

AGENDA
COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9
May 27, 2025
3:00 pm
Council Chambers

A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

B. DELIGATIONS

C. MINUTES/NOTES

1. Council Committee Minutes
 - May 13, 2025
2. Council Meeting Minutes
 - May 13, 2025
3. Utility Open House Notes
 - May 20, 2025

D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

E. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

F. COMMITTEE REPORTS / DIVISIONAL CONCERNS

1. Councillor Tony Bruder – Division 1
2. Reeve Rick Lemire – Division 2
3. Councillor Dave Cox– Division 3
4. Councillor Jim Welsch - Division 4
5. Councillor John MacGarva – Division 5

G. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

1. Operations

- a) Public Works Department Report
 - Report from Public Works dated May 20, 2025
 - Schedule A – Shop/Fleet Report
- b) Request to Install Texas Gate within Road Allowance
 - Report from Public Works dated May 16, 2025
- c) Novamen Dust Control Trial
 - Report from Public Works dated May 21, 2025
- d) Utilities & Infrastructure Report
 - Report from Utilities & Infrastructure dated May 21, 2025

2. Finance

3. Planning and Community Services

- a) RCMP Quarterly Report
 - Crowsnest Detachment
 - Pincher Creek Detachment
- b) Road Closure Bylaw 1362-25 (previously Bylaw 1333-22) Adjacent to SW 15-4-29 W4M
 - Report from Development dated May 22, 2025

4. Municipal

- a) CAO Report
 - Report from Administration, dated May 22, 2025

H. CORRESPONDENCE

1) For Action

- a) Community Engagement Session for Livingstone School Capital Project
 - Tuesday, June 17, 2025, 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm, Livingstone School
- b) Seniors' Week
 - June 2 through 8, 2025

- c) Request for Hauling
 - Pincher Creek & District Ag Society
- d) Alberta Electoral Boundaries Commission
 - Letter received May 21, 2025

2) For Information

- a) Open Letter to Prime Minister Carney
 - Letter from Tourism Industry Association of Canada
- b) 2025 Local Government Fiscal Framework (LGFF) Allocation
 - Letter from Minister of Municipal Affairs
- c) 2025 Elkford Wildcat Days Parade
 - Invitation to Participate
- d) Proposed SARA Amendments: Long-billed Curlew & Mudpuppy (due July 7th) & Horned Grebe (due Oct 19th)

I. NEW BUSINESS

J. CLOSED MEETING SESSION

K. ADJOURNMENT

MINUTES
 REGULAR COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING
 MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9
 Tuesday, May 13, 2025, 11:00 am
 Council Chambers

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

Staff: CAO Roland Milligan, Director of Corporate Services Meghan Dobie, Public Works Manager Alan McRae, Development Officer Laura McKinnon, and Executive Assistant Jessica McClelland.

Reeve Rick Lemire called the meeting to order, the time being 11:00 am.

1. Approval of Agenda

Councillor Jim Welsch

Moved that the agenda for the May 13, 2025, Committee Meeting be amended to include:

e) Farming of Road Allowances/Ditches – FOIP Sec. 24.1

AND THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

Carried

2. Delegation

3. Closed Session

Councillor Dave Cox

Moved that Council move into closed session to discuss the following, the time being 11:01 pm.

- a) Public Works Call Log – FOIP Sec. 24.1
- b) PCESC Agreement Review – FOIP Sec. 24.1
- c) Animal Control Draft Bylaw 1360-25 – FOIP Sec. 23.1
- d) Escaped Irrigation Draft Bylaw 1355-25 – FOIP Sec. 23.1
- e) Farming of Road Allowances/Ditches – FOIP Sec. 24.1

Councillor John MacGarva

Moved that Council move out of closed session, the time being 1:07 pm.

Carried

4. Round Table

- Health Professionals Attraction and Retention Committee Meeting
- Increase in Sheriffs in the Area
- South Canadian Rockies Tourism Meeting
- Library Expansion Proposal Meeting
- Potential Meeting for 2026 Capital Plans

REGULAR COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9
TUESDAY, MAY 13, 2025

5. Adjournment

Tony Bruder

Moved that the committee meeting adjourn at 1:45 pm.

Carried

REEVE

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

MINUTES
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 13, 2025

The Regular Meeting of Council of the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 was held on Tuesday, May 13, 2025, at 3:00 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, John MacGarva and Jim Welsch.
- STAFF** CAO Roland Milligan, Public Works Manager Alan McRae, Director of Corporate Services Meghan Dobie, Utilities & Infrastructure Manager David Desabrais, Development Officer Laura McKinnon and Executive Assistant Jessica McClelland.

Reeve Rick Lemire called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm.

A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Councillor Jim Welsch 25/211

Moved that the agenda for May 13, 2025, be amended to include:

Business Arising from the Minutes:

- a) Landowner Letter (Farming Road Allowances/Ditches)

Action:

- g) Westcastle Ski Academy Letter of Support
- h) Community Futures Call for Nominations
- i) World Family Doctor Day

AND THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

Carried

B. DELEGATIONS

C. MINUTES

- 1) Council Committee Meeting Minutes – April 22, 2025

Councillor Dave Cox 25/212

Moved that the minutes of the Council Committee Meeting of April 22, 2025, be approved as presented.

Carried

- 2) Council Meeting Minutes - April 22, 2025

Councillor Tony Bruder 25/213

Moved that the minutes of the Council Meeting of April 22, 2025, be approved as presented.

Carried

D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

E. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

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a) Landowner Letter (Farming Road Allowances/Ditches)

Councillor Jim Welsch

25/214

Moved that administration be directed to send a letter to the landowner South of Town regarding farming of MD road allowances and ditches.

Carried

F. COMMITTEE REPORTS / DIVISIONAL CONCERNS

1. Councillor Tony Bruder – Division 1
 - Crowsnest Pass Pincher Creek Landfill Association
 - Waterton Biosphere Newsletter
 - Ag Society looking for donation of sand for arena (they were advised to send an official request to the MD)
2. Reeve Rick Lemire – Division 2
 - Mayors and Reeves
 - Update on Hometown Award
3. Councillor Dave Cox– Division 3
 - Pincher Creek Emergency Services Commission
 - Pincher Creek & District Trade Show
 - Volunteer Appreciation Dinner
 - Alberta SouthWest
4. Councillor Jim Welsch - Division 4
 - Freshwater Conservation Canada
5. Councillor John MacGarva – Division 5
 - Pincher Creek & District Trade Show
 - Volunteer Appreciation Dinner
 - Housing Committee
 - Lundbreck Citizens Council
 - Patton Park Society Meeting

Councillor Dave Cox

25/215

Moved to accept the Committee Reports as information.

Carried

G. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

1. Operations

a) Public Works Operations Report

Councillor John MacGarva

25/216

Moved that Council receive the Public Works Operations Report, including Schedule A – Shop/Fleet Report, for the period April 14, 2025, to May 3, 2025, as information.

Carried

b) Utilities & Infrastructure Report

Councillor Tony Bruder

25/217

Moved that the Utilities & Infrastructure report for April 16, 2025, through May 7, 2025, be received as information.

Carried

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2. Finance

3. Development and Community Services

a) Direct Control Development Permit 2025-17

Councillor John MacGarva

25/218

Moved that Development Permit Application No. 2025-17, for a Manufactured Home, Singlewide, be approved subject to the following Condition(s):

- 1) That this development meets the minimum provisions as required in Land Use Bylaw 1349-23.
- 2) That the home be finished from the floor level to the ground within 90 days of placement. All finish material shall either be factory-fabricated or of equivalent quality, so that the design and construction complements the dwelling to the satisfaction of the development authority.
- 3) That the home be placed on a permanent foundation (e.g., a grade beam) or a basement that satisfies the requirements of the National Building Code - Alberta edition.
- 4) That the existing manufactured home be removed upon occupancy of the new manufactured home.
- 5) That this development be constructed per the submitted and approved plans.

Carried

4. Municipal

a) CAO Report

Councillor John MacGarva

25/219

Moved that Council receive for information, the CAO Report for the period March 24, 2025 to April 4, 2025.

Carried

H. CORRESPONDENCE

A. For Action

a) Requests from Heritage Acres

Councillor Jim Welsch

25/220

Moved that the MD contribute an in-kind donation of gravel and trucking to Heritage Acres, up to a maximum of \$5,000, with the work to be arranged with the Public Works Manager and completed during the regular gravel program.

Carried

Call for Volunteers to Assist with Vintage Touring Association of Alberta

Councillor Jim Welsch

25/221

Moved that Reeve Rick Lemire and Councillor Jim Welsch volunteer to attend and assist at Heritage Acres during the Vintage Touring Association of Alberta on May 31, 2025.

Carried

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b) Bellcrest Day Parade June 21, 2025

Councillor Tony Bruder 25/222

Moved that the invitation to the Bellcrest Day Parade be received as information.

Carried

c) Lightchasers Photography Conference - May 23 to 25, 2025, at Heritage Acres

Councillor Tony Bruder 25/223

Moved that Reeve Rick Lemire attend the Lightchasers Photography Conference on May 23 to 25, 2025, at Heritage Acres, to bring greetings from the MD.

Carried

d) Water Availability Engagement

Councillor Dave Cox 25/224

Moved that any interested Councillor attend the virtual Water Availability Engagement session on May 26, 2025.

Carried

e) Beaver Mines Spring Clean Up - Request for Donation

Councillor Dave Cox 25/225

Moved that the MD donate \$250 towards lunch during the Beaver Mines Spring Clean-Up, with the amount to come from Grants to Groups and Organizations.

Carried

f) Economic Development Week - May 12 through 16, 2025

Councillor Tony Bruder 25/226

Moved that the MD declare May 12-16, 2025, as Economic Development Week.

Carried

g) Alberta SouthWest AGM

Councillor Tony Bruder 25/227

Moved that Council be authorized to attend the Alberta SouthWest AGM on June 4, 2025.

Carried

h) Community Futures Call for Nominations

Councillor John MacGarva 25/228

Moved that Council received the Community Futures Call for Nominations as information.

Carried

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i) Westcastle Ski Academy Letter of Support

Councillor Tony Bruder 25/229

Moved that the MD authorize a Letter of Support for Westcastle Ski Academy.

Carried

j) World Family Doctor Day

Councillor Dave Cox 25/230

Moved that the MD declare May 19, 2025, as World Family Doctor Day.

Carried

B. For Information

Councillor Tony Bruder 25/231

Moved that the following be received as information:

- a) Large Vehicle Petting Zoo - Friday, May 16, 2025
- b) Chinook Arch Library Board Report - April 2025
- c) FortisAlberta - Early Fault Detection
- d) Pieridae WAG - May 2025

Carried

I. NEW BUSINESS

J. CLOSED SESSION

Councillor Jim Welsch 25/232

Moved that Council move into closed session to discuss the following, the time being 4:38 pm.

- a) Council Volunteer Hours (Corporate Policy C-CO-001) – FOIP Sec. 24.1

Councillor John MacGarva 25/233

Moved that Council move out of closed session, the time being 5:11 pm.

Carried

- a) Council Volunteer Hours (Corporate Policy C-CO-001)

Councillor Tony Bruder 25/234

Moved that the discussion on Council volunteer hours (Corporate Policy C-CO-001) be received as information.

Carried

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K. ADJOURNMENT

Councillor Jim Welsch 25/235

Moved that Council adjourn the meeting, the time being 5:17 pm.

Carried

REEVE

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

MD of Pincher Creek
Utility Open House
Tuesday May 20, 2025
MD Office

Approximately 4 residents from Hamlets, and Village of Cowley.

MD: Reeve Rick Lemire, Deputy Reeve Tony Bruder, and Councillors Dave Cox, John MacGarva and Jim Welsch. Staff: CAO Roland Milligan, Utilities & Infrastructure Manager David Desabrais, and Executive Assistant Jessica McClelland.

Reeve Lemire welcomed everyone and introduced the Council and staff.

Residents repeated feedback/concerns previously received via email correspondence and presented to Council in open session.

One on one conversation was held between Council, staff and residents.




Meeting concluded at 8:00 pm.

REEVE

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Recommendation to Council

G1a

TITLE: PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT REPORT			
PREPARED BY: Alan McRae		May 20, 2025	
DEPARTMENT: PUBLIC WORKS			
ATTACHMENTS: 1. Schedule A – Shop/Fleet Report			
APPROVALS:			
 PW MANAGER	May 20, 2025 DATE	 CAO	2025/05/22 DATE

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council accepts the Public Works Department Report for the period of May 5th to May 18th, 2025 as information.

- Divisional maintenance (7 graders)
- Bridge washing
- Mark areas for dust control on Maycroft and a few other areas in Div 5
- Re-gravel Maycroft, Twin Butte road and few other dust control areas in Div 5
- Removal and installation of new Texas Gate in Div 5
- Sand shed yard organization
- Weed whip grass in PW yard and around PW office
- Channels added to all 2-way radios
- Bridge inspections
- Check lights on barricades at Southfork and monitor slide activity
- Sign maintenance
- Haul water to AES
- Deliver chemical to WTP
- Fix fence by Gun Range
- Pick-up gates from Patton Park ball diamond removal

Events

- 1st aid training for a few PW staff
- Seasonal started May 5th
- Audiometric testing for a few PW staff

Recommendation to Council

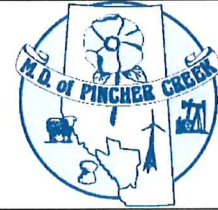
-Safety Meeting May 7th
-JHSC inspection May 8th, 2025, at WTP
-JHSC meeting May 14th, 2025, at Airport

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

None

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT SCHEDULE "A"

SHOP/FLEET OPERATIONAL REPORT



PREPARED BY: ALAN MCRAE

DATE: May 20, 2025

DEPARTMENT: PUBLIC WORKS

ATTACHMENTS: N/A

SHOP/FLEET OPERATIONS SUMMARY:

Graders

Unit #57-T/S ECM issues and leaks on transmission. Finning loaned repair ECM to help verify that as the issue

Unit #64-Remove snow equipment, wash and inspect for oil leak on transmission and repair

Unit #70- Service

Unit #72-Service

Unit #73-Snow equipment removal

Heavy Trucks/Equipment

Unit #42 (tractor)-Pre-season checks

Unit #419 (highway tractor)- Install new clutch brake and adjust clutch

Unit #420 (highway tractor)-T/S check engine light/derate- did forced regen. Will look into why it won't do a regen while driving.

Unit #421(plow/gravel truck)-T/S and repair oil leak on plow

Unit #435 (water truck)- tail light wiring repair, PS tube cracked-remove, repair and replace

Light Duty and Light Trailers

Unit #400- T/S check engine lights-emissions related. Circuits below normal on DEF system, order parts.

Unit #502- T/S Ac issue, repair and recharge




Unit #508- Service, replaced front brake pads, new tires installed on rims

EVENTS

-May 8th- JHSC inspection at WTP

Recommendation to Council

G1b

TITLE: REQUEST TO INSTALL TEXAS GATE WITHIN ROAD ALLOWANCE			
PREPARED BY: Alan McRae		Date: May 16, 2025	
DEPARTMENT: PUBLIC WORKS			
ATTACHMENTS: <ul style="list-style-type: none">1. Request letter with supporting documents2. Pictures of location taken by PW staff3. Corporate Policy C-PW-005- Texas Gates			
APPROVALS:			
 PW MANAGER		 CAO	
May 16, 2025 DATE		2025/05/22 DATE	

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council reviews the files associated with the request to install Texas Gates within a road allowance located in Division 1 and gives guidance to the Public Works Manager on how to proceed.

BACKGROUND:

In September 2024, Pam Stushnoff contacted Public Works to discuss the installation of a cattle guard within a road allowance located in Division 1. Following our phone conversation, a copy of Policy C-PW-005 was provided to the applicant, highlighting the section relevant to her situation, along with the associated costs.

On May 7, 2025, we received a formal request letter and supporting documentation from Pam, which are attached for reference. In response, I asked our Public Works employee—who conducts our annual cattle guard inspections and has experience installing them—to visit the site and provide his assessment. He reported that the cattle guards appear to be heavy-duty and well-constructed, and he sees no issues with installing them at the proposed location. His only concern is that cattle guards placed at the bottom of a slope tend to accumulate dirt, gravel, and debris more quickly, which can lead to increased maintenance requirements.

Pam's letter notes that "the proposed cattle guard (see included photos and specifications) was designed by a Journeyman Welder. This cattle guard exceeds the MD specifications for cattle guards."

Recommendation to Council

Although Policy C-PW-005 specifies that purchased Texas Gates be engineered, the Texas Gates in question is not. However Public Works has no concerns regarding the adequacy of the constructed Texas Gates in this specific case.

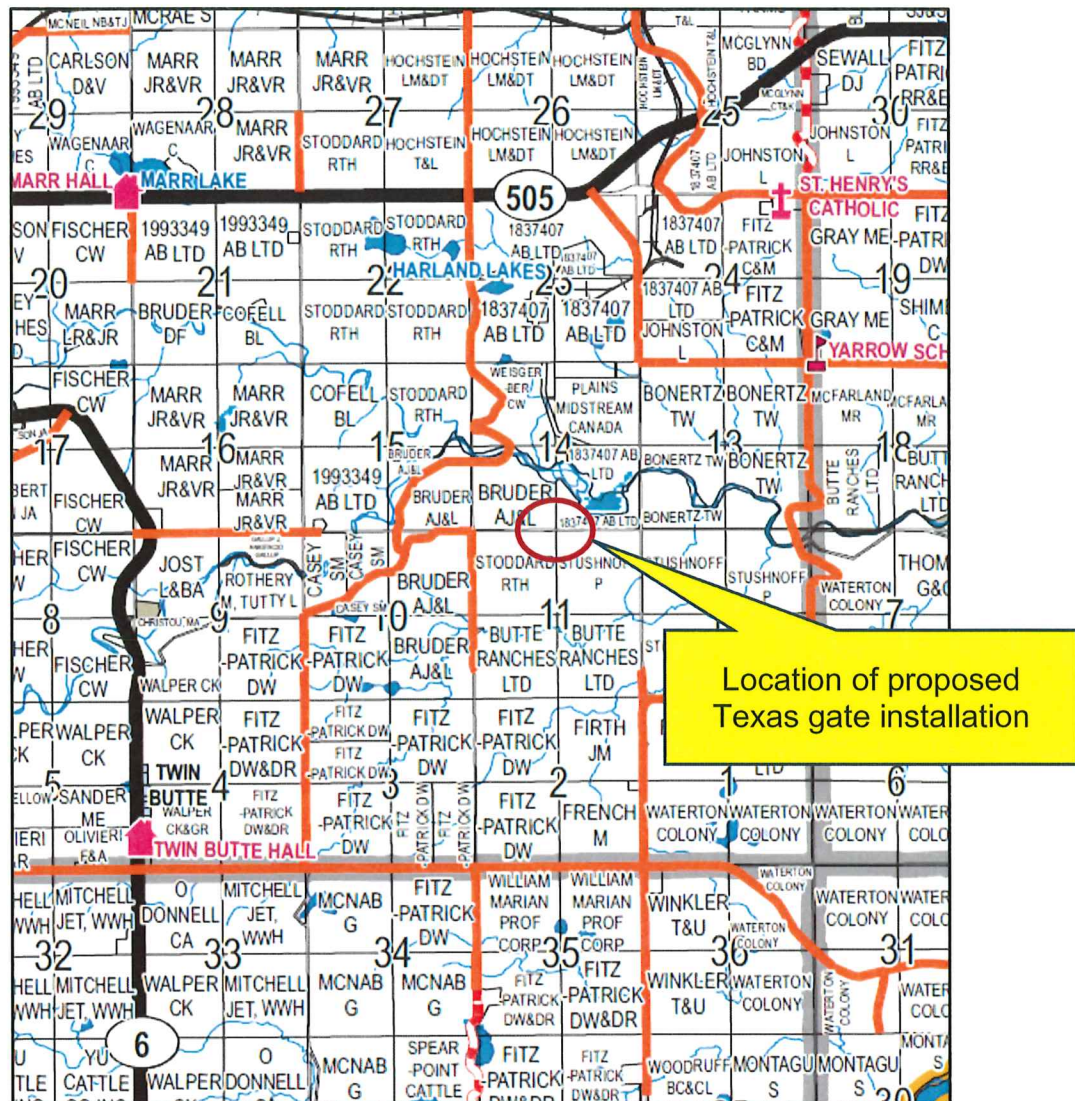
If this request is approved by council, as outlined in the September 2024 email, Public Works is responsible for the installation and the landowner will receive an invoice from the MD to cover the associated costs.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

None

Recommendation to Council

Map Showing Location



To Whom It May Concern;

Subject: Request permission to install a cattle guard in the road allowance between NE11-4-29-W4 and SW14-4-29-W4

Please find enclosed a google earth image of the land discussed in this letter.

Two photos of the cattle guard with notes.

I am requesting permission to install a heavy duty cattle guard along the existing fence line on the road allowance between SW14-4-29-W4 and my quarter NE11-4-29-W4. Refer to map enclosed.

The proposed cattle guard does not impact anyone but myself. The reason I want a cattle guard is because the fence line is on a hill, which forces me to stop to open and close a gate. This is a problem when I am hauling hay or grain out of the field and there are cattle in either field. I have to open the gate, rush back to the vehicle and drive through about 200 yards, to the top of the hill before I can stop and go back to close the gate. If the road is wet or snow covered I have trouble getting up the hill if I have to stop at the gate.

This is an unmaintained road allowance that provides access to my land only. Due to topography the road allowance is forced to encroach on the eastern end of NE11-4-29-W4 before dropping over the hill. This does not provide access to NW12-4-29-W4 since the road allowance along the side of the hill is too narrow for equipment to travel. Access to my quarter NW12-4-29-W4 can only be through quarters SW and SE13-4-29-W4 (Terry Bonertz's place) or across a portion of NE11-4-29-W4.

The proposed cattle guard (see included photos and specifications) was designed and constructed by a Journeyman Welder. This cattle exceeds the MD specifications for cattle guards.

The cattle guard was built with 5" x 1/4" thick square tubing with 3" x 1/4" pipe, the solid lengths of pipe were plasma cut through the 7 cross supports and then welded on both sides of each support. The cattle guard also includes posts on either end to hang 2 – 12 foot gates. I would be happy to meet with you if you want to view the location and/or the cattle guard.

Alternatively, we would like to request to purchase the road allowance.

For questions or follow-up please contact me (Pam Stushnoff 403-632-9013) or my husband (Tim Stushnoff 403-627-9176)

Thank You,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Pam Stushnoff". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.



Township Rd 42

Range Rd 292

Range Rd 292

Range Rd 292

Location for Cattle Guard
with 2 - 12 foot gates

This Gate is at the bottom of a hill on both
sides, so we have to walk a great distance so
loads can be parked on level ground to open
close gates

No access across here as
road allowance ends at gully

This road is only 8
feet wide so no
access for equipment





Looking West- hill that Pam
mentions in her letter





Looking East- Proposed location of Texas Gate.

Looking East

Proposed location



Proposed location of Texas Gates



Proposed location of Texas Gate



Email sent to Pam when she first inquired Sept 2024

From: Alan McRae <PWManager@mdpinchercreek.ab.ca>
Sent: September 27, 2024 10:36 AM
To: Pstushnoff@[REDACTED]
Subject: Cattleguard Pricing and Policy
Attachments: C-PW-005 Texas Gates (2) (1).pdf

Hello Pam,

Here is pricing for the supply and installation of 1 Texas gate at today's pricing .

Install-	\$1600.00
Cattleguard and Treated Planks-	\$4400.00
Total-	\$6000.00

I have also attached the Corporate Policy for Texas Gates. I have circled the part of the policy that applies in this situation.

If you have any questions, please reach out.

Regards,

Alan McRae

Public Works Manager
MD Of Pincher Creek
1038 Herron Avenue
Pincher Creek, AB T0K1W0
Phone: 403-627-3130
Email: PWManager@mdpinchercreek.ab.ca

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M.D. OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9

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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CORPORATE POLICY

C-PW-005

TITLE: TEXAS GATES

Approved by Council

Date: April 26, 2014

Revised by Council

Date:

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 circumstances and approved by Council.

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;
- 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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CORPORATE POLICY

C-PW-005

TITLE: TEXAS GATES

Approved by Council

Date: April 26, 2014

Revised by Council

Date:

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.

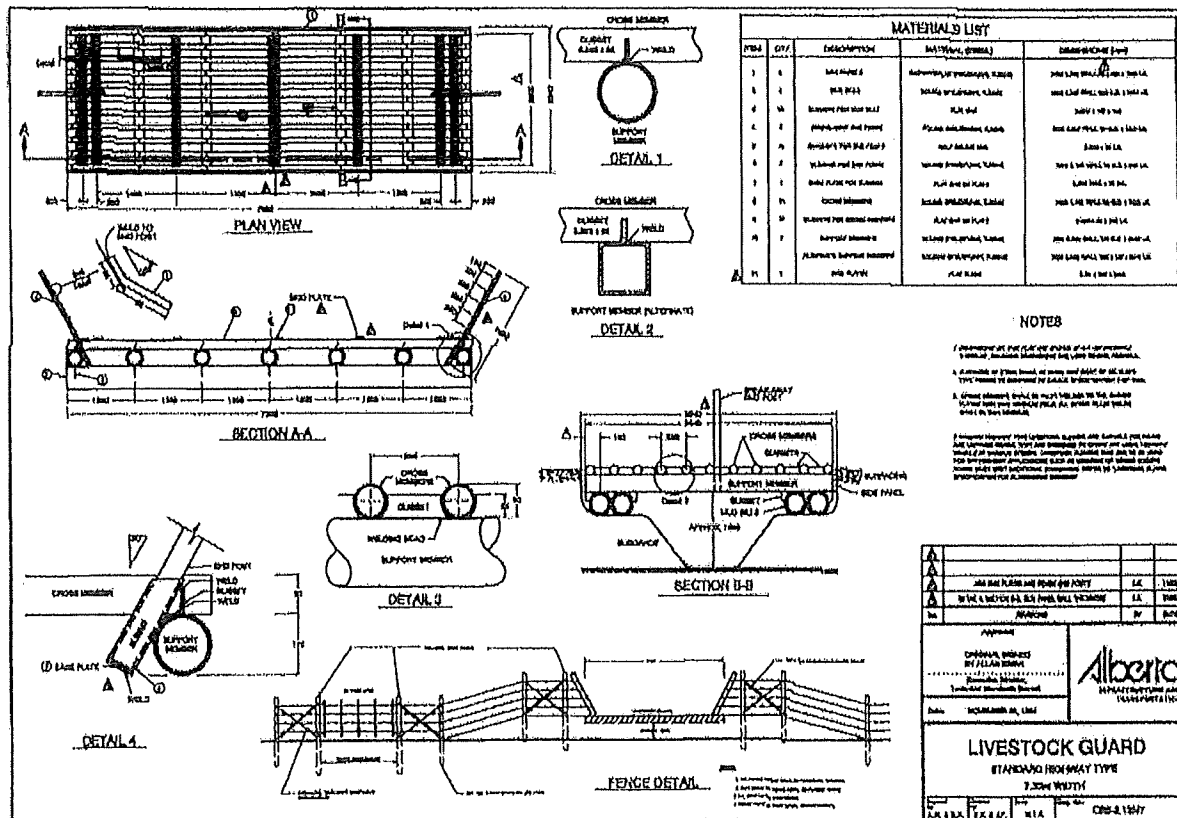
The Municipal District shall be responsible for purchasing, installing and maintaining "Texas Gate Ahead" and "Cattle at Large" signs.

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

CORPORATE POLICY

Date:



CORPORATE POLICY

C-PW-005

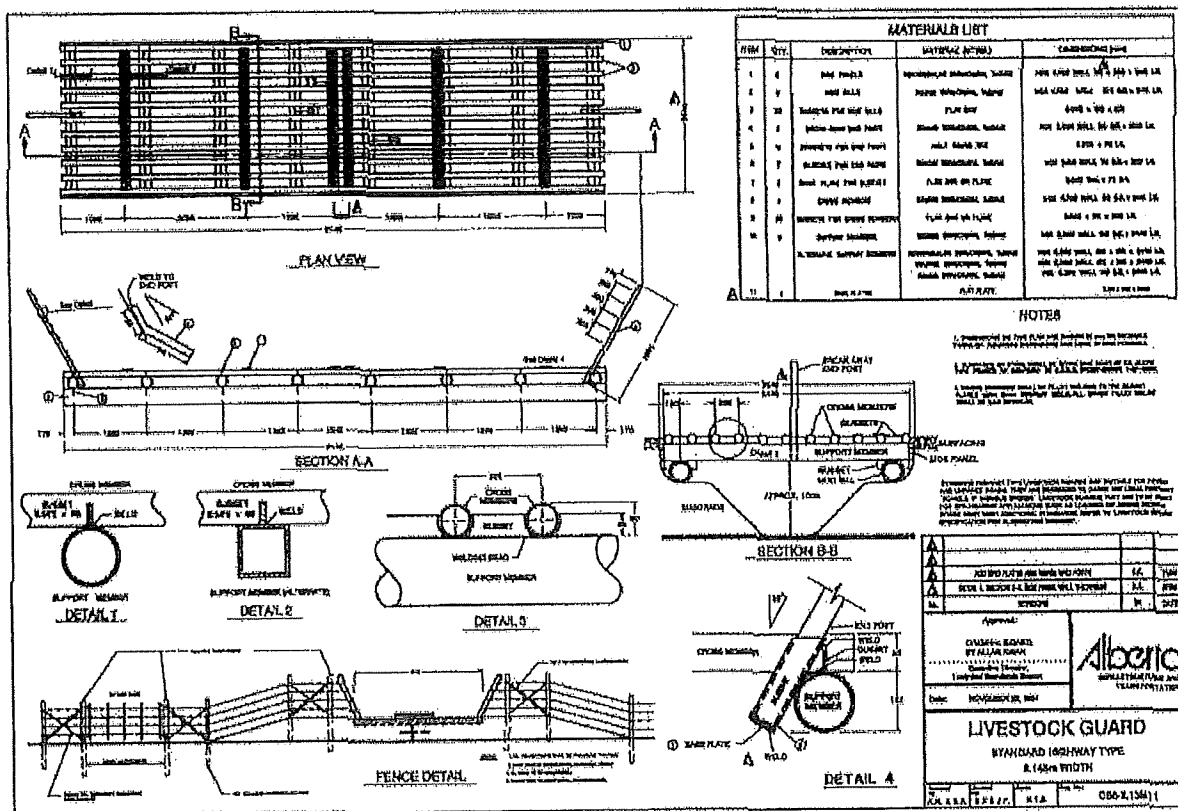
TITLE: TEXAS GATES

Approved by Council

Date: April 26, 2014

Revised by Council

Date:



Section Cover Sheet

2006-10-31

Section 02843
Texas Gates

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

- .1 SSPC-SP-8 Commercial Blast Cleaning.

Tender No.: []

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.

Tender No.: []

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

Recommendation to Council

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TITLE: NOVAMEN DUST CONTROL TRIAL							
PREPARED BY: Alan McRae		DATE: May 21, 2025					
DEPARTMENT: PUBLIC WORKS							
ATTACHMENTS: 1. Novamen Proposal 2. MD Corporate Policy C-PW-009							
APPROVALS:							
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RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council reviews Novamen's proposal and wave clause 13 of Corporate Policy C-PW-009 for a trial of Novamen dust control product.

Novamen reached out to me after viewing the Global News segment on the Maycroft Road and subsequently locating the RFP on the Alberta Purchasing Connection (APC) website. Given that the RFP was scheduled to close the following day, and Novamen's product has not yet met Alberta Transportation's highway maintenance specifications, I inquired whether they would be interested in submitting a proposal for a product trial instead.

The attached proposal outlines two different products and application processes that Novamen is offering to the MD for trial purposes. This is at no cost to the municipality. I propose applying the trial product to selected sections of the Maycroft Road. This would allow for a direct side-by-side comparison with our current product, providing valuable insight into the effectiveness of Novamen's solution.

As per MD policy (see highlighted Section 13), "all dust control products will meet the approved requirements of the Alberta Transportation highway maintenance specifications." Given that Novamen's product has not yet received formal approval, I recommend that Council review the proposal and provide direction on whether to proceed with the trial under these circumstances.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

None



DUST CONTROL

M.D. of Pincher Creek Trial – May 16th, 2025

PROPOSAL

Dust Control is a critical aspect of road maintenance.

Traditional methods using chloride-based products or excessive use of water have raised environmental, equipment and human health concerns. This proposal outlines a sustainable approach using environmentally friendly, safe products for fugitive dust control application. Our proposal seeks to strike a balance between dust control needs and responsible stewardship of the environment, ultimately offering a cost effective and sustainable solution.

Agostino Guido

Business Development Manager



CORPORATE INTRODUCTION

Novamen, meaning “Innovation,” was founded in 2011 and is a Canadian and Indigenous owned company. We maintain respectful working relationships and MOUs within the Indigenous community and are members in good standing with NAABA (Northern Alberta Aboriginal Business Association) and the CCAB (Canadian Council for Aboriginal Business).

Our strong team of professionals are passionate about providing innovative products and exceptional service. Through our extensive supply network, and our commitment to going the extra mile, we strive to offer the highest quality products with the intent of becoming a valued supplier and partner to our clients.

We are committed to being environmentally responsible, always looking for safer products and ways to reduce and eliminate waste in everything we do. We adhere to a code of ethics that places significant and inherent value on the health, happiness, and well-being of all people. By staying true to our core ideologies, we believe we can make the world a better place and “leave behind a footprint that future generations will be proud to walk in.”

OVERVIEW

M.D. of Pincher Creek

Municipal Gravel Roads

- Roads are currently treated once per season
- Roads are treated at an application rate of 3L/m²
- Roads are currently treated with magnesium chloride, MG30
- 900,000-1,200,000L of MG30 applied annually
- 850,000L is for County use remainder is at a cost to taxpayers



Proposal to Trial Two Proprietary Road Dust Suppression Products

Product # 1 - Nova DCP-FS

Nova DCP-FS is our proprietary water-soluble road dust suppression product recommended due to the non-corrosive, environmentally friendly, non-toxic and non-slippery benefits it provides. With natural binding capabilities, Nova DCP-FS has the advantage of stabilizing the roadbed.

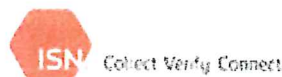
Novamen will supply and apply this product using two different approaches. The first approach will be to apply 3L/m² once in the season, we would do this on a 300m section of road. This will give the MD of Pincher Creek a good direct comparison to the MG30 program they are currently using. The second approach is to apply 2L/m² during the first application in late May or early June and then 1L/m² for the second application six to eight weeks later, we would do this on a 600m section of road. The initial application of these two approaches would be done at the same time.

The initial application will require 18,000L of Nova DCP-FS which would be applied as per the two above approaches in multiple passes, ie 1L/m²/pass over the same area, to allow the product to penetrate the road surface. The second application will require 5,100L of Nova DCP-FS and would only be applied on the 600m section of road and would be applied at 1L/m² in one pass.

Novamen's commitment to this trial will be the cost of the product, application and transportation which would cover approximately 900meters of road. If awarded the full scope of work, Novamen would be monitoring the roads at least every two weeks throughout the summer to ensure touch-ups are done throughout the season when needed, product would be managed and only applied to areas that require additional application. To reduce costs and gain efficiencies Novamen would supply tanks, ship a highly concentrated product, blend on-site to reduce mobilization and demobilization costs. Nova DCP-FS supplied, applied and managed seasonal application cost is based on optimizing efficiencies. The price would be \$0.89/L for the scope of this work.

Product #2 - Nova DCP-OBLT

Nova DCP-OBLT is a non-water-soluble, long-lasting dust control product for a variety of uses such as oilfield and heavy mining traffic roads, parking lots, and road shoulders, where pavement is too costly and dust conditions become intolerable. This product is non-corrosive, environmentally friendly and non-toxic.



Novamen

Novamen will supply and apply this product using a rate of 1.5L/m² with the initial application in late May or early June and the second application six to eight weeks later.

The initial application will require 15,000L of Nova DCP-OBLT which would be applied at 1.5L/m² in two passes over the same area to allow the product to penetrate the road surface. If a second application is required Nova DCP-OBLT would be applied at 0.5L/m² to 1L/m² in two passes over the same area.

Novamen's commitment to this trial will be the cost of the product, application and transportation which would cover approximately 1,200meters of road. If awarded full scope of work Novamen would be monitoring the roads at least every two weeks throughout the summer to ensure touch-ups are done throughout the season when needed, product would be managed and only applied to areas that require additional application. Nova DCP-OBLT supplied, applied and managed seasonal application cost is based on optimizing efficiencies. The price would be \$1.43/L for the scope of this work.

Advantages of Using Nova DCP Products

Health & Safety Factors

- Increased visibility and smoother roads reducing the risks for vehicles, equipment and operators.
- Controlling fugitive dust reduces respiratory impacts and concerns for humans and local wildlife.
- Non-slippery and non-slimy when product is wet so safe for equipment to travel on steep terrain and hairpin corners.

Operational Cost Saving Factors

- Reducing the potential of reclamation costs by using eco friendly Nova DCP vs chloride-based products.
- Customers have reported roads require less grading when the Nova DCP products are applied throughout the season. This is a significant cost savings.
- Reducing dust improves the lifespan of electrical and mechanical components of equipment.
- With repeated seasonal treatments, our customers have reported Nova DCP products build up in the roadbed providing a more stabilized road reducing the volume of product applied annually with up to 20% retention of product over the winter season.



ESG Factors

- Significant carbon emissions reduced by reducing grader operations.
- Reducing fuel consumption of grader operations.
- Utilization of human assets more effectively.

Novamen's Application Equipment

Using the Micro-Trak RoadMaster system, our spray trucks deliver precise and consistent application of dust control products on roads and work sites. The RoadMaster's advanced GPS-based rate control ensures accurate coverage, reduced waste, and improved efficiency. We can handle a range of road conditions, providing reliable dust suppression for industrial sites, municipal roads, and rural areas.

Our trucks are equipped with self retracting fold down spray bars for maximum coverage. We use pressurized vee jet nozzles to help drive the product deep into the road base.

DCP-SC Seasonal Program Vision for 2026

SUMMARY

Our proposed trial provides an opportunity to compare two environmentally friendly products, one being water soluble and the other is non-water soluble, against your current dust suppression. By implementing our recommendations, we believe the M.D of Pincher Creek will experience effective road dust solution that does not build up chlorides in the roadbed that can then leach into ditches and waterways.

Novamen prides itself on working with our customers by providing equipment and expertise to establish a customized solution to achieve the full season's road dust suppression needs. We ensure product is not overused but applied effectively.

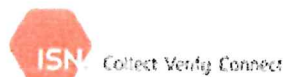
Thank you for considering Novamen for a dust suppression trial within the M.D. of Pincher Creek. We are eager for the opportunity to offer our expertise and look forward to working together to contribute to the long-term sustainability of your community.

We look forward to reviewing this proposal with you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Agostino Guido".

Agostino Guido
Business Development Manager
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M.D. OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9

CORPORATE POLICY

C-PW-009

TITLE: DUST CONTROL

Approved by Council

Date: February 22, 2011

Revised by Council

Date: June 26, 2018

Revised by Council

Date: May 14, 2019

Revised by Council

Date: May 26, 2020

Revised by Council

Date: November 24, 2020

Revised by Council

Date: February 27, 2024

Revised by Council

Date: April 8, 2025

PURPOSE OF POLICY

To identify areas in which approved dust control suppressants be applied on Municipal District (MD) controlled roadways in ongoing efforts to ensure public safety, quality of life, and to realize road maintenance cost reductions.

POLICY STATEMENT

1. The intent of this policy is to ensure appropriate usage and maintenance of MD roadways. The dust control program is an applied surface treatment for roadway sections that have been requested by ratepayers. Application will be during the spring or summer months, weather permitting and scheduled in accordance with local gravelling to maximize the effectiveness of the dust control agent.
2. The MD does not guarantee that the dust control product will be effective in eliminating dust but only to control it. Dust control locations will be maintained at the MD's sole discretion. The drivability and the safety of the road is the MD's top priority, and the MD reserves the right to grade any sections of dust control product applied during normal grading operations. The maintenance will be deemed necessary for road conditions that may present a risk to general traffic using said roadway.
3. Residents requesting dust control services shall be charged a fee, as per MD policy C-FIN-529, Fees and Charges, each time the dust control product is applied on the road. Cost adjustments to the subsidized dust control rate shall be estimated by the Public Works Manager or designate yearly in March and amended through Council resolution in the MD policy C-FIN-529, Fees and Charges.
4. The minimum treatment area length will be 100m adjacent to the residents/applicants property. Approximate typical spray width will match the existing road width to a maximum width of 8 metres.
5. Refunds will not be issued in the event that the dust control application is deferred due to road construction, delay in delivery of product, weather conditions, equipment breakdowns or any other circumstance that may postpone application. On MD road construction projects where the road surface has been disturbed and surface gravel has been placed, adjacent landowners will receive a one-time application in the year of construction.

6. The MD hires contractors to spray chloride base products at their respective rate (litres/sq. m.). When Lignosulfonate is the dust control product requested, the MD will apply the product with MD staff and equipment.
7. No person shall apply any product, whether it be for dust control purposes or other purposes, to roads in the MD without the approval of the Public Works Manager or designate.

APPLICATION PROCESS

8. An advertisement shall appear in the local newspaper, posted to the MD website and social media each year, prior to the onset of the dust control program, advising ratepayers of application deadlines and program costs. The deadline for applications shall be set to the 1st of May of each calendar year or the first Monday thereafter.
9. The MD shall enter into an agreement with the Applicant prior to any application of dust control. Payment of full amount shall be required by the Applicant(s) prior to commencement of work.

CONDITIONS FOR SERVICE

10. The MD will not apply dust suppression product to private property and will only apply dust suppression product for corporate entities with Council approval.
11. Companies having a road use agreement will be required to control dust with water as and when required. The Public Works Superintendent will monitor their activities and dust levels.
12. Dust suppression on roads using water only is at the discretion of the Public Works Manager.
13. The primary dust control suppressants of the MD will be Lignosulfonate, MG 30 (magnesium), and Calcium Chloride. All dust abatement products will meet the approved requirements of the Alberta Transportations highway maintenance specifications.
14. Testing of new dust suppressant and/or aggregate stabilization products will be conducted annually to determine if they provide a more durable surface, or are more cost effective.
15. Public Works will apply dust control to the roads as outlined in Schedule "A" to Policy C-PW-009 as approved by Council annually.
16. Prior to residential dust control being applied, the resident must fill out and sign an agreement to purchase materials or services form.



Rick Lemire
Reeve



Roland Milligan
Chief Administrative Officer

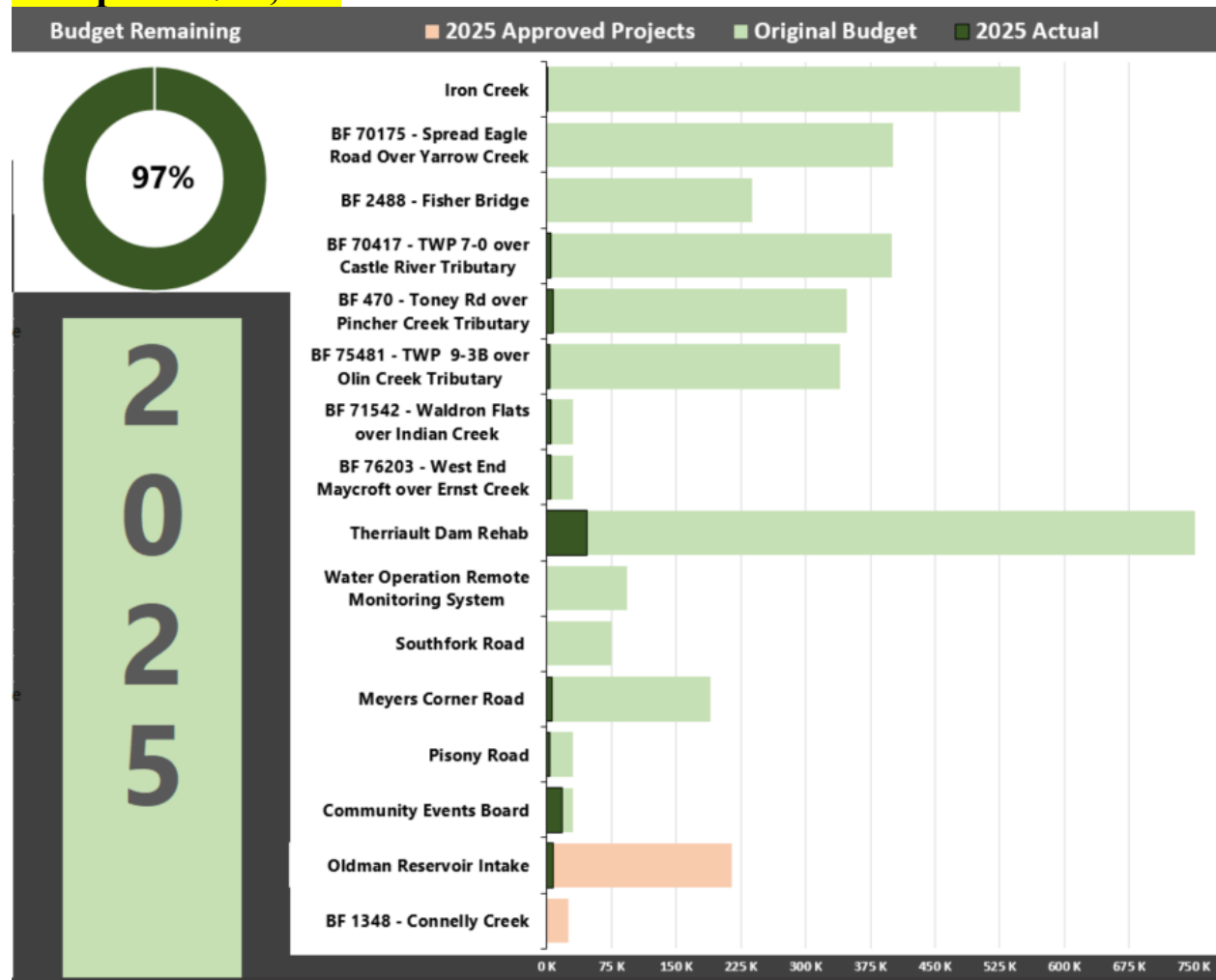


M.D. OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9 UTILITIES & INFRASTRUCTURE REPORT

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General Projects Budget Update

2025 Approved Budget: \$3,847,000. May 20th Spend: \$105,705 May 2nd Spend: \$79,025



Large Ongoing Projects (Pre-2025 Construction Start)

- **Beaver Mines Water Distribution, Collection System**
 - Construction complete. Awaiting rainstopper installation in a few manholes (warranty)
- **Beaver Mines Waste Facility/System**
 - Final turnover package received, GIS information received Jan 20th
 - Warranty discussions
 - Septic tank experiencing infiltration (awaiting BYZ response)
 - Lagoon de-icers tripping with known GFCI breaker issue
- **Beaver Mines Forcemain & Lift Station**
 - Awaiting minor changes to Record drawings
 - Identified generator is missing lugs for load test. Anticipate 4-5 weeks for delivery

- **Oldman Reservoir Water Intake Low Level Project**
 - \$1.68M grant application finalized Jan 30th, 2024
 - Approval received for \$1.8M project, covering up to 75% of costs
 - DFPP (Drought and Flood Protection Program) grant application approved, topping up Capital Project and covering 70% of costs for a Drought Projects Assessment
 - Install of check valves and new sine wave filter complete week of Apr. 28th
 - Programming work ongoing
- **Bridge File 2488 – Fisher Bridge, NW-26-07-02-W5M**
 - Scour identified under existing abutment. Costed plan included in 2025 budget
 - DFO, Historical Resources, Public Lands Disposition submitted
 - DFO response received Sep 3rd with additional questions on work. Additional response received Nov. 29th indicating DFO is experiencing delays and directing MD to begin work on SARA permit
 - SARA permit submitted Dec. 19th. Received April 25th, 2025
 - Public Lands Disposition received Oct 3rd
 - Transport Canada (TC) response received May 13th; deemed “minor works”
 - Work pending construction window in August, 2025
- **Watercourse Crossing Inspection & Remediation Project – 100% Grant funded**
 - Funding agreement signed Mar. 28th, 2023 for \$1.55M
 - Extension received to March 31st, 2027
 - Funder confirmed prelim. eng. is acceptable on BF 1348 Connelly Creek (for use of remaining \$600,000 in funds)
- **WCR #2: S. Todd Creek Trib. under Chapel Rock Road, SE-23-009-03 W5M**
 - 100% grant funded
 - Work complete
 - Reassessment of road leveling complete May 12th. Some concerns observed regarding gravel quality and shoulder height. Awaiting warranty work

Large Projects Planned for 2025 Implementation

Water Operations Remote Monitoring System Migration – 2025

SCADA System Migration to VTScada. Includes replacement of main desktop at WTP, full migration programming and HMIs (Human Machine Interfaces), and licensing software

- Awarded Jan 22nd. Desktop computer arrived. Updated and delivered to MPE
- Kickoff meeting complete Feb 5th, anticipate on-site commissioning in June
- Received draft copy of new HMI interfaces, under review with operations

Meyers Corner Road Culvert Replacement

Replace failed 900mm culvert via boring method

- Sizing and aquatic assessment complete by Roseke in 2024. Design complete for a bored 1.37m x 35m Smooth Walled Welded Pipe
 - Geotechnical work complete, confirmed mostly clay (suitable for drilling)

- Survey and conceptual design drawing complete
- Contractor has confirmed unit pricing still stands. However, design length is 10m longer than original quote, increasing boring cost about \$35,000
- Proceeding with ROW acquisition. Revised direction underway based on legal advice for land acquisitions. Will require:
 - Public Works ROW (outside bed + banks), + Provincial Roadway Reservation/Road Plan (bed and banks portion)
 - RDS submitted
 - IOP Reviewed, with land agents for next steps

Community Events Board, Admin Building

Single sided electric community events board on Admin building to advertise current events and upcoming meetings

- Project contingent on receiving required permits
 - Sign permit send to Town Apr. 11th. Anticipate decision during May 21st MSDA
- Quotes & comparison models reviewed by Council Mar. 25th
- PO placed on Genoptic Smart Display P10 with Sign City, anticipate ready to ship mid-June
- Confirmed no building permit required. Electrical permit will be required

• Bridge File 70175 – Yarrow Creek Bridge Rehabilitation, NW-22-003-030 W4M

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 timber span, channel realignment, and west abutment riprap work

- Preliminary Engineering & Design complete
- Sensitive stream habitat, SARA permit required. Construction window of August
 - DFO SARA permit approval received Jan 15th
- Water Survey of Canada notified regarding measurement which needs to be moved
- Land signoff taking longer than anticipated due to environmental easement questions. Information provided regarding environmental easement
 - SALTS approval received Oct 3rd
- Direction given to closeout land acquisition with RDS for bed/banks portion
 - Provincial Roadway Disposition (RDS) submitted
- Tender preparation underway

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

Install new 4.7m x 2m x 15m L corrugated steel box culvert to remediate fish passage concerns on Iron Creek under the WCR program (100% funded)

- Tender for install awarded to TA Excavating alongside South Todd Creek Tributary
- Completion: September 30th, 2025
- Permit submissions have begun. DFO has indicated review period for Species At Risk Act (SARA) permit will be 90 days despite delays in processing to date
 - DFO SARA approval received July 16th, 2024

- Revised application required due to work not occurring in 2024 per DFO request Jan. 2, 2025. Submitted Jan. 6th
 - Revised SARA permit received Mar. 11th
 - Land signoff complete
- **Bridge File 70417 – TWN RD 70 over Castle River Trib., SE-05-007-01 W5M**

6.1m clear span bridge with extensive rot and voids in piles and pile caps. Replace with two (2) 2m x 27m L CSPs

 - Prelim. engineering complete Oct. 8th
 - Design and tender to include staged construction cost (optional), extended detour may be feasible
 - Design work kicked off Oct. 31st, 2025. STIP application submitted Nov. 26th
 - Design complete, reviewed and under finalization
 - Proceeding with RDS disposition and land
 - RDS submitted
 - Flexibility with construction timing window, anticipate Fall construction
- **Bridge File 00470 – Toney Rd over Pincher Creek Trib., SE-02-006-01 W5M**

1.6m x 43m L culvert with significant perforations and minor deflections. Install Steel Wall Pipe Liner (SWPL)

 - Prelim. eng. complete Oct. 7th. Recommendation is installation of a steel wall pipe liner. Level 2 barrel inspection confirmed 1.4m liner is feasible
 - Design work kicked off November 5th, 2024. STIP application submitted Nov. 26th
 - Design complete and reviewed
 - Proceeding with RDS disposition and land
 - RDS submitted
 - Flexibility with construction timing window, anticipate Fall construction
- **Bridge File 75481 – TWN RD 93B over Olin Creek Trib., SW-23-009-01 W5M**

1.5m x 24m L culvert with high deflection and corrosion. Replace with two (2) 1.2m x 36m L CSPs

 - Preliminary engineering complete Oct. 11th. STIP application submitted Nov. 26th
 - Design complete and reviewed by MD, upstream detour planned
 - Gave direction to proceed with RDS and land
 - RDS submitted
 - Initial sampling complete, confirmed DFO review not required. Flexible construction timing window
- **Therriault Dam – Rehabilitation Work**

Geotechnical and Hydrogeology study complete in 2023. 2024 preliminary engineering determined most economically viable solution to address undersized spillway/overtop

potential. 2025 work includes detailed design work, regulatory submissions, and (pending regulatory approval and grant funding), tender/construction

- RFP released on ACP Nov. 14th. Due back Dec. 6th for detailed design, regulatory work, tendering, and construction administration
 - High evaluation: MPE Engineering (80% weighted)
- Design kicked off Jan 8th. Anticipated schedule:
 - Begin regulatory submissions mid March, 2025
 - Design completion mid April – June 2025
 - Timing of further works dependant on grant release timing (anticipated Spring/Summer 2025) as well as regulatory approval timing
- Design work underway, anticipate preliminary cost options and designs by **end of May**

Large Projects Planned for 2026 Implementation

- **Southfork Hill Road**

Emergent investigatory and repair work for the Southfork Hill slide issues

- Geotechnical scope awarded and complete. Final geotech. report received Dec 9th
- STIP application submitted Nov. 28th, 2024 with letters of support from Campground and nearby farming operation. Revision submitted Dec. 19th with additional letter of support from MLA and final geotech. report
 - Awaiting funding decision
- Propose assessing need to begin work on detailed design, tender, and regulatory approvals after assessing Spring 2025 runoff effect on road conditions. Any work done prior to a grant decision would not be eligible for external funding
 - Condition similar to last year as of Mar. 31st, 2025, some deterioration observed.

No major additional road deterioration as of May 15th



- **WCR #3: Connelly Creek under Connelly Rd (BF 1348), LSD SW-03-008-02 W5M**

Preliminary engineering to replace or remediate the 3m x 49m L (5.6m cover) structural plate corrugated steel pipe (SPCSP) and remediate fish passage under the WCR Program. Structure is #8 on 10 year capital plan.

- Received funder guidance/approval to proceed with preliminary engineering under WCR program
- Council approval received Mar. 11th, 2025
- Preliminary engineering kicked off Apr. 3rd
- Survey complete April 25th

- **Pisomy Road over Cow Creek Tributary Culvert, LSD NE-01-009-03 W5M**

Non-bridge sized culvert failing on dead end road. 2024 funds to assess appropriate replacement sizing and design. Stream flows all year and culvert is likely undersized

- Preliminary engineering and basic aquatic assessment kicked off Jan. 31st, 2025 with Roseke. Reduced prelim. engine. scope compared to Bridge Files
- Survey complete, drafted. Prelim. eng. work underway
- Anticipated construction 2026

- **Bridge File 71542 – Waldron Flats over Indian Creek, SE-07-010-01 W5M**

2m x 2.2m x 32m L culvert with isolated perforations in the roof of 3 rings and 1 ring on the foot. Minor roof and sidewall deflection

- Preliminary engineering and aquatic assessment kicked off Jan. 31st, 2025 with Roseke to determine appropriate replacement design or maintenance (liner). Currently, it is anticipated replacement will be required
- Survey complete, drafted. Prelim. eng. underway
- Anticipate construction 2026

- **Bridge File 76203 – West End Maycroft over Ernst Creek, NW-26-010-03 W5M**

2.5m x 1.8m x 20m L culvert with 3 cracked rings in sidewall with 85mm remaining. Deflection and corrosion also present

- Preliminary engineering and aquatic assessment kicked off Jan. 31st, 2025 with Roseke to determine if maintenance of cracked seams is feasible via weld, shotcrete beam, etc. or if replacement has a better lifecycle value
- Anticipate construction 2026
- Survey complete, drafted. Prelim. eng. underway

Studies and Planning Work

Regional Drought Strategic Implementation Strategy & Raw Water Storage Project

- Grant application for a Drought Projects Assessment under DFPP
 - Approval received to cover up to 70% of costs
- Grant application for 3 month (25-year) forecasted volumes
 - Approval received for \$3.4M project, up to 75% of costs. Signed and sent to ATEC
 - ATEC has confirmed stacking of AMMWP Raw Water Storage grant funds acceptable for the Drought Projects Assessment (Phase 2)
- Awarded to MPE for an upset engineering fee of \$139,500 Mar. 27th
- In person meeting complete Apr. 23rd to discuss initial findings and plan for next steps
 - Working through forecasted demand discussions and actual usage data for projections vs. system capacities
 - Anticipate presenting forecasted demand and water requirement scenarios to Council June 10th prior to costing out solutions

Transportation Master Plan

\$200,000 grant received from ACP to complete a Transportation Master Plan, consisting of a paved, gravel road condition assessment, culvert (non Bridge File) condition assessment, gravel pit analysis, airport runway assessment

- Awarded August, 2024
- Gravel pit report complete
- Maycroft Road report underway
 - Cold mix areas and depth reviewed in detail internally to better inform prelim. assessment, sent to MPE along with cadastral/land acquisition details
- Gravel road assessment field work complete. Culvert assessment nearing completion, followed by paved road assessment. Anticipate draft reporting July 2025
- Airport load assessment work complete, data imports issue resolved. Draft report received and reviewed (May 7th), awaiting formal revision

Cridland Dam

Geotechnical work as recommended in 2021 Dam Safety Review due to observed seepage and unknown soil properties

- Site visit complete Apr. 1st, costed plan received Apr. 25th
- Additional historic data located including geotechnical work from 1995, details on dam closure in the 90s, and rehabilitation work
- Dam Safety Alberta emailed us Apr. 23rd, requesting an update on the status of our high/medium priority Dam Safety Review (DSR) findings
 - Some gaps were identified in what we have tackled to date, Dam Safety Alberta seemed accepting with our overall progress to date
 - The request to amend Cridland to “Low” consequence was accepted pending the 2031 DSR findings related to populations downstream
 - Upcoming provincial audit this year on Cridland Dam
- Geotechnical analysis and spillways survey work kicked off with MPE May 16th, 2025

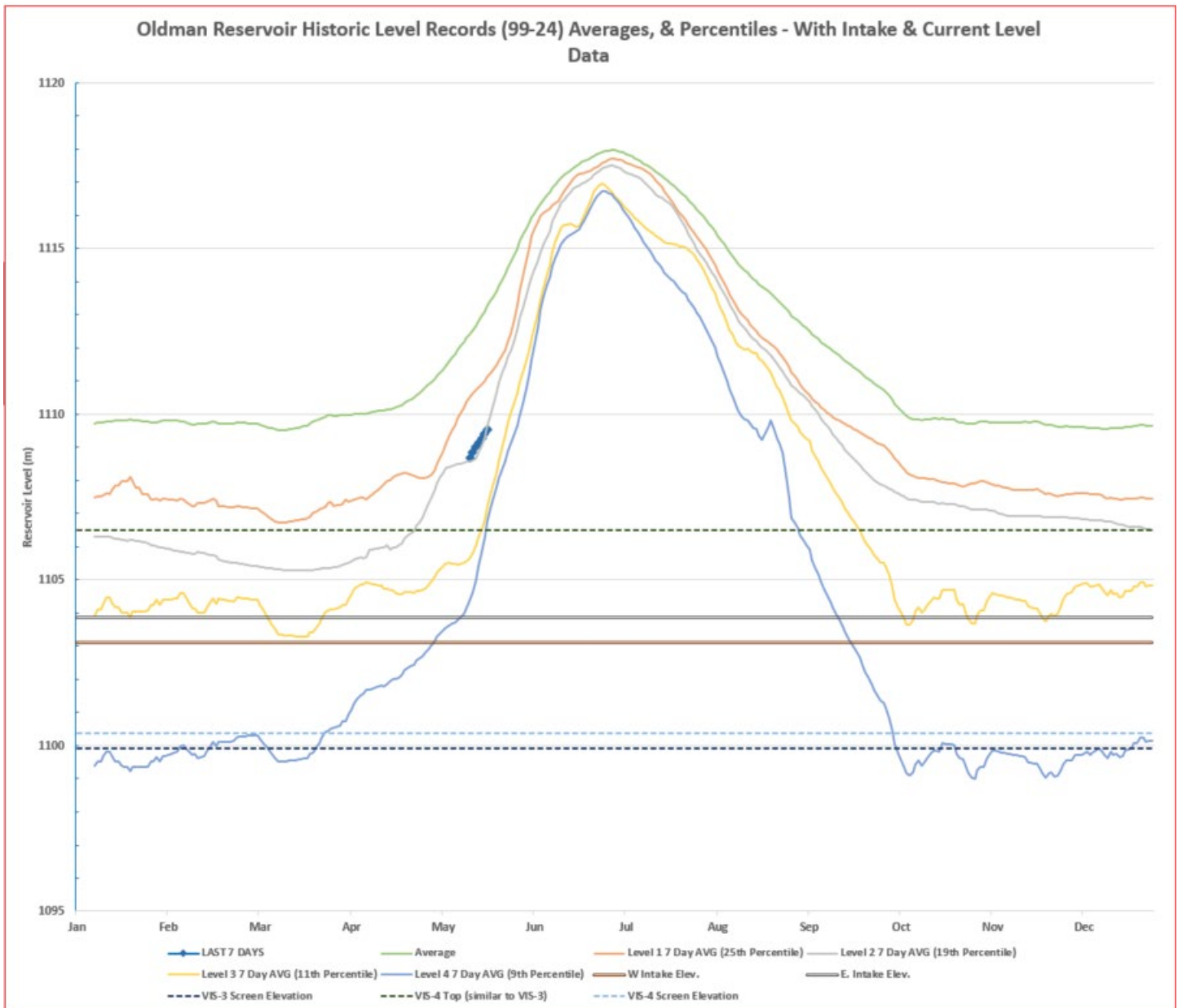
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- 10 yr. bridge study update kicked off Jan. 27th, 2025 with Roseke. Data entry complete

Operations Updates

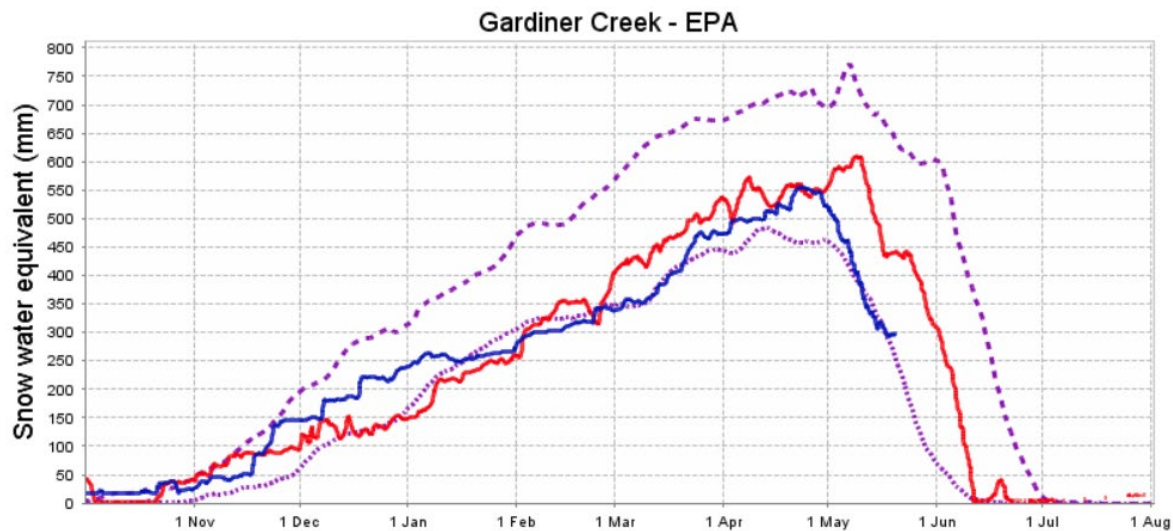
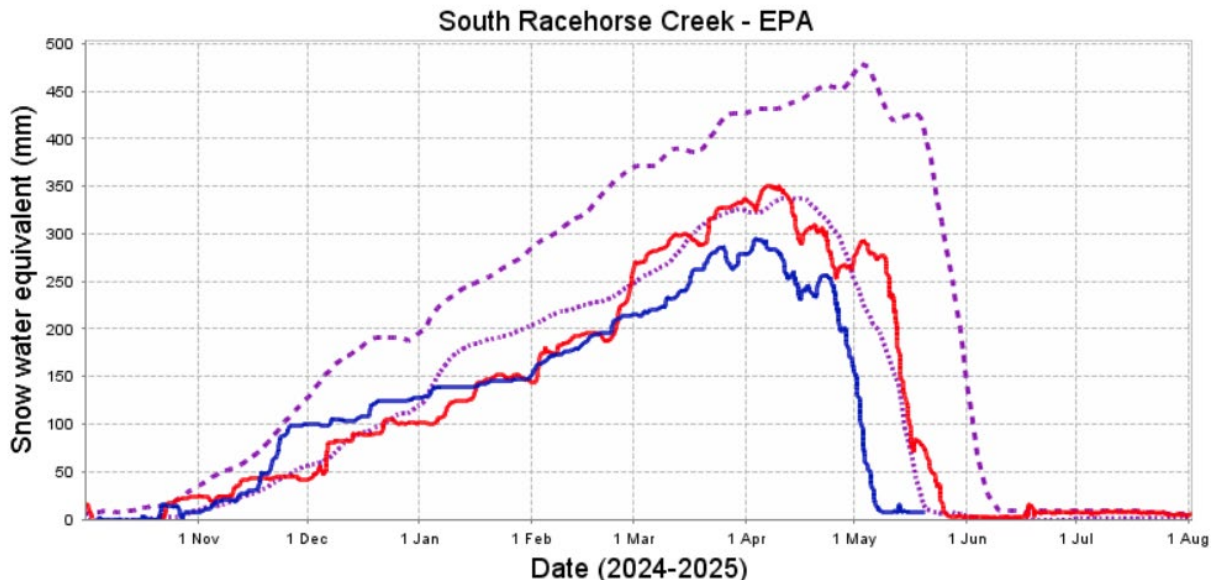
Reservoir & Snowpack Tracking

- Reservoir Volume May 20th: 63.8% May 5th: 58.1%



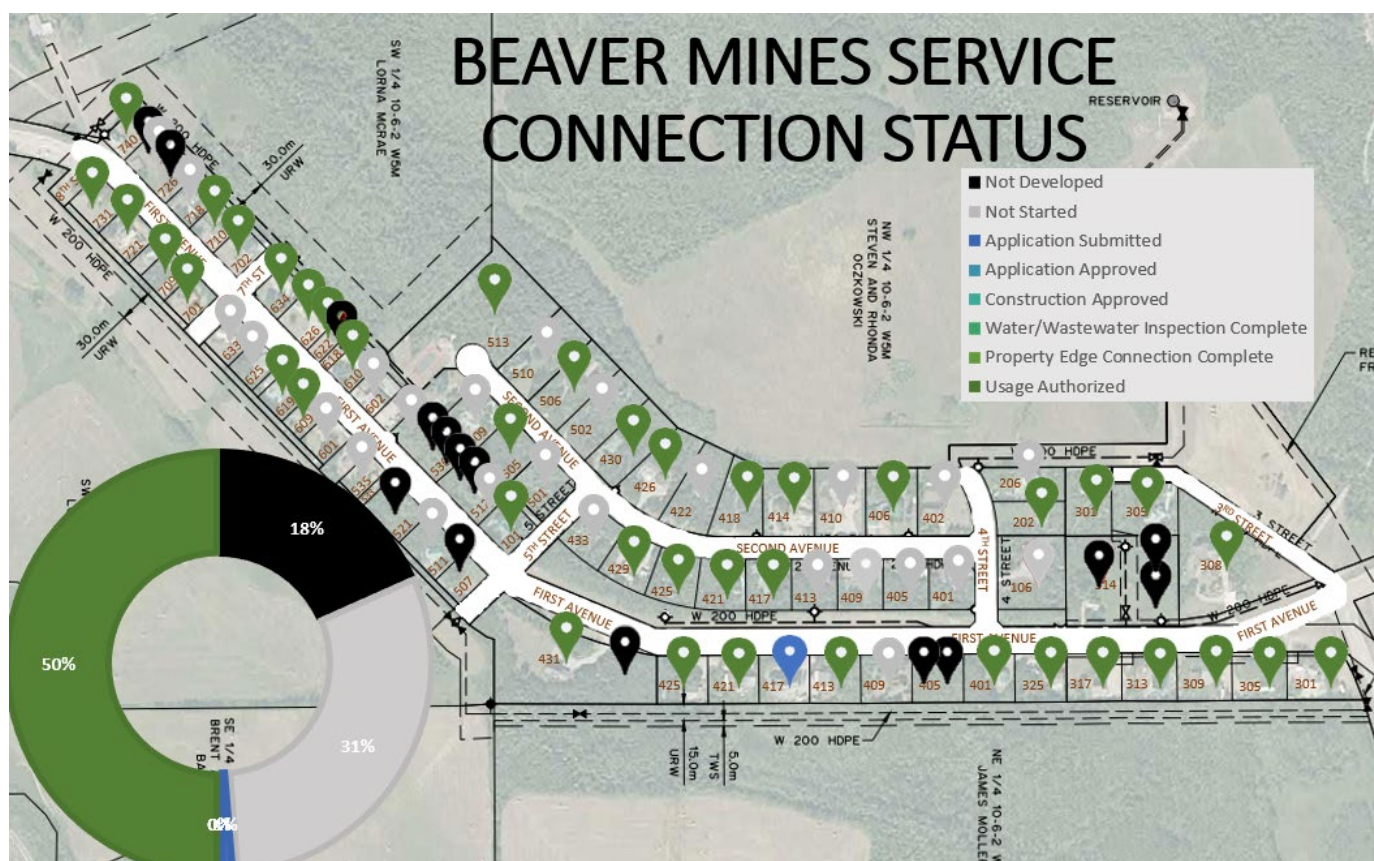
- AB Environment Water Supply (Snow Accumulation) May Update:
 - Runoff forecast: Much below average (between 9th and 14th of 99 yrs)
 - Snowpack: much below average
 - “Warmer temperatures along the eastern slopes is beginning to reduce the snowpack and increase runoff in mountain fed watercourses. This relatively early timing of melt is similar to conditions in 2023”

Snow water equivalent for the current year (blue),
the previous year (red), and the normal range (purple)
for station 05AA817



Beaver Mines Lot Servicing

- 42/67 developed applications received, 41 approved, 41 connected (61 %)
 - Fifteen (15) undeveloped fully serviced locations
- Hydrant flow testing in BM was completed by PCES and passed for fire flow. Fire Underwriters Survey requested more info Mar. 3rd, sent system details Mar. 12th
- Mandatory connection reminder sent with May utility bills



Standpipes

- Last known issue: Jan 10th, 2025 (global software cellular outage)

General Water Operations Updates May 21st, 2025:

- WWTP heat trace trip on one lateral failed. Issue resolved, caused corrosion in panel. Costing out fix
- Working on solution for new emergency ladder for Cowley reservoir. Old ladder removed due to high hazard
- Lundbreck Service Connection approved for new development on Patton Place
 - Construction underway, initial inspection complete Apr. 3rd
- Two (2) application packages in Lundbreck approved pending development permits
- Utility Services Guidelines Update for Lundbreck and Rural Users drafted, awaiting backdraft of typical drawings and review by MPE
- Lundbreck/Cowley reservoir inspections & cleaning complete
 - Reviewing videos for future year recommendations
- Letter sent to Cowley Mar 28th detailing various requests and proposed path forward for water assets, licenses, and amended operations contract
 - Cowley engaging with legal on proposed path
- Backflow preventer inspections awarded, completed May 14th. Work required on two backflow preventers
- Investigating source of meter read discrepancy between Beaver Mines and CMR
 - Appears to have been Castle Parks based on usage drop after closing curbstop
- Lundbreck Lagoon sludge survey complete. In depth report review complete Apr. 30th
 - Cells consist of 29%, 30%, and 8% sludge respectively
 - All samples pass Alberta Land Application Criteria for biosolids

- Reviewing history of dredging/surveys prior to providing long term recommendations
- Water crisis report + related overhaul of Water Shortage Response Plan (WSRP) drafted
 - Submitted to AEPA for review, received feedback. Working on cleaning up final draft for implementation
- Investigating cause of small amounts of CO in Lift Station generator room and dry well
- Remaining significant operations related work planned for 2025:
 - Plant health check for main treatment trains, sewer flushing in select BM areas
- Private water line inspection complete South of Lundbreck. Initiating transfer of ownership for UROWS to MD
 - Site review complete Apr. 7th. Engagement with other affected landowners underway

General Energy Related Updates May 21st, 2025:

- QUEST net zero accelerator
 - First consultation meeting with community partners completed on May 15th
 - Second consultation on implementation strategy planned for May 22nd
- Clean Energy Improvement Program
 - 24 pre-qualifications received (9 MD, 15 Town)
 - 11 cancelled
 - 2 projects completed for Town, 1 added to tax roll
 - 2 projects authorized for MD, 1 for Town
 - ABMunis transitioned to online approval system

Recommendation:

That the Utilities & Infrastructure report for May 8th – May 21st is received as information.

Prepared by: David Desabrais

Date: May 21st, 2025

Council Meeting

Date: May 27th, 2025



May 8th, 2025

Roland Milligan
CAO
Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9, AB

Dear CAO Milligan,

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Best regards,

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Crowsnest Pass Detachment











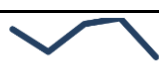




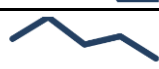








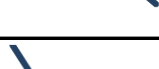



Crowsnest Pass Provincial Detachment

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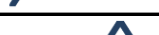



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April 3, 2025

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Offences Related to Death		2	0	0	0	0	-100%	N/A	-0.4
Robbery		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Sexual Assaults		2	1	3	1	1	-50%	0%	-0.2
Other Sexual Offences		0	1	0	2	0	N/A	-100%	0.1
Assault		24	10	29	16	22	-8%	38%	0.2
Kidnapping/Hostage/Abduction		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Extortion		0	0	0	0	1	N/A	N/A	0.2
Criminal Harassment		13	13	8	13	12	-8%	-8%	-0.2
Uttering Threats		8	4	9	10	3	-63%	-70%	-0.4
TOTAL PERSONS		49	29	49	42	39	-20%	-7%	-0.7
Break & Enter		3	8	7	10	1	-67%	-90%	-0.2
Theft of Motor Vehicle		4	4	0	3	6	50%	100%	0.3
Theft Over \$5,000		1	1	1	0	0	-100%	N/A	-0.3
Theft Under \$5,000		12	20	10	13	5	-58%	-62%	-2.1
Possn Stn Goods		5	0	1	2	1	-80%	-50%	-0.6
Fraud		13	8	8	10	8	-38%	-20%	-0.8
Arson		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Mischief - Damage To Property		13	15	9	12	11	-15%	-8%	-0.7
Mischief - Other		3	14	12	9	18	500%	100%	2.5
TOTAL PROPERTY		54	70	48	59	50	-7%	-15%	-1.9
Offensive Weapons		3	2	2	0	3	0%	N/A	-0.2
Disturbing the peace		7	8	8	11	5	-29%	-55%	-0.1
Fail to Comply & Breaches		13	0	4	6	5	-62%	-17%	-1.0
OTHER CRIMINAL CODE		10	2	3	4	10	0%	150%	0.2
TOTAL OTHER CRIMINAL CODE		33	12	17	21	23	-30%	10%	-1.1
TOTAL CRIMINAL CODE		136	111	114	122	112	-18%	-8%	-3.7

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Drug Enforcement - Trafficking		0	0	2	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Drug Enforcement - Other		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Total Drugs		4	1	3	1	2	-50%	100%	-0.4
Cannabis Enforcement		0	0	1	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Federal - General		3	0	0	1	2	-33%	100%	-0.1
TOTAL FEDERAL		7	1	4	2	4	-43%	100%	-0.5
Liquor Act		0	7	4	1	3	N/A	200%	0.0
Cannabis Act		0	1	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	-0.1
Mental Health Act		11	22	21	20	19	73%	-5%	1.4
Other Provincial Stats		26	15	16	13	17	-35%	31%	-2.0
Total Provincial Stats		37	45	41	34	39	5%	15%	-0.7
Municipal By-laws Traffic		1	1	0	0	0	-100%	N/A	-0.3
Municipal By-laws		8	6	2	2	11	38%	450%	0.2
Total Municipal		9	7	2	2	11	22%	450%	-0.1
Fatals		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Injury MVC		2	7	6	8	6	200%	-25%	0.9
Property Damage MVC (Reportable)		33	48	67	36	28	-15%	-22%	-2.2
Property Damage MVC (Non Reportable)		14	13	9	14	6	-57%	-57%	-1.5
TOTAL MVC		49	68	82	58	40	-18%	-31%	-2.8
Roadside Suspension - Alcohol (Prov)		0	1	1	1	1	N/A	0%	0.2
Roadside Suspension - Drugs (Prov)		0	0	0	1	0	N/A	-100%	0.1
Total Provincial Traffic		449	146	242	123	179	-60%	46%	-56.3
Other Traffic		0	3	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	-0.3
Criminal Code Traffic		3	6	6	5	5	67%	0%	0.3
Common Police Activities									
False Alarms		9	8	5	9	8	-11%	-11%	-0.1
False/Abandoned 911 Call and 911 Act		1	16	8	5	6	500%	20%	-0.1
Suspicious Person/Vehicle/Property		15	40	21	20	15	0%	-25%	-2.0
Persons Reported Missing		5	0	3	4	2	-60%	-50%	-0.2
Search Warrants		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Spousal Abuse - Survey Code (Reported)		28	27	27	19	41	46%	116%	1.8
Form 10 (MHA) (Reported)		3	0	4	0	1	-67%	N/A	-0.4



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Detachment Information

Detachment Name

Crowsnest Pass

Detachment Commander

Sgt Mark Amatto

Report Date

May 8, 2025

Fiscal Year

2024-25

Quarter

Q4 (January - March)

Community Priorities

Priority #1: Intelligence led policing - Prolific/Habitual offender management**Updates and Comments:**

Crowsnest Pass Detachment Members and the Integrated Offender Management Team have been successful in the implementation and follow through with the Integrated Offender Management Program. By maintaining a measured enforcement standard, repeat offenders who commit criminal activities in the Crowsnest Pass jurisdiction are routinely followed up with by police in regard to holding them accountable by enforcement means, as well as social work programs and supports to break the cycle of recidivism and ultimately provide opportunities for rehabilitation. This program remains in effect and offenders will be added or removed from the program, as new targets are selected. Regional meetings are held on a monthly basis with the RCMP and Provincial partners to review and consult on existing or new case loads.

Priority #2: Traffic Safety - Aggressive Driving**Updates and Comments:**

Crowsnest Pass Detachment Members ensured that aggressive driving was addressed by being visible during peak traffic, issuing written warnings as well as conducting enforcement by means of tickets. The Community Peace Officer program remains a valuable asset as an enforcement partner, contributing to cooperative traffic operations and bolstering safety on the highways. The presentation at the school was not able to take place in this reporting period due to prioritized criminal investigations, however proactive patrols of the High School and Members' openness and approachability have allowed for students and other users of the highway to ask questions, receive answers and otherwise raise awareness in regard to traffic safety.





Priority #3: Organized Crime - Drug Trafficking

Updates and Comments:

This reporting period saw Members patrolling the local bars as well as identified areas of concern. Members cultivated information regarding drug use and were able to refer appropriate individuals to applicable health care providers in regard to their respective addictions. This Quarter saw a partnered enforcement effort, with the assistance of ALERT, and an undercover operation that took place over the course of a month. While the operation was in effect, many rumours, beliefs and information were not corroborated. This, in addition to the continued efforts of the Crowsnest Pass Detachment, support the conclusion that, although drugs are present within the Crowsnest Pass, there is not a significant illicit drug problem. Successfully with the combined efforts it can be concluded that the Crowsnest Pass currently has a low volume of drug-dependent population and no significant amounts of drugs are being brought into the community.

Priority #4: Property - Theft from Auto

Updates and Comments:

Crowsnest Pass Members have been effective in reducing the thefts from motor vehicles this year. This is due to the combined efforts of the Detachment Members conducting enhanced patrols and community members being educated by police in regard to removing valuables from their vehicles, as well as locking and securing the vehicle itself. Efforts were completed to raise awareness of community members by the continued use of the Lock It or Lose It program, as well as the Operation Cold Start initiative. Targeted patrols were completed throughout the jurisdiction, with a concentrated effort being focused on residential and out-lying rural locations. Detachment Members ensured that fully marked police vehicles were utilized on those patrols, focusing on visibility, positive interactions with members of the public and crime deterrence / reduction.

Priority #5: Police / Community Relations - Police Visibility

Updates and Comments:

While this quarter saw a reduction in the volume of patrols completed in comparison to previous quarter, the quality of patrols was maintained. Members targeted high frequency areas as well as areas of higher population density. While patrols are maintained at an acceptable level this number does not account for driving to and from calls for service, or traffic enforcement in and along the roadways. These are targeted patrols of a particular areas of concern, allowing police to increase visibility and focusing on positive contact with members of the public.





Community Consultations

Consultation #1

Date	Meeting Type
January 22, 2025	Community Connection
Topics Discussed	
Information Sharing, Crime Reduction Initiatives, Education Session	
Notes/Comments:	
Citizens On Patrol and Bear Smart Integration meeting held at the Detachment. Crime Reduction Initiatives and formal operating procedures were discussed.	

Consultation #2

Date	Meeting Type
February 18, 2025	Meeting with Elected Officials
Topics Discussed	
Information Sharing, Education Session, Crime Reduction Initiatives	
Notes/Comments:	
Detachment met with the MD of Ranchland No. 66 Council at the Chambers to discuss Quarter 3 reporting.	



Provincial Service Composition

Staffing Category	Established Positions	Working	Soft Vacancies	Hard Vacancies
Regular Members	9	7	0	2
Detachment Support	3	4	0	0

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Comments:

Police Officers: Of the nine established positions, seven officers are currently working with none on special leave. There are two hard vacancies at this time.

Detachment Support: Of the three established positions, four resources are currently working with none on special leave. There is one resource that is Surplus to Establishment. There is no hard vacancy at this time.





2025-05-13

Reeve Rick Lemire
MD of Pincher Creek, AB

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Extortion		2	0	0	1	0	-100%	-100%	-0.3
Criminal Harassment		10	5	8	14	2	-80%	-86%	-0.7
Uttering Threats		9	3	4	6	3	-67%	-50%	-0.9
TOTAL PERSONS		40	35	36	33	17	-58%	-48%	-4.8
Break & Enter		3	11	7	4	3	0%	-25%	-0.7
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Possn Stn Goods		7	3	2	0	3	-57%	N/A	-1.1
Fraud		8	13	10	7	7	-13%	0%	-0.8
Arson		0	0	0	2	0	N/A	-100%	0.2
Mischief - Damage To Property		5	6	13	12	7	40%	-42%	1.0
Mischief - Other		12	13	13	0	5	-58%	N/A	-2.7
TOTAL PROPERTY		55	80	65	43	34	-38%	-21%	-7.9
Offensive Weapons		0	9	3	1	0	N/A	-100%	-0.8
Disturbing the peace		4	6	10	9	5	25%	-44%	0.5
Fail to Comply & Breaches		6	6	23	29	18	200%	-38%	4.7
OTHER CRIMINAL CODE		6	5	5	5	6	0%	20%	0.0
TOTAL OTHER CRIMINAL CODE		16	26	41	44	29	81%	-34%	4.4
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Total Drugs		4	4	0	1	3	-25%	200%	-0.5
Cannabis Enforcement		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Federal - General		0	0	2	2	4	N/A	100%	1.0
TOTAL FEDERAL		4	4	2	3	7	75%	133%	0.5
Liquor Act		6	3	8	4	8	33%	100%	0.5
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Municipal By-laws Traffic		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Municipal By-laws		2	1	4	3	2	0%	-33%	0.2
Total Municipal		2	1	4	3	2	0%	-33%	0.2
Fatals		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Injury MVC		2	1	5	5	3	50%	-40%	0.6
Property Damage MVC (Reportable)		48	55	70	46	32	-33%	-30%	-4.1
Property Damage MVC (Non Reportable)		5	6	4	7	8	60%	14%	0.7
TOTAL MVC		55	62	79	58	43	-22%	-26%	-2.8
Roadside Suspension - Alcohol (Prov)		3	1	5	5	1	-67%	-80%	0.0
Roadside Suspension - Drugs (Prov)		1	0	0	0	0	-100%	N/A	-0.2
Total Provincial Traffic		224	210	355	288	342	53%	19%	31.4
Other Traffic		0	1	2	1	0	N/A	-100%	0.0
Criminal Code Traffic		10	15	12	7	11	10%	57%	-0.6
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False Alarms		12	8	6	11	6	-50%	-45%	-0.9
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Suspicious Person/Vehicle/Property		21	16	16	18	23	10%	28%	0.6
Persons Reported Missing		2	5	4	1	2	0%	100%	-0.4
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Pincher Creek

Detachment Commander

Sgt Ryan Hodge

Report Date

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Community Priorities

Priority #1: Police / Community Relations - Police Visibility**Updates and Comments:**

Public interaction through the fourth quarter was largely focused on school visits and attending sporting events in the community. There were not many public events to attend but detachment members are still out in local shops and interacting with members of the community on a daily basis.

Priority #2: Traffic**Updates and Comments:**

Impaired driving numbers remain low but there was significant enforcement in relation to suspended drivers during this quarter. Enforcement initiatives and checkstops were limited largely by resourcing issues; however, the number of tickets issued throughout the quarter was impressive with officers focusing on individual approaches to traffic safety.

Priority #3: Crime Reduction**Updates and Comments:**

Property offences in the Pincher Creek area dropped during the fourth quarter and the clearance rate on the identified property crime types was at 48%. The successful reduction in property offences can be attributed to enforcement actions being intelligence-led focused on habitual offenders in the area.





Community Consultations

Consultation #1

Date	Meeting Type
January 14, 2025	Meeting with Elected Officials
Topics Discussed	
Information Sharing	
Notes/Comments:	
Pincher Creek RCMP met with elected officials to discuss regular reporting of statistics and overall policing in the Pincher Creek Detachment at the end of 2024. Discussion went over current trends, staffing levels moving forward, and rural property crime.	



Provincial Service Composition

Staffing Category	Established Positions	Working	Soft Vacancies	Hard Vacancies
Regular Members	11	8	2	1
Detachment Support	3	3	1	0

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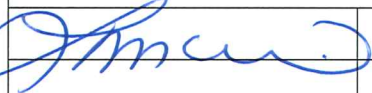

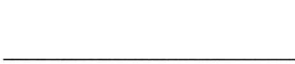


Police Officers: Of the 11 established positions, nine officers are currently working with none on special leave. There is one hard vacancy at this time. Two positions are restricted to administrative duties. This makes for 7 officers available to take calls for service throughout the community.

Detachment Support: Of the three established positions, three resources are currently working. There is one resource on Leave without Pay and the position has been backfilled to ensure coverage. There is no hard vacancy at this time.



Recommendation to Council

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TITLE: ROAD CLOSURE BYLAW 1362-25 (previously Bylaw 1333-22) Adjacent to SW 15-4-29 W4			
PREPARED BY: Laura McKinnon		DATE: May 22, 2025	
DEPARTMENT: Planning and Development			
 Department Supervisor	Date 	ATTACHMENTS: 1. Rejected Bylaw 1333-22 2. Alberta Transportation Amendment Guidelines 3. Amended Bylaw 1362-25	
APPROVALS:			
 Department Director		 CAO	 Date

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council give first reading to Road Closure Bylaw No. 1362-25, and further;

That Council give second, third and final reading to Road Closure Bylaw No. 1362-25.

BACKGROUND:

On January 25, 2022 Council gave first reading to Road Closure Bylaw 1333-22, and subsequently third and final reading on March 28, 2023. WSP Engineering was contracted in order to finalize and submit all required drawings to Land Titles for registration. In 2024, it was determined that Land Titles had rejected the submitted Bylaw 1333-22, required alterations to the Bylaw. Bylaw 1333-22 was amended by WSP, and re-submitted to Land Titles, and rejected once again for having red writing (*Attachment No. 1*).

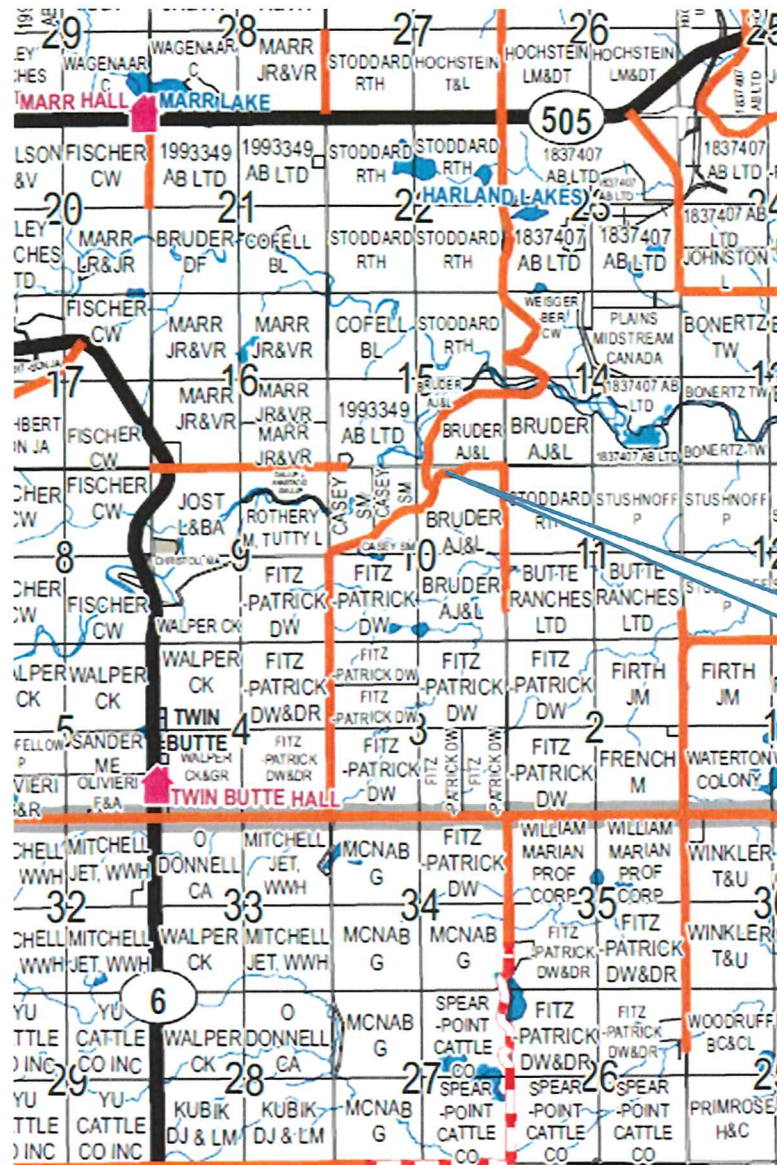
Administration discussed with WSP, and Administration contacted the Road Closure Coordinator for Alberta Transportation and Economic Corridors regarding the bylaw amendment. In order to not hold another public hearing and have re-signed by the Minister of Transportation and Economic Corridors, as specific process has to be followed (*Attachment No. 2*).

A new bylaw number has been assigned to the bylaw amendment (*Attachment No. 3*), as their has been no major changes to the bylaw, aside from “produced across government road allowance”, the Bylaw should now be processed by Land Titles.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

None.

Recommendation to Council



Location of Road Closure

**BYLAW NO. 1333-22
ROAD CLOSURE BYLAW
Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9, Alberta**

A Bylaw of the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 in the Province of Alberta for the purpose of closing public travel and creating title to portions of a public highway in accordance with Section 22 of the Municipal Government Act, Chapter M26.1, Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000, as amended.

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

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

WHEREAS the Council of the Municipal District 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 therefore disposing of same, and

WHEREAS notice of the 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 Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 in the Province of Alberta does hereby close to public travel for the purpose of creating title to, the following described highways, subject to rights of access granted by other legislation:

**THOSE PORTIONS OF GOVERNMENT ROAD ALLOWANCE SOUTH OF
S.E. 1/4 SEC. 15 TWP. 4 RGE. 29 W.4M.
BETWEEN THE WEST LIMIT OF ROAD PLAN 4852 HU PRODUCED NE
AND THE EAST LIMIT OF ROAD PLAN 221 _____ PRODUCED ACROSS GOVERNMENT ROAD ALLOWANCE
AND
BETWEEN THE WEST LIMIT OF ROAD PLAN 221 _____ PRODUCED ACROSS GOVERNMENT ROAD ALLOWANCE
AND THE EAST LIMIT OF ROAD PLAN 881 1275 PRODUCED ACROSS GOVERNMENT ROAD ALLOWANCE
CONTAINING 0.652 HECTARES (1.61 ACRES) MORE OR LESS.
EXCEPTING THEREOUT ALL MINES AND MINERALS.**

That this Bylaw shall come into force and take effect upon the date of third reading and signing in accordance with Section 213 of the *Municipal Government Act*, R.S.A. 2000 C.M-26, and amendments thereto.

Read a first time this 25 day of JANUARY 2022.

Chief Elected Official

Chief Administrative Official
APPROVED this 28 day of February 2023.

Minister of Transportation and Economic Corridors
Read a second time this 28 day of March 2023.
Read a third time this 28 day of March 2023.

Chief Elected Official

Chief Administrative Official



AMENDING A ROAD CLOSURE BYLAW

Why an Amended Bylaw is Required

Road closure bylaws may require an amendment after they have been endorsed by the Minister of Transportation and have received third and final reading by the county/ municipality/ town because the description, sketch or plan have been rejected by Land Titles.

Procedure

- 1) Prepare a new bylaw to amend the original closure bylaw using the format on the following page.
- 2) Submit an original copy of the amending bylaw to Land Titles with Form 31 (*Land Titles Act*) for registration.
- 3) Email a copy of the signed amended bylaw and registration number for the road closure to:
Trans.Edm-rdclosures@gov.ab.ca

SAMPLE of AMENDING BYLAW

[Municipality] of [Name and Number if applicable]
Bylaw [New Number]

A Bylaw to amend Bylaw {number of bylaw being amended} by {changing the legal description of the road closure/sketch/plan}

AND WHEREAS the *Municipal Government Act*, Chapter M26.1, Revised Statutes Of Alberta 2000, as amended and Section 63(2)(i) permits changes to the substance of the bylaw to bring out more clearly what is considered to be the meaning of Bylaw {number of bylaw being amended}

The legal description of Bylaw [number of bylaw being amended] is described as:

[Insert original description]

The legal description is amended in Bylaw {New Number} by changing the legal description and is described as:

[Insert new description]

EXCEPTING THEREOUT ALL MINES AND MINERALS

This Bylaw shall come into force and effect on the date of final passing.

Bylaw {number of bylaw being amended} is hereby amended.

Read a first time this ____ day of _____, 20____.

_____,
Chief Elected Official

_____,
Chief Administrative Official

Read a second time this ____ day of _____, 20____.

Read a third and final time this ____ day of _____, 20____.

_____,
Chief Elected Official
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_____,
Chief Administrative Official

Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9, Alberta
Bylaw 1362-25

A Bylaw to amend Bylaw 1333-22 by changing the legal description of the road closure/sketch/plan.

AND WHEREAS the *Municipal Government Act*, Chapter M26.1, Revised Statutes Of Alberta 2000, as amended and Section 63(2)(i) permits changes to the substance of the bylaw to bring out more clearly what is considered to be the meaning of Bylaw 1333-22.

The legal description of Bylaw 1333-22 is described as:

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EXCEPTING THEREOUT ALL MINES AND MINERALS

This Bylaw shall come into force and effect on the date of final passing. Bylaw 1333-22 is hereby amended.

Read a first time this ____day of _____, 20____.

_____,
Chief Elected
Official

_____,
Chief Administrative Official

Read a second time this ____ day of _____, 20____.

Read a third and final time this __day of _____, 20____.

_____,
Chief Elected
Official

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_____,
Chief Administrative Official

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

May 12, 2025, to May 23, 2025

Discussion:

May 13	Council Committee and Council Meeting
May 14	JHSC Meeting
May 18-24	Public Works Week
May 19	Senior Management Mtg.
May 20	IDP Meeting with Cardston County
May 20	Senior Management Team Mtg.
May 20	Utility Bylaw Public Mtg.
May 22	Mtg. with Fleet Lease provider

Upcoming

May 26	Municipal Election Update Mtg.
May 27	Council Committee and Council Meeting
May 28	ASB Mtg.
May 29	Monthly Admin Staff Mtg. and Safety Mtg.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council receive for information the Chief Administrative Officer's report for the period May 12, 2025, to May 23, 2025.

Prepared by: Roland Milligan, CAO

Date: May 22, 2025

Respectfully presented to: Council

Date: May 27, 2025

ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT ACTIVITY

May 9, 2025 to May 22, 2025

Correspondence from the Last Council:

- World Doctor Day Declaration
- Economic Development Week Declaration
- Westcastle Ski Club - letter of support
- Heritage Acres – donation

Advertising/Social:

- 2025 Gravel Program
- Waterton Biosphere Event – Field Days
- Auction Items from MD
- Hay Permits
- National Public Works Week
- Potential Canada Post Service Disruption
- Southern Alberta Grazing School for Women
- Spring Clean Up Reminder
- Utility Rate Open House
- Large Vehicle Petting Zoo
- Reuse & Recycle Fair
- Seniors Property Tax Deferral Program
- Community Volunteer Appreciation Survey
- Canoe Procurement Group of Canada
- Councillor McFarland's Passing
- Dust Control Program

Other Activities:

- Day at the Creek
- Utility Open House
- Home Town Award Meeting
- ReUse & Recycle Fair Planning Meeting

Invites to Council:

- Rural Crime Watch – Booking a Date to Attend Council

Upcoming Dates of Importance:

- Water Availability Webinar – May 26, 2025
- Regular Committee, Council – May 27, 2025
- ReUse Fair – June 7, 2025
- Regular Committee, Council – May 27, 2025
- Regular Committee, Council – June 10, 2025
- Coffee with Council – Beaver Mines – June 17, 2025



May 20, 2025

Community Engagement Session for Livingstone School Capital Project

Livingstone School in Lundbreck is the Board of Trustees' next priority capital project. On March 14, 2025 the Alberta Government approved Pre-Planning funding to support the early identification of future capital needs. This preparatory work includes community and stakeholder engagements to seek feedback that will support future planning and the determination of what options are available.

Parents, community members, and elected officials from Lundbreck, Cowley, the Livingstone School attendance boundary, and M.D. of Pincher Creek are invited to provide feedback about the future of Livingstone School. As part of the Pre-Planning Funding phase, Livingstone Range School Division seeks community perspectives and input about future programming, potential partnerships, and what alternatives may be available (ie. modernization/replacement school).

Tuesday, June 17, 2025

6:30-8:00pm

Livingstone School, 215 Robinson Ave, Lundbreck

Students will have an opportunity to share their ideas at school on June 17. Information gathered from the daytime student session and the evening community session will be used in a future value scoping of the Pre-Planning Funding phase.

For more information visit www.lrsd.ca/livingstone.

Every student, every day.



DECLARATION

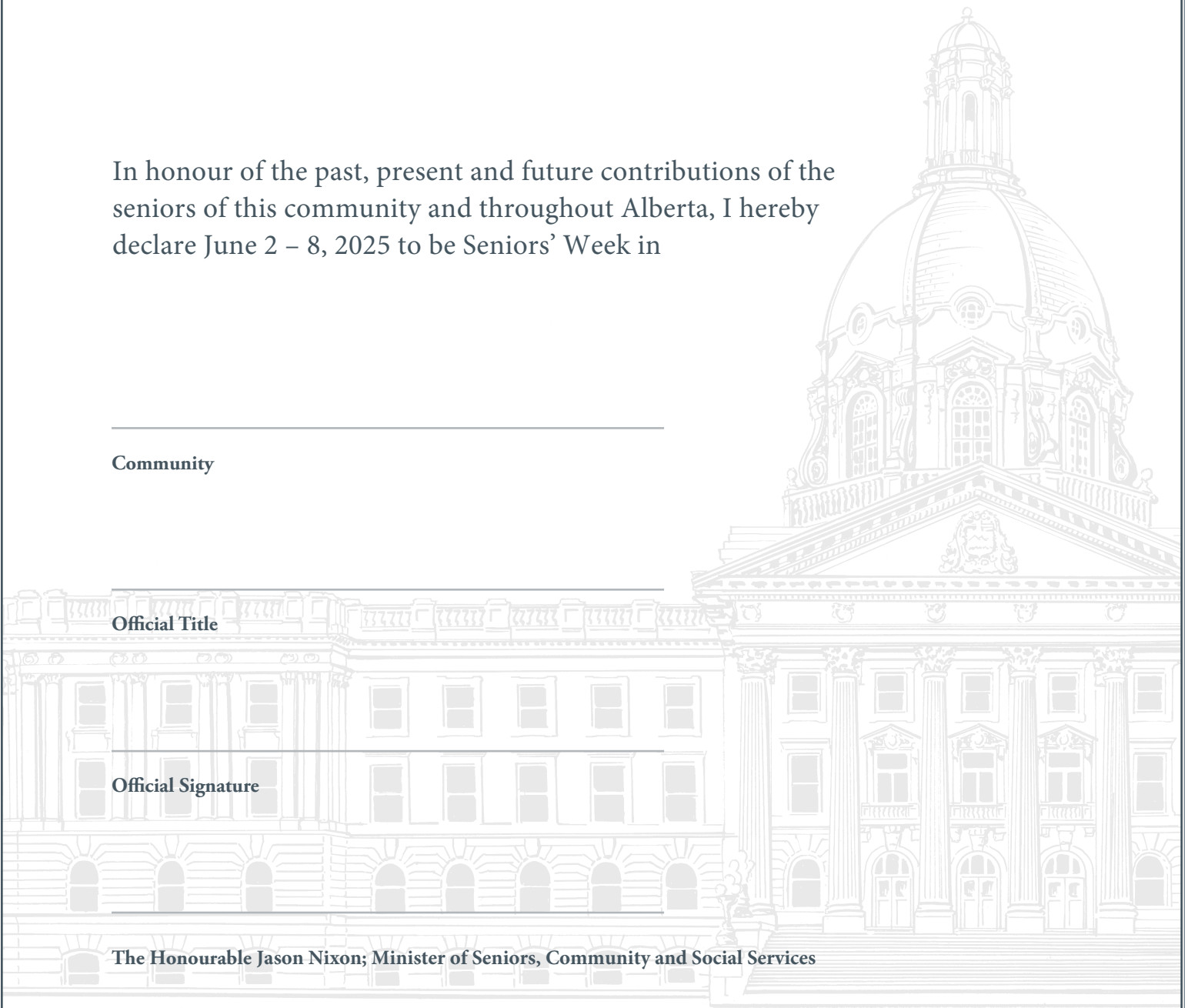
In honour of the past, present and future contributions of the seniors of this community and throughout Alberta, I hereby declare June 2 – 8, 2025 to be Seniors' Week in

Community

Official Title

Official Signature

The Honourable Jason Nixon; Minister of Seniors, Community and Social Services



Request for Donation in kind for Pincher Creek Ag Society

From Travis McRae <travismcrae@hotmail.com>

Date Tue 2025-05-20 2:44 PM

To MDInfo <MDInfo@mdpincercreek.ab.ca>

Hello,

I am writing to request a donation in kind for the Pincher Creek & District Ag Society for the hauling of 90 yards of sand from the Scotton Pit north of Cowley. The outdoor arena has not had make up sand added to the ground in over 6 years and with the increased usage of the facility over the past several years the existing ground needs sand added to keep the ground safe for the equine events that are hosted by the Ag Society throughout the summer. The Ag Society will purchase the 90 yards of sand and is looking for a donation in kind specifically to have the sand hauled from the Scotton Pit to the Ag grounds in Pincher Creek.

Please have this added to the next council meeting for discussion.

Regards,

Travis McRae
Pincher Creek & District Ag Society - President.
403-809-4594
travismcrae@hotmail.com



Alberta Electoral Boundaries Commission

Reeve Rick Lemire
Reeve
Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9
P.O. Box 297,
Pincher Creek, AB T0K 1W0

RECEIVED
MAY 21 2025
M.D of Pinch.

Dear Rick Lemire:

The Electoral Boundaries Commission was appointed on March 28, 2025, and is beginning its work. The next year will be spent reviewing the boundaries and names of 89 electoral divisions (2 more than the current composition of the Legislative Assembly) in the province, and proposing changes within the guidelines provided in the *Electoral Boundaries Commission Act*.

My colleagues in this task are Dr. Julian Martin from the Sherwood Park, Greg Clark of Calgary, John D. Evans, KC, of Lethbridge, and Susan Samson of Sylvan Lake, who have been appointed as the four members of the Commission.

One of the most important aspects of this review is hearing from interested Albertans who wish to help us shape the electoral map of the province. I am contacting you to encourage you to participate in this process of public consultation. You may participate by preparing a written submission or by making a presentation during one of the public hearings. The window for written submissions shall be from April 22, 2025, to 3:00 p.m. on May 23, 2025 (written submissions may be made public). Newspaper and social media advertisements will appear throughout the province providing information concerning the dates and locations for the first round of the public hearings beginning May 29, 2025.

Our interim report will be submitted to the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly prior to October 28, 2025, and our final report will be submitted by March 28, 2026. There will be an opportunity for public input again after the interim report is submitted to the Speaker.

On behalf of the Commission, I invite you to call the Commission office at 1-833-777-2125 or visit our website abebc.ca for more information.

Yours truly,

Hon. Dallas K. Miller
Chair





The Right Honourable Mark Carney, P.C., O.C., M.P.
Prime Minister of Canada
80 Wellington Street
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2

May 14, 2025

Dear Prime Minister Carney:

As you lead Canada into this next chapter, it is essential to recognize the critical role that Canada's tourism sector plays in shaping both our economy and our national identity. Tourism is a significant contributor to the economy, cultural exchange and international goodwill. Tourism is at the heart of political ridings from coast to coast to coast – from our bustling urban centres to our country's beautiful rural landscapes and seascapes.

Canada's travel and tourism sector represents over 243,000 businesses and over 2 million households who rely on tourism, conferences, events, and travel for their livelihoods. **This sector is crucial in every single electoral district in Canada. In 2024, tourism generated \$130 billion in economic activity.** With over \$32 billion of annual spending coming from international visitors, tourism is also our country's third largest export industry representing over 14 percent of Canada's total service export revenue.

Though the tourism sector demonstrated remarkable resilience after being the hardest hit during the global pandemic, it is now facing a real and similar crisis. More than ever, the sector requires the support of our government and political leaders.

While the on-going trade tensions between the United States and Canada threatens to increase business operating costs economy-wide, unlike many other sectors, the success of Canadian tourism is also deeply tied to the influx of travelers from the U.S. Whether they're visiting for family vacations, exploring our stunning national parks, discovering cultural and historical landmarks, embarking on whale-watching adventures, or attending international conferences and events, American visitors represent a crucial demographic for the industry. They represent the largest inbound market for many destinations, attractions, as well as transportation and accommodation businesses across the country.

Statistics Canada reports significant declines in cross-border visitors in February, March, and April 2025 when compared to the same month in previous years, underscoring the immediate impact of global trade uncertainty on Canada's tourism sector.¹ A recent poll conducted by TIAC finds that half (47%) of tourism businesses and organizations have supply chains that are reliant on products from the U.S. and 70% of tourism organizations rely heavily on U.S. travellers. The rapid drop in American visitors in a number of markets is already threatening the viability of operators across the country and putting at risk

¹ Statistics Canada. [Table: 24-10-0056-01](#). Leading indicator, International visitors entering or returning to Canada by air, by country of residence and traveller type. Release date: 2025-05-12

Statistics Canada. [Table: 24-10-0057-01](#). Leading indicator, International visitors entering or returning to Canada by land, by vehicle type, vehicle licence plate and traveller type. Release date: 2025-05-12



the livelihoods of the more than 2 million Canadians employed in the sector – a prolonged reduction of U.S. visitors could have detrimental effects.

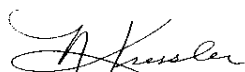
Understanding the crucial roles that travel and tourism play in shaping Canada’s economic future, we are calling on you to take immediate action in supporting policies and investments that will stabilize and fuel the growth of this essential sector.

- **Fortify Canada’s international marketing capacity** through meaningful investments in Destination Canada to attract more international visitors from other parts of the world;
- **Expedite visitor entry into Canada** by expanding programs like the Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA), reducing processing times for visitor visas, and digitizing screening and clearance procedures;
- **Strengthen the tourism workforce** by supporting the integration of underemployed Canadians—including youth, asylum seekers, newcomers, and underrepresented groups—into rewarding tourism careers;
- **Incentivize business investment** aimed at renewing our country’s tourism infrastructure and assets, and developing innovative tourism ventures across the country;
- **Develop a national, multi-modal transportation strategy** that expands connectivity, enhances rural/urban connections, and improves traveller access to and throughout Canada.
- **Invigorate Canada’s business events sector** through expanded support for the International Convention Attraction Fund (ICAF); and,
- **Support sustainability** for Canadian travel and transportation industries by investing in Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF) and alternative green power solutions.

These recommendations can help secure the future of tourism in Canada—fueling job creation, strengthening local economies, and making Canada a top destination worldwide.. **According to the BDC, a mere 10% increase in tourism spending could boost Canada’s GDP by a full 1%—a powerful return on investment that fortifies thousands of businesses and** creates sustainable employment for generations to come.

We hope you will take this opportunity to champion a sector that touches every corner of the country.

Sincerely,



Nina Kressler, Chair
Tourism Industry Association of Canada /
Association de l’industrie touristique du Canada



Walt Judas, President & CEO
Tourism Association of BC / Association touristique
de la Colombie-Britannique





John Gunter, Board Chair
Tourism Association of Manitoba /
Association touristique du Manitoba



Alex Stubbing, President & CEO
Travel Nunavut / Voyage au Nunavut



Andrew Siegwart, CEO & President
Tourism Industry Association of Ontario /
Association de l'industrie touristique de l'Ontario



Sebastien Benedict, Vice-President, Public Affairs
and Communications
Alliance de l'industrie touristique du Quebec



Dylan Soo, Executive Director
Tourism Industry Association of Yukon /
Association de l'industrie touristique du Yukon



Darren Reeder, President & CEO
Tourism Industry Association of Alberta /
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Northwest Territories Tourism /
Tourisme dans les Territoires du Nord-Ouest



Corryn Clemence, CEO
Tourism Industry Association of PEI /
Association de l'industrie touristique de l'Île-du-
Prince-Édouard



Jim Bence, President and CEO
Hospitality Saskatchewan /
Hospitalité Saskatchewan



Darlene Grant Fiander, President & Executive Director
Tourism Industry Association of Nova Scotia /
Association de l'industrie touristique de la Nouvelle-
Écosse



Craig Foley, CEO
Hospitality Newfoundland & Labrador /
Hospitalité à Terre-Neuve-et-Labrador





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MLA, Calgary-Hays*

AR118837

May 12, 2025

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

Dear Reeve Lemire:

I am pleased to provide correspondence for your record confirming the 2025 Local Government Fiscal Framework (LGFF) allocations for your community.

For the Municipal District of Pincher Creek:

- The 2025 LGFF Capital allocation is \$1,154,810.
- The 2025 LGFF Operating allocation is \$107,056.

LGFF Capital is a legislated program aimed at providing local governments with substantial notice of their future infrastructure funding. As indicated on the program website, in 2026, your community will be eligible for \$1,146,862. Information on 2027 LGFF Capital allocations will be shared with local governments this fall, after growth in provincial revenues between 2023/24 and 2024/25 has been confirmed and used to calculate 2027 program funding.

Information on LGFF funding for all local governments is available on the LGFF website at www.alberta.ca/LGFF.

We look forward to our continued partnership through the LGFF program to build strong and prosperous communities across our province.

Sincerely,

Ric McIver
Minister

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



District of Elkford
744 Fording Drive PO Box 340 Elkford, B.C. V0B 1H0
P. 250.865.4000 · F. 250.865.4001 · info@elkford.ca · www.elkford.ca

May 9, 2025

Dear Sir/Madame:

Re: 2025 Elkford Wildcat Days Parade

The District of Elkford invites you to join us for Elkford's annual Wildcat Days Parade on Saturday, June 28, 2025. The parade is one of the most popular events during Wildcat Days and each year, we strive to make the parade bigger and better. Your participation will help us achieve this goal.

The parade marshalling area will be at the Elkford Community Conference Centre. Marshalling will begin at 9:30 a.m. with judging to take place at 10:15 a.m. The parade will commence at 11 a.m. The parade route is attached for your information.

To register, please complete the enclosed parade entry form and return it to me by mail, fax or email no later than Tuesday, June 17, 2025. If you require any further information or have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

You are also invited to join Mayor Fairbairn and Councillors for a luncheon following the parade. The luncheon will take place in the Council Chambers in the Municipal Office at 744 Fording Drive. Like many of the weekend's activities, the parade is much anticipated by our community. We hope you will join us!

Sincerely,

Paula Nyuli
Community & Facilities Services Clerk II
Phone: 250.865.4010
Fax: 250.865.4011
Email: events@elkford.ca



REMINDER - FOR COMMENT: Proposed SARA Amendments: Long-billed Curlew & Mudpuppy (due July 7th) & Horned Grebe (due Oct 19th)

From SARA [PNR] <SARA.PNR@EC.gc.ca>

Date Wed 2025-05-21 11:27 AM

To SARA [PNR] <SARA.PNR@EC.gc.ca>

 6 attachments (1 MB)

Consultation on Amending List of SAR under SARA.pdf; Horned Grebe.pdf; List of Eligible Species.pdf; Long-billed Curlew.pdf; Mudpuppy (Manitoba pop).pdf; Questions to Guide Your Comments.pdf;

Good morning,

REMINDER - Review and provide comments, if desired, on the proposed Amendments to Schedule 1 of the Species at Risk Act by the **extended deadline of July 7th, 2025** (for Long-billed Curlew and Mudpuppy), or **October 19th, 2025** (for Horned Grebe) to **SARAreistry@ec.gc.ca**.

Thank you for your interest in species at risk!

If you have any questions, please contact us.

Sincerely,

Kaytlyn Burrows and Paulson Des Brisay

Species at Risk Consultation and Engagement Team

Canadian Wildlife Service, Prairie Region / Environment and Climate Change Canada

Email: SARA.PNR@EC.gc.ca

Office: 1-855-245-0331 / Teams: 639-638-4535 / Cell: 431-335-7598

From: SARA [PNR] <SARA.PNR@EC.gc.ca>

Sent: February 6, 2025 10:36 AM

To: SARA [PNR] <SARA.PNR@EC.gc.ca>

Subject: FOR COMMENT: Proposed SARA Amendments: Long-billed Curlew & Mudpuppy (due May 19th) & Horned Grebe (due Oct 19th)

Good morning,



We invite you to:

- Review the proposed Amendments to Schedule 1 of the *Species at Risk Act* (SARA) to add Mudpuppy as Threatened, uplist Long-billed Curlew from Special Concern to Threatened, and change the Designable Units of Horned Grebe.
- **Provide comments, if desired**, on the possible impacts of these changes to your unique rights, interests, and circumstances **by May 19th, 2025** (for Mudpuppy and Long-billed Curlew), or **October 19th, 2025** (for Horned Grebe) to SARAreistry@ec.gc.ca

Full Details

Environment and Climate Change Canada has launched the consultations on the proposed amendments to Schedule 1 of the SARA for the Long-billed Curlew, Mudpuppy, and Horned Grebe (Table 1.) The complete set of statements and the consultation path for each species are available [here](#).

Table 1. Prairie species assessed by COSEWIC and eligible for addition to, or reclassification in Schedule 1.

Taxon	COSEWIC Status	Species	Range	Consultation Path
Addition to Schedule 1				
Amphibians	Threatened	Mudpuppy (Manitoba Population)	MB	Normal = comments due May 16th, 2025
Reclassification: Uplist				
Birds	From Special Concern to Threatened	Long-billed Curlew	BC, AB, SK	Normal = comments due May 16th, 2025
Reclassification: Population Merge				
Birds	Previously known as Horned Grebe, Western population listed on Schedule 1 as Special Concern and the Horned Grebe, Magdalen Islands population listed on Schedule 1 as Endangered. The Horned Grebe is now assessed as one population because the lack of evidence for unique adaptations no longer justifies separate assessment.	Horned Grebe	AB, ATLO, BC, MB, NB, NT, NS, NU, ON, PACO, QC, SK, YT	Extended = comments due October 19th, 2025

We are interested in your comments on the possible impacts of these potential listings and/or reclassifications on your unique rights, interests, and circumstances. Your comments will help us

gain a better understanding of the benefits and costs, and will inform the Minister's recommendation on where to:

- List or reclassify the species under the SARA
- Not list or not reclassify the species under the SARA or
- Refer the species back to COSEWIC for further consideration

More information on the species, listing, and consultation processes are available on the SARA Public Registry [here](#) and in the attached documents.

Please submit comments to the SARA Registry here: SARAreistry@ec.gc.ca or by mail to:

Species at Risk Public Registry Office
Environment and Climate Change Canada
351 St. Joseph Boulevard – 21st Floor
Gatineau, QC K1A 0H3

Thank you for your interest in species at risk! If you have any questions, please contact us.

Sincerely,

Kaytlyn Burrows and Paulson Des Brisay

Species at Risk Consultation and Engagement Team
Canadian Wildlife Service, Prairie Region / Environment and Climate Change Canada
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On behalf of

Janet Scott

Head, Species at Risk Recovery Unit
Canadian Wildlife Service, Prairie Region / Environment and Climate Change Canada



Long-billed Curlew



Photo: © Chuck Gordon @ Environment and Climate Change Canada

Scientific Name

Numenius americanus

Taxon

Birds

COSEWIC status

Threatened

Canadian Range

AB, BC, SK

Reason for designation

This large, long-billed shorebird breeds in the grasslands and prairies of western Canada from central British Columbia to Saskatchewan, and winters in the southern US and Mexico. It formerly bred in Manitoba, but breeding has not been observed there since the mid-1980s. Although declines have been documented in Canada since the 1970s, trends have recently become more negative, with a decline of approximately 50% over the last 20 years (3 generations), a likely decrease in the area occupied by breeding birds since the last status report in 2011, and declining quality of habitat.

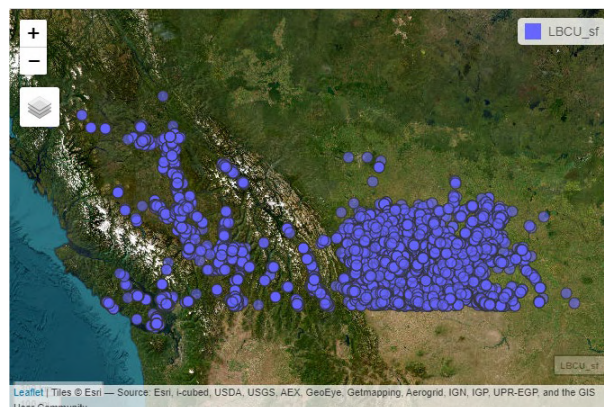
Key threats include droughts and extreme events induced by climate change; related changes to water management on the wintering grounds; impacts of pesticides on insect prey; and conversion and fragmentation of grasslands and suitable agricultural habitat by energy development, urban sprawl, and rural development on breeding and wintering grounds. As a relatively long-lived species with low reproductive output, its population is limited to slow growth even under favourable conditions.

Wildlife Species Description and Significance

Long-billed Curlew (*Numenius americanus*) is a very large, mottled-brown sandpiper with an extremely long, decurved bill and cinnamon underwing. Canadian birds are of the subspecies *N. a. parvus*.

Distribution

Long-billed Curlew breeds in the grassland regions of North America from southern Canada to northern Texas, wintering from central California to southern Florida and Mexico, and irregularly into Central America. In Canada, Long-billed Curlew breeds in British Columbia, Alberta, and Saskatchewan, and bred in Manitoba until the mid-1980s. BC and the Prairies are recognized by some as having distinct subpopulations but there is no evidence to suggest the presence of more than one designatable unit in Canada.



Element Occurrences of Long-billed Curlew in Canada based on records entered into



NatureCounts (2024) from 1 April to 31 July, 2000-2023.

Source: COSEWIC. 2024. IN PRESS. COSEWIC assessment and status report on the Long-billed Curlew *Numenius americanus* in Canada. Committee on the Status of Endangered Wildlife in Canada. Ottawa. xiv + 55 pp.

Habitat

Long-billed Curlew prefers extensive, flat areas of short native grassland for breeding, but also uses some agricultural areas for feeding, nesting and rearing young. During migration and in winter, the species frequents various shoreline and wetland habitat types.

Biology

Long-billed Curlew is migratory and generally arrives in Canada in March (British Columbia) or April (Alberta and Saskatchewan). Clutch size is usually four eggs. Incubation length is 27-30 days, with incubation shared by both sexes. Generation length is estimated to be 6.7 years. Eggs are vulnerable to predation by mammals and birds, as well as trampling by livestock. After chicks have hatched, adults disperse from the breeding territory. Females depart before males, followed by immature birds. Chicks have a high mortality rate, succumbing to heat stress, starvation and predation by hawks, corvids, and weasels. Curlews feed primarily on grasshoppers and beetles on the breeding grounds. Failed breeders may leave Canada by late June, with most others departing by the end of August.

Population Sizes and Trends

The most recent population estimate for Canada in 2023 is derived from modelling of remotely-sensed data and suggested a range of 139,795 to 147,783 mature individuals. Although the latter estimate is much higher than previous estimates for Canada, this reflects a change in methods rather than a population increase. The Breeding Bird Survey (BBS) indicates a substantial steady decrease in the size of the Canadian population beginning around 2004, amounting to a cumulative loss of about 51% over the past three generations (20 years). The decline has been greatest in Alberta, which supports the largest portion of the Canadian population. A targeted survey of the much smaller British Columbia population in 2022 did

not show an appreciable population change compared to a survey conducted in 2005.

Trends in U.S. states near to the Canadian population range from decreasing to strongly increasing; however, rescue from the U.S. is thought to be unlikely as immigrants to Canada would face suboptimal conditions in areas where their habitat has been lost or degraded.

Threats and Limiting Factors

Current and anticipated threats to Long-billed Curlew include: energy development; droughts and extreme events induced by climate change, including related changes to water management; conversion of grasslands to annual and perennial crops, sometimes associated with unsustainable and more intensive agricultural practices reducing habitat quality; fire suppression resulting in forest/shrubland encroachment; urban sprawl and rural development on both breeding and wintering habitat; impacts of pesticides resulting in declines in insect prey; habitat fragmentation that facilitates increased predation, and proliferation of non-native, invasive plant species – especially Leafy Spurge and knapweeds.

Additional threats to the species include inappropriate grazing management (i.e., absence of grazing, or high-intensity, frequent, or prolonged cattle grazing that reduce habitat quality); direct mortality through use of agricultural pesticides; hunting and poaching on wintering grounds and during migration; disturbance or harm caused by industrial activities; and accidental mortality caused by collisions with wind towers or vehicles. Given the recent and steepening population decline of the species, the impacts of threats may be increasing. Overall threat impact is assessed as Medium-High.

Protection, Status, and Ranks

Long-billed Curlew was added to Schedule 1 of the Canadian *Species at Risk Act* as Special Concern in 2005. COSEWIC confirmed this status in May 2011. Most recently, COSEWIC reassessed this species as Threatened in May 2024. The species and its nests are protected under the *Migratory Birds Convention Act* (1994)



in Canada and equivalent legislation in the U.S. Long-billed Curlew is Yellow-listed in British Columbia (since 2022), and it is considered a species of Special Concern in Alberta. Less than 1% of Long-billed Curlew breeding habitat in Canada is formally protected.

In the U.S., Long-billed Curlew has no status under the *Endangered Species Act*, but is listed as a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Bird of Conservation Concern nationally, in five U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service regions, and in several Bird Conservation Regions. Long-billed Curlew is also listed as a species of concern in several U.S. states.

NatureServe considers the species Apparently Secure globally and in the U.S, and Vulnerable in Canada. NatureServe ranks for Alberta and Saskatchewan are Vulnerable; ranks are Apparently Secure for British Columbia, and Presumed Extirpated for Manitoba.

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Mudpuppy (Manitoba population)



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Scientific Name

Necturus maculosus

Taxon

Amphibians

COSEWIC status

Threatened

Canadian Range

MB

Reason for designation

The range of the central Canadian population of this large, long-lived salamander is restricted to southeastern Lake Winnipeg and its tributaries in southern Manitoba. It is uncommon and has not been observed recently within much of its historical Canadian range. This population has a limited and declining distribution, with observed or inferred declines in its occupied area, number of locations, and quality of habitat. Its fully aquatic lifestyle, sedentary nature, and low reproductive potential make it vulnerable to a range of threats across all watersheds. This salamander is particularly vulnerable to sedimentation and pollutants from agriculture and forestry, flood control and river channelization activities, and impacts of invasive species, including Zebra Mussel and the recently arrived Rusty Crayfish.

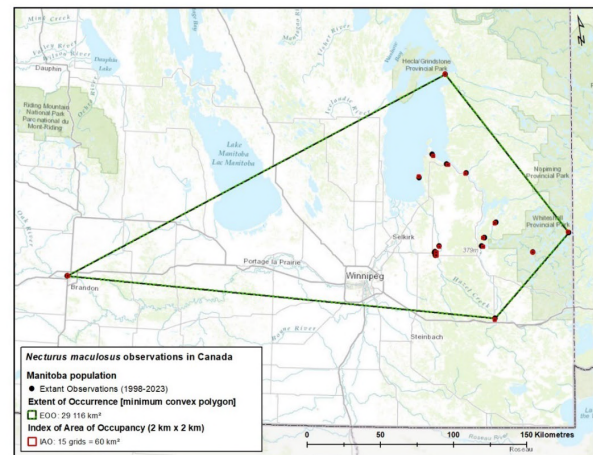
Wildlife Species Description and Significance

Mudpuppy (*Necturus maculosus*) is a large aquatic salamander that ranges up to 49 cm in length. Its most obvious feature is prominent, red, ear-like external gills, which are retained throughout adulthood. It is the sole

representative of the family Proteidae in Canada and plays a vital ecological role as the only known host of the Endangered Salamander Mussel (*Simpsonaias ambigua*).

Distribution

Mudpuppy is distributed across most of the east-central United States, from the Appalachian Mountains west to the Great Plains, south to Louisiana, and north into the southernmost parts of Manitoba, Ontario, and Québec. In Canada it occurs in two discrete populations, which are considered here as separate Designatable Units (DUs): 1) "Manitoba", which is restricted to the southeastern part of Lake Winnipeg and its tributaries in Manitoba; and 2) "Great Lakes-St. Lawrence", which is widely distributed in southern Ontario and Québec along the edge of the Great Lakes and adjacent water bodies, and in the Sydenham River, the Ottawa River basin, the St. Lawrence Lowlands along the Ottawa River, and in the St. Lawrence River and some of its tributaries.



Canadian range of Mudpuppy. EOO and IAO calculations for Manitoba population

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Habitat

Mudpuppy occupies permanent aquatic habitats, including both clear and turbid water in lakes, reservoirs, canals, ditches, and streams. It is absent from ephemeral water bodies and from small ponds that may freeze in the winter. Adults seek out deep, cold water during summer and



move toward areas where the water is cooler and better oxygenated. The species uses a variety of substrates (including rock, gravel, sand, and mud) but appears to be intolerant of heavy siltation. Mudpuppy prefers areas with an abundance of refuges and retreats. Adults prefer well-aerated waters but avoid high flows, and have been captured at depths as great as 32 m.

Biology

Mudpuppy is a generalist and opportunistic predator that feeds on a variety of benthic organisms. It is mainly nocturnal and tends to avoid exposure to sunlight. Mudpuppy is long-lived (>30 years), and, in Canada, females first reproduce between ages 7 and 10. Generation time is conservatively estimated at 15 years. Breeding occurs in shallow water in late September and October. Eggs are deposited on the roof of a small cavity dug under rocks, tree trunks, planks, and other debris, usually near riffles. Although generally sedentary, Mudpuppy remains active throughout winter, with an increase in activity during the coldest months. Dispersal appears to be limited, resulting in considerable population structuring both within and between watersheds.

Population Sizes and Trends

There are few quantitative data on population size or trends in either Canadian population. Mudpuppy appears to reach high local densities, particularly in the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence population, although there is evidence of decline from historical levels on the Canadian side of the Great Lakes and in the Manitoba population. Both EOO and IAO in the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence population have apparently declined from historical (pre-1997) levels by 7% and 14%, respectively, although it is unclear how much of the decline is due to sampling effort versus population loss. In the Manitoba population, EOO and IAO have apparently declined by up to 68% and 35%, respectively. While sampling effort is also a confounding factor in this DU, it is unlikely to have as significant an impact on observations of Mudpuppy, because search effort has consistently been low in Manitoba and is largely a function of ice fishing bycatch, which

is likely to be at least as great or greater than it was pre-1997.



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Threats and Limiting Factors

Mudpuppy faces significant threats from 1) agricultural, forestry, industrial, and domestic pollutants including lampricides; 2) dams and water management resulting in rapid changes in water levels; 3) erosion, siltation, and habitat modification by recent invasive species. Additional threats include shoreline alteration from residential development and mortality from fishing bycatch. Botulism, extreme weather events, and lampricides have all been implicated in mass mortality events in the Great Lakes region over the past 20 years, resulting in estimated mortality of ~13,000 to ~33,000 individuals.

Mudpuppy's sedentary and obligately aquatic nature, extended longevity, and late maturation increase its susceptibility to habitat degradation and long-term accumulation of lipophilic toxins and reduce its resilience to catastrophic mortality events.

Protection, Status, and Ranks

Because Mudpuppy is designated "Not at Risk" in Canada, it does not benefit from any legal protection under the Species at Risk Act (SARA). However, as the obligate host of Salamander Mussel (which is federally listed as Endangered), threats to Mudpuppy within the range of Salamander Mussel are also considered as threats to the mussel. Such protections are therefore limited to one locality



on the Sydenham River. No provincial legislation directly protects Mudpuppy in Canada; the species is considered “Not at Risk” in Manitoba, Ontario, and Québec.

NatureServe ranks Mudpuppy as globally secure (rank G5 and rank G5T5 for the subspecies *N. m. maculosus*), owing to its extensive distribution in North America and its abundance in several regions. In Manitoba, the status of the species is vulnerable (S3), while it is apparently secure in Québec and Ontario (S4). The species is considered “Least Concern” according to the IUCN Red List.

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