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Hello All,

Apologizes for the delay to this document – please see the attached with the latest information. We appreciate the continued support and questions.

Kind Regards

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COVID-19 Municipality Update

April 21, 28 and May 5 2021

CMOH Order 20-2021

Starting May 5, additional restrictions come into effect for regions with at least 50 cases per 100,000 people, and at least 30 active cases.

These restrictions will be in place for at least 3 weeks and will be extended if necessary. Provincewide restrictions remain in effect for all other communities.

HIGHLIGHT OF CHANGES AFFECTING MUNICIPALITIES RECREATION FACILITIES

HIGH CASE REGION	LOW CASE REGION
<p>Indoor recreation is prohibited – single households exclusive rentals cannot occur.</p> <p>Following facilities must remain closed:</p> <p>Indoor gyms;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fitness centres; • Recreation centres; • Indoor arenas; • Curling rinks; • Studios (e.g. dance, yoga, Pilates, cycling, rowing); • Indoor pools. <p><u>Outdoor Recreation Activities:</u></p> <p>Can occur with members of your household, and single person with 2 close contacts.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All outdoor fitness, recreation and performance activities are prohibited, except with members of your own household or your 2 close contacts if you live alone. • group physical activities - fitness classes, training sessions and team sports • group performance activities (singing, dancing, acting, playing musical instruments) • group practices and games • one-on-one training sessions • Outdoor recreation facilities can remain open unless specifically closed by public health order. 	<p>Indoor recreation is prohibited – single households exclusive rentals cannot occur.</p> <p><u>Outdoor Recreation Activities</u></p> <p>Prohibited outdoor activities: all team sport games and competitions where 2-metre distancing cannot be maintained at all times (basketball, soccer, football, slo-pitch, etc.)</p> <p>Permitted outdoor activities, with participant limits and mandatory 2 metre distancing at all times: individual fitness, recreation and performance activities (running, cycling, dirt biking, golfing, etc.) group activities for 10 or fewer people:</p> <p>group activities for 10 or fewer people:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Team sport training • physical activities (walking, running, etc.) • fitness training and outdoor classes • one-on-one fitness training with a trainer or coach • performance activities (singing, dancing, acting or playing musical instruments) • youth skill development activities (Scouts, Girl Guides, 4H, etc)

Municipality Question	Response
<p>Path Forward</p>	
<p>Can you please differentiate between the Path Forward and Path to Recovery?</p>	<p>The Path Forward is a framework for public health measures that are based on leading and lagging indicators. The Path to Recovery is a framework that is used to indicate levels of immunization in the general population.</p>
<p>Will there still be a three-week waiting period between steps?</p>	<p>The Government is currently assessing The Path Forward. As soon as a decision is made, it will be publicly. As cases continue to rise there may potentially be a re-examining of restrictions.</p>
<p>Can a general update be given on the Path Forward (leading indicators, and projections)?</p>	<p>Cases have steadily increased over the past 8 weeks – we have also seen an increase in hospitalization.</p>
<p>Garage Sales - Will AHS implement restrictions or guidelines for garage sales?</p>	<p>No specific guidelines are being prepared for garage sales. Please follow retail guidance on https://www.alberta.ca/enhanced-public-health-measures.aspx. Garage sales are permitted as long as they follow the public health guidance listed below: Garage sales would be permitted outdoors.</p>
<p>Can firefighters perform practical skills training outdoors, in groups no greater than 10, following physical distancing, PPE and hygiene procedures?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can firefighters complete in person standard First Aid/ CPR training in groups no greater than 10, with no use of shared equipment, following physical distancing, PPE and hygiene procedures? 	<p>The operator must ensure that 2 metre distancing is maintained between customers and no one enters the owner's home.</p> <p>Order CMOH 19, 2021 permits activities related to educational, professional, or employment examinations or certification activities, including but not limited to a location where recertification training or exams may occur;</p>
<p>What are the possible timelines for larger outdoor events such as triathlons or rodeos?</p>	<p>Certain rodeos across the province are operating with restrictions in place and an exemption. Larger outdoor events such as triathlons, which have larger crowds, are likely going to be considered as part of Step 4 of the Path Forward. Events can be planned at this time. However, the pandemic is evolving very quickly. For the latest information please visit: https://www.alberta.ca/coronavirus-info-for-albertans.aspx</p>
<p>When will we have clarity on summer activities?</p>	<p>We are currently engaging with key stakeholders in the festival sector, and day camp sector. We expect more information to emerge in the near future.</p>
<p>What role will vaccination rates have in our Path Forward and Recovery?</p>	<p>Vaccination rates are an important variable in the Government of Alberta's pandemic response. This information is helping inform public health measures and the Path Forward. More information will be available in the future.</p>
<p>How can municipalities implement the new measures?</p>	<p>Please see Bizconnect https://www.alberta.ca/biz-connect.aspx and the latest order on https://open.alberta.ca/opendata.</p>

<p>Can an emergency meeting be held with municipalities when new measures are enacted?</p>	<p>The situation is evolving very rapidly; the Government of Alberta strives to provide notice to our stakeholders as soon as we can. The weekly municipal meetings with the CMOH are designed to provide the latest information to municipalities across Alberta</p>
<p>High Case Regions</p>	
<p>What determines a High case region?</p>	<p>Starting May 5, additional restrictions come into effect for regions with at least 50 cases per 100,000 people, and at least 30 active cases.</p>
<p>How will a community be notified?</p>	<p>Stakeholder Relations from Alberta Health will notify impacted municipalities.</p>
	<p>For more information on regional case breakdowns please see: https://www.alberta.ca/maps/covid-19-status-map.htm</p>
<p>We are not a high case region, at this time, but we are very close to high case regions within our region. Do patio closures only apply to high case regions, can the municipality close patios?</p>	<p>Effective May 9, 2021: All in-person dining, including on patios, is prohibited.</p>
<p>How do new restrictions affect Outdoor Farmer's Markets?</p>	<p>Mandatory, additional restrictions for high case regions – Effective May 5 Retail services must limit customer capacity to 10% of fire code occupancy (not including staff) or a minimum of 5 customers. Shopping mall capacity limits will exclude common area square footage. Curbside pick-up, delivery and online services are encouraged. for communities non-high case regions: Retail services must limit customer capacity to 15% of fire code occupancy (not including staff) or a minimum of 5 customers. Shopping mall capacity limits will exclude common area square footage. Curbside pick-up, delivery and online services are encouraged.</p>
<p>Immunization</p>	
<p>With vaccine rollout now including more age groups, will there be new guidelines in general for vaccinated individuals participating in youth sport?</p>	<p>Discussions are on-going and if any changes or updates are made they will be communicated publicly. As of today, individuals who have been given one dose are expected to follow all public health guidelines. Until most Albertans are protected, fully vaccinated people must continue following all public health measures: no indoor social gatherings, keep 2 metres apart from others, wear a mask in public, wash your hands, and stay home when sick.</p>
	<p>Once both doses take effect, you are less likely to become severely sick with COVID-19. But we don't yet know if the vaccine prevents vaccinated people from spreading the virus. We must continue reviewing emerging evidence on asymptomatic and variant transmission before we can safely alter public health guidelines. We will let Albertans know when rules for fully vaccinated people can be changed.</p>

<p>Are any options being considered for mobile vaccination clinics for remote congregate living situations? Especially where workers are unable to travel to walk-in clinics or other options.</p>	<p>Sector discussions are occurring to determine how immunizations can be delivered in remote work settings. Immunization partners such as AHS and pharmacies are working to provide advice on the best options. Due to storage and handling requirements, care must be taken when distributing vaccines across the province, which can make it very difficult to run short term mobile clinics in multiple settings. Wherever possible, employers are encouraged to support their staff in accessing established AHS, pharmacy or physician clinics. This may include providing adequate time for staff to leave worksites to access vaccines.</p>
<p>If regular shipments are secured, will the 16-week window for the second dose be reduced?</p>	<p>Yes, if we have adequate supply once all Albertans have had the opportunity to receive their first dose, we will reduce the window for receiving the second dose.</p>
<p>Can you provide an update to pharmacy and doctor's offices vaccine distribution plans?</p>	<p>To find out what pharmacies are providing vaccinations, and which types of vaccine they are able to offer, please visit the Alberta Blue Cross website: https://www.ab.bluecross.ca/news/covid-19-updates.php. A pilot program is underway in 10 physicians' clinics across the province to test distribution and supply logistics. When the program expands in May, further information will be shared with the public.</p>
<p>Can you take Moderna first shot and Pfizer second shot</p>	<p>The preferred approach will be to provide you with the same vaccine in your first shot and second shot. However, if necessary due to interruptions in supply or other circumstances, the same type of vaccine can be substituted or interchanged. As both Pfizer and Moderna are mRNA vaccines, an interchange can occur.</p>
<p>As our most at-risk populations (to severe outcomes) become the heaviest vaccinated, does it not make sense to shift to a risk of exposure prioritization approach? Surely a 45 year old who can work from home is much lower risk than a 30 year old teacher, transit driver, etc.</p>	<p>We recognize that many people would benefit from being immunized, and we want to offer it to them as soon as possible. There is still limited supply, so we continue to target those who are most at risk of severe outcomes. If additional vaccines are approved and become available, people between the ages of 18 and 64 who are work in specific workplaces or industries may be included in Phase 2.</p>
<p>Why is Alberta (and Canada) offering boosters so much later than other countries around the world? what is the difference in effectiveness between a booster offered within 6 to 8 weeks versus a booster ordered within 16 weeks?</p>	<p>Emerging evidence shows first doses of the vaccine are at least 80% effective at preventing severe illness. Second doses are necessary to ensure you're protected for as long as possible. Second doses are being administered up to 4 months later so all Albertans over 18 can be protected with the first dose by the end of June. This change is in line with many other jurisdictions and in line with recommendations from the National Advisory Committee on Immunization (NACI). First and second dose appointments are booked separately. Reminders to book second appointments will be issued.</p>

	<p>Anyone who received their first dose prior to March 10 will still receive their second dose within 42 days. All existing appointments for second doses will be honoured.</p> <p>Our anticipated supply is enough to provide first doses to this many Albertans. Our plan depends on the supply of vaccines that are procured and distributed from our federal partners. For information on vaccine supply and anticipated supply please see:</p> <p>https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/2019-novel-coronavirus-infection/prevention-risks/covid-19-vaccine-treatment/vaccine-rollout.html</p>
<p>Community Recreation</p> <p>What is permitted in indoor aquatic centers?</p>	<p>Indoor swimming is not permitted at this time across the province.</p>
<p>What can occur in outdoor pools?</p>	<p>High case region – can occur with members of your household. For outdoor swimming, multiple household groups can use the pool at once provided 2m can be maintained between the groups.</p> <p>Low case region – multiple groups of 10 can use an outdoor pool with 2m distancing between everyone in the group and between groups.</p> <p>Indoor group sport/performance/rec activities cannot happen <i>anywhere</i> in the province.</p>
<p>What are the restrictions on youth indoor group activities across the Province?</p>	<p>No indoor group youth activities can occur throughout Alberta.</p> <p>Indoor fitness [Effective May 5]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Indoor fitness facilities must close • Indoor sport, performance and recreation [Effective May 9] • Indoor sport, performance and recreation activities are not permitted. • Team sports are not permitted <p>No sports games, competitions, team practice or league play of any kind is allowed.</p> <p>Performance activities include dancing, singing, acting, playing a musical instrument, and any rehearsal or theatrical performance.</p>
<p>Can outdoor fitness classes occur in low case regions?</p>	<p>Yes, they are permitted. Please ensure individuals are spaced out (2 metres).</p>

	<p>This can include drills and conditioning for youth sports – no games/skrimmages.</p>
<p>Can municipal operated provincial campgrounds open for the May long weekend? Are Alberta Junior Hockey League team exemptions still valid?</p>	<p>camping outdoors is permitted – outdoor camping must occur with your household or 2 close contacts if you live alone. This exemption is still valid till the end of the AJHL season, please see: https://open.alberta.ca/dataset/f1692676-8d38-4209-8eaf-bde462a92db5/resource/ae21b0b6-ffc6-425b-8c19-f264a0abc668/download/health-cmoh-order-05-2021-exemption-ajhl-regular-season.pdf</p>
<p>Community Planning</p>	
<p>With rising numbers can you advise us on how to plan for summer events?</p>	<p>Planning for these events can take place. However, it is recommended that plans are developed with scalability. The nature of the pandemic is evolving rapidly.</p>
<p>Will we be able to hold our annual community fair in August?</p>	<p>Planning for these events can take place. However, it is recommended that plans are developed with scalability. The nature of the pandemic is evolving rapidly.</p>
<p>What are the plans for summer events such as high school graduations?</p>	<p>We are examining the issue closely – discussions are on going.</p>
<p>Testing</p>	
<p>When will we have antibody testing?</p>	<p>Serological testing is used to detect the presence of antibodies in a person's blood, indicating whether the body has made an immune response to the COVID-19 infection. Currently COVID-19 serological tests do not indicate whether a person is immune, the extent of any potential immunity, or how long it may last. There is no clinical or public health benefit to widespread serological testing or to an individual learning their serology result, because it cannot at this time provide assurance that a person will not become sick with COVID-19 again in the future. Alberta Health has invested in four voluntary public health studies, which will serologically test specific groups of Albertans for the virus.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two studies are using established cohorts and are not open for recruitment. • One study is anonymous and random so individuals will not be aware if they have been tested or of their testing results. • Only one study, Alberta COVID-19 Child Cohort (AB3C), is recruiting patients. More information on this study can be found here. <p>Alberta Health Services (AHS) will also make serology testing available for specific clinical purposes where testing can inform treatment decisions. Health Canada continues to assess and approve additional serological testing kits, and serological testing is now available for purchase from some private labs and pharmacies in Alberta.</p>
<p>Enforcement</p>	
<p>How will the province enforce public gatherings larger than 5 people?</p>	<p>While it is our preference to take an education-based approach and for Albertans to comply in a voluntary manner with public health orders, we realize</p>

	<p>that enforcement of public health orders is sometimes necessary to ensure the protection of our communities from the pandemic.</p> <p>For this reason, law enforcement, public health inspectors, and community peace officers are permitted to issue fines if necessary in order to ensure compliance. Violators may be subject to issued tickets and more serious violations may result in prosecution before the courts.</p> <p>The province will take an education first approach. However, we recognize that in some cases this approach is not effective. As a result, fines will be handed out.</p> <p>A blanket Court Order has also been issued to AHS to apply against any illegal gathering – that is, a gathering that is focused on the promotion of violating public health orders. Organizers of this event can be arrested under this Order. It has now been used for a few Illegal Gatherings that have taken place recently.</p>
<p>What is the province doing about enforcement of violators of the Act?</p>	<p>The cases linked to an outbreak in the outbreak tables are not dependent on the address of the case (for example, the cases linked to a particular oil sands work camp may be for workers out of province) but instead the address of the person impacted.</p> <p>The cases reported on our maps are based on the address of a case – this means that someone could be temporarily living in Banff or Fort McMurray but be counted as a case in Calgary if that's the address we have for them on file.</p> <p>Please see: https://www.alberta.ca/covid-19-alberta-data.aspx and https://www.alberta.ca/stats/covid-19-alberta-statistics.htm#geospatial</p>
<p>Data</p> <p>How are cases reported in communities with a mobile population (seasonal workers, and/or oil sands camp workers)</p>	<p>Travel currently is only recommended for essential purposes. Decisions related to international borders are the jurisdiction of the federal government. With travelling, it is always the responsibility of the traveller to ensure they meet the requirements of the jurisdiction they are travelling to, for example, having a visitor's visa or being immunized. A number of jurisdictions around the world require travelers to provide proof of immunization prior to entry into the country. For instance, countries like Congo, Niger and Rwanda require proof of yellow fever immunization. Some international jurisdictions may implement requirements to show a record of COVID-19 immunization prior to entry. Therefore, it is highly recommended that travelers fully understand any entry requirements for any jurisdictions they plan to travel.</p>
<p>Travel</p> <p>Will travel be allowed for those who are fully vaccinated?</p>	

<p>What are the current restrictions for Interprovincial travel?</p>	<p>Travel is discouraged for non-essential purposes</p>
<p>Why are international flights still permitted to land?</p>	<p>Travellers to other provinces or territories may be subject to additional restrictions and health measures at their final destination. Please check with local authorities before leaving Alberta. International travel and borders are the responsibility of the Federal Government. For more information on travel please see: https://www.alberta.ca/covid-19-travel-advice.aspx</p>

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cc: Council

From: municipalservicesandlegislation@gov.ab.ca
Sent: April 23, 2021 2:37 PM
To: Kathy Skwarchuk
Subject: COVID-19 Municipal Governance - April 23 Issue
Attachments: FAQ.pdf

Dear Chief Administrative Officers,

I would like to personally thank you for your ongoing resiliency and dedication to your community during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Municipal Affairs continues to be mindful of the added governance and operational pressures you are facing as we continue to navigate these challenging times. Please rest assured we will continue to support you to the best of our ability.

Attached is our latest issue of the Frequently Asked Questions document addressing common questions, as well as providing additional information critical to municipal governance and operations.

I encourage you to continue to review the most up-to-date information on Alberta.ca or contact our advisory support services if you have further questions regarding municipal governance. You can speak directly to a municipal advisor by calling 780-427-2225 or toll-free by first dialing 310-0000.

Sincerely,

Paul Wynnyk
Deputy Minister

Attachment

Municipal Governance During the COVID-19 Pandemic

Frequently Asked Questions – April 23, 2021

On April 6, 2021, the Government of Alberta announced a return to Step 1 of the Path Forward. For the most up-to-date information, visit alberta.ca/COVID19.

While we continue to navigate the ever-evolving COVID-19 pandemic together, Municipal Affairs remains committed to issuing regular updates to address frequently asked questions and provide new information or resources as they become available.

If you would like a specific issue addressed in an upcoming update, please email your request to ma.lgsmail@gov.ab.ca.

Municipal Affairs Updates

Previous COVID-19 updates are available at www.alberta.ca/municipal-government-resources.aspx

Council Meetings

Have there been any changes to council meeting procedures with the return to Step 1?

NO. There have been no changes to council meeting procedures. The Public Meeting Procedures (COVID-19 Suppression) Regulation remains in effect for councils to conduct council meetings by entirely electronic means to help control the spread of COVID-19. All attendees of meetings held in person must wear masks and socially distance, as required by public health orders.

Municipal Election

Does the Government of Alberta have plans to allow for expanded use of special ballots for the 2021 general election?

NO. Municipal Affairs will continue to monitor developments relating to the pandemic, but based on progress to date in the vaccine rollout, it is anticipated votes will be able to take place safely according to relatively normal processes. No changes to special ballot provisions are planned at this time.

Recreational Facilities

Can splash parks, outdoor pools, and other outdoor facilities operate as part of the Step 1 restrictions?

YES. Outdoor fitness and recreation facilities may be used, as long as they align with public health guidelines. Physical distancing of two metres between households or individuals is required, and group activities can have a maximum of 10 attendees. If activities cannot be made to align with public health guidelines, the activity is not permitted.

Municipal Advisory Services

If you have further questions, please call 780-427-2225 (or toll-free by first dialing 310-0000) or email ma.lgsmail@gov.ab.ca.

Can municipal golf courses be open?

YES. Golf courses and driving ranges are allowed to open. As with other activities, physical distancing is required, and group activities can have a maximum of 10 people.

Can indoor recreational facilities be open?

YES. Indoor recreational facilities are permitted to be open; however, indoor recreational spaces may only be used for individual or household one-on-one fitness training. Indoor group fitness for adults is not permitted (both low and high intensity). Youth lessons, practices, and physical conditioning activities are allowed for indoor and minor sports/activities. Youth school athletics are linked to school board decisions so for all places shifting to online schooling, indoor youth sports activities will be paused. Games are not allowed.

Can campgrounds with toilets and showers be open?

YES. Shared amenities and high-touch surfaces should undergo regular cleaning and disinfection procedures with increased frequencies.

Can community halls be open?

YES. Community halls may be open for any activities permitted under Step 1, such as wedding ceremonies (up to 10 people) and funeral services (up to 20 people). Receptions and trade shows are not permitted. Group meetings may be held so long as masks are worn, individuals or households are spaced at least two metres apart, hand hygiene facilities are available, and movement through the facility can be properly facilitated.

Can municipalities choose to keep municipal properties closed even if they can be open under Step 1?

YES. The decision to open facilities remains a local council decision. Municipalities and the public must continue to put safety first.

Are adult team sports, such as softball, allowed to proceed?

NO. Adult team sports are not permitted under the current guidelines. Adult team sports may be part of Step 3 of the Path Forward.

General Questions

Are municipalities responsible in any way for use of their community halls or facilities in contravention of the order or parameters of use under the Public Health Order?

YES. Community hall and facility operators, including municipalities, are responsible for any contravention to public health orders that occur within their premises.

Should municipalities be encouraging employees to work from home?

YES. Working from home is mandatory unless the employee's physical presence is required to meet operational needs. While in the office, individuals must practice social distancing and wear masks when in public areas of the office. Municipal staff should be encouraged and supported to have remote work arrangements where feasible.

Additional Resources

RMA's COVID-19 response hub is available at <https://malberta.com/about/covid-19-response-hub>.

AUMA's updated guide is available at www.auma.ca/covid19.

The Federation of Canadian Municipalities links and resources for municipalities is available at www.fcm.ca/en/resources/covid-19-resources-municipalities.

For the most up-to-date information on the COVID-19 situation in Alberta, visit alberta.ca/COVID19.

From: municipalservicesandlegislation@gov.ab.ca
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Dear Chief Administrative Officers:

As a follow up to my message of April 23, 2021, we continue our efforts to ensure you have the tools necessary to carry on with your important governance and management work as we advance in the vaccine roll out program and adapt to the enhanced restrictions announced by Premier Kenny on May 4, 2021.

I commend you for all the work you continue to do to protect your municipal staff and residents from the transmission of the COVID-19 virus. It is only through the commitment of individuals like you that, collectively, we are able to make a difference as we move forward and manage the ongoing rollout of the vaccine and take important measures to respond to the spike in active cases.

Attached is a Frequently Asked Questions document covering some of the more common municipal governance inquiries received by our ministry. Please visit www.alberta.ca for the latest COVID-19 information. In addition, past issues of the Frequently Asked Questions document can be found at www.alberta.ca/municipal-government-resources.aspx.

I hope these updates provide you with the timely information and answers you need. Please reach out if you have any remaining questions to ensure we address them to the best of our ability.

Sincerely,

Paul Wynnyk
Deputy Minister

Attachment – Frequently Asked Questions

Municipal Governance

During the COVID-19 Pandemic

Frequently Asked Questions – May 13, 2021

On May 4, 2021, the Government of Alberta announced enhanced restrictions to stop the spike of COVID-19. Additional restrictions came into effect on May 5, 2021 for regions with high case rates. Province-wide measures continue to apply to all other areas. For the most up-to-date information, visit alberta.ca/COVID19.

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Municipal Advisory Services

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Municipalities in High Case Areas

Do the newly announced restrictions only apply in areas with high case rates?

YES. Restrictions still apply across the province, but starting May 5, additional restrictions came into effect for regions with at least 50 cases per 100,000 people, and at least 30 active cases. To determine if these restrictions apply to your region, visit alberta.ca/stopthespike.

Are outdoor recreational facilities and fitness facilities permitted to remain open in municipalities with high cases?

YES. However, all outdoor sports and recreational activities are only permitted for members of one household or, if living alone, one person and their two close contacts. This includes all group physical activities and team sports, as well as any group or one-on-one lessons, training, practice, or games. For additional restrictions on events and participants, visit alberta.ca/COVID19.

Can campgrounds with toilets and showers be open?

YES. Shared amenities and high-touch surfaces should undergo regular cleaning and disinfection procedures with increased frequency, and patrons must follow the physical distancing guidelines in place at the time.

Will we be notified if our municipality moves into the criteria that enhanced measures apply?

YES. Should a community have enough cases to be bumped into the areas with enhanced measures, you will be contacted by a representative from Alberta Health Services to notify you of the change.

Municipal Affairs Updates

Previous COVID-19 updates are available at www.alberta.ca/municipal-government-resources.aspx

Municipal Operations

Are municipalities expected to follow the work from home requirement?

YES. Working from home remains mandatory. Work from home requirements apply to municipal offices, public works facilities, and any other municipal facilities unless the employee's physical presence is required to operate effectively. When at work employees must mask for all indoor settings, except where physical distancing is practiced or adequate barriers are in place.

Are municipalities responsible in any way for use of their community halls or facilities in contravention of the order or parameters of use under the Public Health Order?

YES. Community hall and facility operators, including municipalities, are responsible for any contravention to public health orders that occur within their premises.

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Municipalities in Lower Case Areas

If our region has less than 50 cases per 100,000 or less than 30 active cases, are indoor activities permitted?

NO. All indoor fitness facilities must close. Effective May 9, indoor sport, performance and recreation activities are not permitted. No games, competitions, practices, or league play of any kind are allowed.

If our region has less than 50 cases per 100,000 or less than 30 active cases, are outdoor activities permitted?

YES. For outdoor facilities, games, competitions, and team sports are permitted where participants can maintain 2 metre physical distancing at all times.

Outdoor fitness or sports training for individuals and groups to a maximum of 10 people is permitted provided 2 metre physical distancing is maintained at all times.

Outdoor group physical activity is limited to 10 people or fewer. Participants from different households must maintain 2 metre physical distancing at all times.

Individual sports activities such as running, cycling, dirt biking, and golfing (disc and regular) are permitted. Outdoor pools, tennis and pickleball courts, croquet pitches, running tracks and other similar outdoor facilities may be open, but can only be used by household groups, or individuals who live alone and their cohorts and must ensure 2 metre physical distancing is maintained at all times.

For additional restrictions on events and participants, visit alberta.ca/COVID19.

Additional Resources

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Subject: Subdivision and Development Appeal Regulation
Attachments: Ministerial Order.pdf; Regulation.pdf

To all Chief Administrative Officers:

I am writing to share with you a recent ministerial order (MSD:022/21) signed by the Honourable Ric McIver, Minister of Municipal Affairs. A copy of the ministerial order and applicable regulation are attached for your information.

This ministerial order is enacted under the authority of Section 694(i)(h.2) of the *Municipal Government Act (MGA)*, and establishes the Subdivision and Development Appeal Regulation, which clarifies which appeal body will hear subdivision and development permit appeals for certain matters. The regulation:

- clarifies that appeals that have limited provincial interest will continue to be heard by local subdivision and development appeal boards;
- further clarifies that approvals of the Minister of Environment and Parks include approvals under Acts for which the Minister is responsible; and
- exempts Natural Resources Conservation Board-designated lands in the Town of Canmore from the application of additional *MGA* sections, making sure that the intent of the board's 1992 decision, allowing development in the Three Sisters Resort area, is maintained.

This new regulation supports the goal of red tape reduction and encouraging the sustainable development of communities in Alberta.

If you have any questions about this regulation, please contact the Municipal Services Division at 780-427-2225.

Gary Sandberg
 Assistant Deputy Minister

Attachment



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MLA, Calgary-Hays*

MINISTERIAL ORDER NO. MSD:022/21

I, Ric McIver, Minister of Municipal Affairs, pursuant to Section 694(1)(h.2) of the *Municipal Government Act*, make the Subdivision and Development Appeal Regulation as set out in the attached Appendix.

Dated at Edmonton, Alberta, this 29 day of April, 2021.



Ric McIver
Minister of Municipal Affairs

APPENDIX
Municipal Government Act
SUBDIVISION AND DEVELOPMENT
APPEAL REGULATION

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Definitions

1 In this Regulation,

- (a) “Act” means the *Municipal Government Act*;
- (b) “designated land” means designated land as defined in the *Canmore Undermining Review Regulation (AR 34/2020)*.

Appeals removed from list

2(1) The following are removed from the list of circumstances where a notice of appeal of a decision of a development authority may be filed with the Land and Property Rights Tribunal:

- (a) an appeal where the land that is the subject of the application is within the Green Area as classified by the Minister responsible for the *Public Lands Act*, as referred to in section 685(2.1)(a)(i)(A) of the Act;
- (b) an appeal where the land that is the subject of the application contains, is adjacent to or is within the prescribed distance of a highway, a body of water, a sewage treatment or waste management facility or a historical site, as referred to in section 685(2.1)(a)(i)(B) of the Act.

(2) Subject to subsections (3) and (4), the appeals referred to in subsection (1) may be commenced by filing a notice of appeal with the subdivision and development appeal board.

(3) If the land that is the subject of an appeal referred to in subsection (1) is subject to a licence, permit, approval or other



authorization referred to in section 685(2.1)(a)(i)(C) or (D) of the Act, then, despite subsection (1), the appeal may be commenced by filing a notice of appeal with the Land and Property Rights Tribunal.

(4) Subsection (1) does not apply to an appeal if the notice of appeal was filed with the Land and Property Rights Tribunal before the coming into force of this section.

Appeals related to designated land

3 The circumstances listed in sections 678(2)(a)(i) and 685(2.1)(a)(i) of the Act where a notice of appeal may be filed with the Land and Property Rights Tribunal do not include appeals where the land that is the subject of the application is designated land.

Additional circumstances where appeal may be filed

4(1) In this section, "Minister" means the Minister of Environment and Parks.

(2) In addition to the circumstances listed in sections 678(2)(a)(i) and 685(2.1)(a)(i) of the Act, a notice of appeal may be filed with the Land and Property Rights Tribunal where the land that is the subject of the application is the subject of a licence, permit, approval or other authorization granted by the Minister or granted under any Act the Minister is responsible for under section 16 of the *Government Organization Act*.

Transitional

5 During the period beginning on the day this Regulation comes into force and ending on June 1, 2021, all references to the "Land and Property Rights Tribunal" in this Regulation shall be read as references to the "Municipal Government Board".

Expiry

6 This Regulation expires on June 30, 2023.

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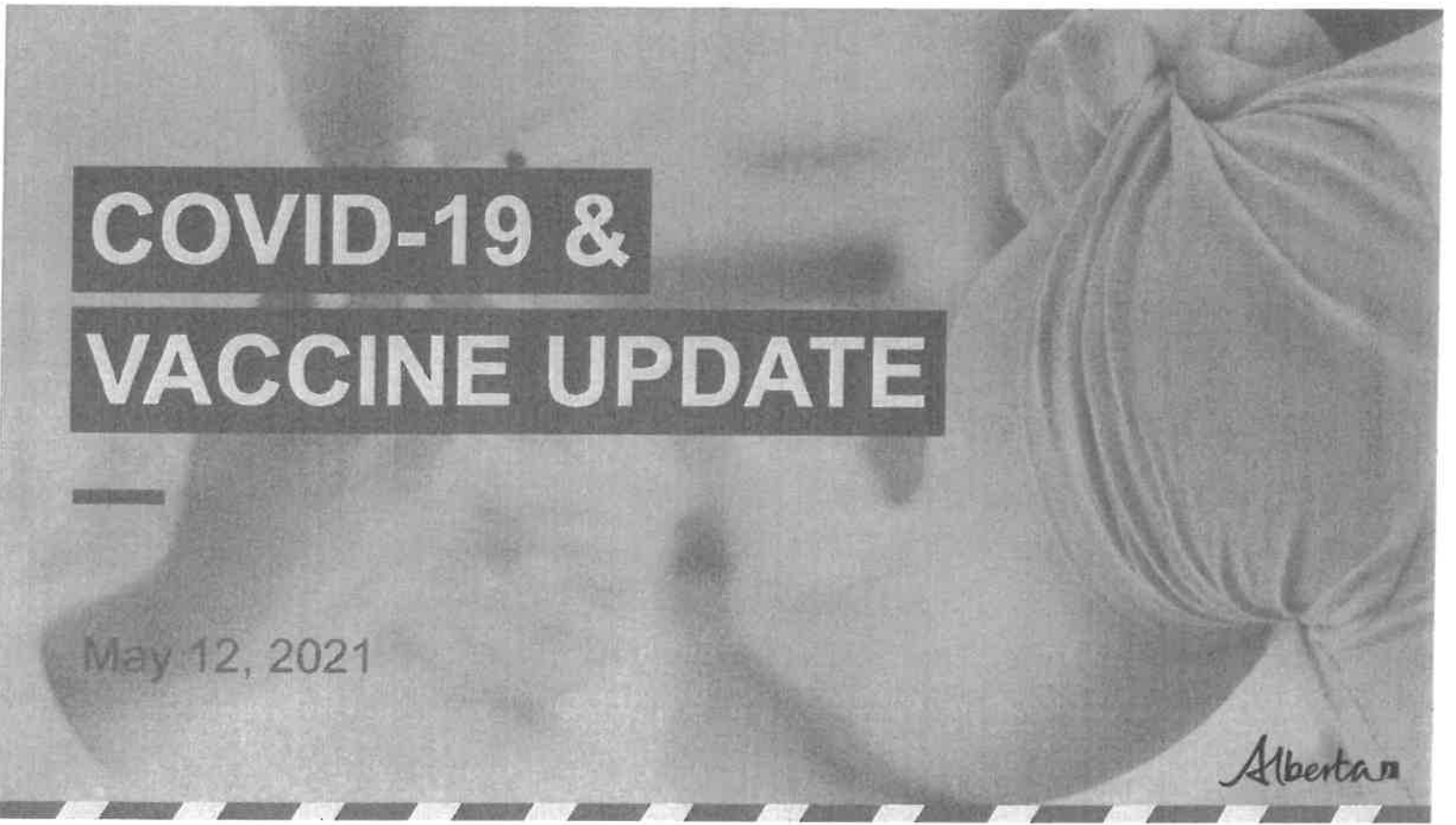
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Attention: All CEOs and CAOs

Good morning,

Please find attached a slide deck that was shared with municipal participants in the teletown hall on May 12 with Premier Jason Kenney, Minister Ric McIver, Minister Tyler Shandro and Dr. Deena Hinshaw.



COVID-19 & VACCINE UPDATE

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May 12, 2021

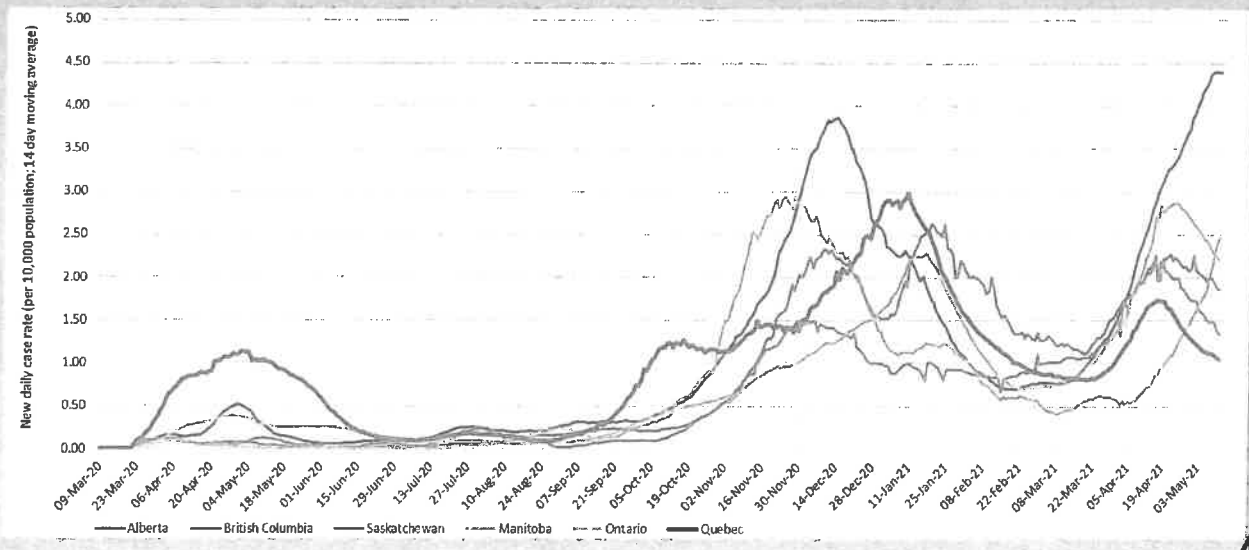
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NATIONAL OVERVIEW

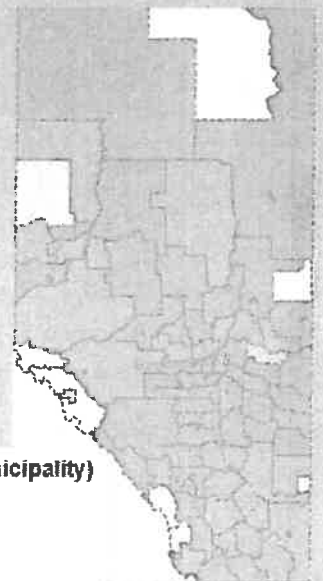


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GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION

- There are 60+ areas with an active case rate of 300 per 100,000 or more.
- Over half of those areas have an active case rate of 500 per 100,000 or more.
- The provincial case rate per 100,000 is 575 with 25,155 active cases.



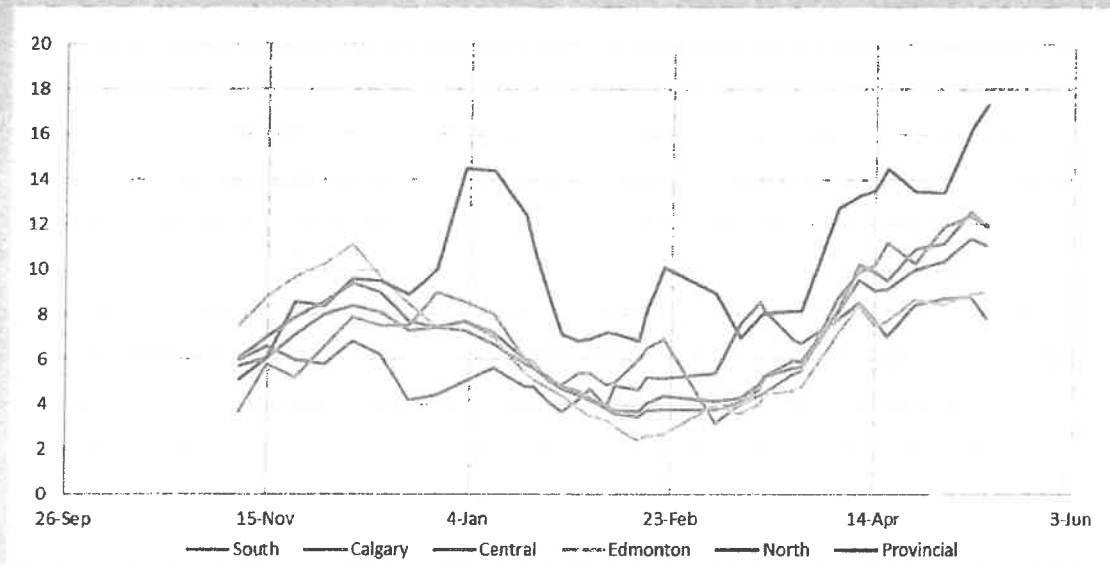
Active case rate per 100k (Municipality)

300+
100-299
50-99
1-49
0

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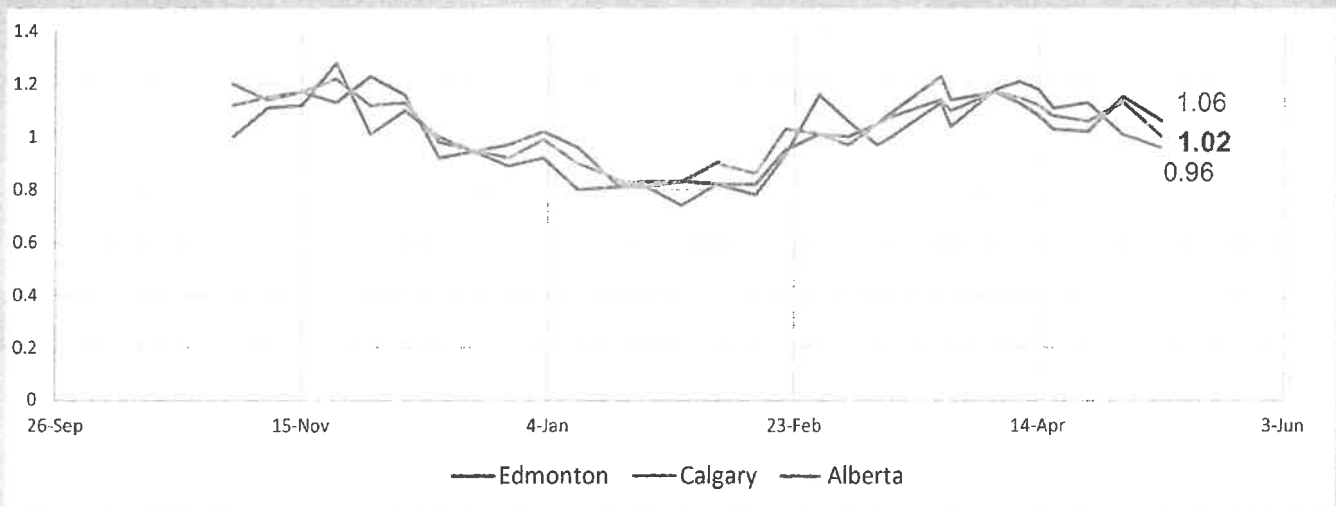
POSITIVITY RATES BY ZONE (%)



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Rt Values

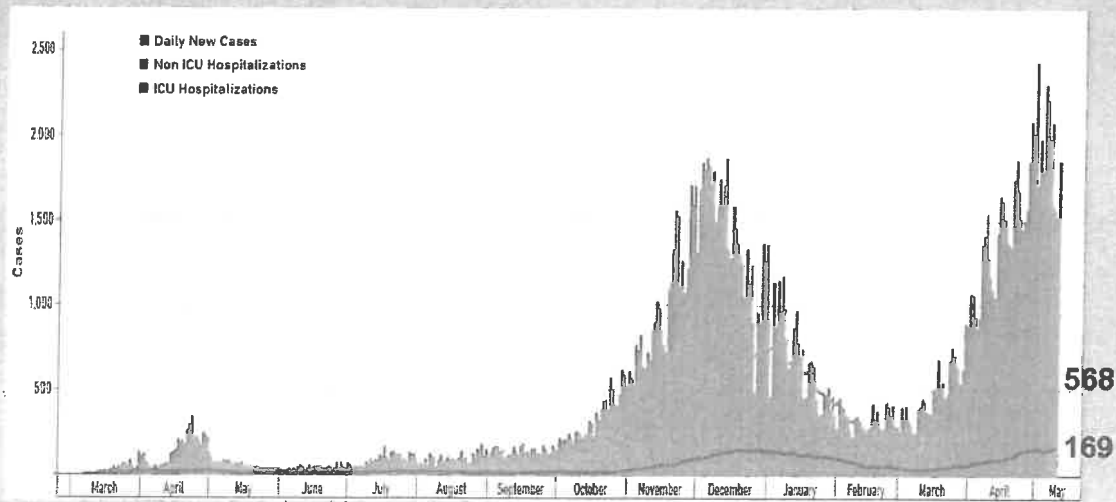


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CASES AND HOSPITALIZATIONS OVER TIME

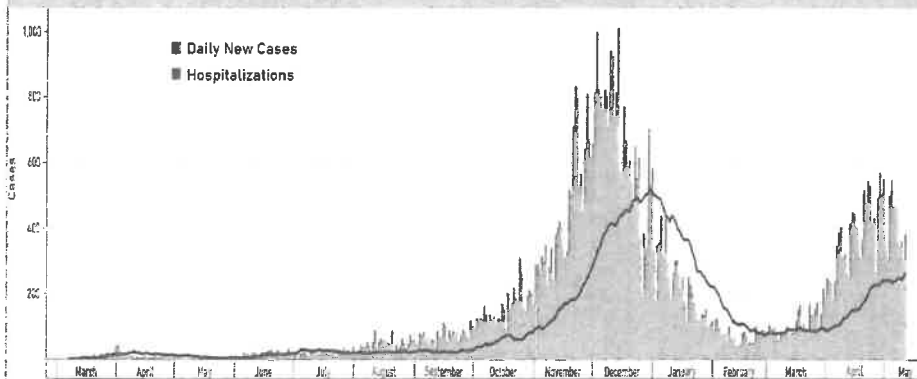
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UPDATE ON EDMONTON ZONE

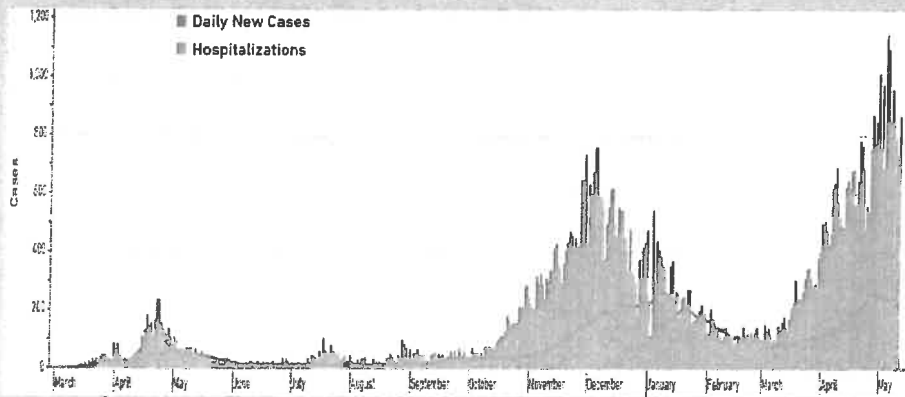


- As of May 12, there were 5606 active cases in Zone (394 per 100,000).
- 23% of active cases are in Edmonton Zone, compared to 33% of the population.
- The seven day case average is 399
- Edmonton cases and hospitalizations have remained relatively stable over the past week.
- $R_t = 0.96^*$

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UPDATE ON CALGARY ZONE

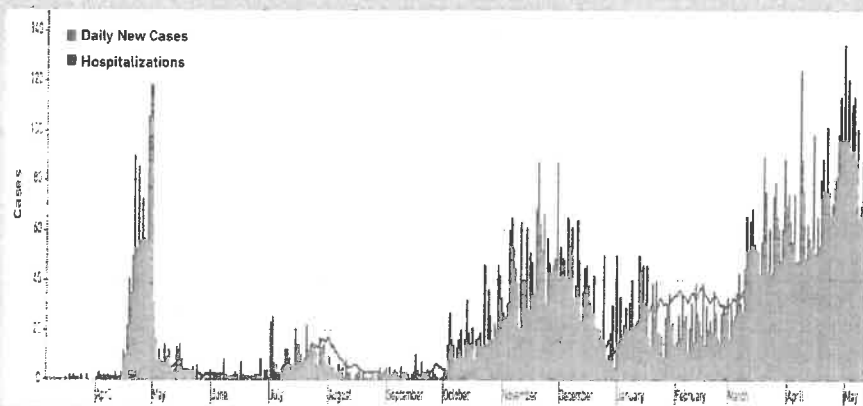


- As of May 12, there were 11,611 active cases in the Zone (689 per 100,000).
- 47% of active cases are in Calgary Zone, compared to 39% of the population.
- The seven day case average is 881.
- Calgary Zone cases have decreased remained relatively stable over the past week, though case counts remain the highest observed since the beginning of the pandemic. Hospitalizations are rising.
- $R_t = 1.06^*$

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UPDATE ON SOUTH ZONE

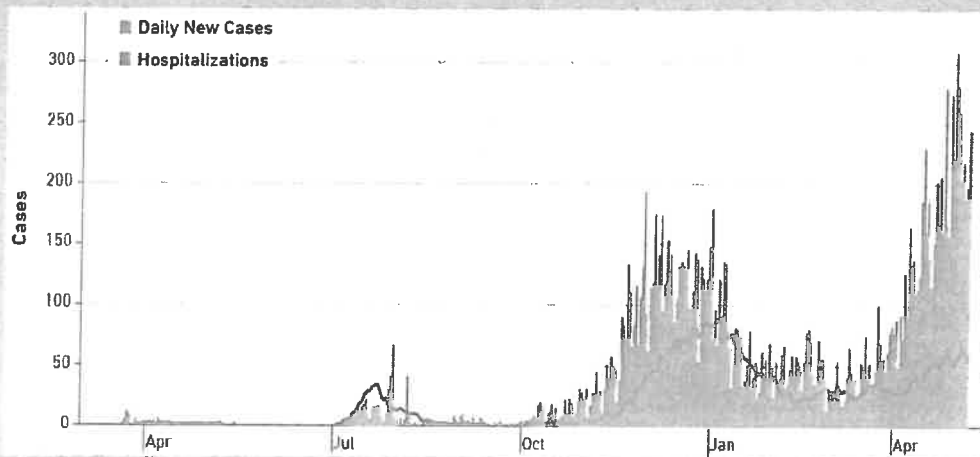


- As of May 12, there were 1311 active cases (425 per 100,000).
- 5% of the active cases are in South Zone, compared to 7% of the population.
- The seven day case average is 88.
- South Zone cases have been relatively stable, though are among the highest they have been since the beginning of the pandemic.
- Hospitalizations are rising.
- $R_t = 0.94^*$

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UPDATE ON CENTRAL ZONE

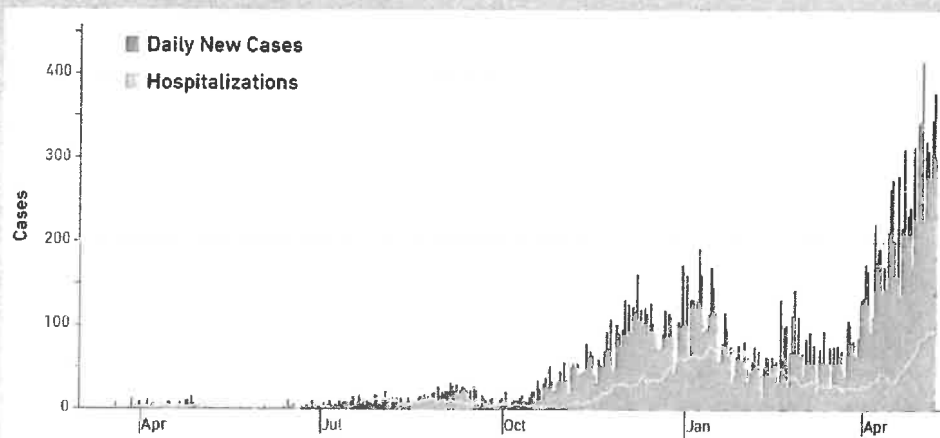


- As of May 12, there were 2742 active cases (577 per 100,000).
- 11% of active cases are in Central Zone compared to 11% of the population
- The seven day case average is 186.
- Central Zone cases have been relatively stable, and hospitalizations are rising.
- Case counts are the highest they have been since the beginning of the pandemic.
- $R_t = 0.88^*$

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UPDATE ON NORTH ZONE



- As of May 12, there were 3675 active cases in the North Zone (765 per 100,000).
- 15% of active cases are in North Zone, compared to 11% of the population.
- The seven day case average is 278.
- North Zone cases have remained relatively stable over the past week, though case counts remain the highest they have been since the start of the pandemic. Hospitalizations are increasing.
- North Zone $R_t = 0.98^*$

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Vaccine Update

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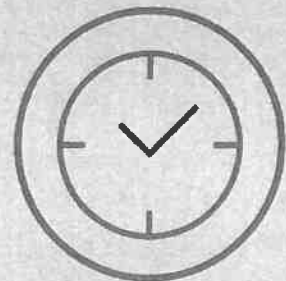
ALBERTA'S VACCINE APPROACH



**Prioritize those
most at-risk**



**Bookings
provincewide**



**Administer
doses as quickly
as possible**

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VACCINES WORK

	Moderna	Pfizer	AstraZeneca**
Recommended for ages	18+	12+	Currently using for second doses only.
Reduces infection by...(after 1 st dose)	60 - 80%	60 - 80%	60-70%
Reduces hospitalizations by...(after 1 st dose)	80-85%	80-85%	80%
Timing of 2nd dose (most Albertans)	no later than 4 months after 1st dose	no later than 4 months after 1st dose	no later than 4 months and no earlier than 12 weeks after 1st dose

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EXPANDING THE ROLLOUT

1.9 million+

**Doses of vaccine have now
been administered**

44.5%

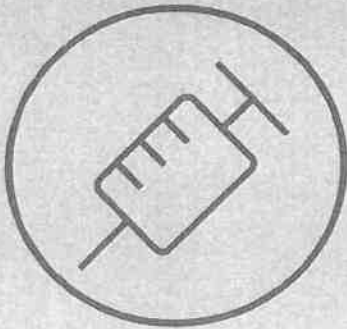
**over 16 have been vaccinated with
at least one dose**

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LOOKING AHEAD

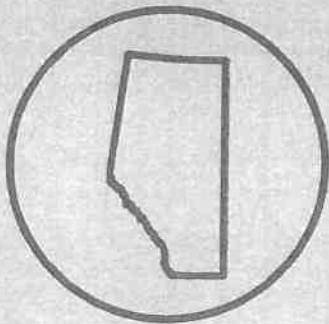


- First doses of vaccine to all Albertans age 12+ by the end of June.
- Vaccine supply is increasing

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NEW ONLINE MAP

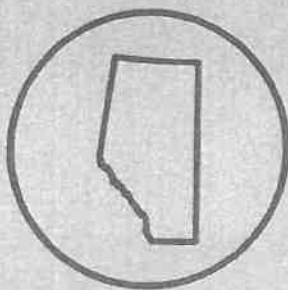


- A new tool to track vaccines by local geographic area
- Set to launch next week

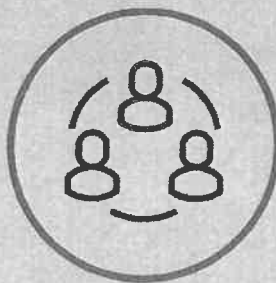
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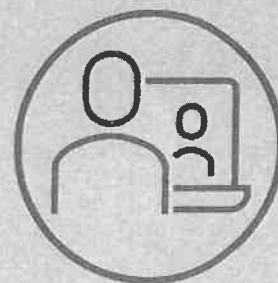
CALL TO ACTION



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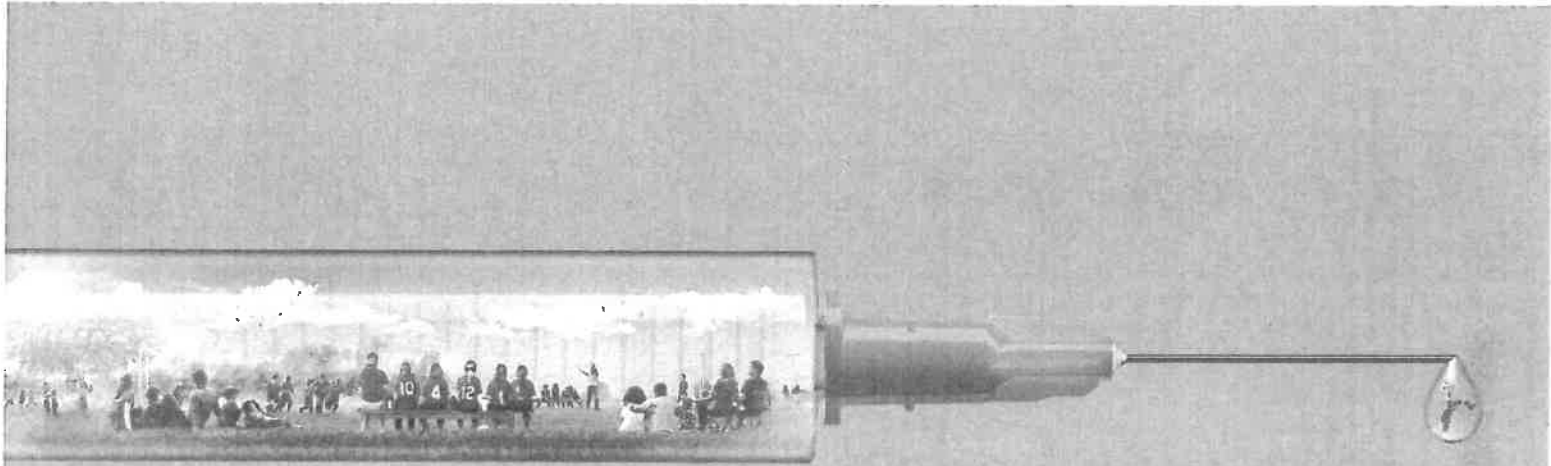


**Engage and
motivate your
communities**



**Host
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2021 Spring Municipal Leaders' Caucus - Presentations Now Available

Can I get a seconder? Tips for submitting a resolution



Government of Canada Budget Released

On April 19, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance Chrystia Freeland delivered the federal government's 2021 budget.

The budget contains support for several areas of interest to AUMA members, including:

- Housing
- Broadband
- Child Care
- Infrastructure & Transit

Read more about the budget and how it addresses the COVID-19 situation.

ADVOCACY UPDATES



Update from the Legislature – Apr 21

- Additional small business support
- Federal Budget
- Spring Legislation Status

Read the full update [here](#).

2021 Spring Municipal Leaders' Caucus - Presentations Now Available

Thank-you to everyone who attended AUMA's Spring Municipal Leaders' Caucus! We appreciate your engagement and will use the feedback you provided to inform our advocacy going forward.

Missed the sessions? Subscribe to our [YouTube channel](#) and receive a notification when the recordings are available.



International Economic Development Week: 2021 Community Challenge in Alberta

AUMA is joining Economic Developers Alberta to help amplify the importance of economic development by inviting you to officially proclaim May 9 to 15 as International Economic Development Week!

Learn more about the community challenge and how you can participate.

Can I get a seconder? Tips for submitting a resolution

While the June 30 deadline for submitting a resolution may seem like a long way off, anyone planning to bring forward an issue for consideration at AUMA's 2021 Convention in November should start the process now.

Developing Effective Requests for Proposals

In keeping with AUMA's commitment to support Alberta's not-for-profits through education, we are pleased to invite you to our Developing Requests for Proposals webinar on May 13, 2021, at 10:30 a.m



Happy National Volunteer Week!

AUMA is very pleased to celebrate the people who give their own time to strengthen communities, our volunteers. This week is for you. Happy National Volunteer Week!

Volunteers are an integral part of the success of any community. In this time of physical distancing, volunteers remain diligent in sharing virtually and adapting to new ways of community building.

CASUAL LEGAL: Limiting Severance Obligations in Employment Agreements

Municipalities should consider seeking legal advice to ensure any termination provisions in employment agreements or offer letters address the appropriate requirements.

GOOD TO KNOW

Please take some time to read through the toolkit provided by Alberta Emergency Management Agency for Emergency Preparedness Week (May 2-8, 2021). Emergency Preparedness Week is a national event and all community leaders are encouraged to get the word out to residents and educate them on emergency and disaster preparedness.

Augustana Extended Education (AEE) has partnered with the Northern Alberta Institute of Technology (NAIT) to offer training in emergency management. The training will provide participants with the tools to build and deliver a comprehensive emergency management program specific to the needs of their community or organization. This course was created for anyone with responsibility for emergency response, continuity of operations or services, or business continuity for their community or organization. The course will be held through two modules in May and June. Visit AEE's website for more information and to register.

Alberta Culture, Multiculturalism & Status of Women is seeking your nominations! The Stars of Alberta Volunteer Awards recognize extraordinary Albertans whose volunteer efforts have contributed to the well-being of their community and fellow community members. Discover all the details and nominate your community's special volunteers.

Completed your Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework?

Now the real work begins to implement it. Build your collaboration skills and work towards your **Municipal Elected Leaders Certificate** by registering today for EOEP's Regional Partnerships and Collaboration course. The course runs from 5 to 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday May 5, 12 and 19. Visit eoep.ca to learn more and register.



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Celebrating Earth Day. Win a smart thermostat!

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Update from the Legislature - Apr 21

April 21, 2021

The legislature continues to sit this week before breaking for a constituency week next week. MLAs are working their way through the government's spring legislative agenda, with fifteen government bills currently before the legislature.

Last week the province announced additional support for small businesses that have been affected by public health restrictions through the Small and Medium Enterprise Relaunch Grant. Eligible enterprises will be able to receive another payment of up to \$10,000 this month. The province also announced that the eligibility age to receive the AstraZeneca vaccine has been lowered to 40, effective April 20. You may book a vaccine [here](#).

The federal budget was released on April 19. You may find a high-level overview [here](#).

Spring 2021 Legislation Status (as of Tuesday, April 20)

Leave to Introduce a Bill

Bill 49 - Labour Mobility Act (Copping)

Second Reading

Bill 51 - Citizen Initiative Act (Madu)

Bill 52 - Recall Act (Madu)

Bill 58 - Freedom to Care Act (Aheer)

Bill 62 - Red Tape Reduction Implementation Act, 2021 (Hunter)

Bill 63 - Police (Street Checks and Carding) Amendment Act, 2021 (Madu)

Bill 64 - Public Lands Amendment Act, 2021 (Nixon)

Bill 65 - Health Statutes Amendment Act, 2021 (Shandro)

Bill 66 - Public Health Amendment Act, 2021 (Shandro)

Bill 67 - Skilled Trades and Apprenticeship Education Act (Nicolaides)

Bill 68 - Election Statutes Amendment Act, 2021 (Madu)

Bill 69 - Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act, 2021 (Nixon)

Committee of the Whole

Bill 56 - Local Measures Statutes Amendment Act, 2021 (McIver)

Bill 57 - Metis Settlements Amendment Act, 2021 (Wilson)

Bill 61 - Vital Statistics Amendment Act, 2021 (Glubish)

Third Reading

Bill 55 - College of Alberta School Superintendents Act (LaGrange)

Awaiting Royal Assent

Bill 54 - Irrigation Districts Amendment Act, 2021 (Dreeshen)

Bill 211 - Municipal Government (Firearms) Amendment Act, 2020 (Glasgo)

Received Royal Assent

Bill 53 - Service Alberta Statutes (Virtual Meetings) Amendment Act, 2021 (Glubish)

Bill 59 - Appropriation (Supplementary Supply) Act, 2021 (\$) (Toews)

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Follow-up on Member Requests for Decision

During Municipal Leaders Caucus earlier this month, three member requests for decisions (RFDs) were approved. AUMA is now following up on these items.

Read more about the RFDs, and remember, the deadline to submit a resolution for this year's Convention is June 30.



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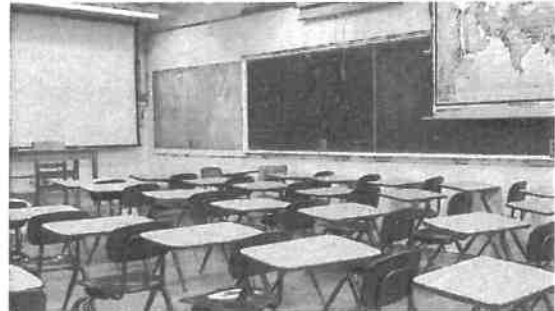
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- Paid time off for vaccinations
- Additional relief funding
- Spring Legislation Status

Read the full update [here](#).

Collecting education property taxes: what you need to know

AUMA members have had long-standing concerns with municipalities collecting education property tax on behalf of the province.



CASUAL LEGAL: Accommodation of Alcoholism in the Human Rights Context

In late 2020, the Human Rights Tribunal of Alberta released a decision which clarified the duty to accommodate an employee who is suffering from alcoholism.

GOOD TO KNOW

The Alberta Seniors & Community Housing Association (ASCHA) will be hosting a series of webinars on Municipal Tools to Support Affordable Housing. Municipal leaders will hear about funding opportunities, how to grow affordable housing, and how to fully benefit from the funding opportunities of the National Housing Strategy, including the soon-to-be-launched Getting Started round of the Housing Supply Challenge.

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The Community Conserve is happy to share the newly renovated platform! The new platform has ramped up its library resources by 200%. Community Conserve is where Alberta municipalities can access well-researched environment and conservation information, share ideas, and even pool resources.

Health Canada's National Radon Program is launching a consultation on its draft Radon Action Guide for Provinces-Territories and Municipalities. Stakeholder participation and feedback will ensure that the Guide is a resource that will be effectively used by jurisdictional authorities to develop policies and take action to reduce radon in their communities. The feedback will be open until June 30, 2021.



Register for the Regional Partnerships and Collaboration course

One week left! Register today for EOEP's Regional Partnerships and Collaboration course. The course runs from 5 to 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday May 5, 12, and 19. Visit eoep.ca to learn more and register.



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The Town of Bow Island installed a REALice system at the Servus Community Arena. They also included a tankless hot water heater and new door sweeps in their retrofit project. Here's what Mayor Gordon Reynolds, Town of Bow Island, says about installing an energy-saving de-aerating system for ice rinks: *"The REALice water treatment system for ice arenas eliminates the need for hot water when building and resurfacing ice. We were pleased with the installation of our ice using our REALice system and look forward to the energy efficiency savings in years to come. Having better sweeps & seals on the barn doors will also help in the long run."*

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Changes to Occupational Health and Safety and Workers Compensation



Update from the Legislature - May 5

This week's update covers the new COVID restrictions, a look at the rent supplement program, and the suspension of the spring sitting.

Catch up on the Spring 2020 Legislation Status, and read the full update [here](#).



ADVOCACY UPDATES



On second thought – tips for seconding resolutions

AUMA's Resolution Policy requires municipalities to find a supporting municipality to either second or co-sponsor a resolution before it can be submitted (by the June 30 deadline) for consideration at AUMA's Convention in November.

Check out these tips for seconding resolutions.

CASUAL LEGAL: Changes to Occupational Health and Safety and Workers Compensation, Again

On December 9, 2020, the Provincial government passed the Ensuring Safety and Cutting Red Tape Act, 2020, which contained various and substantial changes to, among other things, the Occupational Health and Safety Act and the Workers Compensation Act

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Rural Health Professions Action Plan (RhPAP) is hosting an information session for rural communities (with populations under 15,000), entitled "Coffee with Dr. Verna Yiu", on May 19, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. During the session, Dr. Verna Yiu (President and CEO of Alberta Health Services) and her team will share AHS' 10-year vision and key priorities for health care in rural Alberta. For more information and to register click [here](#).

The Alberta Rabies Program is hosting a webinar on May 26, 2021, from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. The webinar will provide helpful information for bylaw enforcement officers in animal control and those whose jobs expose them to the risk of animal bites. The session will feature Dr. Hussein Keshwani, the provincial public health veterinarian, and Registered Veterinary Technicians, Ashley Stockton-Rice and Korina Smith, from Alberta Agriculture and Forestry. Please register via [WebEx](#).

Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC) is updating the National Waste Characterization Study in order to develop information on the current composition of waste collected & sent to landfills. ECCC is kindly asking municipalities that have recently conducted a waste characterization study to share their data. Please contact ec.ges-dechets-ghq-waste.ec@canada.ca for more information.



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Doubling of the Gas Tax Fund to benefit all municipalities

AUMA is pleased with the Government of Canada's decision to double the Gas Tax Fund (GTF) this year as a one-time increase in municipal infrastructure funding. This represents an additional \$2.2 billion for municipalities across Canada and \$244 million for Alberta municipalities.

Learn more about how the fund will be allocated and AUMA's advocacy work on the GTF.

ADVOCACY UPDATES



ARMA's ePilot and HHW update

The Alberta Recycling Management Authority is hosting a webinar covering everything from ePilot to household hazardous waste (HHW) on Wednesday, May 19 at 10 a.m.

Get the latest updates and data on the ARMA Expanded Electronics Recycling Pilot, including changes to the HHW grant provided by the Alberta government.

Announcing the return of our Mental Fitness webinars

We are happy to announce that season two of our free Maintaining Mental Fitness webinars will run biweekly on Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m.

Each 30-minute webinar includes a 15-minute mental fitness concept or skill, followed by an interactive Q&A session for questions about mental fitness.



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Update from the Legislature - May 12

- Additional COVID restrictions
- Legislature remains adjourned
- Spring Legislation Status

Read the full update [here](#).

Bill 53 Update - Service Alberta Statutes (Virtual Meetings) Amendment Act

When the COVID-19 pandemic prevented Boards and governing entities from meeting in person, many organizations began to voice their need to hold meetings virtually but found their bylaws did not always allow it. Bill 53 provides thousands of organizations with more flexibility for meeting and voting online.

CASUAL LEGAL: Municipal Tax Assessments and Environmentally Contaminated Property

A recent Alberta Court of Appeal case considered a tax assessment of industrial property that failed to take into account the environmental contamination of the property.

GOOD TO KNOW

After a one-year hiatus, FCM is offering its 2021 Annual Conference and Trade Show from **May 31-June 4** as a COVID-safe, virtual event.

With exceptional workshops, amazing keynote speakers like Super Bowl champion Laurent Duvernay-Tardif, great networking opportunities and no travel fees, *this* is the year you don't want to miss. Together, attendees will celebrate the deep resilience of frontline local leaders. They'll also consider what municipalities across the country need to keep moving forward—and how we can all work together to make it happen.

Register before May 14 to get the early bird rate.

The Canadian Brownfields Network is hosting the annual Cross-Country Check-up with stakeholders and regulators from across Canada. This session will provide an overview of the changes from the regulators and updates from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities on the Green Municipal Fund's Brownfield Roadmaps and other tools. The session will run on Thursday, May 20, from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Please register [here](#).

Alberta Culture, Multiculturalism & Status of Women is seeking your nominations! The Stars of Alberta Volunteer Awards recognize extraordinary Albertans whose volunteer efforts have contributed to the well being of their community and fellow community members. Discover all the [details and nominate](#) your community's special volunteers.



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As battery technology continues to improve, electric vehicles are allowing commuters to travel further, reduce maintenance costs, and lower their impact on the environment. [In 2019, we busted myths and misconceptions about electric vehicles in Alberta.](#) [Today, we are readdressing these concerns to finally put them to rest.](#)

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Hello Villages West Mayors, Councillors, and CAOs,

I hope that everyone is doing well and staying healthy and safe. Like most, I have been keeping very busy doing regular council and AUMA work while supporting my community as we navigate the unusual times that we are in. I would like to update you on some of the work that we are doing to advocate for Alberta's municipalities.

Local Government Fiscal Framework (LGFF)

As you are aware, AUMA has consistently advocated for a predictable, sustainable funding model that is enshrined in legislation. Owing to this, we were disappointed that the GoA reduced MSI funding to municipalities over three years and postponed the implementation of the LGFF. Based on a Request for Decision (RFD) submitted by the Village of Forestburg at our MLC, the AUMA will be advocating for an increase to the base LGFF funding amount, the removal of the 50% growth restriction, as well as to have LGFF implemented in the 2023/2024 fiscal year.

Bill 52 - Recall Act

The province has passed the Recall Act, Bill 52, which includes recall for Municipal Elected Officials. AUMA was not consulted before the bill was tabled in the legislature. To successfully recall a mayor or councillor, a valid petition signed by eligible voters in a number that is equal to at least 40% of the municipalities population must be submitted to the CAO. If the CAO deems the petition valid, the councillor/mayor is automatically removed, without a vote.

While the thresholds for recall are too high for them to be reasonably met in many municipalities, that is not true for small communities, where in some cases fewer than 50 signatures will be needed to remove a councillor from office. The process becomes even more convoluted and confusing for Summer Villages. With so few signatures needed, I feel that this legislation has the potential to cause governance and viability issues for small communities. AUMA is advocating that the recall threshold be set at 60% for small communities, instead of 40%. We also have concerns with the CAOs role in the process. Given that the CAO is the only employee of council, we feel that having them validate a petition that would remove a sitting councillor from office is a conflict of interest. Compounding this is the fact that a CAO, if they lived in the community, could actually initiate and then validate their own petition. We are recommending that any petitions be validated by a neutral third party. We are also concerned about the financial burden that this could place on municipalities.

Future of Municipal Government Project

Work is moving along nicely on our Future of Municipal Government project. In case you are not aware, the project is meant to ensure that municipalities remain in the drivers seat when it comes to any future changes to municipal government. What we do not want to see is top down solutions being imposed on Alberta's Municipalities, as we have seen in other jurisdictions. We have partnered with the University of Calgary's School of Public Policy to complete the project which will explore and assess options for government structures that will enable municipalities to build thriving communities into the future. We have chosen to partner with the School of Public Policy to keep the board from influencing the project and to ensure an unbiased approach. The project includes 2 phases of deliverables;

1. The initial deliverables are research papers on various aspects of municipal government and will be led by the School of Public Policy (SPP).
2. The results of these papers will inform the ultimate deliverable, which is a principle-based recommendations paper outlining options that will work in the Alberta context. While the School of

Public policy will play a supporting role in the final recommendations paper, AUMA and our members will lead the formulations of the recommendations.

Federal Gas Tax

I am happy that the federal government will be doubling the Gas Tax that Municipalities receive this year. Much like the last time this happened, AUMA wants to make sure that villages like ours also see a true doubling of the grant and has advocated for the increase to include a doubling of the base amount. To my understanding this will be happening.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW)

With the impending closure of the Swan Hills Facility, changes have been made by Infrastructure Alberta to the HHW funding structure. Unfortunately, the changes will see costs downloaded onto municipalities and waste commissions. AUMA is working on figuring out the extent of changes and how they will impact municipalities. If you are impacted by this change, please reach out to me and we can chat about the impact that it will have for you so that I can get a better understanding on how we might advocate on this.

Economic Resiliency and Recovery Task Force

This task force has completed its' mandate and submitted its' final report which has been accepted by the Board. The report includes some fantastic recommendations that the board will work on implementing, including the formation of a new standing committee focusing on municipalities and economic development. The full report can be viewed [HERE](#).

Upcoming Events

- May 19 @ 9am; RhPAP is hosting Coffee with Verna Yui, President and CEO of AHS. Register at <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/coffee-with-dr-verna-yiu-registration-148049617391>

There is so much more that I could include in here, but I will leave that for another day. As always please let give me a call, text, or email, if you want to talk more about the work that I, or the AUMA, am doing, or if you just want to chat about what is happening in your community. I truly enjoy hearing from you.

Sincerely,

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AMSC (Alberta Municipal Services Corporation)
Alberta Interim Police Advisory Board
Rural Sustainability Primary Care Task Force
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PRESS RELEASE

MAY 3, 2021

COMMUNITY FUTURES YELLOWHEAD EAST (CFYE) REGIONAL BUSINESS RESILIENCY & DIVERSIFICATION PARTNERSHIP INITIATIVE FUND NOW ACCEPTING MUNICIPAL MATCHING GRANT PROPOSALS

Community Futures Yellowhead East understands the impacts that the COVID-19 pandemic has had on small business within the CFYE region, as well as the demand currently being placed on municipalities to provide financial and in-kind supports to their local Small Medium Enterprises (SMEs) / Non-Profit organizations.

In recognition of these impacts and demands, CFYE has developed a Regional Business Resilience & Diversification Partnership Initiative Fund, that municipalities can apply to partner with CFYE, in providing supports to SMEs / Non-Profit organizations within the CFYE region.

“This past year has been a time of struggle and uncertainty as we continue to face a world-wide pandemic compounded with an uncertain economic outlook caused by the oil and gas industry crisis.” Stated CFYE Board Chair Carol Webster. “As businesses struggle to keep their doors open and staff employed, CFYE is being sought more and more for assistance. Stemming from requests from businesses and Chambers of Commerce in the region to assist municipalities in support of their local business community, CFYE developed the partnership fund with municipalities and Chambers of Commerce in mind.”

The matching grant project was developed as a recommendation resulting from the recently completed Rural Opportunities COVID-19 Business Impact Analysis, which engaged a wide sector of businesses across the region, in order to determine pandemic-specific economic impacts, and how best we can continue to support our SMEs to overcome the near-term challenges, as well as plan for longer-term solutions to keep our region’s small businesses and non-profit organizations economically viable.

CFYE is currently accepting matching grant proposals from municipalities within the region, who will have access on a first-come-first-serve basis, to the CFYE matching partnership grant pool of \$70,000. “The CFYE Board of Directors approved the initial funding of \$70,000 to start the initiative and approved an additional \$50,000 in funds should the program see enough uptake.” Webster said. “Municipalities, Chambers of Commerce, BSN’s and any business service provider within the CFYE region are encouraged to develop partnership initiatives to assist their local businesses as they try to navigate the reopening of the region’s economy.”

Potential partners could include landlords who are willing to provide temporary rental discounts; real estate agents who can assist with new building locations or rental

agreements; media offering advertising deals, accountants/lawyers who can assist SMEs with legal or account needs at reduced rates.

Businesses can apply for assistance in a number of areas including, but not limited to the development of patio spaces or social distancing protocols, funds for new revenue streams, and e-commerce platforms. Non-profit organizations may also qualify for assistance with rent, equipment upgrades or staffing.

Program information now available on our website at:
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Project Partnership Approval Process and Methodology

The purpose of the CFYE Regional Business Resiliency & Diversification Partnership Initiative Fund is to support municipalities in their individual project efforts, that center on developing and implementing local solutions for SMEs / Non-Profits who have remained resilient throughout the COVID-19 pandemic and are looking to maintain or diversify their businesses in an effort to remain sustainable and competitive within the CFYE region.

The Partnership Initiative Fund will support municipal business retention and diversification strategies in our rural communities and assist those SMEs / Non-Profits who have managed to implement strategies or solutions to remain viable throughout the pandemic and are now looking for additional supports to either expand their operations or to implement additional diversification solutions that will allow SMEs / Non-Profits to continue providing the goods and services required to sustain the local economy.

The goal of the Partnership Initiative Fund is to partner with CFYE regional municipalities in developing and implementing innovative strategies and solutions that will assist local SMEs / Non-Profits who have not only faced the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic, but who have managed to survive this diversity and are now looking to their municipalities for additional supports to help them remain resilient, as well as to assist in the economic diversification efforts of the CFYE Region.

Municipal Partnership Funding Parameters & Criteria:

- Each Municipal Partnership project proposal: Municipalities submitting proposals for the matching grant fund must include a CFYE staff member as a committee partner in the implementation of projects that will provide supports to local SMEs / Non-Profit organizations.
- Municipal proposals are required to provide matching dollar-for-dollar and in-kind funding supports and could apply for up to \$70,000 to be used toward approved

municipal partnership projects. Matching ratios must meet 75% in cash contributions and the remaining 25% matching may be provided through in-kind supports.

- Proposals will be considered on a first-come-first-served basis and will be accepted while funds remain available from the CFYE project pool of \$70,000.
- The inclusion of other community stakeholders as project partners in the development, implementation and awareness of approved funding partnership projects is not mandatory but may be given higher consideration during the evaluation process.
- Must include a CFYE staff member, as a committee partner, in developing criteria around which SME / Non-Profit organizations may be eligible to apply to the individual Municipal Partnership Project Fund Initiative and utilize the funds being applied for from the partnership project.
- Must include a CFYE staff member, as a committee partner, in developing an application scoring matrix template which SME / Non-Profit organization grant applications will be rated against and include CFYE staff member in the approval process of those applicants.
- Must Include CFYE staff committee partner in developing outcomes, measurables, and reporting criteria of the project.
- Provide CFYE partner with budget accounting and final reporting of the project.

Municipal Project Activity Criteria:

- Must center on providing supports around building resilient and diversified SMEs / Non-Profit organizations in the CFYE region.
- Support business retention, diversification or expansion within the CFYE region.
- Assist in mitigating the economic impact of sustaining and transitioning business models.
- Engage and leverage support of other community or service delivery partners in business resiliency and diversification efforts.
- Include, but not limited to, ie: payment options for annual business permit fees, business tax payment options and incentives, reduced permitting fees, funds to cover increased costs to ensure PPE measures meet restrictions, new tools or equipment that allows a business to expand or diversify from their regular revenue streams, other diversification efforts of a business to remain sustainable and competitive, or membership fees to local business support organizations.

Ineligible Project Activity Expenses:

- As a means to replace existing funding and resource supports already or previously provided by the municipality to their local SMEs / Non-Profits.
- Duplication of services currently being provided by other community partners.

Municipal Project Proposals:

- All municipal proposals that meet the above criteria, as developed by the CFYE Board, will be considered and approved on a case-by-cases-basis through CFYE Executive Director and staff.
- Approval of all grant proposals are at the discretion of Community Futures Yellowhead East management and may be refused for any reason.
- Additional conditions may be imposed if deemed necessary and appropriate with the granting of funds.

SME / Non Profit Organization Support & Application Requirements:

- As per Terms and Conditions of the Community Futures Program, Small Medium Enterprises (SMEs) are defined as having less than 500 employees and annual sales revenue of less than \$20 million, and produce goods and services for the market economy, regardless of their business structure (e.g. sole proprietorships, social enterprises, cooperatives, etc.)
- Non-profit organizations are associations, clubs, or societies that are not charities and are organized and operated exclusively for social welfare, civic improvement, pleasure, recreation, or any other purpose except profit.
- SMEs / Non Profits must attest they have not received duplicative supports through other municipal, federal or provincial government COVID-19 support programming such as the Canada Emergency Business Account, Wage / Rent Subsidy program, Small Medium Enterprise Relaunch Grant, RRRF loans through CFYE.
- The projects must support SMEs / Non-Profit efforts of businesses that have been proven viable and not experiencing any liquidity or other financial difficulties prior to March 1, 2020.
- The SMEs / Non-Profit must be able to demonstrate resiliency and diversification efforts since March 1, 2020.
- SMEs / Non-Profits must have experienced a material adverse effect on business operations after March 1, 2020, as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic
- Be a sole proprietorship, partnership, corporation, social enterprise or non-profit organization within the CFYE business region.
- Be used for the sole purpose of implementing business sustainability practices, and or diversification tactics that provide products and services vital to the economic diversification of the local municipalities within the CFYE region.
- Must be a SME / Non-Profit organization in good standing with the municipality, provincial and federal government agencies.

- New SMEs / Non-Profits established since March 1, 2020 that have experienced unexpected expenses or revenue losses due to COVID-19 not covered through other funding sources may be eligible to apply based on the criteria outlined in the program.

SME / Non-profit Organizations Ineligible Expenditures:

- Costs that are deemed unreasonable and/or not directly related to business resilience or diversification will be ineligible for funding. These include, but may not be limited to:
 - Cost incurred before project approval will not be eligible
 - Losses on investments, bad debts and associated expenses, other projects and contracts
 - Refinancing of existing debts
 - Provisions for contingencies or commissions paid to consultants to secure funding
 - Lobbying activities
 - Donations, dues and irrelevant membership fees
 - Entertainment expenses
 - Duplication of funds received through other programs.

For more information on the CFYE Regional Business Resilience and Diversification Initiative Partnership Project or to apply, please email mjones@albertacf.com or by calling the CFYE office at 780-706-3500 or 780-778-0977.

CFYE Project Performance Indicators**Reporting Outcomes/Measurements to be utilized :**

Performance Indicator	Target
Number of Municipalities Partnered	
Number of Businesses Applying for Assistance	
Number of Businesses, maintained/expanded	
Number of Businesses assisted: Women	
Number of Business Assisted Youth	
Number of Business Assisted Indigenous	
Number of Jobs, created, maintained due to project assistance	
Number of Jobs created/maintained Women	
Number of Jobs created/maintained Youth	
Number of Jobs created/maintained Indigenous	
Value & Type of community-based project	
# Partners engaged in Project	
\$ Leveraged from other sources	

Municipal Project Example:

In addition to providing a program that offers a funding pool from which SME's/Non-Profits can apply to, for individual approved resilience and diversification needs, municipalities have an opportunity to provide and promote many additional supports already being offered such as:

Temporarily Reduced or waived annual business fees:

- Business Taxes,
- Business Licensing or permitting
- Options to pay fees on a quarterly or semi annual basis
- No Interest or penalty's on late payments received within a certain time period
- Temporary hold on any new business fees schedule to occur within the next.....

Other Services:

- Assistance through Planning & Development to walk businesses through any new expansion or change to location plans, that require new permits or planning changes.
- Temporary waive of permitting application and licensing fees to a max or some other arrangement to pay or reduce the costs involved.

Possible Project Partners

- **Chamber(s) of Commerce** – to help with marketing and promotion, possible discount new member fees, networking, and information sharing.
- **BSN(s)** – to help promote new businesses, as well as provide networking and business support.
- **Landlords** – willing to provide temporary rental discounts, reduced damage deposits, options for limited rent on longer term rental contracts.
- **Real Estate Agents**- assistance with new building locates, rental agreements,
- **Local Media** – To help promote the program, businesses, advertising deals.
- **Community Futures** – to assist with business planning, coaching, training and financing.
- **Banking Institutions:** to provide financial assistance to business owners looking to re-finance, expand or sell their business.
- **Accountants/Lawyers:** - to assist SME;s with their legal and or accounting needs, by providing reduced rates to assist SME;s complete their year end financials or lawyer assistance in changing businesses statuses or other legal requirements at reduced or free services.

SME's/Non-Profits may need the following financial or in-kind supports:

- Additional funds required to provide safety measures for customers, or temporarily expand operating spaces, such as restaurant patios etc.
- Options for annual or regular municipal fees to business
- Temporary Waiver or reduction of permits/fees

- Financial Assistance in completing year end taxes
- Short term Reduced or waived rental fees or damage deposits .
- Funds to be used for marketing and advertising of new products, services, hours etc.
- Funds to be put towards increased costs for shipping, and transportation.
- Funds to be put towards, new equipment or revenue streams that will boost the overall health of the business.
- Costs involved with moving to e-commerce, etc.

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Attachments: Whitecourt PR - Economic Recovery Grant Program Apr.30.21 (2).pdf

Attached please find the press release from the Town of Whitecourt on the proposal that we accepted and were able to partner on as an example of what other municipalities have developed for the partnership initiative grant.

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PRESS RELEASE

APRIL 30, 2021

WHITECOURT'S ECONOMIC RECOVERY GRANT PROGRAM NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

Whitecourt has launched the Economic Recovery Grant Program that will help local businesses respond to the challenges of COVID-19 and provide flexible funding to strengthen business models.

"Some of the most severely impacted sectors of the economy will require enhanced service delivery and resources in order to support an inclusive economic recovery for all residents and businesses," stated Whitecourt Mayor Maryann Chichak. "Supporting businesses is a priority of Whitecourt Town Council, and the actions we take, and protocols we put in place now will have a great impact on our community's success and recovery in the future."

The program was created with the support of Community Futures Yellowhead East's Regional Business Resiliency & Diversification Partnership Initiative Fund. Community Futures Yellowhead East is a vital resource in Whitecourt and the region, and its strategic partnership in initiatives such as this grant program are what help build a resilient community.

"We are still in the midst of dealing with COVID-19 and our small business community has been hard-hit," added Economic Development Officer Rhonda Hough. "We need to be flexible and responsive to the evolving impacts businesses face. Continued engagement and collaboration to find opportunities to support businesses throughout the pandemic and recovery is more critical now than ever before."

Grant funding is currently available to Whitecourt businesses under two support streams:

- Stream One: Matching Microgrants of up to \$2,000 per business;
- Stream Two: Waived Non-Residential Permit Fees for "Permitted Uses".

"We recognize that programs may need to be redesigned or developed to respond to the pandemic, and we may need to pivot services to best support the business community," added Mayor Chichak. "This program was developed through communication and relationships we have continued to build throughout the pandemic, and as we work with local businesses through this program, we will be able to build future initiatives to meet their changing needs as we move through the COVID-19 economic recovery."

Information on the grant program is available at www.whitecourt.ca/Business/EconomicSupportandRecovery.

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Cc: Ellen Maccormac
Subject: NORTHERN ALBERTA LEMONADE DAY UPDATE

Good afternoon everyone, we wanted to update each of you, where things are at with the roll out of Lemonade Day for June 19th.

The organization is working very closely with AHS, on a special permission application, in an effort to still be able to host Lemonade Day in your community on June 19th.

What we know for certain at this time.

- There will be **NO in person training allowed**. Training will shift to having participants download the My Lemonade Day app that has been created to provide the workbook material for participants. In addition, we will set up **one virtual training sessions (first week of June)**.
- My Lemonade Day app: Can be accessed by downloading via the iOS App Store or Google Play Store and is available for iOS devices (iPhones, iPads), Android devices, and Chromebooks. Regular desktop and laptop computers cannot download this application.
- CFYE-led virtual training will require participants to be able to utilize the Zoom app via a laptop or desktop computer, or smartphone for this method of training.
- The Lemonade Day Northern Alberta organizers have confirmed that if we have not received approval, by May 31, 2021, allowing us to run Lemonade Day on June 19th, we will cancel the program at that time for June and re-assess as a group if we plan for a later date in the year or cancel altogether for the year.
- We will contact all registrants to advise of the shift in training options, as well as work with the schools once final approval is given to share the information, to encourage additional registrations.
- We will provide you with a press release informing those who had planned to participate for the in-person training of the new options, that you can please share with your staff and share on social media.

We recognize this still makes it difficult to plan but are really hoping to get the special permission that we seek to go ahead on June 19th, 2021.

Those of you have already committed to sponsoring this year's program, please hold off on forwarding those funds until we can provide a definite yes or no if we will be allowed to go ahead with the program.

Michelle Jones,
General Manager, Community Futures Yellowhead East

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PLEASE NOTE NEW EMAIL ADDRESS

From: Michelle Jones <mjones@albertacf.com>
Sent: May 13, 2021 12:53 PM
Subject: Re: Northern Alberta Lemonade Day Update - PERMISSION GRANTED TO HOST NORTHERN ALBERTA LEMONADE DAY ON SATURDAY JUNE 19TH
Attachments: Poster General 2021B 8.5x11 (1).jpg; Updated Poster .jpg

Good afternoon everyone, we are pleased to update you on the status of Lemonade Day - June 19th.

We have been given approval to allow Lemonade Day to move forward under phase 1 health restrictions. While this is fantastic news and what we wanted to hear, there will be some very strict protocols in place.

I am providing a preliminary list of requirements that will need to be met by all participants. We will forward a more detailed list along with all additional materials that municipal staff will require for event promotion, as well we will go over all of the rules and details with participants during the training session.

- 1) All lemonade MUST be prepared on site and cannot have any part of the recipe prepared ahead of time.
- 2) OUTDOOR stands only, indoor settings will not be allowed
- 3) Each station will need to be equipped with all proper PPE material, list and description will be provided. i.e., masks, hand sanitizer, commercial grade ready to use spray sanitization product.
- 4) Single use containers wherever possible.
- 5) Garbage bins
- 6) Max number of people behind the stand serving is 5 people. The MUST all be from the same household, NO joint. co-partner, community group stands allowed this year.
- 7) 6ft distancing will be mandatory, with a separate order station from drink pick up station
- 8) NO seating area, Lemonade Stands will be TAKE OUT only
- 9) Only ONE stand per location will be permitted this year on private and municipal owned property, first come first served in terms of booking a spot.
- 10) NO other edible or consumable items will be allowed. Small crafts can be sold, but NO other food or drink regardless of packaging etc.

Due to the fact that any municipality considered a current "Hotspot" or not in Phase 1 of the relaunch program, on June 19, 2021, will not be allowed to participate, CFYE will continue to monitor this closely and advise registered participants on the days leading up to training and the event.

We appreciate your support and sponsorship of Lemonade Day and are looking forward to working with you to host Northern Alberta Lemonade Day in your community.

Please feel free to reach out to me directly if you have any questions or comments in this regard. I have also attached some updated material that you can utilize to promote the program in your area. If you would like to see any additional material, please feel free to ask.

Register for the program: <https://lemonadeday.org/northern-alberta>

*CFYE is following guidance and guidelines implemented by Canada Public Health and Alberta Health. Adjustments will be made to the program as required. The safety of our kids, parents, staff and communities is our top priority.

Sincerely,

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Sponsorship
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REGISTER NOW!

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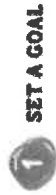
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TRAINING SESSIONS MANDATORY FOR KIDS + MENTORS / 4:30 - 6 PM
JUNE 2 - VIRTUAL ZOOM TRAINING
combined with 'MY LEMONADE DAY' APP WORKBOOK

Presented by **Community Futures Yellowhead East**



FOUR STEPS TO SUCCESS!



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MAKE A PLAN



WORK THE PLAN



ACHIEVE YOUR DREAM

BUILDING THE

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SUCCESS

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**Re: DARWELL REGIONAL WASTEWATER COMMITTEE
REGIONAL WASTEWATER TRANSMISSION LINE CONCEPTUAL DESIGN**

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE REGIONAL WASTEWATER COMMITTEE:

The collection and treatment of wastewater in the Lake Isle, Lac Ste. Anne, and Sandy Lake area became the focus of Regional Wastewater Commissions, Town, Villages, Hamlets, Summer Villages, and First Nations, to decrease the nutrient loading and improve the water quality of the lakes. Under the guidance of the Darwell Regional Wastewater Committee, funding was obtained from Alberta Transportation to proceed with the evaluation of the feasibility of the construction of a wastewater transmission system to service the area. The area included the northwestern portion of Parkland County, the south portion of Lac Ste. Anne County, and the west area of Sturgeon County as well as various Towns, Villages, Summer Villages, and First Nation communities in or adjacent to the area.

The Darwell Lagoon Commission, on behalf of the Regional Wastewater Committee, is please to forward to you the "Darwell Regional Wastewater Committee – Regional Wastewater Transmission Line Conceptual Design" report for your review and information. This Conceptual Design Report presents findings with respect to existing infrastructure in the service areas and their corresponding wastewater generation rates, various strategies for future serving, and technical design criteria for the implementation of detailed design. It also presents opinions of probable costs for the various strategies proposed.

The main finding of the Report is that the cost of constructing stand alone facilities, borne primarily by connected communities, is cost prohibitive leading to the implementation of a regional transmission system being necessary to make future wastewater treatment affordable and operationally feasible. It is recognized that the overall wastewater transmission system must be built in phases starting with immediate areas of concern, scheduling the next phases as existing lagoon systems need upgrading , and continually reviewing the ultimate wastewater treatment method (which will not be required for a number of years). However, this Conceptual Design Report provides municipalities in the area with a direction that will meet the future needs of the area. It is anticipated that the members of the Committee will utilize the information in this Report to proceed on Projects that are components of the overall regional wastewater transmission system. The phasing of the preferred wastewater transmission system (at this time) is shown in Table 15.3: Option 1A: Connection to PLGS at of near Stony Plain via the Isle Lake Extension. Actual funding applications for the various phases will be the responsible of the municipalities involved in each specific phase when it is required.

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**Darwell Regional Wastewater
Committee**

**Regional Wastewater Transmission Line
Conceptual Design**

January 28, 2021

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Alberta Beach Village Office

From: kathryn@endalbertalockdown.com
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Subject: End Alberta Lockdown
Attachments: PCR Brochure March 2021.pdf

Dear Mr. Benedict,

I am a member of End Alberta Lockdown. We are emailing and contacting all mayors and councillors across Alberta as concerned citizens, who feel there is a tremendous number of negative effects related to lockdowns that are touching many in our province. I know that as an elected representative you are as concerned with the wellbeing of Albertans as we are.

Knowledge is power. Wisdom is applying that knowledge to our lives.

We know that you are well informed on the statistics^[1] of Covid, and here are some pertinent facts:

- Over 99.96% survival rate in Alberta
- More than 64% of deceased were aged 80+
- Average age of death with a positive COVID PCR test is 82
- Average life expectancy overall is 81.6 years
- No increase in overall mortality from *all causes* in 2020 compared to previous years

Should we be questioning the integrity of these lockdowns?

I trust that you are also aware of the harmful measures of lockdowns and what it has caused our communities, such as unprecedented levels of unemployment, personal bankruptcy, opioid abuse, domestic violence, suicide and isolation. The mental anguish, especially among children, is heart wrenching.

So, we at End Alberta Lockdown are asking what thoughtful and creative actions can politicians take, rather than watch our economy and communities crumble under these scientific unjustifiable lockdown measures?

Currently, we are seeking advice on how we can help those affected across the province. I have attached the link to our website as well as a copy of our brochure concerning PCR tests. Even if you agree with the lockdown, please peruse this brochure. Our website also offers a plethora of information.

We would like to schedule a meeting in person or over the phone, to have a short discussion on this matter, so that together we can help make a difference!

We look forward to your input.

Is this all we have to offer? One Lockdown after another? Alberta can be leaders with intelligent solutions leading across our great nation!



End Alberta Lockdown.com

Warm regards,
Kathryn
Business Communication
www.endalbertalockdown.com

Advocating for responsible and effective Covid measures that will protect the lives and livelihoods of all Albertans

“It doesn’t tell you that you are sick. These tests cannot detect free, infectious viruses at all.”



Kary Mullis
Inventor the PCR test and Nobel Prize Winner

Until very recently...

a ‘case’ of any virus, including the various strains of colds and influenza, *always* referred to someone who was sick. PCR testing was only used to confirm if a viral pathogen was present in serious cases of hospitalized or critical care patients where knowing this information would affect treatment.

That all changed in March, 2020, when the World Health Organization (WHO) specified a protocol for diagnosing Covid in the asymptomatic population. Almost all medical institutions and laboratories around the world, including Alberta’s Provlab, adopted the protocol without question.

The ‘standard protocol’ results in at least a 90% false positive rate.

What Is the PCR Test?



Labs use the “reverse-transcription polymerase chain reaction” to amplify a very tiny amount of genetic material (RNA* fragments cultured from an oral or nasal swab) until it can be “seen”. If the first swabbed sample contained a single strand of Covid RNA, after one cycle there would be 2 strands, then 4, then 8, 16, 32, 64 and so on. Each cycle doubles the amount of existing material. After 10 cycles, the sample is a thousand times larger, after 20 cycles, a million times larger, and after 30 cycles, over a billion times larger. If pushed even further to 40 cycles, a single fragment of RNA has been copied over a trillion times. For perspective, if after 30 cycles all the RNA fragments in the sample occupied a space the size of the head of a pin, after 40 cycles that pin head would now be the size of a dining room table!

***RNA (ribonucleic acid) is a complex molecular chain that functions in cellular protein synthesis and replaces DNA as a carrier of genetic codes in some viruses.**

The total number of cycles is called the Ct, or ‘cycle threshold’. After the cycling is complete, the resulting much larger sample is tested for reaction to an enzyme. If it reacts (meaning there are traces of RNA consistent with SARS-CoV2) this is recorded as a ‘positive’ result. Anyone who receives a positive result, but is not contagious, is a “false positive”.

“90% of the PCR tests which they assessed with scientific experts were below the threshold of being infectious...we’re following the standard protocols in terms of PCR!”

Premiere Jason Kenney
December 2020

What Can You Do About It?

- ✓ **Unless your employer or doctor insists, do not take the test.** Every false positive result has a consequence that goes far beyond that person, close contacts will now be required to be tested as well, and this leads to a ‘domino effect’ with many more being tested, and many more testing false positives that will negatively impact the lives and livelihoods of your fellow Albertans.
- ✓ **Use common sense.** If you are sick, stay at home, and favor the vindictive and greedy. If you are not sick, ditch your fears, you normally won’t.



If you are opposed to the lockdowns you can join over 10,000 other Albertans and sign the petition at EndAlbertalockdown.com



EndAlbertalockdown.com
Advocating for responsible and effective Covid measures that will protect the lives and livelihoods of all Albertans.

Find more facts and links to our sources on our website



SCAN ME

What if I test positive?

Understanding the PCR test...

A positive result does not mean you’re going to get sick, nor does it mean you are likely to infect someone else. This brochure will explain why this is.



If I Test Positive Does That Mean I've Had the Virus and Am Now Immune?



Not at all. In order to be infected with a virus, that is, to actually get sick and therefore develop an immunity you have to get enough of the virus in your body for the strands to invade your cell nuclei and begin making copies of themselves. Small amounts of virus can enter your body without this happening, as the strands break down before they can enter a cell nucleus. The PCR test, when used incorrectly as it is here in Alberta, will still detect the leftover genetic material from the SARS-CoV2 virus, even though you didn't get enough of it to get sick and then become immune. This is called 'viral load'.

Understanding Viral Load



You can think of viral load as a little like adding salt to a bowl of soup. A few grains won't affect the taste. In the same way coming in contact with a few strands of viral RNAs is highly unlikely to cause infection.

You need to add hundreds of grains of salt to the soup before it changes the flavor. Similarly, you need to get far more than a few strands of viral RNA in your body before it overcomes your immune system and makes you sick. But running the PCR test to 41 cycles means that even a minute amount of viral RNA will be detected, and this is why Kary Mullis says 'it doesn't tell you that you are sick or contagious. The test, as it is being used, is simply far too sensitive.'

To learn more about this and other Covid facts, visit our website at: EndAlbertaLockdown.com

What Should the Cycle Threshold Be?



Many experts have warned that a Ct of 35 or higher is almost guaranteed to produce a false positive result, and *recommended 30 or fewer cycles*. The Centers for Disease Control's own calculations suggest that *only Ct above 33 is likely to produce a false positive*. A recent landmark decision by a Portuguese court, citing a study conducted by leading European and world specialists, ruled the PCR test unfit for the purpose of determining contagiousness; the study showed that "the probability of... *receiving a false positive is 97% or higher*". Even America's top disease specialists, Dr. Anthony Fauci himself is on record, stating, "If you get a cycle threshold of 35 or more, the chances of it being replication competent are minuscule" and warns that anything higher is just copying "dead nucleotides".

Yet, the FDA has approved 40 cycles, and in Canada, labs are using Ct values of 35 or higher. In Alberta, testing centers do not make the cycle threshold information available, but according to a statement made by Jason Kenney in December 2020, *testing centers in Alberta are running to 41 cycles!* This guarantees a very high rate of false positives, likely well above 90%.

Ct recommended by epidemiologists: Harvard, Stanford, CDC, etc.

25

33

measurement of false Ct

41

Alberta Ct

Lawsuits Against Governments for Fraudulent PCR Use



In November 2020, a research study of almost 10 million people in China was published, which found zero evidence of asymptomatic transmission of the virus. This ground-breaking news should have stopped mass asymptomatic PCR testing immediately, but was ignored by governments, media and medical advisory bodies.

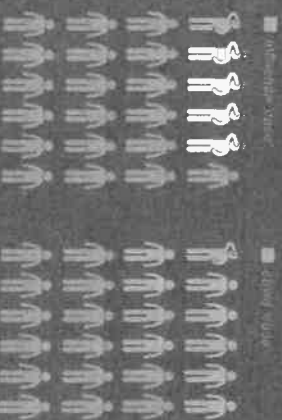
In late November 2020, a panel of top scientists reviewed the PCR test protocol and declared it fatally flawed, and there are now several national and international class action lawsuits against government officials and advisory principals, including the WHO's director, for promoting fraudulent PCR testing. Still, the mainstream and social media cling to the PCR test as "the gold standard", while heavily censoring scientific and legal dispute, their "fact checkers" labelling any dissenting opinion as "misinformation" or "fake news". We need to be asking who gains from this obvious fearmongering.

"The intended use of the PCR was, and still is, to apply it as a manufacturing technique... and not as a diagnostic tool to detect viruses."

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Inventor of the PCR test and Nobel Prize Winner

Flu vs. Covid 'Cases'



Only a handful of symptomatic people are tested. Many are sick and not tested and thus not recorded as a case.

Large numbers of healthy, asymptomatic people are tested and recorded as cases, but only a very few are actually sick or contagious.

The WHO even released a guidance memo mid-December 2020, warning that high cycle thresholds for PCR tests will result in false positives. Unfortunately, laboratories and chief medical officers continue to turn a blind eye to the facts and the revised WHO guidance.

There are now alleged variants of COVID-19 for which there is no reliable scientific evidence of their existence (Covid-21 and B117), yet there is a PCR test that can purportedly detect them! Albertans have a right to know what the labs are doing and how all variants are being diagnosed.

For reasons that have never been explained by our government or chief medical officer, a 'case' continues to be defined as anyone who tests positive with the PCR test, whether symptomatic or not. When you hear the media or the government reporting 'record case numbers', remember that these are mostly false positives - people who are neither sick nor contagious.

From: Arlene Wright <Arlene.Wright@gov.ab.ca>
Sent: May 3, 2021 2:07 PM
Cc: Karen Wronko; Joyce Mellott; Karen Johnston
Subject: FCSS Regulation Review Q & A Document
Attachments: OC FCSS Regulation.pdf; FCSS Regulation_QA.docx; Email to FCSS Programs re Reg Changes.docx

Sent on behalf of Karen Wronko:

Good Afternoon:

As you know, in fall 2020 Community and Social Services launched a review of the Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) program. The review began with stakeholder engagement focusing on four themes:

- FCSS Mandate;
- Funding Prioritization;
- Enhanced Collaboration and Coordination; and
- Accountability and oversight.

Through the review process, FCSS stakeholders were invited to provide input to the review through an online survey. One of the messages CSS heard from stakeholders through the survey and other communication was the need for flexibility in responding to emerging and changing social needs during extenuating circumstances such as those faced by Albertans during the pandemic.

The review has concluded and will result in the development of a framework to strengthen the FCSS program. The framework, which will be developed in consultation with stakeholders and implemented later this year, will have a stronger focus on prevention and enhanced accountability measures. Throughout the development of the framework, FCSS programs will continue to have avenues for input related to the administration of FCSS funding.

The review also presented the opportunity to make changes to the FCSS Regulation, which was set to expire next year. Regulation amendments were proposed to allow for the provision of direct assistance in the case of a public health emergency under the *Public Health Act* or extenuating circumstances as determined by the Minister, align FCSS audit requirements for review engagements with ministry requirements, and address the expiry date and other minor housekeeping changes.

The Regulation changes will take effect on July 1, 2021 and are outlined as follows:

- Add the flexibility to provide vulnerable Albertans with direct assistance like food provision, during extraordinary times of crisis, such as pandemics or natural disasters. The current regulation does not allow intervention supports.
- Align FCSS audit requirements for review engagements with CSS requirements by changing the threshold for a review engagement report from \$100,000 to \$250,000.
- Repeal section 12 as this section refers to a previous section of the Regulation, which was repealed in 1995 and is no longer required in the current Regulation.

- Improve the consistency of the language in the Regulation around the word “services” to clarify that municipal costs of a program relate to “services provided under the program”.
- Extend the expiry date to June 30, 2032.

A copy of the amended Regulation is attached for your information. We have also included a Q & A document to help in answering any questions you may have.

Karen Wronko

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Province of Alberta
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ORDER IN COUNCIL

Approved and ordered:

Lieutenant Governor
or
Administrator

The Lieutenant Governor in Council makes the Family and Community Support Services Amendment Regulation set out in the attached Appendix.

CHAIR

FILED UNDER
THE REGULATIONS ACT
as ALBERTA REGULATION 87/2021
ON April 21 2021

REGISTRAR OF REGULATIONS

For Information only

Recommended by: Minister of Community and Social Services

Authority: Family and Community Support Services Act
(section 7)

APPENDIX

Family and Community Support Services Act FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES AMENDMENT REGULATION

1 The *Family and Community Support Services Regulation* (AR 218/94) is amended by this Regulation.

2 Section 2.1 is amended

(a) in subsection (2)(b) by striking out “offer” and substituting “subject to subsection (3), offer”;

(b) by adding the following after subsection (2):

(3) Services provided under a program may offer direct assistance including money, food, clothing or shelter to sustain an individual or family during a public health emergency under the *Public Health Act* or any extenuating circumstances such as fire or flood as the Minister may determine.

3 Section 3 is amended

(a) by repealing clause (f) and substituting the following:

(f) monitoring and evaluation of the services provided under the program in the municipality,

(b) by repealing clause (g) and substituting the following:

(g) evaluating the service delivery effectiveness of the program,

(c) by repealing clause (h) and substituting the following:

(h) advertising and promoting the services to be provided under the program in the community,

(d) by repealing clause (j) and substituting the following:

(j) operating a board or committee for the delivery of the services under the program,

(e) by repealing clause (k) and substituting the following:

(k) providing training for staff and volunteers for the delivery of services under the program,

(f) by repealing clause (m) and substituting the following:

(m) employment of staff to deliver family and community support services under the program.

4 Section 6 is amended by striking out "\$100 000" and substituting "\$250 000".

5 Section 6.1 is amended by striking out "\$100 000" and substituting "\$250 000".

6 Section 12 is repealed.

7 Section 13 is amended by striking out "June 30, 2022" and substituting "June 30, 2032".

8 This Regulation comes into force on July 1, 2021.

Q&A for the Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) Amended Regulation

Q. Why were changes made to the FCSS Regulation?

A. The FCSS Regulation was set to expire on June 30, 2022 and required review to ensure it remains current and relevant. The FCSS Review and stakeholder feedback received through the review process, provided the opportunity to address the upcoming expiry date and propose other changes to provide additional flexibility, consistency and address minor housekeeping changes.

Specifically, the changes addressed were as follows:

- extend the regulation expiry date;
- add a provision to allow for direct assistance under extenuating circumstances (e.g. food security, transportation of seniors to COVID vaccinations during pandemic, food/clothing during floods, fires, etc.);
- change the review engagement reporting requirements from \$100,000 to \$250,000 to align with Ministry standards; and
- other housekeeping amendments recommended by Legal Services to update the regulation and provide consistency.

Q. Will the changes to the Regulation affect my community's funding?

A. The changes to the Regulation will not affect your FCSS funding allocation. The existing funding model allocates funding based on the population of a municipality with a slight adjustment for median income.

Q. What is the rationale behind the change allowing the provision of direct assistance under extenuating circumstances?

A. At the beginning of the pandemic, there was a strong demand for food and other basic needs. Food security was identified as one of the most common areas for funding requests during the initial round of applications for COVID-19 emergency social services funding.

The new provision will support the need to respond quickly to emerging and changing social needs in the midst of a health emergency like the pandemic. The provision can be applied without the need for a Ministerial Order, avoiding unnecessary delays to implement and allowing for the timely provision of needed resources in times of emergency.

Q. What types of services could I use FCSS monies for in extraordinary circumstances as allowed in the Regulation?

A. Currently the FCSS Regulation does not allow for direct assistance in the form of clothes, money, food or shelter. In a health emergency or other extenuating circumstance, the Minister would determine if there was a need to use the provision and would also identify the type of direct assistance to be provided. In the current pandemic, the primary need identified has been food/food security.

This change will provide flexibility to address social needs in emergency situations.

Q. If enacted by the Minister will FCSS programs be required to provide direct assistance as identified by the special provision?

A. The new provision is intended to assist FCSS programs in providing greater flexibility to address emergent needs during times of extraordinary crisis, emergencies or other extenuating circumstances. Every community is different and needs and circumstances may differ. Individual FCSS programs will continue to make local funding decisions based on the needs and priorities identified in their respective communities.

Q. Why did we extend the Regulation date in 2021 when the expiry date was not until 2022?

A. The current FCSS Regulation expires on June 30, 2022 and requires review to extend or remove the expiry date.

During recent engagements with stakeholders for the FCSS Review, we heard the Regulation is operating as intended in allowing FCSS programs to address the needs and priorities of their communities. The FCSS Review presented the opportunity to address the expiry date along with the development of an accountability framework and avoid the need for a separate Regulation review.

Q. When will the new accountability framework be in place and how will it be communicated to stakeholders?

A. Work on the development of the new FCSS accountability framework will begin this summer with plans to be implemented later this fall. Community and Social Services will ensure FCSS stakeholders are engaged in the development of the accountability framework, have the opportunity to provide input, and are kept informed of its progress.

Q. What happens between now and the July 1, 2021 date when the Regulation changes come into force?

A. The Regulation continues to operate as it currently exists. The Regulation changes, including the new provision, take effect on July 1, 2021.

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Through the review process, FCSS stakeholders were invited to provide input to the review through an online survey. One of the messages CSS heard from stakeholders through the survey and other communication was the need for flexibility in responding to emerging and changing social needs during extenuating circumstances such as those faced by Albertans during the pandemic.

The review has concluded and will result in the development of a framework to strengthen the FCSS program. The framework, which will be developed in consultation with stakeholders and implemented later this year, will have a stronger focus on prevention and enhanced accountability measures. Throughout the development of the framework, FCSS programs will continue to have avenues for input related to the administration of FCSS funding.

The review also presented the opportunity to make changes to the FCSS Regulation, which was set to expire next year. Regulation amendments were proposed to allow for the provision of direct assistance in the case of a public health emergency under the *Public Health Act* or extenuating circumstances as determined by the Minister, align FCSS audit requirements for review engagements with ministry requirements, and address the expiry date and other minor housekeeping changes.

The Regulation changes will take effect on July 1, 2021 and are outlined as follows:

- Add the flexibility to provide vulnerable Albertans with direct assistance like food provision, during extraordinary times of crisis, such as pandemics or natural disasters. The current regulation does not allow intervention supports.
- Align FCSS audit requirements for review engagements with CSS requirements by changing the threshold for a review engagement report from \$100,000 to \$250,000.
- Repeal section 12 as this section refers to a previous section of the Regulation, which was repealed in 1995 and is no longer required in the current Regulation.
- Improve the consistency of the language in the Regulation around the word “services” to clarify that municipal costs of a program relate to “services provided under the program”.
- Extend the expiry date to June 30, 2032.

A copy of the amended Regulation is attached for your information. We have also included a Q & A document to help in answering any questions you may have.

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From: lorna porter <eastendbus@gmail.com>
Sent: May 4, 2021 1:49 PM
To: Alberta Beach
Subject: EEB-2021 Invoice
Attachments: Scan_20210504.pdf

Hello,

Please find attached the invoice for 2021 along with a letter regarding the Vehicle Replacement Fund.

Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Kind regards,

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Lorna Porter

Seniors Event Coordinator

Lac Ste. Anne East End Bus Society

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April 26, 2021

Alberta Beach
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Re: Lac Ste. East End Bus Society –Vehicle Replacement Fund

To the Mayor and Councillors of Alberta Beach;

Lac Ste. Anne East End Bus Society provides a service to our Seniors that is essential for their quality of life. Without financial assistance from your municipality, in addition to others this service could not survive. Through these uncertain times we will not be requesting the bus replacement funds for 2021.

On behalf of the Lac Ste. Anne East End Bus Society, I would like to thank you for your previous contributions. Together we have created a very important and integral component for our Senior community.

Thank you again for your continued support. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me.

Yours truly,

Lorne Olsvik, Chairman
Lac Ste. Anne East End Bus Society

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April 26, 2021

LAC STE. ANNE EAST END BUS SOCIETY

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Invoice

Date	Invoice #
2021-May-04	79

Invoice To
ALBERTA BEACH PO BOX 278 ALBERTA BEACH, AB T0E0A0

P.O. No.	Terms	Project
	Net 60	

Qty	Description	Rate	Amount
12	BUS HOUSING RENTAL FOR SUNSET POINT 2021	300.00	3,600.00
	VEHICLE REPLACEMENT FUND 2021 EXEMPT DUE TO COVID-19	0.00	0.00
	MUNICIPAL FUNDING 2021	5,400.00	5,400.00

Sales Tax Summary

Total Tax 0.00

Phone #
(780) 967-5338 80528093

Total \$9,000.00

GST/HST No.

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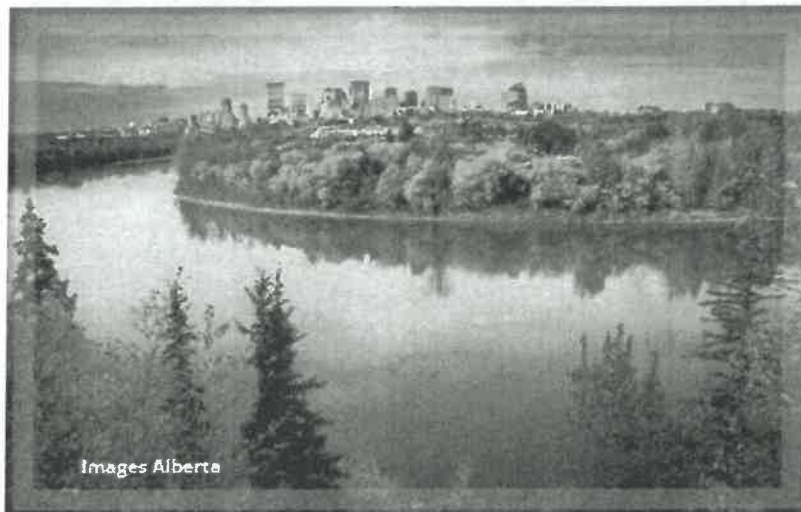
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Sent: April 22, 2021 2:59 PM
To: Jim
Subject: Watershed Webinars, Awards, Projects



IN STREAM NEWSLETTER

APRIL 2021

WATERSHED MANAGEMENT



Our theme for this month is watershed management - a multi-stakeholder approach to the management of water and land resources. What strategies and actions can be taken to ensure water quality and quantity in a watershed?

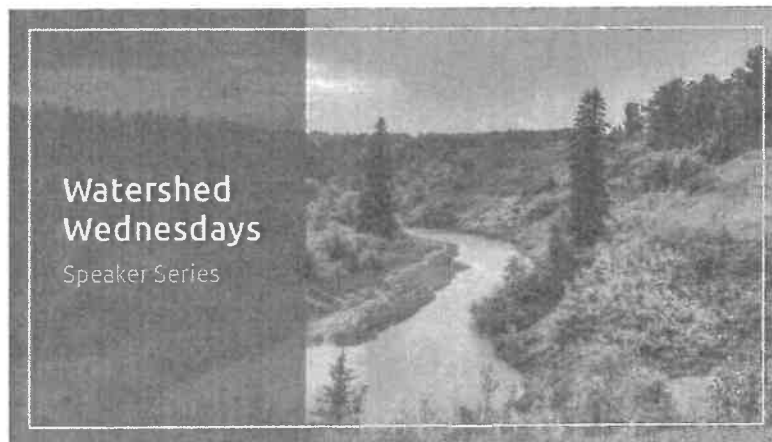
NSWA has worked on watershed management plans at different scales, including the ***Integrated Watershed Management Plan for the North Saskatchewan River***. At more local scales both the **Sturgeon** and **Vermilion** River watersheds have completed watershed management plans, as well as Wabamun and **Mayatan** Lakes.

To find watershed management plans and other reports, check out the RESOURCES section of the NSWA website.

Watershed Management Resources

LAST WATERSHED WEDNESDAY UNTIL SEPTEMBER

APRIL 28 - REGISTER NOW



The **Watershed Wednesday** webinar on April 28 (noon to 1 p.m.) will highlight:

- NSWA's **Riparian Health Action Plan**
- New innovative **Riparian WebPortal**

Mary Ellen Shain (NSWA) and Shari Clare (Fiera Biological Consulting) will give updates on these projects.

The March 24th webinar featured **lake projects** in the watershed and the February 24th presentations featured the **Sturgeon River Watershed Management Plan**. Past presentations are posted on the [NSWA website](#) and on our [YouTube](#).

The Wednesday lunchtime webinars will start up again in September - save the dates!

- September 22
- October 27
- November 24

Watch our social media and website for more information. Please register for the upcoming April 28th webinar on Eventbrite.

REGISTER NOW



NSWA AGM JUNE 23, 2021


Join us on June 23, 2021 for the online NSWA Annual General Meeting. There will be updates on the work of the NSWA, elections for Board members and presentations on our Annual Report and Financial Statements.

A registration link for the AGM will be included in our May newsletter.

If you are a member of the NSWA and would like to be considered for a Board position, check out the information on available positions and download and fill in the [Nominations to the Board application](#) by April 30th.

INFORMATION ON ALBERTA'S COAL POLICY

Answering your questions
about Alberta's Coal Policy



What is coal used for?
There are two main types of coal in Alberta

- 1 Thermal coal is used for electricity and is typically found outside of mountain areas. An example of this is the Highvale Coal Mine near Lake Wabamun.
- 2 Metallurgical coal is used to produce steel. It is mostly found in Alberta's Eastern Slopes and the Rockies.

What is the Alberta Coal Policy (1976)?

- Encouraged coal development, which considered the environment, the economy, and the labour force
- Designated areas where coal exploration and development is viable and places where it should be more limited
- Four Categories were established regarding coal leasing, exploration, and development

To read the 1976 Coal Policy Report, [click here](#).

What are the Coal Categories?

Category 1: No coal mining or development is allowed
— Federal or Provincial Parks, Wilderness Areas, Wildlife Sanctuaries, Designated Recreational Areas, etc.

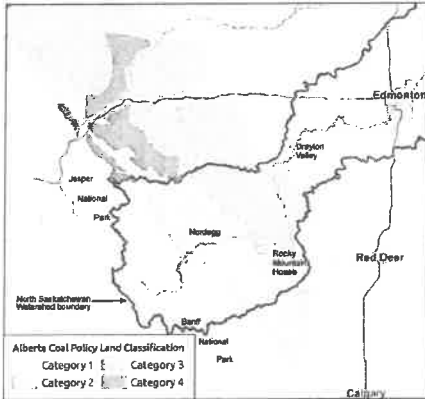
Category 2: Coal surface mining is not allowed, with exceptions
— Parts of southern Rockies and Foothills

Category 3: Coal development can be considered
— Northern forests and eastern part of Eastern Slopes

Category 4: Coal development is permitted
— Parts of land not otherwise covered

To read more on the Coal Categories, [click here](#).

1976 Coal Policy Land Classification



Map labels: Jasper National Park, North Saskatchewan Watershed Boundary, Banff, Moraga, Rocky Mountain House, Strathmore Valley, Edmonton, Red Deer, Calgary, National Park.

Alberta Coal Policy Land Classification

Category 1	Category 3
Category 2	Category 4

On February 8, 2021, the **1976 Coal Policy was re-instated by the Albert Government** to allow for public consultation on updating the policy, including the coal categories which define if and what type of coal activities are permitted in different areas of the Eastern Slopes.

Public consultation will be led by the Coal Policy Committee comprised of five members from various sectors. **The Committee** will provide a report on what they heard from Albertans in the fall of 2021.

For more information on the public consultation process or to subscribe to updates go the Government of Alberta webpage.

Information on Coal Policy



**Alberta
Emerald
Foundation**

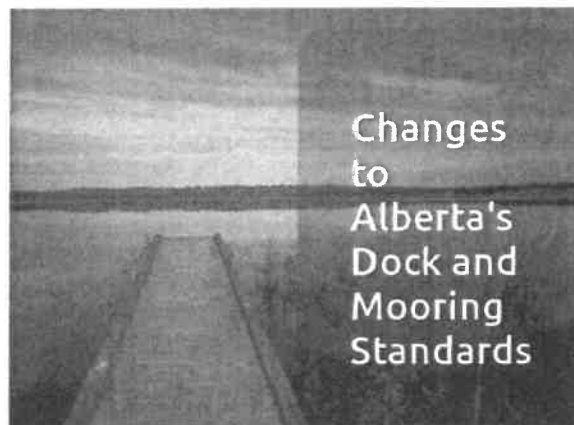
NSWA is honored to be on the shortlist in two categories for this year's 30th Annual Emerald Awards.

Vermilion River Watershed Restoration and Enhancement Project is a multi-year riparian and wetland restoration and enhancement project in the Vermilion River subwatershed

The WaterSHED North Saskatchewan River Water Quality Monitoring Program is a collaborative project between Alberta Environment and Parks, EPCOR, NSWA and the City of Edmonton.

The Emerald Awards event will be held on June 1, 2021.

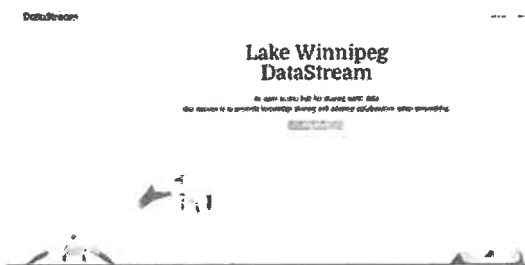
For more information on the Emerald Awards, and to see featured projects from previous winners (including the Battle River Watershed Alliance) go **the Emerald Awards website**



Feedback from Albertans contributed to the development of a new disturbance standard that streamlines authorizations for temporary seasonal docks and mooring structures. More information on the new standards can be found on the [Government of Alberta website](#). A good summary can be seen in the information page below.

Dock and Mooring Standards

NSWA Water Quality Data now on new DATASTREAM website



The Lake Winnipeg DataStream is an open access platform for sharing information on freshwater health. It currently allows users to access, visualize, and download full water quality datasets collected by monitoring groups throughout the Lake Winnipeg watershed which includes the North Saskatchewan River watershed.

The NSWA has shared information on the Sturgeon River watershed and the Vermilion River watershed. More information is available on the Datastream website.

DATASTREAM

Funding for Small Acreage, Hobby Farm and Recreational Property Owners



The **Land Stewardship Center**, with funding from Alberta's Watershed Resiliency and Restoration Program and support from rural municipalities, has expanded the Green Acreages program and is now accepting applications from small acreage, hobby farm and recreational property owners to fund cost-shared, eligible stewardship initiatives on their properties.

Eligible projects may be funded 50:50 up to a maximum of \$2500 per project on a cost-share basis (i.e., property owners must contribute the same or greater cash or in-kind value to the projects). To be eligible, cost-share projects must incorporate beneficial management practices that will lessen the impacts of flooding and drought incidents. For example:

- Projects that enhance natural watershed function
- Riparian zone enhancements through planting and buffers
- Shoreline remediation and/or re-naturalization, such as planting native species, reinforcing shoreline through soil bioengineering and other natural methods
- Erosion reduction measures
- Exclusion fencing, off-site watering systems and stream crossings (e.g., to keep livestock out of water bodies and away from riparian areas)
- Use of native species in planting initiatives

Funding Information

VERMILION RIVER WATERSHED ALLIANCE

Are you a local landowner, concerned citizen, or nature lover?

Check out the Vermilion River Watershed Alliance's monthly blog which features stories and projects relating to healthy water and landscapes.

APRIL BLOG:

*Partner Series: Get to Know
Byron Wolters, Conservation
Specialist - Ducks Unlimited
Canada*



To learn more, go to:
<https://vrwa.ca/blog/>



Both the NSWA and VRWA appreciate the work of our many partner organizations. This month the VRWA blog features the work of **Byron Wolters, Conservation Specialist at Ducks Unlimited Canada.**

The full article can be viewed on the [VRWA website](#).

GET TO KNOW THE NSWA BOARD



Jacquie Hansen is our featured Board member this month. She has served on the NSWA Board since 2018 and has been the Vice Chair for 2 years.

Work:

Jacquie has lived in St Albert for 25 years with her husband, where they raised their four children. They moved here from Vancouver and left their big respective families to live in the prairies. It was hard to do but they have no regrets because "they landed in a wonderful community".

Jacquie worked as an elected official on the St. Albert School Board for 12 years and then at a variety of jobs including Inter-governmental affairs with the City of St Albert. In 2017, she entered municipal

Favorite places in the watershed:

Jacquie's favourite spot in the watershed is in St. Albert on the children's bridge - pictured above. "My family and I have enjoyed the trail system around Sturgeon River these 25 years, as have all St. Albert residents. It was one of the things that drew us here".

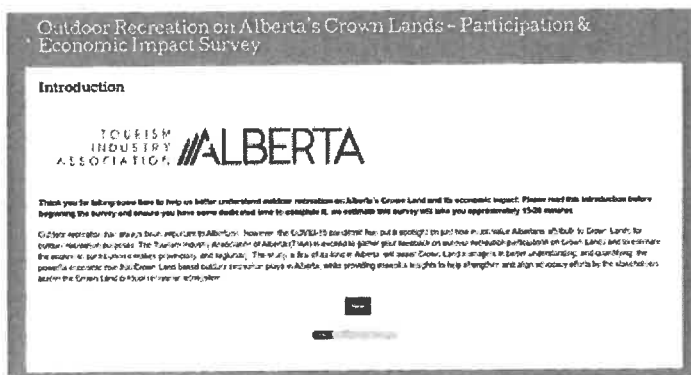
Interesting Hobbies: Tinkering on the piano, daily exercise, enjoying mountain and sea air, and celebrating all things big and small with family.

Quote: "The NSWA is an organization that advocates for the protection of our land and water now and into the future. It provides decision makers with important scientific data as well as bringing awareness on how

government and is a Councillor with the City of St. Albert. Her focus has been recreation, environment and social issues. To that end, she joined the NSWA, the SRWA (Sturgeon River Watershed Alliance), and sits on the Environmental Advisory Committee for St. Albert, as well as the Alberta Urban Municipalities Environment and Sustainability Committee.

to best to preserve our watershed. As our global world evolves, we will be more and more impacted by climate change. The NSWA will be a critical part in helping us understand the needs of our water system and environment. I've learned so much being on this Board and have to say that it's been a great honour to be a part of NSWA".

SURVEY on RECREATION ON CROWN LANDS



The Tourism Industry Association of Alberta (TIAA) is excited to gather Albertans' feedback on outdoor recreation participation on Crown Lands and to estimate the economic contribution it makes provincially, and regionally through a province-wide survey.

Survey

OTHER WATERSHED RESOURCES

The **Environmental Law Centre** recently published their written submission for public consultation on the Alberta Coal Mining Policy. You can find it [here](#).

Check out the **Ducks Unlimited webinar** on May 18th, part of their Wetland Knowledge Exchange series. Catherine Brown, of Ducks Unlimited Canada, will present "A Very Visual Field Guide for Wetland Classification in Alberta".

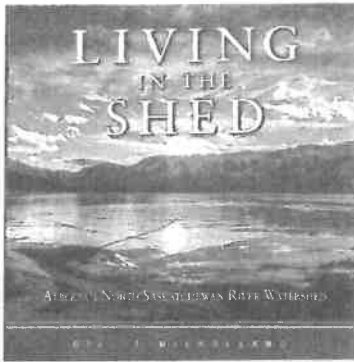
The **Land Use Framework** has resources on many topics including four webinars on conservation easements. Explore their [website](#) for more information.

ALUS Canada is a national not-for-profit organization that supports the delivery of the ALUS program across the country. ALUS helps farmers and ranchers restore wetlands, reforest, plant windbreaks, install riparian buffers, manage sustainable drainage systems, create pollinator habitat and establish other ecologically beneficial projects on their properties. There are many ALUS programs in the watershed including those in the [County of Two Hills](#), [Parkland County](#) and the [County of Vermilion River](#).

Several **Working Well** workshops are scheduled in our watershed over the next few months. For more information on how to manage and maintain your water well check out the [Working](#)

Well website.

Check out the **NSWA DISCOVERS** section on our website with watershed resources and activities for adults and children. There are many activities to encourage watershed learning for your family.



SUPPORT THE WORK OF NSWA

Living in the Shed is a great gift for all of the nature lovers on your list. Priced at \$20 per copy they can be ordered at our SHOP.

NSWA is a registered charity. For information on supporting our watershed projects go to our DONATE webpage.



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Alberta Beach Village Office

From: Karine Keys <Karine@claresholm.ca>
Sent: May 11, 2021 2:42 PM
To: Karine Keys
Cc: Marian Carlson
Subject: Letter in Support of the RCMP in Alberta
Attachments: Town of Claresholm Letter to Hon. Kaycee Madu.pdf

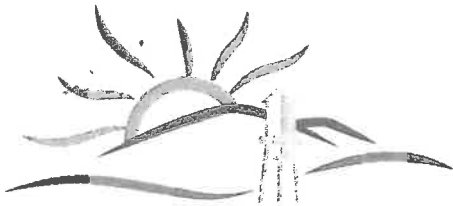
Attached to this email, please find a copy of the letter sent to the Honourable Kaycee Madu, Minister of Justice and Solicitor General from Mayor Doug MacPherson on behalf of Town Council emphasizing the Town of Claresholm's support for the RCMP in Alberta over a proposed provincial police force.

Please share this letter with your local elected officials.

Sincerely,



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Claresholm

Where **Community** Takes Root

May 11, 2021

Honourable Kaycee Madu
Minister of Justice and Solicitor General
424 Legislature Building
10800 - 97 Avenue
Edmonton, AB T5K 2B6

RE: PROPOSED PROVINCIAL POLICE SERVICE

At the last regular meeting of Claresholm Town Council held Monday, May 10, 2021, Council discussed the province's proposed plan to replace the RCMP in Alberta with a provincial police force. The Town of Claresholm has received communication from many other municipalities in Alberta through the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association (AUMA) that are deeply concerned about this proposal, and Council recently met with the National Police Federation who are advocating to keep the RCMP in Alberta.

Municipalities in Alberta continue to be faced with having to provide services and support for our residents while funding streams have been significantly cut. This means that our residents are directly affected financially by choices being made at the provincial level. The Alberta Government has instituted a new police funding model that includes communities under 5,000 such as ours to be charged on an increasing scale for policing that we have never been burdened with directly before. With this being the case, should the municipalities not be in a stronger position to have an impact on decisions that are being made?

The current Alberta Government seems to be very focused on moving towards a greater autonomy away from the federal government and other provinces. Having control over a provincial police force must be very appealing for a government that wants to exert its independence, however the Town of Claresholm is asking your government to reconsider this undertaking and focus on other, more pressing matters instead.

The Town of Claresholm appreciates our local RCMP Detachment and has a good relationship with the members. We feel very comfortable with the service that they provide to our residents. If your government truly cares about Alberta residents, this proposal should not proceed and more focus should be placed on working with the existing police force.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this issue, please contact the undersigned at your convenience.

Yours truly,

Doug MacPherson
Mayor
Town of Claresholm

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Cc: The Honourable Jason Kenney, Premier
Mr. Roger Reid, MLA for Livingstone-Macleod
Mr. John Barlow, MP for Foothills
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Alberta Urban Municipalities Association (AUMA) Member Municipalities



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From: Kayla Parsons <KaylaP@edson.ca>
Sent: May 5, 2021 1:43 PM
Subject: Letter in Support of RCMP
Attachments: Letter to Minister of Justice re Support for RCMP.pdf

Good afternoon,

Please find attached letter sent on behalf of Edson Town Council.

Thank you,

Kayla



Kayla Parsons
Executive Assistant & Legislative Coordinator
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Phone:780-723-4401 Ext:104



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May 5, 2021

VIA EMAIL: ministryofjustice@gov.ab.ca

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Justice and Solicitor General
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Attention: Honourable Kaycee Madu

Dear Honourable Madu:

Re: Letter in support of the RCMP

Please accept this letter as Edson Town Council's support for the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) and in opposition of the Provincial Government's recent proposal of an Alberta Police Force.

While the Province suggests that the switch from the RCMP to an Alberta Provincial Police Service (APPS) will not cost municipalities more financially, we do not believe this is realistic. Who will bare the cost of this service? Currently, Edson RCMP operate out of a Federally owned building. Should there be a switch to an APPS, who would assume the cost of a new detachment? Not to mention all of the other infrastructure that would be required to build an APPS. It does not seem feasible that these costs would not end up being borne by the municipality and their residents and that these would not exceed the current costs of providing RCMP services, given the significant investments that would be required and the loss of Federal Funding.

Currently, the RCMP is our largest budgetary item, and this cost only keeps growing as the Provincial Government takes away sources of revenue and downloading additional costs to us. The Province has recently decreased the percentage of revenue from fines that municipalities receive. This money was used by the Town to directly offset the cost of policing. Further, just this year we received a bill from the Provincial Government for the provincial portion of Biology Casework Analysis Agreements expenses. A cost that was not the responsibility of a municipality in the past and was given to us with little to no notice. These cuts and downloads increase costs

to our Town by ~\$350,000-\$400,000; equating to a 3.5%-4% tax increase for our residents. Given this, what protections would be in place to ensure municipalities are not continuously charged more under an APPS model? It seems more realistic that it would only be a matter of time before more costs were downloaded to municipalities for operation of the APPS.

We have worked hard as a municipality to build a strong working relationship with our local RCMP Detachment. They are our partners and an integral part of our community. We are happy with the level of service our RCMP provide and their participation within our community.

We strongly encourage the Provincial Government to use the funds dedicated to researching an APPS, towards building stronger relationships with the RCMP and the Federal government to achieve desired outcomes. The Province repeatedly encourages municipalities to work with each other and come up with new and collaborative ways to provide programs and services to our residents in a cost-effective manner. We implore your Government to do the same and work with your Federal counterparts to achieve the Province's goals related to the RCMP and Policing and to emulate the principles in which they ask of municipal governments within the Province.

Yours truly,

TOWN OF EDSON

Per:



Mayor Kevin Zahara
/krp

cc: The Honourable Jason Kenney, Premier
The Honourable Ric Mclver, Minister of Municipal Affairs
Mr. Martin Long, MLA West Yellowhead
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Sent: April 28, 2021 3:12 PM
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Cc: Tracy Reaume; aboffice@albertabeach.com; acrofts@mdtaber.ab.ca; admin@edgerton.ca; admin@ghostlake.ca; admin@id4waterton.ca; admin@mdwainwright.ca; admin@myrnam.ca; admin@parklandbeachsv.ca; admin@sexsmith.ca; admin@summervillageofgulllake.com; admin@waiparous.ca; admin@wembley.ca; administration@villageofduchess.com; administration@villageofheisler.ca; administration@wildwillowenterprises.com; ahoggan@rockyview.ca; allan@clearhillscounty.ab.ca; amartens@brooks.ca; amiskvil@telusplanet.net; amitchell@lethcounty.ca; andre.corbould@edmonton.ca; bancroftkim@hotmail.com; barb.miller@mdlsr.ca; barons@xplornet.com; bbeck@beaver.ab.ca; bberlinguette@valleyview.ca; beiseker@beiseker.com; bgiven@town.jasper.ab.ca; bjohnson@mdpeace.com; bmorton@chestermere.ca; Brian.Henderson@wheatlandcounty.ca; brogers@town.bonnyville.ab.ca; burnstick8@gmail.com; busselman.czar@mcsnet.ca; Bwilliams@minburncounty.ab.ca; candice.greig@stavely.ca; cao.arrowood@gmail.com; cao.marwayne@mcsnet.ca; cao@acme.ca; cao@athabascacounty.com; cao@bassano.ca; cao@bawlf.com; cao@berwyn.ca; cao@betulabeach.ca; cao@birchhillscounty.com; CAO@bonaccord.ca; cao@bowden.ca; cao@breton.ca; cao@consort.ca; cao@countyofnorthernlights.com; cao@cremona.ca; cao@delia.ca; cao@donnelly.ca; cao@drumheller.ca; cao@elkpoint.ca; cao@fairview.ca; cao@falher.ca; cao@forestburg.ca; cao@grimshaw.ca; cao@highlevel.ca; cao@highprairie.ca; cao@hinescreek.com; cao@hythe.ca; cao@innisfree.ca; cao@irma.ca; cao@irricana.com; cao@itaska.ca; cao@kneehillcounty.com; cao@lakeview.ca; cao@linden.ca; cao@lougheed.ca; cao@mackenziecounty.com; cao@manning.ca; cao@mannville.com; cao@mayerthorpe.ca; cao@mclennan.ca; cao@mdopportunity.ab.ca; CAO@mdpincercreek.ab.ca; cao@milkriver.ca; cao@mundare.ca; cao@nampa.ca; cao@nanton.ca; cao@nobleford.ca; cao@onoway.ca; cao@pinchercreek.ca; cao@ranchland66.com; cao@rdcounty.ca; cao@redwater.ca; cao@rockyford.ca; cao@rosshaven.ca; cao@rycroft.ca; cao@ryley.ca; cao@sedgewick.ca; cao@silverbeach.ca; cao@slavelake.ca; cao@smokylake.ca; cao@smokylakecounty.ab.ca; cao@stirling.ca; cao@sundancebeach.ca; cao@taber.ca; cao@thorhildcounty.com; cao@threehills.ca; cao@town.killam.ab.ca; cao@townofbashaw.com; cao@townofoyen.com; cao@townofprovost.ca; cao@townofspiriteriver.ca; cao@townofswanhills.com; cao@townoftrochu.ca; cao@townoftwohills.com; cao@village.donalda.ab.ca; cao@village.longview.ab.ca; CAO@villageofalix.ca; cao@villageofalliance.ca; cao@villageofbigvalley.ca; cao@villageofbitternlake.ca; cao@villageofcarbon.com; cao@villageofcarma.com; cao@villageofchampion.ca; cao@villageofclyde.ca; cao@villageofelnora.com; cao@villageofempress.com; cao@villageofmilo.ca; cao@villageofstandard.ca; cao@vokitscoty.ca; cao@vulcancounty.ab.ca; cao@warburg.ca; cao@warner.ca; CAO; cao@whitesandsab.ca; carla@clive.ca; carlm@carstairs.ca; carrie.kinahan@glenwood.ca; cburns@town.vauxhall.ab.ca; ccraig@vegreville.com; ccurtis@villageofcaroline.com; charliecutforth@ponokacounty.com; chipmanab@mcsnet.ca; christine.b@lamont.ca; christopher@townofcastor.ca; city.manager@airdrie.ca; city.manager@leduc.ca; city.manager@reddeer.ca; cmerritt@saddlehills.ab.ca; cmillar@northernsunrise.net; cneufeld@tofieldalberta.ca; community@draytonvalley.ca; cparker@peaceriver.ca; cprosser@highriver.ca; craig.dalton@lethbridge.ca; d.evans@xplornet.com;



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April 27, 2021

Honourable Kaycee Madu
Minister of Justice and Solicitor General
424 Legislature Building
10800-97 Avenue
Edmonton, Alberta
T5K 2B6

RE Town of Magrath Support for the RCMP

Dear Minister Madu,

The Magrath Town Council is disappointed by the Province of Alberta's reluctance to accept the results of its own consultative process by pressing forward with an agenda that appears to want to replace the RCMP with an Alberta Provincial Police Service. Given such, we seek to add our support to the letters sent by the Municipality of Crowsnest Pass, the Town of Morinville, and the County of Paintearth No. 18.

While we are confident that through the hard work of those employed either option would provide high quality police services to Albertans, we are more than a little concerned about the bureaucratic transitional costs that would be needed to complete such a change. Our RCMP detachment serves our community's needs, is consultative with our Council, and is recognizable within our community.

It is not the RCMP, but the downloaded costs from the Province's own initiatives for the Rural Crime Initiative and Police Funding model that are having negative impacts on our municipal services. Ultimately, these provincial invoices will require additional taxation on to municipal residents just to be able to pay back the Province. In such uncertain and challenging economic times our Council feels it is unwise for you to press forward with this plan. It would show leadership for your government to, at the minimum, step back and take a pause.

Preferably, now is the time to listen to the respondents of the Fair Deal Panel's consultations, scrap this idea entirely and refocus your efforts on the issues which are of significant concern to Albertans.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Russ Barnett', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Russ Barnett
Mayor

CC: The Honourable Jason Kenney, Premier
Rachel Notley, Leader of the Opposition
Joseph Schow, MLA
Irfan Sabir MLA Critic for Justice and Solicitor General
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aboffice@albertabeach.com

From: Abe Tinney <abetinney@raymond.ca>
Sent: May 13, 2021 1:19 PM
To: premier@gov.ab.ca; ministryofjustice@gov.ab.ca
Cc: Taber.Warner@assembly.ab.ca
Subject: Minister Madu re: Town of Raymond Support for RCMP
Attachments: Town of Raymond RCMP Support.pdf

Greetings,
Please find attached a copy of the Town of Raymond's letter in support of the RCMP.
Sincerely,

Abe Tinney | Director of Legislative Services | Town of Raymond

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May 11, 2021

Honourable Kaycee Madu
Minister Justice and Solicitor General
424 Legislature Building
10800-97 Avenue
Edmonton, Alberta T5K 2B6

RE: Alberta Provincial Police Service

Dear Minister Madu,

Please be advised that Raymond Town Council is opposed to the creation of a provincial police service to replace the RCMP. After reviewing the Fair Deal Panel's *Report to Government* (as well as the many letters currently circulating from municipal elected officials opposing a provincial police force) Raymond Town Council is voicing its opposition to the proposed provincial police force. There are a couple particularly concerning items identified in the Fair Deal Panel's report, namely:

- the Fair Deal Panel's recommendation to proceed with developing a proposal for a provincial police force, despite only 35% of Albertans believing the police force would contribute to the desired outcome of helping Alberta improve its position in the federation.
- Provincial and municipal governments possibly absorbing \$112 million policing costs currently covered by the federal government (which would be in addition to the increasing policing costs incurred by municipalities under the Police Funding Model).

In these times of increasing public participation and consultation, struggling economies and tighter budgetary realities, we feel the above concerns should have been enough to convince the provincial government not to proceed with researching this issue.

Furthermore, and perhaps most importantly, we have an excellent relationship with our local RCMP force and feel no need to replace them with a provincial force. The RCMP in Raymond have always been responsive to our Council's requests and have consistently delivered professional, quality public safety services in our community.

Sincerely,

Jim Depew
Mayor

Cc: The Honourable Jason Kenney, Premier
Grant Hunter, MLA for Taber-Warner
AUMA Membership



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From: Jeff Edwards <jedwards@tofieldalberta.ca>
Sent: May 6, 2021 1:32 PM
To: aboffice@albertabeach.com
Cc: aboffice@albertabeach.com
Subject: Vaccine Provision
Attachments: 2021 - Minister Shandro Correspondence.pdf; 2021- MP Kurek - Vaccine Provision.pdf

Good afternoon,

Could I kindly ask that the attached pieces please be distributed to your elected officials?

I apologize if this has been sent in duplicate.

Regards,

Jeff Edwards, CLGM

Assistant CAO

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May 3, 2021

Honorable Tyler Shandro
Minister of Health
Office of the Minister of Health
423 Legislature Building
10800 – 97 Avenue
Edmonton, AB
T5K 2B6

Dear Minister,

Re: Rural Alberta Vaccine Provision

Minister Shandro, COVID 19, has shown no geographic limitations, nor boundaries. Rural Alberta has been affected by the pandemic on the same levels as our major urban centres, if not, in some cases worse. Rural Alberta sees the population consisting of people from the very young to those being our most vulnerable and many of these being seniors.

Living in rural Alberta provides many opportunities that our urban centres can not provide, such as, tranquility, a quieter way of life and the comfort in knowing your neighbors and surroundings. However, a large challenge has presented itself, most recently in the way of vaccine provision. Tofield has been fortunate in vaccine provision, however, continues to run out. The provision of Moderna would be ideal, as our Pharmacists have identified this as the "perfect rural vaccine" this is based upon shelf life, storage, and the ability to have these vaccines administered. However, even with this, we still have well over 400 citizens on the wait list for this vaccine.

The other conflict is administering these injections to our seniors, vulnerable, disadvantaged, and incapacitated. These people often do not have the means to access the vaccine. These people can not access services in the larger centres which have been able to secure the bulk of vaccines. Minister, frankly, this is wrong as well as very concerning that not all Albertans are provided the same opportunity. It is not easy having these vaccines available in major urban centres and expecting these people to find a way to access this service.

Many rural Alberta communities have yet to receive a single dose of vaccine. How do these people obtain a very necessary service? Please take into consideration what has just been provided, Tofield and other rural communities can not administer vaccine to those in their communities due to shortages, as

Honorable Tyler Shando
Minister of Health
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well as transportation issues, how then can communities without vaccine possibly have their citizens looked after?

With several rural towns, villages and counties being commuter communities for the purposes of work, providing essential services and people traveling to and from these communities from urban centres to get to their places of employment (E.g. Ft. MacMurray, Wainwright, Calgary, etc.)

A person would think that getting vaccines out to these areas would be considered an important resource in the effort to bend the curve. Everyone in Alberta is affected by the pandemic and everyone should be protected.

Minister Shandro, we understand the challenges that COVID has provided to your Ministry, your Government and Alberta. We understand that there are issues with supply of vaccine, however there must be a better solution for distributing a portion of what supply there is to rural Albertans. Minister, this is a plea to help those not in the urban centres. Rural Alberta is the lifeblood of our Province and can not be forgotten. Minister, we need a strategy, we need a metric to act within and we need results.

Sincerely,

Debora L Dueck
Debora Dueck

Mayor

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May 6, 2021

Mr. Damien C. Kurek
Member of Parliament
Battle River – Crowfoot
4945 50th Street
Camrose, AB
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Dear Mr. Kurek,

Re: Rural Alberta Vaccine Provision

MP Kurek, COVID 19, has shown no geographic limitations, nor boundaries throughout Canada and the world. Rural Alberta has been affected by the pandemic on a different level than our major urban centres, if not, in some cases worse. And these scenarios continue to worsen by the day. Rural Alberta sees the population consisting of people from the very young to those being our most vulnerable and many of these being seniors.

Living in rural Alberta provides many opportunities that our urban centres can not provide, such as, tranquility, a quieter way of life and the comfort in knowing your neighbors and surroundings. However, a large challenge has presented itself, most recently in the way of vaccine provision. Tofield has been fortunate in vaccine provision, however, continues to run out. The provision of Moderna would be ideal, as our Pharmacists have identified this as the "perfect rural vaccine" this is based upon shelf life, storage, and the ability to have these vaccines administered. However, even with this, we still have well over 400 citizens on the wait list for this vaccine. This number in the Tofield area alone is widespread and deeply felt.

The other conflict is administering these injections to our seniors, vulnerable, disadvantaged, and incapacitated. These people often do not have the means to access the vaccine. These people can not access services in the larger centres which have been able to secure the bulk of vaccines. MP Kurek, frankly, this is wrong as well as very concerning that not all Albertans are provided the same opportunity. It is not easy having these vaccines available in major urban centres and expecting these people to find a way to access this service.

Damien C. Kurek
Member of Parliament
Battle River - Crowfoot
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Mr. Kurek, at this time, the feeling amongst not only Tofield, but many in rural Alberta is that both our Federal and Provincial Governments have both failed us and forgotten about us. Rural Alberta is the lifeblood of our Province and can not be forgotten. MP Kurek, we need a strategy, we need a metric to act within and we need timely results.

Sincerely,

Debora L Dueck
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Mayor

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SUBDIVISION AND DEVELOPMENT APPEAL BOARD
Site 1, Box 157, RR 1, Onoway, AB T0E 1V0

May 10, 2021

Our File: 21SDAB15-01

Kim Kozak
Development Authority
PO Box 278
Alberta Beach, AB T0E 0A0

**RE: NOTICE OF SUBDIVISION & DEVELOPMENT APPEAL BOARD HEARING
DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATION NO. 21DP15-01
WITH RESPECT TO PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT ON LANDS DESCRIBED AS
PLAN 0423757, BLOCK 2, LOT 18: 4207-43rd AVENUE, ALBERTA BEACH, AB (THE "LANDS")**

A notice of appeal against a decision of the Development Authority in respect to Development Permit No. 21DP15-01 on the above noted Lands was received on May 3, 2021. Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board will be held through a tele/videoconference, in accordance with the Meeting Procedures (COVID-19 Suppression) Regulation, Alberta Regulation 50/2020 enacted pursuant to the *Municipal Government Act*, RSA 2000 cM-26, at the following date and time:

Date: Friday, May 28, 2021
Time: 1:30 P.M.
Dial-In Information: Join Zoom Meeting
<https://zoom.us/j/93961665739?pwd=YmVUbENSvzRyYm5WTmkzc3VMZjRDQT09>
Meeting ID: 939 6166 5739
Passcode: 826722

Dial by your location
+1 587 328 1099 Canada
Meeting ID: 939 6166 5739
Passcode: 826722
Find your local number: <https://zoom.us/u/abj8OkDxf2>

If you should have any written submissions to be presented at the hearing, please submit them to the Clerk of the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board by email or by mail to be received no later than May 25, 2021 at 4:30pm.

Mail: Milestone Municipal Services Inc., Attn. Emily House, Site 1, Box 157, RR 1, Onoway, AB T0E 1V0
Email: emily@milestonemunicipalservices.ca

Any written materials submitted to the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board will become part of the agenda package and will be available to the public.

If you should have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Emily House
Subdivision and Development Appeal Board Clerk
emily@milestonemunicipalservices.ca • Phone: (780) 914-0997

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cc: Kathy Skwarchuk, Chief Administrative Officer, Alberta Beach



April 26, 2021

Village of Alberta Beach

Attention: Mayor Benedict

RE: Agliplex

Good afternoon Mayor,

During our recent board meeting, a motion was passed expressing our desire to purchase the Agliplex from the village and if acceptable to Village Councilors, begin the process of developing a purchase agreement. Please present this option to Council and advise us of your decision. Of course, the final agreement would need to be approved by your Council and that of the Agricultural Society Board of Directors.

We look forward to working with you further in this regard.

Sincerely,

Terry Scheiris - President

abagsociety@gmail.com

Box 330 Alberta Beach, Alberta T0E 0A0



April 27, 2021

Attention: Village Council
Alberta Beach
Box 278
Alberta Beach, AB T0E 0A0

Dear Council,

RE: Beachwave Park

Further to the Beachwave Park Stakeholders' Committee Meeting held this morning, and the discussion that took place regarding the letter of interest from the Alberta Beach & District Agricultural Society to potentially manage Beachwave Park, it was asked that I share with you the following.

The Beachwave Park Stakeholders' Committee is providing a recommendation to Alberta Beach Council that the Alberta Beach & District Agricultural Society assume operation of Beachwave Park on the condition that the community stakeholders continue to be involved and further that said stakeholders be encouraged to continue making funding contributions to this facility.

It should be noted that today's meeting included representation from the Alberta Beach & District Adult Softball Association, the Alberta Beach Lions, Lac Ste. Anne County, the Summer Village of Val Quentin, the Alberta Beach Community League, the Alberta Beach & District Agricultural Society, as well as representation from Alberta Beach Council. All representatives of the above were in favour of the recommendation.

I trust this will suffice, but if further clarification is required, please let me know.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Donna Kerr". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Donna Kerr
Community Services Manager, Lac Ste. Anne County
On Behalf of the Beachwave Park Stakeholders' Committee

Alberta Beach Community League
Box 300
Alberta Beach, AB T0E 0A0

May 4, 2021

Village of Alberta Beach

Re: Beachwave Park

Dear Council Members,

As it was decided at the April 27 Beachwave Park Stakeholders Meeting, the Alberta Beach Community League will no longer oversee and manage Beachwave Park on behalf of the Committee. As such, please find enclosed the funds remaining less one month's contractor's salary. The balance of funds as per the report given is \$17,411.00 minus \$2850.00 to be held leaving \$14,561.00.

The Community League will hold this salary and return it to you if not accessed. Holding back this amount is on the advice of LSAC after further research on this matter.

Thank you for your attention,



Judy Muir
Treasurer
ABCL

Beachwave Park Recap – April 26, 2021

Balance		Oct 26, 2020	\$ 4404.00
Plus receipts			\$ 13,007.00
Less expenses	Contract		\$ 00.00
	Expenses		\$ 00.00

BALANCE

\$ 17,411.00

April 26, 2021 Treasury Branch Bank Balance \$ 17,411.00

LSA County	8000.00*	Oct/20
FCSS (Onoway Off.)	1007.00*	Dec/20
AB Ag Society	3000.00	Nov/19
Village of AB	4000.00	Jan/20
	4000.00*	Nov/20
AB Lions	4000.00	Oct/19
	1000.00	Oct/19 (Equip)
ABCL	2000.00	Apr/20
ABADASA	4500.00	May/19
SVSP	1000.00	Oct/20
	1000.00	Nov/19
SVVQ	2000.00	July/20
AB Seniors	1000.00	Jan/20
AB Museum	473.00	Dec/19
LSA Gas CoOp	1500.00	May/2019

Re: Garden Suite Development in Grasmere Glens

Alberta Beach Development,

As a resident of Grasmere Glens (43 avenue) in Alberta Beach and on behalf of a group of its residents I am submitting an application to amend the current land use bylaw.

We wish to amend the bylaw in respect to the allowance of garden suites and have them prohibited. We are wanting to amend the land use bylaw as site use for the R1 district of Grasmere Glens only (43 avenue).

If you require further information, including the payment for fees, please reach out to me by phone or email

Thank you for your time
Nicole Dening

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LAC STE. ANNE COUNTY

Box 219, Sangudo AB T0E 2A0

May 11, 2021

Alberta Beach
Box 278
Alberta Beach, AB T0E 0A0

Attn: Kathy Skwarchuk, CAO

Re: Recreation Agreement

Please be advised that Lac Ste. Anne County Council approved the attached recreation agreement with Alberta Beach. After many successful meetings between administrations, we are confident this agreement will provide much-needed funding levels for the next five (5) years that organization can rely on.

Please review and if satisfactory, sign both copies and return for our signatures. We will send you a fully executed agreement upon our signing.

If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to me.

Regards,

Mike Primeau, MBA, CLGM

County Manager

c.c. Lac Ste. Anne County Council
Trista Court, GM Community & Protective Services

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT entered into effective this 1st day of January, 2021

BETWEEN:

LAC STE. ANNE COUNTY
(hereinafter referred to as the "County")

- and -

ALBERTA BEACH
(hereinafter referred to as the "Alberta Beach")

RECREATION FUNDING AGREEMENT

WHEREAS the County provides funding to recreation facilities within their municipal boundaries and/or within the region;

WHEREAS the County and Alberta Beach have entered into an Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework agreement pursuant to the *Municipal Government Act* ("ICF"), and as part of that ICF intend that any agreement with respect to recreation services will be dealt with through a separate agreement;

AND WHEREAS the County and Alberta Beach wish to set out their agreement with respect to shared funding for recreation services, on the terms and subject to the conditions hereinafter set forth.

NOW THEREFORE THIS AGREEMENT WITNESSETH that the parties hereto in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements hereinafter set forth covenant and agree with each other as follows:

1. This Agreement shall be effective for a term starting January 1, 2021, and ending December 31, 2025. It may be renewed or extended by mutual agreement of the parties.
2. The County agrees to contribute to the recreation facilities identified in Schedule "A" to the extent of the amounts described in Schedule "A" to this Agreement. Such payments shall represent the County's full and complete obligation to contribute to recreation services as addressed by the ICF.
3. The County shall be responsible for coordinating payments to any third party organizations described in Schedule "A". The County shall have discretion over the timing of payments, provided that the County shall contribute at least the amounts set out in Schedule "A" during each calendar year of the term.
4. Notwithstanding the County's commitment to funding as set out in Schedule "A", the payments are subject to the County's policies and procedures for grant funding including with respect to any obligations by the recipients of those funding to provide recognition to the County for their contributions.

5. Upon request by either party, both parties agree to meet annually to review the contributions set out in Schedule "A".
6. Nothing herein or the contribution of funds by either party shall make such party liable or responsible for any losses, costs, demands or actions of any kind associated with the facilities or activities related to the funding provided by each municipality. Accordingly:
 - a. Alberta Beach indemnifies and holds harmless the County from any actions, damages, losses, demands or costs (including legal costs on a solicitor and his own client basis) arising from any negligence or wrongful actions of the Village or its employees; and
 - b. The County indemnifies and holds harmless Alberta Beach from any actions, damages, losses, demands or costs (including legal costs on a solicitor and his own client basis) arising from any negligence or wrongful actions of the County or its employees.
7. Any dispute in relation to this Agreement shall be dealt with pursuant to the dispute resolution provisions set out in the ICF.

IN WITNESS HEREOF the County and Alberta Beach have executed this Agreement on the day and year first written above.

LAC STE. ANNE COUNTY

ALBERTA BEACH

(seal)

(seal)

Appendix 'A'
Recreation Agreement Cost-Sharing

FACILITY/PROGRAM/SERVICE	LAC STE. ANNE COUNTY CONTRIBUTIONS				
	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
AGLIPLEX	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
MUSEUM & HERITAGE CENTRE	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
SENIOR'S CLUB	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
BOAT LAUNCH	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
BEACH	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
BEACHWAVE PARK	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00
BALL DIAMONDS	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
LIBRARY	\$27,695.28	\$27,695.28	\$27,695.28	\$27,695.28	\$27,695.28
	\$63,695.28	\$63,695.28	\$63,695.28	\$63,695.28	\$63,695.28

**** The County will contribute a minimum of \$63,695.28 per year for duration of agreement. Any increase to the minimum contribution will be at Lac Ste. Anne County Council's direction, and subject to many internal and external factors.***

FCSS TRIVILLAGE COMMITTEE ALBERTA BEACH, S.V. OF SUNSET POINT & S.V. OF VAL QUENTIN TERMS OF REFERENCE

PURPOSE: The purpose of this committee is to review the FCSS provincial and municipal funding for the member municipalities; to approve a budget for the FCSS program; and to review and approve funding for the internal and external grant programs/groups.

MEMBERSHIP: 1 member from Alberta Beach Council;
1 member from Summer Village of Sunset Point Council; and
1 member from Summer Village of Val Quentin Council.

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON: Alberta Beach Council Representative.

AUTHORITY: Trivillage Regional FCSS Committee approved by each member municipality.

TERM: Ongoing.

FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS: As required or at a minimum of twice a year with meetings typically occurring in March and September.

SUPPORTING STAFF MEMBER: Shelley Vaughan, Town of Onoway Administration.

DATE APPROVED:

Alberta Beach	May ____, 2021	Council Motion # _____
S.V. Sunset Point	May ____, 2021	Council Motion # _____
S.V. Val Quentin	May ____, 2021	Council Motion # _____

- RESPONSIBILITIES:**
1. Review the FCSS Provincial & Municipal funding for the member municipalities as well as municipal requests for funding to specific programs/groups;
 2. Review and approve a Trivillage FCSS Budget allocating funding to the internal programs/groups and funding to the external programs/groups;
 3. Review grant funding applications;
 4. Review and approve funding for internal grant programs/groups;
 5. Review and approve funding for external grant programs/groups;
 6. The FCSS Trivillage Committee will operate on a consensus basis and will have the final approving authority from each member Council.