends and neighbors are struggling with the additional stresses associated with an uncertain future and a threatened livelihood.

Many producers who may right now be making the difficult decision to cull herds due to lack of feed availability and affordability, are of the age they may not even consider rebuilding their herds at this stage of their life. Younger farmers and producers may simply not be able to afford to rebuild after devastating business losses. There is no doubt this will have a trickle-down effect on our food chain, affecting our entire nation and the export industry.

We humbly request more support for our region, and others who are facing the same dire situation. We thank you in advance for your consideration of additional programming to assist Alberta's agricultural industry as they face tremendous hurdles and a very uncertain future.

Sincerely,

Larry Clarke REEVE

CC

Honourable Nate Horner, MLA for Drumheller-Stettler,
President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance
Honourable Ric McIver, Minister of Municipal Affairs
Honourable Pete Guthrie, Minister of Infrastructure
Honourable Marie-Claude Bibeau, Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food
Honourable Damien Kurek, Member of Parliament for Battle River-Crowfoot
Honourable Dr. Carolyn Bennet, Minister of Mental Health and Addictions
Honourable Dan Williams, Minister of Mental Health and Addiction
Ms. Kelly Smith-Fraser, Board Chair, Agriculture Financial Services Corporation
Mr. Darryl Kay, Chief Executive Officer, Agriculture Financial Services Corporation
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Jamie Wuite, Government of Alberta Drought and Excessive Moisture Advisory Group



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July 20, 2023

Honourable RJ Sigurdson Minister of Agriculture and Irrigation 229 Legislature Building 10800-97 Avenue Edmonton, AB T5K 2B6

Dear Minister Sigurdson,

#### RE: Letter of Support - Special Areas Board request for additional supports

We are writing to support Special Area's July 5, 2023 letter requesting your Ministry's support in working with AFSC to ensure agricultural producers can put insured crops, including hay, to alternate use on a timely basis.

We echo the Special Areas Board's request to increase Low Yield Allowance from three bushels up to seven bushels if the crop is going to be used as grazing or feed for livestock.

We second the request to have producers' yields, in a year declared an agricultural disaster, not added to that producers' long-term average.

We thank you for your consideration of our producers dealing with impossible conditions this year.

Sincerely,

Larry Clarke REEVE

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Mr. Jordan Christianson, Chair, Special Areas Board





212 - 2nd Avenue West, Box 820, Hanna, Alberta, Canada TOJ 1P0 Phone: 403-854-5600 Fax: 403-854-5527

July 5, 2023

The Honourable RJ Sigurdson
Minister of Agriculture and Irrigation
Office of the Minister
Agriculture and Irrigation
229 Legislature Building
10800 - 97 Avenue
Edmonton, AB T5K 2B6

Dear Minister Sigurdson,

#### Re: Additional Supports Required for Agricultural Producers - Special Area No. 2, 3, & 4

The Special Areas is no stranger to dry and challenging conditions; however, the conditions being seen throughout the region this year are uncharacteristically severe. Long term moisture deficiencies, along with extreme heat early in the growing season, have resulted in widespread annual and perennial crop failures, stock water shortages, and degrading pastures. In 2021, similar conditions created significant feed and water shortages, which was exacerbated by the delay in AFSC in allowing producers to repurpose standing crops for cattle feedstocks without undue penalty.

The Special Areas Board is requesting your support in working with AFSC to make sure producers can put insured crops, including hay, to alternate use on a timely basis. In 2021, the governments of Canada and Alberta adjusted crop insurance programs by lowering the threshold for Low Yield Allowance. The request this year is to increase the Low Yield Allowance from three bushels up to seven if the crop is going to be used as grazing or cattle feed for livestock. It would also be beneficial to have the producers' yields, in a year that has been declared an agriculture disaster, not added to that producers' long-term average. A similar adjustment would be welcomed by producers throughout the Special Areas region this year.

We will continue to monitor conditions and work closely with local Agricultural Service Boards and neighbouring municipalities to identify producer supports required in the region.

Best regards.

Jordon Christianson,

Chair, Special Areas Board

c. Ric McIver, Minister of Municipal Affairs
 Nate Horner, MLA; Drumheller-Stettler
 Damien Kurek, Member of Parliament for Battle River – Crowfoot RMA

Local municipalities



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July 7, 2023

Reeve Rick Lemire Municipal District of Pincher Creek PO Box 279 Pincher Creek AB T0K 1W0

Dear Reeve Lemire:

Further to my predecessor's letter of March 2, 2023, a strong partnership between the province and local governments remains a key priority for the Government of Alberta. To that end, I am pleased to confirm the allocation amounts to your community for the Municipal Sustainability Initiative (MSI) Capital and Operating programs, and the Canada Community-Building Fund (CCBF) program.

For the Municipal District of Pincher Creek:

- The 2023 MSI Capital allocation is \$620,076.
- The 2023 MSI Operating allocation is \$107,056, double the 2022 allocation amount.
- The 2023 CCBF allocation is \$185,614.

MSI and CCBF funding amounts for all municipalities and Metis Settlements are posted on the Government of Alberta website at open.alberta.ca/publications.

I look forward to working together with you to support your local infrastructure and operating needs, and building strong, vibrant communities across Alberta.

Sincerely,

Ric McIver Minister

cc: Roland Milligan, Chief Administrative Officer, Municipal District of Pincher Creek