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**AGENDA
COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9
Tuesday, October 27, 2026
Following Organizational Meeting
Council Chambers**

A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

B. DELEGATION

C. MINUTES/NOTES

1. Council Committee Minutes
 - October 13, 2026
2. Council Meeting Minutes
 - October 13, 2026

D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

E. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

October 13, 2026 Delegations

- a) Chinook Area Land User Association & Captus Generation Concerned Citizens
 - Presentation from Committee Meeting

F. COMMITTEE REPORTS / DIVISIONAL CONCERNS

1. Councillor Tony Bruder – Division 1
2. Reeve Rick Lemire – Division 2
3. Councillor Dave Cox– Division 3
4. Councillor Jim Welsch - Division 4
5. Councillor John MacGarva – Division 5

G. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

1. Operations

- a) Public Works Department Report
 - Report from Public Works dated October 20, 2026
 - Schedule A – Shop/Fleet Report
- b) Utilities and Infrastructure Report
 - Report from Utilities and Infrastructure, dated October 21, 2026

2. Finance

- a) Q3 Financial Summary
 - Report from Finance, dated October 21, 2026

3. Planning and Community Services

- a) Notice of Public Hearing - Bylaw No. 2051 from MD of Willow Creek
 - Report from Development, dated October 21, 2026
- b) Southern Alberta Land Trust Society (SALTS) Conservation Easement – Andersen W 30-7-1 W5, SE 30-7-1 W5 & Block D, Plan 891010
 - Report from Development, dated October 21, 2026

4. Municipal

- a) CAO Report
 - Report from Administration, dated October 21, 2026

H. CORRESPONDENCE

1) For Action

- a) Alberta Invasive Species Council
 - Request for Financial Support

- Request for Letter of Support
- 2026 Year in Review
- b) Community Peace Officer Induction Program (CPOIP)
 - Request for Letter of Support

2) For Information

- a) Department of Fisheries and Oceans
 - Policy Changes for September 2026
- b) Altalink
 - 170L Transmission Line Structure Replacement
 - Map
 - Newsletter
- c) Cavvy Energy
 - Upcoming License Transfer Applications

I. NEW BUSINESS

J. CLOSED MEETING SESSION

- a) Beaver Mines Water and Sewer Connections – Property Exemptions & Penalties – ATIA Sec. 29.1

K. ADJOURNMENT

MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9
Tuesday, October 13, 2026
11:00 am
Council Chambers

Present: Reeve Rick Lemire, Deputy Reeve Tony Bruder, Councillors John MacGarva, Jim Welsch, and Dave Cox.

Staff: CAO Roland Milligan, Acting Director of Corporate Services Brendan Schlossberger, Utilities & Infrastructure Manager David Desabrais, Public Works Manager Alan McRae, Development Officer Laura McKinnon and Executive Assistant Jessica McClelland.

Reeve Rick Lemire called the meeting to order, the time being 11:00 am.

1. Approval of Agenda

Councillor Dave Cox

Moved that the agenda for October 13, 2026, be approved as presented.

Carried

2. Delegations

a) Chinook Area Land Users Association (CALUA) and CAPTUS Generation Concerned Citizens Group (CGCC)

Stephan and Pia Blume, with CALUA, and Don and Maddie Hill, with CGCC, attended the meeting to express their concerns to Council about CAPTUS's potential proposal for a data centre in the Twin Butte area. About 60 residents also attended.

Maddie Hill led the discussion and PowerPoint presentation, discussing community opposition, technical details, and environmental impacts of a proposed large-scale data centre development at Drywood. Maddie said local landowners and residents oppose the proposed Drywood development because of concerns about scale, location, and cumulative impacts. She clarified that they are not against data centres but believe this project is inappropriate for the site. She emphasized the need for Council to consider the project's overall size and environmental effects.

Additional case study information on other data centres was also presented, showing that those in the study required continuous power, high-capacity fibre, cooling systems, and substantial land and infrastructure. The project is believed to occupy about 800 acres and require significant cooling water and infrastructure. The project's landscape is rural, with natural beauty and darkness that should be protected. Light pollution, noise, and low-frequency sound are major concerns because they affect the dark sky and wildlife. The visual footprint would impact scenic views and wildlife corridors.

The community group is asking Council to review the existing Land Use Bylaw to tighten approvals for data centres and address concerns such as noise protection, dark sky compliance, water and air quality safeguards, and reclamation responsibility. They emphasized the need for comprehensive assessments that consider cumulative impacts.

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Council thanked the groups for their in-depth presentation and reminded them that it has not received an application from CAPTUS. Data centres are currently classified as “Direct Control” in the Land Use Bylaw, which gives Council greater oversight of a project. The public will have opportunities to provide input on a project of this size. CGCC said its website, with more information for interested members of the public, would go live later today.

Members of CALUA, CGCC, and members of the public left the meeting at 11:29 am.

3. Closed Session

Councillor John MacGarva

Moved that Council move into closed session to discuss the following, the time being 11:32 am.

- a) Heritage Acres – ATIA Sec. 19.1
- b) Regional Drought Project Assessment – ATIA Sec. 29.1
- c) Draft Capital Budget – ATIA Sec. 29.1

Carried

Councillor John MacGarva

Moved that Council move out of closed session, the time being 2:32 pm.

Carried

4. Round Table

- Concerns on road bans and ticketing
- Concern about a road being built
 - o Was on private land, with all permissions
- Council would like update on Curling Club
 - o Will be added to closed session of Council meeting

5. Adjournment

Councillor Dave Cox

Moved that the committee meeting adjourn at 2:56 pm.

Carried

REEVE

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

MINUTES

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MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

OCTOBER 13, 2026

The Regular Meeting of Council of the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 was held on Tuesday, October 13, 2026, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal District Administration Building, Pincher Creek, Alberta.

- PRESENT

Reeve Rick Lemire, Deputy Reeve Tony Bruder, Councillors Dave Cox, John MacGarva and Jim Welsch.
- STAFF

CAO Roland Milligan, Acting Director of Corporate Services Brendan Schlossberger, Development Officer Laura McKinnon, Utilities & Infrastructure Manager David Desabrais, Public Works Manager Alan McRae, and Executive Assistant Jessica McClelland.

Reeve Rick Lemire called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm.

A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Councillor Tony Bruder26/407

Moved that the agenda for October 13, 2026, be amended to include:

Closed:

- a) Draft Capital Budget – ATIA Sec. 29.1
- b) Update on Pincher Creek Curling Club – Sec. 19.1

AND THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

Carried

B. DELEGATION

C. MINUTES

- 1) Council Committee Meeting Minutes – September 22, 2026

Councillor John MacGarva26/408

Moved that the minutes of the Council Committee Meeting of September 22, 2026, be approved as presented.

Carried

- 2) Council Meeting Minutes – September 22, 2026

Councillor Dave Cox26/409

Moved that the minutes of the Council Meeting of September 22, 2026, be approved as presented.

Carried

- 3) Coffee with Council – Division 5 – September 17, 2026

Councillor John MacGarva26/410

Moved that the minutes of the Coffee with Council in Division 5 on September 17, 2026, be amended to show that Councillor Jim Welsch was not in attendance,

AND THAT the notes be approved as amended.

Carried

D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

E. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Minutes
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1. Tabled from September 22, 2026:

a) Pincher Creek & District Chamber of Commerce – Awards of Excellence

The following Councillors/staff will be in attendance at the Awards of Excellence:

- Reeve Rick Lemire, and spouse
- Councillor John MacGarva, and spouse
- CAO Roland Milligan, and spouse

AND THAT the remaining tickets be offered, by draw, to MD staff.

2. Follow-up from September 9, 2026 Council Meeting

a) Kootenai Brown Historical Park

Councillor Tony Bruder 26/411

Moved that the additional information from Kootenai Brown Historical Park be received as information.

Carried

F. COMMITTEE REPORTS / DIVISIONAL CONCERNS

Councillor Tony Bruder 26/412

Moved that the MD of Pincher Creek not attend future meetings with the Blackfoot MOU until the Piikani Nation is involved.

Carried

1. Councillor Tony Bruder – Division 1
 - Crowsnest Pincher Creek Landfill Association
 - Pincher Creek Municipal Library Association
 - Tourism Operators Night – South Canadian Rockies
 - Development Officer will attend
2. Reeve Rick Lemire – Division 2
 - Pincher Creek Emergency Services Commission
 - Alberta SouthWest
 - Mayors and Reeves
3. Councillor Dave Cox– Division 3
 - Pincher Creek Foundation
 - Castle Mountain Community Association
 - Beaver Mines Community Association
4. Councillor Jim Welsch - Division 4
 - Pincher Creek Foundation
 - Pincher Creek Emergency Services Commission
 - Family and Community Support Services
5. Councillor John MacGarva – Division 5
 - (Town) Community Housing and Economic Development

Councillor Jim Welsch 26/413

Moved to accept the Committee Reports as information.

Carried

G. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

1. Operations

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a) Public Works Operations Report

Councillor John MacGarva 26/414

Moved that Council receive the Public Works Operations Report, including Schedule A – Shop/Fleet Report, for the period September 14, 2026, to October 4, 2026, as information.

Carried

b) Public Works, Infrastructure and Utilities Road Tour with Council

Councillor Tony Bruder 26/415

Moved that the Public Works Manager arrange with Administration a date for a Public Works, Infrastructure and Utilities Road Tour with Council.

Carried

c) Utilities & Infrastructure Report

Councillor Tony Bruder 26/416

Moved that Council receive the Utilities & Infrastructure report for September 17, 2026, to October 7, 2026, as information.

Carried

2. Finance

3. Development and Community Services

a) Bylaw No. 1374-26 - Land Use Bylaw Amendment (Sapeta Pit)

Councillor Dave Cox 26/417

Moved that Council give second reading to Bylaw 1374-26, being the Bylaw to amend Land Use Bylaw 1349-23, with the purpose of changing the land use designations of lands legally described as: The NE 7-9-1-W5, from “Agricultural - A” to “Direct Control - DC” to allow for gravel pit development.

Jim Welsch 26/418

Moved that Council give Bylaw 1374-26 third and final reading.

Carried

b) Rescheduling of November Municipal Planning Commission Meeting

Councillor 26/419

Moved that the regularly scheduled Municipal Planning Commission meeting of November 3, 2026, be rescheduled to November 10, 2026 at 5:00 pm.

Carried

c) Enforcement Services – Third Quarter (Q3) Report

Councillor John MacGarva 26/420

Moved that the Enforcement Services Third Quarter Report be received as information.

Carried

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4. Municipal

a) CAO Report

Councillor Dave Cox 26/421

Moved that Council receive the CAO Report for the period September 21, 2026, to October 9, 2026, as information.

Carried

b) Special Council Meetings (Joint Meetings with Town of Pincher Creek)

Councillor Jim Welsch 26/422

Moved that Council approve the change in date to the next Special Meeting with the Town of Pincher Creek to Wednesday, November 18, 2026;

AND THAT Council approves the suggested schedule for 2027 Special Meetings with the Town of Pincher Creek):

- February 17 (Special Joint Council)
- June 16 (Special Joint Council)
- September 1 (Joint Grant Meeting)
- September 8 (Special Council - Joint Budget)
- November 17 (Special Joint Council)

Carried

c) 2028 Coffee with Council dates

Councillor John MacGarva 26/423

Moved that the 2027 Coffee with Council dates be scheduled as follows:

- Division 1 (Twin Butte Hall) - February 16, 2027
- Division 3 (Coalfield School) - April 20, 2027
- Division 4 (Summerview Hall at Heritage Acres) - June 15, 2027
- Division 5 (Lundbreck Hall) - October 19, 2027
- Division 2 (MD Office) - November 16, 2027

Carried

d) Pincher Creek Regional Emergency Management Organization 2027 Operating Budget

Councillor Dave Cox 26/424

Moved that Council approve the 2027 Pincher Creek Regional Emergency Management Organization Operating Budget.

Carried

e) Bylaw No. 1378-26 The Regional Airport Committee Advisory Bylaw

Councillor Tony Bruder 26/425

Moved that Council give first reading to Bylaw No. 1378-26, being the Regional Airport Advisory Committee Bylaw.

Carried

H. CORRESPONDENCE

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A. For Action

- a) Castle Mountain Resort - Request for Sponsorship for New Year's Eve Fireworks

Councillor Dave Cox 26/426

Moved that Council authorize a donation of \$2,500 towards Castle Mountain Resort's 2026 New Year's fireworks celebration,

AND THAT this amount be taken from Grants to Groups and Organizations.

Carried

- b) Hudson Bay Route Association - Invitation to Attend AGM

Councillor Tony Bruder 26/427

Moved that the invitation to attend the Hudson Bay Route Association AGM be received as information.

Carried

B. For Information

Councillor Tony Bruder 26/428

Moved that the following be received as information:

- a) Waterton Biosphere Region Meeting
 - Community Information Meeting (Grizzly Bear)
- b) Patton Park Committee
 - Thank you to MD

Carried

I. NEW BUSINESS

J. CLOSED SESSION

Councillor Dave Cox 26/429

Moved that Council move into closed session to discuss the following, the time being 4:26 pm.

- a) Don Hughes Aircraft Services - Writ Expiry – ATIA Sec. 29.1
- b) Follow-Up Information – Town Healthcare Committee – ATIA Sec. 29.1
- c) Town of Pincher Creek Resident's Dust Concern – ATIA Sec. 29.1
- d) Draft Capital Budget – ATIA Sec. 29.1
- e) Update on Pincher Creek Curling Club – Sec. 19.1

Councillor John MacGarva 26/430

Moved that Council move out of closed session, the time being 5:17 pm.

Carried

- a) Don Hughes Aircraft Services - Writ Expiry

Councillor John MacGarva 26/431

Moved that Council direct Administration to pay the outstanding \$13,688 and close the file with Brownlee LLP,

AND THAT this amount be taken from the Administrative Legal Budget.

Carried

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b) Follow-Up Information – Town Healthcare Committee

Councillor John MacGarva 26/432

Moved that administration reach out to the MD Healthcare Committee representative to discuss the MD's policy, C-CO-001 Council and Members at Large Remuneration.

Carried

c) Town of Pincher Creek Resident's Dust Concern

Councillor Dave Cox 26/433

Moved that administration send a letter to the resident of the Town of Pincher Creek regarding concerns about dust generated by traffic on Township Road 62A (Christie Mines Road), stating that the 2026 dust control program has been completed, including the 500 metres of Township Road 62A, which is shared 50/50 with the Town.

AND THAT no further dust control will be applied for the remainder of this year.

Carried

K. ADJOURNMENT

Councillor Tony Bruder 26/434

Moved that Council adjourn the meeting, the time being 5:19 pm.

Carried

REEVE

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER



CAPTUS AT DRYWOOD

Why Site Matters

Presentation to the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9

PRESENTERS

Donald Hill & Maddie Hill

On behalf of CALUA / Captus Generation Concerned Citizens
Representing a substantial group of MD landowners and residents

WHY WE ARE HERE

To place on the record our opposition to the Captus development at Drywood — for specific reasons of scale, location and cumulative impact.

We are not opposed to data centres or investment in Alberta. We believe this project is inappropriate for this location.

What is a data centre?



A factory for computation

POWER

Continuous electrical supply

FIBRE / DATA

High-capacity network links

COOLING

Removes heat 24/7

LAND / BUILDINGS

Data halls, substations, roads

Useful output

Digital services, AI training and inference, cloud computing and stored data

Physical by-products

Heat • noise • light • equipment • water demand • and, with on-site generation, combustion emissions

At hyperscale, it is both digital infrastructure and major energy infrastructure.

What has Captus contemplated at Drywood?

825 acres

Industrial land

around the existing Drywood
generating plant

1,200 MW

Total site power

Captus presentation to the MD, Dec.
17, 2025

**400 MW
phases**

Phasing concept

previously presented as staged
development

Not yet fixed

Current qualification

Captus now says final size and layout remain to be
determined.

“1,200 MW planned in phases of 400 MW”

Captus presentation included in the MD Special Joint Council Meeting package — December 17, 2025

Our analysis uses 1.2 GW as the contemplated upper scale Captus itself has presented — not as an approved or final project size.

1.2 GW — put the scale into familiar terms



At this scale, the project is an energy system — not simply another industrial customer.

At full scale, this becomes a new industrial district

~800 acres

Land

Order-of-magnitude campus footprint at 1.2 GW

~190 MMcf/day

Natural gas

Approximate fuel requirement if self-powered at full generation

~10% of Alberta

Electricity equivalent

Roughly one-tenth of Alberta's present annual use at very high utilization

~1.2 GW heat

Heat rejection

Computing load ultimately becomes heat that must be removed

Gas • water • fibre • cooling • roads • noise • light • emissions • transmission

These systems arrive together. They should be assessed together.

The appropriate test is ultimate build-out — not Phase 1.

WHAT DOES 1.2 GW LOOK LIKE?

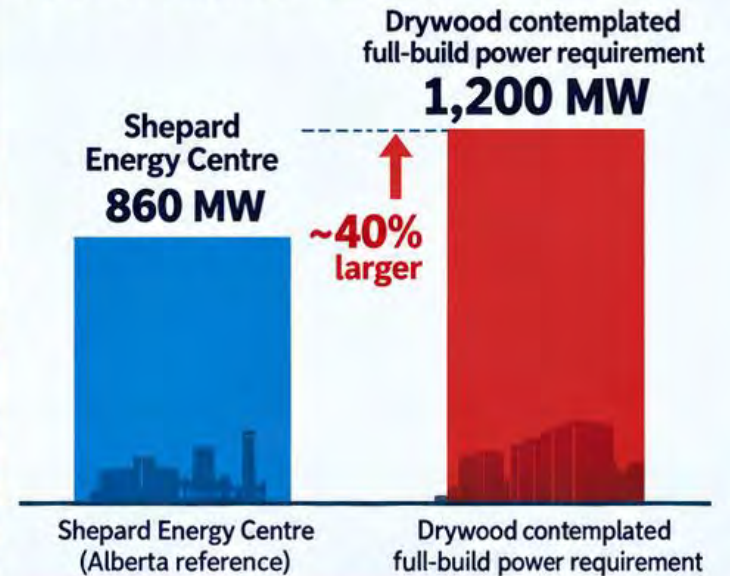
Shepard Energy Centre provides an Alberta-scale reference

Shepard is an 860-MW combined-cycle natural-gas plant east of Calgary. It helps visualize the scale, cooling plume and industrial footprint associated with large thermal generation. A 1.2-GW Drywood-scale power requirement would be about 40% larger — before adding the data-centre campus itself.



Shepard Energy Centre (Alberta reference)
860-MW combined-cycle natural-gas plant east of Calgary

COMPARING GENERATION SIZE



1,200 MW is about 40% greater than Shepard's 860 MW output.



KEY FACTS



Shepard Energy Centre: **860 MW**



Large visible cooling plume can occur in winter



Uses reclaimed water for cooling



Drywood contemplated power requirement: **1,200 MW**



A Drywood-scale project would also add the data-centre campus itself



WHY THIS MATTERS AT SCALE



Generation size affects gas supply, cooling, and water needs



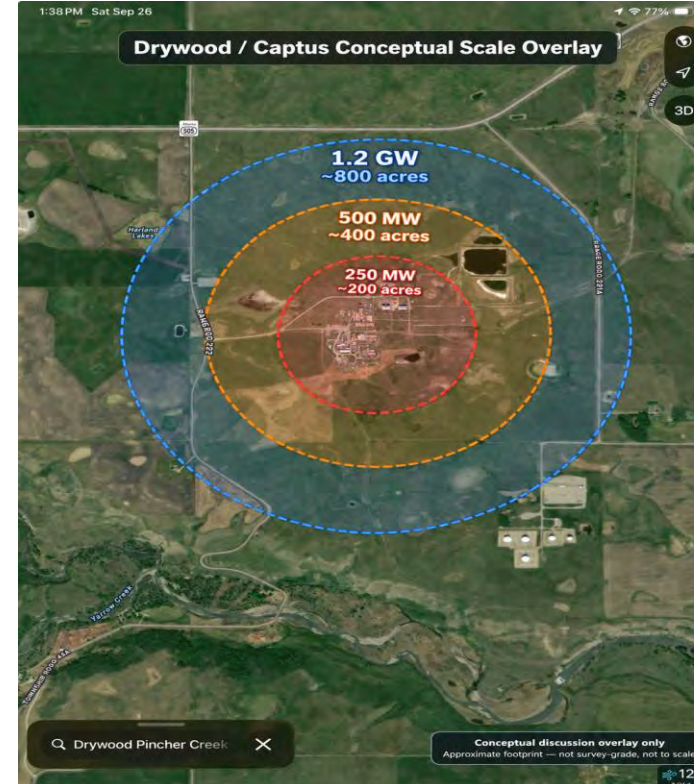
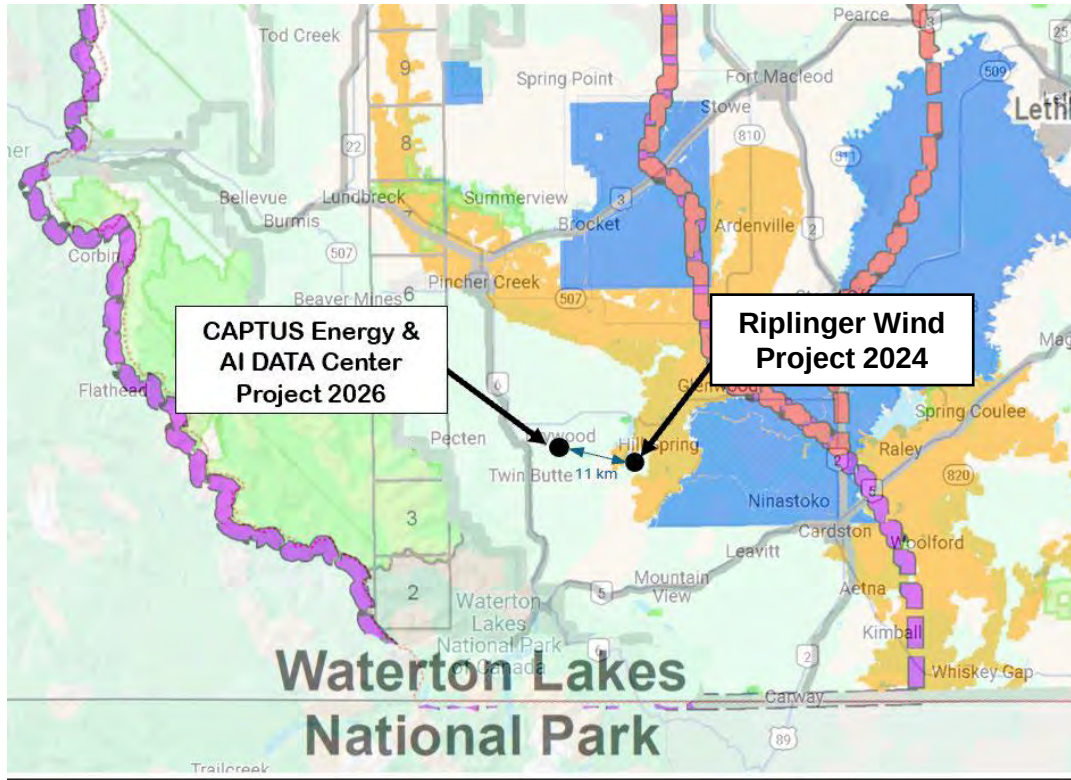
Cooling choice can influence plume visibility, heat rejection, and noise



A Alberta scale reference only — not a prediction of Drywood design or appearance.
industrial system

Shepard is used here as an Alberta scale comparison only. It is not a prediction of final Drywood design, technology or appearance.

Why location matters



Rural context

Foothills landscape with ranching, wildlife and low night-time background noise.

Scale change

A hyperscale build-out is a much larger industrial footprint than the existing Drywood facility.

Infrastructure test

Nearby gas, fibre or water is not the same as proven capacity at 1.2 GW.

Being able to build here is not the same as demonstrating that this is the appropriate location for a project of this scale.

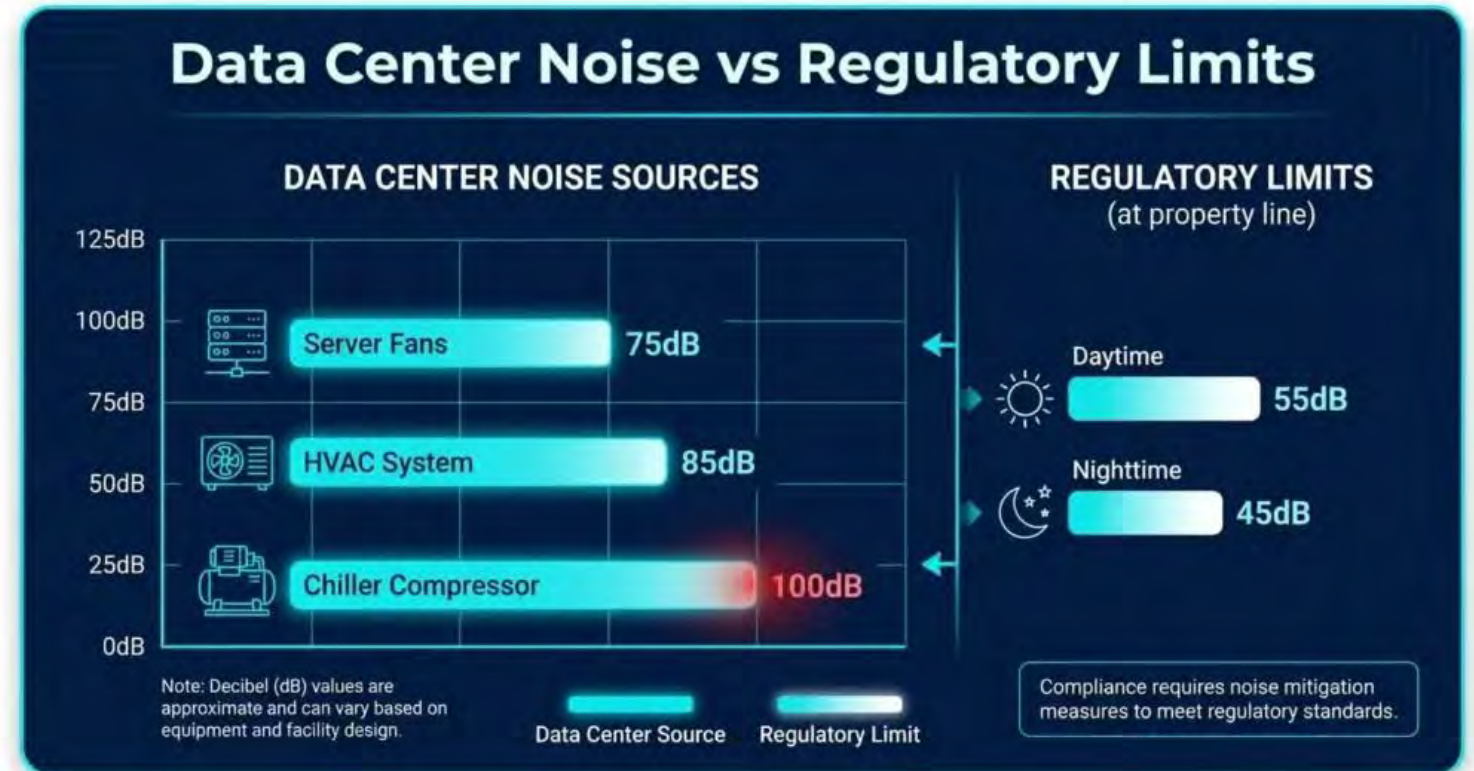
Light Pollution

- **Industrial Lighting in a Rural Landscape**
- **Protecting Our International Dark Sky Park**
- **The Long-Term Impact on Our Dark Skies**



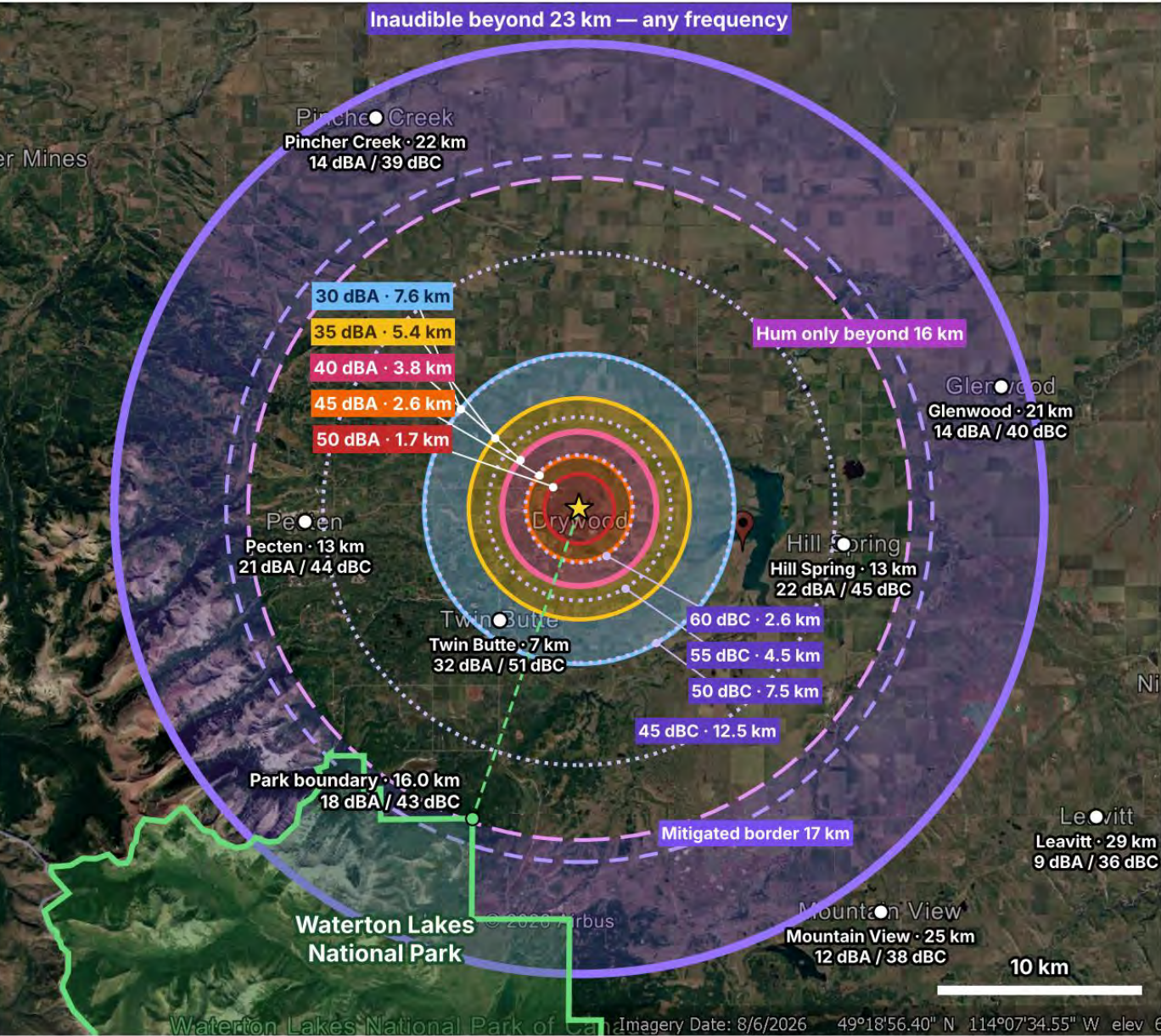
Noise and its consequences

- Illustrative application of the 24 Hours a Day, 365 Days a Year
- Low-Frequency Noise and Infrasound Can Travel Beyond the Property Line
- Decibel Limits are Not the Whole Story
- Two Industrial Facilities, One Combined Noise Impact
- What Is at Stake Here



Drywood / Captus 1.2 GW: noise rings and audibility border

Gas turbines + air cooling + CCS · worst-case night (downwind / inversion) · octave-band model 31.5 Hz – 8 kHz · 127 dBA / 137 dBC site sound power



Audibility

- Inaudible beyond 22.7 km (all frequencies)
- Low-frequency hum only, 16.2–22.7 km
- Border with best mitigation: 17.3 km
- Waterton Lakes National Park (legislative boundary)

dBa rings (A-weighted, what the ear rates)

- 50 dBA — 1.7 km
- 45 dBA — 2.6 km
- 40 dBA — 3.8 km ← Rule 012 night limit
- 35 dBA — 5.4 km
- 30 dBA — 7.6 km

dBc rings (C-weighted, includes low-frequency rumble)

- 60 dBC — 2.6 km
- 55 dBC — 4.5 km
- 50 dBC — 7.5 km
- 45 dBC — 12.5 km

Reading the map

- The Rule 012 limit (40 dBA) lies 3.8 km out; the plant stays audible to 23 km, about six times further.
- At the border it is ~13 dBA but still ~39 dBC: what remains is low-frequency hum that dBA readings largely miss.
- Pincher Creek and Glenwood fall in the hum-only zone.
- Waterton Lakes NP is 16.0 km away; ~72 km² of the park lies inside the audible zone (low-frequency hum).

Audible = any octave band above the ISO 226 hearing threshold and a ~20 dBA rural night background. Spreading + ISO 9613 air absorption, no terrain credit. Screening estimate only.

Ask to the MD Council

- **Noise Protections Inaudibility zones (incl. low-Frequency Noise and Infrasound beyond AUC Rule 012)**
- **Dark Sky Requirements**
- **Wildlife Corridor Mapping**
- **Viewscape Considerations**
- **Water and Aquifer Protections**
- **Air Quality Requirements**
- **Financial Responsibility and Reclamation**

The Night Sky from Saint Henry's

Thank You

CGCC Contact Details

Recommendation to Council

G1a



TITLE: PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT REPORT

PREPARED BY: Jeremy Cartwright

DATE: October 20, 2026

DEPARTMENT: Public Works

ATTACHMENTS:

1.Shop/Fleet Report

APPROVALS:

Oct 20,2026

2026/10/21

Public Works Manager

Date

CAO

Date

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council accepts the Public Works Department Report for the period of October 5 to October 18, 2026, as information.

Gravel Road Maintenance

- Divisional Maintenance
- Packed Landfill Road with wobbly, water truck, and re-graveled

Vegetation Management

- Second mowing in Division 2 and Division 3
- Weed whipping around guardrails at Southfork

Culvert Maintenance

- List generated for 2027 replacements

Temporary Snow fence

- Completed snow fence install in Divisions 4 & 5, working on installs in Divisions 3,2, and 1

Bridge maintenance

- Bridge strip decking repairs on BF# 74141 (Summerview Bridge) completed
- Prepped BF #73698 (Waterton Colony Bridge) for strip decking repairs

Recommendation to Council

Sign maintenance

-Installed speed sign on Twp Rd 74 south east end of Lundbreck

Hard Surface

-Pothole patching on Buckhorn RD and Hwy 3A

-Spray patching-shoulder repair work on North Burmis from Hwy 3 north completed by Read On Roads

AES/Airport

- Hauled water to AES/Airport

Training

- Online Biz trainer courses

EVENTS

PW Safety Meeting- October 7, 2026

JHSC Site Inspection at the Public Works yard and shop- October 8, 2026

Summer seasonals last day- October 16, 2026

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

NONE

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT SCHEDULE "A"

SHOP/FLEET OPERATIONAL REPORT		
PREPARED BY: Brett Ackerman	DATE: October 20, 2026	
DEPARTMENT: PUBLIC WORKS	ATTACHMENTS: N/A	

SHOP/FLEET OPERATIONS SUMMARY: October 05, 2026 – October 18, 2026

Graders

Unit # 71 (160) – Circle adjustments. Webasto repairs. Wiring repairs.

Unit # 72 (140) – Winter gear install. Circle repairs.

Unit # 70 (160) – Winter gear install. R&R front tires. Webasto repairs.

Heavy Trucks/Trailers/Equipment

Unit # 421 (Plow) – CVIP. Windshield, brake repairs. ECM and DPF code repairs. Hydraulic repairs. Plow install.

Unit # 419 (Hwy Tractor) – Air leak repair.

Unit # 021 (Trailer) – Air system repairs. Hub seal R&R.

Light Duty and Light Trailers

Unit # 665 (3/4-Ton) – Post season inspection and service. – AES

Unit # 668 (3/4-Ton) – Post season inspection and service. – AES

Unit # 502 (1/2-Ton) – LOF. R&R tires. A/C compressor R&R.

Unit # 400 (1-Ton) – EGR and exhaust pressure sensor R&R.

Unit # 660 (3/4-Ton) – TPMS. LOF. Washer nozzle R&R.

Unit # 500 (3/4 ton) – Slip tank pump replace with spare.

Unit # 301 (CPO) – Service. Tire swap for winter tires.

EVENTS

Safety Meeting October 7, 2026



M.D. OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9 UTILITIES & INFRASTRUCTURE REPORT

SUMMARY OF MAJOR UPDATES OCT. 8th – 21st

LARGE (PRE-2026) PROJECTS

- Iron Creek contractor

LARGE 2026 IMPLEMENTATION PROJECTS

- BF 71542 Indian Creek culvert fabricated and inspected.
- Pisomy road culvert: New landowner information received, working to contact.

LARGE 2027+ IMPLEMENTATION PROJECTS

- BF 76203 1 of 2 land agreements complete. SARA permit received.
- Therriault Dam sampling complete, awaiting results.

STUDIES & PLANNING WORK

- Regional Water and Wastewater Expansion & Upgrade Plan: Scoping potential for additional application under Water For Life.
- Regional Drought Study: Final comments sent back to MPE, under finalization.
- Received draft Southfork road ban assessment from TetraTech. Comments sent back for review.

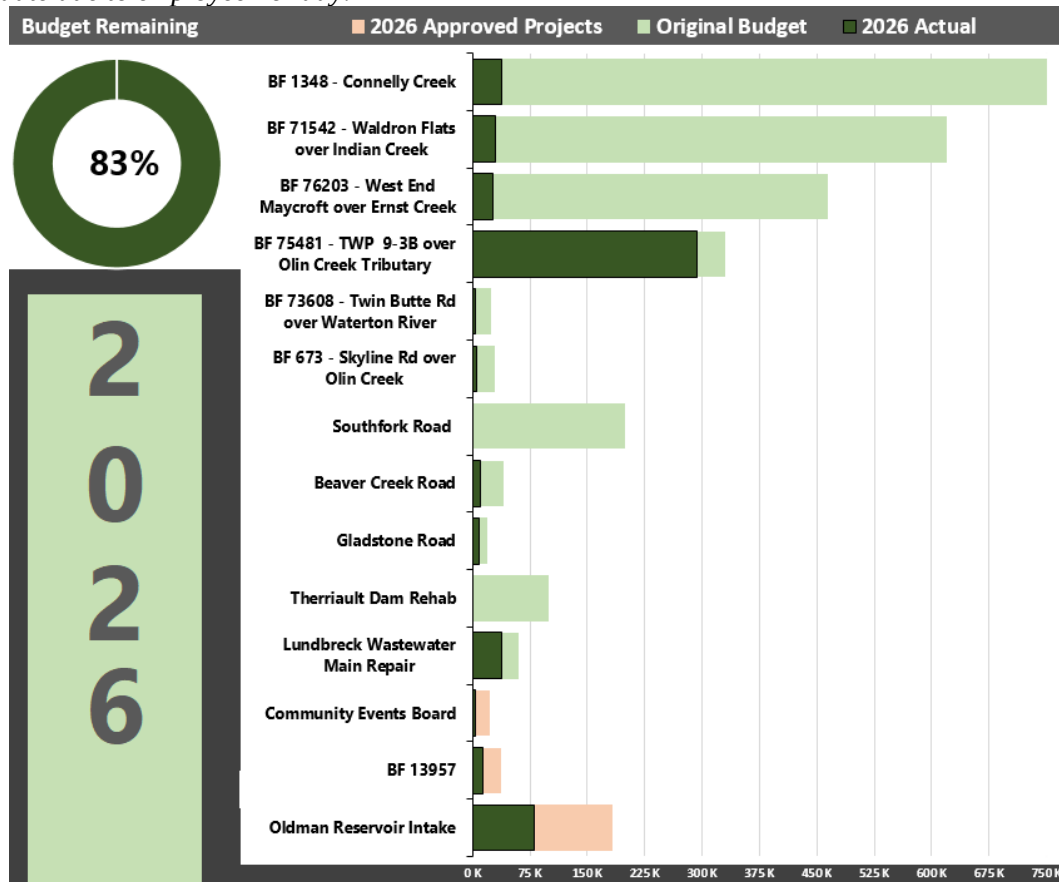
OPERATIONS UPDATES

- Lundbreck lagoon release completed Oct 13th – 16th. A few calls/concerns received, including anonymous calls to regulators.
- Lundbreck lagoon aerators removed in house.
- Upcoming loss of 3G support for backup dialers impacting various sites. Assessing move forward options.
- Beaver Mines manhole along path excavated and externally sealed.
- Weed control complete at Carbondale pit.
- Pine Creek pit termination & release agreement review meeting held with consultant.
- New Eco Center signage ordered.
- Bear proof recycling bins delivered in Beaver Mines.
- Waste contract amendment to 2030 sent to CNPCL for review.

General Projects Budget Update

2026 Approved Budget: \$3,331,182. Oct 19th Spent: \$598,319 Oct 7th Spent: \$589,551

*No update due to employee holiday.



Large Ongoing Projects (Pre-2026 Construction Start)

Oldman Reservoir Water Intake Low Level Project

- o \$1.68M grant application finalized Jan 30th, 2024.
 - Approval received for \$1.8M project, covering up to 75% of costs.
- o DFPP (Drought and Flood Protection Program) grant tops up capital project and covers 70% of costs for a Drought Projects Assessment.
- o Potassium Permanganate (KMnO₄) treatment setup order placed.
 - Treatment setup shipped to building fabricator Jul 21st.
 - Building package and install pricing received May 19th from Thunder Mountain Welding, awarded June 13th. Draft drawings received, reviewed directly with designed Oct. 20th. Under final scoping.
 - Pricing received for processing scope. Purchase order drafted pending building drawing fabrication.

Watercourse Crossing Inspection & Remediation Project – 100% Grant funded

- o Funding agreement signed Mar. 28th, 2023 for \$1.55M.
 - Extension received to March 31st, 2027.
- o Funding agreement signed Mar. 28th, 2023 for \$1.55M.

- o Met with funder Jun. 7th, discussed ongoing work and potential for extension. Funder working on extension. Reconfirmed Aug 27th.
- o Status Report No. 4 drafting underway for Oct. 30th submission. Significant interest earned on grant funds.

Bridge File 75481 – TWN RD 93B over Olin Creek Trib., SW-23-009-01 W5M

1.5m x 24m L culvert with high deflection and corrosion. Replace with two (2) 1.2m x 36m L CSPs

- o Project complete, in warranty phase.
- o Reseed complete Sep. 30th.

Bridge File 70175 – Yarrow Creek Bridge Rehabilitation, NW-22-003-030 W4M

Perform a pile splice repair on two piles in the west abutment, replace the east pile cap, place fill and riprap at the west headslope, minor wheel guard repairs & repairs to timber span, channel realignment, and west abutment riprap work

- o Seeding reviewed May 8th, deficient. Volker reseed complete Jun. 4th, starting to take per Jul. 5th site visit.

WCR #1: Iron Creek under Tapay (Carbondale) Road, LSD SE-15-006-03 W5M

Install new 4.7m x 2m x 15m L corrugated steel box culvert to remediate fish passage concerns on Iron Creek under the WCR program (100% funded)

- o Project complete, warranty monitoring underway.
- o Landowner stopped by office Aug. 14th and expressed concerns about repair work done by TA Excavating outside of agreed upon ROW. Passed along concerns following Aug 20th site visit to Contractor, indicated they plan to reach out to landowner and work to address.
- o Contractor has contacted landowner. Intends to make new SARA species signs and temp. fence areas of reseed/tree protection. Contractor has failed to indicate completion by mid October, working to verify status.

Large Projects Planned for 2026 Implementation

Bridge File 71542 – Waldron Flats over Indian Creek, SE-07-010-01 W5M

2m x 2.2m x 32m L culvert with isolated perforations in the roof of 3 rings and 1 ring on the foot. Replace with a 2.7m diameter x 48m long culvert.

- o STIP application submitted Nov. 24th. Unsuccessful.
- o 8 bids received (\$525,504 to \$1,143,360)
- o Awarded to low bidder Whissell Contracting Ltd. Aug. 11th. Contract signed Sep. 8th.
- o Anticipating early November construction. Awaiting submittals.
- o Culvert ordered and fabricated, inspection completed Oct. 8th.

Pisomy Road over Cow Creek Tributary Culvert, LSD NE-01-009-03 W5M

1m x 14m L culvert failing on dead end road. Dual 1m x 13m L culverts are anticipated solution.

- o Kicked off land acquisition, detailed design, and regulatory approval work Apr. 2nd.
- o Design complete Jul 17th. RDS submission complete Jul. 31st. Land acquisition underway. HRA received Aug. 14th. DFO review received Aug. 20th.
 - o Landowner has sold property privately, awaiting closure. Received new landowner contact from realtor Oct. 20th. Attempting to contact and proceed.
 - o RDS approval received Sep. 14th.
- o Anticipate Fall 2026 construction if land can be acquired.

Large Projects Planned for 2027+ Implementation

WCR #3: Connelly Creek under Connelly Rd (BF 1348), LSD SW-03-008-02 W5M

Replace or design a maintenance solution for the 3.3m x 49m L (5.6m cover) structural plate corrugated steel pipe (SPCSP) and remediate fish passage under the WCR Program.

- o STIP application submitted Nov. 24th. Unsuccessful.
- o Received funder guidance/approval to proceed with prelim eng. under WCR program.
 - Notified funder we are proceeding with design with intent to construct.
- o Replacement recommendation is a 3.3m diameter x 64m L culvert (nearly the same as budget assumption).
- o Legal survey complete. Design complete June 5th for land/regulatory. Land acquisition underway, DFO permit submitted June 9th.
 - DFO permit received Jul. 14th, extension accepted to 2027.
 - RDS received Sep. 14th.
- o Tender drafted June 29th, reviewed. Awaiting land prior to Tender.
 - Land discussions ongoing, modified IOP redrafted and approved Aug 27th.
- o Project delayed to 2027 due to land acquisition constraining tender timing (project must be complete in/around Aug. 15th – Sep. 1st).

Bridge File 76203 – West End Maycroft over Ernst Creek, NW-26-010-03 W5M

2.5m x 1.8m x 20m L culvert with 3 cracked rings in sidewall with 85mm remaining. Deflection and corrosion also present. Replace with one (1) 2.7m x 32m L culvert.

- o STIP application submitted Nov. 24th. Notice of success received June 17th, 2026.
- o Land acquisition underway.
 - Revised agreements under review by landowners.
 - 1 of 2 agreements executed.
- o RDS submitted. Province returned May 14th with deficiencies. Resubmitted.
- o DFO permit submitted June 4th – site flagged for site specific review by DFO.
 - Additional information sent to DFO Jul. 6th, response received Oct. 5th requesting SARA permit - submitted Oct. 7th, received Oct. 19th.

- o Tender drafted June 26th, reviewed. Awaiting land and permits prior to Tender.
- o Project delayed to 2027 due to DFO and land acquisition constraining tender timing (project must be complete in/around Aug. 15th – Sep. 1st).

Gladstone Rd. over Mill Creek Trib., LSD SE-01-006-02 W5M

0.6m x 17m L culvert failing and causing significant scour and erosion downstream. Preliminary engineering required to determine replacement requirements.

- o Prelim. scope complete June 16th, internal review complete Jul. 8th. Recommended design is a 0.9m diameter x 24m CSP with strong downstream riprap provisions to mitigate erosion. TWS required – minimal environmental requirements.
- o Revised proposal received to consider in house construction, awarded Sep 10th for design and land work. **Survey completed. Design underway.**

Southfork Hill Road

Emergent investigatory and repair work for the Southfork Hill slide issues.

- o Per 2026 capital budget, project deferred due to unsuccessful STIP application.
- o Geotechnical report reviewed by another firm – generally agreed with initial findings and recommendations. “Intermediate” solutions could be pursued if desired, although guarantees could not be made as to their effectiveness and timing of next slough event.
- o **Options discussed in 2027 budget.**

Therriault Dam – Rehabilitation Work

Geotechnical and Hydrogeology study complete in 2023. 2024 preliminary engineering determined most economically viable solution to address undersized spillway/overtop potential. 2025 work included detailed design work to rehabilitate spillway. 2026 work set to begin after DFPP funding decision and (if successful) shall include a lifecycle assessment on how to best use water source during drought.

- o DFPP application submitted Nov. 27th. Grant agreement received and executed June 5th.
- o Amended scope awarded Jul 21st.
- o Land acquisition underway for spillway scope – IOP reviewed Aug. 27th. Met with landowner Sep. 14th, reviewing acquisition plan. Negotiations continue.
- o Raw Water Utilization Study site kickoff complete Aug 10th, potential blue-green algae blooms observed. Sampling **complete, awaiting results.**

Bridge File 73608 – Twin Butte Rd. Over Waterton River, NW-34-003-10 W4M W5M

78m L steel truss bridge with isolated pile and stringers in fair-poor condition. Preliminary engineering required to determine extend of recommend repair work and costs.

- o Preliminary Engineering kicked off with Roseke May 28th, 2026.
- o Damage to bridge secondary bracing was recently noticed – offending party identified. Professional assessment complete Jul. 20th defining damage and required repair scope.
- o Site survey complete.

- o Preliminary eng. estimate received, to be discussed with capital budget.

Bridge File 673 – Skyline Rd. Over Olin Creek, SE-31-009-01 W5M

2m x 2.2m x 54m L culvert (7m cover) with roof/sidewall deflection and cracked seems. Preliminary engineering required to determine feasibility of maintenance vs. replacement.

- o Fish passage anticipated to be a requirement at this site. Current site likely inhibits.
- o Prelim. eng. complete Sep. 24th. Very challenging site due to various complexities.
 - Roseke's recommendation is replacement with dual culvert with offset elevations (2.7m diam. X 74m L with substrate, 2m diam. X 72m L).
 - Additional design/land work will not be awarded at this time.
 - Alternate options being reviewed in 2027 budget discussions.
- o Site survey complete.

Beaver Creek Rd. over Beaver Creek Trib., LSD NE and SE-33-008-28 W4M

Two separate failing culverts along Beaver Creek Rd. One 0.9m x 28m L (5m cover) has failed section in middle with cavity in ditch. One 0.75m x 30m L (9-10m cover) silted off/failed at downstream end. Preliminary engineering required to determine appropriate replacement/boring feasibility.

- o Maintenance not anticipated to be feasible. Assessment of options required.
- o Site visits complete.
- o Prelim. assessment complete for 1 of 2 culverts. Reviewed Jul 21st. Preferred solution is a bored 0.9m diam. X 39m L steel pipe, pending geotechnical confirmation.
- o Budget pricing obtained for bored options, verified cost efficiency over other options.
- o Geotechnical work awarded Oct. 7th to confirm viability. Anticipate 3 weeks out for rig.

Studies and Planning Work

Regional Water and Wastewater Expansion & Upgrade Plan

Joint servicing plan for extending Town water and Wastewater services into the NW regional growth area, with the Airport and Pincher Station as initial priorities.

- o Grant agreement applied for by MD on October 1, 2026 deadline.
- o Scoping potential of accompanying Water For Life grant submission.

Regional Facilities Condition Assessment & Master Plan

Condition assessment and management strategy for all 38 facilities owned by the MD and Cowley. Goal is to collect data on all facilities and define lifecycle capital plans, help prioritize cost planning, and report on opportunities for collaboration.

- o Grant agreement received and signed May 13th, executed by Province Jun. 1st.
- o Project awarded to Parsus Jul. 9th for total contract value of \$200,000 (including \$62,050 Contract Allowance).

- o Initial site visits complete (38 facilities over 5 days), 3D scans complete.
- o Draft Report anticipated in November.

Regional Drought Strategic Implementation Strategy & Raw Water Storage Project

- o Grant received (up to 70%) for a Drought Projects Assessment under DFPP.
- o Grant application for 3 month (25-year) forecasted volumes received from AEPA.
 - o \$3.4M project, up to 75% of costs.
 - o ATEC has confirmed stacking of AMMWP Raw Water Storage grant funds acceptable for the Drought Projects Assessment (Phase 2).
- o Draft final memo reviewed with Council alongside 2027 budget discussions. Report under finalization.
 - o Budgetary pricing requested for 2027 capital project engineering.

Transportation Master Plan

\$200,000 grant received from ACP to complete a Transportation Master Plan, consisting of a paved, gravel road condition assessment, culvert (non-Bridge File) condition assessment, gravel pit analysis, airport runway assessment

- o Gravel pit report presented to Council Apr. 28th, 2026.
- o Maycroft report presented to Council Jul. 14th, 2026.
- o ACP funding closeout submission complete Jul. 20th, 2026.
- o Handover documents received Apr. 9th for full final report from MPE. Under internal review.

Cridland Dam

Geotechnical work as recommended in 2021 Dam Safety Review due to observed seepage and unknown soil properties

- o Quarterly documented monitoring required.
- o Provincial audit results received Mar. 12th. Audit required that we submit the geotechnical and spillway study results to them due to observed seepage and that comment be provided on hazard potential downstream to the Regulator.

Miscellaneous

- o Airport pavement assessment kicked off May 29th, 2 of 2 site visits complete, awaiting completion of data analysis. Anticipated late October.
- o Revised costing for Southfork road assessment received Feb. 18th. Council approved up to \$30,000 for Southfork road assessment Mar. 10th.
 - o Formally awarded May 22nd, both rounds of FWD and GPR data has been collected, analysis draft received Oct. 14th. Comments sent back for review.
 - o Draft recommendation is 90% seasonal road ban.

Operations Updates

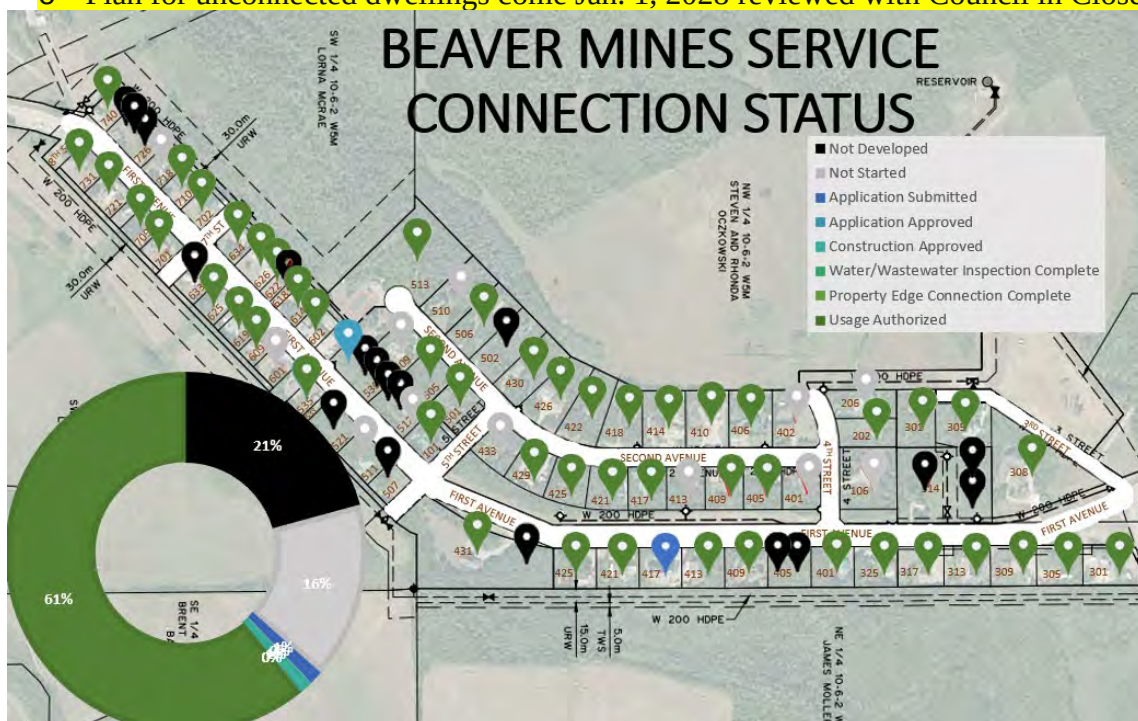
WATER SHORTAGE RESPONSE PLAN

Implemented Stage: Normal (Restrictions ended Dec. 13th)

- o Monitoring risk scoring once/month. Risk assessed Oct 19th: 7.8 Oct. 5th: 8.5

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- 52/64 developed applications received, 51 approved, 50 connected (78%)
 - o Fifteen (15) undeveloped fully serviced locations, One (1) exempt with conditions
 - o Plan for unconnected dwellings come Jan. 1, 2028 reviewed with Council in Closed.



General Water Operations Updates Oct. 21st, 2026:

- Lundbreck Wood Ave. hydrant plug installed. Having some issues with threading back together.
- Lundbreck lagoon aerators removed for winter.
- Lundbreck lagoon release started Oct. 13th, closed Oct. 16th. Received a few concerned calls and an environmental release anonymous report through Province and Federal government. Release in line with both Province and Federal guidelines.
- Continuing to investigate cause of manholes filling in WTP yard, testing waste pond for leaks.
- Reviewing plan for imminent loss of 3G support for backup dialers.
- New rural service on Beaver Mines line awarded to Westerra, anticipate October construction.
- Reported leak in BM park originally believe to be groundwater is still under investigation, potential that meter vault hose is leaking again slightly. Under review.
- Recent high Bac-T tests may trigger additional testing requirements for AEPA's Water Resource Assessment for Giardia and Cryptosporidium. AEPA has confirmed we can stop the additional Bac-T sampling while we await direction regarding Giardia.
 - BM SMH29 excavation and exterior seal complete by Westerra.





- BM lift station instrument air modifications for forcemain awarded to DMT, install complete Oct. 1st and 2nd, pending electrical tie-in. Troubleshooting setup.

General Miscellaneous Operations Update Oct 21st, 2026:

- 2026 gravel pit reclamation work:
 - Carbondale
 - Grading work complete June 25th.
 - Received response from Public Lands Sep. 8th that they are working with capital branch on plan for pit, with meeting planned Dec. 8th.
 - Weed control completed by Vitae, Oct. 14th/15th while awaiting direction prior to erosion control works.
 - Castle Falls
 - Met with Public Lands July 8th. Received direction that additional topsoil spreading and erosion control not required, but weed control is required.
 - AES agreed to control weeds at site. Initial cutting of seeded Mullein complete. Spraying complete.
 - Pine Creek
 - Sent *Resolution Framework* agreement to landowner Jul. 31st – response received Aug. 25th (reviewing). Termination & Release agreement tied to partial reclamation drafted, under review with reclamation consultant.
- Meeting held with CM Apr. 27th – discussed depot compensation model.
 - 3 way contract amendment sent to CNPCL for execution Jul. 21st, received Sep. 10th. Fully executed by Town Sep. 23rd.
- Eco Center signage order received by Circular Materials, anticipate receiving week of Council. MD ordered new accompanying signage.
- Incorrect recycle bins delivered in BM. Corrected bear proof bins were to be delivered Oct. 4th, not yet received. Corrected bins delivered Oct. 16th, service has begun.

- Garbage utility bill refunded for resident in Beaver Mines back to May. CNPCL failed to deliver been until September despite original request in March, followed by complaint and subsequent request in May with incorrect confirmation it had been delivered. Working to investigate.
- Waste handling contract expiring, discussed with CNPCL. Proposing 2.5% annual increase to 2030. Amendment sent to CNPCL for review Oct. 19th, awaiting response.

Recommendation:

That the Utilities & Infrastructure report for October 8th – 21st, 2026 received as information.

Prepared by: David Desabrais

Date: October 21st, 2026

Council Meeting

Date: October 27th, 2026

Recommendation to Council



TITLE: Q3 Financial Summary

PREPARED BY: Brendan Schlossberger

DATE: October 21, 2026

DEPARTMENT: Finance

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Reserves as of September 30th
2. Actual vs Budget as of September 30th
3. Financial Statement View as of September 30th

**Department
Supervisor**

Date

APPROVALS:

Oct. 21, 2026

Oct. 21, 2026

Department Director

Date

CAO

Date

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council receive the Q3 Financial Summary as information.

BACKGROUND:

- Financial information is to be provided to Council quarterly, with the exception of Q1.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

N/A

Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9
Reserve Summary

Attachment #1 - Reserve Summary

30-Sep-26

Reserve (Restricted Surplus) Accounts	Opening Balance	Transfer To Reserves*	Transfer From Reserve	Ending Balance
Airport	329,771	-	-	329,771
Bridge	3,461,852	400,000	(93,073)	3,768,779 (A)
Building	526,254	150,000	(3,935)	672,319 (B)
Dam (Water Storage)	475,000	-	-	475,000
Equipment	4,827,966	500,000	(436,375)	4,891,592 (C)
Emergency Management	61,001	-	-	61,001
Next Year Completions	174,978	-	(5,500)	169,478 (D)
PCESC Equipment	709,369	-	(500,000)	209,369 (E)
Road Infrastructure	3,287,626	250,000	(44,466)	3,493,160 (F)
Recycle Equipment	104,966	-	-	104,966
Regional Community Initiatives	623,309	195,800	(711,003)	108,106 (G)
Seniors Housing	350,000	50,000	-	400,000
Tax (Mill) Rate Stabilization	1,934,650	-	(15,000)	1,919,650 (H)
Water and Wastewater Infrastructure **	2,537,233	350,000	(119,897)	2,767,336 (I)
	19,403,976	1,895,800	(1,929,248)	19,370,528

*Transfers to Reserves are all the 2025 budgeted transfers and budget amendments unless stated otherwise below
**Oldman Reservoir Intake Project was recently approved under the AMWWP Grant. 75% of the costs will be funded by the grant at project completion

(A) Bridge Reserve

Bridge File #71542 - Waldron Flats over Indian Creek
Bridge File #76203 - West End Maycroft over Ernst Creek
Bridge File #13957 - Connelly Creek (RES 26/242)
Bridge File #673 - Skyline Rd over Olin Creek

Transfer for Expenses	Budget
29,952	620,000
28,097	464,000
21,056	37,500
13,968	30,000
93,073	1,151,500

(B) Building Reserve

Community Events Board (RES 26/011)

Transfer for Expenses	Budget
3,935	22,000
3,935	22,000

(C) Equipment Reserve

Purchases
Plow Truck
Water Truck
Heavy Truck Tractor
Loader Scale
Portable Welder
Rotary Cutter
3/4 Ton Truck
1 Ton Truck (RES 26/106 & RES 26/315)

Transfer for Expenses	Budget
11,843	500,000
207,327	400,000
22,493	300,000
24,999	30,000
12,675	25,000
65,327	20,000
91,710	68,000
436,375	93,000
	1,436,000

Transfer to - Disposal Gain

(D) Next Year Completion Reserve

Admin Artwork
Chart of Accounts Project
Gravel Crushing
Royalties
Airport Line Painting

Opening Balance	Transfer To Reserves	Transfer From Reserve	Ending Balance
9,611			9,611 Art Committee - Active
22,613			22,613
83,575			83,575
44,180			44,180
15,000		(5,500)	9,500
174,978	-	(5,500)	169,478

(E) PCESC Equipment Reserve

Project Name
PCESC Firehall (Res 25/298)

Transfer for Expenses	Budget
500,000	-
500,000	

(F) Road Infrastructure Reserve

Project Name
Pisony Road
Beaver Creek Road
Gladstone Road

Transfer for Expenses	Budget
24,578	85,000
11,637	40,000
8,251	20,000
44,466	145,000

(G) Regional Community Initiatives Reserve

Pincher Creek Curling Club Facility (RES 26/342)

Transfer for Expenses	Budget
711,003	1,000,000

(H) Tax (Mill) Rate Stabilization Reserve

Chinook Regional Hospital Foundation Donation
(RES 26/129)

Transfer for Expenses	Budget
15,000	-
15,000	

(I) Wastewater and Water Infrastructure Reserve

Project Name
Oldman Reservoir Intake
Lundbreck Wastewater Main Repair

Transfer for Expenses	Budget
81,235	182,682
38,662	60,000
119,897	182,682

Transfer to - Utility Base Rate Transfer

Municipal District of Pincher Creek No 9.
Actual vs Budget
30-Sep-26

Attachment #2 - Actual vs Budget

	2026 Actual	2026 Budget	Variance	% of Budget Remaining	Comments
Wages					
Council	(134,114)	(193,235)	59,121	30.6%	
Administration	(1,213,712)	(1,753,000)	539,288	30.8%	
AES	(425,508)	(384,800)	(40,708)	-10.6%	Favorable - Staff shortages in 2026
Public Works and Water Services	(2,081,302)	(2,991,600)	910,298	30.4%	
Taxes and Requisitions	16,732,078	14,729,680	2,002,398	-13.6%	Requisitions still payable quarterly (ASFF)
Investment Income	74,816	350,000	(275,184)	78.6%	Bond investment interest calculated at year end
Council	(28,788)	(80,200)	51,412	64.1%	Favorable - RMA in Q4
Administration	(1,000,740)	(1,190,200)	189,460	15.9%	Unfavorable - Contracted services and legal fees
Fire/PCREMO	(682,077)	(895,130)	213,053	23.8%	Favorable with PCREMO budget utilizing surplus
Enforcement Services	(101,580)	(325,770)	224,190	68.8%	Provincial Policing Contract accrual to be done at year end
Public Works	(3,172,820)	(4,529,180)	1,356,360	29.9%	See Note A
Airport	(5,479)	(69,500)	64,021	92.1%	Favorable - Limited repairs needed and lease revenue received
Wastewater	(65,002)	(158,600)	93,598	59.0%	Favorable - Testing and repairs under budget
Waste Management	(228,105)	(296,655)	68,550	23.1%	
Regional Water	(432,694)	(767,815)	335,121	43.6%	Favorable - Plant repairs and chemicals under budget
Cemetery - Town of Pincher Creek	-	(70,000)	70,000	100.0%	
Planning	(101,854)	(163,360)	61,506	37.7%	
Agricultural and Environmental Services	75,642	12,640	63,002	-498.4%	Favorable - Under budget with department changes
Recreation	(652,960)	(710,500)	57,540	8.1%	Annual payment made
Community Services	(483,320)	(512,775)	29,455	5.7%	Annual Payments made
Deficiency of Revenue over Expenses Before Other (Year to Date)	6,072,479	-	6,072,479		

Note 1 - The financial summary presents the MD's year-to-date revenues and expenses for the period ended September 30, 2026, and is intended to assist Council in monitoring budget performance. The reported year-to-date result reflects the timing of revenues and expenses and should not be interpreted as a projected year end surplus or additional spending available.

Note 2 - The financial information view above is not Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), therefore will not tie to the 2026 financial statements. This view is used for budgeting purposes, to help ensure the MD is funding expenditures appropriately. For example - Transfers to/from reserves are not recorded on the statement of operations for financial reporting purposes, as they are not true revenue/expenses. For tracking and budget purposes they are included in the above summary.

Note A Public Works

Contracted services are on budget	58,650
Repairs and Maintenance are under budget	100,555
Fuel is projected to be over budget	70,459
Gravel Crushing scheduled for fall	386,017
Tires/Culverts/Fencing under budget	103,458
Gravel and Dust Control programs are complete with Cold Mix under budget	339,651
Debenture, Reclamation, and Operating Grant variances not related to day-to-day operations	146,494
Other variances over/under 50k	151,077
Total	1,356,360

Municipal District of Pincher Creek No 9
Consolidated Statement of Operations (Income Statement)
As of September 30, 2026
Excluding Depreciation

Attachment #3 - Financial Statement View

	Budget	2026 Actuals	2025 Actuals	Actual vs Budget
Net municipal property taxes	14,654,380	16,664,195	14,360,804	2,009,815
User fees and sales of goods	502,510	403,730	514,727	(98,780)
Government Transfer for Operating	751,870	419,877	848,233	(331,993)
Investment income	350,000	74,816	749,725	(275,184)
Penalties and costs of taxes	65,300	63,883	76,267	(1,417)
Licenses and permits	105,700	105,925	124,425	225
Proceeds from disposal of capital assets	-	62,483	328,071	62,483
Rental	111,180	66,512	78,616	(44,668)
Other	157,125	148,055	187,313	(9,070)
Total Revenue	16,698,065	18,009,476	17,268,180	1,311,411
				-
Legislative	273,435	162,902	215,537	(110,533)
Administration	2,751,930	1,964,583	2,462,461	(787,347)
Protective Services	1,391,550	1,385,747	1,774,142	(5,803)
Roads, streets, walks and lighting	6,220,900	4,072,212	4,517,066	(2,148,688)
Airport	132,250	51,573	35,561	(80,677)
Water supply and distribution	856,395	496,129	778,247	(360,266)
Waste management	375,580	316,939	366,165	(58,641)
Wastewater treatment and disposal	182,600	88,313	111,555	(94,287)
Family and community support services	139,530	139,525	139,522	(5)
Cemeteries and crematoriums	70,000	-	69,805	(70,000)
Land use planning, zoning and development	404,660	299,543	420,142	(105,117)
Agricultural and environmental services	667,910	569,162	649,918	(98,748)
Parks and recreation	564,700	1,429,815	1,586,335	865,115
Culture - libraries, museums, halls	434,865	392,510	485,773	(42,355)
Total Expenses	14,466,305	11,368,954	13,612,228	(3,097,351)
				-
Deficiency Excess of Revenue over Expenses Before				
Other	2,231,760	6,640,522	3,655,952	4,408,762
				-
Government transfers for capital	1,409,000	337,130	2,540,032	(1,071,870)
Contributed Assets	-	-	531,000	-
Deficiency Excess of Revenue over Expenses	3,640,760	6,977,652	6,726,984	3,336,892

Municipal District of Pincher Creek No 9

Expenses by Object

As of September 30, 2026

Salaries, wages and benefits	5,449,695	3,938,606	4,635,494	(1,511,089)
Contracted and general services	4,311,570	2,747,690	2,930,678	(1,563,880)
Materials, goods, supplies and utilities	2,482,260	1,472,075	2,118,081	(1,010,185)
Bank charges and short term interest	10,000	3,989	9,213	(6,011)
Interest on long term debt	66,905	37,208	80,544	(29,697)
Other expenditures	18,350	3,351	94,777	(14,999)
Transfers to organizations and others	1,465,525	2,610,292	2,869,701	1,144,767
Transfer to Local Government	662,000	555,742	812,590	(106,258)
Amortization of tangible capital assets	-	-	-	-
Loss(Gain) on disposal of tangible capital assets	-	-	-	-
Accretion of asset retirement obligations	-	-	61,150	-
Total Expenses by Object	14,466,305	11,368,954	13,612,228	(3,097,351)

Recommendation to Council



TITLE: Notice of Public Hearing – Bylaw No. 2051 from MD of Willow Creek

PREPARED BY: Laura McKinnon

DATE: October 21, 2026

DEPARTMENT: Planning and Development

[Signature]
Department Supervisor

2026/10/21
Date

ATTACHMENTS:
1. Notice of Public Hearing

APPROVALS:

Department Director

Date

[Signature]
CAO

2026/10/21
Date

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council receive the Public Hearing Notice and Bylaw No. 2051 from MD of Willow Creek as information and direct Administration if comments are required.

BACKGROUND:

Per Bylaw 1310-19 Intermunicipal Development Plan with the MD of Pincher Creek and the MD of Willow Creek, Section 4.2 Referral Policies, MD of Willow Creek has circulated the Public Hearing Notice (*Attachment No. 1*)

Proposed Bylaw No. 2051 is to replace the municipality's existing Municipal Development Plan Bylaw No. 1765 with an updated plan that will be used to guide municipal decision-making related to land use and development. The new Municipal Development Plan provides an enhanced and expanded policy framework to direct future growth and development throughout the municipality.

The full new Municipal Development Plan can be requested from the MD of Willow Creek Administration, or available on their website www.mdwillowcreek.com.

Council is not required to provide comments on Bylaw No. 2051, however Council for the MD of Willow Creek welcomes them. MD of Pincher Creek Administration and ORRSC Senior Planner, have no concerns with the proposed bylaw.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

None at this time.



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

**MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF WILLOW CREEK NO. 26
IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA**

PROPOSED BYLAW NO. 2051

**1:30 p.m., December 9, 2026
Municipal District of Willow Creek No. 26
Council Chambers**

PURSUANT to sections 216.4, 606, 606.1 and 692 of the Municipal Government Act, Statutes of Alberta, Chapter M-26, 2000, as amended, the Council of the Municipal District of Willow Creek No. 26 in the Province of Alberta hereby gives notice of its intention to consider Bylaw No. 2051 being a new Municipal Development Plan.

THE PURPOSE of the Proposed Bylaw No. 2051 is to replace the municipality's existing Municipal Development Plan Bylaw No. 1765 with an updated plan that will be used to guide municipal decision-making related to land use and development. The new Municipal Development Plan provides an enhanced and expanded policy framework to direct future growth and development throughout the municipality.

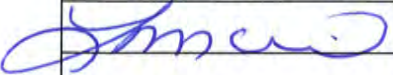
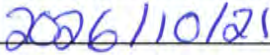
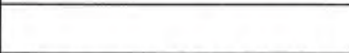
THEREFORE, TAKE NOTICE THAT a public hearing to contemplate the proposed Bylaw No. 2051 will be held in the Municipal District of Willow Creek No. 26 Council Chambers at 1:30 p.m. on the 9th day of December 2026. A copy of the proposed bylaw may be inspected at the Municipal District of Willow Creek No. 26 office during normal business hours or on the municipal website (www.mdwillowcreek.com).

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE THAT anyone wishing to make a presentation regarding the proposed Bylaw should provide written comments to the Chief Administrative Officer no later than 4:00 p.m. on December 3rd, 2026. Those that wish to participate in the hearing virtually shall contact the Chief Administrative Officer no later than 4:00 p.m. on December 3rd, 2026, to obtain a link to the hearing. The council may hear from persons who did not indicate in writing to the Municipal Administrator their intention to make a submission.

DATED at the Municipal District of Willow Creek No. 26 in the Province of Alberta this 14th day of October 2026.

*Derrick Krizsan
Municipal District of Willow Creek No. 26
Box 550
273129 Secondary Highway 529 West
Claresholm, Alberta
T0L 0T0*

Recommendation to Council

TITLE: Southern Alberta Land Trust Society (SALTS) Conservation Easement – Anderson W 30-7-1 W5, SE 30-7-1 W5 & Block D, Plan 8910104		
PREPARED BY: Laura McKinnon		DATE: October 21 2026
DEPARTMENT: Planning and Development		
 Department Supervisor	 Date	ATTACHMENTS: 1. Letter from SALTS – Anderson 2. GIS Aerial
APPROVALS:		
		
		
Department Director	Date	CAO
Date		

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council acknowledge the receipt of the notice of the Conservation Easements for Southern Alberta Land Trust Society's Anderson project, and further;

That Council waive the 60-day notice period prior to registration for the Conservation Easement.

BACKGROUND:

On October 19, 2026, the MD received the attached letter (*Attachment No. 1*) from the Southern Alberta Land Trust Society.

The letter is the Form 1, Notice Prior to Registration of a Conservation Easement for the following project:

ANDERSON

MERIDIAN 5 RANGE 1 TOWNSHIP 7

SECTION 30

QUARTER NORTH WEST

EXCEPTING THEREOUT ALL MINES AND MINERALS

AREA: 64.7 HECTARES (160 ACRES) MORE OR LESS

PLAN 8910104

PARCEL 'D'

CONTAINING 27.960 HECTARES (69.09 ACRES) MORE OR LESS

EXCEPTING THEREOUT ALL MINES AND MINERALS

ATS REFERENCE: 5;1;7;30;NE

THE SOUTH EAST QUARTER OF SECTION 30

IN TOWNSHIP 7

RANGE 1

Recommendation to Council

WEST OF THE 5TH MERIDIAN
CONTAINING 64.7 HECTARES (160 ACRES) MORE OR LESS
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SUBDIVISION 9011518 3.28 8.11
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THE NORTH OF THE ROADWAY ON PLAN 2327 HX AND TO THE
SOUTH EAST OF THE RAILWAY ON PLAN RY31 AND TO THE
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EXCEPTING THEREOUT ALL MINES AND MINERALS (*Attachment No. 2*).

Section 33(2)(a)(iii) of the Alberta Land Stewardship Act, states that the Council of the municipality must be given prior notice to the registration of a conservation easement.

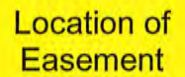
SALTS is requesting that the Council of the MD acknowledge the receipt of Form 1 and agree to waive the 60-day notice period and that they may register the Conservation Easements immediately. While the MD can register an objection to the registering of the conservation easement, the easement may still be registered.

However, the request for acknowledgement of the receipt of Form 1, acts as the notification process for the municipality that the Conservation Easement is going to be placed on certain properties.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

None.

Location Map



October 19, 2026

Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9
C/o Roland Milligan, CAO
PO Box 279 1037 Herron Avenue
Pincher Creek, Alberta T0K 1W0

Re: **Conservation Easement Form 1 –Anderson, MD of Pincher Creek No. 9**

Dear Mr. Milligan,

Please find attached the Form 1 document for the described conservation easement in accordance with Section 33 of the Alberta Land Stewardship Act. If you have any comments or questions regarding this conservation easement, please don't hesitate to contact us. If not, we would very much appreciate your acknowledgment of the Form 1 and agreement to waive the notice period at your earliest convenience.

Yours sincerely,



Justin Thompson
Executive Director

We acknowledge the receipt of Form 1 for the referenced proposed Conservation Easement and:

- ☐ We agree to waive the 60-day notice period and you may register the Conservation Easement immediately.
- ☐ We do not agree to waive the 60-day notice period.

Signed: _____

Dated this _____ day of _____, 2026

PLEASE RETURN TO:

Southern Alberta Land Trust Society
PO Box 366 Station Main
Okotoks, AB T1S 1A6
justin@salts.land



**Form 1
Notice Prior to Registration**

Notice to: Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9
 C/o Mr. Roland Milligan, CAO
 1037 Herron Avenue
 PO Box 279
 Pincher Creek, Alberta T0K 1W0

This Notice is to advise you that:

1. We, the Southern Alberta Land Trust Society, P.O. Box 366 Station Main, Okotoks, Alberta, T1S 1A67, 403-427-0505, intend to register an agreement under Section 33 of the *Alberta Land Stewardship Act* creating a conservation easement, not sooner than 60-days after the date that you receive this notice, or sooner if you agree to our request to waive the 60-day notice period in accordance with section 2(3) of the Act.
2. The conservation easement will affect the land described as:

**MERIDIAN 5 RANGE 1 TOWNSHIP 7
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3. The names and phone number of the registered owners of the affected land are Bruce Massie Anderson, E. Lori Anderson, Robert Bruce Anderson and Michael Didrick Anderson; telephone: (403) 827-1037 (Michael Anderson).
4. The purpose of the conservation easement is to protect, conserve and enhance the environment, including without limitation, the biological diversity, the natural, scenic, aesthetic, and agricultural ranching values of the Property, and other similar purposes.
5. A summary of the terms of the agreement creating the conservation easement relating to the use of the land includes: (please see attached Restrictions).

Dated this 19th day of October, 2026


Justin Thompson
Executive Director



Part 1 – Conservation Easement Restrictions

To maintain and conserve the Conservation Values of the Property, the Landowner agrees to the following Restrictions. Accordingly, the Landowner shall not conduct, pursue or permit any of the following.

1. **Subdivision** – The division, partition or subdivision of the Property, or any action which creates an actual or de facto subdivision of the Property. It is further expressly acknowledged and agreed that the foregoing restrictions are reasonable and are included in this Agreement so as to ensure that the Conservation Values of the Property may be upheld and that the terms of this Agreement may be effectively and properly enforced by SALTS in pursuance of the objectives and purposes of this Agreement and the Act.
2. **Construction** – The construction of buildings, structures, Roads, Trails, facilities, and/or the advertent or inadvertent creation of Trails, except for those identified in Part 2 of these Restrictions. The existing buildings, structures, Roads, Trails and facilities, described and located in the Baseline Report, may be replaced and repaired in their same size and location. New structures required for Ranching purposes such as calving shelters or wind breaks are permitted, with the prior written approval of SALTS. **“Ranching”** specifically means the practice of breeding and raising cattle, horses, donkeys, mules, sheep, goats and bison subject to Restriction 3. **“Roads”** mean any path designed, built and intended for the passage of vehicles that is developed with either gravel or pavement and built-up in such a fashion to permit drainage off of the surface through ditches and culverts. **“Trails”** means any path designed, created and intended for the passage of vehicles, horses or foot traffic but has not been developed with gravel, pavement or built-up in a fashion to permit drainage off the surface.
3. **Fencing** – Any fencing that does not conform to the following fence designs:
 - (a) fencing that consists exclusively of up to four strands of non-electrified barbed or other wire or rails horizontally installed;
 - (b) fencing that consists exclusively of up to four strands of barbed or other wire horizontally installed only one of such wires electrified; or
 - (c) fencing that consists exclusively of up to two electrified wires.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the above fencing restrictions shall not apply:

- (i) where some other fencing design is required by provincial or municipal highway standards for fences on the Property that borders provincial Highways or municipal roads;
- (ii) to fencing required for the purposes of excluding livestock at stream crossings, ravines or wash-out areas;
- (iii) to corrals for Ranching purposes,



- (iv) to bear proof fencing around a farmstead. Bear proof fencing around attractants in other areas is possible with the permission of SALTS,
 - (v) to fencing around existing stack yards identified in the Baseline Report to protect livestock feed, and;
 - (vi) to small areas of temporary fencing adequate to contain sheep and goats provided fencing is not detrimental to wildlife movement and the Conservation Values of the Property.
4. **Cultivation** –The cultivation, breaking, or re-cultivation of any part of the Property, except within the Forage Management Area, identified on Map 3 of Schedule C and the Baseline Report. “**Forage Management Areas**” means the areas that may be cultivated periodically to rejuvenate lands for hay production with no-till or partial till techniques and in consultation with SALTS.
5. **Waterbodies** –The draining or alteration of naturally occurring lakes, ponds, streams or wetlands or the alteration in any way of the topography of the surface of the ground on the Property. The development of natural springs and/or dugouts for the purpose of livestock watering is permitted, provided that the spring and any proximate riparian zones are protected from livestock damage. Dugouts will also be protected from livestock damage while allowing for access to a portion of the dugout for cattle watering. The drilling of wells for the purpose of livestock watering or domestic use is also permitted as is the construction of pump sheds located adjacent to the well casing.
- Habitat enhancements to riparian or in-stream areas may be permitted with the prior written permission of SALTS, if these enhancements are being done in conjunction with a government or non-government agency specializing in this work and if all necessary approvals have been granted.
6. **Non-native Plants** –The intentional introduction of Non-native Species of plants including all those listed and designated in the Alberta Weed Control Act. The Landowner may practice livestock winter feeding on the Property but will endeavour to do so in the Forage Management Areas, tame grass areas, or areas already highly modified by invasive agronomic species so as not to introduce non-native plants into predominantly native areas. Further, the Landowner agrees to use reasonable efforts to avoid using winter feed that is contaminated with plants or seeds listed as Prohibitive Noxious or Noxious or any similar future designation under the Alberta Weed Control Act. “**Non-native Species**” means plants and animals that have been introduced to Alberta and are in direct competition with native species.
7. **Non-native Animals** –The intentional introduction of Non-native Species of animals except for those species associated with Ranching and those species that could be used as approved biological control agents for Non-native Species.
8. **Dumping and Contamination** –The dumping, release, disposing, or stockpiling of toxic and/or hazardous materials anywhere on the Property including non-compostable garbage or material or any garbage or material that threatens the Property’s Conservation Values. This includes the spreading of fertilizer or manure on native grasslands and/or riparian areas.



9. **Motor Vehicles** –Use of motor vehicles, including without limitation off-highway vehicles of any sort, off of existing roads and travel-ways in a manner which may result in:
- (a) erosion or compaction of the soil;
 - (b) impact on the natural appearance of the Property;
 - (c) interference with native vegetation or the natural habitats of those animal species occurring on the Property; or
 - (d) disturbance to riparian zones.

Responsible use of off-highway vehicles such as tractors, trucks, or ATV's for normal Ranching operations is allowed.

10. **Permanent or Seasonal Recreational Vehicles** – The parking, placement, storage, or use of recreational vehicles, campers, motorhomes, travel trailers, or similar units on a permanent or seasonal basis anywhere on the Property is prohibited. Notwithstanding the foregoing, landowners and their guests may use the Property for non-commercial recreational purposes, including camping in tents, recreational vehicles, or similar accommodations, provided such use is occasional, does not establish a permanent or seasonal campsite, and otherwise complies with the Restrictions, including Restriction 2 regarding the construction of Trails.
11. **Confined Feeding Operations** –The establishment or maintenance of Confined Feeding Operations, except if identified as existing in the Baseline Report. **"Confined Feeding Operations"** means fenced or enclosed land or buildings where animals are confined for the purposes of growing, finishing or sustaining by means other than grazing and any other buildings or structures relating to that purpose, but does not include winter feeding. Confined Feeding Operations include, but are not limited to, beef or lamb feedlots, cattle backgrounding lots, dairy, farrow to finish hog operations and poultry operations.
12. **Surface Materials** –Excavation or exploration for, or extraction of Surface Materials. **"Surface Materials"** means any loam, clay, sand, gravel, rock, or other minerals or materials located on or near the surface of the Property that can be extracted for domestic or commercial purposes.
13. **Herbicides and Pesticides** –The broad use of chemical herbicides and/or pesticides except in the Forage Management Area, if any. Targeted spot spraying is permitted of individual plants or localized invasive weed or insect infestations to a maximum of eight acres of any one quarter section in any given year. For parcels smaller than a quarter section, the Landowner can spray up to five percent (5%) of the parcel area in any given year. Should the Landowner feel that they need to spray a larger area than described above it requires prior written permission of SALTS unless required by the local municipal district government operating in accordance with the *Weed Control Act* of Alberta. The Landowner agrees to take extra precaution when spraying near waterbodies or riparian areas and to follow provincial guidelines in this respect.



14. **Tree Removal** –The removal of trees except for: (a) the cutting of trees to ensure the protection of fence lines or along existing Roads and Trails, (b) cutting of dead trees for the Landowners personal firewood, (c) limited selective tree harvesting with prior written permission from SALTS.

Brushing to control the encroachment of woody species into grasslands is permitted, provided it is not detrimental to the Conservation Values of the Property in the opinion of SALTS acting reasonably. “**Brushing**” means the removal of willow brush or other tree species including young aspen that are encroaching on grasslands or fencing through the use of a mower, mulcher, or other appropriate equipment or chemicals, subject to Restrictions 5 and 13.

15. **Commercial Facilities** – Commercial or industrial facilities or activities on the Property. On a case by case basis, certain low-impact activities may be permitted by SALTS. By way of example, low-impact activities directly related to eco-tourism, scientific research, arts and crafts, may be permitted by SALTS provided they are not in conflict with the Restrictions and are not detrimental to the Conservation Values of the Property in the opinion of SALTS acting reasonably. No such activities will be undertaken until SALTS has given its prior written permission in respect thereof.

16. **Game Farms** – Constructing, conducting, or operating of a Game Farm, or the raising or holding of Game Farm Animals on the Property. “**Game Farm**” means land used for the business of domesticating, raising, keeping, herding or otherwise enclosing Game Farm Animals. “**Game Farm Animal**” means any large mammal indigenous to Alberta, including but not limited to, whitetail deer, mule deer, moose, elk, caribou, black bear, grizzly bear, mountain lion, wolf, cougar, antelope, bighorn sheep and mountain goat.

17. **Aircraft Facilities** –Constructing, conducting, or operating aircraft facilities or aircraft landing facilities on the Property.

18. **Communication and Renewable Energy Structures** – The creation, construction or operation of Communication Structures and Renewable Energy Structures, as well as any associated buildings or access Roads or Trails. Small-scale Renewable Energy Structures and their associated Trails are permitted. Larger installations that exclusively serve the Property may be permitted on a case-by-case basis if deemed not to impact the Conservation Values of the Property in the sole opinion of SALTS and with the prior written approval of SALTS. For greater certainty, the aggregate power production from Small-scale Renewable Energy Structures located at different locations on the Property is not limited to 2.5 kW. “**Communication Structures**” means any communication facilities, structures and equipment including, but not limited to, any radio, cellular or other communication towers or structures whether or not supporting antennas or aerials for telecommunication and/or broadcasting that are intended for off-site usage. Communications Structures specifically intended for Ranching purposes on the property are permitted e.g. towers supporting virtual fencing using GPS collars on cattle. “**Renewable Energy Structures**” means instrumentation, equipment, machinery, facilities and structures, that are designed and built to capture and convert the energy of the wind, water or sun into other forms of energy or power, including but not limited to, electrical energy and mechanical power. Renewable Energy Structures include, but are not limited to, items commonly known as windmills, wind turbines, wind or water pumps, solar panels, solar modules or solar arrays. “**Small-scale Renewable Energy**



Structure” means a single Renewable Energy Structure that produces power of 2.5 kW or less exclusively for residential or Ranching use on the Property and that is installed and producing power independently of any other Renewable Energy Structure (including any other Small-scale Renewable Energy Structure).

Renewable Energy Structures located within the Farmstead and producing power exclusively for residential or Ranching use on the Property may exceed 2.5 kW and may involve more than one structure.

19. **Signs and Billboards** – Constructing, maintaining or erecting any notices or commercial signs or billboards on the Property, including those attached to a trailer or vehicle parked on the Property. Notwithstanding this restriction, limited signage of 2 square meters or less may be used for:

- (a) stating the name of the owner of the Property;
- (b) advising that the Property is protected by this Agreement;
- (c) deterring any unauthorized entry or use; or
- (d) advertisement for the sale of the Property.

20. **Utility Structures** –The installation of Utility Structures except:

- (a) as required by law;
- (b) as may be required by the Landowner for Ranching and domestic purposes.

“Utility Structures” means any item constructed, erected, or built that transmit electricity, oil, gas or water for commercial sale, including but not limited to transmission lines, gas lines, pipelines and/or water lines.

Part 2 – Exemptions to the Restrictions

Notwithstanding the above Restrictions, the Landowner is expressly permitted to:

1. Retain the 16-acre farmstead area in the SE 30-7-1-W5M and in the specific location shown on Map 2 of Schedule C. It is further agreed that:
 - (a) two dwellings may be located within the farmstead;
 - (b) one or more buildings, structures or activities associated with the dwelling, and which are consistent with residential or Ranching use, may be located within the farmstead;



- (c) any permitted dwelling, building or structure within the farmstead may be reduced, enlarged, improved or replaced from time to time; and
- (d) commercial activities conducted specifically by the Landowner and/or their family residing in the farmstead, and exclusively within the farmstead area, and which do not require structures in addition to those built for residential or Ranching use are allowed, except those creating noise, activities, or emissions that may impact the Conservation Values of the Property in the sole opinion of SALTS.

Any permits or approvals required for the activities described above will be the sole responsibility of the Landowner. The Landowner further agrees that, notwithstanding SALTS has permitted any of the foregoing to be exceptions to the Restrictions and notwithstanding anything to the contrary, SALTS shall have no responsibility or liability in connection with the Landowner undertaking any of the activities listed under Part 2 above. For greater certainty, the indemnity provisions of Section 15.1 shall be applicable to all such activities of the Landowner without exception.



SCHEDULE "C"
Map One (Property)

Anderson Conservation Easement
Property



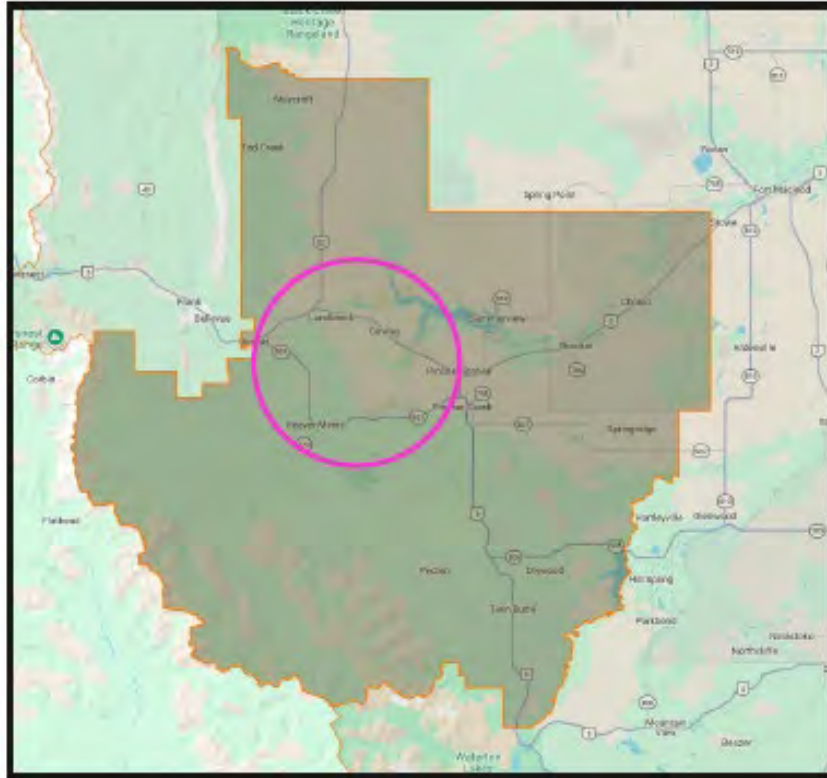
Quarter Section



Anderson Conservation Easement Boundary



Map Two (Area Map)



CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

October 12, 2026, to October 23, 2026

Discussion:

Oct 13	Council Committee and Regular Council Meetings
Oct 14	CUPE Negotiations
Oct 15	CUPE Negotiations
Oct 19	Senior Management Team Meeting
Oct 21	Post COR Audit Meeting
Oct 22	ARMAA Zone 1 Meeting, Lethbridge
Oct 23	Public Works Operating Budget Discussion

Upcoming:

Oct 26	Operating Budget Meeting - Safety
Oct 26	Operating Budget Meeting – Enforcement Services
Oct 26	Accounting Clerk Interviews
Oct 27	Council Committee and Regular Council Meetings

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council receives for information the Chief Administrative Officer's report for the period October 12, 2026, to October 23, 2026.

Prepared by: Roland Milligan, CAO

Date: October 21, 2026

Respectfully presented to: Council

Date: October 27, 2026

ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT ACTIVITY

October 9, 2026 to October 22, 2026

Correspondence from the Last Council:

- Town Resident – Dust Control Concerns
- Blackfoot MOU – MD Participation
- Kootenai Brown Heritage Park – Follow Up to 2027 Budget
- Castle Mountain Resort – New Year's Fireworks

Advertising/Social:

- Courtesy Post - Fortis Planned Power Outage
- Community Peace Officer – Speeding PSA
- Invitation to Bid - Agricultural Lease Opportunities - Deadline November 27, 2026
- Public Notice - Beaver Mines Pathway Construction
- Employment Opportunity – Temporary Operator (Public Works)
- Courtesy Post – Bridge Restriction Notice for Willow Creek
- Employment Opportunity – Ag & Environmental Services Manager

Other Activities:

- Signage for Eco Centre with new materials being accepted

Invites to Council:

Upcoming Dates of Importance:

- Regular Committee, Council & Organizational Meeting – October 27
- Council, CAO at RMA – November 2 -5
- Community Information Meeting – Grizzly Bears – November 4
- Regular Committee & Council Meeting – November 10
- Remembrance Day Closure – November 11
- Coffee with Council Division 2 – November 17



October 8, 2026

M.D. of Pincher Creek Agricultural Service Board
 M.D. of Pincher Creek
 P.O. Box 279
 Pincher Creek, AB T0K 1W0

Subject: Partnering to Protect Alberta from Invasive Species

Dear M.D. of Pincher Creek Agricultural Service Board,

Alberta's rural municipalities and Agricultural Service Boards are on the front lines of invasive species management. Invasive plants and agricultural pests such as invasive wild boar and rats affect agricultural productivity, municipal operations, natural areas and local economies, while new and emerging invasive species continue to create challenges. Invasive species already cost Alberta's economy more than \$2 billion annually, making prevention, early detection and effective management an important investment in Alberta's future.

Since 2006, the Alberta Invasive Species Council (AISC) has worked alongside municipalities, Agricultural Service Boards and invasive species practitioners to prevent the introduction and spread of invasive species and support effective management across the province. We serve as a provincial hub for invasive species information, education, training and collaboration, providing practical resources and programs that complement and support the important work being done locally.

With the support of our partners, AISC works across the continuum from prevention and public education to early detection and management. We developed and deliver **Rat on Rats!**, **Wildflowers Not Weeds** and **Protect Our Waters**, and deliver established prevention campaigns in Alberta including **Squeal on Pigs!**, **Clean Drain Dry** and **Don't Let It Loose**. We support early detection and reporting through **EDDMapS** and provide training, professional development and practical identification and management resources for municipal staff, landowners, producers and the public.

In 2026, we released the **Alberta Invasive Species Outlook**, highlighting priority invasive species across taxonomic groups and at different stages of invasion, from species we are working to prevent from reaching Alberta to those requiring eradication, containment or ongoing management. We also completed a major overhaul of our invasive plant resources following changes to Alberta's Weed Control Regulation, including the fifth edition of the **Invasive Plants of Alberta Guide** and updates to our

extensive library of **invasive species factsheets**. These freely available resources support municipalities in fulfilling their responsibilities under the *Weed Control Act*, including providing landowners with identification and management information when issuing weed notices. Since taking over production and distribution of the **Invasive Plants of Alberta Guide** in 2021, AISC has printed **63,000 copies**. Through sponsorships and grant funding, we subsidize the cost of the guides to keep this important weed identification and management resource affordable and widely accessible across Alberta.

We are also preparing to launch a new **Tree Pests of Alberta Guide and complementary e-learning course** to support awareness, identification and early detection of invasive tree pests. In addition, we continue to support biological control in Alberta through our **Biocontrol Release Program**, which facilitates the distribution of biological control agents, and the newly established **Alberta Biocontrol Consortium**, which advances research and development of new biological control tools.

AISC receives no ongoing core funding. Despite this, we have secured millions of dollars in competitive grants to deliver invasive species initiatives across Alberta. These grants enable substantial projects but are generally restricted to specific activities and timelines and often require matching contributions.

Partnership funding provides essential flexible capacity to pursue larger funding opportunities, provide matching funds, maintain important programs and freely available resources between grants, and respond to emerging priorities. In this way, partner contributions help AISC leverage additional investment and extend the reach and impact of our work across Alberta.

We hope we can count on your municipality's support in two ways.

First, we invite your municipality to become an AISC partner in 2027. Your investment would help sustain the programs and resources that support municipal invasive species prevention and management while leveraging additional funding to expand our work across Alberta. We have enclosed our 2027 partnership opportunities, with options ranging from Bronze to Platinum, and would welcome the opportunity to provide additional information or present to your Agricultural Service Board or Council about AISC's work and opportunities to collaborate.

Second, we are seeking letters of support for our request for provincial core funding. AISC has recently submitted a request to the Government of Alberta for ongoing core administrative funding to provide greater organizational stability and strengthen our capacity to deliver province-wide invasive species prevention and management programs. This funding would complement existing partnerships and project grants, helping sustain the organizational capacity needed to deliver and expand our work. We would be grateful if your municipality would consider submitting a letter to the Minister of Agriculture and Irrigation in support of this request. Letters from municipalities and other stakeholders would help demonstrate the value of AISC's work and the

importance of sustained provincial investment. We have enclosed a sample letter of support that your municipality may adapt, along with additional information about our funding request.

Thank you for considering these opportunities to support the Alberta Invasive Species Council. We would value the opportunity to work alongside M.D. of Pincher Creek to protect Alberta's agricultural lands, communities and natural resources from invasive species.

Sincerely,

Megan Evans

Megan Evans
Executive Director
Alberta Invasive Species Council
execdirector@abinvasives.ca | (587) 999-0954

2027 Partnership Opportunities

Partnership contributions directly support AISC's province-wide invasive species prevention, education, early detection, and management efforts.

Partner Benefit	Bronze Partner (\$1,000)	Silver Partner (\$2,000)	Gold Partner (\$5,000)	Platinum Partner (\$10,000+)
Access to EDDMapS, EDDMapS Pro, and ISM Track apps	✓	✓	✓	✓
Recognition on the AISC website	✓	✓	✓	✓
Recognition in our quarterly newsletter and at AISC's Annual Conference	✓	✓	✓	✓
Exclusive access to AISC's Newsletter Archive	✓	✓	✓	✓
Access to campaign promotional and educational materials	✓	✓	✓	✓
Annual AISC Memberships (with AGM vote)	2	3	4	5
Member rate for AISC Conference Registration	2	3	4	5
Member rate on select items in the AISC online store	2	3	4	5
Free conference registration(s)	—	—	1	2
Customized virtual presentation	—	—	✓	✓
Customized in-person presentation	—	—	—	✓

[Municipal Letterhead]

[Date]

The Honourable Tara Sawyer
Minister of Agriculture and Irrigation
Government of Alberta

Re: Support for Alberta Invasive Species Council Core Funding Request

Dear Minister Sawyer,

On behalf of [Municipality/Agricultural Service Board], I am writing to express our support for the Alberta Invasive Species Council's (AISC) request for \$300,000 annually over five years, beginning in 2027–28, to strengthen its core organizational capacity for invasive species prevention and management across Alberta.

Municipalities and Agricultural Service Boards play an important role in managing invasive species, which threaten agricultural productivity, natural areas, infrastructure and local economies. Effective prevention, early detection and management require access to reliable information, practical resources, training and collaboration across jurisdictions.

AISC is an important provincial partner in these efforts, providing programs and services that support municipal invasive species management. Resources such as the *Invasive Plants of Alberta Guide*, EDDMapS reporting and mapping tools, invasive species identification resources, professional training and public awareness campaigns help municipalities and Agricultural Service Boards carry out their responsibilities and engage their communities.

[OPTIONAL: Include a paragraph describing how your municipality or Agricultural Service Board has used or benefited from AISC's programs and resources. Examples could include staff training, weed identification resources, invasive species factsheets, EDDMapS, biological control, public education campaigns, technical support or other initiatives that support local invasive species management.]

We recognize that much of AISC's funding is tied to individual projects, making it challenging to maintain the organizational capacity needed to deliver ongoing programs and services. AISC's request for \$300,000 annually reflects the funding needed to sustain its province-wide operations, support effective administration and coordination, and leverage additional project funding. The proposed amount was also informed by provincial funding models for other environmental and agricultural organizations.

We encourage the Government of Alberta to give favourable consideration to AISC's request. Investing in the long-term capacity of this established provincial delivery partner would help municipalities and other organizations continue their work to protect Alberta's agricultural lands, communities and natural resources from invasive species.

Sincerely,

[Name]

[Title]

[Municipality/Agricultural Service Board]

Cc:

The Honourable Danielle Smith, Premier of Alberta

The Honourable Grant Hunter, Minister of Environment and Protected Areas

The Honourable Todd Loewen, Minister of Forestry and Parks

The Honourable Brian Jean, Minister of Energy and Minerals

The Honourable Devin Dreeshen, Minister of Transportation and Economic Corridors

The Honourable Jason Nixon, Minister of Treasury Board and Finance



2026 YEAR IN REVIEW

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OUTREACH EVENTS

ATTENDED BY AISC

42



36 IN-PERSON



8 VIRTUAL

BIOCONTROL RELEASES



OF LEAFY SPURGE BEETLES, HOUND'S
TONGUE AND YELLOW TOADFLAX WEEVILS

30

85 DIFFERENT SPECIES

REPORTERS

3,688

REPORTS

EDDMapS
find • map • track

152,109

INFESTED ACRES

151

SOCIAL MEDIA

STATISTICS



3,300+

NEWSLETTER
SUBSCRIBERS



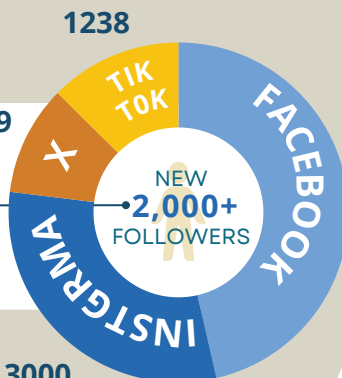
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POSTS



1,000,000+

REACH

1029



4562

CD3 UNITS

6

245

PLUG REMOVER

980

TONGS

2,323

AIR HOSE

1,388

BRUSH

AISC AT A GLANCE

47

PARTNER
ORGANIZATIONS
ACROSS ALBERTA

4 STAFF MEMBERS



16 BOARD MEMBERS

180

INDIVIDUAL & STUDENT
MEMBERS

63,000+

WEED&TREE GUIDES

DISTRIBUTED TO DATE

9

CAMPAIGNS

SUPPORTED BY AISC



EDDMapS
find • map • track



FACTSHEETS

FOR INVASIVE PLANTS, ANIMALS, INVERTEBRATES & DISEASES

160+

50+

VIDEOS

350+

PHOTOS

13TH

ANNUAL CONFERENCE

2 DAYS HELD IN-PERSON

5

APPLICATOR CREDITS
OFFERED

208

ATTENDEES

8+

HOURS OF CONTENT

22

SPEAKERS



NEW OUTLOOK CREATED

HIGHLIGHTING PRIORITY INVASIVE SPECIES

Good morning, everyone,

I am reaching out to share a request from Lethbridge Polytechnic, which is considering developing a Community Peace Officer Induction Program (CPOIP) for the Southern Alberta region.

Lethbridge Polytechnic has identified a gap in training accessibility for agencies in Southern Alberta, where new recruits are currently required to travel to Lac La Biche to complete their CPOIP training. Establishing a program in Southern Alberta would provide a more accessible option for agencies and their recruits.

As part of their consideration, Lethbridge Polytechnic is looking to determine the level of need for this type of program in Southern Alberta and whether there would be sufficient support from regional agencies to incorporate it into their future recruitment and training processes.

I have attached a form letter of support for your agency to review and consider. If your agency supports the development of a Southern Alberta CPOIP, completed letters of support can be sent to the Dean of Lethbridge Polytechnic at trudi.mason@lethpolytech.ca

Thank you for considering this request. Support from agencies across Southern Alberta will help demonstrate the need for a more accessible training option for our region.

Randy



CPO Randy Burgess

Senior Community Peace Officer

County of Newell

Municipal Enforcement Services

Email: burgessr@newellmail.ca

General Department Email: enforcement@newellmail.ca

Phone: (403) 794-2311

Trudi Mason

Dean, Centre for Justice and Human Services
Lethbridge Polytechnic
Lethbridge, AB

Dear Dean Mason

Re: Support for the Development of Community Peace Officer Training in Southern Alberta

On behalf of (insert agency), I am pleased to provide this letter of support for Lethbridge Polytechnic's exploration and development of Community Peace Officer (CPO) training in Southern Alberta.

There is a clear need for accessible Community Peace Officer training opportunities in this region. Municipalities and enforcement agencies across Southern Alberta continue to face recruitment and workforce development challenges, and access to local training would help strengthen the pipeline of qualified professionals entering the field.

The development of a CPO training program at Lethbridge Polytechnic would address a significant gap in Southern Alberta. Providing training closer to where prospective students live and where employers operate would increase accessibility, reduce barriers to participation, and support the ongoing staffing needs of agencies throughout the region.

We believe there is strong employer interest in this type of training. Local and regional agencies have expressed a need for training opportunities in Southern Alberta, and we anticipate that employer demand and support would contribute to both the successful launch and long-term sustainability of a program.

Lethbridge Polytechnic has demonstrated the capacity, expertise, and industry partnerships necessary to develop and deliver high-quality public safety education. Through its established academic programs and award-winning Police Cadet Training Program, the Polytechnic has a proven track record of preparing graduates for careers in law enforcement and related sectors. This experience provides a strong foundation for the development of either a non-credit Community Peace Officer training program or a post-secondary credential aligned with provincial requirements and employer needs.

As Lethbridge Polytechnic advances its proposal, the (insert agency) is pleased to support further exploration of this initiative. We believe a locally delivered Community Peace Officer training program would provide significant benefit to students, employers, and communities across Southern Alberta while strengthening the public safety workforce in our region.

We look forward to continued collaboration as this initiative develops.

Regulatory and Policy Changes to Fish and Fish Habitat Protection in Canada

September 2026



Context

- The government-wide Red Tape Review (published fall 2025) sets out actions that are being undertaken in response to the federal government's Building a Stronger Canada agenda, to streamline regulatory reviews and approvals for major projects.
- DFO has a key role to play in achieving the Government's objective to get major projects built in Canada while upholding Canada's environmental standards and its constitutional obligations to Indigenous Peoples.

DFO's Red Tape Report (fall 2025)

1. Completing reviews of all major projects within two years

- Work with Major Projects Office on *Building Canada Act* implementation
- Integration of DFO considerations, including aquatic species at risk, into Impact Assessment process
- All projects of National Interest reviewed by DFO within 2 years

2. Simplified approaches to low-risk and routine projects

- Reducing number of low-risk and routine projects that proponents submit to DFO for review
- Increasing clarity for proponents and reducing red tape
- Aligning information requirements with project risk, accelerating decision timelines for proponents

3. Streamlining the approach to higher-risk and major projects

- Predictable and clear regulatory processes ensure proponents receive permits faster, supported by enhanced client service (concierge service)
- Indigenous Peoples are contacted by proponents of higher-risk major projects, and report improved awareness of project details and ability to provide input to proponents
- Early engagement and potential agreements with interested Indigenous Nations support efficient consultations

Regulatory and Policy Changes



Amendments to the *Authorizations Concerning Fish and Fish Habitat Protection Regulations*



Simplified, risk-based application requirements for all projects



New online application and other tools



Early engagement of Indigenous Peoples & new supports for consultation



Amendments to the *Authorizations Concerning Fish and Fish Habitat Protection Regulations*

- Streamlines and simplifies applying for an authorization under the *Fisheries Act*, while continuing to protect the environment and respect the rights of Indigenous Peoples
- Amendments published in Canada Gazette II on July 1, comes into force on **October 15, 2026**
- Three schedules with streamlined information requirements for:
 - Schedule 1 – non-emergency projects
 - Schedule 2 – emergency projects
 - Schedule 3 – operation of existing facilities (new)



Amendments to the *Authorizations Concerning Fish and Fish Habitat Protection Regulations*

New flexibility in offsetting and financial guarantees:

- Offsetting plans and financial guarantees required later in application process
- Offsetting requirement determined using DFO risk assessment
 - e.g., projects that can follow a DFO Technical Standard, may not require offsetting
- New options for DFO to allow adaptive management in authorization conditions, where appropriate
- No financial guarantee required for municipalities or Indigenous governments

Other streamlining changes:

- Information on Indigenous engagement with the application for authorization aligned with the *Impact Assessment Act*
- Service standard timing changes: 90 days for DFO to determine if information is adequate, and 60 days for DFO to take a decision on issuing authorization
- Simpler process to amend authorizations



Amendments to the *Authorizations Concerning Fish and Fish Habitat Protection Regulations*

Transition period

- The Regulations establish a means of transition for applications received by DFO prior to the coming into force of the amendments on October 15th, 2026, but for which a decision on whether to issue the authorization has not yet been issued.
- If an applicant has submitted an application for authorization to DFO and received a notification back from DFO that their application has been deemed **complete** before October 15th, 2026, DFO will proceed in accordance with the old Regulations.
- If an applicant has submitted an application for authorization to DFO and **NOT** received a notification back from DFO that their application has been deemed **complete** before October 15th, 2026, DFO will follow the remaining review process and timelines as laid out in the new Regulations from October 15th onward.



Simplified application requirements for all projects

Change	Impact
Offsetting plans and financial guarantees required later in application process, following DFO risk assessment	✓ Reduces information required at the time of application for authorization ✓ Right-sizes offsetting to better reflect risks to fish and fish habitat, as well as authorizations with no offsetting
DFO Technical Standards provide measures to minimize risks to fish and fish habitat for routine projects	✓ Shorter application form ✓ Reduces effort in design and planning, streamlined pathway to authorization
New concierge service for major projects	✓ Providing early information, advice, and guidance on process and requirements for <i>Fisheries Act</i> authorization and <i>Species at Risk Act</i> permits
Tailored information requirements for operation of an existing facility	✓ Information required is specific reducing effort in providing and reviewing unnecessary information



DFO Technical Standards

- Technical standards set out mitigation measures for routine works, significantly streamlining the application for authorization process. Following a technical standard means:
 - o streamlined/shorter application form with less information required
 - o quicker decisions from DFO
 - o reduced project risk will likely not require offsetting or a financial guarantee, lowering costs
- Aim is to incentivize fish friendly design upfront that minimizes risk to fish and fish habitat to as low as reasonably practicable, without the need to offset
- Attestation from a qualified environmental professional may be required
- DFO Technical Standards planned for fall 2026 include:
 1. Installation or replacement of watercourse crossings
 2. Existing facilities operations and waterflow management
 3. Pipelines and cable crossings
 4. Streambank stabilization
- Technical Standards will initially be in effect as interim to solicit input on their use. They will be published as final in Canada Gazette following an engagement period



DFO Mitigation Procedures

- **Note:** DFO has *standards* on the Projects Near Water website for:
 - o in-water site isolation
 - o fish capture and relocation
 - o planning for land-based erosion and sediment control
 - o water intake end-of-pipe fish screens
- These are not DFO Technical Standards under the Authorizations Regulations. To avoid any confusion, the *standards* are proposed to be renamed “**Mitigation Procedures**”.
- Mitigation procedures provide guidance on how to undertake specific mitigation measures
 - o They can help proponents more quickly determine the best mitigation methods for their specific project based on the type of watercourse and conditions at the project site.
 - o They aim to reduce proponent planning effort and streamline DFO review.



No authorization required

- **No authorization is required** for parts of a project that follow a code of practice, equivalent industry practice, or are prescribed works
 - **Codes of practice** specify conditions and measures to avoid impacts to fish and fish habitat. They are designed for routine projects.
 - **Equivalent Industry Practices** specify best practices to avoid impacts to fish and fish habitat from low risk, industry-specific projects. They are established by industry and are considered equal to codes of practice.
 - **DFO encourages industry to propose additional EIPs.**
- **Notify DFO** when using a code of practice or prescribed works using the online **Project Submission Tool**



Concierge Service for Major Projects

- **DFO Concierge Service** supports proponents of **major projects** by:
 - o Providing early information, advice, and guidance on process and requirements for *Fisheries Act* authorization and *Species at Risk Act* permits
 - o Helping identify Indigenous rightsholders and local expertise
 - o Supporting early and consistent engagement strategies
 - o Identifying potential issues to facilitate a streamlined regulatory process
- Proponents of major projects can contact the regional concierge coordinator: [Project planning: Concierge Service for major projects](#)



New online application and other tools

Project Submission Tool

- **Apply online** for an authorization
 - **Notify online** when using a code of practice, equivalent industry practice, or undertaking maintenance and repair of Ontario municipal drains
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- Future additional phases and functions to the Project Submission Tool are planned (e.g., for submitting offsetting plans)
 - ‘Request for review’ service will no longer be offered by DFO
 - Information on whether authorization is required will be provided on the Projects Near Water website, guidance documents, and the online Project Submission Tool



New online application and other tools

- The **Projects Near Water website** will be reorganized and updated to reflect changes
- Provides access to project submission tools and information about the regulatory process

The screenshot shows the 'Projects near water' website. At the top, there is a header with the Government of Canada logo and a search bar labeled 'Search DFO'. Below the header is a 'MENU' dropdown. The main content area is titled 'Projects near water' and includes a description: 'Protecting fish and fish habitat, standards and codes of practice, project authorizations for working in or near water,'. To the right of the text is a landscape image of a shoreline with trees and water. Below the main text, there is a 'Most requested' section with a list of links: 'Standards', 'Codes of practice', 'Pathways of Effects', 'Fisheries Act Registry', 'Project Submission Tool', and 'Indigenous Habitat Participation Program'. At the bottom, there are three columns of links: 'Learn' (Who this service is for, project planning overview), 'Plan' (Project planning tools and checklists, mitigation measures, codes of practice, standards, timing windows), 'Apply' (Application guides and forms to support project occurring in and around water, project submission tool), 'About' (Fish and fish habitat program activities, consultations, publications), and 'Contact' (Regional office phone numbers, email addresses, fax numbers).

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Search DFO

MENU

Canada.ca > Fisheries and Oceans Canada

Projects near water

Protecting fish and fish habitat, standards and codes of practice, project authorizations for working in or near water,



Most requested

- [Standards](#)
- [Codes of practice](#)
- [Pathways of Effects](#)
- [Fisheries Act Registry](#)
- [Project Submission Tool](#)
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Consultation with Indigenous Peoples

- The Government of Canada (the Crown) has a **constitutional duty to consult** and, where appropriate, accommodate Indigenous Peoples when decisions may adversely impact Aboriginal or treaty rights.
- The Duty to Consult must be fulfilled for all *Fisheries Act* authorizations, including:
 - o projects proposing to use a DFO technical standard
 - o all other projects requiring a *Fisheries Act* authorization
- As a project proponent, your activities inform how DFO fulfills the duty to consult
 - o Proponents' actions in early engagement, information sharing, and records of engagement with Indigenous Peoples help ensure a smooth and timely Crown consultation process
 - o Proponents' role is not just procedural, but also relational: fostering long-term, respectful relationships with Indigenous Peoples contributes to efficient project review



Engagement with Indigenous Peoples by Proponents

- Indigenous Peoples should be engaged early to:
 - o Identify and address concerns before applications are submitted, streamlining the consultation and regulatory process
 - o Enable co-development of project designs, including integration of Indigenous Knowledge, which may reduce potential adverse impacts on rights and time delays later in the process
 - o Build trust and improve outcomes in multi-phase or long-term projects
- The amended Authorizations Regulations require information in the application for authorization on a **list of Indigenous groups that may be affected by the proposed project and a summary of engagement** that was conducted.
 - o This information is required unless a DFO Technical Standard is applied
 - o Information on Indigenous engagement with the application for authorization aligned with the *Impact Assessment Act*

Next Steps

- Launch of online application for authorizations in the Project Submission Tool on Oct. 15th, 2026
 - Including updated application forms and guidance
- Launch of updated Projects Near Water web pages by Oct. 15th, 2026
- Continue to develop technical standards, equivalent industry practices, and other avoidance and mitigation measures and procedures
- Continue to develop additional phases for the Project Submission Tool and publish further guidance of project proponents



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October 9, 2026

170L Transmission Line Structure Replacement Notice of application filing and approval

Thank you for your ongoing participation in the 170L Transmission Line Structure Replacement. We submitted an application for the project to the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC) on September 18, 2026. The Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC) approved this project for construction on September 25, 2026.

Next steps

Where construction activities are required to take place on private property, we will contact you in advance to discuss the specific dates and times we will require access to your property.

We plan to begin construction in January 2027, and anticipate construction to be completed in March 2027.

Depending on where you are in relation to the project, you may see or hear:

- noise and construction crews
- selective tree and vegetation clearing
- transmission structure construction

AUC Approval

When the AUC approves a transmission project, it grants AltaLink permits and licences. The permits and licences for this project can be viewed on the AUC website at:

<https://www2.auc.ab.ca/proceeding/31068>

To access the application, scroll down the main page and click on the 'Access here' option under 'Access to the eFiling System' and log in to your eFiling account. If you do not have an account, select 'New personal account' or 'New organization account' and follow the steps on the screen. Please note any questions or concerns regarding account creation and management should be directed towards the AUC at info@auc.ab.ca.

Once your account has been created and you have successfully logged in, enter filing number 31068 into the 'Go to...' search bar on the top of the page to locate the application.

If you have any issues accessing the application, please contact us at the details below and we will mail a copy of the application to you.

Project background

The existing 170L transmission line, located in the Municipal District of Pincher Creek, was built in the 1950s. We are replacing existing structures on the transmission line that are aging to ensure we can continue to deliver safe and reliable power for years to come.

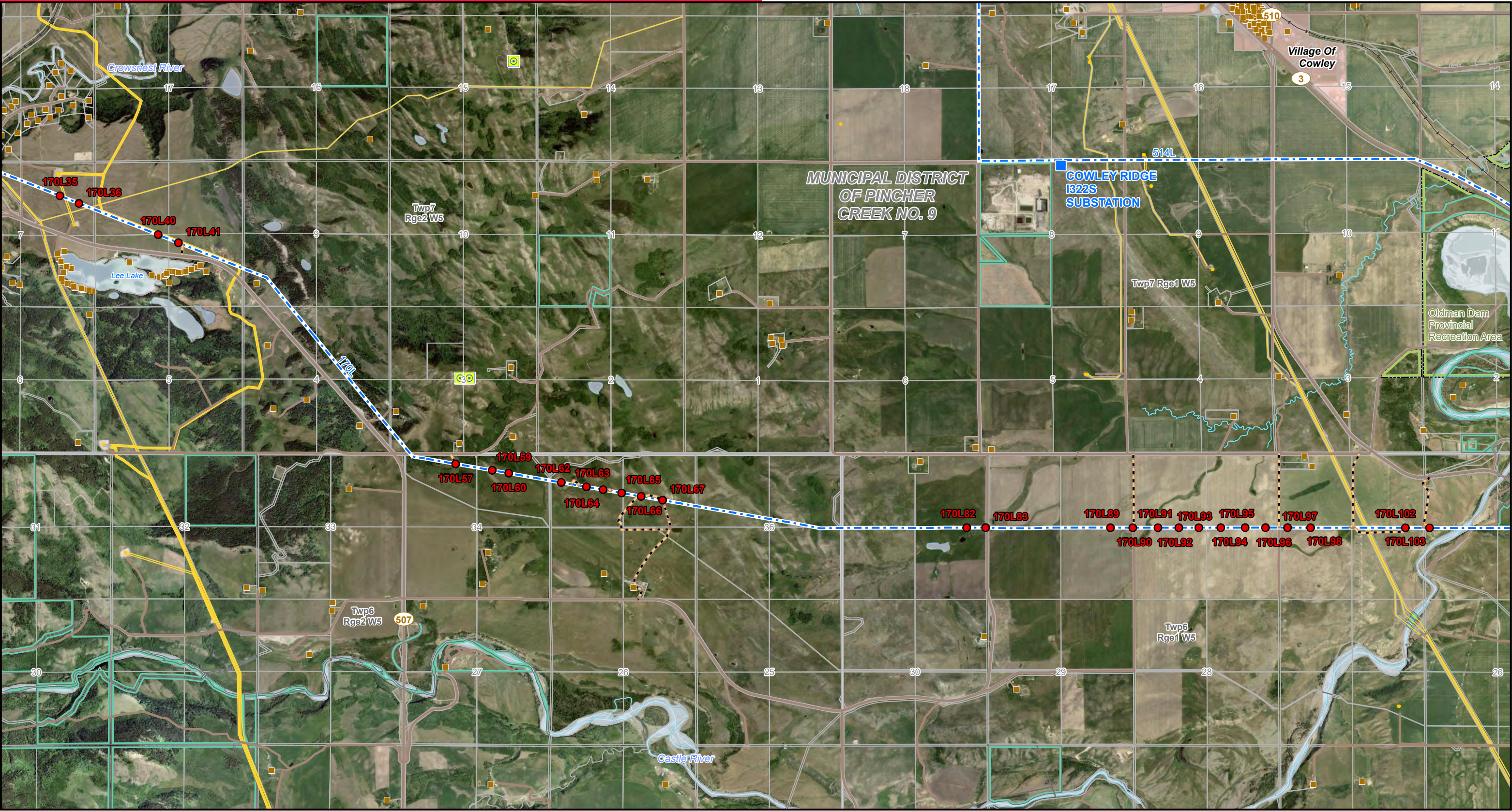
AltaLink is replacing 27 wood H-frame structures along the 170L transmission line, west of the Town of Pincher Creek.

Contact us

We are available to address any questions or concerns you may have. Please contact us at stakeholderrelations@altalink.ca or 1-877-267-1453. Further information about this project and maps are available at <https://www.altalink.ca/project/170l-transmission-line-structure-replacement/>.

Sincerely,

Kris Gladue
Manager, Stakeholder Engagement

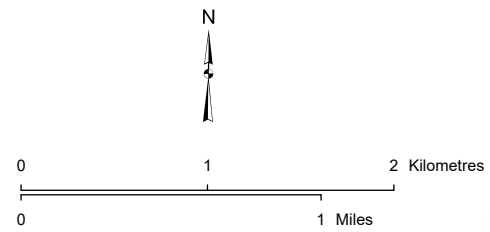


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| ● Proposed Structure Replacement | — Pipeline | ■ Water Body |
| ■ Existing Substation | — Railway | |
| ● 3rd Party Broadcast Transmission Tower | — River or Stream | |
| --- Existing Transmission Line | — Road | |
| — Access Trail | ■ Crown Land | |
| ■ Residence | ■ Other Protected Area | |
| ● Wellsite | ■ Urban Area | |

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PROPOSED
170L Transmission Line
Structure Replacements

JUNE 2026

170L Transmission Line Structure Replacement

You are receiving this newsletter because you are near the proposed 170L Transmission Line Structure Replacement project, and we want your input.

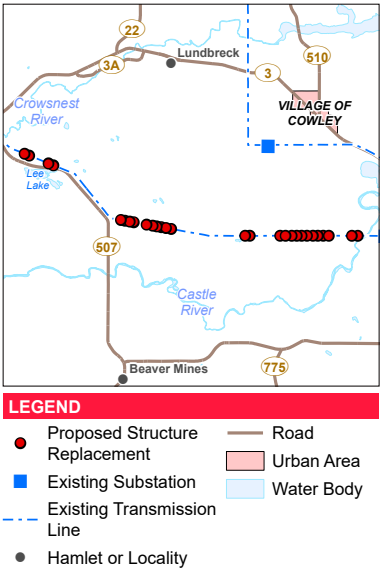
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Project details

AltaLink is proposing to replace 27 wood H-frame structures along the 170L transmission line, west of the Town of Pincher Creek.

AltaLink will contact directly impacted stakeholders to discuss temporary workspace and access that may be required.

More information about the proposed project can be found on the maps included in this package.



ANTICIPATED PROJECT SCHEDULE

JUNE-AUGUST 2026 <i>Notify and consult with stakeholders</i>	➔	SEPTEMBER 2026 <i>File application with Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC)</i>	➔	JANUARY 2027 <i>Start construction if project is approved</i>	➔	MARCH 2027 <i>Construction completed</i>
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Although we attempt to follow the anticipated project schedule, it is subject to change. We will continue to provide you with updated schedule information if required as the project progresses.

Proposed transmission structures

The existing structures are wood H-frame structures approximately 14-19 metres (m) tall. The new structures will be wood or steel H-frame structures between 15 to 23 m tall.

Additional right-of-way will not be required for the new structures.

Construction workspace

To facilitate construction, access trails and construction workspace may be required. Construction workspace is required for the safe construction of the transmission line. AltaLink will consult with affected stakeholders regarding potential construction workspace and access trails.



The proposed new wood structures will look similar to the existing structure above.

Providing your input

We will contact stakeholders near the proposed project to gather input and address questions or concerns.

After our consultation and notification process is complete, we will file an application with the AUC.

We will notify stakeholders when we file the application and again once the AUC has reached a decision about the project. To learn more about the AUC process and how you can become involved, please refer to the brochure included in this package titled *Participating in the AUC's independent review process to consider facility applications*.

INCLUDED IN THIS INFORMATION PACKAGE:

- Project maps
- AUC brochure: *Participating in the AUC's independent review process to consider facility applications*
- Electric and Magnetic Fields information

Contact us

To learn more about the proposed project, please contact:

AltaLink

Phone: 1-877-267-1453 (toll free)

E-mail: stakeholderrelations@altalink.ca

To subscribe to this project:

visit www.altalink.ca/projects, search for the project title, and click 'subscribe to updates'.

For more information about how AltaLink protects your personal information: visit our website at www.altalink.ca/privacy or contact us directly via e-mail privacy@altalink.ca or phone at 1-877-267-6760.

To learn more about the application and review process, please contact:

Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC)

Phone: 780-427-4903 (toll-free by dialing 310-0000 before the number)

Email: consumer-relations@auc.ab.ca



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M.D of Pincher Creek



Shell Canada Limited
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October 8, 2026

RE: Upcoming Licence Transfer Applications

We are writing to inform you that Shell Canada Limited (Shell) and Cavvy Production Ltd. (Cavvy) plan to submit licence transfer applications to the Alberta Energy Regulator (AER) for the Foothills assets. The Foothills assets refer to the Waterton, Jumping Pound and Caroline gas plants and the production fields connected to them.

Shell and Cavvy plan to submit transfer applications by the end of 2026 for the licences and approvals associated with the Caroline field and gas plant, the Jumping Pound field, and the Waterton field. Applications to transfer the licences and approvals for the Jumping Pound and Waterton gas plants will follow at a later stage.

Background

- For nearly 70 years, Shell operated the Foothills assets in Alberta. In 2019 Shell sold the Foothills assets to Cavvy (Formerly Pieridae Energy).
- Licence transfer applications were previously submitted to the AER in 2019 and 2020. The AER did not allow the 2019 application to proceed due to concerns that the transfer would create uncertainty in the administration and enforcement of the approvals; while the 2020 applications were withdrawn by Shell and Cavvy in 2021. As part of engagement undertaken during the previous licence transfer processes, Shell and Cavvy committed to notify stakeholders should new applications be filed. This letter provides notice that Shell and Cavvy intend to file those applications.
- Since the sale closed in 2019, Cavvy has safely and responsibly owned and operated the Foothills assets, while Shell has remained the licensee of record under the AER's regulatory oversight. The companies have continued to work collaboratively on a path forward to fully align regulatory accountability, ownership and operational control.

2026 Licence Transfer Applications

Since 2021, the AER's licence transfer framework has continued to develop. Shell and Cavvy have worked through these changes and will advance transfer applications in compliance with the current regulatory requirements.

Unlike the previous transfer applications, the proposed 2026 licence transfer applications will exclude the licences for the majority of abandoned well sites (wells that are permanently sealed and taken out of service) as Shell and Cavvy have determined that these sites and related licences will remain with Shell and will not be transferred to Cavvy.

If you are interested in receiving more information about the applications from Shell or Cavvy, please submit a request to FHlicencetransfer@cavvyenergy.com or Cavvy Energy, Suite 1100, 411 – 1 Street SE, Calgary, AB, T2G 4Y5, Att: Foothills Licence Transfer.

Sincerely,



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