

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

2.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

3.0 MINUTES

3.1 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 15, 2026

[Schedule A](#)

4.0 ACTION ITEMS:

**4.1 SUBDIVISION APPLICATION – MUNICIPAL PLANNING FILE 26-SUB-097
NW 16-58-5-W5 - (WHITE)**

Administration recommends that Council approve subdivision application 26-SUB-097, to subdivide a 6.59 ha (16.28 ac) county residential lot from a previously unsubdivided quarter section within NW 16-58-5-W5, and further that the approval is subject to the conditions presented.

[Schedule B](#)

**4.2 SUBDIVISION APPLICATION – MUNICIPAL PLANNING FILE 26-SUB-101
NE 11-61-4-W5 - (DEKKER FARMS)**

Administration recommends that Council approve subdivision application 26-SUB-101 proposing to subdivide a 2.88 ha (7.12 ac) county residential lot from a previously unsubdivided quarter section within NE 11-61-4-W5, and further that the approval is subject to the conditions presented.

[Schedule C](#)

4.3 2026 VALUING NATURAL ASSETS ENGAGEMENT – WHAT WE HEARD REPORT

Administration recommends that Council accepts the 2026 Valuing Natural Assets Project Public Engagement – “What We Heard” Report as information.

[Schedule D](#)

**4.4 ICF BYLAW 8-2026 – REPEALING INTERMUNICIPAL COLLABORATION FRAMEWORK
BETWEEN COUNTY OF BARRHEAD AND LAC STE. ANNE COUNTY**

Administration recommends that:

- Council give 3 readings of Bylaw 8-2026 repealing Bylaw 3-2021 an ICF between the County of Barrhead No. 11 and Lac Ste. Anne County, as permitted by the MGA.
- Council direct Administration to notify the Minister of Municipal Affairs that intermunicipal services have been and will continue to be adequately provided by other means and to publish on County of Barrhead website the rationale for not having an ICF with Lac Ste. Anne County.

[Schedule E](#)

4.5 ADMIN BUILDING ROOF REPAIR (RENO)

Administration recommends that Council approves the roof repair project at a cost of \$27,173.75 plus gst (50% of total cost) as part of the County Administration Building Renovations.

[Schedule F](#)

4.6 2027 BUDGET SCHEDULE – POTENTIAL FOR CHANGE

Administration recommends that Council approve the proposed changes to the 2027 Budget Schedule to ensure the County is on track to complete a 2027 interim budget before the end of 2026.

[Schedule G](#)

4.7 THUNDER LAKE LAGOON DESLUDGING PROJECT

Administration recommends that Council directs Administration to enter into an agreement with Mouritz Trucking Limited to carry out desludging at the Thunder Lake lagoon in 2026, removing the maximum amount of sludge for land application utilizing the pumping rate of \$0.0298 per gallon and an agitation cost of \$280 per hour, with costs not to exceed \$90,000 total.

[Schedule H](#)

4.8 2026 PROJECT DASHBOARD

Administration recommends that Council accepts the 2026 Project Dashboard for information.

[Schedule I](#)

5.0 REPORTS

5.1 COUNTY MANAGER REPORT

Administration recommends that Council accept the County Manager's report for information.

- Resolution Tracking List

[Schedule J](#)

- 2026 Admin Bldg Renovation Project Dashboard

[Schedule K](#)

5.2 PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

(10:30 a.m.)

Administration recommends that Council accept the Director of Infrastructure's report for information.

[Schedule L](#)

5.3 COUNCILLOR REPORTS

[Schedule M](#)

6.0 DELEGATIONS

6.1 11:30 a.m. H. Hemmerling – Property Flooding

[Schedule N](#)

7.0 ADJOURNMENT

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL – HELD SEPTEMBER 15, 2026

Regular Meeting of the Council of the County of Barrhead No. 11 held September 15, 2026, was called to order by Reeve Munck at 9:00 a.m.

PRESENT

Reeve Erik Munck
Councillor Ray Crisler
Councillor Bill Chapman
Councillor Lorrie Jespersen
Councillor Chais Ellwein
Deputy Reeve Walter Preugschas
Councillor Tyson Bergsma

**THESE MINUTES ARE
UNOFFICIAL AS THEY HAVE
NOT BEEN APPROVED BY THE
COUNCIL.**

STAFF

Debbie Oyarzun, County Manager
Pam Dodds, Executive Assistant
Adam Vanderwekken, Communications
Coordinator
Ken Hove, Dir. Infrastructure

Layne Mullen, Development Officer
Bryanna McKay, Dir. Corporate Services
Dana Butler, Enforcement Services
Joel Flemmer, Community Peace Officer

ATTENDEES

Town and Country Newspaper – Barry Kerton

RECESS

Reeve Munck recessed the meeting at 9:00 a.m.

Reeve Munck reconvened the meeting at 9:35 a.m.

Ken Hove joined the meeting at 9:35 a.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

2026-318 Moved by Councillor Bergsma that the agenda be approved as presented.

Carried Unanimously.

MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 1, 2026

2026-319 Moved by Councillor Ellwein that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held September 1, 2026, be approved as circulated.

Carried Unanimously.

ROAD UPGRADE REQUEST – 36-57-4-W5 (RGE RD 41)

2026-320 Moved by Councillor Ellwein that Council denies the request to upgrade a machinery road to serve the vacant farmland on NW-25-57-4-W5 as there is no development permit.

Carried 6-1.

IN-CAMERA SESSION

2026-321 Moved by Councillor Bergsma that Council move in-camera at 10:03 a.m. for discussion on:

- Road Upgrade Request – *ATIA Sec. 19 Disclosure harmful to business interests of a third party*

Carried Unanimously.

2026-322 Moved by Councillor Bergsma that Council move out of in-camera at 10:12 a.m.

Carried Unanimously.

Layne Mullen departed the meeting at 10:13 a.m.

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL – HELD SEPTEMBER 15, 2026

WINTER SAND & SALT PROCEDURES

- 2026-323 Moved by Reeve Munck that Council accepts the County Winter Sand & Salt Procedures for information with the expectation that the County would continue to monitor and assess viability of new products.

Carried Unanimously.

Reeve Munck left the meeting at 10:29 a.m. and Deputy Reeve Preugschas took over as chairperson.

Dana Butler and Joel Flemmer joined the meeting at 10:32 a.m.

Councillor Crisler left the meeting at 10:36 a.m. and rejoined at 10:38 a.m.

REVIEW OF BOAT LAUNCHES AT LAC LA NONNE

- 2026-324 Moved by Councillor Bergsma that Council accept the report on Boat Launch Repair options at Lac La Nonne for information until more work is completed on the new Strategic Plan.

Carried 5-1.

Reeve Munck rejoined the meeting at 11:03 a.m.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

Ken Hove, Director of Infrastructure, reviewed the written report for Public Works & Utilities and answered questions from Council.

- 2026-325 Moved by Councillor Chapman that Council accepts the Public Works report for information.

Carried Unanimously.

Ken Hove departed the meeting at 11:08 a.m.

RECESS

Deputy Reeve Preugschas recessed the meeting at 11:08 a.m.

Reeve Munck reconvened the meeting at 11:20 a.m.

Adam Vanderwekken joined the meeting at 11:31 a.m.

ENFORCEMENT SERVICES REPORT – SUMMER 2026

- 2026-326 Moved by Deputy Reeve Preugschas that Council support the installation of additional signage at Bloomsbury Subdivision and assessing other similar areas identified by Enforcement Services.

Carried Unanimously.

- 2026-327 Moved by Councillor Bergsma to accept the following Enforcement Services written reports for information:

- 2026 Summer - Enforcement Services Report
- Bloomsbury Subdivision Traffic/Pedestrian Study

Carried Unanimously.

Dana Butler and CPO J. Flemmer departed the meeting at 12:18 p.m.

Received general consensus from Council to continue meeting until items 4.5 & 4.6 on the agenda are completed.

2027 BUDGET PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT – “WHAT WE HEARD” REPORT

- 2026-328 Moved by Councillor Bergsma that Council accept the 2027 Budget Public Engagement - “What We Heard” Report for information.

Carried Unanimously.

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL – HELD SEPTEMBER 15, 2026

COUNTY BRANDED COUNCILLOR APPAREL

2026-329 Moved by Councillor Bergsma that Council approve cost of embroidery of the County logo for up to 2 items purchased at the expense of Councillors with the cost of branding to come from the Council Public Relations Budget.

Carried Unanimously.

2026-330 Moved by Councillor Ellwein that Council approve purchasing 6 hockey jerseys with County logos for use by staff and Council during public events.

Carried Unanimously.

Adam Vanderwekken departed the meeting at 12:59 p.m.

LUNCH RECESS

Reeve Munck recessed the meeting at 12:59 p.m.

Reeve Munck reconvened the meeting at 1:41 p.m.

Bryanna McKay joined the meeting at 1:41 p.m.

CYBERSECURITY AWARENESS PROCLAMATION

2026-331 Moved by Councillor Bergsma that Council proclaim October 2026 as Cybersecurity Awareness Month.

Carried Unanimously.

Councillor Chapman left the meeting at 1:53 p.m. and rejoined at 1:57 p.m.

DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

2026-332 Moved by Deputy Reeve Preugschas to accept the following Director of Corporate Services written report for information:

- Cash, Investments, & Taxes Receivable as of August 31, 2026
- Payments Issued for the month of August 2026
- YTD Budget Report for the 8 months ending August 31, 2026
- YTD Capital Recap for period ending August 31, 2026
- Elected Official Remuneration Report as at August 31, 2026

Carried Unanimously.

Bryanna McKay departed the meeting at 2:15 p.m.

COUNTY MANAGER REPORT

County Manager, Debbie Oyarzun, reviewed the CAO tracking list and noted the additional following items:

- 2026 Admin Bldg Renovation Project Dashboard
- CAO is attending ICS 300 Sept 22-24, 2026
- Strategic Planning session scheduled for Sept 29 & 30, 2026

2026-333 Moved by Councillor Bergsma to accept the County Manager's report for information.

Carried Unanimously.

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL – HELD SEPTEMBER 15, 2026

COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Councillors discussed their written reports and the following was added:

- Councillor Jespersen did not have a written report, but mentioned he attended a ASB meeting and FCSS meeting.
- Councillor Bergsma provided a written report and elaborated on the Misty Ridge Ski Hill Committee meeting.
- Reeve Munck did not have a written report and did not have anything further to report.
- Deputy Reeve Preugschas provided a written report and spoke further about the ASB meeting, Museum meeting, touring the community with a new Doctor, FCSS meeting, and other volunteer activities with NWof16.
- Councillor Crisler provided a written report and spoke further about his attendance at the Pembina Zone meeting.
- Councillor Ellwein provided a written report and spoke further about the Wild Rose Rodeo finals.
- Councillor Chapman did not have a written report, but mentioned his past attendance at an ARA event with keynote speaker Dr. Lardner and a feedlot tour.

IN-CAMERA SESSION

2026-334 Moved by Councillor Jespersen that Council move in-camera at 2:51 p.m. for discussion on:

- External Committees – *ATIA Sec. 26 Intergovernmental Relations*

Carried Unanimously.

2026-335 Moved by Councillor Bergsma that Council move out of in-camera at 3:14 p.m.

Carried Unanimously.

2026-336 Moved by Councillor Bergsma to accept Councillor written/verbal reports for information.

Carried Unanimously.

INFORMATION ITEMS

2026-337 Moved by Councillor Ellwein to accept the following items for information:

- Email from National Police Federation NPF Re: Call to Action – dated August 27, 2026
- Letter from Pembina Hills School Division Re: New Superintendent – dated September 4, 2026
- Misty Ridge Meeting Minutes – June 17, 2026

Carried Unanimously.

ADJOURN

2026-338 Moved by Councillor Crisler that the meeting adjourns at 3:16 p.m.

Carried Unanimously.



REQUEST FOR DECISION

OCTOBER 6, 2026

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TO: COUNCIL

**RE: SUBDIVISION APPLICATION – NW-16-58-5-W5
(WHITE) - MUNICIPAL PLANNING FILE NO 26-SUB-097**

ISSUE:

Application has been received proposing to subdivide a 6.59 ha (16.28 ac) county residential lot from a previously unsubdivided quarter section within NW-16-58-5-W5.

BACKGROUND:

- Land is in the Agricultural District under Land Use Bylaw 4-2024.
- Proposed Lot 1 is rectangular in shape and developed with a house, shop, sea can, sheds, barn, water well, and open discharge Private Sewage Disposal System (PSDS).
 - Proposed lot is 16.28 ac; however, the Real Property Report (RPR) demonstrates that the additional land is required to encompass the yard site and PSDS.
- Access to Proposed Lot 1 is from Twp Rd 583 and is built to County Standards.
- Remainder is vacant and contains cultivated lands and areas which appear to be wetlands.
- Proposed access to the remainder is from Rge Rd 54 and is built to County Standards.
- Adjacent landowners were notified of the subdivision application on August 4, 2026, and no comments or objections were received.
- Agency comments are captured in Municipal Planning Services (MPS) Report pg.2.

ANALYSIS:

- Alignment with Statutory Plans as follows:

Requirement	Proposed	Status
MDP – min. area of 3 ac & max. area of 10 ac for a developed County Residential parcel in the AG District	• Proposed parcel is 16.28 ac. • Supporting RPR demonstrates need to exceed the normal maximum of 15 ac to accommodate existing yard site and PSDS.	Subdivision Authority Discretion - Permissible
MDP – discretion of Subdivision Authority may consider up to 15 ac with the submission of an RPR		
MDP –Subdivision Authority may vary the max. parcel size to 17 ac with an RPR demonstrating requirement to maintain integrity of the farm site		
MDP – max. 4 parcels per quarter; up to 3 Country Residential parcels	• Proposed subdivision will result in a total of 2 parcels (1 Country Residential & 1 agricultural).	Meets requirements

LUB – min. area of 1.0 ac for residential use parcel; max. area of 15 ac for a farmstead separation	Proposed 16.28 ac parcel does not conform to the Land Use Bylaw; however, MDP gives the subdivision authority the power to vary the maximum parcel up to 17 ac.	Subdivision Authority Discretion – Permissible
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- Reserves are not due as proposed subdivision is the 1st parcel out (*MGA s.663*).
- A road widening agreement will be required and included as a condition of the subdivision.

Note – an appeal of Council’s decision would go to the Land & Property Rights Tribunal

RECOMMENDATION FROM SUBDIVISION AUTHORITY OFFICER (Planner):

That the subdivision application be approved at this time, subject to the following conditions:

- That prior to endorsement of an instrument effecting this plan, the registered owner and/or developer enter into a land acquisition agreement with the County of Barrhead No. 11 pursuant to Section 655 of the MGA, R.S.A. 2000, c. M-26, as amended, which land acquisition agreement shall include provision that the County will acquire a 17-foot wide road widening on the western and northern boundaries of the quarter section. The County’s interest will be registered by caveat on title. The caveat will remain on title until such time as the road is widened.
- That prior to endorsement of an instrument effecting this plan, and in accordance with section 9(g) of the Matters Related to Subdivision and Development Regulation, AR 84/2022, submit to the County of Barrhead No. 11 and the Subdivision Authority:
 - Real Property Report or a Building Site Certificate, prepared by an Alberta Land Surveyor, indicating the location and distances between the buildings, the private sewage disposal system, any potable water source, shelter belts and above-ground appurtenances on the subject lands, and the existing and proposed property boundaries on proposed Lot 1; and
 - certification from a Provincially accredited inspector confirming that the function and location of the existing sewage disposal system(s) on proposed Lot 1, will satisfy the Alberta Private Sewage Systems Standard of Practice, and is suitable for the intended subdivision.
- That taxes are fully paid when final approval (endorsement) of the instrument affecting the subdivision is requested.

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT:

Council consideration of subdivisions aligns with the County 2022 – 2026 Strategic Plan as follows:

PILLAR 1 Economic Growth & Diversity

Outcome *1 County increases its tax base.*

PILLAR 3 Rural Lifestyle

Outcome *3 County maintains its rural character and is recognized as a desirable location to invest, work, live and play.*

PILLAR 4 Governance & Leadership

Outcome *4 Council is transparent & accountable.*

ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDS THAT:

Council approves subdivision application 26-SUB-097, to subdivide a 6.59 ha (16.28 ac) county residential lot from a previously unsubdivided quarter section within NW 16-58-5-W5, and further that the approval is subject to the conditions presented.

DATE RECEIVED: TO BE COMPLETED BY MPS STAFFDEEMED COMPLETE: TO BE COMPLETED BY MPS STAFF

This form is to be completed in full wherever applicable by the registered owner of the land that is the subject of the application, or by a person authorized to act on the registered owner's behalf.

1. Name of registered owner of land to be subdivided

William White & Deborah White**Redacted ATIA Sec. 20 Personal Information**

2. Name of person authorized to act on behalf of owner (if any)

Don Wilson Surveys Ltd. C/O Cole Walker

Address, Phone Number, and Fax Number

Box 4120, Barrhead, AB T7N1A1 780-674-2287

3. LEGAL DESCRIPTION AND AREA OF LAND TO BE SUBDIVIDED

ALL ☐ PART ☒ of the NW 16 SEC. 58 TWP. 5 RANGE 5 WEST OF 5 MERIDIAN.Being ALL ☐ PART ☐ of LOT 972 078 086 BLOCK 6.59 REG. PLAN NO. 16.28 C.O.T. NO. acresArea of the above parcel of land to be subdivided 5325 Twp. Rd. 583 hectares (acres)Municipal address (if applicable) 5325 Twp. Rd. 583

4. LOCATION OF LAND TO BE SUBDIVIDED

a. The land is situated in the municipality of: County of Barrheadb. Is the land situated immediately adjacent to the municipal boundary? YES ☐ NO ☒If 'YES', the adjoining municipality is b. Is the land situated within 1.6 KM of a right-of-way of a highway? YES ☒ NO ☐If 'YES', the Highway # is: 583d. Is a river, stream, lake, other water body, drainage ditch, or canal within (or adjacent to) the proposed parcel? YES ☐ NO ☐If 'YES', the name of the water body/course is: e. Is the proposed parcel within 1.5 KM of a sour gas facility? YES ☐ NO ☐

5. EXISTING AND PROPOSED USE OF LAND TO BE SUBDIVIDED (Please describe)

Existing Use of the Land	Proposed Use of the Land	Land Use District Designation (as identified in the Land Use Bylaw)
<u>Agricultural</u>	<u>Agricultural Country Residential</u>	<u>AG-Agricultural</u>

6. PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF LAND TO BE SUBDIVIDED (Please describe, where appropriate)

Nature of the Topography (e.g. flat, rolling, steep, mixed)	Nature of the Vegetation and Water (e.g. brush, shrubs, treed, woodlots)	Soil Conditions (e.g. sandy, loam, clay)
<u>Mixed</u>	<u>brush, shrubs, Tree Stands</u>	<u>Gray Wooded</u>

7. STRUCTURES AND SERVICING

Describe any buildings/structures on the land and whether they are to be demolished or moved.

House, shop, barn, seacan, pump house, 7 sheds

Describe the manner of providing water and sewage disposal.

Water Well & Surface Discharge

8. REGISTERED OWNER OR PERSON ACTING ON THE REGISTERED OWNER'S BEHALF

Cole Walker for Don Wilson Surveys Ltd.I hereby certify that ☐ I am the registered owner OR☒ I am the agent authorized to act on behalf of the registered owner and that the information given on this form is full and true and that I am aware of the facts relating to this application for subdivision.**Redacted ATIA Sec. 20 Personal Information**July 2, 2026

Date

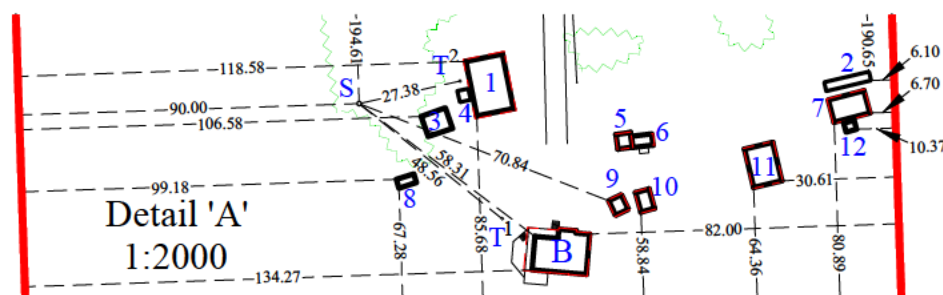
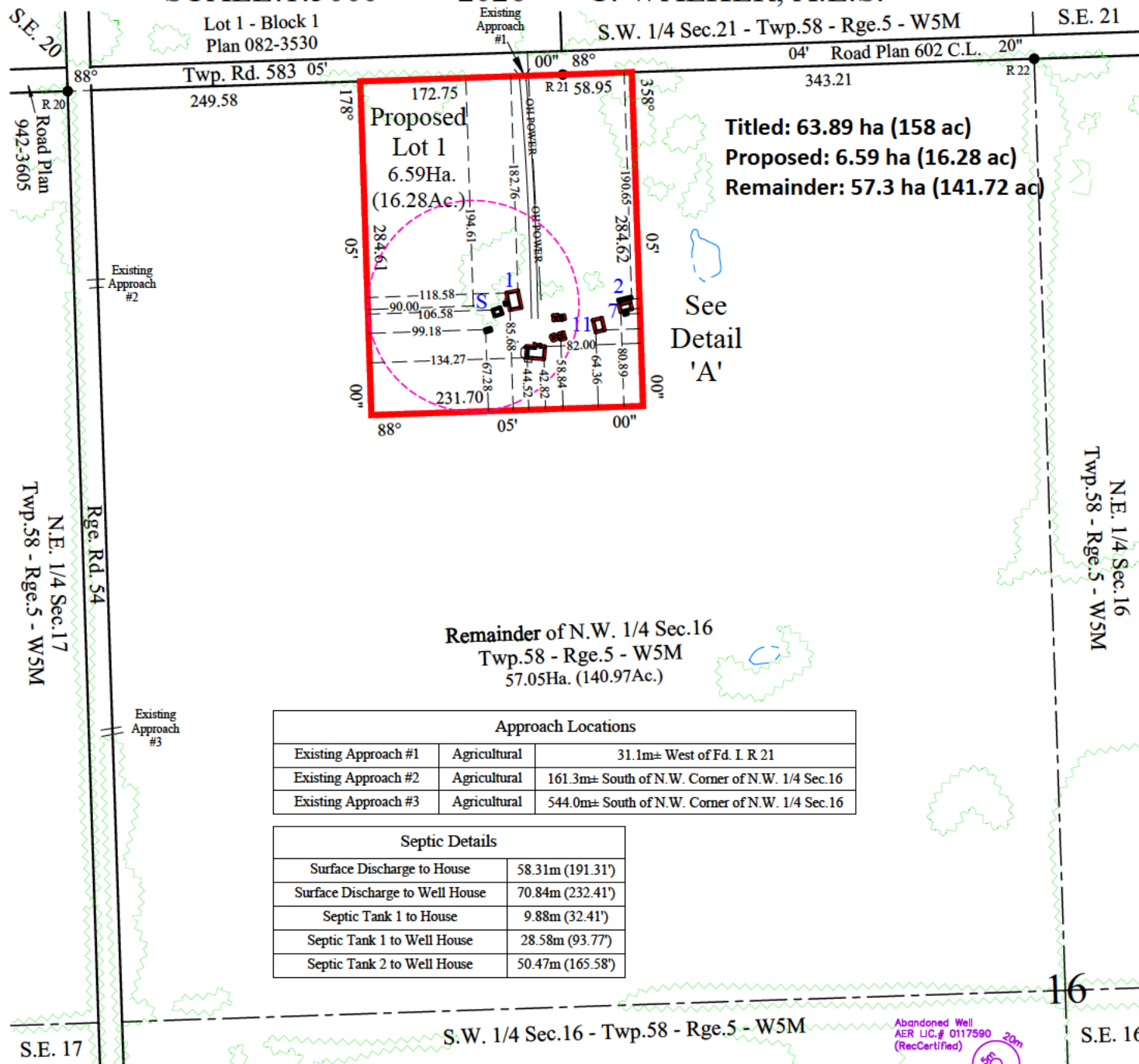
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COUNTY of BARRHEAD No.11

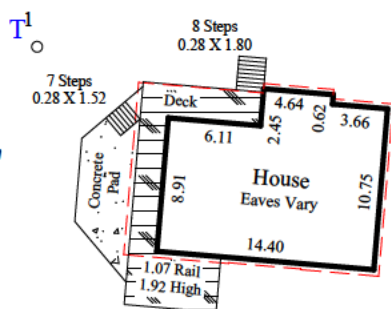
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C. WALKER, A.L.S.



Detail 'A'
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Detail 'B'
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Improvement List

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| 1 | Shop
Eaves @ 0.60
9.88 X 14.76± | 8 | Shed
2.45 X 4.90 |
| 2 | Seacan
2.44 X 13.71 | 9 | Well House
Eaves Vary
3.73 X 4.34 |
| 3 | Shed
5.67± X 6.80± | 10 | Shed
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3.68 X 5.38 |
| 4 | Tarp Shed
2.93 X 3.03 | 11 | Barn
Eaves @ 0.27
7.74 X 10.44 |
| 5 | Shed
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2.44 X 2.94 |
| 6 | Shed
Eaves Vary
3.04 X 5.47 | S | Surface Discharge |
| 7 | Shed
Eaves @ 0.36
6.10 X 9.79 | T ^X | Septic / Holding
Tank |

MPS FILE 26-SUB-097

NOTES:

DISTANCES ARE IN METRES AND DECIMALS THEREOF

STATUTORY IRON SURVEY POSTS FOUND SHOWN THUS:

PROPOSED LOT BOUNDARY SHOWN
EDGE OF TREELINE SHOWN THIS:

EDGE OF WATER FEATURES SHOWN THUS:

90m DIAMETER AROUND SURFACE DISCHARGE SHOWN THUS:

Abandoned Well Locations with 5m buffer
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Wells are plotted from Alberta Energy Regulator (AER) information

Abandoned Well
AER LIC.# 0117590
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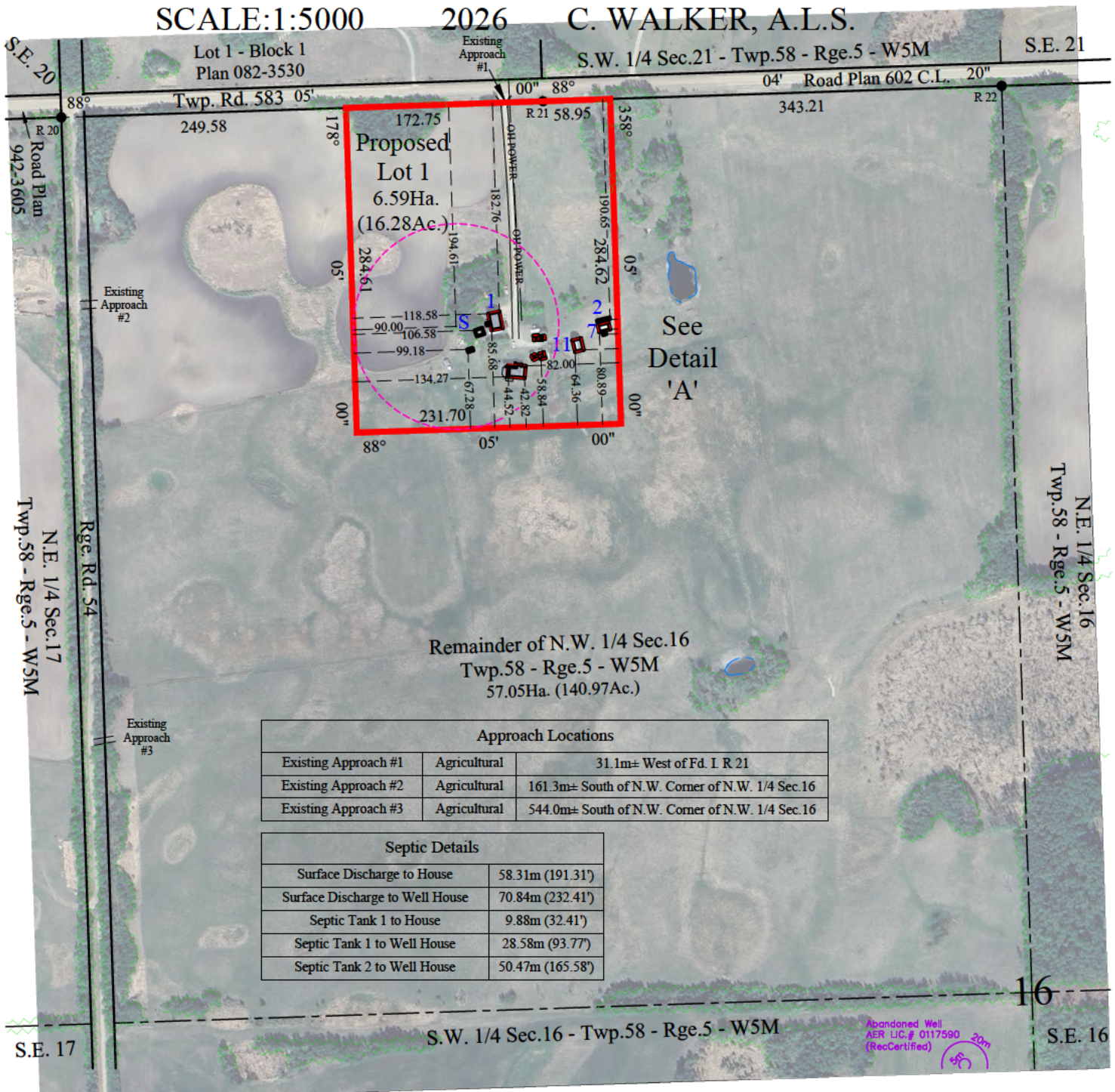
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DATE: JUNE 24, 2026

PLAN SHOWING PROPOSED SUBDIVISION OF
N.W. 1/4 SEC.16 - TWP.58 - RGE.5 - W5M
5325 TWP. RD. 583



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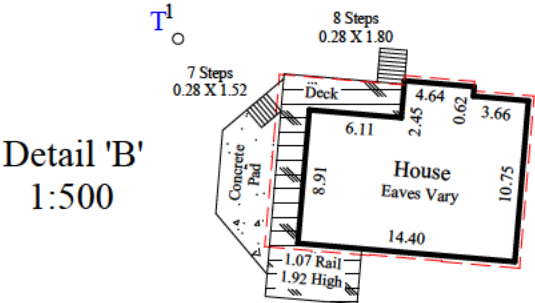
Approach Locations		
Existing Approach #1	Agricultural	31.1m± West of Fd. I R 21
Existing Approach #2	Agricultural	161.3m± South of N.W. Corner of N.W. 1/4 Sec.16
Existing Approach #3	Agricultural	544.0m± South of N.W. Corner of N.W. 1/4 Sec.16

Septic Details	
Surface Discharge to House	58.31m (191.31')
Surface Discharge to Well House	70.84m (232.41')
Septic Tank 1 to House	9.88m (32.41')
Septic Tank 1 to Well House	28.58m (93.77')
Septic Tank 2 to Well House	50.47m (165.58')



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(RecCertified)
Abandoned Well Locations with 5m buffer
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DATE: JUNE 24, 2026



Subdivision Report FILE INFORMATION

File Number: 26-SUB-097
Municipality: County of Barrhead No. 11
Legal: NW 16-58-5-W5
Applicants: Don Wilson Surveys Ltd.
Owners: William & Deborah White

Date Acknowledged: July 30, 2026
Referral Date: July 30, 2026
Decision Due Date: September 28, 2026
Revised Decision Date: N/A
Date of Report: August 26, 2026

Existing Use: Agriculture
Proposed Use: Country Residential
District: Agriculture (A)
Soil Rating: 46.0% & 7.0%

Gross Area of Parcel: 63.89 ha (158.0 ac.)
Area of Proposed Lot: 6.59 ha (16.28 ac.)
Area of Remainder: 57.3 ha (141.72 ac.)
Reserve Status: Not required - 1st parcel out

1. SITE DESCRIPTION AND ANALYSIS

This proposal is to subdivide an oversized, developed 6.59 ha (16.28 ac.) country residential lot from a previously unsubdivided agricultural quarter section, NW 16-58-5-W5, in the County of Barrhead No. 11. The site is in the southern portion of the County of Barrhead No. 11, approximately 1.6 km (1.0 miles) south of the Paddle River and approximately 0.8 km (0.5 miles) west of Highway 764.

The site is adjacent to Range Road 54 (western boundary) and Township Road 583 (northern boundary). Access requirements can be met.

From a review of the provincial data, the subject site is not affected by:

- abandoned wells;
- flood hazard lands identified on the Provincial flood data or the Paddle River Orthophotography;
- an identified historic resource in the subject site or adjacent lands; or
- active oil/gas facilities (pipelines).

The site appears to be affected by:

- a highway;
- wetlands identified on the Merged Wetland Inventory and the aerial photograph; and
- an approval, license or registration issued under the Water Act for which the Minister of Environment & Protected Areas and/or Forestry, Parks, & Tourism is responsible (Traditional Ag. Registration).

From the application, the proposed use is "Country Residential."

Proposed Lot 1 is rectangular in shape and is developed. Proposed Lot 1 contains a house, shop, sea can, sheds, barn, water well, and open discharge PSDS. The proposed lot is 6.59 ha (16.28 ac.) in area and is adjacent to the northern boundary of the quarter section. The proposed lot is oversized however, the RPR demonstrates that the additional land is required to encompass the yard site and PSDS. Access to the proposed lot is from Township Road 583, any new or existing approach must meet current County standards. There appears to be a suitable building site on the proposed lot. Proposed Lot 1 appears suitable for the proposed use (country residential).

The remainder is vacant and contains cultivated lands and areas which appear to be wetlands. Access to the remainder is from Range Road 54, any new or existing approach must meet current County standards. The remainder appears suitable for the proposed use (Agriculture).

The County assessment sheets show the subject quarter section as containing 124.00 acres at 46.0% and 31.00 acres at 7.0%.

In the opinion of the planner, the proposed subdivision should not significantly impact the agricultural capability of the balance of the quarter section. There appears to be reasonable building sites on the proposed lot and on the remainder of the titled area.

2. AGENCY & ADJACENT LANDOWNER COMMENTS

Agency	Comments
1. County of Barrhead No. 11	• Development Agreement is required for road widening along RR54 and TWP RD 583. • Accesses and approaches are not required. • Reserves are not required. • Property taxes are not outstanding. • The proposal conforms to the County's MDP and does not conform to the County's LUB. • Site is not within 1.5 km of sour gas facility. • Site is not within 2 miles of a CFO.
2. Forestry & Parks (Bruce)	• No concerns.
3. Water Act (Capital Region)	• No response.
4. Alberta Energy Regulator	• No response. • <i>MPS viewed the AER abandoned well viewer and notes that there are no abandoned wells within the subject site.</i>
5. Transportation & Economic Corridors	• The requirements of Section 18 are met, therefore no variance is required. While no variance is required, the department expects the municipality will mitigate the impacts from this proposal to the highway system, pursuant to Policy 7 of the Provincial Land Use Policies and Section 648(2)(c.2) of the Municipal Government Act. • The requirements of Section 19 of the Regulation are not met. There is no direct access to the highway and there is sufficient local road access to the subdivision and adjacent lands. Pursuant to Section 20(1) of the Regulation, Transportation and Economic Corridors grants approval for the subdivision authority to vary the requirements of Section 19 of the Regulation. • The department expects that the municipality will mitigate the impacts of traffic generated by developments approved on the local road connections to the highway system, pursuant to Policy 7 of the Provincial Land Use Policies and Section 618.4 of the Municipal Government Act.
6. Canada Post	• No response.
7. Wildrose REA	• No response.
8. FortisAlberta	• No concerns. • No easement required. • FortisAlberta is the Distribution Wire Service Provider for this area. The developer can arrange installation of electrical services for this subdivision through FortisAlberta. Please have the developer contact 310-WIRE (310-9473) to make application for electrical services.
9. Telus	• No concerns.

10. Ste Anne Gas Co-op	• No response.
11. Pembina Hills School Division	• No objections. • No Reserves requested.
12. Alberta Health Services	• No response.

Adjacent landowners were notified on August 4, 2026. *No comments or objections from adjacent landowners were received.*

3. STATUTORY ANALYSIS

MDP AND LUB REQUIREMENTS

The subject site is designated “Agriculture” in the County of Barrhead *Municipal Development Plan Bylaw 4-2010* (MDP). Farming is the intended use of the land. **Section 3.2.3(13)** indicates that normally, a maximum of 6.06 ha (15.0 ac) shall be allowed for residential subdivisions. **Section 3.2.3(27)** indicates that the Subdivision Authority may vary the maximum parcel size for a country residential use to allow for a maximum of 17 ac parcel if the real property report demonstrates that the additional land is required to ensure the integrity of the farm site. The proposed lot is 6.59 ha (16.28 ac.) in size and the real property report demonstrates that the additional land is required to ensure the integrity of the farm site. Section 3.2.3(17) indicates that a maximum of three parcels may be subdivided from a quarter section for residential use. The proposed subdivision creates one parcel for residential use in the quarter section. **Therefore, in the opinion of the planner, this subdivision conforms to the County’s MDP.**

The subject site is in the Agricultural (A) District in the County of Barrhead *Land Use Bylaw 2-2024* (LUB). The minimum parcel area for a country residential parcel is 0.4 ha (1.0 ac.). The maximum parcel area for a farmstead separation is 6.1 ha (15.0 ac.). The proposed lot is 6.59 ha (16.28 ac.) and exceeds the maximum area in order to maintain the integrity of the farm site. **Therefore, in the opinion of the planner, this subdivision does not conform to the County’s Land Use Bylaw, however, the MDP gives the subdivision authority the power to vary the maximum parcel size.**

MGA AND MRS DR REQUIREMENTS

Section 10 of the *Matters Related to Subdivision and Development Regulation*, AR 84/2022, requires that the written decision of a Subdivision Authority include reasons for the decision, including an indication of how the Subdivision Authority has considered any submissions made to it by the adjacent landowners and the matters listed in Section 9 of the *Regulation*. Section 9 indicates that, in making a decision, a Subdivision Authority must consider its topography; its soil characteristics; storm water collection and disposal; any potential for flooding, subsidence or erosion; accessibility to a road; the availability and adequacy of water supply, sewage disposal system, and solid waste disposal; whether the proposal complies with the requirements of the *Private Sewage Disposal Systems Regulation*; the use of land in the vicinity; and any other matters that it considers necessary to determine whether the land is suitable for the purposes for which the subdivision is intended.

In the opinion of the planner, with respect to these matters:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • topography • soil characteristics • storm water • water supply • sewage disposal • solid waste | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • flooding • subsidence/erosion • accessibility • <i>Private Sewage Disposal Systems Regulation</i> • use of land in vicinity • other matters |
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the proposed subdivision appears satisfactory in regard to these matters.

A note following the decision indicates the Subdivision Authority’s indication and satisfies the Regulation in this regard.

Sections 11 through 20 of the *Matters Related to Subdivision and Development Regulation* are satisfied.

RESERVES

This is the subdivision of the first parcel out of the subject quarter section, Section 663(a) of the *Municipal Government Act*, R.S.A. 2000, c. M-26, as amended, applies and reserves are not due.

APPEAL BOARD

The subject site is not in the Green Area, does not contain an approved confined feeding operation, and is not within the setback distance to a landfill or wastewater treatment facility.

MPS notes that the Energy Resources Conservation Board (ERCB) and the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board (AEUB) are now the Alberta Energy Regulator (AER). The subject site does not contain oil/gas facilities with licences issued by the AER, and s. 678(2)(a)(i)(C) of the *Act* does not apply to the determination of the appeal board. MPS notes we are unable to determine if the subject site is affected by s. 678(2)(a)(i)(C) of the *Act* with respect to AUC approvals.

The subject site is within the referral distance of a Highway, contains records of documents from Alberta Environment & Protected Areas and/or Forestry & Parks issued under the Water Act for a Traditional Agricultural User for which those Ministers are responsible, and contains wetlands. Therefore, in the opinion of the planner, the appeal lies to the Land and Property Rights Tribunal.

4. SUMMARY

The proposed subdivision is for country residential use, and may conform to provisions in the County's Land Use Bylaw and Municipal Development Plan as well as the requirements set forth in the MGA and applicable Regulations therefore the subdivision can be approved subject to the following conditions:

1. Land Acquisition re: Road Widening
2. RPR & Private Sewage Inspection
3. Taxes up to date

5. RECOMMENDATION

That the subdivision application be approved at this time, subject to the following conditions:

1. That prior to endorsement of an instrument effecting this plan, the registered owner and/or developer enter into a land acquisition agreement with the County of Barrhead No. 11 pursuant to Section 655 of the *Municipal Government Act*, R.S.A. 2000, c. M-26, as amended, which land acquisition agreement shall include provision that the County will acquire a 17-foot wide road widening on the western and northern boundaries of the quarter section. The County's interest will be registered by caveat on title. The caveat will remain on title until such time as the road is widened.
2. That prior to endorsement of an instrument effecting this plan, and in accordance with section 9(g) of the *Matters Related to Subdivision and Development Regulation*, AR 84/2022, submit to the County of Barrhead No. 11 and the Subdivision Authority:
 - a. Real Property Report or a Building Site Certificate, prepared by an Alberta Land Surveyor, indicating the location and distances between the buildings, the private

- sewage disposal system, any potable water source, shelter belts and above-ground appurtenances on the subject lands, and the existing and proposed property boundaries on proposed Lot 1; and
- b. certification from a Provincially accredited inspector confirming that the function and location of the existing sewage disposal system(s) on proposed Lot 1, will satisfy the Alberta Private Sewage Systems Standard of Practice, and is suitable for the intended subdivision.
3. That taxes are fully paid when final approval (endorsement) of the instrument effecting the subdivision is requested.

TO: COUNCIL

**RE: SUBDIVISION APPLICATION – NE-11-61-4-W5
(DEKKER SASKATCHEWAN FARMS LTD.) - MUNICIPAL PLANNING FILE NO 26-SUB-101**

ISSUE:

Application has been received proposing to subdivide a 2.88 ha (7.12 ac) county residential lot from a previously unsubdivided quarter section within NE-11-61-4-W5.

BACKGROUND:

- Land is in the Agricultural District under Land Use Bylaw 4-2024.
- Proposed Lot 1 is rectangular in shape and developed with a house, garage, sheds, quonset, water well and open discharge Private Sewage Disposal System (PSDS).
 - Open discharge PSDS does not meet setbacks of the proposed subdivision.
 - Applicant indicated the system will be removed and replaced with a compliant system prior to endorsement.
- Access to Proposed Lot 1 is from Twp Rd 612 and is built to County Standards.
- Remainder is vacant and contains cultivated lands and pipelines.
- Proposed access to the remainder is from Rge Rd 41 and is not suitable for access as it is south of the property line.
 - A new approach is required to be built to County standards for an estimated cost of \$3,645.
- Adjacent landowners were notified of the subdivision application on August 4, 2026, and no comments or objections were received.
- Agency comments are captured in Municipal Planning Services (MPS) Report pg.2.

ANALYSIS:

- Alignment with Statutory Plans as follows:

Requirement	Proposed	Status
MDP – min. area of 3 ac & max. area of 10 ac for a developed County Residential parcel in the AG District	• Proposed parcel is 7.12 ac.	Meets requirements
MDP – max. 4 parcels per quarter; up to 3 Country Residential parcels	• Proposed subdivision will result in a total of 2 parcels (1 Country Residential & 1 agricultural).	Meets requirements
LUB – min. area of 1.0 ac for residential use parcel; max. area of 15 ac for a farmstead separation	• Proposed parcel is 7.12 ac.	Meets requirements

- Reserves are not due as proposed subdivision is the 1st parcel out (MGA s.663).
- Both Twp Rd 612 and Rge Rd 41 appear to have been widened already and; therefore, road widening agreements will not be required.

Note – an appeal of Council's decision would go to the Land & Property Rights Tribunal

RECOMMENDATION FROM SUBDIVISION AUTHORITY OFFICER (Planner):

That the subdivision application be approved at this time, subject to the following conditions:

1. That prior to endorsement of an instrument effecting this plan, approaches, including culverts and crossings to the proposed parcel(s) and to the residual of the land, be provided at the owner's and/or developer's expense and to the specifications and satisfaction of the County of Barrhead No. 11.
2. That prior to endorsement of an instrument effecting this plan, and in accordance with section 9(g) of the Matters Related to Subdivision and Development Regulation, AR 84/2022, submit to the County of Barrhead No. 11 and the Subdivision Authority:
 - a) Real Property Report or a Building Site Certificate, prepared by an Alberta Land Surveyor, indicating the location and distances between the buildings, the private sewage disposal system, any potable water source, shelter belts and above-ground appurtenances on the subject lands, and the existing and proposed property boundaries on proposed Lot 1; and
 - b) certification from a Provincially accredited inspector confirming that the function and location of the existing sewage disposal system(s) on proposed Lot 1, will satisfy the Alberta Private Sewage Systems Standard of Practice, and is suitable for the intended subdivision.
3. That taxes are fully paid when final approval (endorsement) of the instrument affecting the subdivision is requested.

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT:

Council consideration of subdivisions aligns with the County 2022 – 2026 Strategic Plan as follows:

PILLAR 1 Economic Growth & Diversity

Outcome *1 County increases its tax base.*

PILLAR 3 Rural Lifestyle

Outcome *3 County maintains its rural character and is recognized as a desirable location to invest, work, live and play.*

PILLAR 4 Governance & Leadership

Outcome *4 Council is transparent & accountable.*

ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDS THAT:

Council approves subdivision application 26-SUB-101, to subdivide a 2.88 ha (7.12 ac) county residential lot from a previously unsubdivided quarter section within NE-11-61-4-W5, and further that the approval is subject to the conditions presented.

FORM 1 | APPLICATION FOR SUBDIVISION

MPS FILE NO. 26-SUB-101

DATE RECEIVED: July 27, 2026

DEEMED COMPLETE: August 4, 2026

This form is to be completed in full wherever applicable by the registered owner of the land that is the subject of the application, or by a person authorized to act on the registered owner's behalf.

1. Name of registered owner of land to be subdivided
Dekker Saskatchewan Farms Ltd. C/O Mark Dekker

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Personal Information

2. Name of person authorized to act on behalf of owner (if any)
Don Wilson Surveys Ltd.

Address, Phone Number, and Fax Number
Box 4120 Barrhead AB T7N 1A1 780-674-2287

3. LEGAL DESCRIPTION AND AREA OF LAND TO BE SUBDIVIDED

ALL ☒ PART ☐ of the NE 11 SEC. 61 TWP. 4 RANGE 5 WEST OF 162 222 044 MERIDIAN.

Being ALL ☐ PART ☐ of LOT 2.88 BLOCK 7.12 REG. PLAN NO. 162 222 044 C.O.T. NO. 162 222 044

Area of the above parcel of land to be subdivided 2.88 hectares (7.12 acres)

Municipal address (if applicable) 4107 Twp. Rd. 612

4. LOCATION OF LAND TO BE SUBDIVIDED

a. The land is situated in the municipality of: County of Barrhead

b. Is the land situated immediately adjacent to the municipal boundary? YES ☐ NO ☒

If 'YES', the adjoining municipality is _____

b. Is the land situated within 1.6 KM of a right-of-way of a highway? YES ☐ NO ☒

If 'YES', the Highway # is: _____

d. Is a river, stream, lake, other water body, drainage ditch, or canal within (or adjacent to) the proposed parcel? YES ☒ NO ☐

If 'YES', the name of the water body/course is: Wetlands

e. Is the proposed parcel within 1.5 KM of a sour gas facility? YES ☐ NO ☒

5. EXISTING AND PROPOSED USE OF LAND TO BE SUBDIVIDED (Please describe)

Existing Use of the Land	Proposed Use of the Land	Land Use District Designation (as identified in the Land Use Bylaw)
AG-Agricultural	CR - Country Res	AG-Agricultural

6. PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF LAND TO BE SUBDIVIDED (Please describe, where appropriate)

Nature of the Topography (e.g. flat, rolling, steep, mixed)	Nature of the Vegetation and Water (e.g. brush, shrubs, treed, woodlots)	Soil Conditions (e.g. sandy, loam, clay)
Mixed	Brush, shrubs, tree stands	Gray Wooded

7. STRUCTURES AND SERVICING

Describe any buildings/structures on the land and whether they are to be demolished or moved.

House, Garage, Quonset, Hay Shed, 2 shed

Describe the manner of providing water and sewage disposal.

Existing pumpout to be replaced with field system; existing water well

8. REGISTERED OWNER OR PERSON ACTING ON THE REGISTERED OWNER'S BEHALF

Nate Wilson For: Don Wilson Surveys Ltd.

I hereby certify that ☐ I am the registered owner OR

☒ I am the agent authorized to act on behalf of the registered owner and that the information given on this form is full and correct.

Signature

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Personal Information

July 21, 2026

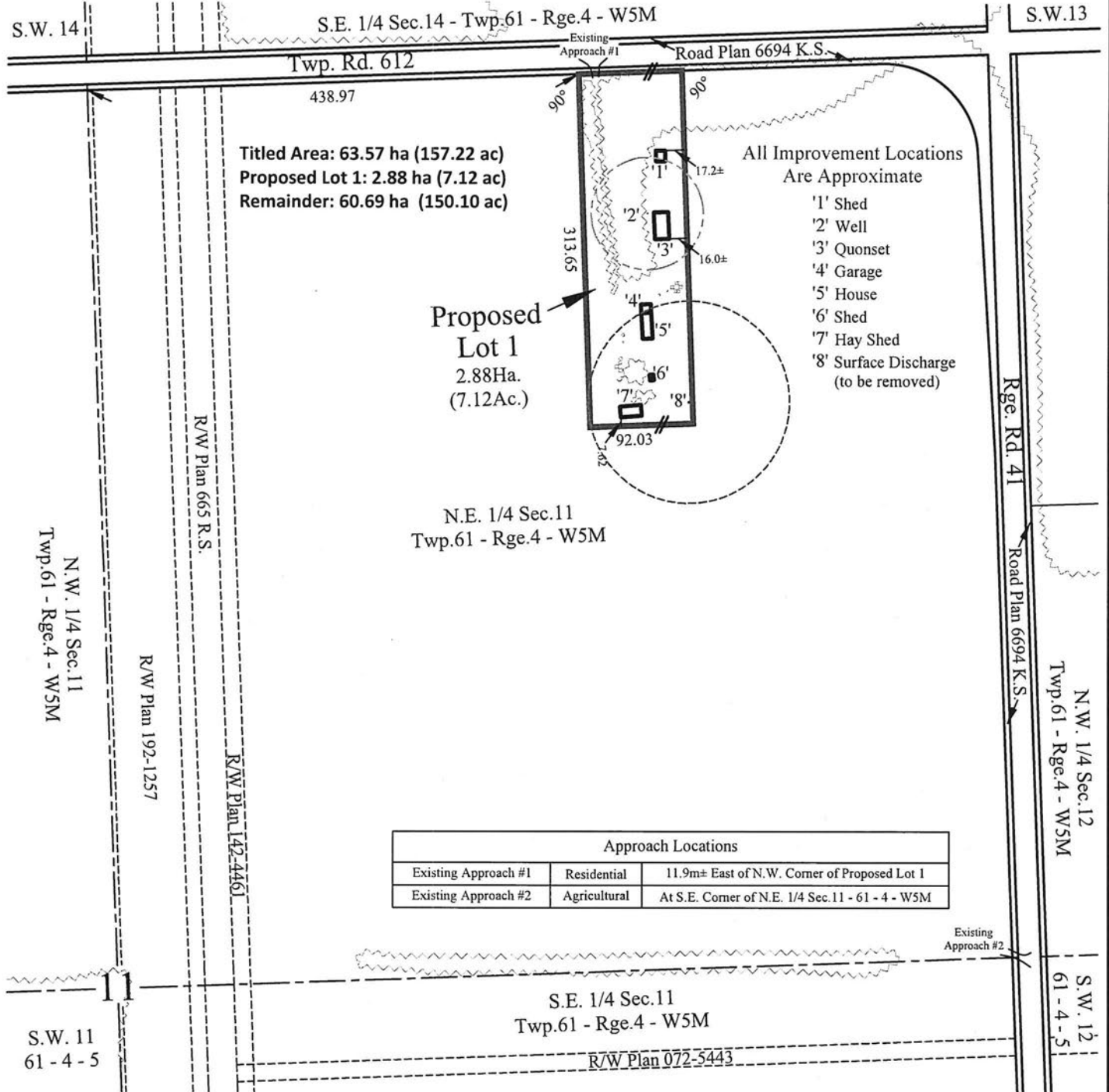
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N.E. 1/4 SEC.11 - TWP.61 - RGE.4 - W5M

4107 TWP. RD. 612 - COUNTY of BARRHEAD No.11

SCALE:1:5000 2026 C. WALKER, A.L.S.



NOTES: DISTANCES ARE IN METRES AND DECIMALS THEREOF

STATUTORY IRON SURVEY POSTS FOUND SHOWN THUS: ●

PROPOSED LOT BOUNDARY SHOWN THUS: ————

EDGE OF TREELINE SHOWN THUS: ~~~~~~

EDGE OF WATER FEATURES SHOWN THUS: ————

90m DIAMETER AROUND APPROXIMATE SURFACE DISCHARGE SHOWN THUS: - - - - -

50m DIAMETER AROUND APPROXIMATE WELL SHOWN THUS: ————

DON WILSON SURVEYS LTD.

BOX 4120, BARRHEAD, ALBERTA

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PHONE: (780) 674-2287

FILE: 26254

DATE: JULY 21, 2026

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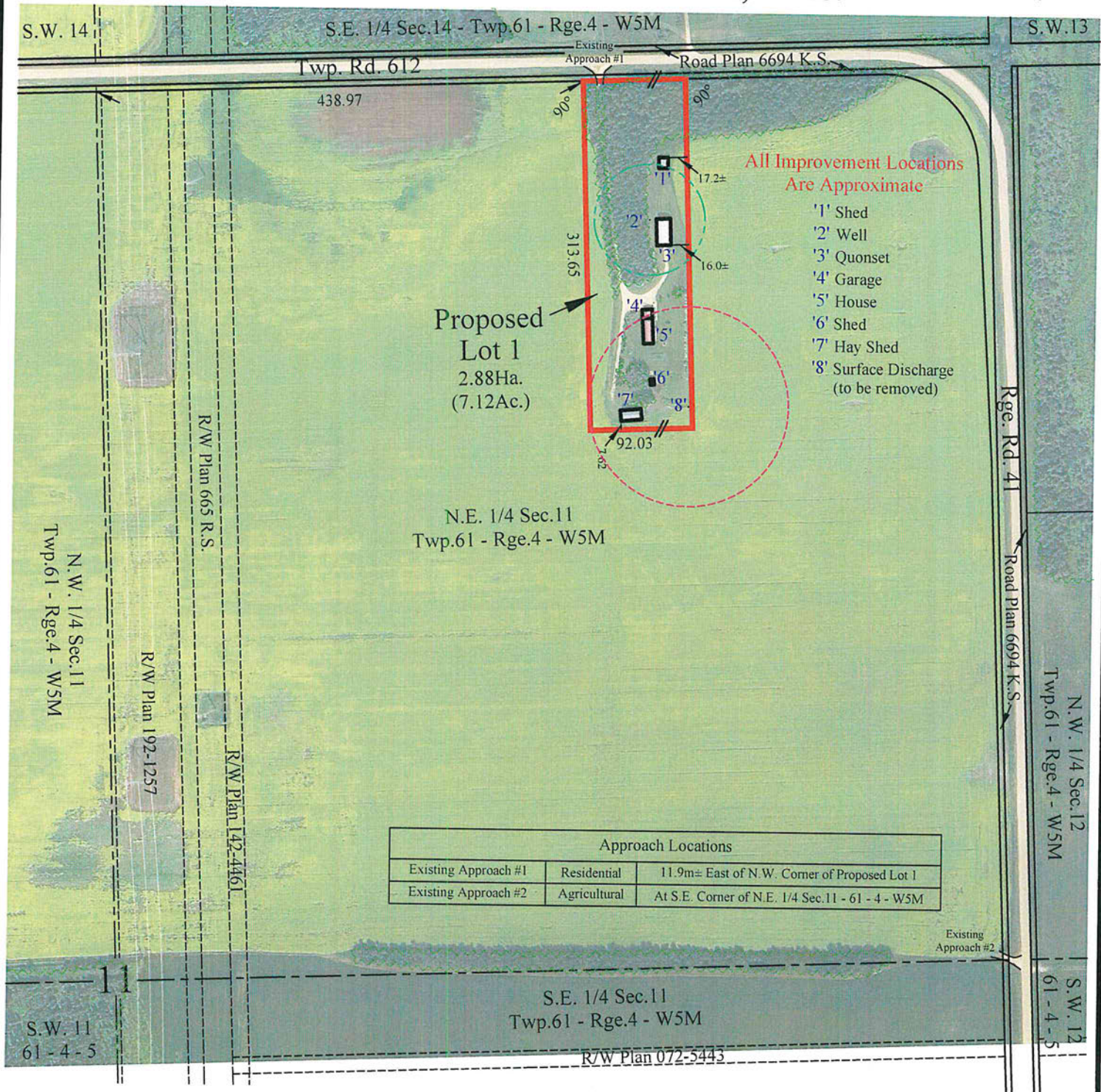
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Subdivision Report

FILE INFORMATION

File Number: 26-SUB-101
Municipality: County of Barrhead No. 11
Legal: NE 11-61-4-W5
Applicants: Don Wilson Surveys Ltd.
Owners: Dekker Saskatchewan Farms Ltd.

Date Acknowledged: August 4, 2026
Referral Date: August 4, 2026
Decision Due Date: October 3, 2026
Revised Decision Date: N/A
Date of Report: August 31, 2026

Existing Use: Agriculture
Proposed Use: Country Residential
District: Agriculture (A)
Soil Rating: 14.0%, 7.0%, 62.0% & 50.0%

Gross Area of Parcel: 63.57 ha (157.22 ac.)
Area of Proposed Lot: 2.88 ha (7.12 ac.)
Area of Remainder: 60.69 ha (150.10 ac.)
Reserve Status: Not required - 1st parcel out

1. SITE DESCRIPTION AND ANALYSIS

This proposal is to subdivide a developed 2.88 ha (7.12 ac.) country residential lot from a previously unsubdivided agricultural quarter section, NE 11-61-4-W5, in the County of Barrhead No. 11. The site is in the northern portion of the County of Barrhead No. 11, adjacent to Shoal Lake and approximately 6.0 km (3.73 miles) northeast of Highway 33.

The site is adjacent to Range Road 41 (eastern boundary) and Township Road 612 (northern boundary). Access requirements can be met.

From a review of the provincial data, the subject site is not affected by:

- abandoned wells;
- a highway;
- flood hazard lands identified on the Provincial flood data or the Paddle River Orthophotography;
- an identified historic resource in the subject site or adjacent lands; or
- wetlands identified on the Merged Wetland Inventory and the aerial photograph.

The site appears to be affected by:

- Pipelines or pipeline rights-of-way identified on the OneStop Map Viewer (Plan 665RS, Plan 192-1257, Plan 142-4461); and
- an approval, license or registration issued under the Water Act for which the Minister of Environment & Protected Areas and/or Forestry, Parks, & Tourism is responsible (Traditional Ag. Registration).

From the application, the proposed use is “Country Residential.”

Proposed Lot 1 is rectangular in shape and is developed. Proposed Lot 1 contains a house, garage, sheds, quonset, water well, and open discharge PSDS. The open discharge PSDS will not meet setbacks with the proposed subdivision and the Applicant has indicated that it will be removed prior to endorsement and a compliant system installed. Access to the proposed lot is from Township Road 612, any new or existing approach must meet current County standards. There appears to be a suitable building site on the proposed lot. Proposed Lot 1 appears suitable for the proposed use (country residential).

The remainder is vacant and contains cultivated lands and pipelines. Access to the remainder is from Range Road 41, any new or existing approach must meet current County standards. The remainder appears suitable for the proposed use (Agriculture).

The County assessment sheets show the subject quarter section as containing 15.00 acres at 14.0%, 8.22 acres at 7.0%, 88.00 acres at 62.0%, and 43.00 acres at 50.0%.

In the opinion of the planner, the proposed subdivision should not significantly impact the agricultural capability of the balance of the quarter section. There appears to be reasonable building sites on the proposed lot and on the remainder of the titled area.

2. AGENCY & ADJACENT LANDOWNER COMMENTS

Agency	Comments
1. County of Barrhead No. 11	• Development Agreement is required for road widening along RR41 and TWP RD 612. <i>MPS notes that it appears as though both of these roads have already been widened.</i> • Accesses and approaches are required. • Reserves are not required. • Property taxes are not outstanding. • The proposal conforms to the County's MDP and LUB. • Site is not within 1.5 km of sour gas facility. • Site is within 2 miles of a CFO (NW 19-61-3-W5, NE 1-61-4-W5, NW 23-61-4-W5, & SW 23-61-4-W5)
2. Forestry & Parks (Bruce)	• No concerns.
3. Water Act (Capital Region)	• No response.
4. Alberta Energy Regulator	• No response. • <i>MPS viewed the AER abandoned well viewer and notes that there are no abandoned wells within the subject site.</i>
5. Canada Post	• No response.
6. Alta Link Management	• No response.
7. Axiom Oil & Gas	• No response.
8. FortisAlberta	• Easement required. • The developer can initiate the process of securing an easement for the proposed subdivision by contacting the undersigned. FortisAlberta is requesting that the county defer its subdivision approval until such time as this easement process is complete and the developer has entered into an appropriate easement agreement with FortisAlberta and the easement has been properly registered with Land Titles (Alberta). FortisAlberta will notify the county once these steps have been completed and confirm that FortisAlberta no longer has any concerns with approval of this subdivision. • FortisAlberta is the Distribution Wire Service Provider for this area. The developer can arrange installation of electrical services for this subdivision through FortisAlberta. Please have the developer contact 310-WIRE (310-9473) to make application for electrical services.
9. Telus	• No concerns.
10. Apex Utilities	• No objections. • Please notify Utility Safety Partners at 1-800-242-3447 to arrange for "field locating" should excavations be required within the described area. • We wish to advise that any relocation of existing facilities will be at the expense of the developer and payment of contributions

	required for new gas facilities will be the responsibility of the developer.
11. Pembina Hills School Division	• No objections. • No Reserves requested.
12. Alberta Health Services	• No response.

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The subject site is in the Agricultural (A) District in the County of Barrhead *Land Use Bylaw 2-2024* (LUB). Agriculture, Extensive and Dwellings, Single Detached are permitted uses in the Agricultural District. The minimum parcel area for a country residential parcel is 0.4 ha (1.0 ac.). The maximum parcel area for a farmstead separation is 6.1 ha (15.0 ac.). The proposed lot is 2.88 ha (7.12 ac.) and does not exceed the maximum area. **Therefore, in the opinion of the planner, this subdivision conforms to the County’s Land Use Bylaw.**

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In the opinion of the planner, with respect to these matters:

- topography
- soil characteristics
- storm water
- water supply
- sewage disposal
- solid waste
- flooding
- subsidence/erosion
- accessibility
- *Private Sewage Disposal Systems Regulation*
- use of land in vicinity
- other matters

the proposed subdivision appears satisfactory in regard to these matters.

A note following the decision indicates the Subdivision Authority’s indication and satisfies the Regulation in this regard.

Sections 11 through 20 of the *Matters Related to Subdivision and Development Regulation* are satisfied.

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The subject site contains records of documents from Alberta Environment & Protected Areas and/or Forestry & Parks issued under the Water Act for a Traditional Agricultural User for which those Ministers are responsible, and contains facilities with AER licenses. Therefore, in the opinion of the planner, the appeal lies to the Land and Property Rights Tribunal.

4. SUMMARY

The proposed subdivision is for country residential use, and may conform to provisions in the County's Land Use Bylaw and Municipal Development Plan as well as the requirements set forth in the MGA and applicable Regulations therefore the subdivision can be approved subject to the following conditions:

1. Accesses & Approaches
2. RPR & Private Sewage Inspection
3. Taxes up to date

5. RECOMMENDATION

That the subdivision application be approved at this time, subject to the following conditions:

1. That prior to endorsement of an instrument effecting this plan, approaches, including culverts and crossings to the proposed parcel(s) and to the residual of the land, be provided at the owner's and/or developer's expense and to the specifications and satisfaction of the County of Barrhead No. 11.
2. That prior to endorsement of an instrument effecting this plan, and in accordance with section 9(g) of the *Matters Related to Subdivision and Development Regulation*, AR 84/2022, submit to the County of Barrhead No. 11 and the Subdivision Authority:
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Alberta Private Sewage Systems Standard of Practice, and is suitable for the intended subdivision.

3. That taxes are fully paid when final approval (endorsement) of the instrument effecting the subdivision is requested.

NOTES FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES ONLY: (These are not conditions of approval)

1. In order to expedite consideration of the final approval and endorsement of this proposal, a letter from the County of Barrhead No. 11 indicating that Conditions #1, #2 & #3 above have been satisfied should accompany any request for final approval or endorsement.
2. The subdivision is being approved because the land that is proposed to be subdivided is, in the opinion of the Subdivision Authority, suitable for the purpose for which the subdivision is intended, and the proposal is considered by the Subdivision Authority to conform to the provisions of the municipality's Municipal Development Plan and Land Use Bylaw. The Subdivision Authority has not verified the availability of water on-site or the suitability of the soils on the site for sewage disposal; however, trucking services for such are available in the region. The matters listed in Section 9 of the *Matters Related to Subdivision and Development Regulation*, AR 84/2022 and any submission made by adjacent property owners were considered with care.
3. Pursuant to **Condition #2**, to help avoid potential delays and added costs, **please ensure that any necessary site improvements, such as the removal, relocation, or upgrading of buildings, structures, or private sewage systems, are completed prior to arranging surveys and preparing a Real Property Report or Building Site Certificate.** Additionally, you are advised to provide your private sewage inspector with a copy of the required Real Property Report (RPR) or building site certificate (BSC), **prior to arranging for your private sewage inspection. The RPR or BSC must indicate the location of the private sewage disposal system(s) on the site in relation to proposed parcel boundaries.** This will enable the inspector to determine if the minimum required setback distances in the current Alberta *Private Sewage Systems Standard of Practice* can be met.
4. All new and existing private sewage disposal systems must meet the requirements of the *Private Sewage Disposal Regulation*, AR 229/1997. In this regard please contact an accredited private sewage inspector or the County's Safety Codes Officer before any sewage system is either constructed or altered. Alternatively, the owner/developer may provide the County of Barrhead No. 11 with a variance to this requirement from the municipality's Safety Codes Officer.
5. To avoid unnecessary complication, you are advised that no site work to effect your proposal should be commenced prior to endorsement of a registrable instrument by this office and/or without prior consultation with the County of Barrhead No. 11 as to its requirements regarding such development.
6. Please notify Utility Safety Partners at 1-800-242-3447 to arrange for "field locating" should excavations be required within the described area.
7. Apex Utilities wishes to advise that any relocation of existing facilities will be at the expense of the developer and payment of contributions required for new gas facilities will be the responsibility of the developer.

8. FortisAlberta has indicated that easements are required. The developer can initiate the process of securing an easement for the proposed subdivision by contacting the Logan.Jamieson@fortisalberta.com.
9. FortisAlberta is the Distribution Wire Service Provider for this area. The developer can arrange the installation of electrical services for this subdivision through FortisAlberta. Please contact 310-WIRE to make an application for electrical services.
10. In accordance with section 657 of the Municipal Government Act, R.S.A. 2000, c. M-26, as amended, this decision is valid for one (1) year. If you are unable to complete your subdivision approval prior to the end of the one-year period, contact our office before your file expires to begin the extension request process. The extension request and fee (\$350 + GST) must be received before the file expires. **Once a file has expired, an extension request will not be processed, and a new subdivision application will be required.**
11. The following information is provided as required by Section 656(2)(a) of the *Municipal Government Act*, R.S.A. 2000, c. M-26, as amended. Any appeal of this decision lies to the Land and Property Rights Tribunal, whose address is 2nd Floor, Summerside Business Centre, 1229 - 91 Street SW, Edmonton, Alberta, T6X 1E9 (phone 780-427-2444). Appeals must be submitted by email to LPRT.appeals@gov.ab.ca. Additional information regarding the appeal process is available at: <https://www.alberta.ca/subdivision-appeals>.
12. Please advise your surveyor that the Subdivision Authority for the County of Barrhead is "the Council of the County of Barrhead No. 11".



REQUEST FOR DECISION

OCTOBER 6, 2026

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TO: COUNCIL

RE: 2026 VALUING NATURAL ASSETS ENGAGEMENT – WHAT WE HEARD REPORT

ISSUE:

Public engagement for this component of the 2026 Valuing Natural Assets Project has been completed and is being presented to Council as a “What We Heard” Report before taking next step in the workplan.

BACKGROUND:

- 2026 – County received FCM grant to support the *Valuing Natural Assets for Climate Resilience* Project.
 - A key aspect of this project is functional assessment of County owned natural assets, which includes inventory of existing natural assets (assessed, mapped, evaluated), as well as gathering public input on how residents value & use these spaces.
 - Public engagement for this project will help the County understand current use (broad scale) and potential future use of parks & open spaces.
- On June 2, 2026, Council approved the Public Engagement Plan (PEP) – Natural Assets Project that outlined how the County would consult the public on their use of green spaces.
 - A deliverable of the Public Engagement Plan is a summary of all feedback in a “What We Heard Report”.

ANALYSIS:

- To better understand how spaces are being used and which spaces could be used for recreation, County gathered feedback from residents on:
 - Which County owned green spaces do they currently use (excludes private and provincial land).
 - How they use these County owned green spaces.
 - What could enhance their experience in these County owned green spaces.
- Engagement activities ran according to the PEP from June 15 – August 15, 2026
- Total participants – 185
- Engagement activities included:
 - One online survey - 101 participants
 - 1 virtual open house – 0 participants
 - 4 in-person sessions – 55 participants
 - 1 expert panel – 4 participants
 - In person engagement at the County Open Skies Rural Living Expo – 25 participants

- Top 5 most frequented spaces:
 1. Thunder Lake Boat Launch & Day Use Area
 2. Klondyke Ferry Municipal Campground
 3. Thunder Lake Conservation Area
 4. Misty Ridge Ski Hill
 5. Klondike Park & Idle Hours
- Common enhancement requests include
 - Walking trails
 - Improved water access at lakes, rivers and creeks
 - Increased maintenance
 - Increased signage
- We also collected feedback on potential flood or fire risks throughout the County.
- This engagement feedback will be used to build the *Climate Adaptation Plan* and the *Parks & Open Spaces Master Plan* which will be brought to Council in 2027.

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT:

Council's review of the 2026 Valuing Natural Assets Project Public Engagement – “What We Heard” Report aligns with the County 2022 – 2026 Strategic Plan as follows:

PILLAR 3 Rural Lifestyle

Outcome *3 County maintains its rural character and is recognized as a desirable location to invest, work, live and play.*

Goal 3.1 County has an inventory of natural and community assets.

Strategy 3.1.1 Develop a Parks & Open Space Master Plan.

PILLAR 3 Rural Lifestyle

Outcome *3 County maintains its rural character and is recognized as a desirable location to invest, work, live and play.*

Goal 3.4 County protects & preserves the environment.

PILLAR 4 Governance & Leadership

Outcome *4 Council is transparent & accountable.*

Goal 4.1 County improves risk management.

Goal 4.2 County demonstrates open & accountable government.

Strategy 4.2.1 Council has the tools and information necessary to make informed decisions which are shared publicly.

ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDS THAT:

Council accepts the 2026 Valuing Natural Assets Project Public Engagement – “What We Heard” Report as information.



2026 Valuing Natural Assets

**Public Engagement
“What We Heard” Report**



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Introduction

County of Barrhead is completing a Natural Assets Functional Assessment of its over 80 municipally owned green spaces. To increase readiness for extreme weather events and to support community resilience and wellbeing, County of Barrhead will classify municipally owned green spaces into one of three categories:



Green spaces which support local biodiversity and ecological function and should not be intervened with or developed (protected areas).



Green spaces which have potential to support physical infrastructure resilience to weather risks (e.g. enhancing a wetland adjacent to a road which has a history of flooding).



Green spaces which are or can be used by residents for recreational uses and community wellbeing (e.g. hiking, birdwatching, snowshoeing).

Goal of Public Engagement

County of Barrhead aimed to consult residents on their use of municipally owned green spaces for several key reasons:

- To build an inventory database of green spaces.
- To classify green spaces into the categories mentioned above.
- To understand which spaces hold the most importance and/or concern for the public.
- To hear what enhancements could improve resident experience in our municipally owned green spaces.

Information gathered through public engagement will be used to inform the determination of which County owned green spaces will be chosen for redevelopment, as well as how these selected spaces will be enhanced in subsequent projects.

Public Engagement Methods

This report compiles feedback received from several online and in-person engagement opportunities. The advertisement schedule for the planned engagement opportunities is provided below.



Open Skies Rural Living Expo

April 11, 2026 **25 Participants**

Participants visited an information booth, identified green spaces they use on maps, provided feedback on their desires for enhancement and indicated areas at risk from extreme weather-related events.



Virtual Event

June 23, 2026 **0 Participants**

Participants were asked via Zoom to provide feedback on green space usage, their desires for enhancement and areas which they feel are at risk of extreme weather-related events.



Online Survey

June 23 - August 10, 2026 **101 Participants**

Participants gave feedback on green space usage, their desires for enhancement and areas which they feel are at risk of extreme weather-related events.



Neerlandia Co-op

July 14, 2026 **14 Participants**

Participants visited an information booth, identified green spaces they use on maps, provided feedback on their desires for enhancement and indicated areas at risk of extreme weather-related events.



Thunder Lake Farmer's Market

July 14, 2026 **16 Participants**

Participants visited an information booth, identified green spaces they use on maps, provided feedback on their desires for enhancement and indicated areas at risk of extreme weather-related events.



Expert Panel

August 5, 2026 **4 participants**

Experts in their respective fields were invited to provide feedback on areas they felt were significant to the public, as well as any areas which may be at risk of extreme weather-related events.



Lac La Nonne

July 31 & August 15, 2026 **25 Participants**

Participants visited an information booth, identified green spaces they use on maps, provided feedback on their desires for enhancement and indicated areas at risk of extreme weather-related events.

Date	Event & Advertisement Type
24-Jun	Neerlandia: social media ad
26-Jun	Survey: social media ad
26-Jun	Neerlandia: BARCC alert
29-Jun	Thunder Lake: social media ad
01-Jul	Barr-West Booklet mailed out (survey & all in-person sessions)
02-Jul	Neerlandia: social media post
06-Jul	Thunder Lake: BARCC alert
08-Jul	Thunder Lake: social media post
10-Jul	Thunder Lake: social media post

Objectives

As per the Public Engagement Plan (PEP) approved by Council on June 2, 2026, the County of Barrhead laid out 5 key objectives which it sought to meet by the closing date of the survey:

OBJECTIVE 1: INFORM PUBLIC ABOUT THE NATURAL ASSETS PROJECT, INCLUDING HOW THE PROJECT CAN IMPROVE THEIR SAFETY & QUALITY OF LIFE.

Achievement: Through advertisements, the online survey and public engagement events, the public was informed of the background, goals and purpose of the Natural Assets Project, and how it tied to community safety from natural disasters such as floods and wildfires.

OBJECTIVE 2: CONSULT RESIDENTS ON THEIR CURRENT USE OF COUNTY OWNED GREEN SPACES AND WHAT MIGHT ENHANCE THEIR EXPERIENCE AT THESE LOCATIONS, AS WELL AS ANY AREAS WHICH MAY BE AT RISK OF FLOODING, WILDFIRES OR OTHER EXTREME WEATHER-RELATED EVENTS.

Achievement: Public engagement events and a survey were conducted and feedback on use of spaces, desired enhancements and climate risks was obtained.

OBJECTIVE 3: PROVIDE MULTIPLE OPPORTUNITIES FOR FEEDBACK, TO ENSURE ALL COUNTY RESIDENTS HAVE OPPORTUNITIES TO PARTICIPATE.

Achievement: County of Barrhead provided public engagement events on several different dates, as well as a virtual event via Zoom and an online survey to increase access and provide multiple opportunities for participation. In addition, the public engagement events were strategically held in different locations around the County at times that more people would be in attendance. This ensured that feedback from multiple areas of the community was captured and a wide variety of people had the opportunity to be consulted.

OBJECTIVE 4: IDENTIFY HIGH-PRIORITY COUNTY GREEN SPACES TO HELP DECIDE WHICH SPACES ARE OF GREATEST USE/IMPORTANCE TO THE PUBLIC

Achievement: An importance-rating scale was provided for respondents of the survey to fill out, which ensured the County of Barrhead was able to compare the relative significance of green spaces between divisions and assign importance to the spaces in each division. Further supporting this scale, the number of visitors/users of each individual site was used to determine priority.

OBJECTIVE 5: FOSTER A POSITIVE RELATIONSHIP OF TRUST & OPEN COMMUNICATION WITH THE PUBLIC.

Achievement: Respondents to both in-person events and the online survey were given freedom to communicate openly about their concerns and desires for their community. Online survey respondents had multiple opportunities to provide open-ended commentary, all of which was captured and taken into consideration.

Demographics

Examining demographics of participants helps contextualize the responses received. No identifying information was collected during the survey, and survey data will not be used in ways which identify the respondent. Demographic data was not collected at any of the in-person or virtual public engagement events.

3.15% of the Population of the County of Barrhead Represented (based on 2021 census data)

101 Survey Responses

80 In-Person and Online Participants

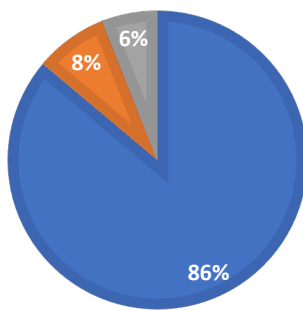
4 Expert Panel Participants

Residency Status

Majority of survey participants were permanent residents of the County of Barrhead (86%), followed by seasonal residents (8%) and non-residents/visitors (6%).

RESIDENCY STATUS OF SURVEY PARTICIPANTS

■ permanent residents ■ seasonal residents
■ non-residents



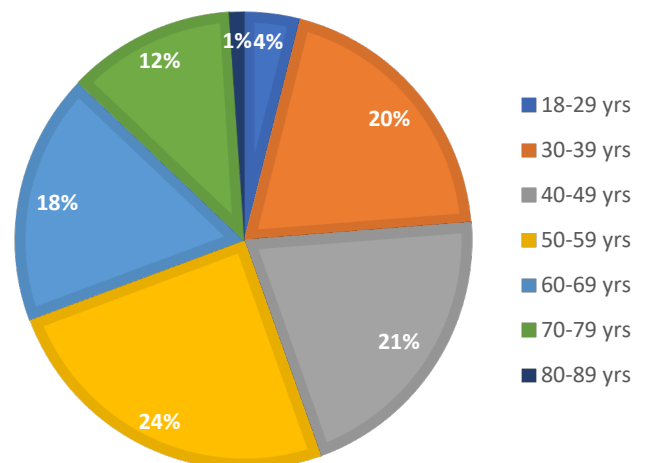
Note: Looking at residency status of participants helps the County to identify areas of significance to its residents while also illuminating areas which have tourism potential.

Age Distribution

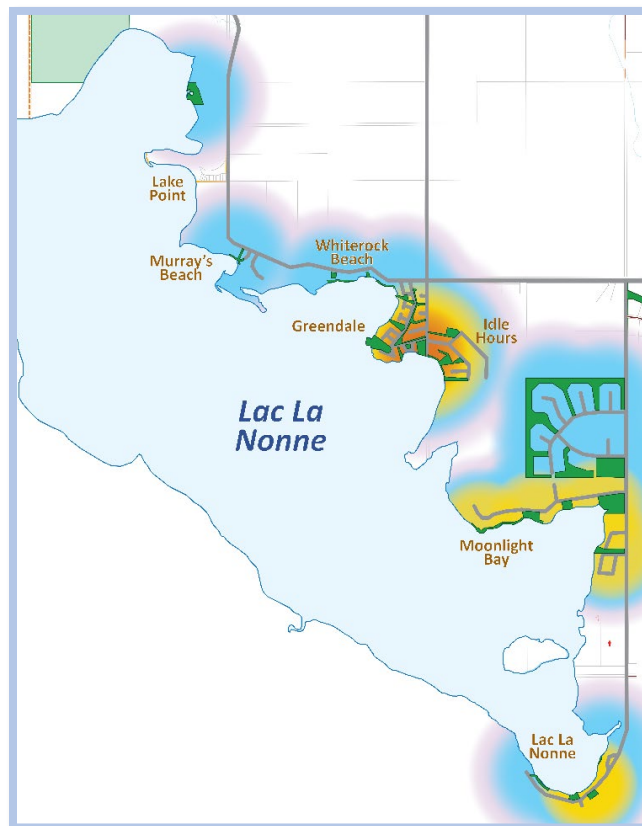
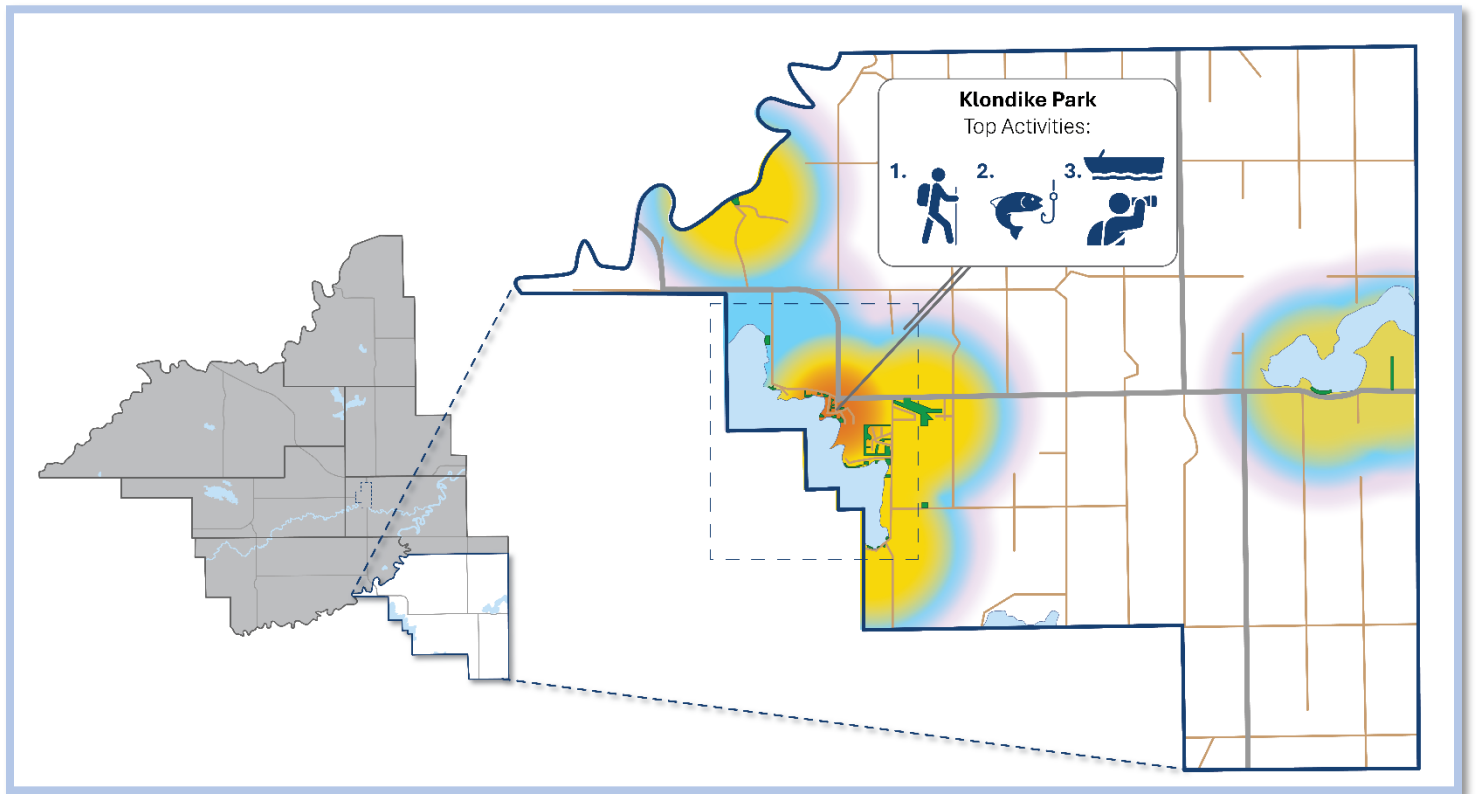
Two major age groups that participated in the survey were those between 50-59 years (at 24%) and 40-49 years (21%), followed closely by individuals aged 30-39 years (20%) and 60-69 years (at 18%). Altogether, individuals aged 30-69 years make up 83% of survey participants.

Note: Average age of the County population is 40.2 years. Individuals aged 0-19 years make up 28.9% of the County population, however, no participants of the survey were below 18 years old. This means older age groups are overrepresented in the survey as compared to the actual age distribution of the County.

DISTRIBUTION OF AGE GROUPS OF SURVEY PARTICIPANTS



Division 1



Top Enhancement Requests

- Upgrade Klondike Park boat launch and increase parking.
- Install a playground, increase/upgrade amenities including picnic tables and shade structures at Klondike Park.
- More walking trails and improvement of signage for green spaces/trails around Lac La Nonne.
- Public beach access and improvements to lake health.
- Wildlife enhancement such as planting fruiting/flowering trees to attract wildlife in subdivisions.



Flood Risks

7 –Whiterock Beach/Greendale

- Clear culverts

8 - Klondike Park & Idle Hours

- Fire pit area is a flood risk, gravel gets washed into lake

Lac La Nonne (general)

- Drainage is a consistent issue in the lake area



Fire Risks

7 –Whiterock Beach/Greendale

- Clear deadfall

8 - Klondike Park & Idle Hours

- Clear deadfall

9 – Moonlight Bay Estates green space

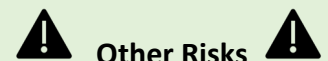
- Burning allowed in forested area, fire risk (moderate/high urgency)

11 – Peace Mission Boat Launch

- Clear deadfall

Lac La Nonne (General)

- Clear deadfall and enforcing fire bans



Other Risks

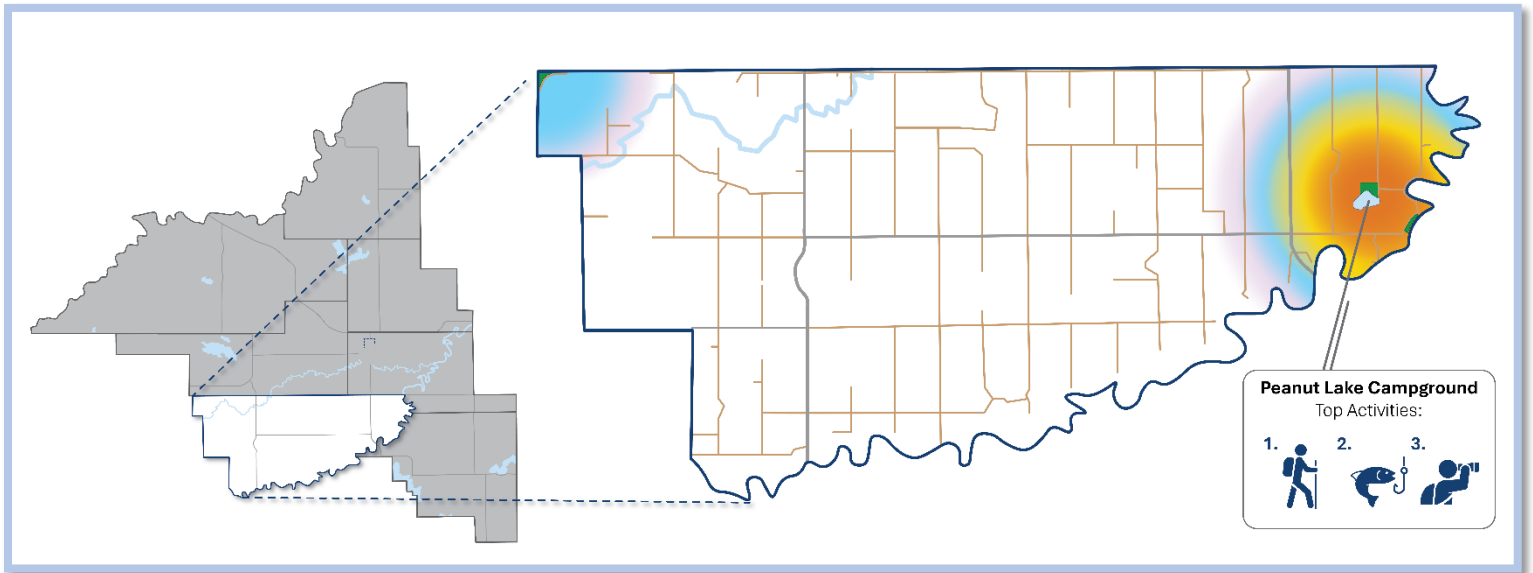
8 - Klondike Park & Idle Hours

- Branch trimming in Idle Hours, wind risk
- Remove stinging nettle around public dock at Klondike Park
- Weed cutting in ditches along RGE RD 30 towards Klondike Park

11 – Peace Mission Boat Launch

- Trim trees, branches pose visibility risk to drivers

Division 2



Top Enhancement Requests

- Increase maintenance schedule at Peanut Lake (grass cutting, washroom cleaning, garbage collection).
- Upgrade washrooms and dock at Peanut Lake.
- Improve water access point/boat launch at Peanut Lake.
- Improve signage and grooming of trails around Peanut Lake.

⚠ Other Risks ⚠

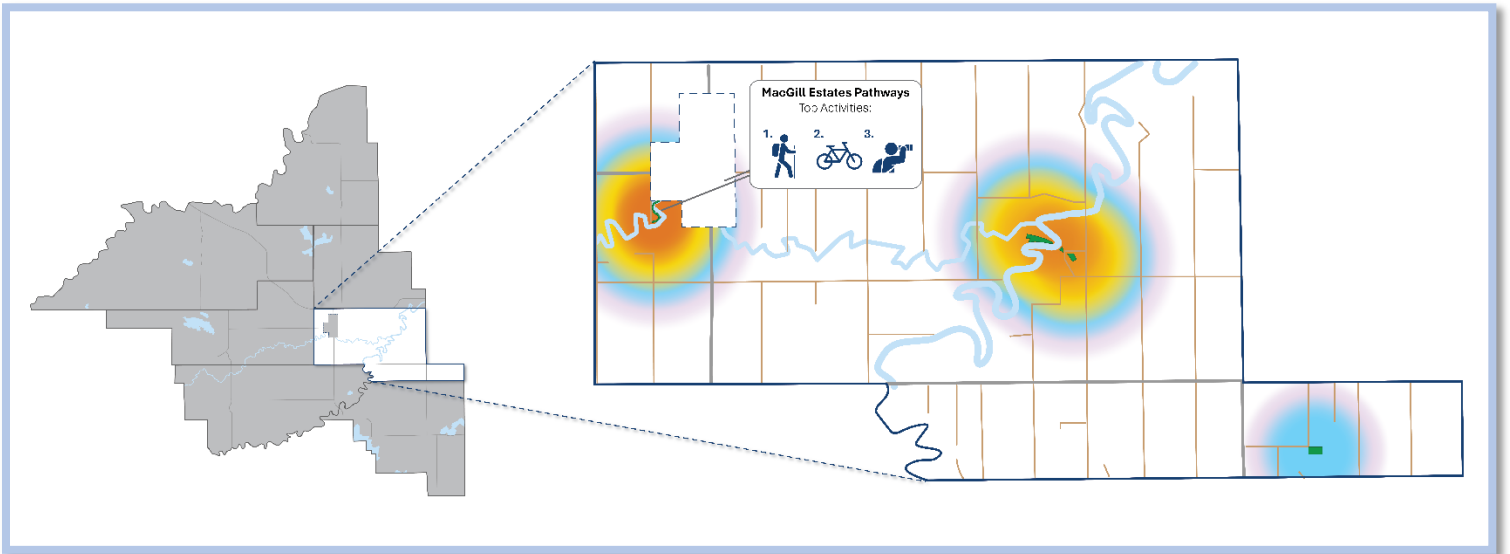
2 – Peanut Lake Municipal Campground

- Clean up Himalayan Balsam along shoreline

3- Pembina River Environmental Reserve

- Clean up trees affected by Black Knot

Division 3



Top Enhancement Requests

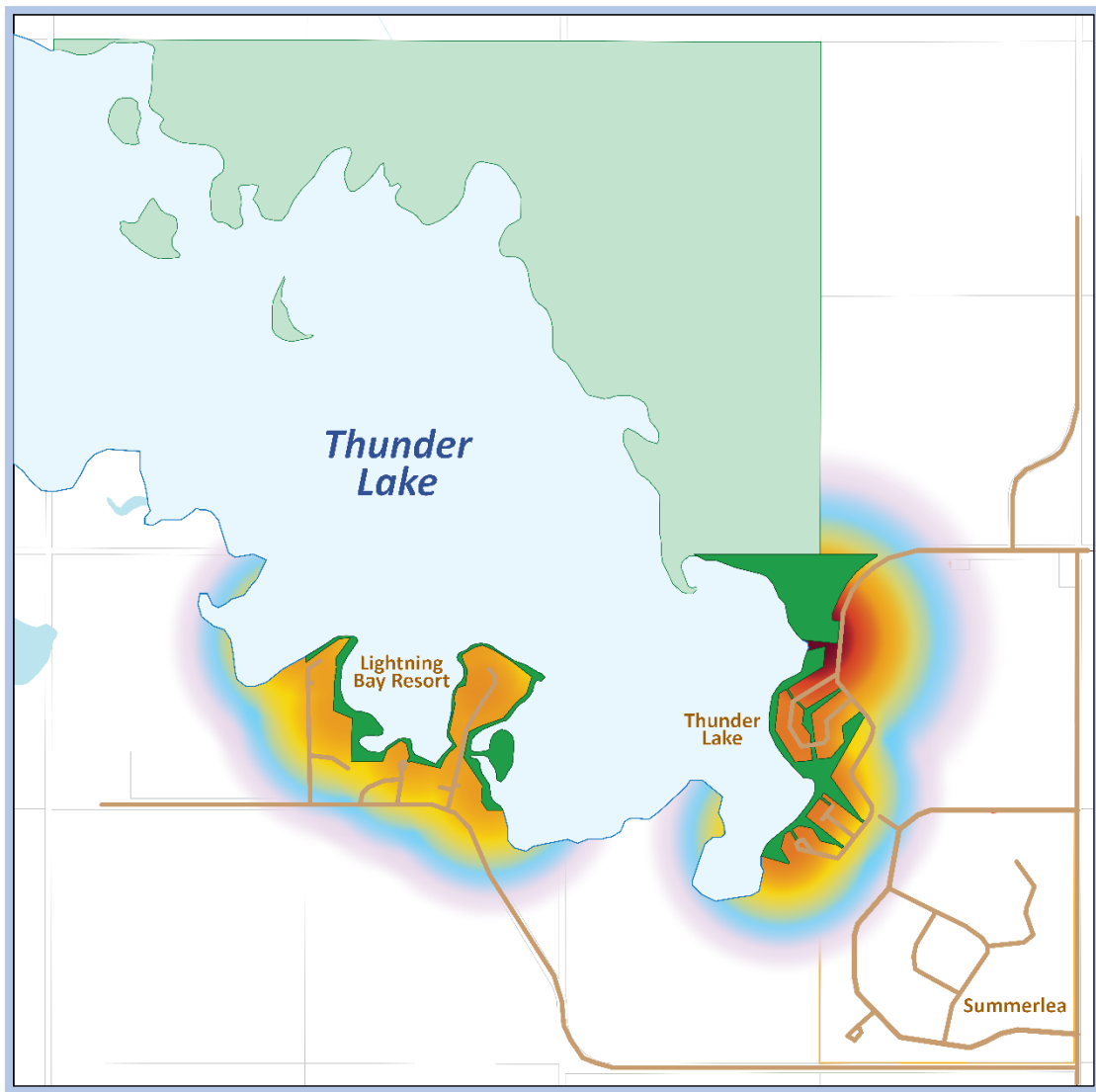
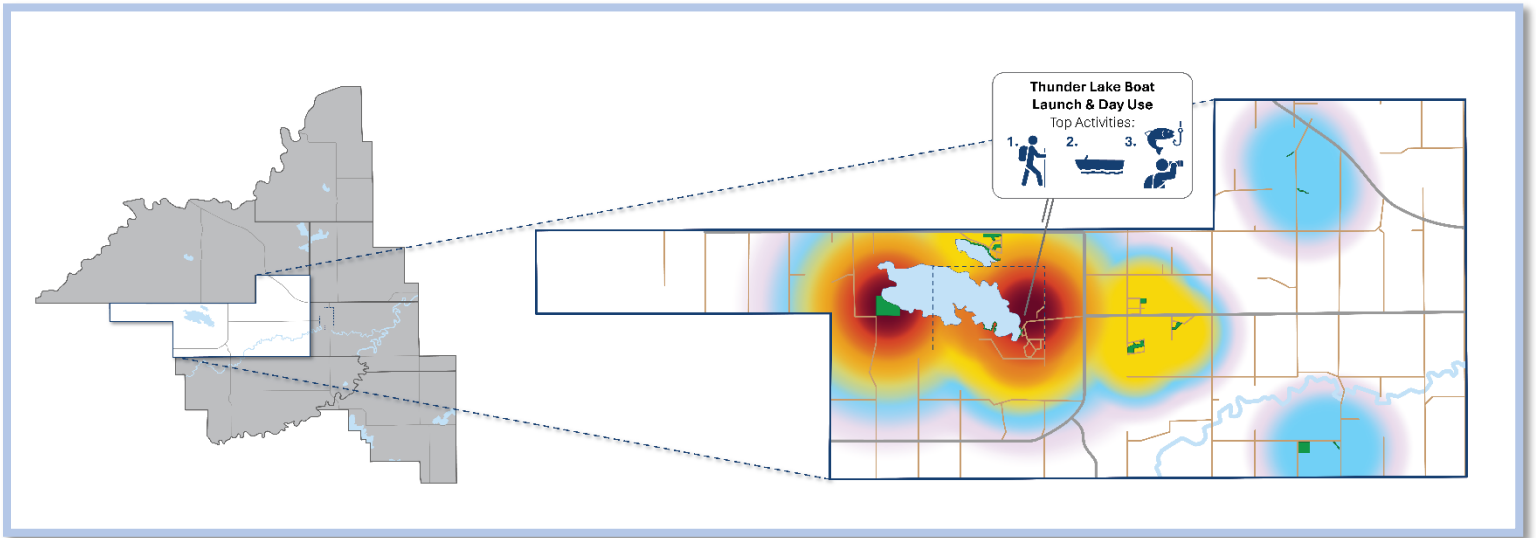
- Extend MacGill Estates pathways into river valley or across river to golf course.
- Increase maintenance along MacGill Estates Pathways (improved paving, snow clearing, garbage cans and signage).
- Increase maintenance schedule at Wallace Park & Manola Recreation Grounds (grass cutting, washroom cleaning, garbage collection) and increase signage of trails in the area.
- Update/install playground at Wallace Park & Manola Recreation grounds.

Flood Risks

2 – Wallace Park & Manola Recreation Grounds

- High water and spring flooding can bring access issues with mud and riverbank/sandbar access at Manola Bridge (moderate urgency)

Division 4



Top Enhancement Requests

- Groom and maintain MR land, increase public parking for MR/lake access in Thunder Lake subdivision.
- Install a groomed beach at Thunder Lake Boat Launch & Day Use, increase fish population and improve lake health.
- Trail maps/grooming/signage in County Conservation Area—Thunder Lake
- More walking trails/maps/signage around Thunder Lake green spaces
- Walking trails in Campsie and in Tiger Lake

Flood Risks

Thunder Lake (General)

- Water divergent structure by Little Paddle Creek needs updating, send more water into Thunder Lake (high urgency)

Fire Risks

1 - County Conservation Area—Thunder Lake

- Clear deadfall (moderate/high urgency)

2 – Tiger Lake green space

- Deadfall and densely wooded MR spaces, fire risk (very high urgency)

3 - Campsie / Campsie Cove / Cambarr Estates green spaces

- Deadfall, fire risk (high urgency)

8 - Thunder Lake Subdivision green spaces

- Clear deadfall, Fire Smarting within subdivision (very high urgency)

Other Risks

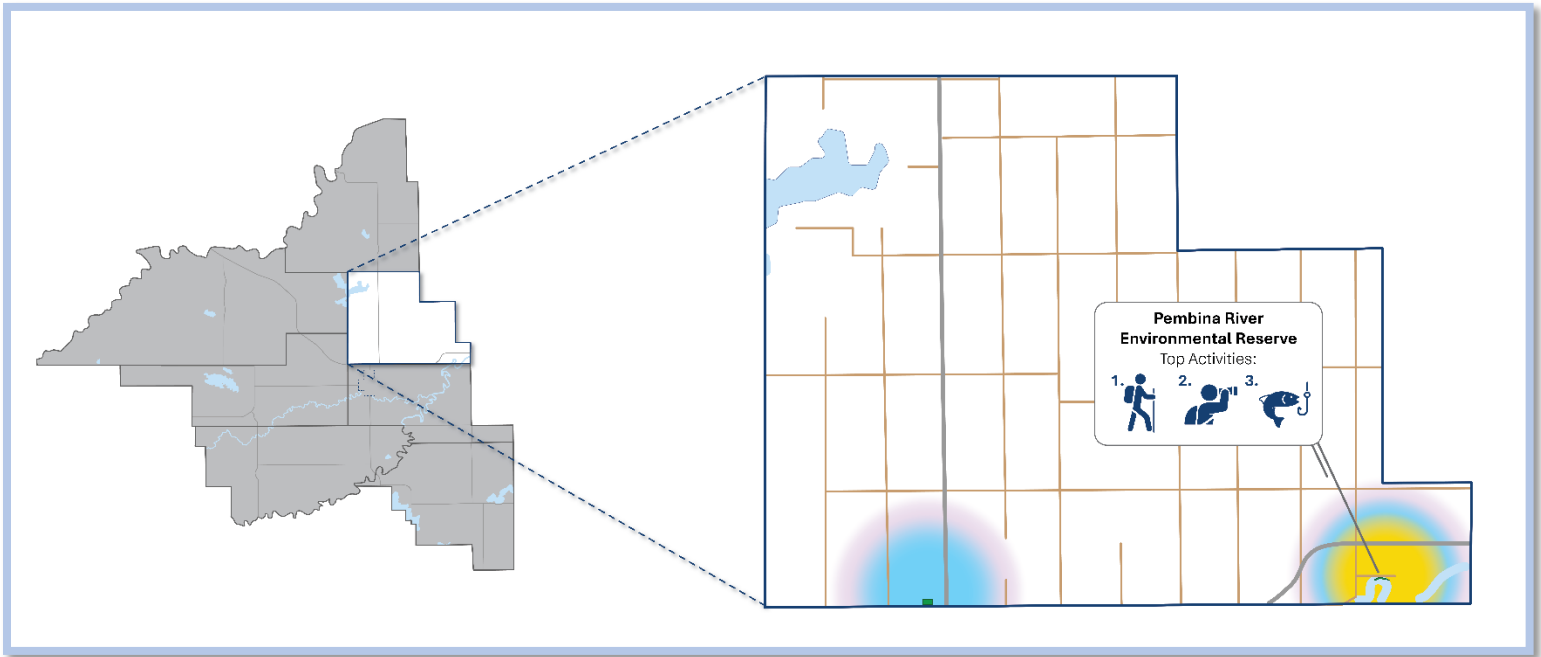
8 – Thunder Lake Subdivision green spaces

- Install “No Parking” signs to improve ability to exit subdivision in an emergency

Thunder Lake (general)

- Weed and beaver control

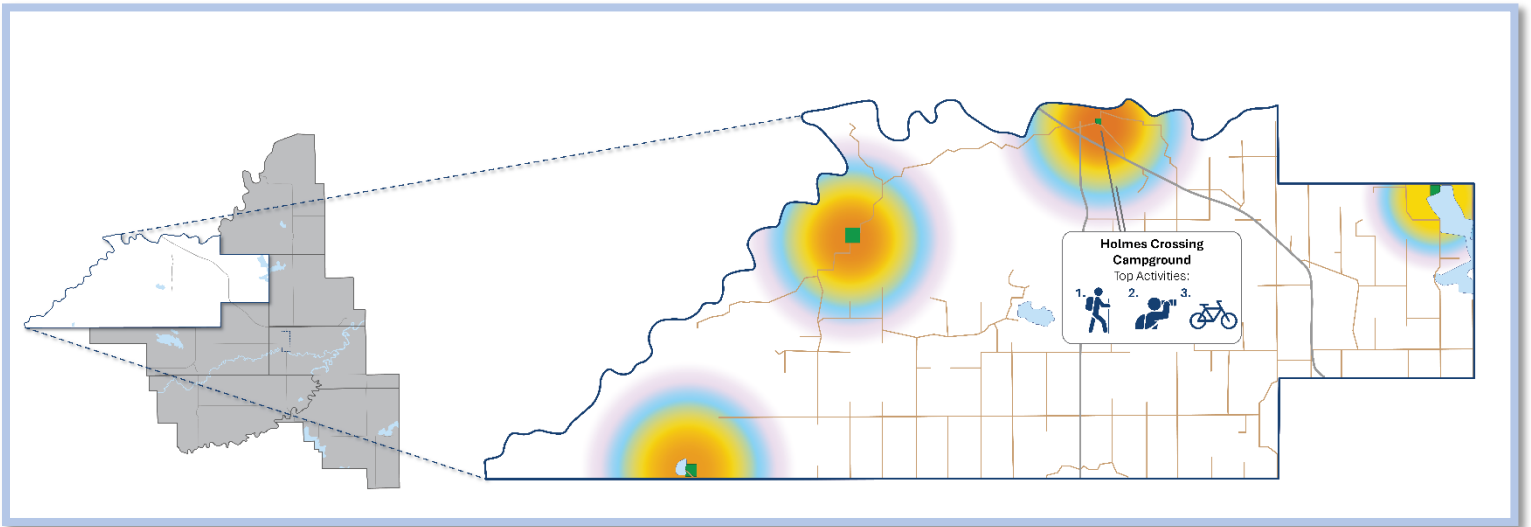
Division 5



Top Enhancement Requests

- Increase signage and garbage pickup in green spaces.

Division 6



Top Enhancement Requests

- Clean shoreline, install sandy beach and upgrade boat launch at Dolberg Lake Campground.
- Walking trail development and signage around Dolberg Lake and County Land adjacent to Holme's Crossing Area (consider tie-in with Holme's Crossing Ecological Reserve).
- Improve signage and increase maintenance schedule (grass-cutting, washroom cleaning, garbage pickup) at Holme's Crossing Campground.
- Upgrade the central gazebo and install a playground at Holme's Crossing Campground.

Flood Risks

Shoal Creek

- Adjacent farmland prone to flooding with high rainfall (moderate urgency)

Fire Risks

1- Dolberg Lake Municipal campground

- Surrounded by forest, fire risk (low urgency)

2 - County land adjacent to Holme's Crossing Rec Area

- Fire risk, consider control burns (moderate urgency)

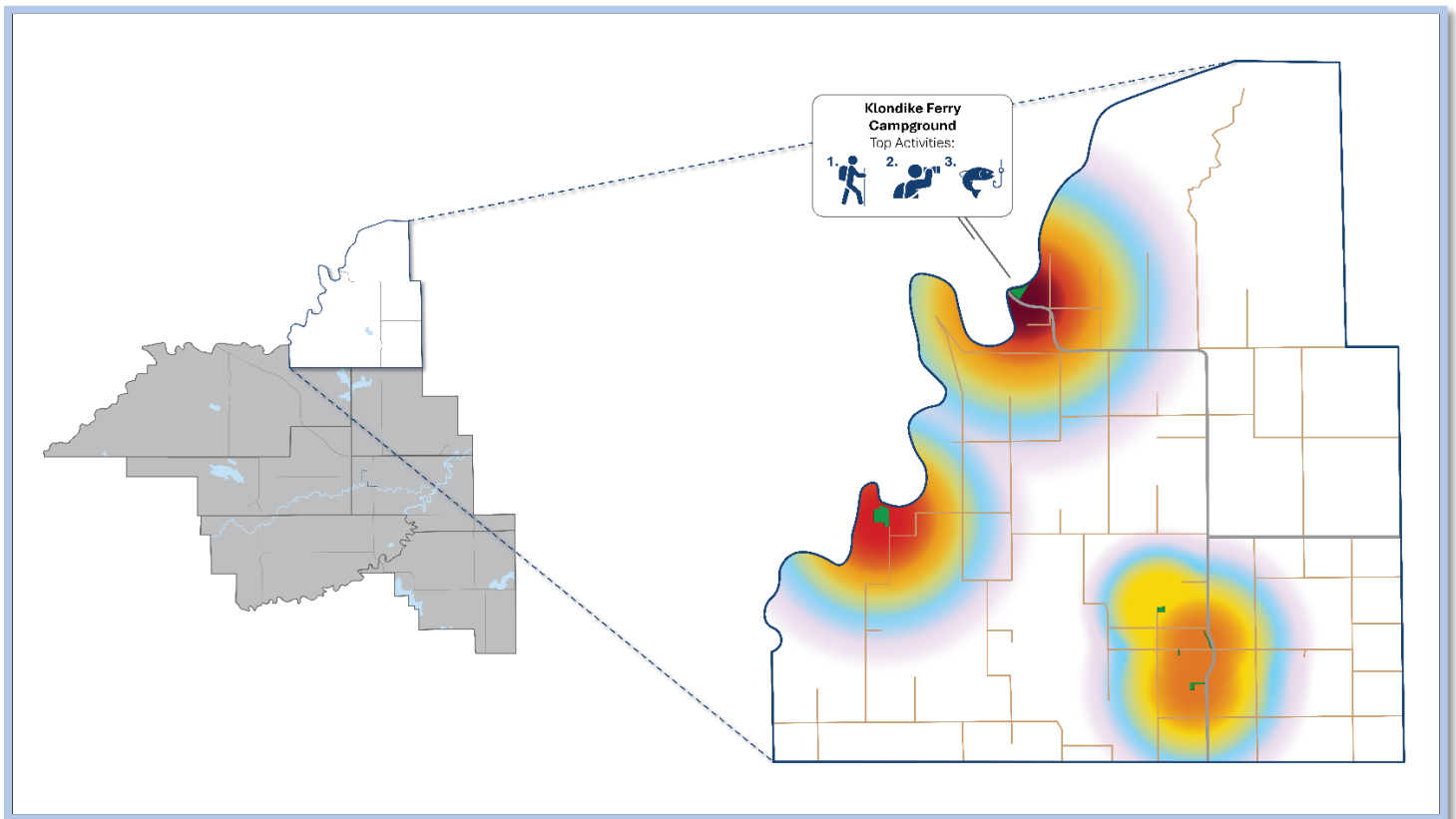
4 - Reserve on Shoal Lake

- Fire risk, consider control burns

Holme's Crossing Ecological Reserve

- Provincial area—natural area, general camping and off-road use brings risk of fires with rough country and no fire breaks (moderate urgency)

Division 7



Top Enhancement Requests

- Develop usable green spaces/parks in Neerlandia, consider investing in the enclosure of the skating rink and/or creation of a ball diamond.
- Continue to support and invest in the Misty Ridge Ski Area, increase access and signage for walking/ATV trails in the off-season.
- Increase access and install staging/boardwalk/walking trails around the Reserve on Baird Lake.
- Increase the maintenance schedule (grass-cutting, washroom cleaning, garbage collection), upgrade boat launch/amenities and install a playground at Klondike Ferry municipal campground.

Flood Risks

1 - Klondike Ferry municipal campground

- Flood risk when water is high

2 - Misty Ridge Ski Area

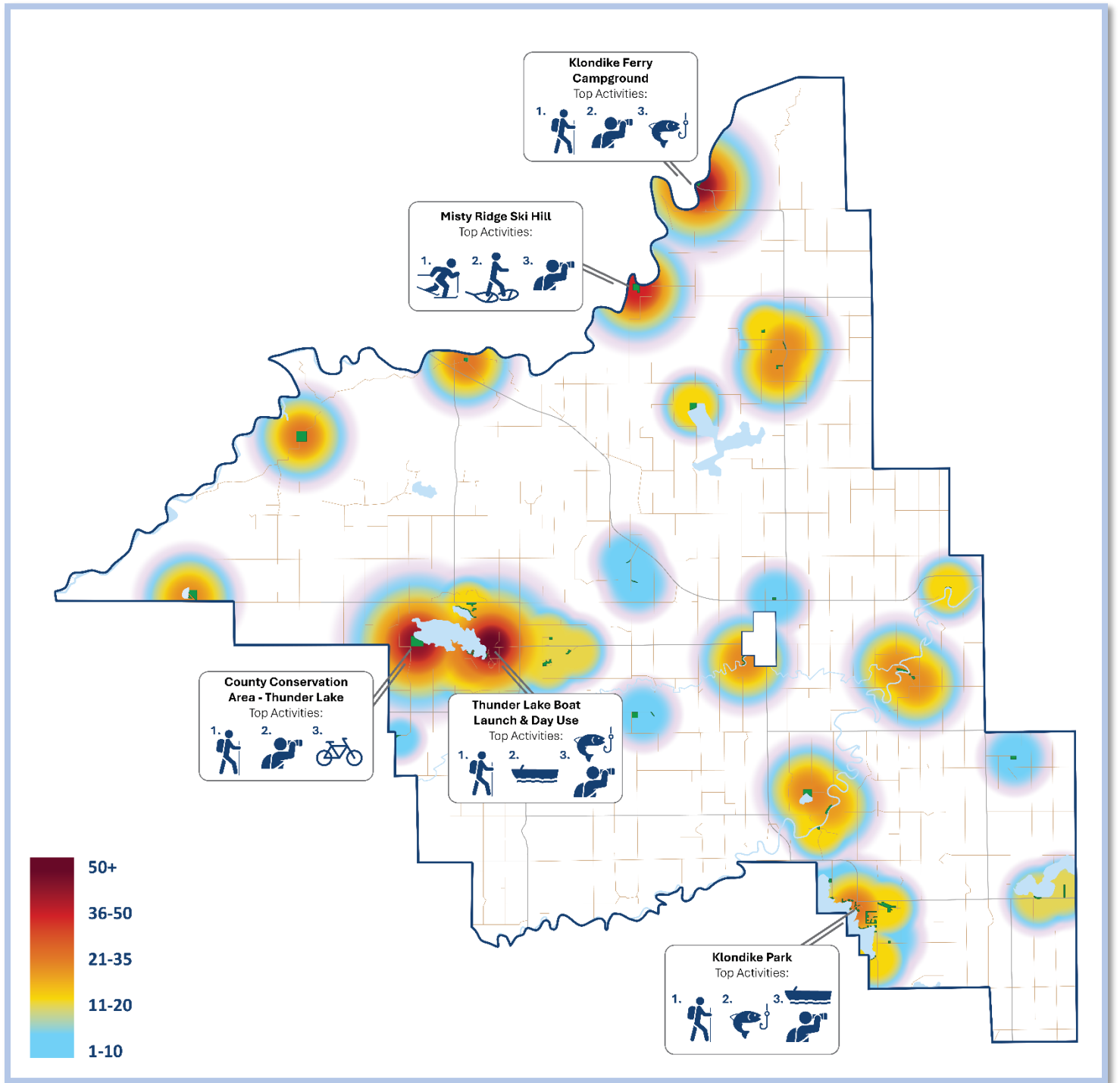
- Equipment house at bottom of ski hill is prone to flooding

Other Risks

1 - Klondike Ferry municipal campground

- Clear ice at boat launch in the winter
- River ice jams are possible (low urgency)

Full County Map

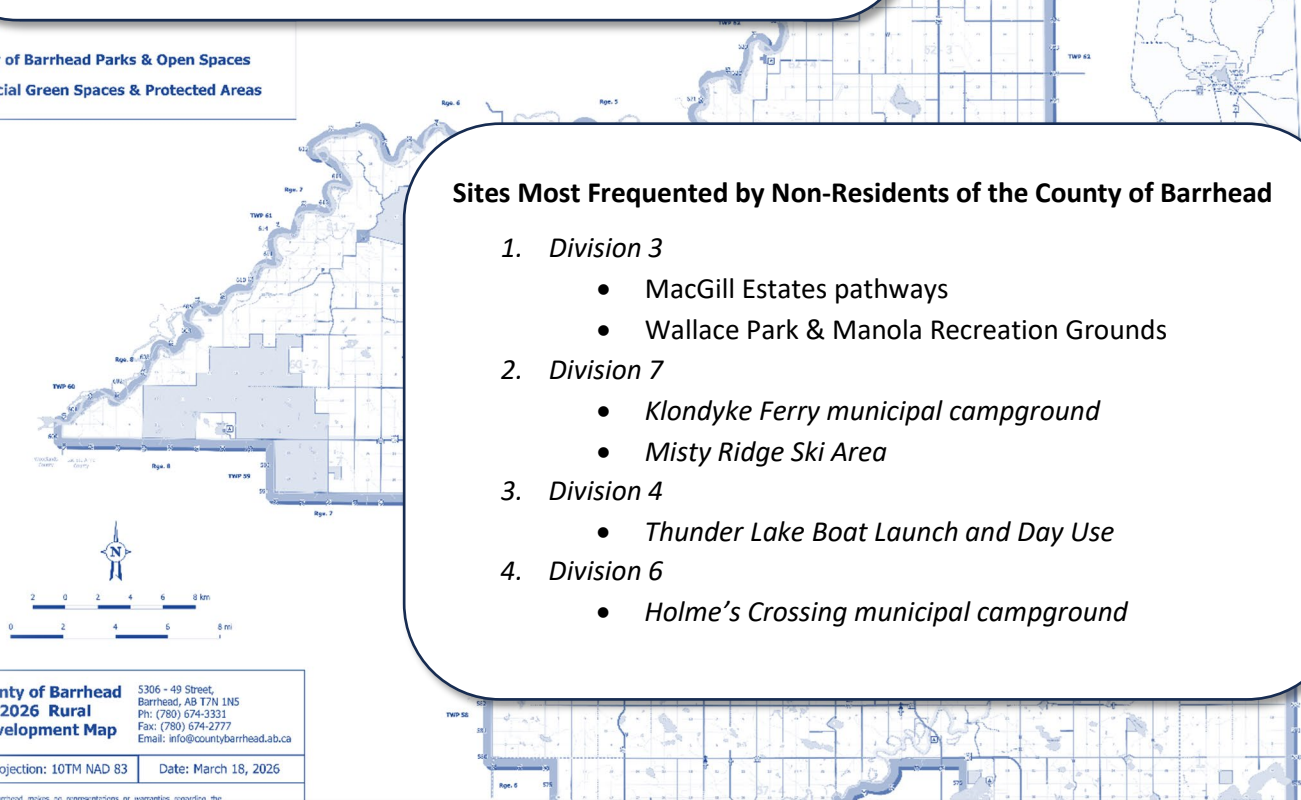


Sites Most Frequented by Seasonal Residents of the County of Barrhead

1. *Division 4*
 - Thunder Lake Boat Launch & Day Use
 - Thunder Lake Subdivision green spaces
2. *Division 6*
 - Dolberg Lake municipal campground
 - County Land adjacent to Holme's Crossing Rec Area
3. *Division 7*
 - Klondyke Ferry municipal campground

Legend

- County of Barrhead Parks & Open Spaces
- Provincial Green Spaces & Protected Areas



Sites Most Frequented by Non-Residents of the County of Barrhead

1. *Division 3*
 - MacGill Estates pathways
 - Wallace Park & Manola Recreation Grounds
2. *Division 7*
 - *Klondyke Ferry municipal campground*
 - *Misty Ridge Ski Area*
3. *Division 4*
 - *Thunder Lake Boat Launch and Day Use*
4. *Division 6*
 - *Holme's Crossing municipal campground*

County of Barrhead 2026 Rural Development Map

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Map Projection: 10TM NAD 83

Date: March 18, 2026

County of Barrhead makes no representations or warranties concerning this map.

Survey Data

- Division 4 received the most enhancement requests (36 requests), followed by Division 7 (26 requests) and Division 1 (21 requests).
- Division 5 had the least enhancement requests (5) and no extreme weather-risk feedback.
- Division 7 had the most consistent trends in enhancement feedback (more green space/rec facilities in Neerlandia, support Misty Ridge Ski Hill and upgrade/maintain Klondike Ferry municipal campground).
- Most common weather-related risk reported by respondents was concern for deadfall and fire hazards around the County.



Appendix: Comment Responses



Question: Are there any public areas throughout the County which you feel are at risk for flood, fire or other weather-related disasters?

- Boat launch at Klondyke ferry is susceptible to damage during river flood events.
- There are beavers damming up the flow into Lac La Nonne that should be looked at to help with levels
- Thunder lake.
- County Municipal Reserve Thunder Lake - Lots of Dead Fall Etc.
- Wherever there are lots of trees.
- I feel that the subdivision of Thunder Lake is at risk for a fire disaster with many old cabins and old stuff stored around them. Combine that with the cabins being so closely together and old dead bush around unused cabins and one day it could be a lot worse than what happened this spring.
- No.
- No.
- The ski hill floods every few years. Not the hill but the equipment house at bottom.
- Of course! Any body of water has potential of flooding, that's nature. Fire maintenance is important and should be properly maintained to protect the natural environment but also protect from fire.
- Thunder lake fire.
- Only the ones the government does not want us near.
- Concerned about forest fires - mostly due to human cause.
- No but some of them need better access and signs for were to park when there so people don't just park on the road.
- Thunder Lake trail beside 119 crescent Drive has a dangerous boat house that is falling down. Members of the public frequently seen on roof unaware or condition of walls. Along with various steel structures in the trees beside this area
- I have lived at Lac La Nonne for the past 5 years and have seen many of the older residents mob out with younger families moving in and there is nowhere for kids to play. The other beaches around the lake charge a fee for access. Ridiculous
- The first empty lot at the entrance to the Thunder Lake Subdivision should be cleaned up. There has been a lot of rain this season so there is standing water there, but most years this is a big fire risk.
- You can do better and should do better... but after so many years I think this is just another lost cause and waste of time. I am not proud to call Barrhead my home.
- Open fires on county lands...
- Blocking public access stairs to County reserves. Letting people own reserve lands rather than leave it natural as God created."
- Clearing deadwood would be helpful
- All of these places are at risk. Most of the lakes with campgrounds are very nice to go too! But the water sucks. Needs to manage that. Asap. Control burns to clean up dead fall and reeds are super important.
- The green space on Idle Hours Dr. is full of deadfall and would definitely fuel a fire if one was to start. Drainage has always been a problem in the Zone 1 area.
- Why would anyone come for a day trip, spend money in the county or even promote, your ""green spaces"" They are dirty, environmentally unfriendly and provide no cultural, educational or recreational enjoyment. Sad your county has less than 1 percent of the land in the county for visitors or non farmers to access and what you

do ""own"" is so badly managed and offers unsafe, unclean and unacceptable recreational destinations. Maybe look up the term green spaces. Trees, grasses, natural brush, are found there, mud bogs, shot gun signs. Billy-Bob and his rusty truck gang, are not.

- One area of concern is the tree island located within the County Road right-of-way in our neighbourhood on Second Street. During the approximately 17 years that I have owned property at Thunder Lake, I have never observed this area being maintained. It now contains tall, cured grasses together with mature spruce trees whose lower branches have died, creating what appear to be significant ladder fuels. In my view, this area should be inspected from a wildfire management and risk mitigation perspective to determine whether routine mowing of the grasses and pruning of the lower dead branches would be appropriate.

A second area that deserves attention is located just south of the boat launch entrance. Over the past one or two years, beavers have cut virtually all the mature trees surrounding the small pond in that area. Much of the felled timber remains on the ground, creating a substantial accumulation of woody fuel. The recent wildfire came very close to this location, and there are residential properties immediately south of the affected area. I respectfully suggest that this site also be assessed to determine whether removal of some of the accumulated fuel would be appropriate. More generally, I believe the County has an important stewardship responsibility with respect to the management of its own lands within the Thunder Lake Hamlet. Reasonable vegetation management is not simply an aesthetic issue. It is fundamentally an issue of public safety, responsible asset management, and community stewardship. I am not suggesting that natural areas should be extensively cleared or altered. Rather, I am advocating for sensible management of County-owned lands within the Thunder Lake Hamlet where practical measures can reduce wildfire risk while also preserving the appearance and long-term attractiveness of the community.

Question: Is there anything else you would like the County of Barrhead to know about their green spaces?

- The green space in Neerlandia is essential unusable as it forms the backyards of houses. The County should invest in creating a better greenspace in the hamlet that is central and accessible to the public. Enhancements to the parcel that the Sports Committee has, which is a nice, central greenspace would help to improve the community. Investing in enhanced baseball diamonds would also be beneficial.
- Usually very clean and maintained.
- Many green spaces are not anything anybody can actually go to and use. Very limited actual green spaces with much purpose or are nice other than around the lakes. Kids playgrounds would be nice. Or spend the money with the town of Barrhead and help build a field house instead.
- Neerlandia is a fairly busy place yet has the least amount of areas available for recreation sports etc. All sports for kids are done elsewhere or in Westlock county.
- Neerlandia could really use some green space. Thriving community within the county of Barrhead that is in desperate need of some public recreation space.
- Thank you for keeping green spaces!
- They are important. We are glad we have them.
- More funding for Neerlandia Green spaces. Only active community.
- Creating a welcoming, respectful, community is an ongoing process. Holding events in some of these locations, creating awareness to these locations, creating interactive events and activities is essential. The county of Barrhead is a beautiful place to live, has so much potential. Encourage pride and diversity is essential.
- No
- It seems like a missed opportunity that the county of Barrhead has not developed a recreational space along the permanent river. Davidson Park by Bergen, Alberta, is a great example of the scale of parking and outhouse development that would be sufficient. It is located near the lake, but high enough that it is not in the flood risk

area. This provides a safe place for residents to park and preserve local green spaces because residents are less likely to make their own trails on private land or unsafe roadways. The 8-mile bridge south of Barrhead by Belvedere is a perfect example of where residents will make their own parking if not provided safe opportunities to do so.

- Kids friendly anywhere is a great attraction. Would frequent more if I knew about them and kid-friendly including easy stroller paths.
- Need more user group input, more common-sense approach to looking after them and way less government involvement
- The county should set the example for residents when it comes to noxious weed control in these green spaces. Ensuring plants like tansy and Himalayan Balsam are taken care of means they are not spreading from county land to resident's land.
- Clear lake park could use some enhancements and better reservation system. Paved access to campground
- County Green Spaces are part of the bigger picture of provincial green spaces, town green spaces, and private green spaces in the area. Taken alone, each of the county spaces often do not provide enough possibilities for recreation. Tied in with the other resources they can provide much more. With increased promotion, all the spaces together provide a package for residents and for visitors.
- I can't find a full list of the county's green spaces on the website. I didn't know most of these existed and they certainly aren't front-of-mind for me to visit. I think they would be utilized more by residents if they were advertised, or listed somewhere on the county's website along with recreation facilities, etc.
- I predominantly use the green spaces close to home, but thanks to this survey, I'm more aware of green spaces in other parts of the county!
- There should be a map so more people know there out there. Garbage cans and outhouse at some of them around the more populated areas
- I had no idea most of these green spaces were a thing. How does one go about learning about these spaces and their uses.
- Could you advertise the green spaces within the County so the public is aware of them and can access them? Improve signage to make access available and to encourage public usage. Build more walking/biking trails throughout the county to improve quality of life so residents don't have to share the gravel roads with farm/truck traffic. So many rural communities and small towns in this country have trails for biking/walking. It's time for this county to develop some for their residents. There's a lot of evidence to support health benefits if residents have access to rural outdoor spaces.
- Improve roads everywhere.
- Please enforce the law.
- Would love to have more walking/hiking trails groomed.
- The green spaces at Thunder Lake need continual maintenance which has not happened for many years. They are so overgrown that it is difficult to move through them. What remains after the fire of May 28 is debris all over the ground making it difficult to walk through without possible injury. This is your area of responsibility.
- It would also be helpful to have dog poo bags available for visitors that come to the area to clean up after their pets.
- We appreciate the work the County does on our behalf to make sure the reserve land is safe.
- I was at Thunder Lake to visit. As a family we spent our summers camping. I was unable to access the public stairs to the water as a large truck blocked the access from the road, a large golf cart with a "" call safety first"" sign roared up behind us and children got out. Swore at us. I did look down after crawling in the bush to get around other stuff left on the road to see a drunken group of people on the county reserve, at 2 pm on a Saturday. I felt unsafe and scared of being hurt. I left. Sad. We had so many family fun times at Thunder and sharing my experience at a family reunion I learned Thunder is party time, not a place for families.

- Appreciate the attention given to Peanut Lake Campground by the county. Keep the road in good repair(oiled) since Lake Irwin Events is also on this road.
- It is important to maintain safe green spaces. The public dock on county property at Klondyke park every year has stinging nettle on and around it. Also some playground equipment would be nice for the kids in and around Klondyke park.
- I never knew there were so many green spaces.
- Washrooms at Klondike Park need to be thoroughly cleaned on a regular basis. Weeds growing in the ditches and along RR 30 heading to the park need to be cut more than once a year. They are about 5 feet tall at this time.
- The county of Barrhead has abdicated all responsibility of stewardship in it 1% of land management and it shows. I walked each area in your survey with my aunt and sisters who still live in the area and were appalled at the deplorable conditions. Shame on the elected official who allowed this to be the acceptable standard and same on the County manager and all staff to allow this to be an acceptable standard. Barrhead you get an F. No visitor wants to come here.
- I would love more walking trails/loops through natural spaces - I would definitely spend more time in them if there were more trails!

Other Enhancement Requests

- Provide more options for pedal biking—General
- birdhouses for birdwatching—Klondike Park
- hummingbird feeders – Klondike Park
- Residents would like some development in Cambarr green spaces or maybe have it mowed for hay
- In a perfect world, there would be a foot bridge over the paddle to re-use the old railway to Barrhead as a trail—Manola
- Non-disruptive designated areas for ATV's—Lac La Nonne
- Inform neighbours of shooting activity—Baird Lake/Neerlandia Reservoir
- Parking should be clearly indicated- Holme's Crossing
- Increased access for water sports – Baird Lake
- Increase access to Shoal Lake reserve
- Increased river access—Misty Ridge Ski Hill
- More signage to prevent large trucks from entering subdivision – Thunder Lake
- Keep and enhance the official quad trails so people don't create their own—Thunder Lake
- very few people use picnic benches/seating area, maybe let the Peace Mission Boat Launch area go back to natural/treed area—Peace Mission Boat Launch
- Clean up the lakeshore by the South side of the lake—Lac La Nonne
- Separate the shoreline to launch canoes/kayaks so they don't have to use the same launch as the bigger boats—Peace Mission Boat Launch
- Move public dock closer to boat launch as it is getting confused with the private docks—Klondike Park
- Reflector to prevent parking placed along 5528KS P2 and 5528KS P3, looks unsightly, consider landscaping to make these spaces assets instead—Greendale
- Consider making Greendale reserves into usable parks
- Dredge the Klondike boat launch
- Safer parking options at bridge on Rge Rd 23 for river access—Manola
- E-bike trail options—Lac La Nonne
- Pier or dock at South Lac La Nonne—Peace Mission Boat Launch

- Level the concrete pads at LLN Boat Launch—Klondike Park
- Awareness/info about Ducks Unlimited sites, sitting areas—General
- Keep campgrounds open longer than September—General
- Outdoor market space—General
- Need an indoor playground somewhere in the county
- HAM radio activation areas/enthusiasts—General
- Fish cleaning table—Klondike Ferry Campground
- Stories – post in building (i.e. Henderson Story)—Klondike Park
- South area of lake—desire of residents to further develop—Lac La Nonne
- 8022366A – would love to see the new ball diamond proposed by the Neerlandia Sports Committee get built here (assist the community in landscaping and prepping the area to build)—Neerlandia
- Incorporate trails with provincial park trail around lake to Tiger Lake Estates, needs signage—Thunder Lake
- Would rather not see public use of Thunder Lake reserve—County Conservation Area-Thunder Lake
- Flooding management of Little Paddle Creek. Water divergent structure needs some upgrading. Could send more water into Thunder Lake
- Bloomsbury community looking to divest
- Incorporate trails on adjacent provincial land including community pasture. Need signage and promotion—Dolberg Lake
- Having a barrhead county postal code to find these areas—Lac La Nonne
- Less signage- takes away natural beauty—Lac La Nonne
- More accessibility for seniors—Klondike Park
- Boardwalks through marshlands with places to sit and watch—Lac La Nonne
- Less power bikes and golf carts on the roads—Lac La Nonne
- I would like signage posted and people reminded that Klondike Park and the green spaces around Lac la Nonne are not off-leash areas. I have been jumped way more times than I care to remember by dogs that are off leash. The last time I walked home with blood running down my leg. Some of the green spaces at different times throughout the year need to be marked more clearly, as people whose property borders them use them to park their trailers, boats etc. and then you do not have access to use them. There are also green spaces along Idle hours where willows and trees keep breaking off and landing on the roads. The only cleanup that is done is the branches and trunks are thrown back into the green spaces adding to the fire hazards.
- Peanut Lake Campground is absolutely beautiful and a wonderful natural space for county and town residents. A small playground in that campground would encourage families to use it, and hopefully the increased usage of the campground with deter criminal activity that occurs there. I live on Peanut Lake Road and my teenage children are not allowed to go to the campsite without an adult. Because of the frequent wire stripping and squatting that occur there.
- Would be nice not to have to walk on the road—MacGill Estates Pathways
- Upgrade the play area with better equipment for children of all ages to enjoy. Refurbish the ball diamond. Maintain any trails better and add some rest/lookout spots along any appropriate spots along the river—Wallace Park & Manola Recreation Grounds
- More frequent garbage collection at Wallace Park, and restoring the chain across the driveway to stop people from driving on the lawn—Wallace Park & Manola Recreation Grounds
- More awareness these places are there and available. Parking when accessing the smaller areas, more awareness these places are available to access and that they are not private places. Sitting areas, boardwalks around or into marsh areas—Thunder Lake

- Easy access paths of crushed rock or wood chips, not cement paths—Thunder Lake
- Increase fish population to control leeches. Explore additional alternatives to reduce leech population and season blue green algae blooms—Thunder Lake
- Makes these areas accessible. People that reside here or have summer homes here have been cleaning/clearing walkways themselves. The County needs to step up and maintain these areas on a consistent basis—Thunder Lake
- A bike path beside the highway from Barrhead all the way to thunder lake—Division 4
- Less drinking on reserve land and garbage pick-up—Thunder Lake
- Supplied firewood, clean bathrooms, playground/sandpit/ swings for the kids and the middle gazebo painted/cleaned and picnic tables brought in so it's usable again. Closer eye on picnic tables and fire rings for damage—Holme's Crossing Municipal Campground
- Toilets, bush clearing provided at Holmes Crossing Ecological Reserve.
- Less restrictive access for ATVs and snowmobile riding—Division 6
- Upgrade the equipment at the ski hill or provide grants to allow the owners to do so in order to be more competitive with surrounding ski spots—Misty Ridge Skii Hill
- Larger green space in the hamlet of Neerlandia - ball diamonds would be beneficial - park like setting would also be beneficial to many seniors/families in the hamlet and surrounding area—Neerlandia Green Spaces
- pain picnic tables and fix up area with benches, pick up garbage and fix signs historical one. Be proud of your history—Klondyke Ferry Municipal Campground
- Reinstall dock in day use area—Thunder Lake
- We have lived in the County of Barrhead in the Thunder Lake Subdivision for over 35 years. When we purchased our lot, the subdivision plan labelled three 12' lane walkways and another 25' lake access path. For fun utilizing the 30' of land reserve around the lake, people used to walk around the lakefront where trails were worn in, even around the boathouses which do not fully block the reserve land. In the past ten years the County has installed "Lake Access" signs on two of the 12' lane walkways and the 25' lake access path. We requested the signage on 2 Street be labelled "Lane Walkway" as per the subdivision plan, and after being told yes were then told no. Our lot is adjacent to one of the lane walkways, and we were never consulted about a change to the zoning, if in fact that happened. We feel that the sign "Lake Access" is misleading as we have had people drive up, park, and walk down to the lake, only to walk back as there are no public facilities there. There is also limited parking and even residents are challenged with finding a spot that does not block a driveway. In addition, the County does have public lake access at the boat launch with parking, washroom facilities, camp cookouts, and picnic sites. The 3rd lane walkway on Crescent Drive is not labelled at all? I suspect it is because there is a steep drop to the lake, but it still provides access to the lakefront reserve and if the signage was correctly called "Lane Walkway" could also have signage – being treated the same way as the other walkways. Please change the "Lake Access" signs on 1st and 2nd Street to "Lane Walkway" to follow the subdivision plan and add this signage to the lane walkway on Crescent Drive—Thunder Lake Subdivision
- 1. No motorized vehicles in green spaces and enforcement on weekends (May 1 to Sept 4)
- 2. No clear cutting of green spaces (everyone says they have permission from the County) although the county has not given permission. Enforcement and fines and replacing vegetation at cost to offenders by County officers, not education, is imperative. This helps mitigate flooding and road costs and human liability costs to the County. When a person is hurt on County land due to the County's abdication of responsibilities to uphold their legally sworn oath, the County is liable and elected officials are also personally liable for damages to property and persons.

3. The County needs to listen and respond in a timely manner to complaints. A 24-hour call number to report dangerous behaviour and infractions would be helpful. There is no one to call for help, on weekends or during the week. The 95% of residences of Thunder Lake are law abiding people. The County knows who are on the police speed dial by large number of complaints you receive through letters, emails and calls and yet the County does nothing.
4. The lack of general maintenance and up-keep in Thunder Lake area is poor. All roads need to be maintained equally not just the ones the Councilors live on. Put up no parking signs on road edges so emergency vehicles on weekends can get through. After the summer fire this year, a fire at night in the area and people would not get out or emergency people into the area as roads are blocked with weekend cars along the side of the roads.
5. The fire marshal should be enforcing fire bans early and ensuring and giving fines to those who break the law. NO OPEN FIRES ON COUNTY LAND... EVER and fine people who break the law...even if they are the friends of the County, or family of the County.
6. Golf Carts. Twice I have been walking on the road and almost hit by golf cart joy riders. One was driven by a 10 years old and was a eight seat golf cart with children ages 3 to 10, no adult. The sign on the side said "call safety first" Another case where the County makes a law for a few and then do not enforce this. Who is checking? and stop the education for the few. GIVE A TICKET and tow. These need to be certified and a yearly permission sticker on the cart like they do in Pigeon Lake, Lac St. Ann, Wabamum and other lake subdivisions. Again, lack of enforcement will bring on liability and massive costs to the county
7. Send out the bylaws for the Thunder Lake Subdivision through emails and that you will be enforcing your laws. You have the tax addresses, so this is not a cost. Also mention that Thunder Lake is a Subdivision not a Recreation area where people can do what they want. In other words, to date. the County and elected officials have lost all respect, take no responsibility and lack the trust of the people. Community reserve is my land too. Again, the County and Councilors are not enforcing their laws fairly, equally and with transparency to ensure safety and security and fairness. The green space land is known but people take this as their own cut it down, build fences to add land to their lots, put up permanent structures, fill in the wet land plant gardens and vegetation not local to the area, and the County turn a blind eye. Loss of tax revenue and free land in Barrhead just for the taking.
8. For the past 10 years the information from the County Office to anyone who asks for a mooring right certificate is, yes you can have a pier. This is a provincial responsibility not a County one. People can be on the walking area of County land, but can not cut the shoreline. Now they have open fires, leave piers, boat hoists and other junk on the beach causing hazards, difficult walking for seniors, with parties and open fires to 4 in the morning and this is causing unnecessary negative neighbour interactions. Maybe a letter from the County about green spaces and mooring rights could defuse these encounters. Maybe a sticker from the County about removal of not permitted junk could be sent to residences and then removed this fall, and with cost to the owners and let the province handle mooring rights.
9. Public Access should be on the County public access points not by people 5,6, 7 houses back from the lake to gain access with quads, motorized bikes and now scooters through green spaces and private property. I am tired of protecting the green spaces: the clear cutting of bush, cutting of trees adding of gravel and sand and other building material to the natural areas and being told to F off and die because these people have permission from the County. So they say I Can do what I want where I want and how I want. They do not. Someone is going to get hurt and the County will be at fault and damages will be huge, both property, and personal.
10. I believe communication and consistent enforcement and efforts from the County with the support of the Councilors, the three law enforcement branches (RCMP, SHERIFF, BYLAW as well as, fire enforcement, fish and wildlife enforcement, and Provincial oversight Thunder Lake can again become a jewel it once was



REQUEST FOR DECISION

OCTOBER 6, 2026

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TO: COUNCIL

RE: ICF BYLAW 8-2026 – REPEALING INTERMUNICIPAL COLLABORATION FRAMEWORK BETWEEN COUNTY OF BARRHEAD AND LAC STE. ANNE COUNTY

ISSUE:

Lac Ste. Anne County has expressed interest in formally opting out of the Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework (ICF) between the County of Barrhead and Lac Ste. Anne County in accordance with recent amendments to the *MGA*.

BACKGROUND:

- Section 708.28 of the *MGA* required the County of Barrhead to complete ICFs with all municipalities sharing a common boundary, this included 4 rural municipalities - Sturgeon County, Westlock County, Lac Ste. Anne County, Woodlands County and 1 urban municipality - Town of Barrhead.
- March 2, 2021 – Council for the County of Barrhead adopted the ICF and associated Bylaw 3-2021 (attached) between County of Barrhead and Lac Ste. Anne County.
- 2025 - Changes to the *MGA* permit rural municipalities (i.e., municipal districts) to opt out of ICF agreements with their rural neighbors, if both parties agree. This opt-out provision only applies to rural-to-rural municipalities and does not extend to non-rural neighbors.
- September 2026 – County received a notice of intent from Lac Ste. Anne County to dissolve the ICF between County of Barrhead and Lac Ste. Anne County.

ANALYSIS:

- Lac Ste. Anne County spans the southern border of the County of Barrhead.
- Opting out of an ICF does not affect existing service or mutual aid agreements, nor does it limit current or future collaboration between rural municipalities. The following agreements will continue to remain in place even in the absence of an ICF:
 - Utilities Service Agreement for Use of NE Lagoon – SE 29-57-3-W5
 - Mutual Fire Aid Agreement
- Exemption identified in the *MGA* does not extend to rural-to-urban municipalities such as the County of Barrhead & Town of Barrhead ICF, leaving this ICF in place.
- If rural municipalities choose to opt out, each must:
 - pass a resolution that “intermunicipal services have been and will continue to be adequately provided by other means”,
 - notify Minister of Municipal Affairs of their decision by sending a copy of the resolution, and
 - publish, on the municipal website, the rationale for opting out.

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT:

Council's review of the request from Lac Ste. Anne County to opt out of the ICF aligns with the County 2022 – 2026 Strategic Plan as follows:

PILLAR 4 Governance & Leadership

Outcome *4 Council is transparent & accountable.*

Goal 4.2 County demonstrates open & accountable government.

Strategy 4.2.1 Council has the tools and information necessary to make informed decisions which are shared publicly.

ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDS THAT:

- Council give 3 readings of Bylaw 8-2026 repealing Bylaw 3-2021 an ICF between the County of Barrhead No. 11 and Lac Ste. Anne County, as permitted by the *MGA*.
- Council direct Administration to notify the Minister of Municipal Affairs that intermunicipal services have been and will continue to be adequately provided by other means and to publish on County of Barrhead website the rationale for not having an ICF with Lac Ste. Anne County.



COUNTY OF BARRHEAD NO. 11
Province of Alberta
BYLAW NO. 8-2026
Repealing Bylaw No. 3-2021
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A BYLAW OF THE COUNTY OF BARRHEAD NO. 11, in the Province of Alberta, to repeal Bylaw 3-2021 Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework (ICF) between the County of Barrhead and Lac Ste. Anne County.

WHEREAS, the *Municipal Government Act*, R.S.A. 2000, c.M-26 and any amendments, authorizes Council to establish, amend and repeal bylaws for municipal purposes; and

WHEREAS, section 191 of the *Municipal Government Act*, as amended, requires that a repeal must be made in the same way as the original bylaw and is subject to the same consents or conditions or advertising requirements that apply to the passing of the original bylaw; and

WHEREAS, section 708.28 of the *Municipal Government Act*, as amended, required Municipalities that have common boundaries to create a framework with each other by April 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, amendments to section 708.28 of the *Municipal Government Act*, as amended, provides that municipal districts with common boundaries are not required to enter into an ICF if they determine and agree that they do not require a framework; and

WHEREAS, County of Barrhead passed Bylaw 3-2021 establishing an ICF between County of Barrhead and Lac Ste. Anne County, and each Council has subsequently determined that an ICF is not required and that it is desirable to repeal the ICF;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the County of Barrhead No. 11, in the Province of Alberta, duly assembled, enacts as follows:

1.0 TITLE

1.1 Bylaw shall be referred to as the “Repealing Bylaw - Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework between the County of Barrhead and Lac Ste. Anne County”

2.0 REPEAL OF BYLAWS

2.1 Bylaw 3-2021 Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework between the County of Barrhead and Lac Ste. Anne County is hereby repealed.

3.0 SEVERABILITY

3.1 Invalidity of any section, clause, sentence, or provision of this bylaw shall not affect the validity of any other part of this bylaw, which can be given effect with such invalid part or parts.

4.0 EFFECTIVE DATE

4.1 Bylaw shall come into force and effect upon 3rd and final reading and signing in accordance with the *Municipal Government Act*.

FIRST READING GIVEN THIS ____ DAY OF OCTOBER 2026.

SECOND READING GIVEN THIS ____ DAY OCTOBER 2026.

THIRD READING GIVEN THIS ____ DAY OCTOBER 2026.

Erik Munck, Reeve
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Debbie Oyarzun, County Manager



COUNTY OF BARRHEAD NO. 11
Province of Alberta

BYLAW NO. 3-2021

**INTERMUNICIPAL COLLABORATION
FRAMEWORK BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF
BARRHEAD AND LAC STE. ANNE COUNTY**

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A BYLAW OF THE COUNTY OF BARRHEAD NO.11, in the Province of Alberta, to establish an Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework between the County of Barrhead and Lac Ste. Anne County.

WHEREAS the *Municipal Government Act*, RSA 2000, c. M-26, as amended, pursuant to Section 708.28, authorizes Council to work collaboratively with neighbouring municipalities to ensure the efficient provision of municipal services for all residents; and

WHEREAS the County of Barrhead and Lac Ste. Anne County have worked collaboratively on the preparation of an Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework between both municipalities; and

WHEREAS the Council of the County of Barrhead deems it desirable and appropriate to adopt the County of Barrhead and Lac Ste. Anne County Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework.

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the County of Barrhead in the Province of Alberta, and under the authority of the *Municipal Government Act*, as amended, enacts as follows:

1. TITLE

- 1.1 This Bylaw may be known as the Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework between the County of Barrhead and Lac Ste. Anne County Bylaw.

2. PURPOSE

- 2.1 The "Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework between the County of Barrhead and Lac Ste. Anne County", attached and forming part of Bylaw 3-2021, is hereby adopted.

3. FORCE & EFFECT

- 3.1 The invalidity of any section, clause, sentence, or provision of this bylaw shall not affect the validity of any other part of this bylaw, which can be given effect with such invalid part or parts.
- 3.2 This Bylaw shall come into full force and take effect upon third and final reading by Council and shall remain in force until repealed or amended.

FIRST READING GIVEN THE 16TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2021.

SECOND READING GIVEN THE 2ND DAY OF MARCH 2021.

THIRD READING GIVEN THE 2ND DAY OF MARCH 2021.

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Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework

Between

County of Barrhead No. 11



and

Lac Ste. Anne County



WHEREAS, County of Barrhead No. 11 and Lac Ste. Anne County share a common boundary; and

WHEREAS, County of Barrhead No.11 and Lac Ste. Anne County share common interests and are desirous of working together to provide services to their ratepayers; and

WHEREAS, the *Municipal Government Act* stipulates that municipalities that have a common boundary must create a framework with each other that describes the services to be provided under the framework that benefit residents in more than one of the municipalities that are parties to the framework, identifies which municipality is responsible for providing which services and outlines how the services will be delivered and funded.

NOW THEREFORE, by mutual covenant of the Parties hereto it is agreed as follows:

1. DEFINITIONS

In this Framework, words have the same meanings as set out in the *Municipal Government Act*, except that:

- a. "Committee" means the Intermunicipal Committee established in Section 3 of this Framework.
- b. "Framework" means this intermunicipal collaboration framework entered into by the Parties pursuant to part 17.2 of the *Municipal Government Act*.
- c. "Parties" means County of Barrhead No. 11 and Lac Ste. Anne County, and "Party" means any one of them.
- d. The word "shall" is interpreted as meaning an obligatory direction.

2. TERM AND REVIEW

- 1) In accordance with the *Municipal Government Act*, this Framework shall come into force on the passing of bylaws by the Parties contained in this Framework.
- 2) This Framework may be amended by mutual consent of the Parties and shall come into force on the passing of bylaws by the Parties that contain the Framework as amended.
- 3) It is agreed that the Parties shall meet at least once every five (5) years, or upon request by either Party, commencing no earlier than 90 calendar days and no later than 180 calendar days after a municipal election to review the terms and conditions of this Framework.

3. INTERMUNICIPAL COOPERATION

- 1) The Parties hereby establish a recommending body to be known as the Intermunicipal Committee, hereinafter referred to as the “Committee”.
- 2) The Committee shall consist of two (2) elected officials from each Party.
- 3) The Committee Chair shall alternate between the Parties.
- 4) The mandate of the Committee shall be to develop recommendations to the respective Councils of the Parties regarding intermunicipal service delivery and funding.
- 5) The Committee will meet on an as required basis.
- 6) The Chief Administrative Officers or designate(s) of each Party will be advisory staff to the Committee and responsible to develop agendas and recommendations on all matters. The Chief Administrative Officers or designate(s) will be responsible for forwarding all recommendations from the Committee to their respective Councils.
- 7) A Party may request a meeting of the Committee on giving at least 30 calendar days’ notice. Meeting requests will be directed to the Chief Administrative Officer for the respective Party.

4. GENERAL SERVICE PROVISION

The Parties have agreed that the best and most efficient way to provide services to residents is to continue providing services independently or through the various arrangements that each Party currently has with their respective neighbours.

5. INTERMUNICIPAL SERVICE PROVISION

In congruence with the *Municipal Government Act*, the following section outlines the level of service provision between County of Barrhead and Lac Ste. Anne County:

- 1) Protective Services:
 - a) County of Barrhead and Lac Ste. Anne County have a Mutual Fire Aid Agreement in place for mutual fire aid assistance to each party on an as requested basis. When a request for assistance is confirmed by the Requesting Party’s Authorized Representative and the Supplying Party provides assistance, the Requesting Party shall compensate the Supplying Party as requested for all applicable labour and equipment as per the rates set out in current bylaws or policies of the Supplying Party.
 - b) County of Barrhead contracts Lac Ste. Anne County to provide Community Peace Officer and Bylaw Enforcement services for the County of Barrhead on a fee for service basis outlined in the 2016 Peace Officer Services Agreement

2) Utility Services

- a) Lac Ste Anne County agrees to allow County of Barrhead No. 11 residents to dispose of their effluent into Lac Ste. Anne County Northeast Lagoon subject to the agreed upon terms and conditions outlined in January 31 2011 agreement (Appendix 1).

6. COLLABORATION PROCESS

- 1) If a circumstance arises that one Party wishes to enter into an intermunicipal service agreement, section 6(2) to 6(10) of this Framework shall dictate the process.
- 2) In the event either Party believes the development of a new project and/or service may benefit residents of the other Party and requires a cost-sharing agreement, the initiating Party's Chief Administrative Officer shall notify the other Party's Chief Administrative Officer of such a development and/or service being considered for construction or development.
- 3) The initial notification, as referenced in section 6(2) of this Framework, will include a general description of the project, estimated costs and timing of expenditure.
- 4) Once either Party has received notice of a new project and/or service, an Intermunicipal Committee meeting must be held within 30 calendar days of the date the notice was received, unless both Chief Administrative Officers agree otherwise.
- 5) The Intermunicipal Committee will be the forum used to address and develop future cost-sharing agreements and bring forward recommendations to the Party's respective Councils as the final decision-making authorities. Both Parties shall agree that time shall be of the essence throughout the Committee meetings.
- 6) When developing service agreements, the Committee shall clearly identify which municipality will lead service delivery for the service(s).
- 7) When developing service agreements, the Committee shall determine the appropriate funding for the service(s) being discussed.
- 8) All future service agreements shall set out a process for discontinuing the service provided if one or both Parties wish to discontinue in the service delivery.
- 9) All future service agreements shall set out a time frame for the delivery of the service(s) been discussed including the start date of the service delivery.
- 10) In the event that the Councils are unable to reach an agreement, the dispute shall be dealt with through the procedure outlined within Section 7 of this Framework.

7. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

- 1) The Parties commit to resolving any disputes under the Framework in a non-adversarial, informal and cost-efficient manner.
- 2) Both parties shall make all reasonable efforts to resolve all disputes by negotiation and agree to provide open and timely disclosure of relevant facts, information and documents to facilitate negotiations.
- 3) Any dispute arising out of the interpretation, implementation of this Framework or any contravention or alleged contravention of this Framework will firstly be addressed by the administrations of both Parties. Where a dispute cannot be resolved to the satisfaction of both Parties after 30 calendar days, the dispute will be referred to the Chief Administrative Officers of both Parties.
- 4) Where a dispute cannot be resolved to the satisfaction of both Parties Chief Administrative Officers after 30 calendar days, the dispute will be referred to the Committee to attempt to negotiate a resolution to the dispute, unless both Chief Administrative Officers agree to extend the timeframe.
- 5) Where a dispute cannot be resolved to the satisfaction of the Committee after 60 calendar days, the dispute will be referred to the Councils of both Parties, unless the Committee agrees to extend this timeframe.
- 6) Where a dispute cannot be resolved to the satisfaction of the Councils of both Parties within 60 calendar days of the dispute being referred to the Councils of the Parties, the dispute will be referred to a Mediator acceptable to both Parties unless the Parties mutually agree not to mediate the dispute or agree to extend the 60 calendar day timeline. The costs of mediation shall be shared equally between the Parties.
- 7) Mediation of a dispute shall be completed in a timely and efficient manner. If the dispute has not been resolved to the satisfaction of the Parties within three (3) months after the appointment of a mediator, and the Parties have not mutually agreed to extend the term of the mediation, the mediation is deemed unsuccessful and shall be terminated.
- 8) In the event that a dispute cannot be resolved through the above noted provisions, the arbitration processes contained in Part 17.2 of the *Municipal Government Act* shall apply whether or not one (1) year has passed after the Parties started the dispute resolution process in this Framework.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

Written notice under this Framework shall be addressed as follows:

In the case of the County of Barrhead to:

County of Barrhead No. 11
c/o Chief Administrative Officer
5306 49 St.
Barrhead, AB T7N 1N5

In the case of Lac Ste. Anne County to:

Lac Ste. Anne County
c/o Chief Administrative Officer
Box 219
Sangudo, AB T0E 2A0

APPENDIX 1

Lac Ste. Anne County

4928 Langston Street
Box 219, Sangudo, AB T0E 2A0
www.gov.lacsteanne.ab.ca



January 31st, 2011

County of Barrhead No. 11
5306 – 49 Street
BARRHEAD AB T7N 1N5

Attention: Mark Oberg, County Manager

Re: Northeast Lagoon – SE 29-57-3-W5M

Dear Mark:

Lac Ste. Anne County hereby authorizes the County of Barrhead No. 11 residents to dispose of their effluent into our Northeast Lagoon, subject to the following conditions:

- a) Only human sewage effluent may be disposed of in the Northeast Lagoon;
- b) County of Barrhead No. 11 will inform their residents of the fees associated for disposing of their effluent at the Northeast Lagoon (per load fee); and
- c) The annual fees payable on June 30th of each year will be established at \$3,000.00 for 2011, with a review annually;
- d) The Annual Usage Fee described above does not include any agreed upon road assistance such as oiling.

We are happy to assist the County of Barrhead No. 11 with resolving wastewater issues and would like to thank you for your assistance in the previous years.

This agreement can be cancelled by either party within ninety (90) days written notice. If you are agreeable to the terms outlined in this agreement, please sign both copies and return one copy to my attention. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Regards,

Redacted ATIA Sec. 20
Personal Information

Mike Primeau
Assistant County Manager

Cc: County Council
Len Szybunka, County Manager
Joe Duplessie, Public Works Manager

The County of Barrhead No. 11 hereby accepts the terms and conditions as outlined in this letter for the disposal of wastewater in the Wastewater Lagoon located in the SE of 29-57-3-W5M and confirms that this arrangement may be canceled by either municipality upon ninety (90) days written notice from one municipality to the other municipality.

Date: _____

Redacted ATIA Sec. 20
Personal Information

William C. F. Lee



TO: COUNCIL

RE: ADMIN BUILDING ROOF REPAIR (RENO)

ISSUE:

Administration Building Renovations have determined that a roof repair is required.

BACKGROUND:

- County and Pembina Hills School Division (PHSD) share the Administration Building
 - General building and site maintenance is provided by PHSD and cost-shared with the County.
 - Total roof is approx. 15,500 ft² and is covered with a sheet metal roof system



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- 2021 – Building Condition Assessment by McIntosh Perry identified the need to plan for additional maintenance of the roof and for future repairs.
- October 2024 - Alpine Roof Consulting Ltd conducted a Roof Condition Assessment on behalf of PHSD Head Office to define scope of project and establish an opinion of probable cost which was \$55,000.
- April 21, 2026 - Council approved the 2026 Capital Budget of \$1,308,657 providing direction to Administration to renovate the existing County Administration Building which included roof repairs.
- October 1, 2026 – based on the recommendation from Alpine Roof Consulting Ltd., PHSD has issued a purchase order to T&T Roofing Corp. to begin work on their ½ of the roof.

ANALYSIS:

- Alpine Roof Consulting Ltd. recommended T&T Roofing Corp. at a fixed cost of \$54,347.50 plus gst.
 - County share of the roof repairs is \$27,173.75 plus gst with funds to come from the 2026 Capital Budget for County Administration Building Renovations (current balance is \$1,250,286.
 - Work to be completed includes cleaning the entire roof surface in preparation for seam reinforcement, application and sealing of mesh back seam tape on all seams, painting all gas lines with rust inhibitor.
- Roof repairs extend the life expectancy of the roof system by enhancing waterproofing and protecting against further deterioration.

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT:

Council review of this expenditure aligns with the County 2022 – 2026 Strategic Plan as follows:

PILLAR **2 Municipal Infrastructure & Services**

Outcome *2 County has the necessary tools & information to deliver programs and services efficiently.*

PILLAR **4 Governance & Leadership**

Outcome *4 Council is transparent & accountable.*

Goal 4.2 County demonstrates open & accountable government.

ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDS THAT:

Council approves the roof repair project at a cost of \$27,173.75 plus gst (50% of total cost) as part of the County Administration Building Renovations.



REQUEST FOR DECISION

OCTOBER 6, 2026



TO: COUNCIL

RE: 2027 BUDGET SCHEDULE – POTENTIAL FOR CHANGE

ISSUE:

Changes to the 2027 Budget Schedule requires approval by Council.

BACKGROUND:

- July 21, 2026 – Council approved the 2027 Budget Schedule that outlines the many steps that go into developing Interim and Final budgets.
- August 18, 2026 - Council awarded the 2027 – 2031 Strategic Planning contract to McCarroll Consulting

ANALYSIS:

- 2027 Budget Schedule provides clear direction, transparency and accountability and also facilitates the scheduling of meetings and opportunities for public engagement.
- 2027 Budget Schedule timelines allow Council and Administration time to:
 - thoroughly review and analyze all the necessary information (including public input),
 - develop the 2027 budget,
 - develop a 3-year financial plan (2027-2029) and Multi-Year Capital Plan
- Yellow highlights in the attached schedule are for the purpose of flagging days on which Council's participation is required.
- Dark green highlights reflect changes to dates or addition of tasks on the calendar.
 - Schedule is back on track by November 18, 2026
- Changes to the Joint Budgets have been made based on confirmed committee meeting dates.
- Council previously approved the 2027 Budget Schedule and is therefore required to approve any changes to the calendar.

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT:

Council's adoption of the 2027 Budget Schedule and any changes to the schedule aligns with the 2022 – 2026 Strategic Plan as follows:

PILLAR **4 Governance & Leadership**

Outcome *4 Council is transparent & accountable.*

Goal 4.2 County demonstrates open & accountable government.

ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDS THAT:

Council approve the proposed changes to the 2027 Budget Schedule to ensure the County is on track to complete a 2027 interim budget before the end of 2026.

2027 REVISED BUDGET CYCLE - COUNTY OF BARRHEAD

TASK	ASSIGNED TO	START	END	Previous	10	17	24	31	7	14	21	28	5	12	19	26	2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27	Jan-27	Feb-27	1	8	15	22	29	5	12				
Operating / Capital Budgets				Approximate, subject to change																																		
Budget Consultation - Online Survey	CAO, Comm	Aug 13 - 29		No change	13-Aug		29-Aug																															
Budget / Strat Plan Consultation - Council Chambers "Drop In" Open	Council, Admin	Aug 26 & 27		No change			Aug 26 & 27																															
Budget Kickoff Planning Meeting with Management	Sr. Team	Aug 27		17-Sep			27-Aug			17-Sep																												
Budget "What We Heard Report" to Council	CAO, Comm	Sep 15		Added						15-Sep																												
Council member 1-on-1 with Strat Planning Consultant	Council, Consultant	Sep 15 - 22		Added						Sep 15 - 22																												
Facilitated 2027-2031 Strat Planning Session	Council, Sr. Team	Sep 29 & 30		TBD Aug 24-28			TBD Aug 24-28					Sep 29 & 30																										
Follow up on DRAFT Strat Plan w Consultant	Council, Sr. Team	Oct 5 - 16		TBD Sep 8-16					Sep 8-16		Sep 17 - 30		Oct 5 - 16																									
Prep 2027 Potential Priority Capital & Operating Projects Sheets	Sr. Team	Oct 19 - 29		Sep 17 - 30							Sep 17 - 30				Oct 19 - 29																							
Compensation Review - Consultant Presentation to Council	Council/Consultant/DCS	Oct 20		Added											20-Oct																							
Salaries updated with 5 year COLA/Compensation Review Recommendations	DCS	Oct 21-23		Oct 22-24											Oct 21-23																							
Priorities Workshop/Test & Align with DRAFT Strat Plan & Public Feedback	Council, Sr. Team	Nov 9		08-Oct								08-Oct				09-Nov																						
Review 2027 Priorities & Budget - Meeting	Sr. Team	Nov 10		09-Oct								09-Oct				10-Nov																						
Prep Priority Based Dept Budget	Sr. Team	Oct 13 - Nov 18		Oct 13-28										Oct 13 - Nov 18																								
CAO Review	CAO, Sr. Team			Oct 28 - Nov 6																																		
Draft Budget Consolidation & Workshop Package Materials	DCS			Nov 9 - Nov 18																																		
Budget Workshop/Test DRAFT Strat Plan - Council	Council, Sr. Team	Nov 25 - 26		No change																Nov 25 - 26																		
Budget Revisions from Council	Sr. Team	27-Nov-2026	2-Dec-2026	No change																	Nov 27-Dec 2																	
Draft Budget Consolidation	DCS	3-Dec-2026	4-Dec-2026	No change																	Dec 3-4																	
Budget Workshop - Council (if required)	Council, Sr. Team	9-Dec-2026		No change																		09-Dec																
2027 INTERIM Operating Budget & Capital Budget Approval	Council Resolution	15-Dec-2026		No change																			15-Dec															
2027-2031 Strategic Plan																																						
Department Budget Updates	Sr. Team	1-Jan-2027	8-Mar-2027	No change																						01-Jan				08-Mar								
Budget Amendment Consolidation & Prep Pkg	DCS / CAO	11-Mar-2027	18-Mar-2026	No change																										11-Mar	18-Mar							
Property Tax analysis & Budget Workshop	Council, CAO, DCS	24-Mar-2026	25-Mar-2026	No change																											Mar 24-25							
Budget Revisions from Council	Sr. Team	26-Mar-2027	31-Mar-2027	No change																												Mar 26-31						
PREP Budget Presentation	DCS, CAO	1-Apr-2027	7-Apr-2027	No change																												01-Apr	07-Apr					
Approval of Property Tax Bylaw & 2027 Operating BUDGET, changes to 2027 Capital Budget, 3 year financial plan & MultiYear Capital Plan	Council Resolution	20-Apr-2027		No change																														20-Apr				
Joint Budgets		This Year	Prior Year																																			
FIRE/ERC - Budget Approval by	Fire Committee	17-Nov-2026	8-Oct-2025																																			
LANDFILL - Budget Approval by	Landfill Committee	TBD	13-Oct-2025																																			
AIRPORT - Budget Approval by	Airport Committee	TBD	24-Nov-2025																																			
Twinning Budget Approval	Twinning Committee	TBD	15-Sep-2025																																			
FCSS Budget Approval	Council	TBD	4-Nov-2025																																			
Library Budget Approval	Council	17-Nov-2026	4-Nov-2025																																			
Barrhead Regional Water Commission				This Year	Prior Year																																	
County Water Usage	County	Sept 2026	Sept 2025																																			
Budget Finalized & Bylaw Approved	BRWC Committee	mid Nov 2026	24-Nov-2025																																			
Update COB Utilities Budget	DCS	Nov/Dec 2026	Nov/Dec 2025																																			

TO: COUNCIL

RE: THUNDER LAKE LAGOON DESLUDGING PROJECT

ISSUE:

Thunder Lake Lagoon Desludging Project Budget of \$90,000 was approved by Council with a scope of removing sludge that is estimated to be 30% of the lagoon capacity. Project scope cannot be achieved with the methodology approved in 2026.

BACKGROUND:

- 2022 - Associated Engineering carried out a detailed assessment of the Thunder Lake Lagoon. This included lagoon sounding to determine the volume of sludge as well as where it is located within the cell. Main recommendations from this report and their status are presented below:

2022 Recommendation	Status
• Increase environmental monitoring by installing groundwater monitoring well	• 2023 - 4 groundwater monitoring wells were installed and yearly water sampling and analysis commenced
• Set a maximum inflow of 4,366 m³ of effluent per year to match the evaporative capacity of the cell.	• 2023 - Resolution of Council set the maximum capacity for wastewater inflow in Thunder Lake lagoon to 4,366 m³ per year.
• Brush around cell to ensure clay liner integrity	• 2023 - County forces carried out mulching around lagoon edges to remove trees that threaten the integrity of the liner.
• Future desludging to increase available volume of the cell.	• \$90,000 approved in 2026 Operational Budget for desludging

- May 2024 - following spring melt, Thunder Lake lagoon had to be closed as the freeboard had reached 0.3 m below top of berm. As per Alberta Environment regulations, a 0.5 m freeboard must be maintained.
- County staff worked with Alberta Environment to get authorization to carry out an emergency release of the Lagoon and it was re-opened in July. To obtain this authorization, the County committed to carrying out desludging within the following 3 years.
- Spring 2026 - County engaged Sylvis, an environmental consultant to assist in land analysis and approvals needed for land-spreading lagoon sludge.
- There are limited contractors that carry out desludging in Alberta; however County staff were able to obtain 2 proposals.
 - Taber Solids Control carries out lagoon desludging utilizing a dredge and high-speed centrifuge. End product can be dry-stacked on site and hauled out later if desired. Dry-stacked sludge material can be land-spread or used in applications such as landfill cover material.

- Mouritz Trucking Limited is a local company based in Barrhead that carries out lagoon desludging utilizing grinder pumps and a drag-hose set up. Sludge is mixed with the liquids in the lagoon and injected into soil on approved farmland. This set up has the ability to pump up to 5.0 miles from the lagoon.
- Country staff made an effort to contact landowners with agricultural land within the 5.0 mile hose route limit of the lagoon. Regulatory conditions for spreading sludge on pasture land are that grazing is restricted for 3 years. If sludge is spread and worked into crop land, the restrictions are no dairy cattle feed production and no root vegetables for 3 years. One landowner was in favor of their land being a candidate for sludge spreading.
 - Sylvis carried out soil sampling and analysis on NE-16-59-5-W5, and it was determined to be suitable for sludge application as per Alberta Environment's regulations.
 - Agreements with Landowners were obtained for sludge application for approximately 40 ha of suitable crop land for sludge application in this quarter.

ANALYSIS:

- 2026 Operating Budget included \$90,000 for sludge removal from the Thunder Lake Lagoon which was based on Mouritz Trucking Limited's proposal
- **Mouritz Trucking Limited** proposed cost was as follows:
 - Proposed total cost to agitate, pump, and inject \$ 90,000.00
 - Based on pricing of \$0.0298 per gallon for pumping and a rate of \$280 per hour for agitation for 55 hours.
 - Quote assumes adequate land area to receive 100% of the sludge in the lagoon.
- County was only able to obtain enough land base for approximately 71% of the sludge.
- Mouritz Trucking Limited will still consider carrying out the project with the reduced overall tonnage of sludge. Agitation costs would remain the same, however pumping costs would be adjusted based on actuals. Based on the land base available, an adjusted cost estimate would be as follows:
 - Pumping costs (71% of quote) \$ 53,193.00
 - Agitation costs (100% of quote) \$ 15,400.00
 - Total costs \$ 68,593.00
- **Taber Solids Control** proposed cost was as follows:
 - Proposed 12 days @ \$11,435.00 per day \$137,220.00
 - Mobilization/Demobilization \$ 33,000.00
 - Total (no GST) \$170,220.00
- There is a potential for cost savings if Taber can complete work in less than 12 days.
- Taber Solids have indicated that they cannot carry out this work in 2026, however have capacity in the Spring of 2027.
- Pros and Cons of each proposal are listed in the following tables:

Mouritz Trucking Limited – removal of sludge & liquid for spreading	
Pros	Cons
• Lower cost • Local company • Liquid volume is also removed from lagoon further increasing lagoon capacity • No future costs	• Requires a large land base to spread, only 71% of the sludge can be removed at this time. • Long distance for drag hose to suitable land • Additional approvals required from AEP • Spill risks along hose route

Taber Solids Control – removal of sludge for dry stacking	
Pros	Cons
• Dry stack method is more convenient as suitable land for spreading is not required • Dry sludge can be hauled to the landfill as cover material.	• Higher cost • Work postponed to 2027 • Future costs will be incurred to haul dry sludge • Liquid volume is not removed from the lagoon

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT:

Council review of the project scope for the Thunder Lake Lagoon Desludging Project aligns with the County 2022 – 2026 Strategic Plan as follows:

PILLAR 2 Municipal Infrastructure & Services

Outcome *2 County has the necessary tools & information to deliver programs and services efficiently.*

Goal 2.1 Infrastructure & services balance County capacity with ratepayer needs.

Strategy Choose an item.

PILLAR 4 Governance & Leadership

Outcome *4 Council is transparent & accountable.*

Goal 4.2 County demonstrates open & accountable government.

Strategy 4.2.1 Council has the tools and information necessary to make informed decisions which are shared publicly.

ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDS THAT:

Council directs Administration to enter into an agreement with Mouritz Trucking Limited to carry out desludging at the Thunder Lake lagoon in 2026, removing the maximum amount of sludge for land application utilizing the pumping rate of \$0.0298 per gallon and an agitation cost of \$280 per hour, with costs not to exceed \$90,000 total.

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Project #	Project Name	Dept	Start Date	Est. Completion Date	Actual Completion Date	Total Prior Years Spending	2026 Spending	Total Project Spending	Approved spending (all years)	GRANT FUNDING / OTHER	NET COST TO RATEPAYER	Total \$ Budget Variance	Total % Spent of Budget	Status / Comments
CAPITAL PROJECTS														
	Replace Welcome Sign - install	DEV/ PW	Jul-19	Dec-26		5,563	45,063	50,626	53,325			2,699	95%	AT has granted installation approval in AT ROW; Signs delivered; PW to install; Updated RFQs are being obtained.
BF #76144	Bridge File #76144; approved for STIP funding; project to be completed in 2026	PW	2025	Nov-26	Sep-26	48,240	22,880	71,120	540,000	405,000	135,000	468,880	13%	COMPLETE. Final inspection & CCC done, waiting for final invoicing; awarded to Saddle Valley Ventures June/26
BF #74972	Bridge File #74972; approved for STIP funding, project to be completed in 2026	PW	2025	Nov-26	Sep-26	44,555	218,783	263,338	540,000	405,000	135,000	276,663	49%	COMPLETE. Final inspection & CCC done, waiting for final invoicing; awarded to Saddle Valley Ventures June/26
BF# 77644	BF 77644 (STIP denied)	PW	2024	15-Dec-26		-	15,160	15,160	180,000	-	180,000	164,840	8%	Scheduled for winter work due to environmental limitations; Project awared June/26 to Voker-Steven
25-741	TWP RD 624A - 2 miles (0.75 miles carried into 2026)	PW	Sep-25	Jun-26	Jun-26	337,779	207,369	545,148	523,880	523,880	0	(21,268)	104%	COMPLETE. 2025 - 1.25 miles completed; 2026 - 0.75 miles carried forward with increase in total cost required due to large volumes of black dirt removed to rebuild clay base; significantly increased time & work required.
26-740	Realignment of Twp RD 624 east of RR 31. 0.25 Miles in Length	PW	Jun-26	Jul-26			9,645	9,645	57,045	-		47,400	17%	Project started in July 2026, conditions too wet; Equipment relocated to return in the fall. Agreements are in place.
26-440	Reconstruction of TWP RD 590/RR 54 (Branden Road) 2.30 Miles in Length	PW	Sep-26	Oct-26			62,807	62,807	512,557			449,750	12%	1 mile completed; Agreements are in place. Utility companies have been notified, site meetings have taken place.
26-340	Reconstruction of RR 40 from Twp 590-592, 2 miles in length	PW	Jul-26	Aug-26			486,012	486,012	447,350	447,350	-	(38,662)	109%	Earthwork & gravelling complete; Fencing & rock/root cleanup remain; Agreements are in place. Utility companies have been notified, site meetings have taken place.
	Salt/sand shed	PW	May-24	Sep-24	Jan-26	375,987	19,440	395,427	395,427		395,427	-	100%	COMPLETE. Feb 2026 - payment made. Jan 22, 2026 - contractor has hung door, door springs need to be replaced. No payment will be made to vendor until door is completed and operational. Building construction was complete Oct 2024.
	PW Interior Refurbishment	PW	May-26	Oct-26			5,349	5,349	16,971		16,971	11,622	32%	Work completed on windows, furnace, bathroom fixtures & plumbing; interior door replacement with sealed unit scheduled; payment to follow
	PW Shop Door Replacement	PW	Jun-26	Oct-26			6,000	6,000	15,000			9,000	40%	Door is ordered
	Manola Meter Vault - 100% BRWC Funded	UTL	2026 / dependent on BRWC grant funding					-	-					Engineer has completed field assessment of vault & 3D scan; BRWC submitted a grant application; waiting on status

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	Manola Pump House & Reservoir Upgrading	UTL	Apr-25	2025		62,784	-	62,784	69,350		69,350	6,567	91%	COMPLETE: Final report received from Associated Engineering Sept 2025. Report provides options for upgrades, which will be brought to Council for discussion in 2026.
	ADM Building Renovation	ADM	Apr-26	Oct-26			58,371	58,371	1,308,657	-	1,308,657	1,250,286	4%	Demo complete; Interior walls installed; Draft floorplans & preliminary cost est complete (see summary)
	AG Building exterior painting	AG							50,913		50,913	50,913	0%	Quotes are significantly higher than budget. To be revisited in 2027.
	Water Structure Replacement - SE 8-59-2-W5 (Jansen)	AG	Jul-26	Jul-26			940	940	30,000	-	30,000	29,060	3%	Weather delays, work started end of Sep/26
CAPITAL PROJECTS						874,908	1,157,819	2,032,727	4,740,475	1,781,230	2,321,318	2,707,748		

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OPERATIONAL PROJECTS															
	Broadband Scoping	DEV	Jul-21	Dec-22		18,000	-	18,000	-	18,000		18,000	-	100%	Activity focused on supporting industry to expand services (new in 2026 Thunder Lake & Lac La Nonne areas); DRAFT Strategy complete, PD-001 Rural Broadband Policy reviewed for alignment with Strategy & recent/current initiatives; Working with TANGO, discovery document complete outlining current ISPs, infrastructure and gaps. COB Policy approved. Engaged ISPs. MCSnet partnership approved by Council. Strategy carried forward in Budget as efforts temporarily redirected to implementation.
	Development Permitting system - Transition from PD to PLM	PD	Oct-25	Dec-26			-	-	9,900	9,900		9,900	9,900	0%	Project scheduled to begin Q4 2026. Implementation plan is being developed to take into consideration capacity and other corporate priorities. - Software demos scheduled June 2026, included in Budget 2026; Dec 2025: more research to be done on options for dev software & alignment with corporate tools. Nov: Mtg to be scheduled with vendor to dev project plan; Planned for Q4 of 2025 when new D.O. has capacity to review and participate in design and implementation of software.
	Municipal Campground Program (time only)	DEV	May-26	Dec-26				-	-	-		-	-		Report will be presented to Council in Q4. Regional comparitor research has started. Project included in upcoming Economic Development Plan.
	Road Study into GIS	PW / ADM	Dec-25	Dec 2026			7,226	7,226	14,000	14,000		14,000	6,774	52%	Road Study input into GIS; requiries vetting of discrepancies between certain data points.
	Compensation Review - Employees & Elected Officials	ADM		Nov-26			2,350	2,350	25,000	25,000		25,000	22,650	9%	Project started, comparative reviews done, report should be ready for Oct 15ish
	Secondary Subdivision Signage	PW	Apr-26	Aug-26			18,921	18,921	33,000	33,000		33,000	14,079	57%	Installation underway, 1 sign remaining; Signs ordered, locates submitted.
	Fort gravel crushing - 200,000 tonnes for \$1.2M + 200K site prep	PW	May-26	Nov 15/26			159,546	159,546	1,400,000	1,400,000		1,400,000	1,240,454	11%	Increase in crushing volume estimate; RFD to Council Jun 16/26.
	3rd party consultants for Council priorities - Council to direct CAO	LEG						-	25,000	25,000		25,000	25,000	0%	

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	Misty Ridge Contribution - if conditions met	ADM	Apr-25	Nov-25		-	-	-	30,000	30,000	-	30,000	30,000	-	Work continues on Capital Plan; Agreement signed Mar 3/26; Work continues on capital plan & revision of agreement
	LLN Boat Launches - Preliminary Engineering (ADDED TO BUDGET)	PW	Jun-26	Oct-26		-	-	-	20,000	20,000	-	20,000	20,000	-	RFD presented to Council Sept/26; Exploring process with Engineering Consultant
OPERATIONAL PROJECTS						22,553	190,320	212,873	1,559,177	1,581,730	6,830	1,574,900	1,368,857		



presented to Council on October 6, 2026
(items shaded have changed since last meeting)

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2026 COUNCIL RESOLUTION TRACKING LIST

(Items beyond the normal course of business)

Resol. #	Resolution Topic	Responsible	Comments	Status
2026-331	Proclaimed October 2026 as Cybersecurity Awareness Month.	EA/COMM	Webpage created, facebook posts ongoing through October	Complete Sep 25/26
2026-330	Approved purchasing 6 hockey jerseys with County logos for use by staff and Council during public events.	COMM	Exploring options, colors, etc.	Underway
2026-329	Approved cost of embroidery of the County logo for up to 2 items purchased at the expense of Councillors w/cost of branding from PR budget	EA/COMM		
2026-328	Accepted 2027 Budget Public Engagement - "What We Heard" Report for information.	COMM/CAO	Posted to website	Complete Sep 16/26
2026-327	Accepted the 2026 Summer CPO Report for information.	COMM/CAO	Posted to website	Complete Sep 16/26
2026-326	Supported installing additional signage at Bloomsbury Subdivision and assessing other similar areas identified by Enforcement Svcs.	PW/ENF/CAO	Exploring type, cost of sign	Underway
2026-324	Accepted report on Boat Launch Repair options at Lac La Nonne for info until more work is completed on new Strategic Plan.	PW/CAO	Prepare priority project sheet to be included in Strategic Plan/Budget discussions	Underway
2026-320	Denied the request to upgrade a machinery road to serve vacant farmland on NW-25-57-4-W5 as no development permit	DO/CAO	Landowner informed	Complete Sep 17/26
2026-314	Directed Admin to coordinate a meeting with TOB IRC in Fall 2026 to discuss rec & ec dev opportunities.	CAO	Initial contact with CAO has been made	Underway
2026-309	Directed Admin to draft a policy stating that COB is not responsible for feral cats within the County.	ENF/CAO	Preliminary direction provided to Enforcement Services	Underway
2026-308	Directed Admin to notify the MA Minister of decision to cancel ICF and to publish on COB website the rationale for not having an ICF with Sturgeon County.	Comm/CAO	Informed Sturgeon County, waiting for correspondence to align messaging.	Underway

2026-307	Adopted Bylaw 7-2026 – Repealing Bylaw 5-2020 an ICF between the County of Barrhead and Sturgeon County.	EA/CAO	Finalized; Awaiting signatures	Complete Sep 16/26
2026-303	Renewed Agricultural Lease Agreement for 100 acres within NE 27-59-3-W5 for Dec 1, 2026 until Nov 30, 2029 at an annual rate of \$110 per acre.	EA/CAO	Finalized and sent to tenants; Awaiting County signatures; Tenants signed	Complete Sep 16/26
2026-295	Directed Administration to bring back a workplan to study drainage issues in Idle Hours subdivision.	PW/CAO	Preliminary direction provided to PW.	Underway
2026-294	Delegated to ASB, task of exploring opportunity to offer a “Food for Thought” Event to share innovative ideas in agriculture.	DR/CAO	Preliminary discussion at ASB on Sept 8/26; Direction provided to Director Rural Dev/Ag Fieldman to schedule for a future ASB mtg.	Underway
2026-251	Bring back information on increasing hours of service to the Dunstable Transfer Station.	PW/CAO	Checking with contractor on costs, scheduling, etc.	Underway
2026-201	Directed Admin to explore options for common branding of Councillor clothing to support promotion of County.	CAO	To Council on Sept 15/26; Staff have started compiling options for Council consideration	Complete Sep 15/26
2026-181	Directed Administration to invite the Lac Ste. Anne Métis District representatives to a future Council	EA/CAO	Email sent requesting delegation to Council; Elected official requested not August	Underway
2026-144	Approved purchasing 1 Caterpillar motor grader from Finning (\$568K) & trade-in unit #207 2021 JD grader (\$221K); purchasing 2 John Deere motor graders from Brandt (\$571K each) & trading in unit #206 2022 JD grader (\$215K), unit #212 2021 JD grader (\$225K)	PW/CAO	Distributor's notified	Underway
2026-080	Include in Dev Agreement for DP 05-2026 that County would build road and make intersection improvements as discussed, and developer would be charged 90% of road builders rates as per County Rates & Fees Bylaw.	DEV/PW	Negotiation of DA underway as authorized by Council	Underway
2026-072	Tabled discussion on Communities in Bloom Participation until a future meeting and to bring forward budget request.	RD/CAO	Obtained 2026 Tour schedule Jul 17/26	Underway
2026-020	Administration to bring a report to Council on snow clearing programs & options for County to support seniors.	PW/CAO	Conducted research on rural municipalities in Pembina Zone (13), prep report to Council Mar/26	Underway

2025-228	Directed Admin to proceed with prelim geo-technical and develop work plan re partnership project with LSAC.	PW/CAO	Comm. Aug 28/26; Call sched w new LSAC CAO - Feb 2/26; Discussed during budget wrkshp in Nov; LSAC project lead contacted Sep 22/25, Oct 8/25, LSAC advised on July 25/25	Underway
2025-190	Engage legal counsel to explore options for alternative access to SE 26-59-06-W5	CAO	Legal counsel has been engaged, file review underway	Underway
2025-189	Directed Policy Committee to review Policy 32.04 Road Construction Standards.	PW/CAO	Admin has started the review of Policy 32.04 & associated policies	Underway
2024-449; 2026-323	Bring back options/recommendations on use of sand/salt on County roads in Thunder Lake.	PW/CAO	To Council Sept 15/26; Draft report submitted to CAO for review; Preliminary discussions with staff	Complete Sep 15/26
2024-225	In next LUB review, discuss definition of "Agriculture, Small Scale Operation" and provide examples	CAO/DEV	Topic added to the list of proposed changes and areas for clarification	Underway
2024-062	Council approved signing the land exchange agreement and to cancel the portion of Road Plan 2000MC north of NW 2-62-4-W5 containing approximately 0.938 ha (2.32 acres).	EA/DEV	Submitted to Land Titles for Registration; Approval received and sent to surveyor to finalize road plan; Alberta Transportation contacted for permission to close portion of road plan	Underway
2023-208	Administration to send a letter of intent to Maykut Farms expressing the County's desire to enter into a lease agreement in 2026 for a portion of the gravel pit located in NE 3-63-4-W5.	PW/CAO	Update provided to Council during Jul 23/26 COW; Revisions made & resent to pit owner; Letter of Intent sent to pit owner; Discussion with owner to confirm specifications, letter drafted; Gravel pit owner notified verbally of County's intent	Underway
2022-166	Preliminary consolidated report on status of wastewater infrastructure	CAO/PW/DF	Manola project approved, to be incorporated into report upon completion; Consolidating all lagoon reports (T.L. received Dec/22); incorporating asset management principles and discussions with LSAC	Underway
2018-029	Service Contract Review	FIN/EA/CAO	Initial list has been compiled.	Underway
2017-245	Policy for Special Events	CAO/Dev	Admin completed final review of draft bylaw Mar 9/26; Hiring of CPO, Director Rural Development, & new D.O. has moved this bylaw forward and will come to Council in early 2026; Discussion with Council at Dec 5/24 Committee of Whole; Reviewing policies from neighbouring municipalities	Underway

2026-289	Awarded contract for 2027-2031 Strategic Plan Facilitation to McCarroll Consulting (\$31,200)	CAO	Contract executed.	Complete Aug 24/26
2026-286	Approved Property Tax Penalty Exempt List for the 517 tax rolls as identified.	CS	System updated.	Complete Aug 18/26
2026-284	Approved tax-exempt status for NSC for 2027-29	CS	Notified assessor.	Complete Aug 19/26
2026-268	Apply under PERC & DIRC program for outstanding oil and gas property tax accounts	CS/CAO	Submitted July 30, 2026. Application received and deemed complete.	Complete Jul 30/26
2026-270	Accepted 2026 Thunder Lake Wildfire – Expenses & Conclusion briefing note for information.	CAO	Information now available	Complete Jul 21/26
2026-267	Approved 2027 Budget Schedule	CS/CAO	Planning & scheduling mtgs will be based on this schedule	Complete Jul 21/26
2026-266	Approved Bylaw 6-2026 – Amending Bylaw 6-2019 Establishment of Agricultural Service Board.	EA/RD	Signing complete, updated in Mfiles; Awaiting signatures	Complete Jul 31/26
2026-262	Adopted 2026–2029 ASB Business Plan	RD/CAO		Complete Jul 21/26
2026-261	Approved policy PS-017 CPO – Rank, Title & Change of Command Structure.	EA/CPO/CAO	Policy updated and sent to Peace Officer program	Complete Jul 22/26
2026-253-54	Gave 3rd reading further amending Bylaw 2-2026, amending Bylaw 4-2024 to add “Data Processing Facility” as a Discretionary Use in Section 12. Agricultural Land Use District (AG)	EA/CAO	Signing complete, updated in Mfiles; Awaiting signatures	Complete Jul 21/26
2026-249	Schedule a Special Meeting of Council to discuss community outreach opportunities.	CAO	Special mtg Jul 31/26; Reviewing elected official availability	Complete Jul 31/26
2026-239-41	Approved amended CPO Policies PS-006, PS-008, PS-010	EA/CPO/CAO	Policies updated,submitted to GOA	Complete Jul 22/26
2026-233	Reeve to call another special meeting to complete 2025 CAO Performance Review & set 2026 Priorities	CAO	Special mtg Jul 31/26; Reviewing elected official availability	Complete Jul 31/26
2026-222	Approved JUPA with PHSD	CAO	Contract finalized; Notified PHSD Jun 17/26; awaiting signatures	Complete Jul 27/26

2026-210	Awarded contract for Ft Assiniboine gravel crush to 2128222 AB Ltd. O/A Paragon Custom Crushing, for a total cost of \$1,547,350.	PW/CAO	Signing complete; Awaiting signatures	Complete Jul 22/26
2026-260	Approved the application from Meadowview Community Centre for a donation of \$2,500 under the Community Grants Policy	EA/CAO	Applicant notified of Council decision and cheque issued	Complete Jul 17/26
2026-247	County Council meetings to be held in the Pembina Hills Boardroom starting July 21, 2026, until end of Oct 2026 during renovations	COMM/CAO	Boardroom booked	Complete Jul 7/26
2026-243	Arrange for YRL representatives to attend a future Council meeting	EA/CAO	Scheduled for Sept 1 Council	Complete Jul 17/26
2026-242	Agreed to amendment to YRL master agreement to increase levy effective Jan 1/27	CS	YRL Notified	Complete Jul 10/26
2026-223	Approved contract Premier Fire & Flood Restoration Inc. for Bldg Renos for \$658,800.19 plus GST; 10% contingency of \$65,880 if required.	CAO	Fully executed	Complete Jul 6/26
2026-211	Approved contract with Volker Stevin Highways for BF 77644 for \$99,435.00 including site occupancy and GST.	PW/CAO	Contract finalized	Complete Jul 14/26
2026-225	Accepted 2026 Spring Enforcement Services report for info	CPO/Comm	Posted to website	Complete Jun 18/26
2026-221	Approved proceeding with current County Admin Bldg renovations and reject proposal from CW	CAO	Notified C&W of Council decision; initiated short-term lease vs. purchase	Complete Jun 17/26
2026-218	Accepted 2025 ASB Business Plan Status Report (as per ASB Act)	RD	Report included in pkg to GOA	Complete Jun 17/26
2026-215	Proclaimed June 27th as PTSD Awareness Day	COMM/EA	Posted in office and on website	Complete Jun 16/26
2026-205	Authorized CAO to offer financial assistance to Town of Barrhead for contract services up to \$13K to support transition of FCSS programs and services to municipality	CAO	CAO advised Town CAO of Council decision on Jun 2/26	Complete Jun 2/26
2026-200	Authorized signing letter of support re: request from ALUS regarding Provincial Cancellation of Watershed Resiliency & Restoration Program (WRRP).	EA/CAO	Letter signed and emailed; Drafted for signature	Complete Jun 17/26
2026-199	Authorized signing letter of support re: request from Woodlands County for West Coast Oil Pipeline Project.	EA/CAO	Letter submitted to Woodlands County	Complete Jun 4/26

2026-196	Approved Policy HR-001 - Elected Officials Remuneration Policy amendment	EA/CAO	Updated in Mfiles and website	Complete Jun 3/26
2026-195	Approved Natural Assets Project Public Engagement Plan	RD	Staff advised of approval to proceed with public engagement on this project	Complete Jun 2/26
2026-194	Approved 2025 County Annual Report	CS/CAO	Posted to website	Complete Jun 4/26
2026-193	Appointed additional Certified Panelist for CRASC	EA/CAO	CRASC notified	Complete Jun 2/26
2026-191	Approved contract with Saddle Valley Ventures for Culvert replacement for BF 74972 & 76144 for \$613,420.50 including site occupancy	PW/CAO	Contract finalized	Complete Jul 3/26
2026-190	Approved signing landowner agreements for Road Construction project # 26-440	PW/CAO	Agreement signed	Complete Jun 3/26
2026-184,224	Directed Administration to bring back 2nd reading on Land Use Bylaw No. 2-2026 to Council with amendments as discussed.	DO/CAO	Presented to Council on June 16, 2026 for further consideration.	Complete Jun 16/26
2026-183	Directed Administration to work with Council to draft a response to the delegate's concerns by mid-June.	CAO	Response reviewed with Council & sent to delegate	Complete Jun 15/26
2026-177	Set Nov 18 at 2:00pm for Public Auction and CAO to be auctioneer	CAO	Date updated on website	Complete May 21/26
2026-176	Received the request for sponsorship from Borealis Acres Shires for information.	RD	Applicant notified of Council decision	Complete May 19/26
2026-175	Proclaimed May 25 – 29, 2026, as Alberta Rural Health Week.	EA/COMM	Proclamation posted in office and on website	Complete May 20/26
2026-173	Approved contract with Stuber's Cat Service for 2026 Road Rehabilitation (Shoulder Pull) program for a cost of \$162,000 for 13.5 miles	PW/CAO	Contract Signed	Complete May 21/26
2026-172	Approved signing landowner agreements for Road Construction project # 26-740	PW/CAO	Agreement signed	Complete May 19/26
2026-171	Approved signing landowner agreements for Road Construction project # 26-340	PW/CAO	Agreement signed	Complete May 19/26
2026-160	Approved Bylaw 5-2026 Records Management	EA/CAO	Signed and Posted to website	Complete May 6/26
2026-155	Proclaimed May 4-9, 2026, as Safety & Health Week in the County of Barrhead.	EA/COMM	Proclamation posted in office and on website	Complete May 5/26

2026-153	Approved the purchase of herbicide from Advantage VM in the amount of \$112,435.75 to conduct the 2026 spray program.	AG	Herbicide ordered	Complete May 5/26
2026-150-152	Appointment of Weed & Pest Inspectors	AG/CAO	Identification issued	Complete May 13/26
2026-149	Accepted history of additional landfill lands and correspondence from Mr. Sutherland for information	CAO	Priority work completed (May 22/26), Council updated on est. total cost of project (May 19/26); Council accepted for info; site inspected - immediate concern re integrity of perimeter to be completed in 2026, with total project cost exceeding general fencing budget to be discussed during budget wkshops (incl discussion with Town)	Complete May 19/26
2026-147	Approve contract with Marshall Lines 2014 for 2026 Crack Sealing Program on County roadways and the airport for a total cost of \$112,145	PW/CAO	Contract signed; Contractor notified	Complete May 6/26
2026-146	Approved signing landowner agreements for Culvert replacement BF 74972	PW/CAO	Agreement signed	Complete May 6/26
2026-145	Approved signing landowner agreement for Culvert replacement BF 76144	PW/CAO	Agreement signed	Complete May 6/26
2026-140	Supported FCSS Board's request as discussed in-camera	CAO	FCSS partners advised of decision, preliminary mtg held to discuss transition (more work will be required to support the transition)	Complete Apr 23/26
2026-136,154	Directed Admin to bring back Hemmerling Fire Invoice at next Council meeting	EA/CAO	Landowner phoned May 6/26 w follow up letter sent May 12; Council let their motion stand with no reduction for 25-332-CFR; Scheduled for May 5/26 mtg	Complete May 12/26
2026-133	Adopted 2025 Property Tax Bylaw 3-2026	CS/EA	Posted to website	Complete Apr 23/26
2026-129	Approved 3-Year Financial Plan & 10-Year Capital Plan	CS/COMM	Posted to website April 22, 2026	Complete Apr 22/26
2026-128	Revised 2026 Capital Budget from \$10,624,042 to \$11,017,056	CS/COMM	Posted Operating Budget, Capital Budget, Budget Presentation and Budget Overview to website April 22, 2026	Complete Apr 22/26
2026-127	Adopt 2026 Operating Budget as presented with operating expenditures & revenue of \$20,134,180	CS/COMM		Complete Apr 22/26

2026-126	Approved Emergency Management Plan	CAO	Finalized	Complete Apr 21/26
2026-124	Approve signing landowner agreement for Culvert replacement on Jansen Project SE-8-59-2-W5	AG/EA	Agreement Signed	Complete Apr 23/26
2026-115-116	Updated Library Board appointment to reflect end of term	EA/CAO	Library Executive Director notified	Complete Apr 9/26
2026-110	Rescind 6 obsolete policies	EA/CAO	Updates made in M-Files	Complete Apr 8/26
2026-109	Appointment of Fire Guardians	EA/CAO	Fire Chief & Guardians notified & website updated	Complete Apr 8/26
2026-107	Accepted 2025 Strategic Plan Report Card for info (to be posted on website)	COMM	Posted to website	Complete Apr 13/26
2026-103-105	Approve 2025 audited financial statements(FS) & FIR; post FS to website	CS/COMM	Posted to website	Complete Apr 14/26
2026-096	Support the CAO to participate on Women in Agriculture Panel if schedule permits.	CAO	CAO recognized to participate on Women in Agriculture Panel (no charge to attend); contacts made, shared with staff & to be incl in future Council agenda	Complete Mar 13/26
2026-092	Approved Corporate Use of Social Media Policy	COMM/CAO	Finalized	Complete Mar 4/26
2026-091	Approved Corporate Communications Plan	COMM/CAO	Finalized	Complete Mar 4/26
2026-090	Authorized signing of Misty Ridge 10-year operating agreement	EA/CAO	Fully executed and sent to Misty Ridge Committee	Complete Mar 27/26
2026-089	Approved Community Grant of \$1,600 to Pembina Arts Festival	EA/CAO	Recipient notified and cheque issued	Complete Mar 6/26
2026-088	Approved admendments to Policy AG-001 Beaver Program	EA/CAO	Policy updated	Complete Mar 5/26
2026-087	Appointed 2 additional members-at-large to ECDC	RD	New members notified	Complete Mar 6/26
2026-085	Adopted Bylaw 4-2026 - ECDC Bylaw	EA/CAO	Signed and posted to website	Complete Mar 27/26
2026-077	Accepted Boat Launch Maint report for info, Admin to bring back info on engineering & design costs (x2) for 2026 Budget to support permitting for work in 2027	RD/PW/CAO	Incorporated into DRAFT Final Budget for Council consideration.	Complete Mar 26/26

2026-076	Directed RCMP to maintain the policing priorities of Rural Visibility and Prolific Offender Management for the County of Barrhead.	CAO	Council provided input to RCMP on annual policing priorities.	Complete Mar 3/26
2026-074	Approved purchase of a Degelman 1820 Sidearm & Rev 1500 Mower from Horizon Ag & Turf for \$100,650; consign units #326 & #329 to auction.	PW	Consigned units sold; Received new units Apr 7; Ordered new units; consigned old units to Michener Allen to auction April 24	Complete Apr 24/26
2026-065	Inform the FCSS board that COB preference is 2 representatives from the County on the FCSS board.	CAO	Councillors to share info at earliest convenience; decision made by Council	Complete Feb 17/26
2026-063	CAO to bring back recommendation to rescind outdated resolutions; add context to 2024-225	CAO	Postponed to April 7 due to lack of time; Tentative scheduled in CAO Report to Council on Mar 3/26	Complete Apr 7/26
2026-061	Approved 2025 year-end financial reports subject to audit adjustments and year end finalizations.	CS/CAO	Auditors here beginning of March and presenting to Council on April 7	Complete Apr 7/26
2026-060	Approved Bylaw 3-2026 Records Management	EA/CAO	Signed and Posted to website; Awaiting signatures	Complete Mar 27/26
2026-056	Investigate the costs of livestreaming Council meetings	COMM/CAO	Shared with Council during Budget Workshop, no cost for pilot; Conducting research	Complete Mar 26/26
2026-053-55	Appointed ARB officials for CRASC	EA/CAO	CRASC notified	Complete Feb 18/26
2026-051	Approved purchase 2026 Caterpillar 420 Backhoe from Finning Canada Ltd. for \$220,430 and further, to trade-in Unit #301 to Finning Canada Ltd. for \$47,000	PW	New backhoe received and unit 301 traded in; Dealership notified of Council decision with approx delivery of June 2026	Complete Apr 27/26
2026-050	Approved purchase 2026 Dodge Ram 2500 crew cab 4x4 truck from Stephani Motors at a price of \$68,476.00 plus GST and applicable fees.	PW	Letter sent to dealership confirming purchase with approx delivery of June 2026	Complete Jun 1/26
2026-049	Accepted 2025 Annual Enforcement Services Report to be posted	COMM/CPO	Report submitted to GOA and posted to website	Complete Feb 19/26
2026-048	Approved amended Policy PS-016 CPO Ride Along Program & rescinded Policy 26.13	CPO/EA/CAO	Policy submitted to GOA	Complete Apr 10/26
2026-047, 071	Create a public info pkg prior to the continuance of the Public Hearing for Bylaw 02-2026 set for April 7, 2026, at 1:00 pm	DEV/CAO	Info pkg released via website, hardcopy, etc. Research is underway; RFD to Council on Mar 3 for further direction	Complete Mar 13/26
2026-042	Provide a letter of support for MR Ski Hill to apply for Co-op Community Spaces Grant.	EA/CAO	Notified MR Ski Hill that Co-op Community Spaces Grant is not available in 2026; will request Council to rescind	Recinded Feb 17/26 2026-062

2026-040	Directed CAO to draft content for Ministerial Forum question period at Spring RMA convention re: Federal announcement to close Lacombe Research & Development Center.	CAO	BN provided to support Council; Research on commission responses, federal ag committee testimony; Discussion at Pembina Zone	Complete Mar 10/26
2026-038	Supported EAC recommendation to direct ASB to review draft Livestock EMP	AF/CAO	Directed to ASB	Complete Feb 3/26
2026-036	Postponed discussion on scheuling of Council meetings until next Council meeting	CAO	Direction provided to explore cost of live streaming (resol 2026-056); Included in Feb 17/26 agenda pkg	Complete Feb 17/26
2026-035, 120	Recessed the public hearing for bylaw 2-2026 until a future date	DO/CAO	Council closed public hearing; New date (Apr 7/26) brought to Council Feb 17/26 for consideration.	Complete Apr 7/26
2026-034	Denied the request to reduce or cancel the charges for fire incident report 25-332-CFR.	EA/CAO	Letter sent to landowner informing them of the decision.	Complete Feb 6/26
2026-028	Approved the additional funding sources for the 2025 capital projects	CS/CAO	Done	Complete Feb 3/26
2026-025	Approved purchase 2026 John Deere 744P from Brandt Tractor Ltd. for \$620,000 and to trade-in Unit #303 to Brandt Tractor Ltd. for \$86,000	PW/CAO	Notified and expected delivery approx June 2026	Complete May 28/26
2026-018	Accepted Enforcements Services Report, 2025 Winter Edition for info	CPO/Com	Posted to website	Complete Jan 7/26
2026-017	Approve 2025 cancelled tax transactions as presented.	CS/CAO	Complete.	Complete Jan 6/26
2026-016	Accepted allowance for doubtful accts of \$1,453.39 for info.	CS/CAO	Complete.	Complete Jan 6/26
2026-015	Write off 3 outstanding AR accounts for \$2,250.76	CS/CAO	Complete.	Complete Jan 6/26
2026-013,037	Mtg to be scheduled outside of RMA Conference; Administration to arrange mtg with Minister of Transportation to discuss road maintenance and other concerns regarding provincial highways	CAO	July 13/26 confirmed; Potential dates sent to AT (Apr 28/26); Call for feedback from staff, Council & public underway	Complete May 26/26
2026-012	Sell Engine 33 to Village of Riverhurst, SK for \$45,000 conditional upon their satisfactory inspection.	CS/CAO	Village of Riverhurst inspected unit on January 20, 2026, and deemed it satisfactory. Payment received and Village staff drove unit back to Riverhurst.	Complete Jan 20/26
2026-011	Approved resolution "Access to Liability Insurance for Agritourism Operators" to be presented at Pembina Zone	CAO	Presented at Pembina Zone & passed	Complete Jan 12/26

2026-010	Respond to Alberta Geographical Names Program, with no objection to naming of water feature	RD/CAO	Reponse submitted	Complete Jan 6/26
2026-009	Appoint Ms. Noble to Barrhead Library Board	EA	Library Executive Director notified	Complete Jan 14/26
2026-008	Appoint Mr. Ruhl to SDAB	EA/DEV	Applicant notified	Complete Jan 14/26
2026-005-007	Appointments made to ALUS PAC	ALUS	Members notified	Complete Jan 8/26
2026-004	Set public hearing for Bylaw 2-2026 for Feb 3 at 1:00 pm in Council Chambers	DEV/CAO	Advertised as per MGA, additional adv also completed.	Complete Feb 3/26
2026-003	1st reading Bylaw 2-2026 amending LUB 4-2024 to add Data Processing Facility	EA/CAO	Decision tracked	Complete Jan 14/26
2025-430	Councillors provide written report to be included in agenda pkg for Regular Council mtg to be submitted by end of day preceding Thursday.	EO/CAO	Shared template with Councillors; incl in agenda pkg	Complete Jan 06/26
2025-416	Authorized Reeve & CAO to sign BRWC Operational Agreement	EA/CAO	Agreement finalized; awaiting signature	Complete Jan 24/26
2025-403	Purchase (3) 2026 Cat motor graders, trade in (2) 2021 Cat motor graders to Finning Canada; sell 2016 Cat motor grader to Wallis Bros. Construction	PW/CAO	Received final 2 graders; Received 1/3 new grader, sold 2016 grader to Wallis Bros. Construction as per Council resolution; Suppliers notified	Complete Apr 10/26
2025-394-400	Appointed Members-at-large to County Committees	EA/CAO	All applicants notified; website to be updated in January	Complete Jan 7/26
2025-383	New initiatives be brought back to a future Project Priority session with Council to explore consideration for the 2026 Budget.	CAO	Discussed at COW, further discussion to occur during budget workshops; Tent. Sched. COW Jan 29/26	Complete Jan 29/26
2025-377	Approved up to a 90-day extension for offering Council Orientation under the MGA s. 201.1(2)	CAO	Info sharing ongoing, leg req. met. w orientation/info on a variety of programs, assets Jan 29/26; Legal session, Assessment 101, Roads 101, P&D 101, CPO program complete; others planned	Complete Jan 29/26
2025-254	Directed Admin to finalize scheduling with NRCB & ILWG - Stock Talk Initiative in the new year; include ASB members	CAO	NRCB (April 7/26); ILWG (Mar 10/26); NRCB has committed, ILWG has provided possible dates; Email sent to ILWG, looking at dates.	Complete Feb 24/26

2025-194	Proceed with the acquisition of related vehicle & officer equipment up to \$77,141 to be funded by unrestricted reserves	CPO/CAO	All complete; Tentative completion for Mar/26 (last item is Axon in-car camera); Vehicle equipment has been purchased with installation occurring Oct-Jan.	Complete Mar 20/26
2025-193	Award the contract to Wolfe Chevrolet for the purchase of a 2025 Chevy Silverado SSV at a cost of \$57,359 excluding GST	CPO/CAO	All complete; Starlink installed, testing & inspection of unit underway; Expected to be in service Jan/26; Patrol vehicle received Jun 20/25; scheduled for outfitting on Oct 27/25.	Complete Mar 6/26
2025-187	Approve Manola Lagoon Sounding & Assessment Project at a cost of \$27,087 with additional funding coming from current year revenue	PW/CS	Final report received, analysis required to dev proj plan; Sounding completed, awaiting final report; Manola lagoon sounding is scheduled for August 18, 2025.	Complete Dec 1/25
2024-398	Directs CAO to move forward with exploring/negotiating options with GOA to become anchor tenant of ADLC.	CAO	Formal project complete; Discussed during budget wrkshps in Nov; Mtgs with AB Infrastructure & a developer; Reeve & CAO engaged Minister Infrastructure at RMA, followed up requested by Minister; Mtg rescheduled Feb 25/25; Preliminary contact made with GOA to schedule mtg in new year; Draft Concept Floor Plans complete	Complete Jan 29/26
2022-448	Draft congratulatory letter for Reeve's signature to new Min of MA and provide info on County of Barrhead strategic initiatives.	CAO/EA	Recommend to Rescind; New minister, revising message	Rescinded Apr 7/26
2021-174	VSU - letter to MLA re support and current service delivery model	CAO/EA	Recommend to mark as complete Mar 5/24 following VSU presentation to Council thanking CAO for efforts; Met with VSU representative (Jan 16/23) to better understand situation/impact; Rough draft prepared	Complete Apr 7/26
2019-352	Follow-up letter to Minister Municipal Affairs	EA/CAO	Recommend to Rescind - this was a joint meeting with Town related to BARCC; Notes distributed vs. formal letter	Rescinded Apr 7/26



County Admin Bldg. Renovation

October 6, 2026

**R**Milestone will be missed**G**

No major issues

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Not yet started

YMilestone may be missed**W**

Completed

Progress Since Last Report

- Demolition is substantially complete (some removal of debris still required)
- Toured elected officials
- Framing complete
- Completed preliminary walk-through with electrical contractor to identify electrical & IT cabling requirements.
- Mechanical contractor is working with PHSD Building Facilities Manager to confirm system configuration
- Confirmed list of local vendors contacted
- Flooring selected

Work in Progress/Planned

- Electrical contractor is mapping electrical & IT cabling plan.
- Mechanical contractor is mapping HVAC ducting & thermostats
- Options for Council Chambers – desks, electrical, connectivity, being explored etc.
- Options for office furnishings, cabinetry
- Contract for roof repairs to Council for approval

Potential Issues / Warnings

- Task of disposing of old furniture without using landfill
- Challenges with meeting space
- Fire-rated room may require additional work
- Modular office size constraints

Milestone Status

Key Milestone	Planned Start Date	Planned Completion Date	Status / % Complete
Floorplans Drafted/Reno Contractor Onsite	Feb 1/26	Jul 27/26	100%
Digitizing/Purging/Packing	Feb 1/26	Jul 17/26	100%
Coordinate & Relocate to Temporary Location	May 1/26	Jul 27/26	100%
Service & Comms Strategy Complete (program needs, closures, etc.)	May 25/26	Jul 20/26	100%
Renovations Complete (incl. final inspection)	Jul 27/26	Nov 9/26	20%
Re-entry & Re-opening Celebration	Nov 13/26	Nov 16/26	0%



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Graders

- Area graders are blading gravel roads and maintaining machinery roads. Harvest season increases heavy traffic on all roads.

Gravel

- County forces continue to gravel 2026 road maintenance and construction projects.

Permazyme Application

- Permazyme test site was completed on Range Road 43 with the recommended surface achieved, the road is hard and smooth. Test is to see how long this surface lasts and how rain will affect the driving surface.

Construction

- Equipment is working on Job 26-440 (West & South of 4-59-5-W5). One mile has been completed.
- Equipment will be moving to the landfill to do the cover.
- A scraper and dozer will move to Job 26-740 (South of SE 25-62-3-W5) to complete this small construction project.
- Equipment will then return to Job 26-440 for the remainder of the fall.

Drainage

- Work on the ASB Manola water drainage structure started September 28. Project consists of removing and rebuilding the flap gate, and removal and replacing the existing 1200 mm culvert.

Bridge Inspections

- Inspections started September 24, with 16 structures due for inspection in 2026.

BF 76144 and BF 72972

- Both bridge culvert replacement projects have been completed. Final inspections took place September 28. No deficiencies were identified. Legal survey remains to be completed.

Gravel Crushing

- Paragon Crushing has started dewatering the Fort Assiniboine gravel pit. Once the water has been removed, crushing will begin.

Labour

- Fencing construction projects, sign repairs, road patching, culvert delivery, campground and transfer station maintenance.

Shop

- Maintenance and repair to sanding unit. 2018 Western Star gravel truck was hauled to Edmonton for transmission diagnostics and scan. A software update was required.

Utilities

- A water leak was repaired in Manola at the corner of 49 Street & 49 Avenue. An old fuse had cracked on a fitting, and as a result this section of pipe had to be removed and replaced, along with the attached fire hydrant. As the local isolation valves were in working order, the service disruption to

customers was minimal with only 4 affected properties. All required testing and reporting to Alberta Environment was carried out.

- Staff continue to respond to Alberta One Call locate requests for County infrastructure.
- All other testing and monitoring are being carried out as per normal operations.



TO: COUNCIL

RE: COUNCILLOR REPORT – COUNCILLOR CRISLER, DIVISION 2

DATE: September 1-30, 2026

COUNCIL APPOINTED COMMITTEES/ACTIVITIES:

- Council Meeting Sept. 1/26
- Council Meeting Sept. 15/26
- Strategic Planning Workshop Sept. 29/26
- Strategic Planning Workshop Sept. 30/26

Barrhead Regional Airport Committee

- Next Meeting will be in Oct. 2026

Athabasca Watershed Council

- Watershed Council Meeting Sept. 28/26

Barrhead Regional Crime Coalition

- Next meeting Oct. 1/26

Barrhead District Seed Cleaning Co-op Committee

- Next Meeting will be in Oct. 2026

Pembina River District 3 Meeting

- District 3 Meeting Sept. 14/26

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES/EVENTS:

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OTHER:

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COUNCILLOR REPORT

TO: COUNCIL

RE: COUNCILLOR REPORT – COUNCILLOR JESPERSEN, DIVISION 4

DATE: September 2026

COUNCIL APPOINTED COMMITTEES/ACTIVITIES:

Council Meeting

September 1 – Council Meeting

September 15 – Council Meeting

Agricultural Service Board

September 8 – ASB meeting

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FCSS

September 14– FCSS Board meeting

September 28 – FCSS Board meeting

Landfill Committee

Barrhead & District Seed Cleaning Plant Co-op Committee

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES/EVENTS:

OTHER:

September 29 & 30 – Strategic Planning Session



COUNCILLOR REPORT

TO: COUNCIL

RE: COUNCILLOR REPORT – COUNCILLOR ELLWEIN, DIVISION 5

DATE: Sept. 16 – Oct. 5, 2026

COUNCIL POINTED COMMITTEES/ACTIVITIES:

Council Meeting

- Regular Council meeting – Sept. 15, 2026
- Strategic Planning Session – Sept 29 & 30

Barrhead & District Agricultural Society

- Wildrose Rodeo was a great success.

Fire Services Committee

- There will be a budget meeting coming up in October 2026.

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES/EVENTS:

OTHER:

- Had a few complaints again about the condition of RR34. The mix of loose gravel and big chunks of ripped up old oil.



COUNCILLOR REPORT

TO: COUNCIL

RE: COUNCILLOR REPORT – COUNCILLOR PREUGSCHAS, DIVISION 6

DATE: Sept 11 to Sept 30, 2026

ACTIVITIES:

Agriculture Service Board:

Economic Development Committee:

Museum:

- Toured 15 people through the museum on a Saturday in September.
- Looking to have some electronic displays.
- Looking for someone to parttime manage the museum.
- Looking for videos about Barrhead to display.

Barrhead Attraction and Retention Committee (ARC):

- Health care appreciation day will be Oct 14th at the museum from 4:00 till 7:00.
- Toured 4 medical students Sept 16th to 3 farms, Neerlandia Co-op, ferry and jet boat ride at Ft Assiniboine.
- Looking for a rental for the doctor that we toured earlier in September. Suitable rentals are very hard to find.
- Met with potential doctor via zoom.
- Other new doctor was toured in the community by one of the other committee members.
- We're getting to talk with a number of potential doctors. The committee is working towards figuring out a strategy to help them to integrate effectively.

FCSS:

- Open three days a week.
- Consultant working on phase 2 of the transition of FCSS to the town.
- Board hired consultant as interim manager to manage operations and to manage the transition to the town. Will begin work October 8th. Goal is to have FCSS transitioned to the town with a new manager in place by the end of the year.
- Board is advertising for a manager of the FCSS portion not being transitioned to the town.

Twinning Committee:

Policy Committee:

Budget meetings:

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES/OTHER:

Northwest of 16:

- Held a very successful Pilot Tour September 26th to Ft Assiniboine. Looking to incorporate suggestions into future tours.
- Working with Explore Edmonton and other tourism organizations in the Edmonton region.
- Developing presentation to Municipalities.
- Will be planning winter activities.

Other:

- Attended 2-day Strategic Planning session for the county.



COUNCILLOR REPORT

TO: COUNCIL

RE: COUNCILLOR REPORT – COUNCILLOR BERGSMA, DIVISION 7

DATE: September 15-30, 2026

COUNCIL APPOINTED COMMITTEES/ACTIVITIES:

Council Meeting

- September 15 - Regular Council Meeting
- Completed strategic planning interview
- Attended Strategic Planning Session Sept 29&30

Community Futures Yellowhead East

Economic & Community Development Committee

Misty Ridge Ski Club

- AGM coming up on October 21st at Bablitz Hall, encourage everyone to attend

Barrhead & District Social Housing Committee

Policy Committee

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES/EVENTS:

OTHER:



Delegation Request Form

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Name of persons or organization requesting to appear before Council			
Hilda Hemmerling			
Council Meeting Date Requested (please provide 1 st and 2 nd choice)			
Oct. 6 or 20			
Contact Information			
Name	Hilda Hemmerling		
Address	R.R.1. Busby Alta.		
Email	—		
Phone	780-674 4354	Cell	—
Purpose of Delegation / Presentation			
☐ Information sharing			
☒ Request for action, funds, consideration			
☐ Other (provide details)			
Topic of discussion (include title and background information)			
Water on land problems.			
Technical Requirements			
☐ Computer (for use with memory stick)			
☐ Other (what's needed?)			
For Office Use Only			
☐ Added to Agenda		☐ Referred to:	
Other Departments required to be in attendance?			
In Camera?	☐ Yes	☐ No	