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Wetland Policy changes How will they affect you the Farmer?

Dave Shaw Arena Hall

Hines Creek, Alberta

Wednesday, January 25th, 2017

12:00 – 2:00 p.m.

Light lunch and refreshments

AND

Menno Simons Community School Gym

Cleardale, Alberta

Wednesday, January 25th, 2017

5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Light lunch and refreshments

Please join us for a presentation and information session by:

Thorsten Hebben, M.Sc, P.Biol, Director,

Water Policy Branch,

Alberta Environment and Parks

Everyone welcome

The Government of Alberta announced a new Wetland Policy for the province in the fall of 2013. The goal of the Policy is to conserve, restore, protect, and manage Alberta's wetlands to sustain the benefits they provide to the environment, society and the economy.

**MINUTES OF CLEAR HILLS COUNTY
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
COUNTY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2016**

PRESENT	<div> <div>Jason Ruecker</div> <div>Charlie Johnson</div> <div>Dan Fletcher</div> <div>David Janzen</div> <div>Lee Svederus</div> <div>Miron Croy</div> <div>Peter Frixel</div> </div> <div> <div>Reeve</div> <div>Deputy-Reeve</div> <div>Councillor</div> <div>Councillor</div> <div>Councillor</div> <div>Councillor</div> <div>Councillor</div> </div>
ABSENT	
ATTENDING	<div> <div>Allan Rowe</div> <div>Audrey Bjorklund</div> <div>Bonnie Morgan</div> <div>Ron Jensen</div> </div> <div> <div>Chief Administrative Officer (CAO)</div> <div>Community Development Manager (CDM)</div> <div>Executive Assistant (EA)</div> <div>Public Works Manager (PWM)</div> </div>
CALL TO ORDER	Reeve Ruecker called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.
<u>ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA</u> C661-16(11/23/16)	RESOLUTION by Councillor Fletcher to adopt the agenda governing the November 23, 2016, Regular Council Meeting, 4. b. delegation- Sergeant Corey Blize 7.a.6. Species at Risk, 7.a.7. Rental Equipment, 7.a.8. AAMDC Follow-up, as presented. CARRIED.
<u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u> Previous Meeting Minutes C662-16(11/23/16)	RESOLUTION by Councillor Croy to adopt the minutes of Regular Council Meeting November 8, 2016, as presented. CARRIED.
<u>DELEGATION</u> C663-16(11/23/16)	Sergeant Corey Blize was in attendance to have a discussion with Council on the recent events in the County RESOLUTION by Councillor Fletcher to receive the delegation from Sergaent Corey Blize for information. CARRIED. Reeve Ruecker recessed the meeting at 10:12 a.m. Reeve Ruecker reconvened the meeting at 10:17 a.m.
<u>DELEGATION</u> Peace Valley Snow Riders	Dwayne Buchholtz, and Ernie Brauer with Peace Valley Snow Riders will be in attendance at 10:15 a.m. to give Council an update on the Smith Mills Trail.

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C664-16(11/23/16)	RESOLUTION by Councillor Croy to receive the delegation from Dwayne Buchholtz, and Ernie Brauer with Peace Valley Snow Riders updating Council on the Smith Mills Trail for information, as presented. CARRIED.
<u>NEW BUSINESS:</u> <u>COUNCIL</u> Management Team Activity Report	Council reviewed the most recent Management Team Activity Report.
C665-16(11/23/16)	RESOLUTION by Councillor Fletcher to accept the November 8, 2016, Management Team Activity Report, as presented. CARRIED.
Worsley Walking Path	Reeve Ruecker requested a discussion regarding the Worsley Walking path be added to today's meeting.
C666-16(11/23/16)	RESOLUTION by Reeve Ruecker to prepare a Proposal and advertise for the snow and ice removal on the Worsley and Cleardale Walking paths. CARRIED.
Water Options for Rural Residents	Reeve Ruecker request a discussion regarding water options for rural residents.
C667-16(11/23/16)	RESOLUTION by Councillor Janzen to receive for information the discussion regarding non-potable water options for rural residents. CARRIED.
Wetlands	Councillor Frixel requested a discussion regarding the recent meeting with Thorsten Hebben, Alberta Environment and Parks on Wetlands.
C668-16(11/23/16)	RESOLUTION by Councillor Frixel to request that Thorsten Hebben, with Alberta Environment and Parks on Wetlands do a presentation in January for Clear Hills County residents on the implementation of the Alberta Wetland Policy (the Policy) for agricultural producers. CARRIED.
	Reeve Ruecker recessed the meeting at 11:13 a.m. Reeve Ruecker reconvened the meeting at 11:20 a.m.
Jake Klassen, Cleardale Community Enhancement Society	Deputy Reeve Johnson requested a discussion regarding a donation to be made in honor of Jake Klassen to the Cleardale Community Enhancement Society.
C669-16(11/23/16)	RESOLUTION by Councillor Fletcher to table the discussion regarding a donation to be made in honor of Jake Klassen to the Cleardale Community Enhancement Society. CARRIED.
Species at Risk	Councillor Svederus requested a discussion regarding Species at Risk Act.

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C670-16(11/23/16) RESOLUTION by Councillor Frixel to table the discussion regarding Species at Risk Act until the next Regular Council meeting. CARRIED.

Reeve Ruecker recessed the meeting at 11:43 a.m.
Reeve Ruecker reconvened the meeting at 12:10 p.m.

Rental Equipment Councillor Janzen requested a discussion regarding Rental Equipment.

C671-16(11/23/16) RESOLUTION by Councillor Croy to receive the discussion regarding rental equipment for information. CARRIED.

AAMDC Follow-up Reeve Ruecker requested a discussion regarding follow-up on the Fall AAMDC Convention.

C672-16(11/23/16) RESOLUTION by Councillor Croy to draft thank you letters to the ministers and government departments that we had meetings with and receive the AAMDC Follow-up discussion for information. CARRIED.

CORPORATE
SERVICES

Accounts Payable
(November 9, 2016,
to November 23,
2016)

A list of expenditures for Clear Hills County for the period of November 9, 2016, to November 23, 2016, is provided for Council's review.

C673-16(11/23/16) RESOLUTION by Councillor Croy that Council receives for information the Accounts Payable report for Clear Hills County for the period of November 9, 2016 to November 23, 2016 for a total of \$475,913.27 (four hundred and seventy five thousand nine hundred and thirteen dollars and twenty seven cents). CARRIED.

COMMUNITY
SERVICES

Library Funding
Policy No. 7006

Administration is recommending amendments to the Library Funding Policy 7006 to include the additional \$500 per local library funding that was approved in Resolution C551-16(10/11/16), and instead of releasing the \$8,000 in unconditional funding every second year release \$4,000 annually, so the libraries have a consistent funding flow to work with.

C674-16(11/23/16) RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve Johnson to adopt as presented Library Funding Policy 7006 that has been amended to include an additional \$500 in operating funds for local libraries that was approved in Resolution C551-16(10/11/16), and amending the bi-annual grant of \$8,000 for each of the libraries to an annual grant

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 of \$4,000 to provide the libraries with consistent funding annually. CARRIED.

PUBLIC WORKS

Log Haul Route
 Request

Council is presented with correspondence from Boucher Bros. Lumber Ltd. and DMI requesting approval to use local roads for log haul routes within Clear Hills County.

C675-16(11/23/16)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Fletcher to approve Boucher Bros. Lumber Ltd. and DMI's log haul route requests as presented. CARRIED.

WRITTEN REPORTS

COUNCIL
COMMITTEE &
MANAGERS

Council Reports

Council submits the meetings attended in the previous month and a report, if applicable.

Chief Administrative
 Officer's Report

The Chief Administrative Officers verbal report was reviewed.

C676-16(11/23/16)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Svederus to receive the information provided in the Chief Administrative Officer verbal report on November 23, 2016, for information, as presented. CARRIED.

Community
 Development
 Manager's Report

The Community Development Managers report was reviewed.

C677-16(11/23/16)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Croy to receive the information provided in the Community Development Managers report on November 23, 2016, for information, as presented. CARRIED.

Corporate Service
 Manager's Report

There was nothing to report.

Public Works
 Manager's Report

The Public Works Managers report was reviewed.

C678-16(11/23/16)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Janzen to receive the information provided in the Public Works Managers report on November 23, 2016, for information, as presented. CARRIED.

COUNCIL
INFORMATION

Council was presented with the correspondence of pertinent information that has been received.

C679-16(11/23/16)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Svederus to receive for information the correspondence presented at the November 23, 2016, Regular Council Meeting. CARRIED.

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CALENDARS

Council and Administration reviewed the upcoming months' calendars for Councillor Boards and Committee scheduled meetings, to assist Administration with record keeping and Council with a reminder.

C680-16(11/23/16)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Croy to receive for information the November, December 2016, and January 2017 calendars, as presented.

Meeting	Date	Member
		CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

Reeve Ruecker adjourned the November 23, 2016, Regular Council Meeting at 12:43 p.m.

DATE

REEVE

DATE

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

**MINUTES OF CLEAR HILLS COUNTY
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TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2016**

PRESENT	Jason Ruecker Charlie Johnson Dan Fletcher David Janzen Lee Svederus Miron Croy Peter Frixel	Reeve Deputy-Reeve Councillor Councillor Councillor Councillor Councillor
ABSENT		
ATTENDING	Allan Rowe Audrey Bjorklund Lori Jobson Bonnie Morgan Ron Jensen	Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) Community Development Manager (CDM) Corporate Service Manager (CSM) Executive Assistant (EA) Public Works Manager (PWM)
CALL TO ORDER	Reeve Ruecker called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.	
<u>ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA</u> C681-16(12/13/16)	RESOLUTION by Councillor Croy to adopt the agenda governing the December 13, 2016, Regular Council Meeting, with the addition of 7.a. 6. Stop sign change request, 7.a.7. Street light installation, and 7.a.8. Declaration of State of Agricultural Disaster response, as presented. CARRIED.	
<u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u> Previous Meeting Minutes C682-16(12/13/16)	RESOLUTION by Councillor Svederus to adopt the minutes of Regular Council Meeting November 23, 2016, as presented. CARRIED.	
<u>NEW BUSINESS:</u> <u>COUNCIL</u> Management Team Activity Report	Council reviewed the most recent Management Team Activity Report.	
C683-16(12/13/16)	RESOLUTION by Councillor Janzen to accept the November 23, 2016, Management Team Activity Report, as presented. CARRIED.	
Species at Risk	Council is presented with information on Species at Risk that was tabled at the November 23, 2016, Regular Council meeting.	
C684-16(12/13/16)	RESOLUTION by Councillor Frixel to receive the information provide on Species at Risk for information and bringing back	

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terms of reference for the Caribou Range Management Advisory Committee and invite a representative familiar with the Species at Risk Act, to attend a future Council meeting. CARRIED.

Worsley Seniors
Handi Bus

Reeve Ruecker would like a discussion regarding the maintenance and current condition of the 2002 Ford Chassis Worsley Handi-Bus.

C685-16(12/13/16)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Fletcher to approve the repairs to the 2002 Ford Chassis Worsley Handi-Bus. CARRIED.

Wetlands
Presentation

Council presented with a sample format for the requested presentation held by Thorsten Hebben, Director, Surface Water Policy Branch, Policy, and Planning Division for Alberta Environment and Parks to inform residents of the current and upcoming agricultural wetland policies. The length of presentation/conversation is entirely at Councils discretion – 45 minutes is typically sufficient, for the presentation with question period to follow.

C686-16(12/13/16)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Frixel to approve the date, times and locations for a presentation by Thorsten Hebben, Director, Surface Water Policy Water Policy Branch, Policy, and Planning Division for Alberta Environment and Parks to inform residents of the current and upcoming agricultural wetland policies. Tuesday, January 17th, 2017, Hines Creek – Dave Shaw Hall at 12:00 p.m. and Tuesday, January 17th, 2017 Cleardale School Gym at 5:00 p.m. CARRIED.

Reeve Ruecker recessed the meeting at 10:08 a.m.
Reeve Ruecker reconvened the meeting at 10:17 a.m.

DELEGATION

Cleardale
Co-operative Ltd

Representatives from the Cleardale Co-operative Ltd. were in attendance to request tax relief for the Cleardale Co-operative Ltd. 2016 Municipal taxes, at 10:15 a.m.

C687-16(12/13/16)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve-Johnson to receive the delegation from the representatives of the Cleardale Co-operative Ltd. requesting tax relief for Cleardale Co-ops 2016 municipal taxes for information, and table this matter until later in the meeting. CARRIED.

Seniors Check in
Line

Kathleen Nakagawa and Connie Brazel, representatives of the Seniors Check in line were in attendance to give Council an update on the program at 10:30 a.m.

C688-16(12/13/16)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Fletcher to receive the delegation from the Seniors Check in line, updating Council on the program for information; and approve the request for \$7,500.00 (seven thousand five hundred dollars) for the 2017 operations of the

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Seniors Check in line, with the funds to be allocated from the 2017 FCSS Budget. **CARRIED.**

Beyond Borders
Funding Request
Fairview Regional
Aquatic Centre

Council is presented with a request for funding from the Fairview Regional Aquatic Centre in the amount of \$40,000.00 to assist with phase 2 basin resurfacing.

Reeve Ruecker recessed the meeting at 11:30 a.m.
Reeve Ruecker reconvened the meeting at 12:00 p.m.

C689-16(12/13/16)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Svederus to approve a grant of \$7,500.00 (seven thousand five hundred dollars) to the Fairview Regional Aquatic Centre to assist with phase 2 basin resurfacing, funds to be allocated from the 2017 Operating budget. **CARRIED.**

Stop Sign Changes

Reeve Ruecker received a request to have the two stop signs at the intersection of Township Road 864 and Range Road 91 changed to yield signs at each corner of the intersection.

C690-16(12/13/16)

RESOLUTION by Deputy Reeve-Johnson to receive the request to have the two stop signs at the intersection of Township Road 864 and Range Road 91 changed to yield signs at each corner of the intersection. **CARRIED.**

Street Light
Installation

Councillor Janzen requested a discussion regarding installing street lights at the Cleardale Seniors Centre.

C691-16(12/13/16)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Fletcher to table the discussion regarding installing street lights at the Cleardale Seniors Centre to a future Council meeting. **CARRIED.**

Declaration of State
of Agricultural
Disaster Response

Council is presented with the response from the Honorable Minister Oneil Carlier to the November 10, 2016, letter that was sent regarding Clear Hills County's declaration of a state of Agricultural Disaster.

C692-16(12/13/16)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Croy to receive for information the response from Honorable Minister Oneil Carlier regarding Clear Hills County's declaration of a state of Agricultural Disaster. **CARRIED.**

C693-16(12/13/16)

RESOLUTION by Deputy-Reeve Johnson to raise the discussion regarding Cleardale Co-Operative Ltd. request for tax relief for Cleardale Co-Operative Ltd. 2016 municipal taxes for information. **CARRIED.**

C694-16(12/13/16)

RESOLUTION by Deputy-Reeve Johnson to approve a grant to the Cleardale Co-Operative Ltd. in the amount of \$8000.00 (Eight

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thousand dollars) with funds to be allocated out of the rate stabilization reserve. Councillor Croy requested a recorded vote:

For	Against
Janzen	Svederus
Johnson	Croy
Fletcher	Ruecker
	Frixel
	DEFEATED.

CORPORATE SERVICES

Accounts Payable
(November 24, 2016,
to December 13,
2016)

A list of expenditures for Clear Hills County for the period of November 24, 2016, to December 13, 2016, is provided for Council's review.

C695-16(12/13/16)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Fletcher that Council receives for information the Accounts Payable report for Clear Hills County for the period of November 24, 2016, to December 13, 2016, for a total of \$2,232,408.17 (two million two hundred and thirty-two thousand four hundred and eight dollars and seventeen cents)
CARRIED.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Ministers Response
To Spread of Weed
Concerns

Minister Carlier has responded to the letter of concern Council sent regarding the spread of noxious and prohibited noxious weeds due to movement of traffic, equipment, and people.

C696-16(12/13/16)

RESOLUTION by Deputy-Reeve Johnson to draft a letter of response to Minister Carlier regarding the spread of noxious and prohibited noxious weeds, pointing out concerns are not with immediate area, rather traffic, equipment and people. coming from outside the region and province.
CARRIED.

PUBLIC WORKS

Proceed to Tender
Tractor

Council to proceed with a tender for the purchase of a new tractor to be used for the mowing program.

C697-16(12/13/16)

RESOLUTION by Councillor Croy to proceed with a tender for the purchase of a new tractor to be used for the mowing program.
CARRIED.

Proceed to Tender

Mower	<p>REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING Page 5 of 6 TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2016 Council to proceed with a tender for the purchase of a new mower to be used for the mowing program.</p>
C698-16(12/13/16)	<p>RESOLUTION by Councillor Janzen to proceed with tender for the purchase of a new mower to be used for the mowing program. CARRIED.</p>
Proceed to Tender ½ Ton Pickup Truck	<p>Council to proceed to tender for the purchase of one new 1/2 Ton pickup truck.</p>
C699-16(12/13/16)	<p>RESOLUTION by Councillor Fletcher to proceed to tender for the purchase of one new 1/2 Ton pickup truck. CARRIED.</p>
<p><u>WRITTEN REPORTS</u> <u>COUNCIL,</u> <u>COMMITTEE &</u> <u>MANAGERS</u> Council Reports</p>	<p>Council submits the meetings attended in the previous month and a report, if applicable.</p>
C700-16(12/13/16)	<p>RESOLUTION by Councillor Croy to receive the information provided in the verbal Councillors reports on meetings attended, for information, as presented. CARRIED.</p>
Chief Administrative Officer's Report	<p>The Chief Administrative Officers verbal report was reviewed.</p>
C701-16(12/13/16)	<p>RESOLUTION by Councillor Janzen to receive the information provided in the Chief Administrative Officer verbal report on December 13, 2016, for information, as presented. CARRIED.</p>
Community Development Manager's Report	<p>The Community Development Managers report was reviewed.</p>
C702-16(12/13/16)	<p>RESOLUTION by Councillor Svederus to receive the information provided in the Community Development Managers report on December 13, 2016, for information, as presented. CARRIED.</p>
Corporate Service Manager's Report	<p>There was nothing to report.</p>
Public Works Manager's Report	<p>The Public Works Managers report was reviewed.</p>
C703-16(12/13/16)	<p>RESOLUTION by Councillor Croy to receive the information provided in the Public Works Managers report on December 13, 2016, for information, as presented. CARRIED.</p>
<p><u>COUNCIL</u> <u>INFORMATION</u></p>	<p>Council was presented with the correspondence of pertinent information that has been received.</p>

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C704-16(12/13/16) RESOLUTION by Councillor Fletcher to receive for information the correspondence presented at the December 13, 2016, Regular Council Meeting. CARRIED.

CALENDARS

Council and Administration reviewed the upcoming months' calendars for Councillor Boards and Committee scheduled meetings, to assist Administration with record keeping and Council with a reminder.

C705-16(12/13/16) RESOLUTION by Councillor Janzen to receive for information the December 2016, January and February 2017 calendars, as presented.

Meeting	Date	Member
FVSCP	Dec 14	Fletcher
Wetland Presentation	Jan TBA	All
		CARRIED.

CONFIDENTIAL
ITEM(S)
Legal

One legal item was discussed in camera.

C706-16(12/13/16) RESOLUTION by Councillor Fletcher to go in camera at 1:26 p.m. CARRIED.

C707-16(12/13/16) RESOLUTION by Councillor Croy to come out of camera at 1:33 p.m. CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

Reeve Ruecker adjourned the December 13, 2016, Regular Council Meeting at 1:34 p.m.

DATE _____ REEVE _____

DATE _____ CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER _____

BSE Testing Incentive Program

In 2016 Clear Hills County introduced a BSE Testing incentive program to encourage producers to participate in the BSE Testing program and assist in reaching the target of 30,000 beef cattle annually being tested to keep Canada's status as a controlled BSE risk country.

Eligibility: VSI member and resident/landowner in Clear Hills County with livestock

Restrictions: Only Veterinarian clinics (and livestock owner) will have the access to the results of the BSE test.

Process: VSI services provide a county with a list of members that had beef cattle tested in the quarterly report. County then pays the members.

\$125.00 per animal tested.



MANURE MANAGEMENT UPDATE 2017

TOPICS

Public Trust Research-Farm & Food Care
Industry Sustainability Initiatives
AF and AAFC Research Updates
Growing Forward 3

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CCA credits available

Agenda and registration information available
on Ropin' the Web (www.agric.gov.ab.ca)

Registration through the
Ag-Info Centre at 1-800-387-6030

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FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
Lynda Miedema 1-403-329-1212 ext. 222

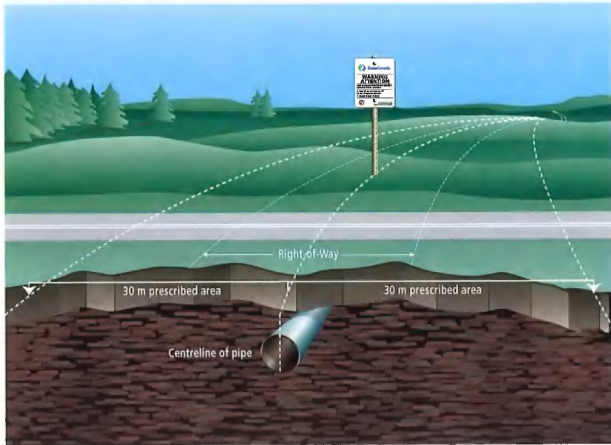
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Alberta Agriculture & Forestry and
Lethbridge County

Alberta
Government

Ditching & Brushing

What is the prescribed area?

The prescribed area, formerly known as safety zone, extends 30 metres on either side of the pipeline centreline. Ground disturbance within this zone requires approval. Contact your local One-Call Centre to request a locate and TransCanada will come to the site and mark the pipeline. **The existence of the prescribed area does not necessarily mean development of the land cannot occur within the prescribed area.**



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Ditching

Ditching Poses a significant risk to the integrity of the pipelines as it removes soil cover. Before ditching, contact your local One-Call Centre—it's a free service! TransCanada will send a representative to mark the location of the pipeline facilities and must be present to oversee the work.

Brushing

Due to the substantial weight of brushing equipment, a crossing agreement is required before performing work on the right-of-way. Contact TransCanada to apply for an agreement.

Brushing poses a significant risk to the integrity of the pipelines as it removes soil cover. Before brushing, contact your local One-Call Centre. TransCanada will send a representative to mark the location of the pipeline facilities and must be present to oversee the work.

Important Contact Information

One Call Centres

Online locate requests	www.clickbeforeyoudig.com
Alberta	1-800-242-3447
British Columbia	1-800-474-6886
Phone App (Alberta Only)	Dig Info AB

Crossings

Email	crossings@transcanada.com
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General Inquiries

Public Awareness	1-855-458-6715
Land	1-266-372-1601

Understanding your Land Title

Continued on next 2 pages

The Farmers' Advocate Office (FAO) has produced a new resource for landowners who are hoping to gain a better understanding of their land title.

The document offers a visual overview of land titles, explaining language and the notations most commonly experienced by Alberta farmers and ranchers. The document, *Understanding Your Land Title*, is available online, but can also be mailed to those who prefer hard copy.

The FAO offers several key pieces of advice to landowners regarding their title:

- **Keep your address up to date.** "The address on your title is the one that will be used by energy and utility companies if they need to get in touch with you," explains Jeana Schuurman, rural engagement and communications specialist with the FAO. "Make sure your title is linked to whatever mailbox you check the most regularly."
- **Be careful when adding names on title.** "Sometimes people think that 'adding another name on title' is a relatively be-

nign action, but there be unintended repercussions if the options are not well understood," warns Schuurman, "If you add a joint tenant, your actually conveying partial ownership, which means that if one party was to pass away, the other would automatically receive the estate." Registry offices will not give business advice, and the FAO suggests consulting a lawyer before making these types of changes on title.

- **Keep copies of your agreements with ener-**

gy and utility companies. "Many landowners assume that copies of their surface leases and right-of-way agreements are stored on their land titles, but they are not," explains Schuurman. "It's important to keep copies of your agreements in case problems with the site arise or the company doesn't pay its annual rental."

For more information, call 310-FARM (3276) or email farmers.advocate@gov.ab.ca

LAND TITLES

An Overview

A LINC is a Land Identification Number Code. This is a handy number to remember as it is permanently linked with the property rather than the owner. It is a random computer-generated number that has no meaning.

The province is divided into 3 meridians that run longitudinally. Ranges also run vertically, and they are between the meridians.

Townships run horizontally, starting at the US Border with at 1. A township contains 36 sections, and they are ordered starting in the southeast corner.

Your short legal land description is always abbreviated on title in the following order: Meridian, Range, Township, Section, Quarter. Be careful because people will not always use this order when communicating in ordinary life!

The Torrens system of dividing land is very organized, but not all properties are perfectly square. The "excepting thereouts" on your property may follow topographical features, in which case it would be described in metes and bounds. Although this was done historically, land is no longer subdivided this way.

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SHORT LEGAL
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TITLE NUMBER
111 111 111

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

MERIDIAN 0 RANGE 00 TOWNSHIP 00 SECTION 00
ALL THAT PORTION OF THE SOUTH EAST QUARTER DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT THE SOUTH EAST CORNER OF THE SAID QUARTER SECTION: THENCE NORTHERLY ALONG THE EAST BOUNDARY....

EXCEPTING THEREOUT
X.X OF A HECTARE (X.X OF AN ACRE) MORE OR LESS
AS SHOWN ON ROAD PLAN 0000
PLAN NUMBER HECTARES (ACRES) MORE OR LESS

EXCEPTING THEREOUT ALL MINES AND MINERALS

ESTATE: FEE SIMPLE

MUNICIPALITY: ROCKY VIEW COUNTY

REFERENCE NUMBER: 981 380 348

The majority of Albertan landowners do not own the subsurface rights to their land and will therefore see the words "Excepting Thereout All Mines and Minerals" beneath each quarter.

There may be "excepting thereouts" for road use plans. If you are interested in seeing the road use plan, these can be found on SPIN under Registered Documents.

Road use plans can sometimes help identify the origin of certain public infrastructure that is not listed elsewhere on title (ditches, bridges, etc.)

REGISTERED OWNER(S)				
REGISTRATION	DATE(DMY)	DOCUMENT TYPE	VALUE	CONSIDERATION
000 000 000	17/05/2016	TRANSFER OF LAND	\$XXX,XXX	NOMINAL

OWNERS

FIRST NAME MIDDLE NAME LAST NAME

AND
FIRST NAME MIDDLE NAME LAST NAME

BOTH OF:
ADDRESS
CITY
PROVINCE, POSTAL CODE
ALL AS JOINT TENANTS

If you are thinking of "adding a name on title," it is important to understand the full repercussions of that decision. A joint tenant means you are transferring partial ownership to another person. In the event of death, a joint tenant will automatically receive the estate. In contrast, if a tenant-in-common dies, their share goes towards their heirs, not the surviving tenants.

Fee simple is the highest form of land ownership in Canada. It means you have absolute tenure over the land and ability to dispose of it freely.

It is so important to keep your address on title up to date! This is the address oil and gas companies will use if they are trying to get in touch with you.

"Caveat" is a Latin word meaning "let him beware." On title, a caveat provides a warning that the caveator claims in interest in that parcel of land. Caveats can only lapse, or be withdrawn or discharged. Only one caveat can be registered for each surface lease, so you'll never see two caveats registered for the same development.

A lease is a contract that provides a lessee to exclusive possession of the property for a defined term. The lessor's interest is considered "fee simple estate in reversion" because it can revert back to the grantor at the end of the lease term.

Copies of surface leases or amendments to surface leases are not registered on title, so it is important to maintain your personal records. If the company was to become insolvent, the application to the Surface Rights Board is simpler with a copy of the surface lease.

REGISTRATION NUMBER	DATE (D/M/Y)	PARTICULARS
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Curious about who held the caveat in the past? You can find more details in the transfer of caveat documents under "Additional Documents" in SPIN.

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A restrictive covenant refers to an agreement to use the land in a certain manner. These are negative in nature (i.e. you cannot do X) to ensure there is a mechanism for enforcement.

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A restrictive covenant always has a party that restricts behaviour and a party that benefits from that restricted behaviour. This caveat will affect subsequent owners of the land, but it cannot be discharged in the same way as a typical caveat. Landowners should be aware that restrictive covenants from the municipality can only be discharged through the municipality or the courts.

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An easement confers on the owner of a parcel of land "the right to use the land of another in some way, or to prevent it from being used for certain purposes."

A blanket easement may cover the entire parcel, not just the location of the infrastructure. In agriculture, easements are most commonly used for roads and utilities.

UTILITY RIGHT OF WAY GRANTEE - NAME OF COMPANY ADDRESS AS TO PORTION OR PLAN: 0000000 (DATA UPDATED BY: TRANSFER OF UTILITY RIGHT OF WAY 000000000) (DATA UPDATED BY: CHANGE OF ADDRESS 000000000)

000 000 000	00/00/0000	MORTGAGE MORTGAGEE - NAME OF BANK ADDRESS CITY PROVINCE, POSTAL CODE ORIGINAL PRINCIPAL AMOUNT: \$000,000
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A certificate of title may be put up as collateral or security for a mortgage.

An above ground or below ground utility right of way may be granted for various purposes, including wires and cables, pipelines, water, or sewage.

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310-FARM (3276)
farmers.advocate.@gov.ab.ca

www.farmersadvocate.gov.ab.ca

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Safety Winter Burning Practices

The 2016 Fire Season ended October 31, 2016. Although you no longer require a fire permit for burning within the Forest Protection Area, once you light a fire, you are responsible if a wildfire results from the burn. Take the time to properly prepare your burn site, know the requirements you need to be successful during your burn and know how to extinguish your site.

- Have someone on site monitor the burn the entire time—if it escapes, immediately report it to

310-FIRE.

- Only burn what you can control with the equipment and people you have available and always burn according to weather conditions.
- Always ensure proper safety precautions are taken when burning and appropriate signage is in place when burning within a mile of a roadway. Always take safety concerns that may arise from the smoke your burning creates into considerations.

After you burn:

- Spread out the remaining material within the pile.
- Soak the area and ensure both heat and smoke are no longer being produced by the pile—it should be cool to the touch.
- Check your burn site multiple times in the coming weeks to ensure it has not reignited.

Safe burning practices are always in season—don't let your winter burn come back to life in the spring.

Area Wildfire Update

There have been 136 wildfires in the Peace River Forest Area this fire season with a total of 328.55 hectares burned.

Peace River Forest Area staff also assisted on 9 mutual aid wildfires with a total of 309.26 hectares burned and a large wildfire that started in British Columbia that remains under control with 22,838.60 hectares burned on the

Alberta side border.

Of the eighty human-caused wildfires in the area this season, many were the result of fires that were not properly extinguished during the winter. When the conditions became favorable in the spring, they reignited and became wildfires.

For more information on the wildfire situation across the province of Alberta, visit: wildfire.alberta.ca



Fairview & Area Seniors Check In Line

Fairview & Area Seniors Check In Line is a group of local residents who have formed a Non Profit Society operating in Fairview and area with the goal to support the lives of local seniors.

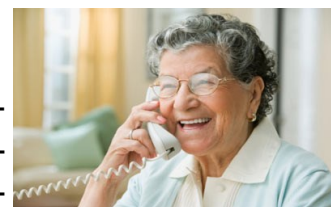
The objective of this program is to enable seniors to live independently with the security of knowing someone local is available for daily telephone contact. If you or someone you know is interested in

this service please contact the following people for more information:

Connie @ 780-835-8873

Kathleen @ 780-835-2476

Betty @ 780-835-3859



BILL 36

Bill 36 *An Act to Enhance Off-Highway Vehicle Safety*

On December 6, 2016 Bill 36 *An Act to Enhance Off-Highway Vehicle Safety*, passed third reading in the Alberta Legislature with a wide support from all parties. The bill will make helmets a requirement for OHV use on public land in Alberta.

As you may recall, the Government of Alberta conducted a survey in September 2016 to understand how Albertans felt about off-highway vehicle (OHV) helmet use. With more than 65 per cent of respondents supporting helmet requirements for all OHV users on public land, legislation was drafted to support that positions.

Though the Government of Alberta recommends that anyone operating an OHV wear a helmet, doing so will not be a requirement on private property. Farm and ranch workers will continue to be exempt from this requirement, as per Occupational Health and Safety Laws. Exemptions were also put in place for First Nations lands and Metis Settlement Lands. Regulations will align helmet safety standards with CSA/DOT standards, set fine amounts for those not complying with the helmet requirement and determine any further exemptions. These regulations will go into effect at the same time as the helmet law, expected in May 2017.

Thank you for taking part in our public engagement and for helping to reduce injuries and fatalities. This could not have happened without your valued feedback.

More information on Bill 36 is available through the following links:

Bill 36 Fact Sheet: www.transportation.alberta.ca/documents/FactSheet_TSAAmendments.pdf

Bill 36: www.transportation.alberta.ca/documents/FactSheet_TSAAmendments.pdf

Traffic Safety Act: <http://www.qp.alberta.ca/documents/Acts/t06.pdf>

Occupation Health and Safety Act/Code: <http://work.alberta.ca/occupational-health-safety/ohs-act-regulation-and-code.html>

Consultation Summary: www.transportation.alberta.ca/images/What_We_Heard_Report_Summary_11-17-16.pdf



No act of kindness,
No matter how small,
Is ever wasted
~Aesop



Submit a Nomination Now for Canada's Volunteer Awards

The 150th anniversary of Canada's Confederation is fast approaching. During this celebration year, it is important to acknowledge that our country would not be the same without the work of volunteers. We would like to recognize the important work of volunteers across the country.

The call for nominations for Canada's Volunteer Awards is now open until February 3, 2017. You are invited to:

- Nominate a not-for-profit organization, an individual, a group or business who is making a difference in their community to receive an award; and
- Promote the call for nominations to your stakeholders.

Awards will be presented in the following categories:

- One (1) national award—Therese Casgrain Life long Achievement Award;
- Five (5) regional awards—Emerging Leader, for young volunteer aged 18 to 30
- Five (5) regional awards—Business Leader, to recognize businesses that demonstrate social responsibility; and
- Five (5) regional awards—Social Innovator, to recognize the contributions of not-for-profit organizations

Award recipients will be recognized at a ceremony and will be able to choose a not-for-profit organization to receive a grant of \$5,000 (regional awards) or \$10,000 (national award).

Help highlight Canada's volunteer culture! [Nominate a volunteer, not-for-profit organization or business in your community today!](#)

For more information about the Awards, please visit Canada.ca/volunteer-awards or call 780-877-825-0434.

Continuing Education Scholarship

Deadline: February 1, 2017

Are you registered in an apprenticeship, trades or post secondary program?

Are you a Canadian Citizen or landed immigrant? Have you resided in Clear Hills County or the Village of Hines Creek for at least one year?

3 Levels of funding available:

Level 1: \$15,000—Attending a trades school, college or university. (\$3,000 will be released the first year and \$3,000 each consecutive year pending active enrollment in the approved program).

Level 2: Up to \$2,500—Distance learning for a trade, apprenticeship or post-secondary career

Level 3: Up to \$1,250—Computer and book keeping classes

For more information or to receive an application package stop by the County office or give us a call at 780-685-3925.

Transfer Station Cold Weather

When the temperature is -40 or below and it has not warmed up before 9:30 a.m., Landfills and/or Transfer Stations will be closed for the day. Please call the County office before travelling to the Landfills/



Identifying Local Historical Landmarks

Do you know the site of an old school house, inactive cemetery, original community site, or other historical site in the County that should be identified so this knowledge isn't lost?

Contact the County office for an application and more information on this program, 780-685-3925.

Driveway Snowplowing Program

Clear Hills County provides Driveway Snow Plowing to Senior Citizens, Special Needs Persons and Fulltime Bus Drivers.

If you did not sign up last season and qualify contact the County office.

All senior citizens requesting snowplowing services are required to provide proof of age. Special Needs persons are required to provide provincial handicap sticker and a fulltime bus driver is required to provide proof of fulltime employment.





The Classroom Agriculture Program (CAP) is in need of volunteers!

CAP is a not-for-profit organization that relies on people who are dedicated to preserving and promoting agriculture.

Anyone who has a passion for agriculture can be involved in CAP.

What do Volunteers do in CAP?

- Any Grade 4 teacher in Alberta can register for CAP and when they do an agriculture volunteer goes into their classroom and teaches the students about agriculture. The volunteers in CAP all have unique presentations because each one focuses on their own specialty, such as cattle, chickens, environment etc., but in the end they have a common message – that agriculture plays a very important role in students daily lives.
- This one hour, free presentation uses story-telling, hands-on props and fun activities to engage the children.

When does CAP occur and how much TIME is involved?

- Presentations occur in March, April or May depending on the volunteers schedule (CAP is a very flexible program and we work around volunteers schedules.) Last year volunteers reported that about 5 hours was the norm for time dedicated to the CAP presentations, this includes preparation time.

Background information on CAP:

CAP is a not-for profit organization that teaches grade 4 students where their food comes from and the importance of agriculture in their daily lives. Industry experts volunteer their time to help teach students about agriculture. Each lesson is free for the classroom and is typically about an hour long.

- Since 1985, over 600,000 students across Alberta have taken part in CAP.
- CAP is a multi-commodity initiative supported by:
 - Agriculture For Life
 - Alberta Beef Producers
 - Alberta Chicken Producers
 - Egg Farmers of Alberta
 - Alberta Barley Commission
 - Alberta Canola Producers Commission
 - Eastern Irrigation District
 - Alberta Wheat Commission
 - Alberta Milk
 - Alberta Irrigation Projects Association
 - Alberta Pork
 - Alberta Pulse Growers Commission
 - Alberta Veterinary Medical Association.
 - Alberta Institute of Agrologists

This initiative has been endorsed by the Minister of Agriculture and Forestry, and Minister of Education

To register as a volunteer with CAP please go to our website at www.classroomagriculture.com and use the volunteers pull down menu or contact Don George (GM) email don.george@classroomagriculture.com, phone 587-877-2544.

Grow with Agriculture

Clear Hills County Rental Equipment Fleet!



For more information contact the County office at 780-685-3925 or info@clearhillscounty.ab.ca

Clear Hills County Rental Equipment

<i>Equipment</i>	<i>Deposit</i>	<i>Standard Rate</i>	<i>Commercial Rate</i>	<i>Community Rate</i>
<i>Kitchen & A/V Equipment</i>	No Charge			
<i>Bale Sampler</i>	\$50.00	No Charge	No Charge	No Charge
<i>Bale Scale</i>	\$100.00	\$30.00	\$150.00	*
<i>Chemical Wipe Applicators</i>				
Hand Held (Rope Wick)	\$50.00	\$10.00	\$25.00	*
Push/Pull Roller Applicator	\$50.00	\$10.00	\$25.00	*
Quad Mount (Rope Wick)	\$50.00	\$10.00	\$25.00	*
Rotowiper (x3)	\$50.00	\$25.00	\$50.00	*
<i>Community Centre</i>	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$100.00	*
<i>Corral Panels</i>	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$100.00	*
<i>Eco Bran Applicator</i>	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$100.00	*
<i>Extra Hoses</i>	\$50.00	\$1.00/hose	\$5.00/hose	*
<i>Grain Bagger</i>	\$350.00	\$350.00	\$700.00	*
<i>Grain Bag Extractor</i>	\$350.00	\$350.00	\$700.00	No Charge
<i>Grain Bag Roller</i>	\$50.00	No Charge	No Charge	No charge
<i>Grain Vac</i>	\$400.00	\$200.00	\$400.00	No Charge
<i>Grills</i>	\$50.00	\$5.00	\$25.00	*
<i>Manure Spreader</i>	\$300.00	\$150.00	\$300.00	*
<i>Mulch Applicator</i>	\$50.00	\$25.00	\$50.00	*
<i>Portable Loading Chute</i>	\$50.00	\$25.00	\$50.00	*
<i>Post Hole Auger</i>	\$50.00	\$25.00	\$50.00	*
<i>Post Pounder</i>	\$250.00	\$125.00	\$250.00	*
<i>Land Leveller</i>	\$260.00	\$130.00	\$260.00	*
<i>Rock Picker</i>	\$600.00	\$300.00	\$600.00	*
<i>Rock Rake</i>	\$600.00	\$300.00	\$600.00	*
<i>Roller Mill</i>	\$50.00	\$20.00	\$40.00	*
<i>Scare Cannon</i>	\$50.00	No Charge	\$50.00	No Charge
<i>Sickle Mower</i>	\$100.00	\$50.00	\$100.00	*
<i>Smoke Signs</i>	\$60.00	No Charge	No Charge	No Charge
<i>Sprayers</i>				
Backpack	\$50.00	No Charge	No Charge	No Charge
Quad Mounted	\$50.00	No Charge	\$50.00	No Charge
Skidmount (x3)	\$50.00	No Charge	\$50.00	No Charge
Truck Mount	\$200.00	\$100.00	\$200.00	*
<i>Steam Tables</i>	\$50.00	\$5.00	\$25.00	*
<i>Portable Toilets</i>	\$100.00	\$40.00	\$100.00	*
<i>Table</i>	\$50.00	\$1.00/table	\$1.00/table	*
<i>Chairs</i>	\$50.00	\$0.50/chair	\$0.50/chair	*
<i>Tree Spade</i>	\$300.00	\$150.00	\$300.00	*
<i>Wash Station</i>	\$50.00	\$10.00	\$25.00	*
<i>Water Pump</i>				
(Summer) April- Sept	\$100.00	\$75.00	\$300.00	*
(Winter) Oct- March	\$1,000.00	\$200.00	\$500.00	*
<i>Wire Roller</i>	\$50.00	\$25.00	\$50.00	*
<i>Zero Till Drill</i>	\$300.00	\$300.00/20 feet	\$600.00/20 feet	*

* No Charge for first 2 days of rental then standard rental rates apply

For more information contact the County office at 780-685-3925 or
info@clearhillscounty.ab.ca

Solar Opportunities for Farmers—Workshops 2016-17

Rob Harlan of the Solar Energy Society of Alberta (www.solaralberta.ca) will be presenting throughout the province in 2016-17 on the solar electricity opportunities for farmers. Workshop participants will:

- ⇒ Understand how utility-intertie solar systems work.
- ⇒ Learn how to evaluate their site for equipment location and optimal productivity.
- ⇒ Understand the steps to a completed installation including interfacing with a contractor, permitting agencies and utilities.
- ⇒ See examples of equipment.
- ⇒ Be introduced to case studies of successful farm-based solar systems including actual performance data.
- ⇒ Examine the economic viability of a farm-based solar system.
- ⇒ Be provided with information on sources of equipment, installers and further resources.

These workshops are independently organized by community groups and are not associated with the Farmer's Advocate Office (FAO). Please refer to the post below for registration information.

Generating Electricity From the Sun Opportunities for Alberta Farmers

Entwistle	December 6, 2016 9:30AM	Wildwood Community Hall	conservationag@westcentralforage.com Jessica 780-727-4424
Taber	December 14, 2016 10:00AM - 4:00PM	Heritage Inn 4830 - 46 Ave Taber, AB T1G 2A4	MD of Taber 403-223-3541
Killam	December 13, 2016 10:00AM - 3:30PM	Killam Recreation Centre 5175 51 Ave Killam, AB T0B 2L0	events@battliverresearch.com 587-876-3121 http://www.battliverresearch.com/upcoming-events
Ryley	February 23, 2017 10:00AM - 3:30PM	Ryley Community Centre 5103 - 49St Ryley, AB T0B 4A0	events@battliverresearch.com 587-876-3121 http://www.battliverresearch.com/upcoming-events
Thorhild	March 1, 2017 TBA	TBA	TBA
Grand Prairie	March 14, 2017 TBA	TBA	TBA
Saddle Hills County	March 15, 2017 Time TBA	TBA	TBA Watch www.peacecountrybeef.ca for more details.
Fahler	March 16, 2017 1PM	TBA	TBA Watch http://www.sarda.ca/ for more details.
Okotoks	March 23, 2017 9:30AM - 3:00PM	Foothills Centennial Centre 204 Community Way #4 Okotoks, AB T1S 2N3	rachel@foothillsforage.com

This presentation from Rob Harlan, Executive Director at the Solar Energy Society of Alberta, will cover solar electric system siting, installation, permitting processes, and economics.

Why did the farmer receive an award?
A: Because he was outstanding in his field (out standing in his field)

Farm Family Award

Do you know a farm family that demonstrates exceptional farming practices?

Clear Hills County Agricultural Service Board is accepting nominations for the 2017 Farm Family Award.

The winning family will be presented with a gate sign and a plaque at the Farmer's Appreciation Banquet on April 8, 2017. They will receive up to eight banquet tickets to attend the Grande Prairie Peace Country Classic Region Farm

Family award night and the family will be nominated to Northlands for consideration of the 2017 AMA Farm Family Award.

The Farm Family Award will be selected from Clear Hills County, Ward 4 (Worsley). They must be actively farming and residing on the farm. Selection of the 2017 Farm Family is based on farming and community involvement.

Nomination forms are available at the County office.

Please submit all nominations in writing to the County office by 1:00 p.m. on March 3, 2017.



Clear Hills County Trade Show

The involvement of area business has greatly contributed to the success of this event each year, and we invite you to display your goods and services to the 1500+ people who pass through the gates each year.

The Agricultural Trade Show will be held Saturday, April 8, 2017 at the Dave Shaw Memorial Complex in Hines Creek.

Once again, the Trade Show will be held in conjunction with the Hines Creek and District Ag. Society Spring Fair and Hines Creek Arts & Crafts Exhibitions.

We also invite you to attend the Farmers' Appreciation Banquet, following the Trade Show at 5:30 p.m. Banquet entertainment will be the dueling pianos group, Marquee Pianos.

Sponsorship and Exhibitor packages will be available January 2017. Contact the County office for further information.

Free Annual Ski Trip for K-12 Students

Annually the County funds a one day ski trip to the Whispering Pines Ski Hill near Worsley, Alberta for Kindergarten to Grade 12 Students that reside in the County.

For more information contact the County office at 780-685-3925 or audrey@clearhillscounty.ab.ca





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Last Updated July 2015

Orange Hawkweed

Hieracium aurantiacum

Alberta Regulation:
Weed Act



Overview:

Orange hawkweed is a member of the Aster Family native to Europe. It is a fibrous rooted, perennial herb with a milky latex in the stems and leaves. Hawkweeds reproduce by seeds and vegetatively by numerous horizontal stolons, and rhizomes underground.² Seeds are produced by apomixis - asexually - as non-native hawkweeds are polyploids ($n=9$), as opposed to the native diploid hawkweeds.¹ Occasional sexual reproduction occurs.¹

Hawkweeds develop a low rosette of basal leaves before producing a flowering stem. Dandelion-like flowers are borne at the ends of stems. Orange hawkweed is unique among both native and introduced hawkweeds in that flowers are a fiery orange colour. All other hawkweed are yellow flowered and there is one white flowered species.

Non-native hawkweeds exhibit many characteristics of an invasive plant: high seed production and germination rates, asexual seed production, wind-dispersed seed, vegetative reproduction via rhizomes, stolons, and root fragments, and rapid growth.¹ A

few invasive hawkweed species are popular ornamentals. All of these characteristics facilitate rapid colonization and monopolizing of resources. An undetected patch of hawkweed has great potential to become an un-eradicable infestation.

Habitat:

Hawkweeds prefer well drained, coarse textured soils, moderately low in organic matter, in mesic habitats.¹ It can successfully grow under coniferous forest canopy.

Identification:

Stems: Are erect, usually solitary, and leafless or with leaves or with just 1 or 2 greatly reduced leaves.² Stems bear numerous stellate, glandular, and simple hairs. Plants grow 10-60 cm.¹ Stolons are present and hairy.²

Leaves: Basal leaves are oblong/lance-shaped to elliptic, and narrow to a petiole, and 4-20 cm long 1-3.5 cm wide. The upper leaf surfaces bear numerous simple hairs and the lower surfaces bear both simple and

stellate hairs. Leaf margins may be entire or slightly toothed.²

Flowers: Red-orange ray flowers are borne in open, rounded clusters of 20-50.¹ Involucral bracts are lance-shaped, 5-8 mm tall², with numerous stellate, blackish glandular, and simple hairs.¹ Achenes are narrowed at the base, 1.5-2 mm long, with a brownish pappus.²

Prevention:

Learning to recognize hawkweeds from the many yellow-flowered members of the Aster Family is key to prevention. Hairs are an important characteristic of non-native hawkweeds and also in distinguishing between species. Stolons facilitate rapid colonization of a patch of ground. Long term management of hawkweeds requires maintaining healthy forbs and grasses - fertilization of desirable vegetation can result in out-competition of hawkweeds. Re-seed disturbance in areas susceptible to hawkweed invasion.

Control:

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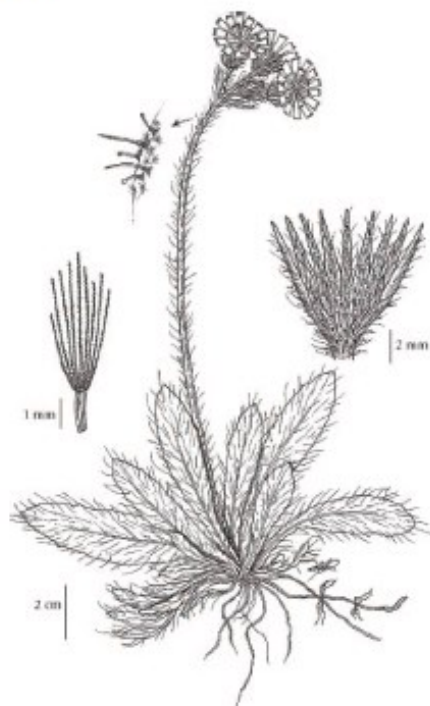
Orange Hawkweed (Continued)

Grazing: Unknown. Invasive plants should never be considered as forage.

Mechanical: Mowing before flowering will prevent seed production of taller plants but will not inhibit reproduction via stolons and rhizomes. Hand digging of small infestations where all stolons and root can be removed may be effective. Root fragments can generate new plants, therefore any mechanical tilling/cultivation would be ineffective.

Chemical: Hexazinone, 2,4-D, and glyphosate are registered for use on *Hieracium* spp./hawkweeds. Always check product labels to ensure the herbicide is registered for use on the target plant in Canada by the Pesticide Management Regulatory Agency. Consult your local Agricultural Fieldman or Certified Pesticide Dispenser for more information.

Biological: The stolon-tip gall wasp *Aulacidea subterminalis* was first released in BC in 2011. Results are pending.³



Leaf & Stem



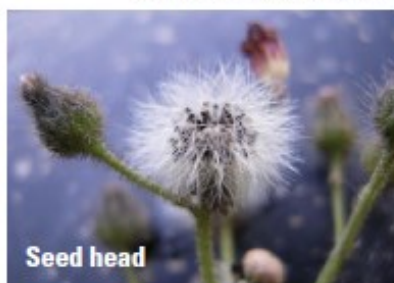
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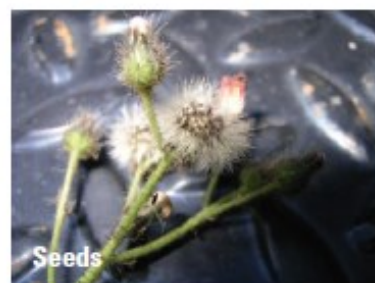
Alberta Sustainable Resource Development



Seeds



Seed head



Seeds



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Stem

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January Worsley Health Centre 2017

Sun Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Sat

1 Happy New Year 	2 CLOSED	3 Immunization clinic U-walk 4-6	4 <i>Dr. Clinic</i> U-walk 4-6	5 EMS 9-12 if available U-walk 4-6	6 EMS 9-12 if available U-walk 4-6	7
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29	30 EMS 9-12 if available U-walk 4-6	31 Immunization clinic	<p>*Please call the Health Centre to book an appointment for Immunization Clinics and Nurse Practitioner appointments</p> <p>FLU vaccinations available at Worsley Health Centre -call for details.</p>			

Always call the Health Centre before coming; schedule is subject to change.

Worsley Health Centre 780-685-3752

Fairview Public Health 780-835-4951

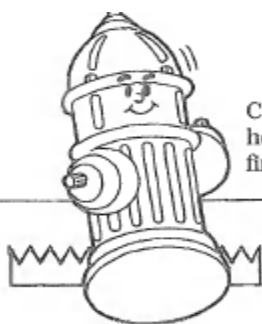
Fairview Medical Clinic 780-835-4255

Fairview Hospital 780-835-6100

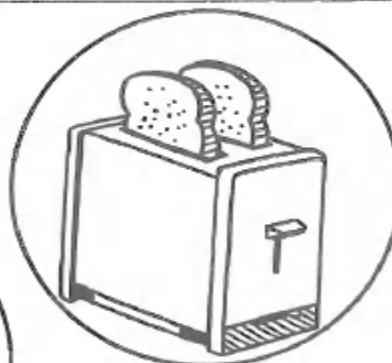
EMERGENCY 911

U-walk for more information call 780-685-3752

Hot Things Can Burn



Children are often not aware that many household items can cause burns or start fires.



Unscramble the
letters to name
some things in
your home that may
be **HOT!**

RINO _ _ _ _ _
VESTO _ _ _ _ _
EASTORT _ _ _ _ _
EAHRET _ _ _ _ _
OCEFFE _ _ _ _ _
DELANC _ _ _ _ _
CROMAVIEW _ _ _ _ _

Name: _____

Parent's Name: _____

Phone: _____

Category: __Preschool __K-1st grade __2nd-3rd grade __4th-5th grade __6th grade & over

Unscramble the letters and mail to the Clear Hills County office by January 15th.

Community

Bulletin Board

Events & Announcements



Fire Wood Suppliers

Do you cut/sell fire wood



Want to advertise this in the County Newsletter?

If so please forward your contact information to Sarah at the County office at 780-685-3925.



WANTED
WORKS OF ART
MAY 1st, 2017

Clear Hills County Council is once again looking to purchase works of art, by local talents, for promotional use by the County. Council is seeking framed/finished items.

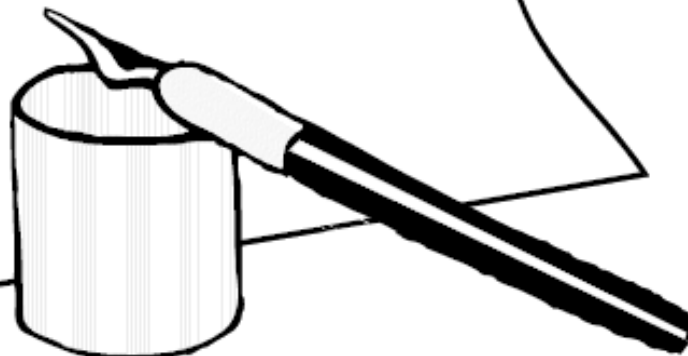
Bring your works of art to the County office on May 1, 2017 between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. The items will be on display May 2nd through May 5th. Items not selected for purchase can be picked up during regular office hours May 10th - May 12th.

For more information contact Bonnie at the County office at (780) 685-3925.

Box 240, Worsley, Alberta, T0H 3W0

Telephone-780-685-3925 Fax 780- 685-3960

Email bonnie@clearhillscounty.ab.ca



Community Groups & Organizations, Facilities & Contacts

Church Services

Worsley Baptist Church

Sunday School - 10:00 am
 Sunday Services - 11:00 am & 7:00 pm
 Wednesday Night Service - 7:00 pm

Cleardale Gospel Chapel

Sunday Service - 11:00 am

Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish Catholic Church

Sunday Service 1:00 pm

All Saints Ukrainian

Catholic Church

every second Sunday 2:30 pm

Lighthouse Fellowship

Sunday Service 11:00 am

Pastor Mike Ansley

Mighty Peace Cowboy

Church

Every 1st and 3rd Tuesday Service
 7:00 p.m

At the Eureka River Hall

Pastor Gary Henderson

Worsley & District Library

780-685-3842

www.worsleylibrary.ab.ca

Worsley & District Library, housed in Worsley Central School, offers library services to the public the following days:

Tuesday & Fridays

8:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

The library is also opened before school and at noon hour on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Please call ahead to confirm that the library is open.

As this is a school, we ask that patrons check in at the school office prior to coming into the library.

Your opinion matters to us. If you have read a book that you found particularly interesting and would like to promote it, why not drop us a line and tell us the book title, author, and what was enjoyable about the book. Your comments will be included on our library webpage at the address as well as on our Facebook page at

www.facebook.com/worsleylibrary

Worsley Pioneer Club

The Worsley Pioneer Club hosts a Seniors Social every Wednesday afternoon from 1-4 pm.

Activities include: card games, floor curling, and more.

Join us for coffee and conversation!

Hines Creek Arts & Craft

Meeting Room

To book the room call Gail at
 780-494-3290 or 780-772-1155

Hines Creek Senior's

Drop in Rental

For bookings call: 780-835-1397
 or 780-494-2333

Hines Creek Municipal Library

Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday

10:00 am—6:00 pm

Located in the Village of Hines
 Creek office building.

780-494-3879

Bear Point Community

Library Hours

Monday through Thursday

10:00 am—3:00 pm

JANUARY 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 New Years	2 County Office Closed	3	4	5	6	7
8	9 ASB Meeting 9:30 a.m.	10 Council Meeting 9:30 a.m.	11	12	13	14
15	16 Hines Creek Fire Dept Mtg. 7:00 p.m.	17	18	19 Mommy & Me Worsley Fire Hall	20	21
22	23 Worsley Fire Dept Mtg. 7:00 p.m.	24 Council Meeting 9:30 a.m.	25	26	27	28
29	30	31			Jan. 2 Con't. Hines Creek Fire Dept Mtg. 7:00 p.m.	Jan. 9 Con't. Worsley Fire Dept. Mtg.



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Lori Jobson
Corporate Services Manager
Ron Jensen
Public Works Manager
Audrey Bjorklund
Community Development
Manager

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Phone: 780-596-2187

Division #2—Peter Frixel

Box 552, Hines Creek, AB T0H 2A0
Phone: 780-494-2467

Division #3—Lee Svederus

Box 37, Eureka River, AB T0H 1K0
Phone: 780-685-2117

Division #4—Jason Ruecker Reeve

Box 205 Worsley, AB T0H 3W0
Phone: 780-685-2144

Division #5—David Janzen

Box 179 Cleardale, AB T0H 3Y0
Phone: 780-834-0197

Division #6—Dan Fletcher

Box 53, Cleardale, AB T0H 3Y0
Phone: 780-835-0658

Division #7—Charles Johnson Deputy Reeve

Box 22, Cherry Point, AB T0H 0T0
Phone: 780-595-2294
Fax: 780-595-2332

Agricultural Service Board Members

Brian Harcourt—Chairperson
780-494-2231
Baldur Ruecker – Deputy Chair
780-685-2546
Charlie Johnson—Councillor
780-685-2584
Garry Candy—Member at Large
780-494-2055
MacKay Ross—Member at Large
780-835-0356
Julie Watchorn—Member at Large
780-685-3035

Fire Trailer Locations

Bear Canyon—Water Plant
NW 22 83 12 W6M

Cleardale—Water Plant
SW 11 85 10 W6M
780-685-3670

Clear Prairie—Jim Evans
SW 34 87 10 W6M
780-685-2610

Deerhill—Ken Knoepfli
NW 9 84 2 W6M
780-596-2259

Eureka River—Lee Franklin
NE 24 86 6 W6M
780-834-6080

Royce—Melvin Worobetz
SE 16 83 6 W6M
780-494-3420

Whitelaw—Bill Wald
SW 28 83 1 W6M
780-596-2121

Montagneuse Valley
Percy Stephenson yard
SE 36 85 5 W6M
Jim 780-494-2458

County Transfer Site Hours—October 1st—April 30

Transfer Site	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Bear Canyon	10:00 am 5:00 pm	closed	closed	closed	closed	closed
Clear Prairie	closed	closed	closed	1:00 pm 5:00 pm	closed	closed
Cleardale	closed	closed	closed	closed	closed	10:00 am 5:00 pm
David Thompson	closed	closed	closed	closed	10:00 am 5:00 pm	closed
Eureka River	closed	closed	10:00 am 5:00 pm	closed	closed	closed
Hines Creek	closed	closed	closed	closed	closed	10:00 am 5:00 pm
Royce	closed	closed	closed	10:00 am 5:00 pm	closed	closed
Whitelaw	closed	closed	closed	closed	closed	10:00 am 5:00 pm
Worsley	closed	closed	closed	closed	10:00 am 5:00 pm	closed