

Lacombe County Council approves 2023 final budgets & tax rates

At its April 27, 2023 meeting, Council approved the Lacombe County 2023 operating and capital budgets and tax rate bylaw, including a 0% increase to the County's portion of municipal taxes.

"Lacombe County continues to focus on responsible spending while ensuring the services our ratepayers receive continue to be well-managed," said Lacombe County Reeve Barb Shepherd. "With inflation on day-to-day goods being such a challenge to residents, we wanted to keep property tax increases to a minimum. And with overall

assessments coming in higher than expected – specifically due to residential growth and market increases, and increased Machinery & Equipment (M&E) assessments – we were able to maintain our municipal tax rate for 2023 at the 2022 level".

2023 Municipal Tax Rates

The 2023 tax rates and tax rate changes for Lacombe County, the provincial Policing Levy, Alberta Education, and the Lacombe Foundation are as follows:

2023 Tax Rates				
	Residential	Farmland	Non-Residential	M&E
Municipal 2023 Tax Rate	2.595	5.505	5.613	5.613
Combined 2023 Tax Rate*	5.121	8.031	9.370	5.847

*(Municipal Rate, in addition to the Police Levy, Alberta Education and Lacombe Foundation)

2023 Tax Rate Changes				
	Residential	Farmland	Non-Residential	M&E
Lacombe County	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Policing Levy	40.09%	40.09%	40.09%	40.09%
Alberta Education	-9.76%	-9.76%	-6.82%	n/a
Lacombe Foundation	16.47%	16.47%	16.47%	16.47%
Combined Total	-3.60%	-2.32%	-2.10%	0.98%

Based on the new rates, 2023 property taxes on a \$400,000 residence in Lacombe County will be \$2,048.36, decreasing \$76.44 from 2022. Market values for residential will vary significantly in 2023. As the assessed value of each residential property is based on its market value, the actual property tax change will vary from property to property.

Please note: the property tax payment deadline is August 31, 2023.

Impact of Levies on Tax Rates

In April 2020, the Province began charging urban municipalities with populations less than 5,000 and all rural municipalities for policing. In 2023, these municipalities will be responsible for 30% of the costs of policing in the communities, compared to 20% in 2022. For Lacombe County, this will be \$1,206,980 in 2023, compared to \$802,920 in 2022. Council has directed that funding of the policing levy

be collected through a uniform tax rate applied to all taxable properties. This tax rate will appear separately on the County's property tax notices.

Education taxes represent 45% of the 2023 tax bill for residential property owners in Lacombe County, and 38% of the 2023 tax bill for non-residential property owners. The official 2023 Alberta School Fund Requisition was released in early 2023 and identified a \$0.09/\$1,000 decrease for residential and farmland and a \$0.14/\$1,000 decrease for non-residential Provincial school tax rates.

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Operating Budget Details

The 2023 operating budget of \$65,149,770 includes \$12,470,190 in requisitions for the Lacombe Foundation, Designated Industrial Properties (DIP) assessment preparation, and Alberta Education, as well as \$1,206,980 for Policing.

In addition to including the final requisition estimates, several other changes have been made to the operating budget as part of this final approval. These changes include:

- Reduction of funding from tax rate stabilization reserve - \$48,690
- Cameras for the office parking lot as part of a waiting area for the Safe Exchange Program - \$13,250
- Contribution to the new Lacombe Fire Hall - \$250,000

- Contribution to the Protective Services Reserve for future contributions to Lacombe Fire Hall – \$1,031,440
- Increase cost for upgraded Air Photos - \$73,300
- One-time increase to Municipal Sustainability Initiative Operating Grant from the Province - \$149,490

Capital Budget Details

Council also approved amendments to the \$20,327,210 capital budget. These changes include:

- Land acquisition and additional culvert costs for road construction projects
- Purchase of a server for video storage - \$7,000
- A decrease in contract services for the Sandy Point Trail (\$410,000)

The capital budget also includes the following:

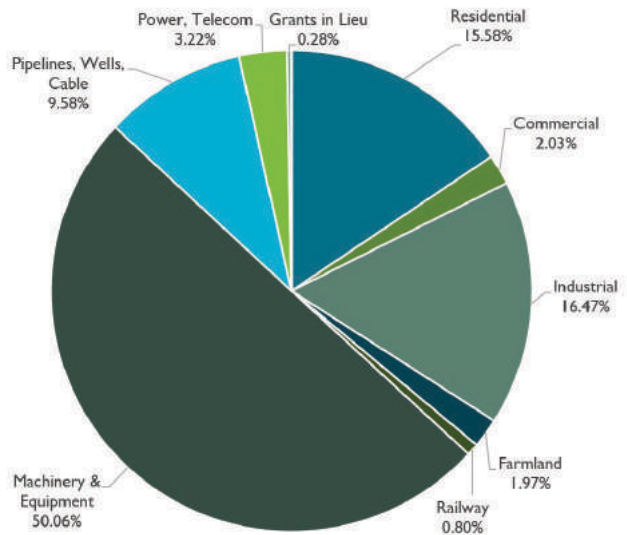
- \$11.02 million in road construction
- \$2.75 million in bridge replacement projects
- Equipment and vehicle replacements of \$5.85 million, decreasing by \$2.82 million from 2022

Maximizing Value for Residents

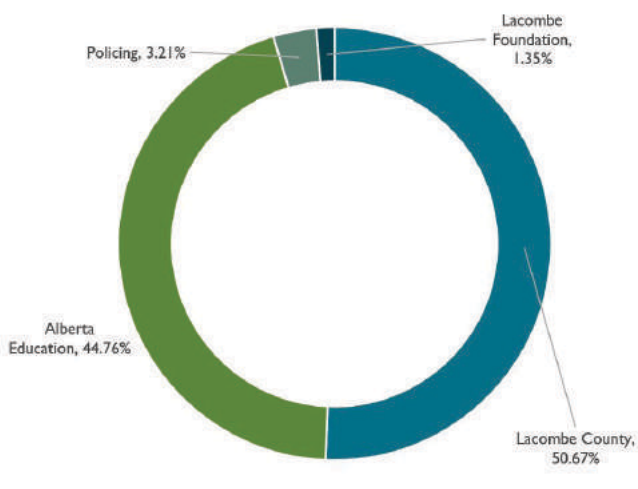
Lacombe County Council directed that municipal tax rate increases be as low as possible while continuing to provide sustainable funding for operating and capital expenses in the year ahead and ensuring that Lacombe County infrastructure, assets and services are maintained at appropriate levels.

“Recognizing the struggles our residents have had with day-to-day inflation on food, gas, etc., the 2023 operating budget, capital budget, and municipal tax rates were established to provide for the continued delivery of a high level of services and programs for our citizens in the most cost-effective manner possible,” said County Manager Tim Timmons.

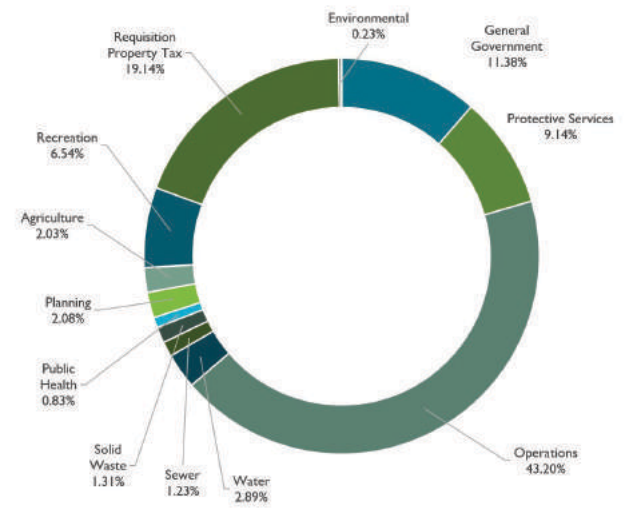
Where Taxes Come From



Tax Breakdown



Operating Cost Breakdown



Fire ban remains in place

With no significant rain fall over the past few weeks, Lacombe County issues a full fire ban. As of May 19, this fire ban remains in place for Lacombe County.

- No new fire permits or fireworks permits.
- Existing permits have already been canceled.
- No burning barrels are permitted under this ban.
- Gas/propane stoves, barbeques, and portable propane fire pits are permitted but must be always attended to.
- Any outdoor fires, including campfires, presently burning within Lacombe County must be extinguished immediately.
- The ignition of all outdoor fires within the boundaries of Lacombe County are hereby prohibited.

This ban DOES NOT apply to:

- Fires which are contained within cooking and heating appliances, and which are fueled by fluids, gases, charcoal briquettes, or wood pellets.
- Propane-fueled fire pits.

The public is asked to make sure all fires are completely extinguished before leaving unattended and to dispose of cigarette butts responsibly. Lacombe County and the Lacombe County Fire Services remind the public to use caution when operating Off-Road Vehicles or farm equipment, as hot exhaust pipes pose a fire hazard. In addition, Lacombe County Fire Services encourages all landowners who have had burn permits in the last six months, to check their burn locations to ensure fires are fully extinguished.

Watch our website and/or social media channels for the most up-to-date information.





Paid Parking Program

REMINDER: the Paid Parking Program is in effect from May - September at the following locations



Sandy Point Beach

\$3/hour
OR
\$15/day for parking at Sandy Point Beach.



Boat Launches

\$10/day to launch only
\$20/day launch and park

Applies to:

Sandy Point Boat Launch
Sunbreaker Cove Boat Launch



Annual Pass

- \$120/year Sandy Point Beach Parking
 - \$160/year Boat Launch & Parking
 - \$80/year Boat Launch ONLY*
- (*doesn't include parking)

Questions? Prepay? Visit www.lacombecounty.com/paidparking

Beach / Boat Launches Paid Parking Program: PAYMENT OPTIONS



Online parking payments for BEACH and BOAT LAUNCH



Lacombe County's Paid Parking Program came into effect on May 1 at the Sandy Point Beach Parking Lot, and the Sandy Point & Sunbreaker Cove Boat Launches.

For details/questions on the parking program, visit <https://www.lacombecounty.com/paidparking>

[lacombecounty.com/paidparking](https://www.lacombecounty.com/paidparking)

PARKING PAYMENT INFO

There are four ways that you can pay for parking:

1. Park with the app: Download the HotSpot Parking App on your smartphone to set up an account.
 - Create an account
 - Tap the "Parking" icon
 - Enter the 4-digit code on the sign
 - Choose your length of stay
 - Pay

2. Park with the Fast Tap signs: Use your smartphone to scan the QR code on the signs in our parking lots and pay
 - Scan the QR code with your phone's camera
 - Enter your license plate number
 - Choose your length of stay
 - Pay with Apple Pay or Google Pay
3. If you don't have a Smartphone: You can pay online at home (home computer, laptop, iPad, etc.) before your visit.
4. Lacombe County Administration Building: You can also pay for parking in-person at the Lacombe County Administration Building during regular business hours (Monday to Friday, 8:00 am – 4:30 pm).

PLEASE NOTE: There is NO guarantee that you will get a parking spot if you pay for parking from home or at the County office so, please be sure to arrive early.

I'M HAVING TROUBLE PAYING FOR PARKING. WHO SHOULD I CALL?

If you are having problems with the HotSpot app or Fast Tap option, please contact Hot Spot Support Team DIRECTLY at 1-855-712-5888 or email support@htsp.ca.

You can also learn more about the company and how Hot Spot works, or find technical support online, at www.htsp.ca.



ON THE FRONT LINE

Roles of Directors & Boards of Not-for-Profit Organizations

A FREE workshop for Lacombe County Community

Groups

June 6, 2023 | 7:00 PM | Lacombe Memorial Centre

This session will help you to:

- Explain the various kinds of boards used by not-for-profits,
- Provide you with principles to guide your board in fulfilling its governance and operational roles (the "two hat" director),
- Identify the legal, ethical, and organizational governance responsibilities of all NFP boards,
- Describe the key governance roles of NFP boards and directors,
- Share some stories of NFP governance success and failures,
- Provide some "tricks and tools" that will help you and your organization be even more successful in the future.



RSVP via Eventbrite (https://not-for-profit_governance.eventbrite.ca) or by contacting Jennifer at 403-782-6601 / jprediger@lacombecounty.com



SAFETY FIRST

Alberta RCMP urge safety during May long weekend

Every year the May long weekend is the unofficial kickoff to summer for many Albertans. Whether it's by car, motorcycle or RV, people across the province will hit the road for a weekend away, and before they do, the RCMP has a reminder for drivers.

Our focus for the weekend will be to encourage Albertans to buckle up, slow down, put the cell phone away and enjoy the ride into summer. Traffic enforcement will be ramped up over the long weekend, with officers focused on impaired drivers, distracted drivers, speeders and seat belt compliance.

We want people to get where they are going, enjoy their time there, and get back home again – without collecting speeding tickets or impaired driving charges along the way.

With many people headed out camping on the Victoria Day weekend, police will also be on patrol in provincial parks and wilderness areas. Campfire safety, drinking in public and ATV driver safety will be on officers' radar.

Everyone knows that drinking and driving is a no go.

Everyone needs to realize that drinking too much in any setting can be dangerous – especially when campfires, boats and

ATVs are involved.

Driving safety tips to prevent a deadly long weekend:

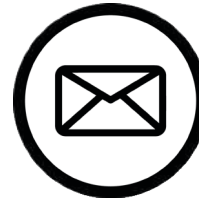
- Get plenty of sleep before a long drive.
- Plan routes to allow more attention on travel safely.
- Remember all Canadian provinces have banned the use of hand-held communications devices behind the wheel.
- Keep a safe following distance between vehicles.

When summer is in full bloom and families are setting their sights on the August long weekend, meaning traffic safety is key on Alberta's highways.

For those looking to get out to vacation destinations after work on Friday and back home on Monday, the police services in Alberta are reminding travelers to keep safety in mind. According to statistics, May, August and September long weekends tend to be the deadliest weekends based on all previous studies.

Summer also means road construction so please remember to slow down to 60 km/h when passing highway construction zones and all emergency vehicles. Above all – Please do not drink and drive.

MAILING ADDRESSES for upcoming tax notices



If your address has changed - OR IF YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO RECENTLY MOVED TO LACOMBE COUNTY - ensure Lacombe County has the up-to-date information!

Call 403-782-6601 or email info@lacombecounty.com.

We also recommend **updating the title of your property with Alberta Land Titles**. You can obtain a form from us, by calling 780-427-2742, or online <https://www.alberta.ca/land-titles-overview.aspx> (under Change of address and name).

NOVA Chemicals | Notice of Work in Lacombe County

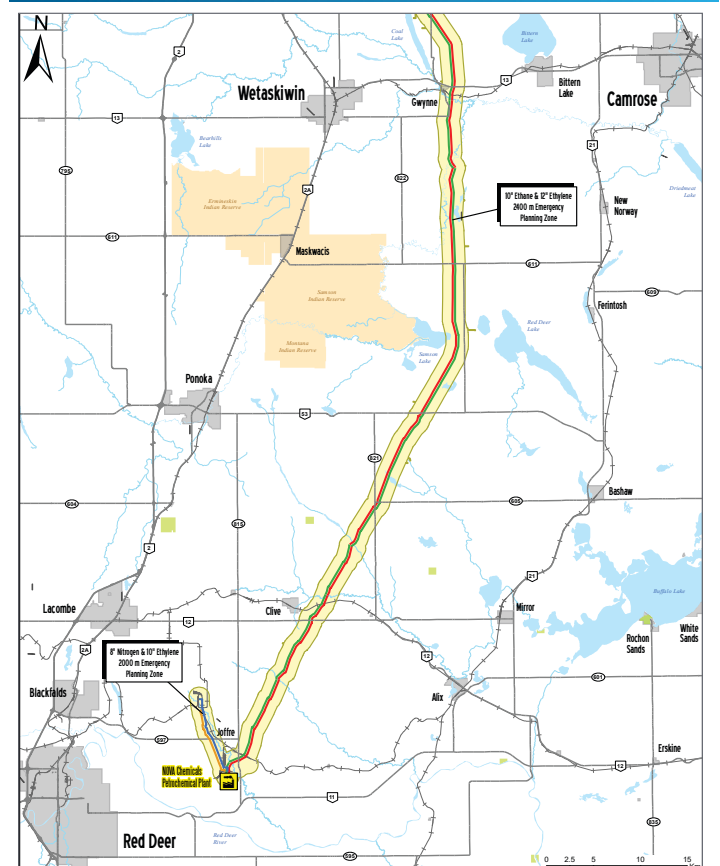
Emergency Management International Consulting (EMIC Corp.) will once again be working in your County, off and on, over the next several weeks commencing around the second week of May.

We are contracted by NOVA Chemicals Pipelines to update their Emergency Response Plan database which is done on an ongoing basis. Several of NOVA's pipelines run between Joffre and Fort Saskatchewan, Alberta and pass through your County. We will be "Ground truthing", (driving slowly throughout the area around the pipelines noting roads and updating all surface developments on our maps) and contacting numerous residents in the process. We have attached an information sheet/map which shows the area where our work will be conducted. Resident information that is collected, updated or verified for Emergency Response is kept in strict confidence.

Our staff will be driving silver 2014 GMC trucks with NOVA Chemicals and EMIC corporate logos. There will be two EMIC employees in each of our trucks who will be carrying EMIC picture identification. At least one staff member in each truck is a retired R.C.M.P. officer.

We send this to you for information purposes in the event of any calls regarding our activity. The local R.C.M.P. detachment has been advised as well. You are encouraged to share this information with your local Crime Watch organizations and Social Media contacts. You can contact us at (403) 340-0440, or toll free at (855) 385-0440.

JOFFRE TO GWYNNE



GOLF CARTS & ELECTRIC SCOOTERS - Road Use

DID YOU KNOW



Golf carts and electric scooters are classified as prohibited miniature vehicles under the Traffic Safety Act and Lacombe County Bylaws.

This means that golf carts and electric scooters are strictly prohibited on any highway, including ditches and sidewalks alongside the roadway.

Miniature vehicles may only operate on private property or in relation to electric scooters, where Alberta Transportation has issued a permit with the approval of the municipality.

Failing to obey these rules may not only result in costly fines, but their operation poses a risk to your safety and others.

For more information refer to these links:

GUIDE TO SMALL VEHICLES:
[MICROSOFT WORD - SMALL_VEHICLE_BOOKLET_FINAL.DOC \(ALBERTA.CA\)](https://www.alberta.ca/microsoft-word-small-vehicle-booklet-final.doc)

TRAFFIC SAFETY ACT:
[HTTPS://KINGS-PRINTER.ALBERTA.CA/1266.CFM?PAGE=T06.CFM&LEG_TYPE=ACTS&ISBNCLN=9780779638714](https://kings-printer.alberta.ca/1266.cfm?PAGE=T06.CFM&LEG_TYPE=ACTS&ISBNCLN=9780779638714)

OFF HIGHWAY VEHICLE BYLAW:
[HTTPS://WWW.LACOMBECOUNTY.COM/EN/LIVING-HERE/OFF-HIGHWAY-VEHICLE-USE.ASPX](https://www.lacombecounty.com/en/living-here/off-highway-vehicle-use.aspx)

MIRROR CORNER



The Mirror and District Museum Association is a volunteer based museum located in the Hamlet of Mirror which celebrates our local heritage. In addition to the main museum building, we have the CN caboose and boxcar, as well as St. Monica's Anglican church (built in 1895) and cemetery plus the old school building beside the church.

Summer Employment Opportunity: Summer Assistant

Duration: June 26 to September 1, 2023

Part time position with hours

10 AM- 4:30PM Tuesday to Saturday (with possibility of more)

The Ideal Candidates is:

- Are interested in the history of Mirror and the surrounding area
- Reliable, hardworking/motivated and organized with attention to detail
- Has excellent interpersonal and computer skills
- Willing to learn or be familiar with the "Past Perfect" computer program for museums
- Able to work independently with minimal supervision as well as part of a team

Duties:

- Open and close the museum, supervise the facility
- Greet visitors and offer assistance (museum tours, inquiries, tourist information, etc.)
- Office duties, record keeping, research, writing, and create of artifact labels and stories, photographing artifacts and entering this information on the museum software program (Past Perfect). Training/guidance will be given
- Assist in the creation of displays/exhibits and helping with program delivery, community planning/events
- Miscellaneous regular janitorial work (clean, vacuum, water/weed flower boxes, trim grass where needed, painting outdoors etc.)

Submit your resume or to direct any queries to:
mmuseum@cciwireless.ca

Or send it to our facebook page at:
Mirror and District Museum Association

Get your applications in early!



2023 Mirror Dog Tags

A license is required for all dogs in Mirror. 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.- 1 p.m.

Booking Mirror Community Hall

Call Lisa 403-788-3890 or cell 403-505-3894.

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.

Library Hours: Wednesdays 1-7 p.m.
2nd & 4th Saturday, 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.



Community Notice:

Joffre Site Polyethylene One (PE1) maintenance turnaround planned



Our PE1 facility will be shut down from mid-May to end of June, 2023 for a turnaround.

What can you expect?

- Flaring during plant shut-down and start-up
- An increase in contractors to site (approximately 800 contractors at peak)

How are we minimizing impact?

- West access to site
- Staggered shifts
- Contractor orientation will include road etiquette



Attention to neighbour impacts is always a priority.

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

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.

Other planned maintenance activities:

- Ethylene One (E1) mini-outage — Spring (may align with PE1)
- Advanced SCLAIRTECH™ Technology Facility (AST1) outage — Fall



STAY ALERT!

Spring seeding
season has arrived

Drive Safe, Stay Safe!



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Tips for driving a slow moving vehicle

Driving a moving truck or an oversized load? If you get on the highway and must drive under the speed limit, here's what to do:

- Move to the right lane when it's safe to do so
- Drive as close to the right curb or edge of the roadway as possible
- Avoid overtaking or passing another vehicle
- Be cautious when turning left at an intersection or into a driveway
- If a traffic control device directs slow moving traffic to use a specific lane, drive only in that lane

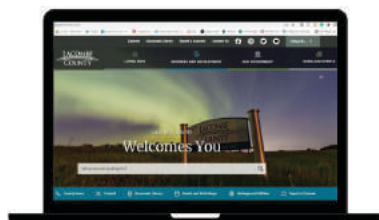
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Lacombe County Property Assessment: Updates

2023 Property Inspections

To ensure the property assessment evaluation accuracy, assessors re-inspect properties throughout the year in Lacombe County. We aim to revisit your property at least once every 5-6 years. Our assessors will inspect (and re-inspect) properties for various reasons.

Municipal assessors will be beginning the rotational property re inspection project:

- General Re-Inspection of Non-Residential properties in the Industrial/Commercial Subdivisions and throughout the County. These property owners may also receive letters requesting additional information about their property.

What happens during an inspection?

An in-person inspection consists of the following:

- physically collecting/verifying measurements of buildings and other structures
- reviewing improvements, such as the type of construction, number of bathrooms, areas finished as office or warehouse, 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 tries 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 we may ensure accurate information – we appreciate your cooperation in preparing the assessment for your property.

Collection methods may include in-person interviews, mail, email, or phone surveys asking you for information about your property or market research based on listings or public advertisements.

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 or modernizations have been completed.

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

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, 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.

Why do we assess properties?

Assessment is the process of valuing property to fairly and equitably distribute a municipality's total property tax requirement among 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 the Provincial school & municipal tax rates are applied to the assessed value of your property.

ENVIRONMENT



TREE & SHRUB SALES!

2023 Resident Environmental Sustainability Program

Lacombe County's 2023 RESP will offer 4-5 foot potted trees and shrubs at an estimated cost of \$15/tree or shrub. Limits of 3 trees per household will be in place.

Trees and shrubs offered includes:

- Tristis poplar
- Laurel Leaf Willow
- Golden Willow

COMING SOON

Limited numbers of trees and shrubs will be available for purchase. Pre-orders will be opened closer to the delivery date, once confirmed.

Advance pre-orders will not be accepted.

Stay tuned for more details on Lacombe County's social media and within the County News. For questions, please email jnakonechny@lacombecounty.com or call 403-782-8959.

AER Announces New Closure Nomination Process

The program will enable Indigenous communities, landowners, and municipalities to nominate wells and facilities for closure

The AER recently announced a new closure nomination program that will allow Indigenous communities and stakeholders, including landowners and municipalities, to become active participants in the inventory reduction process. Previously, municipalities were ineligible to nominate wells and facilities for closure.

The AER is now accepting nominations to close oil and gas wells and facilities that have been inactive for at least five years. The request can be submitted through the [closure nomination form](#), located on the AER website. Any sites nominated under the Site Rehabilitation Program will be incorporated into the AER's closure nomination process. Eligible sites are expected to be included in the process by the end of 2023.

This process is part of the AER's Inventory Reduction Program and supports the province's [Liability Management Framework](#).

Any questions regarding this new process can be directed to closure.nomination@aer.ca.

"Resilient Agricultural Landscape Program" – 100% of Invoiced Costs Covered for Sustainable Agriculture Projects

By Ken Lewis, ALUS Program Coordinator
Red Deer County

Launched on April 3, 2023, the new Federal / Provincial "Sustainable Canadian Agriculture Partnership" (or S-CAP) includes many programs offering support for farmers and ranchers.

One brand-new program is the Resilient Agricultural Landscapes Program (RALP). The headline is not a typo. You can apply to RALP, for as much as 100% of your invoiced costs for sustainable agriculture projects, to a maximum of \$150,000.

Three things to point out about RALP:

1. If you are approved for RALP funding, you get 50% of the approved funding when you first do the project, in "Year One", or the year you apply. You get the remaining 50% of the approved funding 2 years later.
2. You need an up-to-date Environmental Farm Plan (less than 10 years old) to participate in RALP. You don't need it to apply, but you will need it by the time your project is completed.
3. For some projects, you can actually get much more than 100% of your invoiced costs covered

from RALP. Some RALP project categories offer additional "opportunity costs" of up to \$200 / acre and some RALP projects can get up to 15% additional funding over and above their project costs, based on the extent of the project's impacts.

For all the information about RALP, you'll want to go to the RALP website: www.alberta.ca/resilient-agricultural-landscape-program (or Google alberta ralp).

Below is a PARTIAL list of eligible projects.

- Converting annual cropland to native or tame forages
- Seeding "intercrops" or "covercrops" with annuals
- Fencing for riparian area management
- Alternative ("Off-Site") Watering Systems
- Planting trees and shrubs beside water bodies
- Fencing for rotational grazing
- Watering systems for rotational grazing
- Watercourse crossings
- Adding legumes into existing forage stands
- Targeted grazing for invasive plants control
- Planting Shelterbelts, Ecobuffers and Pollinator Strips

In addition to RALP, in Lacombe County there are many other programs funding the same types of on-

farm projects. ALUS is of course the program that's been here now for many years, with participants from all over the County.

Other programs worth a look, that are funding related projects include S-CAP Water, S-CAP Farm Technology, On Farm Climate Action Fund (OFCAP), and the 2 Billion Tree Program.

It all might look a little complicated...but there has literally NEVER been a better time (from a financial perspective at least) to do a project like this in Lacombe County.

I look after ALUS in Lacombe County, so I'm happy to help you put together an application for ALUS. But if you want, I can also chat with you about these other programs, so you can decide which program(s) work best for your farm or ranch.

Please give me a call /text / email any time (403-505-9038 or klewis@rdcounty.ca).

And, keep an eye out for workshops, meetings, webinars etc. that are being offered to help inform farmers and ranchers about all of these opportunities.

OPERATIONS

If you notice a broken or missing sign on a County road, call us ASAP!!!



BROKEN OR MISSING ROAD SIGNS?

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Email: info@lacombecounty.com

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Instagram (lacombecounty)
Twitter (@LacombeCounty)

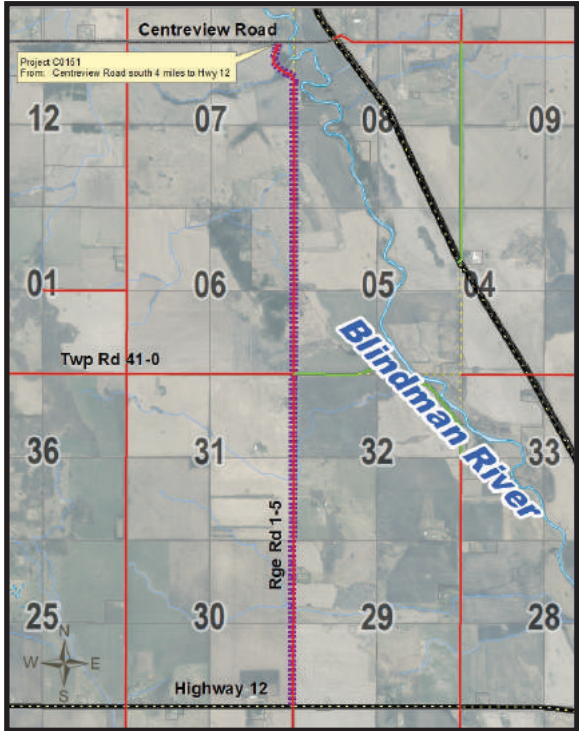
ALERTS | Construction Notices

Range Road 1-5 (Centreview Road to Highway 12 | Road Construction

Notification of Municipal Works for road construction on Range Road 1-5 from Centreview Road south 4 miles to Highway 12.

Roadwork will start Wednesday May 3, 2023 and take 10-weeks to complete (weather permitting).

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



Mainroad advises of recent fraud activity

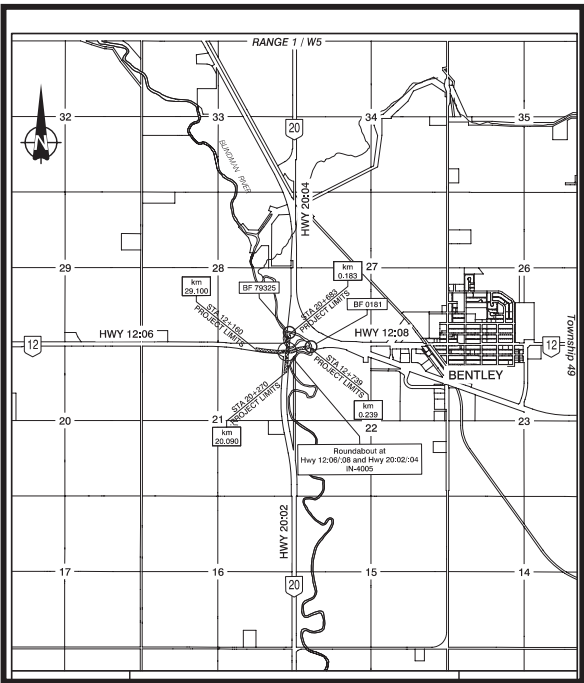
Please be advised of the following situation concerning trespassing on private property and solicitation of business in the Contract Maintenance Area.

Last month, Mainroad Operations received a phone call from a concerned resident located West of Ponoka stating that a group of workers came onto their private property representing “Mainroad” and offering to fill potholes and pave the driveway.

These workers are soliciting business from residents in a fraudulent manner. Residents are strongly advised to report any suspicious activity to the local RCMP. If you wish to remain anonymous you can contact Crime Stoppers by phone at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS) or online at <https://crimestoppers.ab.ca/>. To report a crime online, or for access to RCMP news and information, download the Alberta RCMP app through Apple or Google Play.

Mainroad is contracted by the Province to perform maintenance on Central Alberta provincial highways surrounding and within the counties of Lacombe, Ponoka, Red Deer, and Wetaskiwin. Any road or highway maintenance work impacting a local county community or township is publicly communicated through 511 Alberta.

Our 24-hour communications and dispatch office will pass on all your observations and concerns to our crews when contacted. Please drive with caution – always a good reminder to check 511 Alberta for the latest road conditions in your local area, visit <https://511.alberta.ca/#:Alerts>.



Highway 12 & Highway 20 | Round About Completion

Alberta Transportation and Economic Corridors is finishing work on the round about at the intersection of Highway 20 and Highway 12 (west of Bentley).

Construction began May 1, 2023, and is expected to go until June 30, 2023 (weather permitting).

All work will take place between 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. The construction zone will be signed and portable message boards will be used. Speed limit will be reduced to 30 km/hr and Flag People will be in-place.

CONSTRUCTION SEASON REMINDER

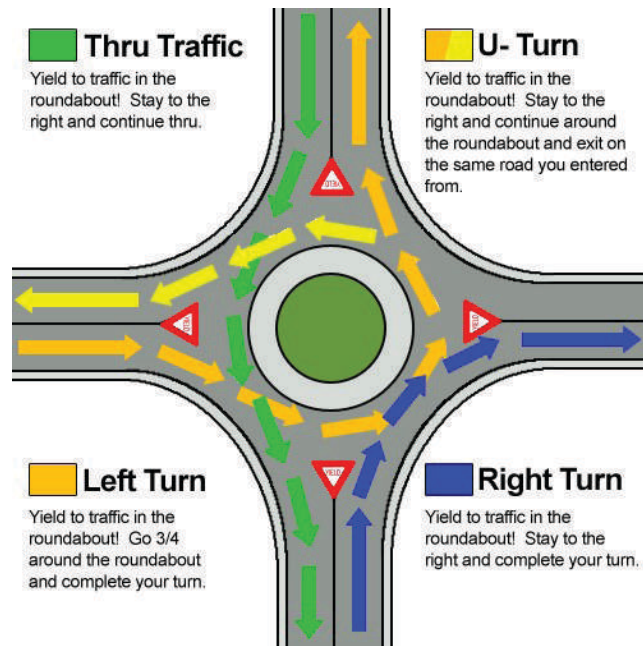
Please drive carefully and obey ALL signs and speed limits during construction. If you have questions or concerns regarding any project, please contact the Operations department at 403-782-8379.

All notifications and maps can be found at lacombecounty.com under Construction Notifications (in Quick Links)

OPERATIONS

Approaching and entering a roundabout

A roundabout is an intersection with an island at its centre. When in a roundabout, you must always keep to the right of the centre island. Roundabouts will be marked with a Roundabout sign and can either be single-lane or multi-lane roundabouts.



In a roundabout

At all times, you should signal with your indicators to let other drivers know your intentions. Immediately before leaving the roundabout (i.e. when passing the exit before your exit) you must signal with your intention, unless it is impracticable to do so. For example, the roundabout may be too small to allow your indicator to operate. This tells drivers waiting to enter the roundabout where you intend to exit.

How to use a roundabout on Alberta's highways

1. Note the appropriate exit.
2. As with any other intersection, choose the correct lane, before entering the roundabout.
3. Slow down as you approach the roundabout, and be aware of crossing pedestrians.
4. Yield to all traffic inside the circular lane, and wait for an appropriate gap.
5. Maintain a safe speed, between 30 and 40 km/h, through the roundabout.
6. Never change lanes within the roundabout.
7. Signal for right turn as you approach the desired exit, while maintaining a safe speed.

Truck Aprons

Roundabouts in Alberta have truck aprons around the

centre island that provides extra room for semis and multiple-trailer trucks. The rear wheels of large trucks can drive across the truck apron, as they are designed to support the weight of large trucks and help long vehicles turn safely through roundabouts.

Bicycle riders are permitted to turn right at a multi-lane roundabout provided they give way to any vehicle exiting the roundabout. Drivers must remember to look out for those cyclists in the left lane who are giving way to exiting vehicles.

Lacombe Regional Waste Services Commission Site Closure for Repairs

The following Lacombe Regional Waste Services Commission Transfer Station will be closed for repairs.

Please go to the following alternate designated site during these times. Thank you for your patience and understanding while we complete these significant repairs.

Bentley Transfer Station CLOSURE

Bentley Transfer Station will be **closed** **June 8th, 9th, 10th, 15th, and 16th for repair work.**

- Please go to the Spruceville Transfer Station for your Household and Metal disposal items, as well as your Card-board, and Co-Mingled Recycling during this time.
- Spruceville Transfer Station does not have a burn pit or electronics recycling.
- Wood disposal and electronics recycling will need to be taken to the Prentiss Transfer Station on these days.

Spruceville Hours of operation from June 6 - 16:

- Tuesday to Friday 9:00am to 4:45pm.
- Saturday June 10 8:00am to 11:45am and 1:00pm to 4:45pm.

Prentiss hours of operation are:

- Monday to Saturday from 9:00am to 4:45pm.

Bentley and Spruceville Transfer Stations will reopen Saturday June 17 at regular business hours.

Lacombe Regional Waste Services Commission (LRWSC) Transfer Stations Hours of Operation

Bentley Transfer Station

NE-22-40-01-W5M

(403)748-3961

Thursday & Friday 9:00am to 4:45pm

Saturday 1:00pm to 4:45pm

Spruceville Transfer Station

NW-29-40-27-W4M

(403)782-2828

Tuesday & Wednesday 9:00am to 4:45pm

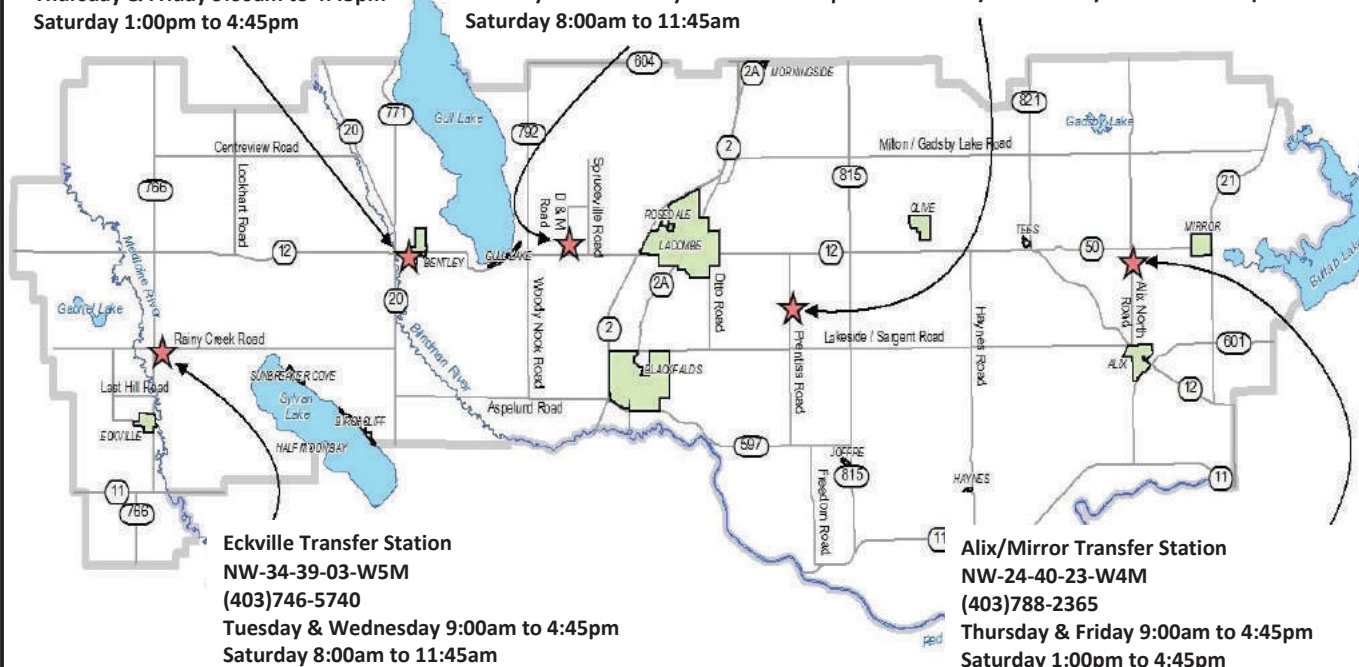
Saturday 8:00am to 11:45am

Prentiss Landfill/Transfer Station

NW-07-40-25-W4M

(403)782-5300

Monday to Saturday 9:00am to 4:45pm



Eckville Transfer Station

NW-34-39-03-W5M

(403)746-5740

Tuesday & Wednesday 9:00am to 4:45pm

Saturday 8:00am to 11:45am

Alix/Mirror Transfer Station

NW-24-40-23-W4M

(403)788-2365

Thursday & Friday 9:00am to 4:45pm

Saturday 1:00pm to 4:45pm

All transfer stations are closed on the following statutory holidays:
New Years Day, Thanksgiving, Good Friday, Remembrance Day,
Christmas & Boxing Day.

AGRICULTURE

100-Year Farm Family recognized in Lacombe County

Tromso Norway was where the Bergesen's immigrated from. Starting in the 1880's they began moving across the States (Gerhard Haarstad and Sophia Haarstad, nee Bergesen) and eventually in 1901 settled a few miles west of Bentley.

Berger Johanessen came from Tromso in 1911 and lived and farmed with his aunt and uncle Gerhard and Sophia. Berger's mother was a Bergesen and he and his mother had lived on the Bergesen Farm in Tromso. He farmed with the Haarstads for eleven years and in 1922 bought the East half of 25-40-02-W5M, where he Farmed for himself until his death in 1945.

In the early thirties Einar Bergesen bought the NW-25-40-02-W5M quarter where he and his wife farmed. It was a CPR quarter. When Berger died in 1945, Einars brother Haakon bought the farm and had a lease agreement with Einar who farmed the three quarters together with help from his sons.

Einar had 3 kids with his wife Esther. Howard born 1933 in the Bentley hospital was first, Arnold and Eleanor followed shortly after. All three kids attended the Stephenson School that was just a little over a mile from their original homesite.

Howard bought the farm from his fathers estate sale in 1962 and built a new house in 1964 on SE-25-40-02-W5M. In this yard is the barn that Berger Johanessen had built in the late twenties. It is still in daily use. The old Stephenson School house has also been moved to the farm-yard. Howard and his wife Helen raised 6 kids on the farm, David, Wes, Randy, Verlynn, Karen, and Gary. The kids all helped on the farm and the land is still actively farmed by Randy. Randy bought the NW-25-40-02-W5M a few years ago.

Howard and Helen still live in the home they built in 1964. Howard will be turning 90 years young this summer. He still gets out on the tractor and Helen still gardens around the yard.



On May 6, 2023, the Bergesen gathered together to celebrate their families' 100-year farm family designation. Lacombe County Division 6 Councillor Allan Wilson (right) presented the family with the sign.

What you "weed" to know about weeds in Lacombe County

Lacombe County's Weed Inspection Program has begun. Our goal is to protect productive, valuable and sensitive lands within Lacombe County from prohibited noxious and noxious weeds, regulated under the *Alberta Weed Control Act* that Lacombe County enforces.

Prohibited noxious and noxious weeds will:

- Reduce the habitat available for native plant species, which threatens species of insect, plant, fish and animal that depend on native plants.
- Reduce property values for residents and agricultural producers.
- Reduce production from agriculture and other rural industries.
- Increase land management expenses for counties, businesses and property owners.

For further information in which apply to all county landowners, check out the *Alberta Weed Control Act*: <https://open.alberta.ca/publications/w05p1>
Alberta Weed Control Regulations https://open.alberta.ca/publications/2010_019

Who is in my field? (Pictured below)
Pyper Snow is Lacombe County's NEW Weed Inspector. She will be inspecting: County, private, and public lands for prohibited noxious and noxious weeds. We have also appointed Abby Raines as a pest and weed inspector.

Commonly Asked Questions:
Can a weed inspector come onto my property without my permission?
Yes, under the provincial *Weed Control Act*, County Weed Inspectors have the appointed authority to enter any private property to monitor for noxious and prohibited noxious weeds and enforce compliance with the Act. They do not

need the homeowner's permission to do so. They are, however, restricted to only outdoor lands and business hours. Under the *Weed Control Act*, a person shall not willfully obstruct or delay an inspector in the exercise of their duties.

How does a weed inspector know which properties to inspect?

Weed inspectors patrol within Lacombe County's jurisdiction. They may decide to inspect a property based on a number of factors, including:

- a random inspection,
- a visual sighting from the roadway
- a reported sighting
- a known history of an infestation in the area.

What is a Prohibited Noxious Weed vs. Noxious Weed?

Prohibited Noxious weeds need to be 100% destroyed each year. They are classified as detrimental weeds but are not yet widespread in the province, making total eradication possible. Noxious weeds are widely spread across Alberta, which may be difficult to eradicate, but will alternatively be managed every year to stop the spread.

More information
We are here to help! Ask us about plant identification, weed control options, or private herbicide applicators for hire. If you have any questions or concerns, contact Lacombe County's Agriculture Department at 403-782-8959.

We have a list of noxious and prohibited weeds on our website at: <https://www.lacombecounty.com/en/business-and-development/weeds.aspx>



Jalene Makus



Pyper Snow



Abby Raines

You may see these County staff conducting weed and pest inspections this season. If you have any questions, please contact the office at 403-782-8959.

AGRICULTURE

Winter Burn of Conifers



Shane LePage



Around this time of year, one of the most common landscape concerns people have is discoloured needles on their coniferous trees. This can be alarming and often people assume that their trees have insect or disease

problems. Most often, however, the problem is winter burn, also called winter-kill or winter desiccation. It is an extremely common problem of evergreens in Alberta (pine, spruce, cedar, and juniper) due to our severe and rapidly changing winter conditions. Occasionally, winter burn can be so severe that some trees die and require replacement.

Winter burn symptoms become apparent as the snow melts and temperatures rise in late March and April. Needles turn brown, rust-coloured, or purplish, either at the growing tips, whole branches, or sometimes entire portions of the tree. Discoloured needles begin to drop off starting in spring and continue into summer. In most cases, while affected needles die, the surrounding buds remain viable, and new growth emerges. Generally, only the most susceptible trees will die, such as those that were recently planted and did not have well-developed root systems, or those that were marginally hardy to begin with, such as dwarf Alberta Spruce.

Factors that contribute to winter burn include warm fall temperatures that delay tree dormancy, wild swings in daily temperature during mid-winter (ie. during Chinooks), and sunny winter days where needles require water but can't access it due to frozen ground. Strong winds can exacerbate winter burn due to additional water loss. De-icing salts also contribute to needle death in the spring as high salinity interferes with the roots ability to uptake water. Thankfully, spruces and pines typically produce new growth at branch tips in

spring that will replace winter burn-damaged needles over a couple of growing seasons.

What else can we do to help? Create mulched areas that extend to the edge of the canopies of the trees. Mulched areas reduce competition with grass and weeds, and protect the root zone by conserving soil moisture.

Provide supplemental irrigation to your evergreens, if practical. One word of caution is to have your irrigation water tested to ensure that it doesn't contain excessive sodium. I've encountered situations where acreage owners were slowing killing their trees with high-sodium irrigation water. Watering should be done near the drip line of the trees or slightly beyond as that is where the fine feeder roots reside. Placing a hose at the base of the trunks will not water the tree and may contribute to early trunk decay.

Avoid high nitrogen fertilizers in the late summer or fall, as they can force new growth that will not harden off properly prior to winter.

Finally, spray applications of glycine betaine can provide assistance in getting the trees through the hottest, driest times in summer, by preventing plant cells from cracking and losing water. Available under different brand names, glycine betaine is used on a wide range of crops, ornamental plants, trees, shrubs, and lawns.

**Submitted by Shane LePage,
LePage Plant Health Care,
AB Licensed Pesticide Applicator,
ISA Certified Arborist**



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

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!

www.lacombecounty.com
403-782-8959



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COUNTY**

SUBDIVISION & DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY

April 1, 2023 to April 30, 2023

Development Applications Received

No.	File No.	Applicant	Legal Description	Proposed Development	Decision <i>(otherwise pending)</i>
1	49/23	Derek Youngs	NW 14-39-1-W5M	Home Based Business, Major <i>(Youngs Auto Repair Ltd.)</i>	Approved
2	50/23	Tyler Schafer & Lyndon McAfee	Lot 1 Block 1 Plan 202 1097 (Pt. SW 36-40-27-W4M)	Minor Business and Trade <i>(Renewal, Carriage Upholstery)</i>	
3	51/23	Dale & Leah Goodey	Lot 1 Block 1 Plan 952 3206 (Pt. SE 10-41-27-W4M)	Addition to Existing Residence	Approved
4	52/23	David Robb	Lot 10 Block 2 Plan 042 4146 (Greystone Ranch)	Addition to Existing Residence	Approved
5	53/23	Dave Pope	N 1/2 SW 13-39-24-W4M	Single Family Dwelling w/Attached Garage	Approved
6	54/23	Bill & Wendy Holman	Unit 210 Condo Plan 142 2139 (Sandy Point RV Resort)	Park Model	Approved
7	55/23	Edward Kingston	Lot 6 Block 18 Plan 7159AI (Hamlet of Mirror)	Storage Shed	
8	56/23	Michael & Laura Reimer	Lot 1 Block 1 Plan 212 2758 (McLaurin Beach, Gull Lake)	Detached Garage w/Covered Patio & Carport	Approved
9	57/23	Ken & Beth Thola	Lot 4 Block 2 Plan 082 8146 (Silver Springs, Sylvan Lake)	Detached garage	
10	58/23	Grant & Linda Christensen	Unit 136 Condo Plan 232 0356 (Degraff's Resort, Gull Lake)	Park model w/covered deck and shed	Approved
11	59/23	Degraff's Resort	Unit 139 Condo Plan 232 0356 (Degraff's Resort, Gull Lake)	Cottage Model	Approved
12	60/23	Anthony Vanderwal	Pt. NW 13-40-28-W4M	Home Based Business, Major <i>Agriculture Mechanic Business known as Vanderwal Ag Inc.</i>	Approved
13	61/23	Rosehill Farms Ltd.	SE 35-40-27-W4M	Single Family Residence <i>(Replacement Dwelling)</i>	Approved
14	62/23	Clint Lacosse	Lot 7 Block 2 Plan 074 0315 (Lakeview Estates, Gull Lake)	Detached garage w/Covered Deck	Approved
15	63/23	Aggregate Design Studio	Pt. NW 22-39-27-W4M	Contractor Business <i>(Maintenance Shop and Office)</i>	
16	64/23	Randy & Kendra Cosman	Lot 4 Block 4 Plan 002 0581 (Lacombe Lake Estates)	Existing Gazebo & Shed	Approved

Do you have questions about subdivision or development activity?

Contact Us:

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

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Director of
Planning Services

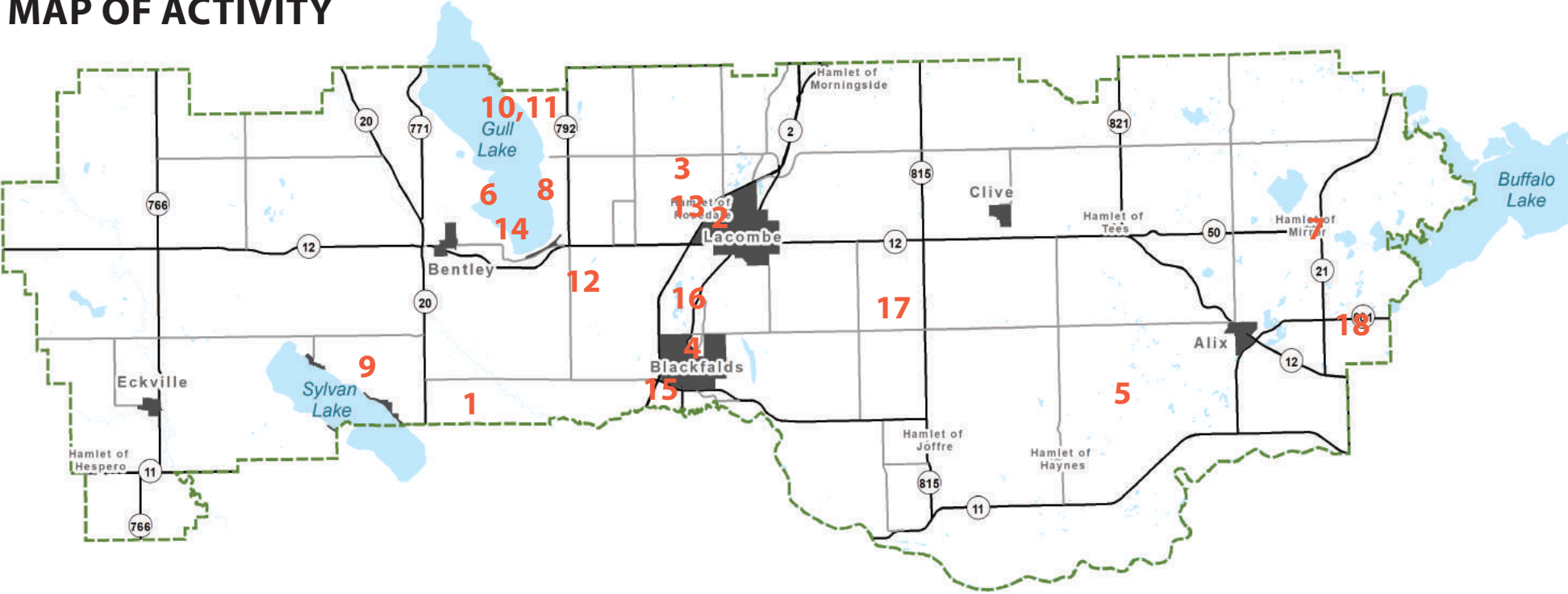
Cajun Paradis
Senior Planner

Natasha Wright
Planner / Development
Officer

Nicklas Baran
Junior Planner

Allison Noonan
Planning Services
Administrative Assistant

MAP OF ACTIVITY



Subdivision Applications Received

No.	File No.	Applicant	Legal Description	Proposed Subdivision	Decision (otherwise pending)
17	S-011-23	Nick Leshar	NW 4-40-25-W4M	1st Parcel Out	
18	S-012-23	Jocelyn Stevens	NE 35-39-22-W4M	Agricultural (U-Pick Berry Farm)	

PUBLIC NOTICE

PROPOSED ROGERS 50m WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS SELF-SUPPORT TOWER INSTALLATION

SUBJECT:

- Wireless **self-support tower**, **50m** metres tall
- Location: 41113 Range Road, Lacombe AB. Site is located approximately 300m back from Range Road 282 with approximate coordinates 52 30 50.0N 113 56 03.0W
- The facility will include: technical equipment in a locked shelter located at the base of the tower. Furthermore, a locked fence will surround the shelter and tower.
- The site will provide fast and reliable wireless voice and data services in the general area of Township Road 412 and Range Road 282 at the Southeastern portion of Gull Lake as well as the surrounding area.

With respect to this matter, the public is invited to provide written comments by **June 18, 2023**, to the contact information shown below. Please include a return address.

Further information may also be obtained through the following contacts:

TEP Engineering Canada, C/O Rogers Communications Inc
Logan McDaid – Senior Planning and Permitting Specialist
301-2903 Kingsview Blvd SE
Airdrie, Alberta
T4A 0C4
Tel (902) 410-5943
e-mail: Lmcdaid@tepgroup.net

SITE LOCATION MAP

May 7 – 13, 2023

Emergency Preparedness Week

Learn more at GetPrepared.ca

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Planning Services

Frequently Asked Questions



YOU HAVE QUESTIONS

CAMPING IN
LACOMBE
COUNTY



WE HAVE ANSWERS

Due to Lacombe County’s natural beauty, countless properties in the County seem to be an attractive destination for campers looking to become one with nature. However, there are circumstances where camping may lead to negative impacts for adjacent landowners, the local environment, and the community. As such, Lacombe County has regulations surrounding camping to balance these interests.

District	maximum number of RVs that can be stored	duration of time a visitor can use an RV as a temporary sleeping accommodation
Agricultural ‘A’	6	no longer than 2 weeks
Country Residential ‘R-CR’	vacant lot – 0 lot with dwelling - 2	no longer than 2 weeks
County Residential Estate ‘R-CRE’	vacant lot – 0 lot with dwelling - 1	no longer than 2 weeks
Residential Conservation (Cluster) ‘R-RCC’	vacant lot – 0 lot with dwelling - 1	no longer than 2 weeks
Residential Lake Area ‘R-RLA’	2	no longer than 2 weeks
Hamlet ‘H’ (<u>applies</u> to Haynes, Joffre, Morningside, Tees, Hespero, and Rosedale Valley)	vacant lot – 0 lot with dwelling – 1	not allowed
Hamlet Residential 1 ‘H-R1’ (Mirror)	1	no longer than 2 weeks
Hamlet Residential 2 Mobile Home ‘H-R2’ (Mirror)	1	no longer than 2 weeks

Can family or friends camp on my property?

It depends on which land use district your property falls within! Some districts allow a recreational vehicle (RV) to be temporarily used by visitors as a sleeping facility. Please note that an RV cannot be considered as a permanent dwelling in these districts.

Refer to the table (left) for the applicable regulations. If you are not sure of the zoning of your property, please call Planning Services at 403-782-8389.

What defines a campground?

The County’s Land Use Bylaw defines a campground as an area which has been planned and improved for the seasonal, short-term occupancy of holiday trailers, motor homes, tents, campers, or similar recreational vehicles. Campgrounds typically include uses such as recreational vehicle parks, campsites, tenting grounds, and other recreational activities such as picnic grounds, boating facilities, and playgrounds.

There are three types of campgrounds:

- Minor campground – up to 6 stalls
- Intermediate campground – up to 19 stalls
- Major campground – 20+ stalls

Development approval is required prior to the construction of any campground. The County may require the applicant to consult with neighbouring landowners and address any issues identified prior to the application being considered. For more information, please contact Planning Services at 403-782-8389 or planning@lacombecounty.com.

BUSINESS FEATURE: Arrow Arc Welding



When Brian Prins first started Arrow Arc Welding 18 years ago, the focus was on servicing agricultural equipment. Due in part to his background in farming and his family’s original involvement in grain and pig farms, he had a lot of connections within the industry. Brian also grew up in Lacombe County, so his history in the area gave him a significant advantage, and the location keeps him closely tied to his family roots.

As time went on, oil and gas started to become a larger portion of Brian’s work. As things fluctuated through various downturns, he continued diversifying by taking on residential projects and even some solar installations. Brian

has experienced the need for diversification firsthand; this is one of the first things he shared when asked what he’s learned as a business owner.

An example of diversification within the ag industry is manufacturing McKee manure spreaders. Along with building the equipment, they also construct the individual pieces and components used to repair the equipment. Brian even de-



signed and built a machine whose specific function is to bend flanging pieces for the spreader boxes. And though it is functional, it could be mistaken for a piece of modern art if you came across it on the street or in a park. Arrow Arc serves customers from central Alberta, as far as Saskatchewan and Manitoba.

In addition to welders, Brian employs an engineer and drafting specialists. One of their most significant advancements in recent years is the implementation of CNC cutting and forming machines. Until a few years ago, their team would draft and then cut pieces out by hand from the raw materials. Now they rely on the technology that takes the drawings, translates them through the CNC machine, and cuts them automatically. This innovative change allowed for greater efficiencies across the board.

Brian shared that his goal is to consistently provide excellent service and

high-quality workmanship. Arrow Arc relies on word-of-mouth advertising and serves many repeat customers. When this is the case, your best marketing is a job well done! Eighteen years in, it’s clear that their model has been effective, and the quality of work speaks for itself.

Learn more or contact them at www.arrowarcwelding.com.



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

LACOMBE COUNTY

SPOT *light*

DUN RITE STOCK & STABLES

Doug and Katie Roxburgh have roots in the lower mainland, where they were born and raised. After high school, they came to Alberta to pursue their post-secondary education in Agriculture at Olds College. Because starting a farm in BC was not viable, the couple decided to stay in Alberta, where they purchased their first quarter in Lacombe County. 17 years later, their first-generation farm and successful business continue to grow.

In recent years, on-farm direct beef sales have become a more significant focus of the business. Marketing and sales of the products happen primarily through word of mouth and the online store, where customers value the ability to research the products online before purchasing. The Roxburghs work to maintain a consistent supply of beef for customers available all year. Small variety packs allow families to enjoy a wide

range of cuts and beef products – even if they can't store a large order. Katie shared that Lacombe County's mix of urban and rural residents provides the flexibility to raise their product and remain close to a large customer base. To offer flexibility and convenience, customers can pick up their order on-farm or arrange for a delivery schedule even as far as Edmonton and Calgary.

Doug is involved with Alberta Beef Producers and the Canadian Cattle Association. He enjoys being part of the process of creating more viability for the industry, especially for younger generations. The Roxburghs both grew up in agriculture and were also heavily involved in 4H, so they understand the organization's significant impact on students. Their ongoing involvement in 4H allows them to provide a voice to steer the direction of the industry moving forward.

As ag producers, Doug and Katie recognize

that they are stewards of the land they work and the animals they raise. To this end, they use all means available to produce the highest quality end product. Manure generated by the cattle is used as fertilizer for the crops, which in turn feeds the animals. Solar-powered waterers and rotational grazing manage summer foraging. At the same time, cropland and grasslands sequester carbon – making cattle part of the solution rather than the problem.

Find Dun Rite Stock and Stables online:

Website www.Dunritestockandstables

Facebook: @DunRiteStockandStables

Twitter: @DunRiteSS

Instagram: @dunritess



COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

April 27, 2023

CITY OF LACOMBE RC(1) CAPITAL FUNDING REQUEST

The City of Lacombe has made applications under the County's Recreation Capital Policy RC(1) for the Kinsmen Aquatic Centre, Echo Energy Arenas, and the Trinity Crossing Accessible Playground for 2023. In addition to these recreation projects, the City is seeking funding for its 2023 cemetery upgrades. By resolutions of Council, Lacombe County will contribute up to \$224,060 to the City of Lacombe's recreation capital projects, funded from the Recreation Capital Assistance Reserve and \$10,000 for the City's cemetery upgrades funded from the Cemetery Reserve.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY

Factor5 Group Inc. has been working on the Lacombe County Economic Development Strategy (EDS) since March 2022. The final draft of Success Grows Here! An Economic Development Strategy for Lacombe County was created with significant input from staff and Council and was presented for Council review on March 9, 2023. Additional feedback has been incorporated into the document and, by resolution of Council was approved for endorsement.

QUEEN ELIZABETH II PLATINUM JUBILEE MEDAL PRESENTATIONS

Congratulations to Ken Wigmore, Debbie Leitch, Claudia Lipski, Terry Engen, Anna Robertson, and Sherry Vink, who were presented with Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee medals for their outstanding service and citizenship.

2022 OPERATING SURPLUS AND RESERVE ALLOCATION

The County realized a net cash operating surplus of \$2,855,221, representing 4.92% of the 2022 operating budget. By resolution of Council, the operating budget surplus was allocated, in parts, to the New Payment Reserve, Gravel Reserve, Bridge Reserve, and Municipal Facilities Reserve. A small portion of the surplus will remain in unrestricted surplus.

2023 BUDGET AMENDMENT & TAX RATE BYLAW

With the release of the 2023 requisitions and the completion of the 2023 property assessments, the final budget and Property Tax Rate Bylaw No. 1394/23 were presented to Council for consideration. Due to increased property assessments, the proposed final

budget and tax rate bylaw included no increase in residential, farmland, and non-residential municipal tax rates. By resolution of Council, the 2023 Lacombe County operating budget was approved. As well, Bylaw 1394/23 received first, second, and third reading, and was passed.

SCAP PROGRAMMING

Council was provided with an overview of the Sustainable Canadian Agricultural Partnership (SCAP) programming. SCAP is a partnership between the federal, provincial, and territorial governments that supports development in Canada's agriculture and agri-food sector through a variety of environmental sustainability, business development, and value-added programming.

TEC INTERSECTION STUDY – HWY 12 & HWY 792 (LINCOLN ROAD)

CIMA+ Engineering, on behalf of Alberta Transportation and Economic Corridors (TEC), has provided notification of an intersectional review of the Highway 12 and Highway 792 intersection. Included in the notification was a request for input from Lacombe County. By resolution of Council, the County Manager was directed to work with CIMA+ Engineering on the functional study of the intersection with a request that the study include the following:

- The seasonal traffic patterns as they relate to the high recreation users that visit the lakes and pass through to the west country.
- Explore additional signage for motorists, allowing for a better understanding of the intersectional markings.
- Include long-term projections of traffic based on future, either actual or projected developments in the area.
- That the County obtain a copy of the report and provide input and consultation with TEC on any future improvements identified in the study.

ROAD CLOSURE & SALE – ROAD PLAN 442EO

Road Plan 442EO is a road diversion within the Pt. NW 25-41-2 W5. Craig Colgrave is requesting the closure and sale of Road Plan 442EO so it can be consolidated with his property, in the Pt. NW 25-41-2 W5M (Plan 2222269, Block 1, Lot 1 (58.02 acres). The proposal was

circulated to interested parties for comment; there was no response from adjacent landowners and the affected utility companies responded siting no concerns.

By resolution of Council, the closure of Road Plan 442EO was approved. To complete the road closure process, the request will be forwarded to Alberta Transportation for approval and then registered with Land Titles.

MEETING WITH THE VILLAGE OF ALIX

Lacombe County Council has been invited, and will arrange to participate in, a Council-to-Council Meeting with the Village of Alix to discuss intermunicipal matters.

BYLAW NO. 1395/23 RATES AND FEES BYLAW

Bylaw No. 1395/23 was presented for Council's consideration and, by resolution, received first, second, and third reading, and was passed. This bylaw updates the previous 2023 Rates and Fees Bylaw to incorporate a change to fees for assessment information requests.

BYLAW NO. 1391/23 SPEED CONTROL BYLAW

Bylaw No. 1391/23 was presented for Council's consideration and, by resolution, received first, second, and third reading, and was passed. This bylaw pertains to regulating and controlling the speed of vehicles within Lacombe County.

PALM BAY ENVIRONMENTAL RESERVE ENCROACHMENT

Council was provided with a verbal presentation by Jim Jardine of Trilliant Real Estate Group and Kent Stout, a property owner in the Palm Bay subdivision, regarding encroachment on County environmental reserve. The presentation was received for information by Council and the County Manager was directed to prepare a report and recommendation for consideration at a future Council meeting.

2022 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Representatives of BDO LLP presented the draft 2022 audited financial statements, the final report to Council, management letter, and letter of representation. By resolution of Council, a closed meeting was held to discuss matters pertaining to the financial statements; and further, the audited financial statements were approved, as amended, to include the 2022 surplus allocation to reserves.



Council Highlights & Minutes can be found on our website at www.lacombecounty.com/en/our-government/agendas-and-minutes.aspx

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.

ATTENTION: Notification of Access for County Assessors

Lacombe County municipal Assessors will be visiting properties throughout the municipality this year to verify property information to ensure accurate and equitable assessments – we appreciate your cooperation in doing so.

Our assessors carry identification and will present it upon request. If you have questions or concerns, don't hesitate to get in touch with us at the Lacombe County Administration Office.

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

May 11, 2023

PUBLIC HEARING BYLAW NOS. 1387/23 & 1388/23 - MUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND LAND USE BYLAW

A public hearing was held for Bylaw Nos. 1387/23 and 1388/23. Bylaw No. 1387/23 is a bylaw of Lacombe County to amend the Lacombe County Municipal Development Plan, Bylaw No. 1238/17, as it relates to general regulations and district requirements. Bylaw No. 1388/23 is a bylaw of Lacombe County to amend the Lacombe County Land Use Bylaw, Bylaw No. 1237/17, as it relates to general regulations and district requirements.

Based on feedback received at the public hearing, further public consultation will be conducted prior to Council considering adoption of the bylaw amendments.

OP (16) ROAD MAINTENANCE POLICY REVIEW

Amendments to the OP (16) Road Maintenance Policy received Council approval.

TOUR OF THOMPSON PALLISTER BAIT CO. LTD.

Lacombe County Council and senior administrative staff have been invited to attend a tour of the Thompson- Pallister Bait Co. Ltd. facility on May 30, 2023. Councillor West will attend the tour on behalf of Council.

MIRROR JOLLY SENIORS CENTER FURNACE REPLACEMENT REQUEST

Council authorized the purchase and installation of two new furnaces at the Mirror Jolly Seniors Center, a municipally owned building in the Hamlet of Mirror. Council requested that a policy be drafted for consideration at a future meeting regarding leases of municipal buildings in Mirror.

2023 AUDITOR APPOINTMENT

Council confirmed the appointment of BDO Canada

LLP to provide auditing services for the 2023 fiscal year.

BYLAW NO. 1393/23 TEMPORARY BORROWING BYLAW

Bylaw No. 1393/23 was presented for Council's consideration and, by resolution, received first, second, and third reading and was passed. This bylaw pertains to the authorization of borrowing for the purpose of financing operating expenditures.

LACOMBE LAKE WATERSHED STEWARDSHIP SOCIETY (LLWSS)

Council was provided with a presentation by representatives of LLWSS, Cliff Soper, Anto Davis, and Andy Nokes, regarding lakewater data and the activities of LLWSS. The presentation was received for information by Council, and the County Manager was directed to prepare a report and recommendation for consideration at a future Council meeting.

Council presents Queen's Jubilee Medals to community members



QUEEN'S JUBILEE MEDALS | Lacombe County was honoured to celebrate some of the County's amazing community members recently. Congratulations to Ken Wigmore, Debbie Leitch, Claudia Lipski, Terry Engen, Anna Robertson, and Sherry Vink, who were presented with Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee medals for their outstanding service and citizenship.





 **GET READY!**

ELECTION DAY

MAY 29 



WILD

About Bees

We know native pollinators are on the decline, but what is the number one thing we can do to combat this?

Create more *HABITAT!*

You can purchase a package of pollinator seed mix and a Wild About Bees handbook.

Skinner Seed Mix - \$12.09

Each seed packages contains: 6 native bunch grasses, 2 native clovers, and up to 40 native wildflowers to the central Alberta area. This seed mix mimics a natural ecosystem.

ALCLA Seed Mix - \$12.94

This package contains 100% native wildflowers. The seeds selected in this mix were researched and are plants that are native to the Aspen Parkland Ecoregion.

What you will find in your handbook?

- Site prep trips for optimum success
- How to create a high quality pollinator garden, specific for native pollinators
- Photo identification of all the species in your seed package
- Lacombe County's top 20 favorite pollinators
- Where to find further resources

Pick up your Wild About Bees handbook and seed package at the Lacombe County Office (Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm)

LEARN MORE | Renewable Energy in Alberta

Have you been approached about leasing your land to a wind or solar energy developer? Want to learn more about negotiating renewable energy leases?



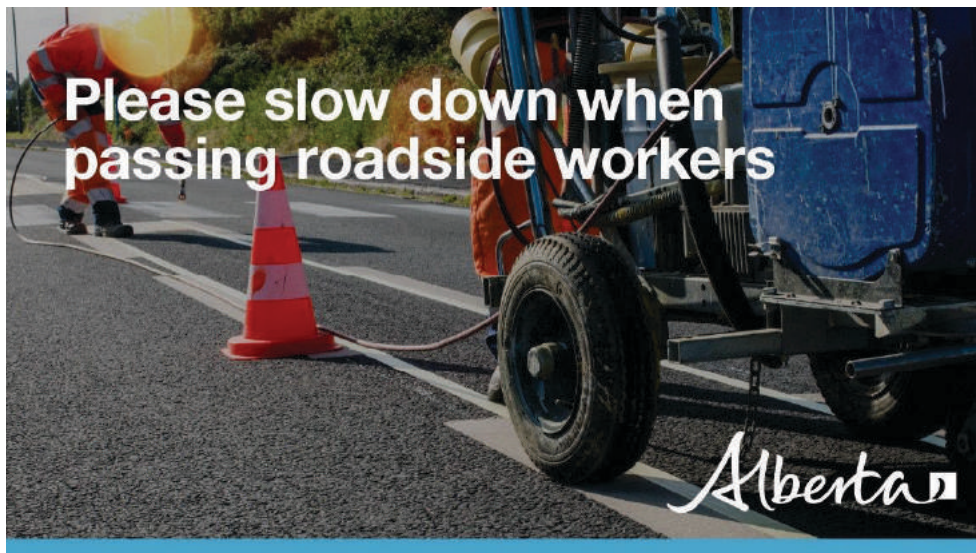
The Alberta Farmers' Advocate Office (FAO) has a guide that can help.

[Renewable Energy in Alberta](#) is available online ([access the guide by scanning the QR code to the right](#)) or by calling the Ag Info Centre at 310-FARM (3276).

For questions or more information on renewable energy development, contact Alberta Ag Info Centre at 310-FARM (3276) or visit their Alberta Ag Info Centre website.



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Gilby Hall supports Eckville Library

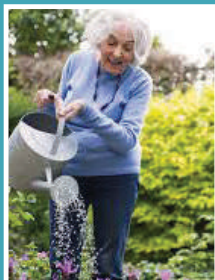
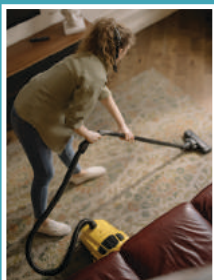
On April 7th Gilby Hall held their annual Good Friday Pancake Breakfast with a donation of the proceeds going to the Eckville Municipal Library. Thank you to all who attended, donated and hosted this wonderful event!

As a friendly community space, Eckville Municipal Library serves Eckville and area by providing resources to encourage a love of reading, life-long learning, community information, and social connection through programming, collection and entertainment options for all ages.

Debbie Anderson treasurer of the Gilby Agricultural society presented a cheque for \$2000.00 to the Eckville Municipal Library. Thank you for your donation! We are so grateful and look forward to being able to add more resources to our collection to meet our patrons needs.

Supports for Seniors

Did You Know? There is financial assistance available for Seniors over the age of 65 for household assistance such as housekeeping, snow removal, or grass cutting?



Special Needs Assistance for Seniors considers specific items that fall into one of the following three categories:

**Appliances/furniture | Health supports
Personal supports**

MORE INFORMATION AT:
<https://www.alberta.ca/seniors-special-needs-assistance.aspx>

ON THE FRONT LINE



**Roles of Directors & Boards of
Not-for-Profit Organizations**

A workshop for Lacombe County Community Groups

June 6, 2023 | 7:00 PM | Lacombe Memorial Centre



RSVP via Eventbrite (https://not-for-profit_governance.eventbrite.ca)
or by contacting Jennifer at 403-782-6601 / jprediger@lacombecounty.com





403-391-8849 | PO BOX 214 ALIX ALBERTA T0C 0B0

Xtreme Raceways is proud to bring you the
2023 SEASON SCHEDULE
Sunday Hours are all 11am to 4pm
Race Events are from 9am to 9pm

SUNDAY OPEN TO THE PUBLIC HOURS 11am - 4pm

» April 23rd & 24th
» May 28th
» June 4th & 18th
» August 13th & 27th
» Sept 17th
» Oct 1st & 15th

REGULAR HOURS
Tuesday 4pm-9pm
Thursday 4pm-9pm
Friday 4pm-9pm
Saturday 9am-6pm
All Holiday Mondays 11am-4pm

RACE DATES

HOURS 9:00am - 9:00pm

» May 13th & 14th
AMSA Off-Road Series
» July 1st & 2nd
Central Alberta Series
» July 8th & 9th
Jared Stock Sprint Enduro Series
» July 22nd & 23rd
Surf N Berm Campout (Ladies event)
» September 2nd & 3rd
Cancer Race

Mark the dates on your calendar and
we hope to see you out to enjoy
these fantastic athletes.



Senior's Week Activities

Seniors' Luncheon

**JUNE 4TH @ NOON
BENTLEY COMMUNITY HALL**

Seniors Please RSVP @ 403.748.2160

BY JUNE 1ST @ 3pm

Community Partners:
Bentley Seventh Day Adventist Church
Town of Bentley FCSS/Community Services



Classic Country, Rock & Hippy Songs

ALL AGES WELCOME TO

Join us June 4
1:30 - 3:30 pm
for some great
entertainment!

Sponsored by:
Town of Bentley FCSS/Community Services

MORE FUN!

Thanks to the Bentley Library & the Bentley Community Hall

June 6th - Seniors Craft and VR @ the Library 2 pm

June 8th - Seniors Bingo @ the Community Hall 2 pm

You are Invited to ...

CSA Information Seminar & Community Appreciation Supper

Featured Groups: Calumet Synergy Association Landowners, Farmers
Advocate Office(FAO), Alberta Energy Regulators(AER) &
Oil & Gas Reps in the CSA Area

Thursday, June 15, 2023

SCHULTZ HALL ON HIGHWAY 53
(32 km east of Ponoka)

DOORS OPEN at 4:00 p.m., Presentation at 4:30 p.m.
Supper & Fellowship at 6:00 p.m.

Markus Weber – LandView Drones
“Drones in Agriculture: Scout, Map and Apply”



HOSTED BY:
Calumet Synergy Association
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CANADIAN NATURAL RESOURCES LIMITED
ENHANCE ENERGY INC.

NO CHARGE TO ATTEND but an RSVP
by Friday, June 9th is encouraged
Leanne or Larry @ 403 784-3437
or taltonfarm@gmail.com

LEARN ABOUT DRONE TECHNOLOGY IN AGRICULTURE,
ENJOY GOOD FOOD & COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP!

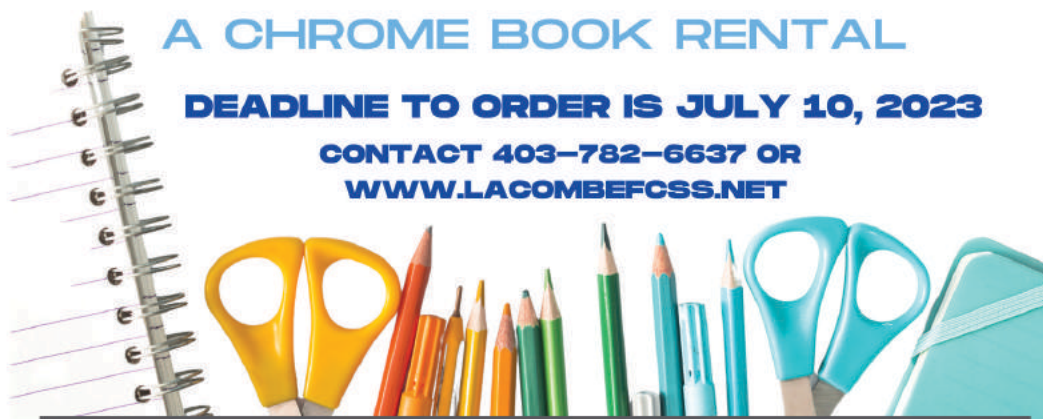


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Lacombe * Bentley * Clive * Alix

You may qualify for
Tools for School!
You can choose between:
SCHOOL SUPPLIES or
A CHROME BOOK RENTAL

DEADLINE TO ORDER IS JULY 10, 2023

CONTACT 403-782-6637 OR
WWW.LACOMBEFCSS.NET



School Start
Back to School with School Start

Information collected that you provide to
Lacombe & District FCSS is collected under the
authority of the Freedom of Information and
Protection of Privacy Act (FOIP) Section 33(c).
This information will be used for the purpose of
the "Tools for School" program. Your personal
information is protected from unauthorized
access, use and disclosure under Part 2 of the
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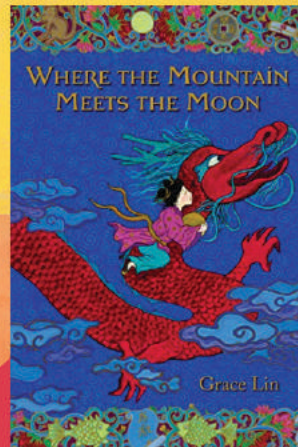
WHERE THE WILD BOOKS ARE:
THE LIBRARY BOOK CLUB FOR KIDS AND PARENTS

We would love to have you join us!

In June we are reading

**Where the Mountain
Meets the Moon**
by Grace Lin

Meeting: 6:30pm on June 29



How it works: This club is for kids ages 8-12 and their
parent(s). Meetings are on the last Thursday of every month
at 6:30 (except July & December). Read the book together
with your child, then meet with us for a fun book chat. All of
the selected books are available for loan through our
library. lacombelibrary.com/pcbc for more information
Program co-ordinator: Miranda miranda.cl@pml.ab.ca

FOUR EYES FILM SERIES PRESENTS

JUNE 21, 2023 | 7:00 PM
LACOMBE CITY CINEMAS

THE LOST KING: In this inspiring true story, amateur historian Philippa Langley believes she has made the archeological find of the century: the lost burial site of King Richard III. She takes on Britain's most eminent historians, forcing them to rethink the legacy of one of the most controversial rulers in English history.

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TICKETS AVAILABLE AT THE LIBRARY
JUNE 1-20 FOR \$9 OR AT THE DOOR
\$10
(subject to availability)
visit www.lacombelibrary.com/film
for more info



1 in 4 Albertans do not have access to primary care.

Countless urban and rural Albertans are instead forced to rely on walk-in clinics and emergency departments, leading to less than optimal care. Nurse Practitioners are a solution to expanding access to primary care while bending the cost curve in health care.

[CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT NURSE PRACTITIONERS](#)

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Learn About Nurse Practitioners



Voice Your Concerns (MLA Letter)



Learn more at

<https://1in4albertans.com/>

LINCOLN HALL

STEAK BBQ & CABARET

SATURDAY MAY 27 2023

Doors open at 5:30

ADVANCED TICKETS \$60 by May 22
for tickets call Kathy at 403-782-4194
etransfer: lincolnhallboard@gmail.com

dinner 6:30 - 8 pm
& dancing 9:00 - 1 am

all are welcome!

Follow us LINCOLN HALL SOCIETY

Bentley Stay & Play

Located in the basement of Town Office

We WELCOME all Families/Caregivers with children 0-6 and older children on PD days

Fridays 9:30 to 11:30

Contact Community Services 403.748.2160
OR our facilitator Miss Carolyn 403.704.3315 parentingproactively101@gmail.com

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HOME SUPPORT SERVICES FOR SENIORS

Home Support is available to eligible seniors needing assistance with light housekeeping in Lacombe and Lacombe County.

- ✓ Trained & screened Home Support Providers
- ✓ Weekly
- ✓ Bi-weekly,
- ✓ Monthly

Services Offered

- Laundry
- Kitchen
- Bathrooms
- Living Rooms
- Dusting
- Mopping
- Vacuuming
- Meal prep assistance

Contact Lacombe & District FCSS: (403) 782-6637

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JOIN US FOR OUR GRAND OPENING

STUFF A TRAILER FUNDRAISER

SATURDAY JUNE 10th AT 12-4

AT JOHNSON SPRING & TRAILER IN BLACKFALDS

ALL PROCEEDS WILL BE DONATED TO SAVING GRACE ANIMAL SOCIETY

BBQ, RAFFLE DRAWS, PUPPIES, BOUNCY CASTLE, & MORE!

FOR THE LIST OF ITEMS NEEDED FOR THE "STUFF A TRAILER" PLEASE SEE BACK OF PAGE OR VISIT US ON FB

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The perfect place for people to connect.

Book your upcoming event now!

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- anniversaries • weddings
- celebrations of life • exercise classes

Visit www.lacombe.ca/lmc or call 403-782-6668

Home of Anna Maria's Cafe, Mary C. Moore Public Library, Lacombe & District FCSS and the Lacombe & District Chamber of Commerce.

Need financial assistance with room rentals?
See if you qualify at lacombe.ca/grants

MARY C. MOORE PUBLIC LIBRARY

SENIORS WEEK

stop by the Library for our come & go tea on Friday June 9, 10am-noon & half price library memberships/renewals for seniors (age 55+) all week! \$10/household

JUNE 5-10, 2023

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH LACOMBE & DISTRICT FCSS

AROUND THE COUNTY



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Open:
Mon. & Wed. 10am - 8pm
Tues., Thurs. & Fri. 10am - 6pm
Sat. 10am - 5pm
Sun. 1pm - 5pm

PUBLIC LIBRARY
BLACKFALDS

We have a lot of exciting free winter programs for all from babies to adults. We have a new program just for Seniors! Check out our socials for our current program calendars and pop up events.

Memberships are free at The Blackfalds Public Library for Blackfalds and Lacombe County residents!

@BLACKFALDSLIRARY



Located in the Eagle Builders Centre
5302 Broadway Avenue
403-885-2343

Rotary
Club of Lacombe





38th ANNUAL

**LACOMBE
ROTARY
LOBSTER
DINNER &
DANCE**



GET YOUR
TICKETS HERE!

June 9, 2023

Doors Open at 5:30 pm
Dinner Starts at 6 pm
Dance to Follow

Lacombe Memorial Centre

**50/50
Silent
Auction**

*Lobster tastes better when
it's for a good cause!*

Funds raised will go towards the Cranna Lake Project and continue to support various community projects and programs in Lacombe and internationally

HELP ROTARY HELP YOUR COMMUNITY

WHAT WE DO

Alix and Area Community Resource Centre

Activities & Highlights

Attend the Alix Mirror Wellness Supports Society AGM on May 25 at 7:30PM, everyone is welcome. Thank you to all who donated auction items and everyone who bid during the 1st Annual Winter Wishes-Online Auction. A total of \$10,080 was raised for youth and senior programs!! We are looking forward to next Spring, to do it again.

Touch a Truck: May 29-

This community event offers hands on opportunities to explore, climb and touch vehicles. EVERYONE is welcome, hosted at the Alix MAC School grounds from 5PM - 8PM. Free barbcue, outdoor games & activities! Do you have a vehicle that could be included in this event? Contact Jill, 403-588-5199, to be added to the list of trucks, emergency response vehicles, heavy machinery and other equipment.

Volunteer Recruitment- We are currently planning ahead for several upcoming fundraising oppourtunities and events. Numerous positions & shifts will need to be filled along with tasks outside of the day-of events. Please get in touch if you want to be apart of: Casinos, Ponoka Stampede, Big Valley Jamboree and the Bashaw End of Summer Celebration!

NEW!- Fresh veggies are delivered weekly to the Centre, typically on Tuesday morning. Thank you Pic N Pac! Free for everyone and while quantities last.

Alix Community Gardens-

Stop in to reserve your FREE plot... Contact us for more information.

Monthly Grief Support Group-

Gather with others who are experiencing loss in a welcoming and confidential space. All ages are welcome. Hosted monthly on the 3rd Thursday, at 7PM.

Baby Clinic Update!

Every 3rd Thursday appointments can be made to book routine child immunizations. As of May please call: Stettler Health Unit, 403-742-3326.

Services Available

- Information & Referral
- Resource Navigation
- Volunteer Services
- Family Wellness
- Meals on Wheels
- Home Support
- Community Services
- Adult Learning
- Alix Food Bank
- Wise Owls

alixmirrorwellness@gmail.com

Follow us on Facebook
@AlixandAreaCommunityResourceCentre

www.alixcrc.com



Monday to Thursday  10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Closed all statutory holidays

Bay 1, 5008 50 Ave, Alix, AB

403-396-3369

Mary C Moor Public Library & Vibrance Wool Art


**WOOL
ART CLASS**

June 13 5:30 pm


Create your own beautiful piece of art using needle felting techniques. All supplies and instruction included. Beginner friendly! Taught by local wool artist Vicki Sullivan of Vibrance Wool Art

Fee: \$65
Kinsmen Room, LMC

Register now at the library! In person, by phone, or email miranda.cl@prl.ab.ca



MAKE THIS!



AROUND THE COUNTY

COMMUNITY EVENTS AROUND THE COUNTY

DETAILS	LOCATION	DATE/TIME	CONTACT
Family Picnic at the Lake The Sylvan Lake Lions Club in partnership with Aspire Special Needs Resource Centre will be hosting a Family Picnic. There will be bed races, bocce tournaments, children's games etc. Location is at Sylvan Lake Centennial Park. Everyone is welcome.	Sylvan Lake Centennial Park	June 11, 2023 11am - 6pm	Joyce Thrush Sylvan Lake Lions Club 403-391-3413
Bentley Fair and Rodeo Mark your calendar for the 2023 Bentley Fair and Rodeo!	Bentley	August 10-13, 2023	Kathleen van Dam Ag Society Director

Make a SPLASH at the Kinsmen Aquatic Centre

5429 53rd Street

The Gary Moe Sportsplex is home to the Kinsmen Aquatic Centre (KAC). Come take a dip at the Kinsmen Aquatic Centre. We offer a climbing wall, small slide, rope and many special events throughout the year.

What's Happening at the pool:

- May 14, mother's day-mother's swim for free
- May 22 - Victoria Day-open 1:00-5:00 pm for Public Swim only
- June 1- Spray Park opens.
Hours of operation are 10:00 am - 8:00 pm, 7 days a week.
- June 3 - CLOSED for Dolphins Swim Meet
- June 5- 9 is Seniors week-free water fitness classes all week, 10% discount on all Senior memberships (no 10 pass), potluck Wednesday, June 7 at 12:00 pm.

For more information on the KAC schedule, pool rentals and advanced courses call 403.782.1278 or visit www.lacombe.ca/pool.



MUSIC in the park

EVERY WEDNESDAY 6:30 PM
AT THE ECHO STAGE, LACOMBE MEMORIAL CENTRE

JUNE 7: RANDI BOULTON
 JUNE 14: FLAT IRON JAZZ BAND
 JUNE 21: STRINGS GALORE
 JUNE 28: MEMPHIS MAFIA
 JULY 1: BLUEPRINT
 JULY 5: FLASHBACK FREDDY
 JULY 12: ALECIA AICHELE
 JULY 19: FUNHOUSE
 JULY 26: THE ROJO'S
 AUGUST 2: BOOTS & THE HOOTS
 AUGUST 9: BOBBY GOSSE
 AUGUST 16: SQUIDJIGGER
 AUGUST 23: KAYLA WILLIAMS & THE YACHT DADDIES
 AUGUST 30: TAP9

LACOMBE PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE
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 FLAT IRON JAZZ
 LACOMBE COUNTY
 CITY OF LACOMBE
 LACOMBE Ford
 SUNSHINE 94
 St. Andrew's United Church

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Summer Camps
Summer is calling!
Discover camps for kids ages 5-18, just 15 minutes outside of Lacombe.
Sign up now at gulllakecentre.ca

Eckville Handicraft Group Presents...

ECKVILLE QUILT & WEAVING SHOW

Quilts, Quilts, and more Quilts!
Bake Sale
Tea Room
Silent Auction items up for bid
Vendors on site

June 9-10, 2023
10am -4pm

\$5 Admission

Eckville Legion
5027-51Ave.

BENTLEY BOUTIQUE

Use west entrance beside bay door.
Bentley Long Term Care Facility
4834 - 52 Avenue, Bentley

Open Tues/Thurs 10-12 & 1-3

Items for all ages & sizes.
Next to new clothing donations welcome!

Volunteer Coordinator
Sandy
403.318.0270

Bentley Community Services
403.748.2160

JUNE 2023						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28	29	30	31	JUNE 1	2	3
4	5	6 Workshop for Community Groups (see pg. 3)	7	8 County Council 9AM	9 County News Submissions Due	10
11	12	13	14	15	16 County News published	17
18	19	20	21	22 County Council 9AM	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	JULY 1

Help us promote YOU!



Do you know a **business, person, place or volunteer** you want to see profiled in County News?

Do you have a photograph you want to share?

If so, email **communications@lacombecounty.com** with your ideas, photographs or stories.

We'd love to hear from you!

100-YEAR FARM FAMILY RECOGNITION



Lacombe County celebrates the contributions of local farm families who have worked in Lacombe County through generations with the 100-Year Farm Family program.

To get your sign, contact Lacombe County (403-782-6601). Participants will have the option of sharing the history of their farm through the County News and social media channels.

Lacombe County Directory

RR3, Lacombe Alberta T4L 2N3 www.lacombecounty.com			
Department Numbers:		Main Office - 403-782-6601	
		Planning Services - 403-782-8389	
		Community Services - 403-782-8959	
		Operations - 403-782-8379	
		Public Works Shop - 403-782-3567	
General			
After Hours Emergency Answering Service		403.357.1210	
Administration Fax		403.782.3820	
Public Works Fax		403.782.5356	
For Service Requests, see our website - or phone the switchboard at 403-782-6601			
Senior Administration			
Tim Timmons, County Manager ttimmons@lacombecounty.com		Call 403-782-6601 to speak with the County Manager or with a Lacombe County Director	
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Dale Freitag, Director of Planning Services dfreitag@lacombecounty.com			
Dion Burlock, Director of Community Services dburlock@lacombecounty.com			
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