



County News

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Lacombe County featured as an Alberta destination during diplomatic economic mission

On a recent diplomatic economic mission to Alberta, thirty international ambassadors from Europe, Asia, Africa, South America, the Caribbean, the Middle East, and New Zealand explored Lacombe County. This visit, part of a broader initiative by Alberta to showcase its diverse and forward-thinking industries, highlighted Lacombe County and other locations, including Olds College. Lacombe County was chosen for its blend of agriculture, green technology, and industrial innovation.

"The County's vision, 'Success Grows Here!' reflects its agricultural roots and innovative industries," said Dale Freitag, Director of Planning Services. "We were honored to showcase Lacombe County's leading-edge work to an international audience, aiming to attract high-quality investment and innovation."

WHY LACOMBE COUNTY WAS CHOSEN

Lacombe County's ability to attract high-quality investments while maintaining environmental sustainability made it a prime candidate. As part of the provincial initiative, Lacombe County was one of the few locations highlighted, alongside institutions like Olds College, for their contri-

butions to Alberta's economic and environmental goals, innovative agricultural practices, and sustainable industrial developments.

The ambassadors' tour showcased the region's dynamic industries and commitment to sustainability, including environmental projects at NOVA Chemicals, carbon capture technology at Enhance Energy, and year-round agricultural production at Doef's Greenhouses. These selected sites underscored Lacombe County's support of industrial and agricultural innovation. The tour also offered a glimpse into a promising and sustainable future, with several ambassadors indicating how technology used in these large-scale projects would benefit future generations.

"Lacombe County welcomes investors, dignitaries, and businesses to explore our thriving rural community and its tremendous potential," said County Manager Tim Timmons. "Our vision for Lacombe County is 'Success Grows Here!', and our dedicated staff are here to guide businesses along the way to help us realize that vision."

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(Photo credit Kaelyn Gillard, NOVA Chemicals). The ambassadors with Lacombe County staff during their time on the NOVA Chemicals tour.

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VISITS TO KEY SITES

NOVA Chemicals: Pioneering Carbon Capture

The tour included a visit to NOVA Chemicals, a global leader in ethylene and polyethylene manufacturing. They shared their ambitions for a low-carbon, zero-plastic-waste future and how the Joffre Site is working towards manufacturing resins that have the potential to be recycled. NOVA is also looking at ways they may be able to reduce their carbon footprint, alongside their continued stewardship of the environment on site and in our community.

One ambassador remarked on the commendable environmental care shown by Lacombe County businesses.

Doef's Greenhouses: Sustainable Indoor Agriculture

Ambassadors were impressed by Doef's Greenhouses' ability to grow food year-round in northern climates. The facility, which has tripled in size since 2020, exemplifies sustainable agricultural practices by using local natural gas to generate electricity, heat, and CO2 for plant growth, allowing it to grow millions of bell peppers, cucumbers, egg plants and lettuce every year.

An ambassador expressed hope for the future, seeing year-round indoor food production in northern climates.

Dairy Innovation West (DIW) in South Aspelund Industrial Park

The tour included the new Dairy Innovation West (DIW) facility, a \$75 million milk concentration facility, the first of its kind in Canada. Currently under construction, DIW will process raw milk from western Canadian producers into a product that requires 25-50% fewer resources for transport.

The ambassadors also learned about the innovative design of North and South Aspelund Industrial Parks, which integrate wetlands, trails, and open spaces. They were impressed by the

high landscaping and aesthetic standards.

PACE Canada – Joffre Solar Park

The Joffre Solar Park, a \$56 million project, was also highlighted, showcasing Lacombe County's commitment to renewable energy and innovative industrial practices.

Presentation from Enhance Energy

Enhance Energy's presentation on their carbon capture initiatives captivated the ambassadors. Enhance Energy channels CO2 emissions from major petrochemical companies to Lacombe County, where it is compressed and stored in deep geological formations. They recently celebrated sequestering their five millionth tonne of CO2, adding close to two million tonnes annually.

An ambassador noted that such efforts are crucial for Alberta to meet its 2050 net zero emissions target.

LACOMBE COUNTY: SUCCESS GROWS HERE!

The Ambassador Tour was a tremendous opportunity that allowed Lacombe County to showcase our vibrant community and the many innovative businesses that are leading the way for the future of sustainability in Lacombe County. We hope that this visit will continue to promote and catalyze innovation in all sectors and continue to attract high-quality investment into our community.

"The planning department is busy these days handling requests from businesses interested in exploring opportunities in Lacombe County," said Reeve Barb Shepherd. "It was an honour to be able to showcase our businesses on such a high-profile visit, and to show the world the incredible technology and innovation happening in our backyard. We would like to thank the Government of Alberta for providing us with the opportunity to host the ambassadors in our community."

Success Grows Here! County welcomes Dairy Innovation West to it's new home

On May 28, 2024, Dairy Innovation West (DIW) hosted an open house event in Lacombe County, inviting stakeholders, local dignitaries, and special guests to tour its under-construction \$75 million milk processing facility. This state-of-the-art facility is set to revolutionize the transportation and environmental impact of the dairy industry in western Canada.

At DIW, raw milk will undergo processes such as reverse osmosis or ultra-filtration to remove water or concentrated proteins. The processed milk will then be shipped to various processors to be turned into products like cheese, butter, yogurt and other like products. DIW aims to complete construction by November 2024 and begin operations in the spring of 2025.

The open house highlighted the project's progress and the extensive collaboration required for its success. The event was emceed by Stuart Boeve, Chair of Alberta Milk, and featured speeches for notable attendees, including the Honourable RJ Sigurdson, Minister of Agriculture and Irrigation; Henry Holtman, Chair of Dairy Innovations West; Barb Shepherd, Reeve of Lacombe County; Jamie Hoover, Mayor of Blackfalds; and Kendra Mueller, Senior Relationship Manager, Farm Credit Canada.

Reeve Barb Shepherd expressed enthusiasm about the high level of collaboration involved in the project and the excitement within Lacombe County for hosting this innovative facility.

"Dairy Innovation West stands as a testament to what can be accomplished with unity, innovation, and a shared vision," Reeve Shepherd said in her speech. "It's not just a facility; it's a beacon of progress for Alberta's dairy sector, Western Canada, and our country. Dairy West Innovation embodies our collective ambition, showcasing the remarkable outcomes of collaborative efforts towards a goal."



Celebrating Excellence in Agriculture: Lacombe County in search of the 2024 Farm Family Award recipient

Lacombe County and the Lacombe and District Chamber of Commerce are partnering for a second year on the Farm Family of the Year Award, aiming to recognize the exceptional achievements and contributions of ranch and farm families within our community. The winners of this esteemed award will be announced at the 2024 Chamber Gala in October.

"The Farm Family Award provides a unique opportunity to honour the invaluable contributions made by ranch and farm families in Lacombe County," said Reeve Barb Shepherd. "Their dedication and innovation continue to drive the agricultural sector forward, thus ensuring a sustainable future for generations to come. We are excited to celebrate their accomplishments."

The Farm Family of the Year Award acknowledges excellence in technical farm production and sustainability practices, family farm business management, agricultural industry involvement, and community and rural citizenship. This recognition highlights the remarkable accomplishments of ranch and farm fami-

lies who have made significant contributions to the agricultural sector.

About the Nomination Process:

The nomination period for the Farm Family Award is from June 14, 2024, until August 15, 2024. Nominations can be submitted in person or by email to communications@lacombecounty.com. Eligible nominees must be Lacombe County producers whose primary source of income is agriculture.

Nominees must demonstrate a profound commitment to one or more of the following criteria:

- 1. Achievements and/or Innovations in Technical Farm Production:** Recognizing those who have made remarkable advancements in agricultural technology, techniques, or methods.
- 2. Sustainability Practices:** Honoring individuals who have implemented sustainable farming practices, contributing to the preservation of natural resources and the environment.

- 3. Family Farm Business Management:** Celebrating families who have exemplified excellence in managing their farm businesses, showcasing exemplary leadership and strategic decision-making.
- 4. Agricultural Industry Involvement:** Acknowledging individuals who have actively participated and contributed to the agricultural industry, sharing knowledge and fostering growth.
- 5. Community and Rural Citizenship:** Recognizing farm families who have made outstanding contributions to their local communities and exemplify strong rural values.

Nomination forms must be completed in their entirety and submitted no later than August 15, 2024. For more information, please email communications@lacombecounty.com or call (403) 782-8959.

County residents invited to contribute to City's Recreation & Culture Master Plan

You have a chance to help shape the future of recreation in Lacombe!

The City of Lacombe is refreshing its 2013 Recreation and Culture Master Plan. The Master Plan will guide the City's investment in recreation services – we can all help shape what the Plan says.

Residents in Lacombe AND Lacombe County are encouraged to participate in a survey to share the thoughts of everyone in their households. The City promoted this survey earlier this year and

is now giving people a second chance to participate. If you didn't participate, please take a moment to participate this time!

To complete the survey on your household's behalf, click the following link! <https://survey.alchemer.ca.com/s3/50260967/Lacombe-Household-Survey-Non-Coded> (or scan the QR code on the image).

The deadline to complete the survey is July 2, 2024.

You do not need an access code to complete the survey. If you have already completed the survey using an access code, you do not need to complete the survey.

For more information about the Masterplan Refresh and survey, please visit lacombe.ca/RCMasterplan.

What do you think?

Lacombe's Recreation & Culture Master Plan is getting an update!

You have a chance to help shape the future of recreation in Lacombe!

The City of Lacombe is refreshing its 2013 Recreation and Culture Master Plan to help ensure future services align with changing community needs. Residents in Lacombe can participate in a survey to share the thoughts of everyone in their households. The City promoted this survey earlier this year and is now giving people a second chance to participate. If you didn't participate, please take a moment to participate this time!

For more info or to take the survey visit Lacombe.ca/RCMasterplan.

Survey closes July 2, 2024

Scan Me!

LACOMBE COUNTY

A FRIENDLY REMINDER

TAX DEADLINE: AUG. 31

Combined property assessment and tax notices were mailed in early May. If you have NOT received yours, please contact Lacombe County at 403-782-6601.

TAX

Pay your property taxes BY AUGUST 31, and avoid any late tax penalties!

Learn more at www.lacombecounty.com/taxes.

SAFETY FIRST

Stay in the KNOW with RAVE communication platform for watch advisories from the RCMP

WHAT IS RAVE?

RAVE is a web based communication platform that RCMP officers are mandated to fan out real time alerts to community members in Alberta. Alerts are operational and educational in nature. They might look like BOLOs (Be On the Look Out), Crime Prevention, Victim Services, and District reports. Alerts are sent via email, text message or phone call – preference is on the account user.

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS?

This communication can strengthen partnerships between volunteers associations and police. Community members can assist police and be a useful resource to their local detachment and their respective community. RAVE will also be a useful educational tool for Crime Prevention and Victim Services information. Information is trusted and received in real time.

LEARN MORE

Learn more about RAVE, how to opt in, and other frequently asked questions at <https://www.ruralcrimewatch.ab.ca/rave>.



FIRE PITS:

THE DO'S AND DON'TS FOR SAFE BURNING IN LACOMBE COUNTY



1. Ensure your fire pit/BBQ is constructed of bricks, concrete block or heavy gauge metal (or other suitable non-combustible material).
2. Be at least 3.3 metres (10 feet) away from buildings, property lines or other materials that could catch fire.
3. Supervise your fire at all times until it is entirely extinguished (this includes hot ashes and smouldering embers)
4. Use proper fuel such as wood, charcoal, manufactured fire logs, fireplace pellets, propane or natural gas.
5. Watch our website or social media pages for fire bans.
6. Keep a pail of water nearby, and use it to extinguish the fire.
7. Be a kind neighbour - ensure your smoke is going UP and not blowing into someone's property

Questions? Call 403-782-8959 and speak with the County Fire Chief

Build stronger communities this summer



ROAD PARTIES



WOULD YOU LIKE TO BUILD A STRONGER COMMUNITY AND MEET YOUR NEIGHBOURS?

LET RED DEER LACOMBE RURAL CRIME WATCH HELP

YOU ORGANIZE A ROAD PARTY go to "www.rdruralcrimewatch.com"

Stop by and pick up a kit to assist with the organization of your party at:

- Blackfalds RCMP Office
- Red Deer County Office
- Lacombe County Office

LET'S BUILD COMMUNITY

With stronger communities we can manage:

- Rural Crime
- Assist with Mental Health
- Assist our neighbours when needed
- And have FUN, Making your community more friendly!

FOR MORE INFORMATION

WEB PAGE : <https://www.rdruralcrimewatch.com>

Facebook: Red Deer/Lacombe Rural Community Crime Watch

Email: Rdruralcrimewatch@gmail.com



Would you like to build a stronger community and meet your neighbours?

Stop by the Blackfalds RCMP, Red Deer County Officer or Lacombe County Office and pick up a Road Party Kit!

Included in your Road Party Kit is:

- Coupons from local businesses to help with your event.
- Ideas on how to organize a road party.
- Invitation template.
- Donation box for Rural Crime Watch.
- USB stick with forms and a place to include photos.
- Name tags
- Clip board
- Instructions on setting up a WhatsApp with your neighbours
- Sign in sheet for your WhatsApp
- Rural Crime Watch Membership application.

Learn more at www.rdruralcrimewatch.com.



Community Notice:

Joffre Site Planned Maintenance for Summer 2024

Beginning in early June, our **Advanced SCLAIRTECH 1 (AST1) polyethylene unit will shut down for a scheduled maintenance turnaround.** The outage is estimated to last until mid-July. Following the execution of the AST1 turnaround, NOVA Chemicals' **Ethylene 2 unit will shut down for a scheduled maintenance turnaround.** This outage will occur mid-August to late September.

What can you expect?

- 1,000 (June/July) — 1,900 (August/September) contractors on site at peak times
- Flaring during plant shutdown and start-up

Minimizing impacts on the community is always a key area of focus. During turnarounds NOVA is:

- encouraging carpooling with our NOVA TO GO app
- staggering shifts
- utilizing three access gates to site
- including road etiquette in contractor orientation



What is a turnaround?
Turnarounds offer us the opportunity to conduct maintenance and renewal of our facilities outside of our day-to-day maintenance activities.

Why do we flare?
Flaring is considered to be a safe, environmentally acceptable way to dispose of hydrocarbons — required when a plant needs to isolate for maintenance activities and during emergency events.

Want to stay up to date on Joffre Site activity?
You can call the Joffre Site Operations Information Line (403.314.2882) or sign up for Texts from NOVA by scanning the QR code or visiting novachem.com/Joffre



SCAN ME to stay up to date!

If you have questions about this activity, call our 24-hour number 403-314-8767 or email joffresite@novachem.com

For more business and environmental information, please visit: www.novachem.com/Joffre



MIRROR CORNER



2024 Mirror Dog Tags

A license is required for all dogs in Mirror. The fee is \$15.00 for an altered dog and \$25.00 for an unaltered dog. After February 28, 2023, the cost increases to \$30 for an altered dog and \$50 for an unaltered dog. For more information, please call (403) 782-6601 or visit www.lacombecounty.com/en/living-here/animal-control.aspx.

Lacombe County will issue a tag for each dog, which must be attached to a collar worn by the dog at all times. Lacombe County Enforcement Officers will do checks to ensure compliance.

If you would like to report a contravention of the Dog Control Bylaw, please call 403-506-9380, or email info@klassickennels.com. **For animal welfare issue please contact the Alberta SPCA at <http://www.albertaspca.org/>***

Jolly Seniors

Pancake breakfast every second Sunday from 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

Booking Mirror Community Hall

Call Lisa 403-788-3890 or cell 403-505-3894. Alternately you can contact Mike Carr, home 403-788-3778 or cell 403-357-8239 for hall information.

Friends of the Mirror Library Society/Mirror Library

The Mirror Library would like to remind patrons of the many items available for borrowing. We carry books for everyone, audiobooks, DVDs, games, and puzzles.

Hours: Wednesdays 2-5 p.m.

Thursdays 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

2nd & 4th Saturdays

10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Please like us at: facebook.com/booksinmirror for the most up to date information. The Library also

has meeting spaces for rent and free Wi-Fi. Please contact us through the Facebook page or email booksinmirror@gmail.com.

Mirror Royal Canadian Legion Branch 189 - 5015 50th Avenue

Meat Draws Saturday at 4 p.m. General meetings second Sunday at 1 p.m. (unless otherwise posted).

Mirror and District Museum

Contact mmuseum@cciwireless.ca if you would like to volunteer and for hours of operation

CN Rail crossing delays

If you experience delays longer than 20 minutes at the Mirror rail yard crossing, call CN Rail at 1-800-465-9239. Follow the prompts and be ready to provide details shown on the crossing signal mast to CN personnel. Transport Canada may be reached at 1-888-463-0521.

Join us for

FIRE & FAMILY FUN

At the Mirror Outdoor Rink

Bring your family! Let's celebrate Canada's 157th!

Bonfire! Free BBQ! Outdoor games!

JULY 1st CANADA DAY 1 to 4pm

Presented by Mirror Association for Ball Diamonds, Campground, & Skating Society! And thank you to Lacombe County for supporting this event through RC(9) funding!

Don't miss out on the excitement! Our second annual Canada Day Meat Draw has begun! With a grand prize of \$250 of top-quality meats from Messenger Meats

Message us for tickets on our Facebook page "Mirror and District Museum Association" OR stop by one of these locations to enter for your chance to win!

Mae's Kitchen
Alix Home Hardware
Railway Liquor Store
The Railway Pub
ATB Mirror

Integra Tire Mirror
Mom n Pops Liquor
Alix Foods
Alix Drugs IDA
Alix-MAC School
Stettler Home Hardware
NAPA AUTO PARTS Stettler
Nowco Home Hardware
Bakedery Bashaw
Bashaw Home Hardware
Sommer Home Hardware Ponoka

Our ticket sales close June 28th Good luck to all! Thank you for supporting the Mirror and District Museum Association.

Friends of the Mirror Library would like to present this wonderful short story for your reading enjoyment

Once upon a time in the little Hamlet of Mirror on a cool Spring day the boiler heating system quit working in the Community Library.

The people of the Hamlet were in despair, "Whatever shall we do?" they said. "We live in Alberta and it gets very cold here in the Winter." "We must have heat in our Library."

The children could no longer come to their reading time, the wi-fi stopped being used, books gathered dust on the shelves, puzzles were left undone.

The *Friends of the Library* wondered how they could possibly make things right. They spread the news that help was needed to keep the Library warm.

The people of the community and their neighbors cared and gave what they could:

Alix Drugs I.D.A	Messenger Meats
Alix Village Shoppe	Mirror and District Museum
CN Railway	Nick Leshner, RE/MAX
Canadian Natural Resources Ltd.	Real Estate
Councillor Brenda Knight	Nordstrum Family Dental
Dan Pritchard	Pama Trucking Ltd.
Ember Resources Inc.	Premier Auctions
Enhance Energy Inc.	Railway Liquor Store
FortisAlberta	Rose and Tom Aspdon
Gish Law Office	Royal Canadian Legion Mirror Branch No. 189
Gracie D's Antiques	Tasha Conway/ATB Financial: Mirror Branch
Kerry's Mechanical Ltd.	The Mirror Market
M&M Mowing and Snow Removal	The Railway Pub
Mae's Kitchen	Wilson's Funeral Chapel
Mercedes' Mutts	

Very soon there was money to have the boiler replaced. The Library was warm again. The people of the community rejoiced and they all lived happily ever after.

MIRROR & DISTRICT MUSEUM ASSOCIATION

CANADA DAY BBQ MEAT DRAW

BUY TICKETS FOR YOUR CHANCE TO WIN!

VALUED AT \$250

4lb BEEF ROAST
4lb CREAMY ONION PORK ROAST
4lbs GROUND BEEF
40 MEAT BALLS
4x BEEF SMOKIES
4lb MEAT LOAF
4lbs FRIKADELLEN
8x MARINATED PORK STEAKS
4x PORK CHOPS

\$5.00 TICKETS

MESSINGER MEATS

ENVIRONMENT

Water Conservation Conversation!

Many parts of Alberta are preparing for a drought after several dry years. Lacombe County residents, farmers and businesses are encouraged to find ways of conserving water. The **Water Conservation Conversation** provides simple tips and resources for saving water. We will have these posted on our website, too, at www.lacombecounty.com/drought.

WATER CONSERVATION TIPS FOR BUSINESSES: Enhancing Water Efficiency

As part of the ongoing Water Conservation Conversation series, Lacombe County is looking at ways for local businesses to adopt sustainable water practices. These strategies are small ways to improve water efficiency. Focused on practical changes, these steps can significantly reduce water consumption in the workplace (and will save your money, too).

Conduct a Water Audit

To initiate effective water conservation, businesses are encouraged to perform a comprehensive water audit. This process involves evaluating all aspects of water use within office settings, including restrooms, kitchens, and landscaping. Identifying the primary areas of water consumption enables businesses to implement targeted strategies that address these high-use areas efficiently.

Upgrade Restroom Facilities

The insights from the water audit can guide businesses in making impactful changes, such as upgrading to high-efficiency toilets and urinals. Modern restroom facilities are designed to minimize water usage without compromising functionality. By installing these high-efficiency fixtures, businesses can drastically cut down on the volume of water used, resulting in lower utility costs and a reduced environmental footprint.



Opt for Dry Floor Cleaning Methods

Transitioning to water-efficient cleaning techniques can further enhance conservation efforts. Before resorting to wet mopping, businesses are advised to use dry floor cleaning methods like vacuuming or sweeping. This approach helps reduce dependency on water and is particularly effective in maintaining clean floors with minimal environmental impact.

Install Faucet Aerators

Another simple yet effective strategy is the installation of faucet aerators in sinks across the workplace. These devices are easy to install and can halve the water flow from faucets while maintaining adequate pressure. Faucet aerators are an excellent way for businesses to achieve immediate reductions in water use.

Lacombe County encourages all local businesses to consider these strategies as part of their operational policies. Adopting such water-saving measures not only contributes to global environmental efforts but also promotes sustainability within the community. By implementing these steps, businesses in Lacombe County can demonstrate leadership in sustainability and help preserve our precious water resources for future generations.

Visit our website to find more Water Conservation tips:
www.lacombecounty.com/drought

Alberta steps up fight against invasive species

Alberta will soon have the highest fines in North America to help stop zebra mussels and other invasive species from entering the province and wreaking havoc.

Currently, Alberta is zebra and quagga mussel free, but these tiny invaders can easily spread through boats and other watercraft traveling across borders. If established in Alberta, aquatic invasive species can spread rapidly, clog waterways and infrastructure, harm ecosystems and cause hundreds of millions in damages.

Alberta's government is stepping up. Starting June 20, fines will increase from \$324 to \$4,200 for failing to stop with a trailered boat at an open inspection station, and fines will rise from \$180 to \$600 for failing to remove a bilge plug when transporting a watercraft on a roadway. This will help make sure that boats are properly drained, inspected and invasive-species-free before entering Alberta.

"Zebra mussels and other invasive species can devastate Alberta's rivers, lakes and waterways. We are setting the highest fines in North America because we want everyone to take inspection and detection seriously. Alberta is currently zebra and quagga mussel free so let's keep 'em out," said Rebecca Schulz, Minister of Environment and Protected Areas.

Reports of aquatic invasive species are increasing across Canada and the United States. The province must use every tool possible to prevent damage from aquatic invasive species, which could cost millions annually to lakes, waterways and irrigation infrastructure. A recent study estimated that introducing invasive mussels into Lake McGregor alone could cost \$284 million a year in damages. Lake McGregor is part of a larger intercon-

nected system that includes reservoirs and irrigation infrastructure in southern Alberta.

"Watercraft inspections are mandatory in Alberta, and these fines will help make sure that boaters follow the rules. The best way to prevent invasive species from getting established is for all people coming into the province to do their part by making sure their drain plug is removed and stopping at inspection stations," said Grant Hunter, chair of the Invasive Species Task Force and MLA for Taber-Warner.

Higher fines are part of Alberta's increased border defense. The government has also launched a new Aquatic Invasive Species Task Force and invested \$2.5 million to increase the number of inspection stations, add more inspectors, and keep stations open as long as possible. Alberta continues to call for stronger federal actions to stop invasive species at the Canada-United States border.

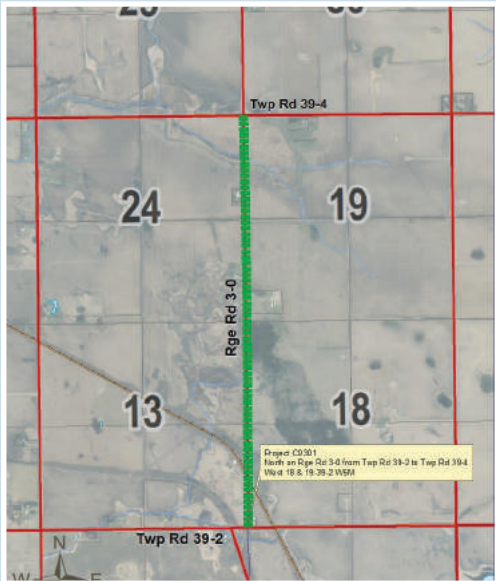
QUICK FACTS:

- Some aquatic invasive species, such as zebra and quagga mussels, can survive for nearly 30 days out of water.
- Watercraft inspections have been mandatory in Alberta since 2015. In 2023, 38 boaters received charges or warnings for failure to stop at an open inspection station and six received charges or warnings for transport a watercraft with the drain plug still in.
- The increased fine totals include the 20% Victims of Crime Fund automatic surcharge imposed on a person convicted of an offence under provincial laws unless otherwise excluded in bylaws or regulations.



OPERATIONS

UPDATES | Construction Projects



ROAD CONSTRUCTION | RANGE ROAD 3-0

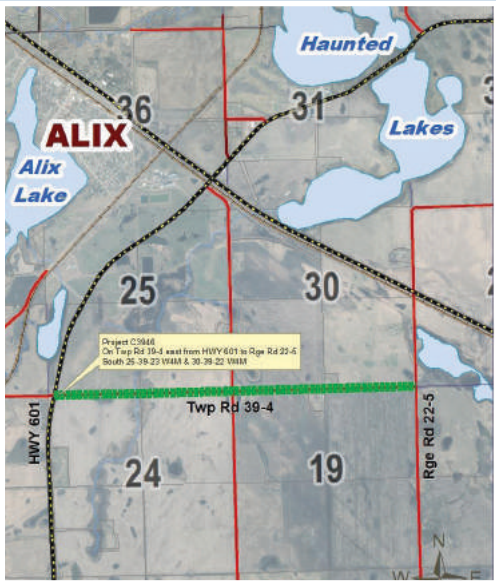
Lacombe County is notifying residents of an upcoming road construction project on Range Road 3-0 (from Township Road 39-2 to Township Road 39-4 for two miles).

Construction will start on Wednesday, June 26, 2024 and is expected to take +/- 5 weeks to complete (weather permitting).

ROAD CONSTRUCTION | TWP ROAD 39-4

Lacombe County is notifying residents of an upcoming road construction project on Township Road 39-4 (Highway 601 east to Range Road 22-5 for 3.2kms (2 miles)).

Construction started on Wednesday, May 22, 2024 and is expected to take +/- 5 weeks to complete (weather permitting).



Please drive with caution around construction crews, and obey all signs.

Summer Grading Program in Lacombe County

Summer has arrived, and our County crews are busy ensuring local roads are safe to travel on. Depending on the weather, our gravel roads can be impacted by both wet and dry conditions.

Weather, changing traffic patterns, and public expectations will always challenge the road system, and the gravel roads will always be a work in progress.

Washboard is often created by the acceleration or stopping action of vehicles, making washboard more prevalent at intersections on hills. Drivers can help reduce the problem by slowly accelerating away from the intersection or slowing down as much as possible before braking when coming up to an intersection.

In wet years the washboard is less prevalent, but other issues arise such as wheel rutting, lack of gravel on some roads, culverts and drainage concerns, and soft spots appear.

In a dry year, the biggest issue with gravel roads is washboard. This can be a difficult problem to address since the road can be graded one day, but the washboard returns in a short time frame. More grading does not necessarily fix the problem since working up loose material creates ideal conditions for the washboard to recur quickly.

On average our grader district size is approximately 135 miles (216 km), and we have eight grader districts. They will average 10 miles of grading per day, so it takes about 13.5 work days to get around their district.

We try to grade the gravel roads once every 2.5 weeks, but numerous factors will affect that schedule.

- Roads with larger traffic volumes or heavy traffic require more attention.
- Dust control – the grader operators prepare each site for calcium, so their regular schedule is delayed

2024 Paving Project Completion

Lacombe County Paving projects for 2024 are complete. This year's projects included:

- Lakeside Sargent Road from Hwy 2A to Haynes Road (Rge Rd 24-3) for 26.40 km
- Spruceville Road from Hwy 12 to Hwy 604 for 12.80 km
- Hamlet of Joffre Access Road and Internal Roads for 2.11 km

The contract was awarded to Central City Asphalt in February 2024. The contractor mobilized in May 2024, and the work has now been completed. The scope of work included asphalt concrete pavement, line painting, pavement message marking, paving of the approaches, and gravel surfacing for entrances.

In addition, 49 Street in Mirror was paved from Hwy 50 (49 Ave) to 50 Avenue.

Lakeside Sargent Paving



Spruceville Road Paving



Hamlet of Mirror (49th Street)



- Gravel crew in their area has the same effect
- Rain will push back the schedule

A road that has been adequate for local traffic for many years may be impacted if a new business or industry is installed along that road

Gravel – Roads are graveled approximately once every three years.

Despite the many challenges of keeping gravel roads in good summer driving condition, we have systems and procedures in place to keep these roads as safe as possible. While driving gravel roads this summer, please obey the speed limit and be vigilant for washboard and soft spots.

AGRICULTURE

SAVE THE DATE | Upcoming Farm Tour coming soon

JOIN US FOR

AG FARM & ALUS TOUR

SAVE THE DATE: August 8, 2024

TOUR STOPS INCLUDE:

- Sunflower Valley Farms
- Zuidof Feedlot
- Pleasant Valley Mills
- Ellis Nature Centre
(rotational grazing project)

Watch our website, social media and the County News for registration and event details

For more information:
403-782-8959
www.lacombecounty.com

LACOMBE COUNTY

ALUS



By Ken Lewis, ALUS Lacombe Coordinator

ALUS Lacombe is very pleased to be partnering with Lacombe County on a farm tour in 2024.

Final details are being worked out as of writing this, but we know the date: Thursday, August 8th. It'll be a day-time tour, starting in the morning and ending in the afternoon, with lunch and bussing included.

ALUS projects we'll be touring include Adaptive Multi-Paddock Grazing and pollinator habitat enhancement.

But that's not all: we're also touring other farms, to show the full story of agriculture in Lacombe County, including beef and oilseed production.

Full details will be announced soon. Watch for promotions and registration information on Lacombe County Social Media and in the County News.

Another option: if you're reading this and would like to be put on a "contact me" list, please email me with a note that says "Contact me about the Tour". If you do that, I will send you an email direct to your inbox, that includes the details of the tour, and a link to the registration page. My email is kewis@rdcounty.ca.

Registrations will open soon, with information being posted to our website and social media channels

Canadian Food Grains | 2024 Central Alberta Growing Project

For 29 years, the local Growing Project has two parcels of land seeded in canola.

One is a small field of approximately 20 acres located south of Gull Lake and Highway 12, and the other one is 120 acres located just north of the Prentiss Transfer Site, southeast of Lacombe.

"We were fortunate to obtain 2 parcels of land, and local farmers and agri-businesses stepped up to help us with the required field work and some of the inputs," says committee member Doug Maas.

There are over 30 growing projects in Alberta and they are a significant fundraising arm for the Canadian Foodgrains Bank based in Winnipeg.

Funds raised from the sale of the crops in the fall are sent to the Foodgrains Bank and then used to help hungry people internationally. Humanitarian assistance is currently being provided to the Gaza Strip as well as countries such as Somalia, South Sudan and Haiti.

Additionally, farmers may designate some of their own crop sale proceeds at local elevators to the local growing project.

To assist with any inputs not donated and the cost of

crop insurance, others may make cash donations to the project and receive a charitable tax receipt.

"Since 1996, we have had incredible support from so many farmers, businesses, churches and other compassionate individuals, it truly is a blessing," adds Maas.

For more information on the Central Alberta Growing Project, or to donate, call Doug at 403 318-5733.



Photo credit: Danielle Bruning



Photo credit: Sydelle Zukowski



AGRICULTURE

ATTENTION COUNTY RESIDENTS:

MOWING PROGRAM

Please be mindful of what is left in the county ditches and move debris completely away or into the fence line. This will help prevent damage to the mowing equipment.

THESE ITEMS COULD INCLUDE:

- ✓ Fence Wire
- ✓ Telephone Wire
- ✓ Large Rocks
- ✓ Posts
- ✓ Any material that may cause damage

THANK YOU!

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FOR RENT

Pasture Sprayers

Lacombe County Agriculture Services Has
Pasture Sprayers for County Residents to Rent



RENTAL RATE - \$50.00/DAY

DEPOSIT - \$200.00 (deposit refundable when sprayer returned in good condition)

- ❖ Pull type - 400 gallon water capacity, 20 gallon/acre coverage
- ❖ Designed for spraying range and pasture in rough terrain
- ❖ Has additional hand gun system and fence line spraying nozzle
- ❖ Simple to operate
- ❖ Can be pulled by trucks OR tractors

Historic brand displayed at County Office



A fact-finding mission led to the creation of a new display at the Lacombe County office. The Brand Act was enacted in the 1920s by the Alberta government. This required all municipalities to register a brand to deal with stray livestock. Our original brand was registered to the MD of Lamerton on October 27, 1922. It was a reverse L, half-diamond design for both cattle and horses.

On November 24, 1944, there was evidence that the brand was cancelled, as this was the time of the amalgamation into the MD of Lacombe. It appears the MD of Lacombe No. 398 re-registered the same brand design because it was in the 1947 Brand Book under their name.

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Billets Wanted for Local Veterinary Students

Lacombe County is inviting residents to host veterinary students during their rotations at local vet clinics. This is a wonderful opportunity to support the education of future veterinarians.



Lacombe County will maintain a list of available hosts and share this information with veterinary clinics, helping to connect students with local accommodations.



Residents can host students for rotations of 2, 4, or 6 weeks, providing flexible options to fit different schedules.

**INTERESTED? | Please contact Lacombe County at
403-782-8959 or email mbates@lacombecounty.com**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT

Dr. Chandiramani has submitted an application to Lacombe County to amend the *Land Use Bylaw* to allow a “recovery centre” on the N ½ 22-41-23-W4M on the north side of Gadsby Lake.



The “recovery centre”, for adult men and women, would be located on 200+ acres of land that includes two 10,000+ square-foot buildings. The organization behind the proposed centre aims to provide a long-term, evidence-based program for adult men and women in need of a residential treatment setting. The facilities will be staffed 24/7. No detoxification services will be provided at this location.

An application has been submitted to Lacombe County to amend the *Land Use Bylaw* to add “recovery centre” as a special discretionary use on the subject property that is currently zoned Agricultural ‘A’ District. The general public is invited to a public meeting where the project will be presented, and the proponents will be available to take comments and answer questions.

Meeting Date and Location

Date: Thursday July 25, 2024 from 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm
Presentation to begin promptly at 6:30 pm
Location: Tees Community Hall, 24 McNabb Street, Tees

Further Information regarding the project can be obtained from

Contact Person: Dr. Ravi Chandiramani
Email: decravedoc@protonmail.com

Comments will be accepted following the public meeting until August 01, 2024. Comments may be emailed to decravedoc@protonmail.com

Don't get left in the dust!

If you missed the May 15, 2024 deadline, don't worry! You can still get a fall application for Dust Control. If you are interested in having Calcium Chloride in front of your residence or place of business, please contact Cassandra at the County shop at 403-782-3567.



Ratepayer's 2024 cost-shared rate for one application is \$1.82 per lineal meter, to a maximum of 200 meters. **If you require more than 200 meters**, the additional will NOT be cost shared.

Please contact us if you would like to get on the list for fall applications **before August 9, 2024**.

Note: The application of dust abatement may cause some possible effects, such as loss of vegetation. Lacombe County is not responsible for any claims or damages resulting from the application process.

If you are interested in finding out more about the County's Dust Control Program, please call Cassandra at 403-782-3567, Ivy at 403-782-8379 or email operations@lacombecounty.com

ASSESSMENT FAQs | The Inspection Process

Assessment is the process of valuing property to fairly and equitably distribute a municipality's total property tax requirement amongst property owners. Assessment establishes the value of a property in relation to similar properties and does not itself generate property taxes. Property taxes are generated when provincial education & municipal tax rates are applied to the assessed value of your property.

2024 NOTICE OF PROPERTY INSPECTIONS

To ensure property assessment evaluation accuracy, Assessors re-inspect properties throughout the municipality each year in Lacombe County. Assessors will inspect (and re-inspect) properties for various reasons, such as: cyclical updates, modernizations identified via development/safety code permits, ownership changes, changes identified on the most recent aerial photographs, or reports/updates from other sources.

Municipal Assessors are also completing the rotational property re inspection project:

- General re-inspection of non-residential industrial/commercial property types throughout the County. These property owners may receive letters requesting additional information about their property.

WHAT HAPPENS DURING AN INSPECTION?

When we arrive at a property, we will attempt to make contact at the residence or primary building and explain why we are there and what we are doing. Each Lacombe County Assessor carries identification.

An in-person inspection consists of the following, but not limited to:

- physically collecting/verifying measurements of buildings and other structures,
- reviewing improvement and property characteristics, such as: type of construction, number of bathrooms, type of heating, basement finish, areas finished as office or warehouse, site improvements, etc.

County Assessors may collect this information by requesting a physical “walk-thru” of each building when the owner/occupant is present (otherwise, the Assessor will try to do an external “walk-around”). When it is necessary to undertake an external inspection, the Assessor will leave a “call back” card (usually bright green or orange). If you return to find a call back card, please respond to the Assessor so we may ensure accurate information – we appreciate your cooperation in preparing the assessment for your property. Failure to respond to a request for information necessary to prepare the assessment may result in the inability to file a complaint about the property the following year.

Collection methods may include in-person interviews, mail, email, phone inquiries, or surveys asking you for information about your property, market research based on MLS listings or public advertisements, or any other source of information available to us about your property.

WHY INSPECTIONS ARE ESSENTIAL?

The information we collect about a property must be current so that Assessors can prepare an accurate and equitable assessment of your property and other similar properties in the municipality each year. This is especially important if the property has recently changed ownership, or if renovations/modernizations have been completed.

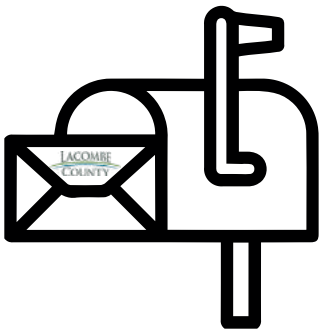
We will do our best to answer your questions during the inspection; however, some inquiries require further research and information. If this is the case, we may request a contact number or email address, so follow-up can be done to answer your questions.

We greatly appreciate your cooperation. Should you have questions regarding the assessment of your property, please get in touch with us at the Lacombe County Administration Office.

Responsibilities for Residents TAXPAYERS' GUIDE

1 Watch for your 2024 Assessment & Tax Notices in the mail.

We will send out our 2024 Assessment and Tax Notices in early May. These notices serve as your formal announcement of the property tax due for the current year. Please watch your mail for these important documents.



2 Didn't receive a notice?

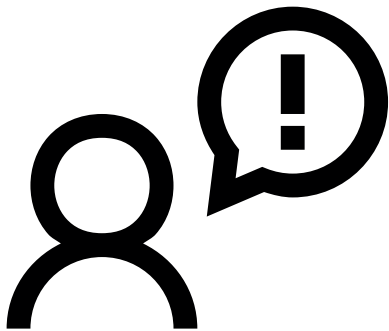
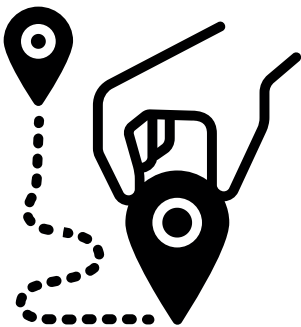
If you didn't receive your 2024 Assessment and Tax Notice by mid-June, contact the Lacombe County Office immediately.

It is YOUR responsibility to ensure you have received your notice.

3 Updating your mailing address

YOU - the taxpayer - are responsible for ensuring Lacombe County has your correct mailing address.

Updates to your mailing address are essential for receiving tax notice, other important County communications, and info from the Alberta Land Titles Office.



4 Assessment complaint process

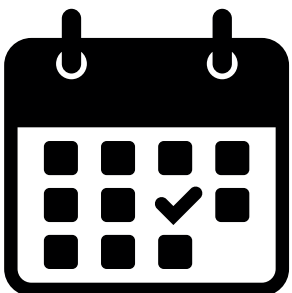
Questions regarding your property assessment can be answered by County assessment staff.

There is a deadline for filing a complaint, which will be indicated on your notice.

5 Payment deadlines and options

All tax payments are due no later than August 31, 2024. Lacombe County offers several convenient payment options (mail, in person, electronically, credit card, payment plan)

DON'T PROCRASTINATE! Lacombe County has a zero-tolerance policy for late payments.



Summer plans at Ellis Nature Centre

Thank you to everyone who has already visited us this season! We have already welcomed hundreds of visitors in the first month of our season & have been thrilled to see visitors both new & experienced come to our site for another year. We also wanted to extend a sincere thank you to Dr. Delano Lewis & Burman University for their dedication to research here at Ellis Nature Centre. For the past two seasons, Dr. Lewis has spearheaded a citizen science butterfly count on our site, which teaches & engages the public in collecting butterfly population data. Anyone is welcome to come out and engage in the butterfly counts at ENC, so consider joining this project next time you visit!



We also have several events coming up in the next few months that are sure to engage all visitors. For more details or to register for any of the following events, head to our website www.ellisnaturecentre.ca.

JUNE EVENTS

- June 23: Pollinator Walk & Talk - 1pm
- June 29: eBird Training Session - 10am

JULY EVENTS

- July 1: Canada Day festivities!
- July 2: Knee High Nature Program starts
- July 3: Junior Naturalist Day Camps start
- July 6: Medicine Walk - 9am & 1:30pm
- July 13: Bluebird Festival!
- July 13: Bird Collage Workshop - 1pm
- July 14: Soap Making Workshop - 1pm
- July 20: Bat N' Beers Night - 8pm
- July 26: The Outside Book Author Reading - 11am
- July 27: Drum Making Workshop - 9am or 1:30pm

AUGUST EVENTS:

- Aug 5: We're open for the long weekend!
- Aug 10: Bug Jamboree
- Aug 11: Whimsical Art Workshop - 10am (ages 8-17) & 1pm (adults)
- Aug 17: Medicine River Wildlife Centre visit - 11am
- Aug 18: Harvest Workshop - 1pm
- Aug 24: Evening Dinner & Birding Walk - 7pm
- Aug 25: Streams of Consequence book talk - 11am



Follow us online, and stay up-to-date on Lacombe County news, events and other information!



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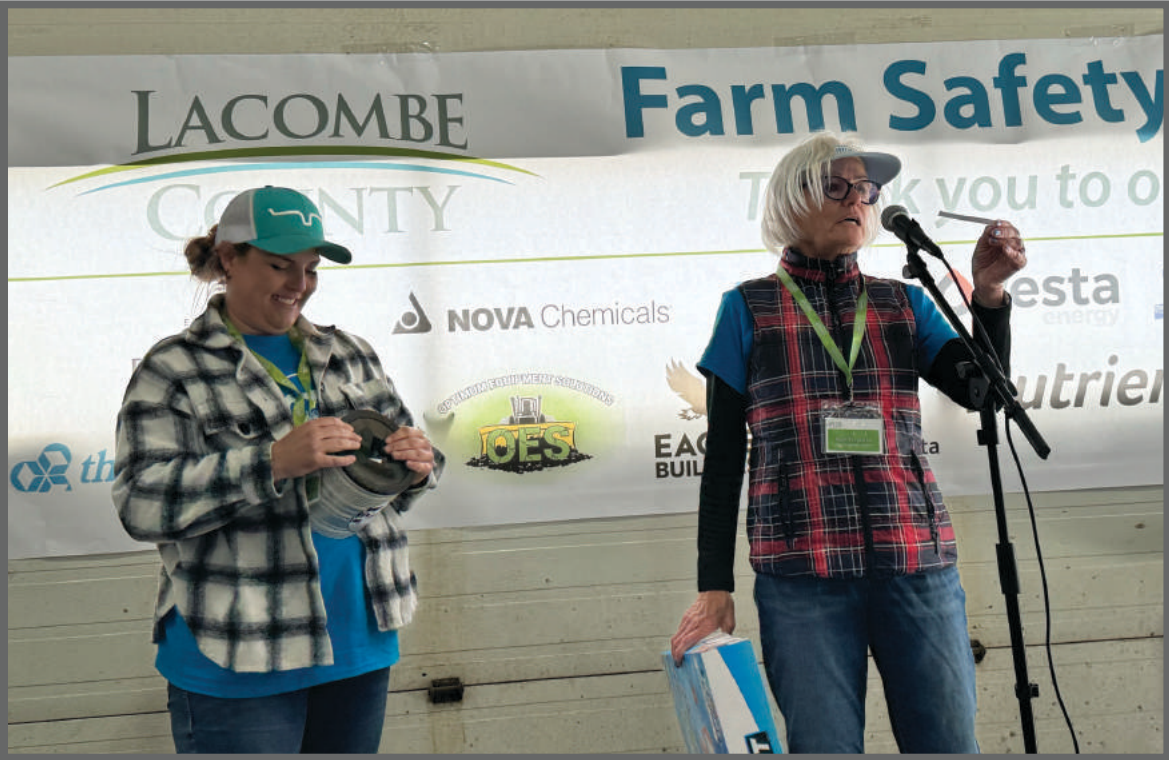


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Children's Farm Safety Day 2024



On June 12, we were honoured to have close to 300 Grade 5 students from schools throughout Lacombe County join us for our annual Farm Safety Day. This event teaches kids the many hazards that exist on the farms they live on or visit, with the goal of preventing unnecessary accidents.

We could not run this event without the support of our presenters (many of which are County staff) and our generous sponsors. (And our County Councillors for cooking up some delicious burgers!!) THANK YOU ALL!!

Presenters: Grain Safety (Clive Seed Cleaning Co-op), Rain Safety (CN Police), Fire Safety (Bentley Fire Department), Chemical Safety (Central Alberta Co-op Agro), Lawn Mower Safety, Post Pounder Safety, Heavy Equipment Blindspots (Lacombe County), and Agricultural Hazards (Ag for Life).

Thank you to our AMAZING Sponsors: D&M Concrete Products Ltd, Co-operators Lacombe, NOVA Chemicals, Optimum Equipment Solutions, Eagle Builders, AltaGas, Central Alberta Co-op, Vesta Energy, Nutrien, Tru-Kare Tank & Meter Ltd. Clive Seed Cleaning Co-Op Ltd., Stantec and Pembina Pipeline Corporation.

We couldn't put on this event without your support! Thank you!





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Farm Safety Day 2024

Thank you to our sponsors!



SUBDIVISION & DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY

May 1, 2024 to May 31, 2024
Development Applications Received

No.	File No.	Applicant	Legal Description	Proposed Development	Decision <i>(otherwise pending)</i>
1	50/24	Edwin & Alison Niemeijer	Lot 4 Block 1 Plan 242 0031 (SW 8-41-24-W4M)	Single Family Residence w/Attached Garage and Covered Deck	Approved
2	51/24	Evan & Shannon Ward	Unit 97 Condo Plan 102 2165 (DeGraff's RV Resort)	Covered Deck	Approved
3	52/24	Allan & Elizabeth Cota	Pt. NE 10-39-25-W4M	Single Family Residence <i>Second Dwelling, Existing</i>	Approved
4	53/24	Lafarge Canada Ltd.	S 1/2 & NE 5-41-27-W4M	Sand & Gravel Pit <i>Renewal, Expansion</i>	Approved
5	54/24	Heidelberg Materials Canada Ltd.	Pt. SE 08-41-27-W4M	Sand & Gravel Pit <i>Renewal, No Changes</i>	Approved
6	55/24	LV Energy Services	Lot 1 Block 1 Plan 142 3957 (Iron Rail Business Park)	Oilfield Service Repair & Storage Business	Approved
7	56/24	Hunter & Penny Warford	Lot 1 Block 1 Plan 042 3180 (NE 01-39-23-W4M)	Single Family Residence <i>Replacement Dwelling w/Covered Veranda</i>	Approved
8	57/24	Greg Martens	Pt. SW 4-39-23-W4M	Sign <i>Directional Sign for Xtreme Raceways</i>	Approved
9	58/24	Ron & Laureen Campbell	Lot 13 Block 1 Plan 162 0927 (Pt. SW 23-39-27-W4M)	Single Family Residence	Approved
10	59/24	Jason & Lisa Fleming	Lot 9 Plan 962 0136 (Burbank Subdivision)	Additional Animals	Approved
11	60/24	Andrew & Kelly Leblanc	Lot 7 Block 5 Plan 856MC (Birch Bay, Gull Lake)	Setback Relaxation <i>Shed</i>	Approved
12	61/24	Josh Stahl	SE 20-39-24-W4M	Community Facility <i>School & Community Church</i>	
13	62/24	Ranchland HD Equipment Solutions Inc.	Lot 10 Block 1 Plan 102 3182 (Wild Rose Commercial Park)	2 Bay Shop with attached office/storage	
14	63/24	Harold & Jeannie Miskey	Lot 1 Block1 Plan 082 4263 (SW 33-40-01-W5M)	Recreation Facilities, Outdoor <i>Drool School, Renewal No Changes</i>	Approved
15	64/24	1240050 Alberta Ltd	Pt. SW 3-40-1-W5M	Setback Relaxation	Approved
16	65/24	Darcy Russell	SE 18-38-23-W4M	Sand & Gravel Pit <i>Renewal, No Changes</i>	

Do you have
questions about
subdivision or
development
activity?

Contact Us:

Lacombe County
Planning Services
(403) 782-8389
planning@
lacombecounty.com

Dale Freitag
Director of
Planning Services

Cajun Paradis
Senior Planner

Natasha Wright
Planner / Development
Officer

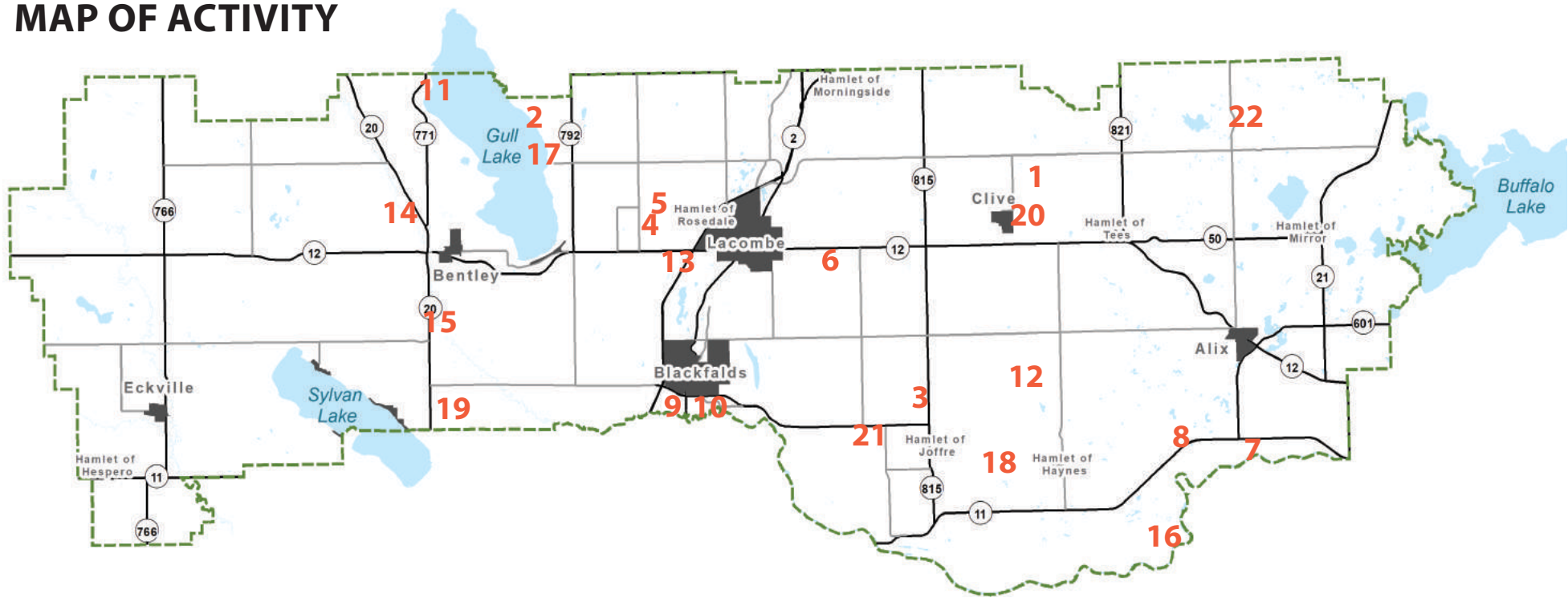
Nicklas Baran
Planner / Development
Officer

Kerrie Taylor
Economic Development
Officer

Allison Noonan
Planning Services
Administrative Assistant

Daniella Gonzalez
Planning Services
Receptionist

MAP OF ACTIVITY



17	66/24	Lacombe Fish and Game Association	Lot 1MR Block 1 Plan 232 0788 (Wilson's Beach Campground)	Garage w/Setback Relaxation	Refused
18	67/24	Justin Tolsma	Lot 1 Plan 872 1817 (SE 01-39-25-W4M)	Single Family Residence	
19	68/24	Tanner and Anjuli Evans	Pt. NE 15-39-01-W5M	Tourist Home	Approved

No.	File No.	Applicant	Legal Description	Proposed Subdivision	Decision (otherwise pending)
20	S-015-24	Gordon & Sharon Wagner	SW 32-40-24-W4M	1st Parcel Out	Approved
21	S-016-24	Nick Leshar	NE 7-39-25-W4M	1st Parcel Out	Approved
22	S-017-24	Norris Hayes Joyce Hayes	NW 24-41-23-W4M	Fragmented Parcel	

LACOMBE COUNTY
HAMLET OF MIRROR
DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVE GRANT

Are you located in the Hamlet of Mirror, on lands zoned Hamlet Commercial 'C-H' District or Hamlet Industrial 'I-H' District?

Are you starting a business on an unimproved parcel of land or in a vacant building?

Are you expanding an existing business?

Do you have Development Permit approval for the proposed business?

YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR A DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVE GRANT!

Schedule a meeting with one of our Planners to determine if you are eligible!

Planning Services
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Lacombe Museum invites County to join in Rural reporting project

The Lacombe Museum would like to announce a new project that encourages rural property owners within Lacombe County to self-report any buildings, features, or objects of historic value associated with their properties. In reporting your heritage features you can help the Lacombe Museum ensure that information about the history of our region is not lost to time. We are looking to collect information about many aspects of heritage including: heritage buildings (residential or non-residential in any condition), animal remains (particularly bison or elk that may be associated with Indigenous use), Indigenous artifacts or sites, other evidence of human activity, trails, landscape features, or oral histories.

To participate property owners can download a Rural Heritage Self-Reporting form from our website or pick up a physical copy at the Flatiron Building Museum. Fill out the form with as much information as possible, preferably with photos and a map included, then return it via email, mail, or in person. A full information sheet is also included on the web-site, but participants can also contact the museum at info@lacombemuseum.com or 403-782-3933 if they have questions. Information shared in this program will only be made publicly available if the property owner chooses it to be otherwise the information will be kept as research files at the Lacombe Museum.

Rural Heritage Reporting

Help the Lacombe Museum create a full historic record for our region!

The Lacombe Museum encourages rural property owners within Lacombe County to self-report any buildings, features, or objects of historic value associated with their properties. In reporting your heritage features you can help the Lacombe Museum ensure that information about the history of our region is not lost to time. If you are interested in participating you can get more information or download a self-reporting form via the QR code. Forms can also be picked up in person at the Flatiron Building Museum. Return the form filled out and with accompanying photos by email or in-person. Information you provide will not be publicly available unless you choose it to be.

Get a Rural Heritage Self-Reporting Form Here



info@lacombemuseum.com | 403-782-3933 | www.lacombemuseum.com



What heritage features do we want to learn about?

- Heritage buildings currently in use
- Heritage buildings that are abandoned
- Indigenous items/sites
- Old trails/roads
- Features associated with a homestead
- Evidence of bison, elk
- Carvings
- Stories, oral histories about your property or neighbourhood

Two students selected to receive new bikes from local organization

On June 10th, Lacombe County residents, Wes and Joy Shackleton, presented this brand new bike to two well-deserving students.

- Bentley School student, Brady. Brady was chosen by the staff at Bentley School (left).
- Clive School student Ryder Moores was selected to receive his bike.

The new bike that was graciously donated by local chapters of the Masonic Hall and Eastern Star organizations.

Thanks so much Wes and Joy and all the generous folks at our local Masonic Hall and Eastern Star Chapters!!!



Mirror officially opens new trail system



Division 2 Councillor Brenda Knight was given the honour to cut the red ribbon and officially open the Mirror Trail.

The project was initiated in the fall of 2022 by the Mirror Community Network. They proposed to create a walking trail around the Hamlet of Mirror, with a trail north loop and a south loop on either side of Highway 50.

Much of the trail route uses existing sidewalks and open spaces; however, select sections required some work to be done for the walking trail to be functional, including brushing in select areas.

From there, wayfinding signs were installed, and garbage bins and benches have been placed along the trail route.

Industry Spotlight

How Dow's Prentiss site is growing for the future

An introduction to Dow's manufacturing site in Lacombe County



DOW

Dow has been operating safely and reliably in Alberta for more than 63 years, with the Fort Saskatchewan site commencing operations in 1961.

Dow continued to grow in Alberta over the next six decades. In 2001, Dow acquired the Prentiss manufacturing site in Lacombe County from Union Carbide.

The two sites, collectively known as Alberta Operations, are Dow's largest manufacturing sites in Canada and are amongst the safest, most reliable and most integrated sites in Dow's fleet.

What the Prentiss site produces

Dow's main product in Alberta is polyethylene, used by customers worldwide to produce a variety of consumer and industrial goods. The Alberta sites use natural gas as a feedstock, separating ethane to produce ethylene and polyethylene.

Dow's polyethylene plant at the Prentiss site (known as LP-7) produces more than 65 types of high-density polyethylene and linear low-density polyethylene.

Common uses for the polyethylene produced in Prentiss include plastic containers, bottle caps, cable insulation and toys.

The Prentiss site employs approximately 100 permanent employees and 100 contractors working in environment, health and safety; engineering; plant operations; plant maintenance; logistics; administration and many other fields.



Learn how polyethylene is made. Scan the QR code to see the journey of an ethane molecule at Alberta Operations.



How Prentiss will support Dow's decarbonize & grow strategy

The Prentiss LP-7 plant will be retrofitted in the years ahead to support the [Fort Saskatchewan Path2Zero](#) project.

This retrofit will diversify the product mix at the Prentiss site and debottleneck the existing plant to use ethylene from the new cracker at the Fort Saskatchewan site, increasing the production volume.

This will also further enhance our ability to recover and reuse vented hydrocarbons at the Prentiss site. Earthworks and pilings will take place this summer.

Learn more about Dow's Path2Zero project at [Dow.com/FSP2Z](#).

How Dow supports communities in Central Alberta

For more than two decades, Dow has supported Central Alberta communities through financial contributions and employee volunteerism. Our employees live, work and play here. Examples of current partnerships include the Ellis Nature Centre, Beyond Food Hub (Blackfalds Food Bank), Habitat for Humanity Red Deer, FIRST Robotics Alberta, United Way of Central Alberta, the Lacombe 4H Beef Club, and other nonprofit organizations.

How Dow protects our environment, health and safety

The safety of our people and planet remains Dow's top priority. For the past three years, the Prentiss site has achieved Triple Zero safety performance and continues to maintain this performance into 2024 – with zero recordable injuries, zero containment loss events, and zero regulatory compliance events.

The Prentiss site is staffed with 24-hour emergency services and firefighters. We are also an active member of the Lacombe County Mutual Aid Organization, sharing knowledge and resources with our municipal and industrial partners.

As a Responsible Care company, Dow adheres to the highest standards of Operations, Stewardship, and Accountability for the benefit of people, communities and the environment. Learn more Responsible Care from the Chemistry Industry Association of Canada: <http://canadiachemistry.ca>.



Image: Dow's Prentiss site has achieved Triple Zero safety performance for three years.

Join our Community Advisory Panel to stay connected with Dow

Dow's Community Advisory Panel (CAP), held jointly with MEGlobal, provides an opportunity for community members to provide feedback to the companies and receive updates. The panel is looking for new members. If you are interested in serving on the CAP, please contact canada@dow.com.

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[Facebook.com/DowCanada](https://www.facebook.com/DowCanada)
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Image: Examples of product applications of polyethene produced at the Prentiss site.

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

May 23, 2024

COUNCIL ORIENTATION

Lacombe County Councillors and senior administration will participate in a regional Council orientation hosted by the Town of Blackfalds on October 30, 2025.

REQUEST FOR INSTALLATION OF SEASONAL GATE ACROSS SCOTT DRIVE

The County Manager was directed to solicit feedback from Ebeling Beach property owners regarding the request from the Summer Village of Gull Lake and Alberta Parks to install a seasonal gate across Scott Drive to assist in preventing motorists from accessing and driving on the beach and Provincial Crown Land on the east and west sides of Scott Drive.

FINANCIAL POLICY UPDATES – CREDIT CARD AND BUDGET POLICIES

Updates to Policy AD(6) Use of Lacombe County Credit Cards and Policy AD(45) Budget Policy were approved as presented. Council resolution C/592/12 was repealed.

POLICY RC(1) RECREATION CAPITAL FUNDING REQUEST – MEDICINE LODGE SKI CLUB SAMSON T-BAR UPGRADE

Lacombe County will contribute up to \$190,637 to the Medicine Lodge Ski Club's Samson T-Bar upgrade and water study projects. This contribution will be funded from the County's Recreation Capital Assistance Reserve.

CAMP L.G. BARNES FUNDING REQUEST

A motion to approve annual operating funding in the amount of \$4,256 for Camp L.G. Barnes did not receive the approval of Council. A letter of support for Camp L.G. Barnes will be sent to the Minister of Seniors, Community, and Social Services.

CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT HIGHWAY 12/HIGHWAY 792

The County Manager was directed to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Alberta Transportation and Economic Corridors for the construction management of the upgrades to the intersection of Highway 12 and Highway 792.

POLICY CPO(1) AUTHORIZED EMPLOYER RESPONSIBILITIES UPDATE

Policy CPO(1) Authorized Employer Responsibilities was approved as presented. Outdated policies EN(1) through EN(8) were rescinded.

FEEDBACK ON THE CANADIAN SUSTAINABILITY STANDARDS BRANCH (CSSB) CANADIAN SUSTAINABILITY DISCLOSURE STANDARDS (CSDS) 1 (SUSTAINABILITY) AND CSDS 2 (CLIMATE-RELATED) FINANCIAL DISCLOSURES

By way of letter and survey response, Lacombe County will provide feedback on the proposed changes to the CSSB's Canadian Sustainability Disclosure Standards.



Council Highlights & Minutes can be found on our website at www.lacombecounty.com/council

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

June 13, 2024

PUBLIC HEARING FOR BYLAW NO. 1414/24 QE II WEST AREA STRUCTURE PLAN

The A public hearing was held for Bylaw No. 1414/24 pertaining to the QE II West Area Structure Plan.

Following the public hearing, Bylaw No. 1414/24 received second and third readings and was passed.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR BYLAW NOS. 1412/24 AND 1413/24 2023 REVIEW OF THE MUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND LAND USE BYLAW

A public hearing was held for Bylaw Nos. 1414/24 and 1413/24 2023 Review of the Municipal Development Plan and Land Use Bylaw. Following the public hearing, both bylaws received second and third readings and were passed.

LAND USE BYLAW AMENDMENT REQUEST

The County has received a request to add a special discretionary use to the Agricultural 'A' District of the County's Land Use Bylaw for a recovery center to be considered on N ½ 22-41-23-W4M. Council received a presentation by the developer with details about the proposed development and a public meeting has been scheduled for Thursday, July 25, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. with the meeting location to be announced.

AMENDMENT TO LACOMBE COUNTY LONG-TERM CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM

Lacombe County Council will consider amending the Lacombe County Long-Term Construction Program to accommodate the construction of approximately 1.25 miles of Range Road 3-1 north of the Centreview Road in 2025. The County Manager was directed to prepare a report and recommendation on this matter for consideration at a future Council meeting.

TOWN OF BENTLEY ANNEXATION

Council accepted the Town of Bentley/Lacombe County Annexation Application and Negotiation Report as presented and authorized the Reeve's signature certifying that the Annexation Negotiation Report accurately reflects the results of the negotiations pursuant to Section 118(2) of the Municipal Government Act.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING NOTES

The following recommendations from the Committee of the Whole meeting held on June 4, 2024 received Council approval:

- That the discussion with RCMP representatives be received for information.
- That the tabled motion C/109/24 from the February 22, 2024 Regular Meeting of Council be revisited at a future Council meeting. The motion reads: Moved by Mr. Weenink that Council refer the matter of a tri-party Alberta Community Partnership Grant to the Lacombe, Blackfalds, and Lacombe County Intermunicipal Development Plan and Intermunicipal Collaborative Framework Committee for consideration.
- That the presentations and discussion with Nova Chemicals representatives be received for information.
- That the Gull Lake Stabilization presentations and discussion be received for information.
- That the New Pavement Plan presentation and discussion be received for information.

POLICY RC(2) APPLICATION – MEDICINE LODGE SKI CLUB

Council approved a Policy RC(2) Application from the Medicine Lodge Ski Club for ongoing funding of \$25,00 per year toward the operation of the Medicine Lodge Ski Hill. Council also approved the revised Facilities Operating Cost Sharing Agreement between the Town

of Bentley and Lacombe County that reflects this funding support.

WATER RESTRICTION POLICY FOR ASPELUND INDUSTRIAL PARK AND THE QE II WEST LACOMBE (WILDROSE) BUSINESS PARK

New policy, Policy AD(46) Water Restriction for Aspelund Industrial Park and QEII West Lacombe (Wildrose) Business Park, was approved by Council.

AG FOR LIFE SPONSORSHIP REQUEST

Lacombe County will purchase an Ag for Life membership, at a cost of \$2,500, for 2025.

SOUTH CONNECTOR FUNCTIONAL PLAN

Council was provided with a presentation from Brad Vander Heyden, Stantec and Jordan Thompson, City of Lacombe regarding the South Connector Functional Plan.

DISCUSSION WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF ALBERTA TRANSPORTATION AND ECONOMIC CORRIDORS

Representatives of Alberta Transportation and Economic Corridors attended the meeting to discuss common issues and concerns relevant to Lacombe County.

Regularly Scheduled Meetings for Lacombe County Council

Committee of the Whole - First Tuesday of every second month at 9 a.m.

Council & MPC - Second and fourth Thursday of every month, starting at 9 a.m..

The public and media are welcome to attend all Council & MPC meetings. An agenda will be posted to the website prior to the meeting.

Alix Museum celebrates 50 years



On June 8, the Alix Museum celebrated its 50th anniversary celebration. Current and past directors were in attendance and helped with the official cake cutting at the event.

2024 MARKET LAMB BUYERS

METALEX METAL BUILDINGS
GLEN PALMONDON
MCLANE'S MEATS
HEARTLAND FEEDS
LEDUC COOP

MARTIN DEERLINE
CLINE AGRO SERVICES
VOGELAAR FARMS
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Blindman Valley Lions Barn Quilt Project

A unique community service project was installed on a chilly Spring day in May. Members of the Blindman Valley Lions club, with support from the Lacombe County, started this project in October and eight months later the results are beautiful.

There is a treasured old school building located down a country road just a couple of miles South of Rimbey. A building that holds so many special memories for many people who have lived here for multiple generations.

The Lockhart Community Hall, which was also the

second built Calkins Valley School. The building was sadly really showing its age with boarded up windows and graffiti. Members of the Blindman Valley lions decided to put their artistic talents to use. They painted a series of Barn Quilts to cover the boarded up windows and doors.

They painted a special storyboard of the quilt patterns of the Underground Railroad, as well as a tribute piece to the Calkins family, who donated the land 120 years ago and started this school. It would also go on to create the very first school division in Alberta.

This building is historically special and the events that have taken place there are woven into our memories. The community appreciation for this project continues to pour in. Stories about the Christmas concerts, family reunions, Club 54, family who attended school there and of course the ball games. The gratitude to see it get loved once again with a new purpose as an art display has been truly heartwarming. Hoping it's the beginning of a tourist attraction and a Barn Quilt trail here in central Alberta. If you find yourself around Rimbey, take a drive down a beautiful country road just South of town and take a look.



Top left: The Lockhart Community Hall BEFORE the project.

Bottom Left: The Lockhart Community Hall AFTER the Quilt Project was completed.

Top: The Blindman Valley Lions Club outside of the Lockhart Community Hall.

Right: The crew at work installing the Barn Quilt Project images.



AROUND THE COUNTY



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Programming
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Reading Buddies *Ages 6+*
Walking Club *Ages 18+*
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**For more program information check out our website and social medias*

Hours
Sunday 1 pm - 5 pm
Monday 10 am - 8 pm
Tuesday 10 am - 6 pm
Wednesday 10 am - 8 pm
Thursday 10 am - 6 pm
Friday 10 am - 6 pm
Saturday 10 am - 5 pm

Contact
403-885-2343
www.blackfaldslibrary.ca
Eagle Builders Centre 5302 Broadway Avenue, Blackfalds, AB T0M 0J0

Borrowing
Our library card gives you access to a variety of services, eResources such as eAudio, eBooks, eMagazines & more!

Visit us on our website & social medias


Our Summer Reading Program will be starting on July 2nd!

WHAT WE DO

Alix and Area Community Resource Centre

Summer is Here!

NEW-Veggie Delivery Program Update:
Please note as of June 2024, changes begin!

~Veggies will be pre-packaged into individual portions. ONE bag per HOUSEHOLD.

~Free veggies will be available for pick-up beginning on **Tuesday, as of 1PM.**

We kindly remind that the weekly delivery, courtesy of Pik-N-Pak Produce Ltd. is a gift to our community and brought to us by volunteers. Your patience is appreciated as we shift the way we offer programming. Our goal is to meet the high demand and share this with as many community members as possible. Many individuals benefit from this program and we are grateful to offer it.

A printed brochure featuring details and costs for **Summer 2024 Youth Programs**, is available NOW! Highlights include a drop-in schedule of activities and outings for school-aged children, during Jul 3- Aug 29.. Trips to Calgary Zoo, Deer Vally Meadows, Barney's Adventure, Sylvan Lake Mini Golf & Go Carts and more... Swimming Lessons... AND Joint youth plans partnered within the region: Bashaw Youth Centre - BYC and Bashaw & Area Community Resource Centre.

Rock Ninja: Bring rocks labled, Alix CRC' back to the Centre to be entered into a draw to win a prize. There will be 3 rounds of rock ninja. Draws will be on the last Thursday of the month in June, July and August. The goal of this project is to bring the community together, while exploring and enjoying our Village!

Services Available

- Information & Referral
- Resource Navigation
- Volunteer Services
- Family Wellness
- Meals on Wheels
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- Adult Learning
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Monday to Thursday  10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Closed all statutory holidays

Bay 1, 5008 50 Ave, Alix, AB

403-396-3369



What do you think?


Lacombe's Recreation & Culture Master Plan is getting an update!

You have a chance to help shape the future of recreation in Lacombe!


The City of Lacombe is refreshing its 2013 Recreation and Culture Master Plan to help ensure future services align with changing community needs. Residents in Lacombe can participate in a survey to share the thoughts of everyone in their households. The City promoted this survey earlier this year and is now giving people a second chance to participate. If you didn't participate, please take a moment to participate this time!

For more info or to take the survey visit Lacombe.ca/RCMasterplan.

Survey closes July 2, 2024



Scan Me!



MARY C. MOORE PUBLIC LIBRARY

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE 2023


Take part in our adult summer reading challenge!

Every participant earns a reward, and will be entered to win a grand prize!

email Miranda (miranda.cl@prl.ab.ca) with any questions

Challenge runs **June 21-Sept 1st**. Grand prize draw for \$50 to a local business and a book lovers gift bundle!

Pick up a printed package in the library with all the info you need to participate!





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Lacombe & County * Bentley *
Clive * Alix

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School Supplies OR
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Branch 189, Box 308, Mirror, Alberta, T0B 3C0, 403-788- 2222

Who we serve.

The Royal Canadian Legion Veterans Services Network serves Veterans, members of the Canadian Armed Forces and the Reserve Force, serving and retired RCMP, and their families, providing support, referrals, representation, advocacy and financial assistance, always free of charge, Legion member or not.

A Branch Service Officer will help with:

- Financial assistance.
- Mental health and PTSD.
- Homeless Veterans.
- Outreach and visitation.
- Support for families.
- Support for seniors.
- Peer support programs.
- Canadian Veterans Abroad.
- Allied Veterans.
- Lost medals or service records.
- Funerals and burials.
- Articles on Veteran Services.
- Funding for organizations.

Request assistance.

Please contact your local Legion Branch #189 Service Officer for information on benefits and resources you may be eligible for, or to request assistance with Veterans Affairs Canada disability claim or appeals process.

Professional Command Service Officers are mandated by legislation to provide representation at all levels of the disability claim process under the Pension Act or the Veterans Well-being Act. The privacy and confidentiality of Veterans and their families are of utmost importance to the Legion.

Contact Branch #189 Service Officer to assist you.

Joe Bratton
Branch 189 Service Officer,
Box 308 Mirror, Alberta, T0B 3C0
403-803-5935
grfc55@yahoo.com

Mary.C.Moore Public Library Presents

Summer Reading Program

Classes Begin July 2nd!

JOIN US FOR FRIENDSHIP, FUN, AND CREATIVE ACTIVITIES

These classes are drop in with a maximum of 25 participants per session. These classes are FREE to attend and will run until August 15th.

QUESTIONS? PLEASE CONTACT US AT:
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COME AND JOIN US!

TUESDAY, 3-5 YEAR OLDS
• 10-11AM, 11-12PM, 1-2PM & 2-3PM

WEDNESDAY, 6-8 YEAR OLDS
• 10-12PM & 1-3PM

THURSDAY, 9-13 YEAR OLDS
• 10-12PM & 1-3PM

FRIDAY, 2 YEAR OLDS. MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT
• 10-11AM

fcss Lacombe & District Family and Community Support Services

Teen Trips Powered by Lacombe Oilmen

TEEN TRIPS!!

FOR AGES 12-15

JULY 2ND | Beach Day 1-4pm (\$10)
JULY 9TH | Abbey Centre Outdoor Pool 1-4pm (\$10)
JULY 17TH | Westerner Days 1-5pm (\$40)
JULY 23RD | Lacombe Corn Maze 1-4pm (\$10)
JULY 30TH | Mini Golf & Ice Cream 1-4pm (\$10)
AUGUST 6TH | JJ Collet Hike & Picnic 1-4pm (\$10)

REGISTER ONLINE
SPACE IS LIMITED!

Registration opens Monday, May 20th!!

Online Registration opens @ 9:00am (register using the QR code or on our website)

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SPRING VALLEY PARK

Community Picnic
Wednesday June 26, 2024 at 6:00 pm
1 mile North off of 40-0 on RR# 25-5

Please bring your own dishes, hot dogs
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Juice, coffee and ice cream
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Come and visit with the neighbours.
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When: August 17th, 2024 from 12:00 PM to 8:00 PM
Where: We will meet at Canyon Ski Hill. The tour will bring us to YR Bison Ranch, Red Shed Malting and Garlic Goodness, before returning to Canyon Ski Hill for dinner.

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1 pm to 4 pm

Games

Face painting

Icecream, balloons and

Drinks

Everyone welcome

JULY 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30	JULY 1 CANADA DAY (Office closed)	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11 County Council 9AM	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	AUG, 1	2	3

Upcoming Events: JUNE 4 - Committee of the Whole meeting | JUNE 13 - County Council meeting | JUNE 20 - The ManVan | JUNE 27 - County Council Meeting

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