AGENDA
COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9
Tuesday, November 24, 2026
3:00 pm
Council Chambers

A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

B. DELEGATION

C. MINUTES/NOTES

1. Council Committee Minutes
   - November 10, 2026
2. Council Meeting Minutes
   - November 10, 2026
3. Coffee with Council – Division 2
   - November 17, 2026
4. Special Council Meeting Minutes
   - November 18, 2026

D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

E. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

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 November 17, 2026
      - Schedule A – Shop/Fleet Report
   b) Utilities and Infrastructure Report
      - Report from Utilities and Infrastructure, dated November 18, 2026
   c) Alberta Municipal Water/Wastewater Partnership (AMWWP) Regional Storage Grant Amendment and Drought and Flood Protection Program (DFPP) Application
      - Report from Utilities and Infrastructure, dated November 19, 2026
   d) Water for Life Grant – Regional Water System Feasibility Study – Town of Pincher Creek
      - Report from Utilities and Infrastructure, dated November 19, 2026

2. Finance

3. Planning and Community Services

   a) Bylaw 1380-26 Land Use Bylaw Amendment – Home-Based Businesses
      - Report from Development, dated November 18, 2026
   b) Municipal District of Willow Creek No. 26
      - Letter of Thanks for CPO Potter
   c) RCMP Quarterly Community Update
      - Crowsnest Pass RCMP
      - Pincher Creek

4. Municipal

   a) CAO Report
      - Report from Administration, dated November 19, 2026
   b) December Council Meeting Discussion
   c) Memorial Community Centre Ice Arena Renovation Funding Request
      - Report from Administration, dated November 19, 2026

H. CORRESPONDENCE

1) For Action

a) Town of Pincher Creek
   - Invitation to Advertise in the 2027 Pincher Creek Visitor Guide
b) Becky L. Stoddard
   - Concerns about Data Centres
c) Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC)
   - Notice of Application – Alberta British Columbia Intertie
d) Alternative Land Use Services (ALUS)
   - Request for gift basket for Alberta Professional Outfitters Society
e) Farming Smarter
   - Letter of Support Request

2) For Information

a) Family and Community Support Services
   - Recognizing 60 Years of FCSS Partnership

I. NEW BUSINESS

J. CLOSED MEETING SESSION

a) Union Negotiations Update – ATIA Sec. 19.1
b) Salary Grid Review – ATIA Sec. 19.1
c) CAO Review – ATIA Sec. 19.1

K. ADJOURNMENT

MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9
Tuesday, November 10, 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 Jim Welsch

Moved that the agenda for November 10, 2026, be amended to include, in closed session, a discussion on Public Consultation – Sec. 29.1,

AND THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

Carried

2. Delegations

a) Massiff Energy

Tristan Walker of Massiff Energy attended the meeting to discuss Solar Plans in the MD of Pincher Creek. The MD of Pincher Creek recently received funding from the Federation of Canadian Municipalities.

Next steps could include continuing to plan a community solar energy project, including public open houses. Key sites were identified in the last presentation (included in the package), including gravel pits near Lundbreck, Summerview, and Beaver Mines with access to capacity and existing infrastructure.

Currently, there is a 20% funding gap; for the MD to retain ownership, they would need to provide the remaining funding. The other option is to bring in a private funder to start this process, or to form an investor cooperative made up of local residents who would benefit from any financial gains generated by the project.

Council appreciated the update and looks forward to receiving further updates as they become available. Tristen Walker left the meeting at 11:20 am.

Reeve Rick Lemire introduced the new civic reporter, Joash Rushton, to Council and staff.

3. Closed Session

Councillor Dave Cox

Moved that Council move into closed session to discuss the following, the time being 11:23 am.

a) Draft Bylaw 1379-26 - ATIA Sec. 29.1
b) Draft 2027 Operating Budget – ATIA Sec. 29.1
c) Public Consultation – Sec. 29.1

Carried

Councillor Dave Cox

Moved that Council move out of closed session, the time being 2:41 pm.

Carried

4. Round Table

5. Adjournment

Councillor Tony Bruder

Moved that the committee meeting adjourn at 2:43 pm.

Carried

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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

MINUTES **10186**
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
NOVEMBER 10, 2026

The Regular Meeting of Council of the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 was held on Tuesday, November 10, 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 3:22 pm.

A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Councillor Dave Cox 26/498

Moved that the agenda for November 10, 2026, be amended to include:

Municipal

b) Bylaw 1379-26 – Road Bans (amending Traffic Bylaw)

AND THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

Carried

B. DELEGATION

Robert Wolbert attended the meeting to discuss road bans in the Municipality, specifically old Highway 3, Airport Road.

Robert stated that a section of old Highway 3 has raised concerns, and that he heard Council banned the road in the 1980s to slow traffic. He questioned why other roads aren't banned despite heavier traffic. Historically, Public Works and Council set road bans based on road conditions. Engineering work has been completed on certain roads, and bans have been adjusted accordingly.

MD has road bans in place to prevent road damage. Road use agreements may be available for approval to haul over a certain weight along gravel roads; residents need to work with the Public Works Manager to have one drafted.

MD is waiting for a finalized engineering study of old Highway 3 to assess the road's condition before lifting the ban. Robert said the road has been in this condition for as long as he can remember and questioned why the MD can't lift the ban while awaiting the study. To support compliance, the MD has chosen to keep the current ban in place rather than lift and reinstate it.

Other landowners were also in attendance. One colony member said he had secured a road use agreement for one section but not another, which made the agreement useless.

Reeve Rick Lemire stated that Council will continue discussing a potential solution at the next Council meeting and will contact the residents. Robert Wolbert and other residents left the meeting at 3:25 pm.

C. MINUTES

1) Council Committee Meeting Minutes – October 27, 2026

Councillor Jim Welsch 26/499

Moved that the minutes of the Council Committee Meeting of October 27, 2026, be approved as presented.

Carried

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2) Council Organizational Meeting Minutes – October 27, 2026

Councillor Dave Cox 26/500

Moved that the minutes of the Council Organizational Meeting of October 27, 2026, be approved as presented.

Carried

3) Council Meeting Minutes – October 27, 2026

Councillor Tony Bruder 26/501

Moved that the minutes of the Council Meeting of October 27, 2026, be approved as presented.

Carried

D. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

E. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

F. COMMITTEE REPORTS / DIVISIONAL CONCERNS

1. Councillor Tony Bruder – Division 1
   - Crowsnest Pincher Creek Landfill Association
   - Alternative Land Use System (tree program)
   - Rural Municipalities of Alberta Conference
2. Reeve Rick Lemire – Division 2
   - Rural Municipalities of Alberta Conference
   - Mayors and Reeves
3. Councillor Dave Cox– Division 3
   - Rural Municipalities of Alberta Conference (Financial Education Course)
   - Pincher Creek Foundation
4. Councillor Jim Welsch - Division 4
   - Pincher Creek Foundation
   - Police Advisory Meeting (next one November 18, open invitation to Councillors to attend and listen to a presentation from Men&)
   - Rural Municipalities of Alberta Conference
5. Councillor John MacGarva – Division 5
   - FCSS (Seniors group)
   - Rural Municipalities of Alberta Conference (Financial Education Course)
   - Lundbreck Citizens Council

Councillor Tony Bruder 26/502

Moved to accept the Committee Reports as information.

Carried

G. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

1. Operations

a) Public Works Operations Report

Councillor John MacGarva 26/503

Moved that Council receive the Public Works Operations Report, including Schedule A – Shop/Fleet Report, for the period October 19, 2026, to November 1, 2026, as information.

Carried

b) Proposed Amendments to C-PW-001 – Private Driveway Grading Requests

Councillor Tony Bruder 26/504

Moved that policy C-PW-001 – Private Driveway Grading Requests be approved as presented.

Carried

c) Utilities & Infrastructure Report

Councillor Jim Welsch 26/505

Moved that Council receive the Utilities & Infrastructure report for October 21, 2026, to November 5, 2026, as information.

Carried

2. Finance

a) Transfer of Unrestricted Surplus

Councillor Dave Cox 26/506

Moved that Council approve the transfer of $1,000,000 from the Unrestricted Surplus to the Regional Community Reserve.

Carried

3. Development and Community Services

a) Application for a Departmental Licence of Occupation for Access - Castle River Rodeo Grounds

Councillor Dave Cox 26/507

Moved that Council authorize Administration to apply for a Departmental Licence of Occupation (DLO) to allow Steve Oczkowski to cross portions of NW 27-6-2 W5 and NE 27-6-2 W5 to access SE 27-6-2 W5 for personal use.

Carried

b) Update to Fees & Charges Policy - Development Permit Fees

Councillor Tony Bruder 26/508

Moved that administration continue to explore options to increase development permit fees as part of Policy 529 – Fees and Charges.

Carried

4. Municipal

a) CAO Report

Councillor Jim Welsch 26/509

Moved that Council receive the CAO Report for the period October 26, 2026, to November 6, 2026, as information.

Carried

b) Bylaw 1379-26 – Road Bans (amending Traffic Bylaw)

Councillor Dave Cox 26/510

Moved that Bylaw 1379-26 – Road Bans, amending Traffic Bylaw 1365-25, be given first reading.

Carried

Councillor Jim Welsch 26/511

Moved that Bylaw 1379-26 – Road Bans, amending Traffic Bylaw 1365-25, be given second reading.

Carried

Councillor Dave Cox 26/512

Moved that Bylaw 1379-26 – Road Bans, amending Traffic Bylaw 1365-25, be presented for third reading.

Carried

Councillor Jim Welsch 26/513

Moved that Bylaw 1379-26 – Road Bans, amending Traffic Bylaw 1365-25, be given third and final reading.

Carried

H. CORRESPONDENCE

A. For Action

a) Ianthe Goodfellow - Request for Lights for Football

Councillor Tony Bruder 26/514

Moved that the letter from Ianthe Goodfellow, for a request for lights for football, be received as information,

AND THAT as it references Town property, administration forward the letter to the Town.

Carried

b) Town of Pincher Creek - Hometown Holiday Fest Parade

Councillor Dave Cox 26/515

Moved that Council be authorized to attend and participate in the Town of Pincher Creek Hometown Holiday Fest Parade on November 27, 2026,

AND THAT administration arrange for a vehicle and supplies for the parade.

Carried

c) Oldman Watershed Council - Annual Request for Support

Councillor Dave Cox 26/516

Moved that Council support the Oldman Watershed Council for 2027.

Defeated

d) Emerging Trends 2027 - Save the Date for February 2027

Councillor Tony Bruder 26/517

Moved that Council be authorized to attend the virtual session of Emerging Trends on February 11, 2027,

AND THAT administration be directed to schedule the event in Council chambers.

Carried

e) St. Michael's School - Volleyball & Basketball Fundraiser Event Request for Sponsorship

Councillor Tony Bruder 26/518

Moved that the fundraising request for the Volleyball & Basketball fundraiser be received as information.

Carried

B. For Information

a) Alberta Transportation and Economic Corridors

Councillor John MacGarva 26/519

Moved that the Alberta Transportation and Economic Corridors correspondence on Alberta's Automated Traffic Enforcement (ATE) program be received as information.

Carried

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Councillor Tony Bruder 26/520

Moved that Council recess the meeting at 4:52 pm.

Carried

Councillor Dave Cox 26/521

Moved that the meeting reconvene at 6:05 pm.

Carried

I. NEW BUSINESS

J. CLOSED SESSION

Councillor John MacGarva 26/522

Moved that Council move into closed session to discuss the following, the time being 6:05 pm.

a) Head Count – Budget 2027 – ATIA – Section 19.1
b) CAO Review – ATIA – Section 19.1

Councillor Dave Cox 26/523

Moved that Council move out of closed session, the time being 7:18 pm.

Carried

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K. ADJOURNMENT

Councillor Jim Welsch 26/524

Moved that Council adjourn the meeting, the time being 5:30 pm.

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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Coffee with Council – Division 2
Tuesday, November 17, 2026
6:00 pm
MD Office

Attendees:

Reeve Rick Lemire, Deputy Reeve Tony Bruder, Councillors Dave Cox, John MacGarva and Jim Welsch, CAO Roland Milligan, Public Works Manager Alan McRae, Community Peace Officer Robyn Potter and Executive Assistant Jessica McClelland.

Audience:

2 residents from Division 1

Welcome from (Division 2 Councillor) Reeve, Rick Lemire

- Welcomed all to the meeting and thanked everyone for coming out.
- Introduced Councillors and MD staff.
- Reminder that the meeting is for all topics.

Residents asked Council to explain what "Direct Control" is defined as:

- It is a specialized zoning designation used by local governments to regulate land use and development on a site-specific basis when standard zoning districts do not fit a project
- Under direct control, municipal council sets custom rules for a specific parcel or area rather than relying solely on standard district regulations
- Gives Council more authority over regular rules set out in the Land-Use Bylaw
- Example – a couple of years ago MD Council zoned a gravel pit as "direct control" which allowed then to set 24 separate conditions in order for the company to get an approved permit
    - Some of the extra requirements were:
    - Hours of operations
    - Noise levels
    - Watering of roads to reduce dust

What happens if the applicant doesn't want to meet the requirements?

- Then they aren't approved for a permit

Is there a judicial review process for direct control?

- No, not at the MD level
- AUC may have other requirements, outside of MD requirements

With direct control, does that mean the Land Use Bylaw (LUB) doesn't matter?

- No, direct control is part of a LUB
- It allows Council to set conditions over and above what is listed in the LUB
- Council would only use direct control in certain circumstances
- Other Municipalities already had Data Centers as part of their LUB, which mean an application only had to meet the requirements of the LUB to be approved by the Development Officer – Direct Control means Council reviews that application

Does it change public process?

- No, whether it's direct control or not, there is a public process in the Municipal Government Act that needs to be followed, including advertising and notification periods

Coffee with Council – Division 2
Tuesday November 17, 2026

The MD Council noted that, while in Edmonton for the recent Rural Municipalities Convention, its members spoke with another municipality dealing with data centres. That municipality chose not to use Direct Control and instead left the discussion to its planning commission. There, the planning commission consisted of only one councillor, with the rest being members-at-large. In the MD of Pincher Creek, the planning commission consists of all of Council and two members-at-large.

Is there an update on a data center application?

- The MD has not received an application to date
- Council has discussed with the Development Officer about including a section on the MD website specifically about the proposed project, as a place for residents to look for updates
- If anyone has questions, please call the office or your Councillor

Eco-Centre

- MD Council reviewed the changes to recycling as set by the Province and the changes this meant to the eco-centre

Gravel Pits

- Province recently took over approval process for gravel pits
- Residents asked if there was a new gravel pit North of Cowley
    - Yes, that is an MD pit
    - Gravel is needed for roads and in short supply

Airport

- MD has applied for a grant with the Town for a study to get utilities to the airport in order to grow our facility
- Alberta SouthWest has a project to increase usage of smaller airports for economic benefit (Aeronautical Hub)
- Grants have been approved over the years for lighting and painting on the runway
- MD is actively trying to move the airport project forward

Meeting concluded at 7:00 pm.

MINUTES **10192**
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
NOVEMBER 18, 2026

The Special Meeting of Council of the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 was held on Tuesday, November 18, 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, and Executive Assistant Jessica McClelland.

OTHER Town of Pincher Creek: Mayor Wayne Oliver, Councillors Gord McMullen, Sahra Nodge, Val Wynder, Brian McGillivray and Bernice Cyr, CAO Konrad Dunbar, Director of Corporate Services Wendy Catonio, Director of Public Services Brian Millis, and Recreation Manager Adam Grose.

Reeve Rick Lemire called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Councillor Dave Cox 26/525

Moved that the agenda for the Special Meeting of November 18, 2026, be approved as presented.

Carried

B. DELEGATION

Fire Chief Pat Neuman presented the 2027 budget for the Pincher Creek Emergency Services Commission.

Councillor Tony Bruder 26/526

Moved that the 2027 Pincher Creek Emergency Services Commission presentation be received as information.

Carried

C. NEW BUSINESS

1) Arena Funding/Grant Information

Town CAO Konrad Dunbar presented an outline of the funding plans, project scope, and timelines for renovating and constructing a (new/remodeled) ice arena in Pincher Creek. Funding is suggested from Town reserves, the MD, and applying for multiple grants, including the Community Facility Enhancement Program (CFEP) and the Build Community Strong Fund (BCSF).

The MD Council asked why this item wasn't vetted through the Intermunicipal Collaborative Framework Committee (ICF). The Town CAO stated that, due to the grant timeline, the item needed to be considered sooner. A future ICF meeting will be arranged to discuss the arena upgrades further, and the MD will be kept informed of all information the Town has moving forward.

The Town Council discussed arena upgrades at its October Committee of the Whole meeting, noting concerns about the floor, trusses, and ice plant. Currently, the trusses are holding well but do not meet current building code. The bigger concerns are the floor, ice plant, and changing-room situation.

The Reeve suggested speaking with a grant writer about additional grants available to municipalities for accessibility. MD Council noted that, during the discussion about the curling facility, Town administration told them the arena had several years left before funding would be needed. MD Council has requested long-range recreation planning for several years, yet is only given information when an urgent matter requires funding.

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The current ask is for approval to apply for the $1.5 million BCSF grant, due by December 9, 2026, and requiring the demonstration of local and provincial support. MD Council needs a more in-depth discussion before making a decision and will place it on the November 24, 2026 MD Council agenda for further discussion.

Councillor Dave Cox 26/527

Moved that Council receive the Town's presentation on arena updates as information,

AND THAT the presentation and discussion be added to the MD agenda for the November 24, 2026, Council meeting.

Carried

2) Joint Grant Committee Discussion

Joint Grant Subcommittee meeting to be scheduled for January 2027. A second subcommittee (with the same Council members) will be set up to handle paperwork for the Joint Budget process, similar to the Joint Grant process. For continuity, MD administration will arrange and facilitate the first meeting; Town administration will continue the Joint Budget process.

3) Hosting an upcoming Alberta Rural Health Professions Action Plan (RHPAP) conference

Discussion is ongoing about Pincher Creek possibly hosting an upcoming Alberta Rural Health Professionals Action Plan. This would require partnering with neighbouring communities due to the number of rooms needed. A subcommittee may be formed to assist with accommodation, food, and transportation. Further information will come from the Healthcare Committee members when needed.

K. ADJOURNMENT

Councillor John MacGarva 26/528

Moved that Council adjourn the meeting, the time being 7:11 pm.

Carried

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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

Recommendation to Council

TITLE: PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT REPORT	
PREPARED BY: Jeremy Cartwright	**DATE: November 17, 2026**
DEPARTMENT: Public Works	
ATTACHMENTS: **1.Shop/Fleet Report**	

APPROVALS:

	November 17, 2026		2026/11/19
Public Works Manager	**Date**	**CAO**	**Date**

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council accepts the Public Works Department Report for the period of November 2 to November 15, 2026, as information.

Gravel Road Maintenance
-Divisional Maintenance- grading

Vegetation Management
-Skid steer mowing Twp 64A & RR15
-Brushing in Division 4

Bridge Maintenance
- Bridge strip decking repairs on BF# 02064-02 Drywood Creek bridge

Hard Surface Maintenance
-Pothole patching on Twp Rd. 84 and Gladstone
-Summerview soft spot repair completed by Read on Roads

Park Maintenance
- Collect garbage and dog waste bags from Patton Park and the dog park and haul to landfill

Gravel Pit Maintenance
-Sapeta Pit stripped for first block of crushing- Contracted

Recommendation to Council

Culvert Maintenance
- Install culvert extension on south side of approach on RR 282
- Replaced two culverts on West Kerr Road Twp 51

Training
- Online Biz trainer courses
- Operator successfully passed Class 3 driving test

EVENTS
PW Safety Meeting – November 4.2026

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

NONE

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT SCHEDULE "A"

SHOP/FLEET OPERATIONAL REPORT	
PREPARED BY: Brett Ackerman	**DATE: November 17, 2026**
DEPARTMENT: PUBLIC WORKS	**ATTACHMENTS: N/A**

SHOP/FLEET OPERATIONS SUMMARY: November 02, 2026 – November 15, 2026

Graders

Unit # 72 (140) – NOx sensor failure. Circulation fan replacement.
Unit # 59 (160) –12,000 hrs service. Post season inspection, turbo and exhaust manifold replacement, radiator removal and clean. Seat belt replacement – OEM required.

Heavy Trucks/Trailers/Equipment

Unit # 004 (Loader) – Tire repair.

Light Duty and Light Trailers

Unit # 495 (1/2-Ton) – Misfire diagnosis. Failed valve/cylinder head. Sway bar link.
Unit # 507 (1/2-Ton) – LOF, new tires.
Unit # 667 (3/4_ton) – Battery replacement.
Unit # 479 (3/4-ton) – LOF.

EVENTS –

- N/A

M.D. OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9

UTILITIES & INFRASTRUCTURE REPORT

SUMMARY OF MAJOR UPDATES NOV. 5th – 18th

LARGE (PRE-2026) PROJECTS

- Watercourse Remediation Program grant extension received to Apr. 1st, 2028.

LARGE 2026 IMPLEMENTATION PROJECTS

- BF 71542 Indian Creek construction underway. Detour constructed. Downstream end excavation complete.

LARGE 2027+ IMPLEMENTATION PROJECTS

- BF 76203 landowner agreements received and executed. Tender to be released prior to Council.
- Gladstone culvert: Designed reviewed and finalized with confirmation land acquisition can be avoided. Preparing culvert order form.
- Therriault Dam sampling results reviewed, no concerns. Working on land with legal surveyor.
- BF 73608 beaver activity observed. Reviewing options coming Spring.
- Beaver Creek culverts geotechnical drilling complete, awaiting results.

STUDIES & PLANNING WORK

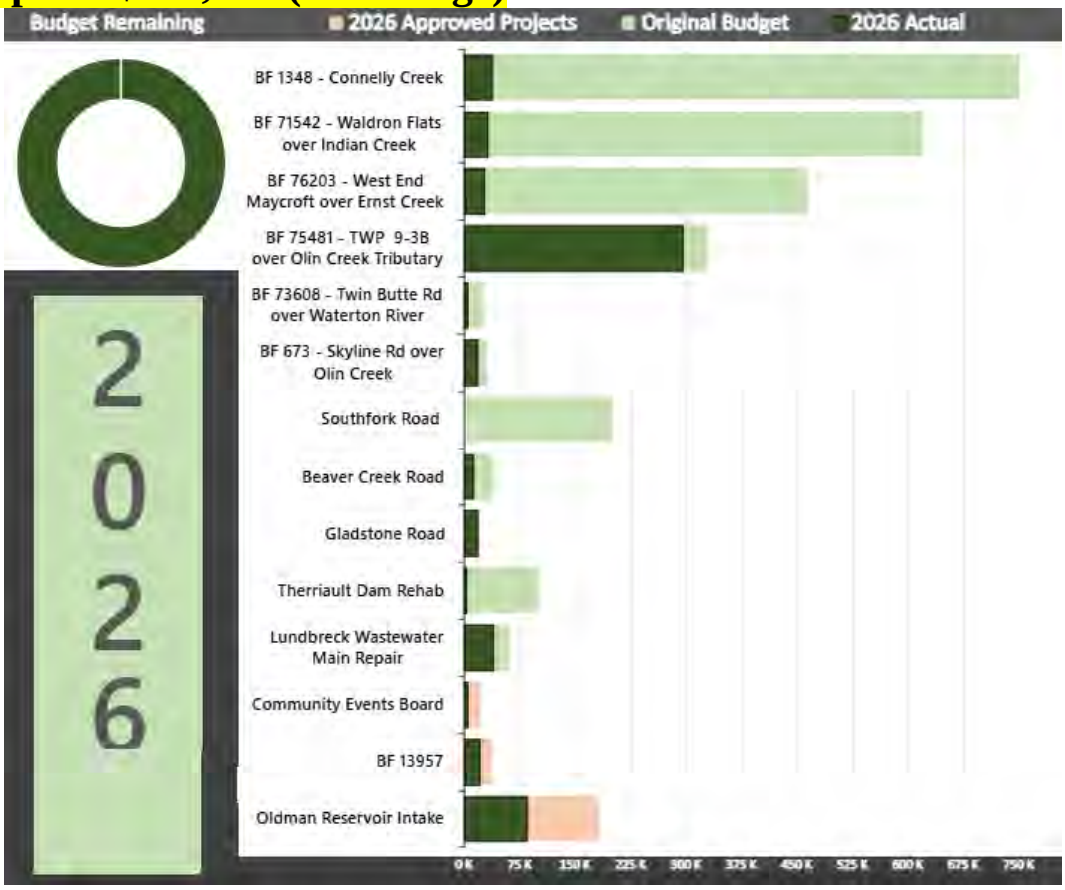
- Regional Facilities Assessment & Master Plan: Draft PW Shop FCA internal review complete.
- Regional Drought Study: Draft report reviewed by AEPA at funders request. Report being finalized for Nov. 30th deadline.
- Southfork road ban assessment: Pressing Tetra Tech on report finalization daily.

OPERATIONS UPDATES

- Reviewing pressure drop/potential leak area on Beaver Mines to CMR pipeline.
- Ordered new timer for standpipe to provide finer tuning adjustments.
- Waste handling contract revision discussions ongoing with CNPCL.

General Projects Budget Update

2026 Approved Budget: $3,331,182. Nov 17th Spent: $615,851 ~~Oct 19th Spent: $598,319 (No change)~~



Large Ongoing Projects (Pre-2026 Construction Start)

Oldman Reservoir Water Intake Low Level Project

- $1.68M grant application finalized Jan 30th, 2024.
  - Approval received for $1.8M project, covering up to 75% of costs.
- DFPP (Drought and Flood Protection Program) grant tops up capital project and covers 70% of costs for a Drought Projects Assessment.
- 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 designer 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

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

- Met with funder Jun. 7th, discussed ongoing work and potential for extension. Funder working on extension. Extension received Nov. 16th to Apr. 1st, 2028. Executed.
- Grant status report 4 submitted Oct. 28th.

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

- Project complete, in warranty phase.
- 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

- Project complete.

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)

- Project complete, warranty monitoring underway.
- 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.
- 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 end of October – continue to press for response.

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.

- STIP application submitted Nov. 24th. Unsuccessful.
- 8 bids received (**$525,504 to $1,143,360**)
- Awarded to low bidder Whissell Contracting Ltd. Aug. 11th. Contract signed Sep. 8th.
- Construction kicked off Nov. 6th. Crews mobilized Nov. 10th. Detour constructed. Downstream end excavation complete.

November 12, 2026

Detour road construction in progress



November 12, 2026

Detour road and temporary sideslope construction in progress



Pisony 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.

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

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.

- STIP application submitted Nov. 24th. Unsuccessful.
- Received funder guidance/approval to proceed with prelim eng. under WCR program.
    - Notified funder we are proceeding with design with intent to construct.
- Replacement recommendation is a 3.3m diameter x 64m L culvert (nearly the same as budget assumption).
- 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.
- Tender drafted June 29th, reviewed. Awaiting land prior to Tender.
    - Land discussions ongoing, modified IOP redrafted and approved Aug 27th.
- 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.

- STIP application submitted Nov. 24th. Notice of success received June 17th, 2026.
- Land acquisition underway.
    - 2 of 2 agreements executed.
- RDS submitted. Province returned May 14th with deficiencies. Resubmitted.
- 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.
- Tender drafted June 26th, reviewed. Final tender draft reviewed, to be released prior to Council due back early December.
- 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.

- 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.
- Awarded design and land work Sep 10th. Survey complete.

- Draft design review complete Nov. 10th. Legal survey resulted in project area shifting within road ROW. With careful planning on single lane bypass, land requirements can now be avoided.
- Preparing culvert order from.

Southfork Hill Road

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

- Per 2026 capital budget, project deferred due to unsuccessful STIP application.
- 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.
- Proceeding with 2027 LMI STIP application again, with design work occurring after STIP result regardless of outcome.

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.

- DFPP application submitted Nov. 27th. Grant agreement received and executed June 5th.
- Amended scope awarded Jul 21st.
- Land acquisition underway for spillway scope – IOP reviewed Aug. 27th. Met with landowner Sep. 14th, reviewing acquisition plan. Potential path forward reviewed, engaging with legal surveyor prior to finalizing.
- Raw Water Utilization Study site kickoff complete Aug 10th, potential blue-green algae blooms observed. Sampling complete, all tested parameters confirmed below or within recommended ranges. Blue-green algae not observed in results at time of test.
- AEPA has requested more background study information for Water Act application. Awaiting response.

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.

- Damage to bridge secondary bracing was recently noticed – offending party identified. Professional assessment complete Jul. 20th defining damage and required repair scope. Inspection bill and cost estimate for repairs sent to offending party end of October.
- Preliminary eng. estimate received.
- Beaver activity observed early November potentially within work area. To be reassessed in the Spring for next steps if activity remains or active den in work area. Reached out to ALUS to discuss options.

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.

- Fish passage anticipated to be a requirement at this site. Current site likely inhibits.
- 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.
- 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.

- Maintenance not anticipated to be feasible. Assessment of options required.
- Site visits complete.
- 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.
- Budget pricing obtained for bored options, verified cost efficiency over other options.
- Geotechnical work awarded Oct. 7th to confirm viability. Drilling complete Nov. 16th, awaiting results.

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.

- Grant agreement applied for by MD on October 1, 2026 deadline.
- 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.

- Grant agreement received and signed May 13th, executed by Province Jun. 1st.

- Project awarded to Parsus Jul. 9th for total contract value of $200,000 (including $62,050 Contract Allowance).
- Initial site visits complete (38 facilities over 5 days), 3D scans complete.
- Requested and received draft Public Works shop facility condition assessment Nov. 2nd prior to remainder of assessments. Internal review complete, commented back Nov. 17th.

Regional Drought Strategic Implementation Strategy & Raw Water Storage Project

- Grant received (up to 70%) for a Drought Projects Assessment under DFPP.
- Grant application for 3 month (25-year) forecasted volumes received from AEPA.
  - $3.4M project, up to 75% of costs.
  - ATEC has confirmed stacking of AMMWP Raw Water Storage grant funds acceptable for the Drought Projects Assessment (Phase 2).
- Draft final memo reviewed with Council alongside 2027 budget discussions. Report under finalization.
  - Draft report sent to AEPA for review, comments received Nov. 6th.
  - DFPP funding opened Nov. 3rd, deadline Dec. 21st, 2026. Cost share has dropped from 70 to 50%.
  - Finalizing report for Nov. 30th deadline.

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

- Gravel pit report presented to Council Apr. 28th, 2026.
- Maycroft report presented to Council Jul. 14th, 2026.
- ACP funding closeout submission complete Jul. 20th, 2026.
- 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

- Quarterly documented monitoring required.
- 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

- Airport pavement assessment kicked off May 29th, 2 of 2 site visits complete.
  - Draft report received Oct. 23rd, reviewed and provided comments back to MPE on the 28th. MPE confirmed they are revising per comments. Expect to receive mid December.
- Revised costing for Southfork road assessment received Feb. 18th. Council approved up to $30,000 for Southfork road assessment Mar. 10th.

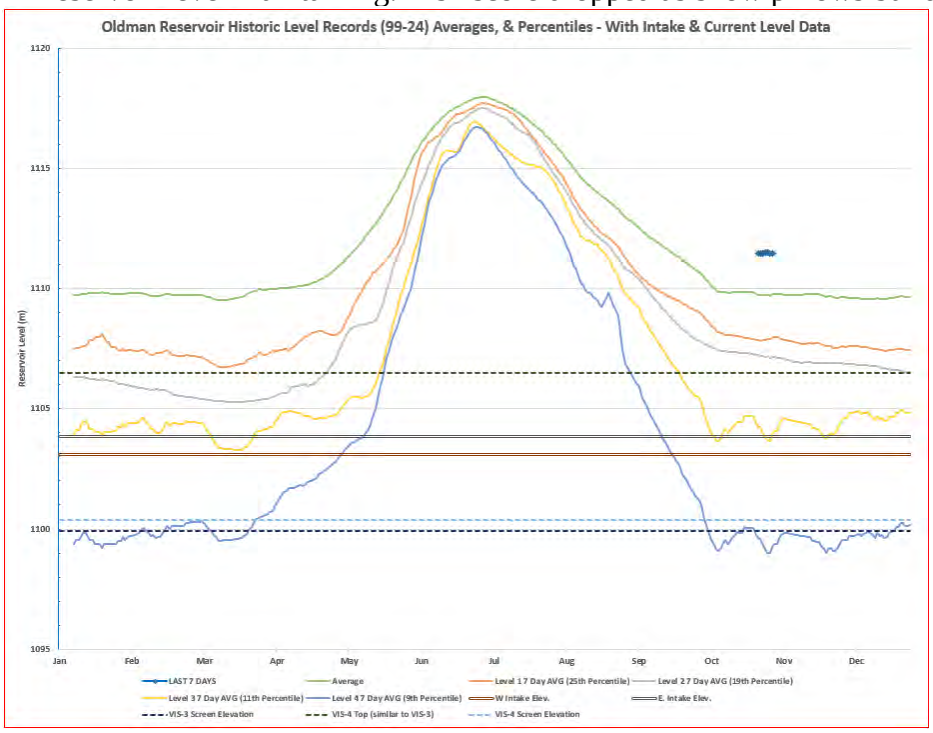
- Formally awarded May 22nd, both rounds of FWD and GPR data has been collected, analysis draft received Oct. 14th. Comments sent back for review. Additional comments reviewed by Tetra Tech Nov. 2nd, response given by MD. Received cost option to perform segmented analysis in separate memo.
- Tetra Tech proceeding with finalizing report #1 after final MD comments Nov. 13th. Following up daily, awaiting final report.

Operations Updates

WATER SHORTAGE RESPONSE PLAN

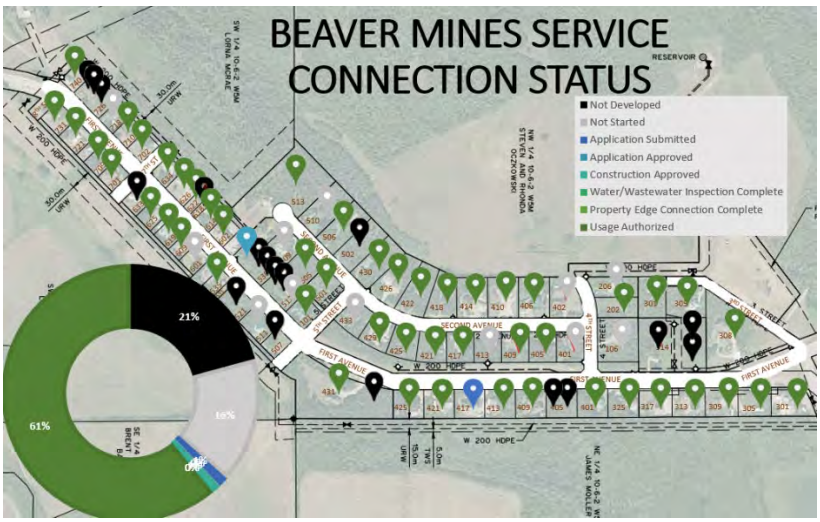
Implemented Stage: Normal (Restrictions ended Dec. 13th, 2025)

- Monitoring risk scoring once/month. Risk assessed Nov. 2nd: 3.9
  - Reservoir level maintaining. Risk score dropped as snow pillows build again.



Beaver Mines Lot Servicing

- 52/64 developed applications received, 51 approved, 50 connected (78%)
  - Fifteen (15) undeveloped fully serviced locations, One (1) exempt with conditions
  - Plan for unconnected dwellings come Jan. 1, 2028 reviewed with Council in Closed.
    - Brownlee and MD are working towards next steps by December.



General Water Operations Updates Nov. 17th, 2026:

- Reinstalled plug in Waste Pond at WTP.
- Final inspection complete and water turned for a new Lundbreck Service Connection.
- Reviewing dual Service site in Lundbreck after discovering both curbstops on.
- Reviewing dropping pressure in the Beaver Mines to CMR pipeline, appears to be isolated to AB Parks section. Reviewed with Parks, issue appears to be on MD end.
- Adjusting billing for rural service which had lock removed by user group.
- Standpipe flow testing & calibration refinement underway. Found a feasible path forward for more accurate timer setup. Ordering new timer with more refined increments.
- Water/wastewater application received SW of Beaver Mines, application sent back with comments. Site review complete Nov. 4th.
- Reviewing plan for imminent loss of 3G support for backup dialers. Require replacement of multiple dialers compatible with 4G, awarding through contractor. Near $15,000 value.
- Recent high Bac-T tests may trigger additional testing requirements for AEPA's Water Resource Assessment for Giardia and Cryptosporidium. AEPA has verbally confirmed Giardia and Cryptosporidium sampling will be required in 2027/2028.
- BM SMH29 exterior seal complete by Westerra. Drainage issues observed with melt, ditch work done Nov. 4th. Anticipate seed/surface work required in Spring.
- 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 Nov. 17th, 2026:

- Handling various Airport related inquiries.
- 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 complete 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.
- 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.
    - Meeting held with Manager Nov. 5th. Very significant increase proposed. Discussion ongoing with CNPCL.

Recommendation:
That the Utilities & Infrastructure report for November 5th – 18th, 2026 received as information.

Prepared by: David Desabrais Date: November 18th, 2026

Council Meeting Date: November 27th, 2026

Administration Recommendation to Council

TITLE: Water for Life Grant – Regional Water System Feasibility Study – Town of Pincher Creek			
PREPARED BY: David Desabrais		**DATE: November 19th, 2026**	
DEPARTMENT: Utilities & Infrastructure			
David Desabrais	Nov 19/26	**ATTACHMENTS:** 1.	
Department Supervisor	**Date**		
APPROVALS:			
David Desabrais	Nov 19/26	**Roland Milligan**	
Department Director	**Date**	**CAO**	**Date**

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council supports submission of a 2026/27 $115,000 Water For Life grant application phased over 2 years in support of the Regional Water System Feasibility Study project and is prepared to manage the grant project and related compliance requirements as the managing partner.

BACKGROUND:

- The MD of Pincher Creek (MD) applied with the Town of Pincher Creek (Town) for a $165,000 Alberta Community Partnership (ACP) – Intermunicipal Collaboration (IC) grant for a "Regional Water and Wastewater Expansion & Upgrade Plan" to the Airport and Pincher Station on October 1st, 2026, with a 10% municipal contribution.
- The Provincial Water for Life (WFL) grant program (deadline November 30th, 2026) also provides cost-shared funding to groups of 2+ municipalities, recognizing that *"regional systems are more cost effective and environmentally sustainable than independent systems."*
- WFL funds (among other things):
  - Feasibility studies for regional systems.
  - Pipelines for new regional water/wastewater systems.
  - Existing water or wastewater treatment facility upgrades at a hub-supplier's plant for new customers.
  - Ensuring pipeline has the capacity for future extensions to additional regional customers.
- Generally, WFL has stricter funding requirements (limitations in scope and restrictions on how the studies are completed to prepare for capital projects) than the ACP grant. However, feasibility studies are funded at 100% and have a good likelihood of supporting future grant funded capital projects.
- After submission of the ACP grant, Administration started working with MPE towards a WFL application for a Regional Water System Feasibility Study feasibility study ($115,000 valuation).

Administration Recommendation to Council

The scope differs from the ACP grant to fit under WFL requirements. The proposed scope includes the following:

- Detailed Town Water Treatment Plant (WTP) assessment of capacity, historical flows, treatment processes, availability reserve capacity for regional servicing.
- Identification of upgrade requirements to treatment plant, pumping, storage, and transmission upgrades to support regional servicing.
- Assessment of Town water distribution system and potential upgrades required to support regional expansion.
- Airport and Pincher Station demand assessment updates, including fire protection review
- Pipeline routing and servicing review.
- Preparation of reports to support future WFL capital grant requests.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

- 100% grant funded if successful.

Administration Recommendation to Council

TITLE: Alberta Municipal Water/Wastewater Partnership (AMWWP) Regional Raw Water Storage Grant Amendment and Drought and Flood Protection Program (DFPP) Application			
PREPARED BY: David Desabrais		**DATE: November 19th, 2026**	
DEPARTMENT: Utilities & Infrastructure			
David Desabrais	Nov 19/26	**ATTACHMENTS:** 1.	
Department Supervisor	**Date**		
APPROVALS:			
David Desabrais	Nov 19/26	**Roland Milligan**	2026/11/19
Department Director	**Date**	**CAO**	**Date**

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council supports the submission of a 2026/27 Alberta Municipal Water / Wastewater Partnership Program (AMWWP) grant application for additional grant funding up to a total project value of $6,565,000 in support of the Regional Raw Water Storage Reservoir project cost escalations and is prepared to manage the grant project and related compliance requirements, and further;

That Council supports the submission of a 2026/27 Drought and Flood Protection Program (DFPP) grant application for the same project and total project value.

BACKGROUND:

- The MD of Pincher Creek (MD) applied and successfully received a $3.4M Alberta Municipal Water / Wastewater Partnership Program (AMWWP) grant for raw water storage in June of 2024.
  - The funding share is 75% grant ($2,550,000) / 25% municipal contribution ($850,000).
- The MD also successfully applied for and received $145,000 for a Drought Projects Assessment under the Drought and Flood Protection Program (DFPP) stream September of 2024, which was also considered a "preliminary phase" of the AMWWP grant.
  - The funding share is 70% DFPP grant ($145,000) / 30% AMWWP ($32,625) / municipal contribution ($10,875).
- The Drought Projects Assessment was reviewed with Council and is being finalized by end of November, 2026. Direction was given by Council to proceed down the path of working towards a raw water storage project, in line with the study recommendation.
- The revised 2026/27 project cost is $6,565,000 which is a cost increase of $3,165,000.
- The DFPP grant program has opened for 2026/27. Funding percentage dropped from 70% to 50%.

Administration Recommendation to Council

- Revised possible funding outcomes are as follows:

		FUNDING SCENARIO							
		FULL AMWWP + DFPP		FULL AMWWP ONLY		EXISTING AMWWP + DFPP		EXISTING AMWWP ONLY	
PROJECT DESCRIPTION	ESTIMATED CAPITAL COST	GRANT FUNDED PORTION	MD PORTION	GRANT FUNDED PORTION	MD PORTION	GRANT FUNDED PORTION	MD PORTION	GRANT FUNDED PORTION	MD PORTION
Raw Water Storage (Final)	$ 6.57 M	$ 5.74 M	$ 0.82 M	$ 4.92 M	$ 1.64 M	$ 4.56 M	$ 2.01 M	$ 2.55 M	$ 4.02 M

- The Raw Water Storage estimated cost has dropped from $8.6M to $6.57M. However, due to the DFPP funding change, the MD funded portion is expected to remain similar to previous Council presentations.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:
Dependent on grant outcomes.

Recommendation to Council

TITLE:	**BYLAW No. 1380-26 (Land Use Bylaw Amendment – Home Based Businesses)**		
PREPARED BY:	**Laura McKinnon**	**DATE:**	**November 18, 2026**
DEPARTMENT:	**Planning and Development**		
Department Supervisor	**Date** 2026/11/19	**ATTACHMENTS:** 1. Bylaw No. 1380-26	

APPROVALS:

Department Director	**Date**	**CAO**	**Date** 2026/11/18

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council give first reading to Bylaw No. 1380-26, being the Land Use Bylaw Amendment (Home Based Businesses), and set a date for the required Public Hearing on January 12, 2027 at 3:00 pm.

BACKGROUND:

Through the years bylaws can become outdated and require updates to keep current with the changing desires and wishes of Council, the public, and even provincial and/or federal regulations.

The current Land Use Bylaw, Bylaw No. 1349-23 was adopted in Spring 2024, with various amendments including alignment with the Municipal Development Plan and Castle Mountain Resort Area Structure Plan.

The general purpose of Bylaw No. 1380-26 is to redefine home occupations, categorize home occupations into three classifications and assign the classifications as either permitted or discretionary in the Land Use Bylaw.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

None.

MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF PINCHER CREEK NO. 9
BYLAW NO. 1380-26

Being a bylaw of the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 in the Province of Alberta, to amend Bylaw No. 1349-23, being the Land Use Bylaw.

WHEREAS Section 640 of the Municipal Government Act, Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000, Chapter M-26, as amended, provides that a municipality must pass a Land Use Bylaw;

WHEREAS The Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9 desire to amend sections of the Land Use Bylaw as shown on Schedule 'A' attached hereto; and

WHEREAS The purpose of the proposed amendment is to redefine home occupations, categorize home occupations into three classifications and assign the classifications as either permitted or discretionary within the districts in the Land Use Bylaw;

NOW THEREFORE, under the authority and subject to the provisions of the *Municipal Government Act*, Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000, Chapter M-26, as amended, the Council of the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9, in the Province of Alberta, duly assembled does hereby enact the following:

1. This bylaw shall be cited as "Land Use Bylaw Amendment No. 1380-26".

2. Amendments to Land Use Bylaw No. 1349-23 as per "Schedule A" attached. That the amendments to Bylaw No. 1349-23, being the Land Use Bylaw, include changes to the Table of Contents, and additions to section that affect numbering and formatting which will be changed to maintain the consistency of the portions of the Bylaw being amended.

3. This bylaw shall come into force and effect upon third and final passing thereof and a consolidated version of the Land Use Bylaw reflecting the amendment is authorized to be prepared by the Chief Administrative Officer.

READ a first time this ____ day of _____, 2026.

A PUBLIC HEARING was held this ____ day of _____, 2026.

READ a second time this ____ day of _____, 2026.

READ a third time and finally PASSED this ____ day of _____, 2026.

_____	_____
Reeve	***Chief Administrative Officer***
Rick Lemire	*Roland Milligan*

SCHEDULE 'A'

1. **Delete from Part I Section 6 the definition for Home Occupation.**

2. **Add to Part I Section 6 Definitions the following:**

Home Based Business

Home Based Business means any occupation, trade, profession or craft carried on by an occupant of a residential building as a use secondary to the property, and which does not change the character thereof. No offensive noise, vibration, smoke, dust, odours, heat, or glare should be produced by the use. For all Home Based Business categories, the use shall not be allowed if the use would be more appropriately be defined as another use or located in a Commercial or Industrial district or if it is deemed incompatible with the residential character of the district or the agricultural character of the area.

Home Based Business 1 means a business where very limited traffic will be generated as a result of the operation, no outside storage, and no related vehicles or trailers. Typical such uses may include an in-home office for business administration, computer or internet based business, direct sales from home, and similar businesses as determined by the development authority.

Home Based Business 2 means a business that may generate limited business-related visits. Up to two non-resident employees may be employed on-site for this type of home based business and up to two related vehicles or trailers may be used. This category may include the use of on-site accessory buildings and limited outdoor storage as part of the development.

Home Based Business 3 means a business that will generate daily or weekly business-related visits. Up to six non-resident employees may be employed on-site for this type of Home Based Business and up to five related vehicles or trailers may be used. This category may include the use of on-site accessory buildings and limited outdoor storage as part of the development.

3. **Revise Part I Section 6.170 changing 'Home Occupation' to 'Home Based Business'.**

4. **Revise Part III Section 15.1 Development Not Requiring a Permit the following:**

bb) Home Based Business 1 as defined and according to Section 47.

5. **Revise Part III Section 22.4 changing 'Home Occupation' to 'Home Based Business'.**

6. **Delete the Part VIII Section 47 for Home Occupations in its entirety.**

7. **Add to Part VIII Special Land Use Provisions the following:**

SECTION 47 HOME BASED BUSINESS

GENERAL PROVISIONS – ALL DISTRICTS

47.1 The following information must be provided with the application for a home based business:

(a) proof of ownership and residency;

(b) description of business;

(c) materials, equipment and/or vehicles that will be used for the home based business;

(d) number of resident and non-resident employees on the premises;

(e) number of business/clients visits per day;

(f) number of parking spaces on the property (within a hamlet only);

(g) projected commercial vehicle traffic volumes related to deliveries or shipping products;

(h) materials or information on what type of business activity will be conducted and if it includes processing, assembly, or manufacturing; and

(i) type of signage for the home based business.

47.2 A home based business shall be operated as a secondary use only and shall not change the principal character or external appearance of the dwelling or building in which it is located.

47.3 A home based business should not be permitted if, in the opinion of the Development Officer or Municipal Planning Commission, it would be more appropriately located in a commercial or industrial land use district.

47.4 A home based business shall not, in the opinion of the Development Officer or Municipal Planning Commission, be a source of inconvenience, materially interfere with or affect the use, enjoyment or value of any neighbouring parcel by way of excessive noise, smoke, steam, odour, dust, vibration or refuse matter which would not be commonly found in the neighbourhood.

47.5 There shall be no mechanical or electrical equipment used which creates visual, audible or electrical interference in radio or television reception.

47.6 A home based business shall not generate an unacceptable level of pedestrian traffic or parking shortage in excess of that which is characteristic of the land use district in which it is located.

47.7 Where approved as part of a development permit, materials shall be stored so as not to be visible from a roadway or adjacent property.

47.8 The Development Authority may limit the number of home based business permits issued to operate per residence if the additional approval would, as determined by the development authority, negatively impact the neighbours or area.

47.9 An application for a home based business shall be considered by the Development Authority upon an application filed by the registered owner of the property.

47.10 The days and hours of operation may be defined and limited by the Development Authority to minimize impacts on surrounding residential uses.

47.11 Based on the information provided in the application, the Development Authority shall determine what classification of Home Based Business is applicable to the application using Table 47.1. If an application exceeds the criteria, then a development permit shall not be issued. The Development Authority may encourage redesignation to a different land use district where appropriate.

Table 47.1 – Home Based Business Classification Criteria

ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS DESIGNATED HAMLETS AND COUNTRY RESIDENTIAL

	Home Based Business 1	**Home Based Business 2**	**Home Based Business 3**
Non-Resident Employees (on premises)	None	Up to 2	Up to 6
Commercial Vehicles and/or Trailers	None	Up to 2	Up to 7
Outside Storage	None	At Development Authority's discretion	At Development Authority's discretion
Accessory Building Use and Size	Not allowed	Allowed Size At Development Authority's discretion	Allowed Size At Development Authority's discretion
Parking Stalls (in a Hamlet only)	One if there are client visits	One per employee plus one for customers	One per employees, plus one for customers
Client visits	0 -5 daily business-related visits	6-10 daily business-related visits	11-15 daily business-related visits

47.12 No advertisement or sign visible from the exterior of the dwelling shall be permitted as part of the home based business other than that provided for under Section 47.9 and 47.10.

47.13 Within a designated hamlet, it is permissible to have one non-illuminated fascia sign or nameplate to identify the home based business not greater than an area of 0.5 m^2 (5.4 ft^2) placed within or flat against the dwelling unit or any accessory building.

47.14 Within a grouped country residential district, it is permissible to have one non-illuminated fascia sign or nameplate to identify the home based business not greater than an area of 1.0 m^2 (10.8 ft^2) placed within or flat against the dwelling unit, accessory building, or as a freestanding sign.

47.15 A home based business within hamlets and the grouped country residential district shall not involve business related exterior manufacturing or repair of goods.

47.16 A home based business permit does not exempt compliance with health regulations or any other municipal or provincial regulations.

47.17 The use shall not cause an increase in the demand placed on any one or more utilities (water or sewer) and the combined total consumption for a dwelling and its home based business does not significantly exceed the average for residences in the area.

8. Revise Part VIII Section 49.5(i) changing 'home occupations' to 'home based businesses'.

9. Revise Part VIII Section 55.14(k) changing 'home occupations' to 'home based businesses'.

10. Delete Home Occupation from all districts listed in Part IX – Districts.

11. Add to Part IX – DISTRICTS Agriculture -A, Airport Vicinity Protection – AVP, Grouped Country Residential – GCR, Hamlet Single-Detached Residential 1 – HR-1, Hamlet Residential 2 – HR-2, Hamlet Manufactured Home Park 3 – HR-3,

Hamlet Transitional / Agricultural – HTA, Rural Business – RB, Rural Recreation 2 – RR-2, Urban Fringe – UF, Wind Farm Industrial – WFI Section 2.1 Permitted Uses the following:

Home based business 1 (see Section 15.1 (bb) and Section 47)

12. **Add to Part IX – DISTRICTS Agriculture -A, Airport Vicinity Protection – AVP, Grouped Country Residential – GCR, Hamlet Single-Detached Residential 1 – HR-1, Hamlet Residential 2 – HR-2, Hamlet Manufactured Home Park 3 – HR-3, Hamlet Transitional / Agricultural – HTA, Rural Business – RB, Rural Recreation 2 – RR-2, Urban Fringe – UF, Wind Farm Industrial – WFI Section 2.2 Discretionary Uses the following:**

    Home based business 2 (see Section 47)

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MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF WILLOW CREEK NO. 26
ENFORCEMENT SERVICES
Director of Enforcement Services

Date: November 17, 2026

Dear Mr. Rolland Milligan – Chief Administrative Officer, M.D. of Pincher Creek

I am writing to express my sincere gratitude for the assistance provided by Community Peace Officer Robyn Potter during the recent execution of a search warrant obtained by Willow Creek Enforcement Services as part of an animal welfare investigation.

This operation was one of the most emotionally, mentally, and physically demanding investigations our department has undertaken. The conditions encountered were difficult, the decisions required were challenging, and the welfare concerns affecting the animals involved were significant. Throughout the operation, Officer Potter demonstrated an exceptional level of professionalism, courage, compassion, and resolve.

Robyn's willingness to step into a highly stressful and emotionally charged environment, while continuing to put the welfare of the animals and the success of the operation first, was truly commendable. She consistently went above and beyond in her efforts to assist our team and played a direct role in ensuring that numerous dogs were removed from harmful conditions and provided an opportunity for a better future. Her actions reflected not only a strong commitment to public service, but also genuine compassion and care for vulnerable animals.

For a department the size of Willow Creek Enforcement Services, operations of this scope would be extremely difficult, if not impossible, to successfully complete. The support provided by Robyn and the M.D. of Pincher Creek was invaluable and is deeply appreciated by both our organization and the many individuals who have since become involved in the care and rehabilitation of these animals.

I would also like to acknowledge the personal impact that incidents such as this can have on those involved. As enforcement professionals, we often encounter situations that remain with us long after the call ends and the reports are written. The emotional burden associated with animal welfare investigations can be substantial, and safeguarding the mental health of our officers remains a top priority. I would encourage continued check-ins and support for Robyn in the days and weeks ahead.

Please extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Robyn for her outstanding service. She represented the M.D. of Pincher Creek with distinction and demonstrated the very best qualities of a Community Peace Officer. Her presence made meaningful difference during this investigation, and Willow Creek Enforcement Services will remain grateful for her assistance.

Thank you once again for your continued partnership and support.

Brad Larsen

Director of Enforcement Services
Inspector, Community Peace Officer #20313
Municipal District of Willow Creek No. 26



November 17, 2026

Sgt Mark Amatto
Detachment Commander
Crowsnest Pass, AB

Dear CAO Roland Milligan,

Please find attached the quarterly Community Policing Report for the period of July 1, 2026 to September 30, 2026. This report provides an overview of human resources, financial information, and crime statistics for the Crowsnest Pass Detachment and reflects the ongoing priorities identified by the community we serve.

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Should you have any questions or wish to continue these discussions, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Sincerely,

Sgt. Mark Amatto
Crowsnest Pass Detachment

Alberta RCMP – Provincial Policing Report

Detachment Information

Detachment Name
Crowsnest Pass

Detachment Commander
Sgt. Mark Amatto

Report Date	Fiscal Year	Quarter
November 17, 2026	2026-27	Q2 (July - September)

Community Priorities

Priority #1: Enhance Road Safety

Updates and Comments:
In Quarter 2, the Crowsnest Pass Detachment fielded 246 traffic-related occurrences, wherein 181 Provincial violations were reported: speed and aggressive driving allegations were established as the highest calls for service within that category. 49 motor vehicle collisions (MVC) were reported, of those collisions, only 3 Non-Fatal MVC's and 2 Off Highway Vehicle collisions had taken place. 13 Impaired Operation of a motor vehicle calls for service were received, of those that were located and upon the conclusion of a thorough investigation, 6 Impaired Operation charges were laid. 8 Joint Force Operations took place in partnership with Alberta Conservation and the Crowsnest Pass Community Peace Officer Program.

Priority #2: Reduce Property Crime

Updates and Comments:
Of the habitual offenders that had been identified for the Habitual Offender Management Program, one is currently in custody at the time of this report. Investigators conduct offender condition compliance as a routine component of their regular duties in order to ensure the conditions imposed upon them by the Court are being followed. 8 curfew checks were conducted, and charges were laid as appropriate. Project CAPTURE resulted in 24 program referrals, which greatly assist police with investigations in and throughout the jurisdiction.

Priority #3: Change Culture and Transform: Domestic Violence

Updates and Comments:
During this reporting period, Crowsnest Pass Detachment Members responded to 23 Domestic Violence-based occurrences, ranging from Mischief to Assault with a Weapon and Forcible Confinement; as a result, 10 occurrences let to criminal charges, wherein the Victims of those crimes received the support of Victim Services referrals, proactive referrals also took place for those who accepted the offer of assistance. Members conducted two presentations in regard to Domestic Violence; those who have concerns or question in regard to Domestic Violence are always encouraged to call or attend the Detachment for assistance, Members will continue to prioritize assisting those who are in need of assistance and/or file creation.

Priority #4: Police Visibility

Updates and Comments:
Crowsnest Pass Detachment Members conducted 11 school and hospital visits, and 15 foot patrols in and throughout the respective communities. Foot patrols are planned throughout the winter months as are enhanced patrols, on an as-needed basis.

Priority #5: Detachment Commander Comments

Updates and Comments:
September 21, 2026, marked 1 year since 6yr old Darius MacDougall was reported missing in the area of Tent Mountain, this remains an area of investigation, and will until he is found. Continued progress has been made across all identified priorities; please know they are not set in stone and may be adjusted to account for any existing or future concerns. As community/agency partnerships continue to be developed and bolstered, your RCMP Membership remains committed to providing the communities' policing services and would like to ensure community members and Council that the door is always open to discuss new initiatives and/or concerns.

Community Consultations

Consultation #1

Date	Meeting Type
July 22, 2026	Meeting with Stakeholders
Topics Discussed	
MD of Ranchland No. 66 Backcountry Evacuation Preparedness Meeting	
Notes/Comments:	
Numerous Emergency Services and Council partook in a structured logistics meeting for emergencies	

Consultation #2

Date	Meeting Type
September 3, 2026	Meeting with Stakeholders
Topics Discussed	
PCREMO Core Working Group Meeting	
Notes/Comments:	
Review of recent incidents, forecast hazard and readiness planning.	

Consultation #3

Date	Meeting Type
September 29, 2026	Meeting with Elected Officials
Topics Discussed	
Quarter 1 Reporting to the Municipality of the Crowsnest Pass	
Notes/Comments:	
Quarter 1 reporting / follow up question period.	

Provincial Service Composition

Staffing Category	Established Positions	Working	Temporary Absences	Hard Vacancies
Regular Members	9	7	1	1
Detachment Support	3	1	1	1

Notes:

1. Data extracted on September 30, 2026 and is subject to change.
2. Temporary Absences are positions that are filled but vacant due to maternity/paternity leave, medical leave, etc. and are still included in the overall FTE count.
3. Hard Vacancies reflect positions that do not have an employee attached and need to be filled.

Comments:

Police Officers: Of the nine established positions, there are seven officers working. One officer is on Leave without Pay. There is one hard vacancy for a Member transferring to Strathmore Detachment.

Detachment Support: Of the three established positions, there is one resource working. One resource is on Parental leave, and there is one hard vacancy.

Crowsnest Pass Provincial Detachment
Crime Statistics (Actual)
January to September: 2022 - 2026

All categories contain "Attempted" and/or "Completed"

October 5, 2026

CATEGORY	Trend	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	% Change 2022 - 2026	% Change 2025 - 2026	Avg File +/- per Year
Offences Related to Death		0	1	0	0	7	N/A	N/A	1.3
Robbery		0	2	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	-0.2
Sexual Assaults		3	4	6	5	2	-33%	-60%	-0.1
Other Sexual Offences		2	4	3	2	2	0%	0%	-0.2
Assault		40	59	56	74	70	75%	-5%	7.5
Kidnapping/Hostage/Abduction		0	0	0	1	5	N/A	400%	1.1
Extortion		0	1	1	1	4	N/A	300%	0.8
Criminal Harassment		37	30	37	42	57	54%	36%	5.2
Uttering Threats		28	20	39	34	32	14%	-6%	2.2
TOTAL PERSONS		**110**	**121**	**142**	**159**	**179**	**63%**	**13%**	**17.6**
Break & Enter		31	32	21	26	19	-39%	-27%	-3.0
Theft of Motor Vehicle		9	9	26	12	12	33%	0%	0.9
Theft Over $5,000		4	9	6	6	5	25%	-17%	-0.1
Theft Under $5,000		67	43	46	30	39	-42%	30%	-6.9
Possn Stn Goods		2	3	7	8	7	250%	-13%	1.5
Fraud		34	25	29	34	34	0%	0%	0.9
Arson		4	2	2	1	0	-100%	-100%	-0.9
Mischief - Damage To Property		57	41	59	44	36	-37%	-18%	-3.9
Mischief - Other		40	42	45	77	53	33%	-31%	6.1
TOTAL PROPERTY		**248**	**206**	**241**	**238**	**205**	**-17%**	**-14%**	**-5.4**
Offensive Weapons		7	9	5	9	4	-43%	-56%	-0.6
Disturbing the peace		43	28	31	61	46	7%	-25%	3.9
Fail to Comply & Breaches		21	11	28	36	72	243%	100%	12.7
OTHER CRIMINAL CODE		20	12	20	35	26	30%	-26%	3.5
TOTAL OTHER CRIMINAL CODE		**91**	**60**	**84**	**141**	**148**	**63%**	**5%**	**19.5**
TOTAL CRIMINAL CODE		449	387	467	538	532	18%	-1%	31.7

The data contained in this document was obtained from PROS, which is a live database. As such, some of the information presented could differ slightly from any past or future reports regarding the same time period.

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Drug Enforcement - Possession		1	2	4	6	1	0%	-83%	0.4
Drug Enforcement - Trafficking		1	4	0	2	0	-100%	-100%	-0.4
Drug Enforcement - Other		0	0	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Total Drugs		**2**	**6**	**4**	**9**	**1**	**-50%**	**-89%**	**0.1**
Cannabis Enforcement		0	2	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	-0.2
Federal - General		16	24	16	16	18	13%	13%	-0.4
TOTAL FEDERAL		**18**	**32**	**20**	**25**	**19**	**6%**	**-24%**	**-0.5**
Liquor Act		14	10	5	9	3	-79%	-67%	-2.3
Cannabis Act		1	1	1	2	1	0%	-50%	0.1
Mental Health Act		65	65	78	85	44	-32%	-48%	-2.2
Other Provincial Stats		70	77	73	59	63	-10%	7%	-3.2
Total Provincial Stats		**150**	**153**	**157**	**155**	**111**	**-26%**	**-28%**	**-7.6**
Municipal By-laws Traffic		3	3	3	0	2	-33%	N/A	-0.5
Municipal By-laws		26	21	29	34	16	-38%	-53%	-0.7
Total Municipal		**29**	**24**	**32**	**34**	**18**	**-38%**	**-47%**	**-1.2**
Fatals		0	0	3	0	0	N/A	N/A	0.0
Injury MVC		21	25	18	19	9	-57%	-53%	-3.0
Property Damage MVC (Reportable)		176	185	99	105	112	-36%	7%	-20.8
Property Damage MVC (Non Reportable)		29	24	26	35	21	-28%	-40%	-0.5
TOTAL MVC		**226**	**234**	**146**	**159**	**142**	**-37%**	**-11%**	**-24.3**
Roadside Suspension - Alcohol (Prov)		10	6	4	7	3	-70%	-57%	-1.3
Roadside Suspension - Drugs (Prov)		1	0	1	0	0	-100%	N/A	-0.2
Total Provincial Traffic		**432**	**814**	**488**	**626**	**602**	**39%**	**-4%**	**15.2**
Other Traffic		**0**	**4**	**1**	**0**	**1**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**-0.2**
Criminal Code Traffic		**18**	**34**	**21**	**30**	**33**	**83%**	**10%**	**2.6**
Common Police Activities									
False Alarms		**24**	**24**	**34**	**38**	**27**	**13%**	**-29%**	**2.0**
False/Abandoned 911 Call and 911 Act		**28**	**27**	**19**	**39**	**80**	**186%**	**105%**	**11.6**
Suspicious Person/Vehicle/Property		**97**	**67**	**61**	**68**	**70**	**-28%**	**3%**	**-5.3**
Persons Reported Missing		**6**	**19**	**17**	**13**	**21**	**250%**	**62%**	**2.4**
Search Warrants		**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**N/A**	**N/A**	**0.0**
Spousal Abuse - Survey Code (Reported)		**86**	**72**	**93**	**112**	**82**	**-5%**	**-27%**	**3.2**
Form 10 (MHA) (Reported)		**0**	**8**	**1**	**4**	**1**	**N/A**	**-75%**	**-0.2**



2026-11-17

Sgt Ryan Hodge
Detachment Commander
Pincher Creek RCMP

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Alberta RCMP – Provincial Policing Report

Detachment Information

Detachment Name
Pincher Creek

Detachment Commander
Sgt. Ryan HODGE

Report Date	Fiscal Year	Quarter
November 17, 2026	2026-27	Q2 (July - September)

Community Priorities

Priority #1: Building Relationships in the Community

Updates and Comments:
Through out the summer Pincher Creek officers attended numerous community events, including: the rodeo, parade, and farmers market. Members were also involved with the Rural Crime Watch which saw some important changes to the board. In total members were involved in 12 community events/meetings in the area. Reservist members in Waterton Lakes National Park helped out greatly with police visibility in and around the park. They maintained partnerships within the community and with law enforcement partners such as CBSA and the National Parks Warden Service.

Priority #2: Enhanced Road Safety

Updates and Comments:
Mbrs were actively engaged in traffic safety enforcement through out the quarter. It is becoming normal for high levels of traffic in the Pincher Creek area during the summer months, specifically on Highway 3, 6 and 507 towards Beaver Mines. There were three injury collisions and 2 fatality collisions during the quarter but no common cause identified. In total members wrote 255 tickets during quarter and completed 109 MAS demands.

Priority #3: Crime Reduction-Theft Related Offences

Updates and Comments:

Members were focused on an increase in break and enter/copper wire thefts in the Pincher Creek area during the summer months. SAD CRU was of great assistance and two subjects were charged and another subject was identified as being a suspect on a second group of thefts. The documented increase from 2025 to 2026 for break and enters is almost entirely due to two groups of people targeting wind farms and other industrial sites.

Members also responded to a two large break and enter/ thefts from local businesses targeting tools. In cooperation with Calgary Police Service and SAD CRU a group of persons was identified as being responsible and some of the property was recovered in Calgary.

Theft of motor vehicles was down sharply and has been low through the year.

Clearance rates for break and enter were at 25% and Theft Under $5000 was at 22%.

Community Consultations

Consultation #1

Date	Meeting Type
July 15, 2026	Meeting with Stakeholders
Topics Discussed	
Police Advisory Committee	
Notes/Comments:	
Regular Meeting of PAC	

Consultation #2

Date	Meeting Type
September 16, 2026	Meeting with Stakeholders
Topics Discussed	
Police Advisory Committee	
Notes/Comments:	
Regular meeting of PAC with a presentation related to Restorative Justice Committees.	

Consultation #3

Date	Meeting Type
September 23, 2026	Meeting with Stakeholders
Topics Discussed	
Rural Crime Watch Meeting	
Notes/Comments:	
Regular meeting of Rural Crime Watch	

Provincial Service Composition

Staffing Category	Established Positions	Working	Temporary Absences	Hard Vacancies
Regular Members	11	9	1	1
Detachment Support	3	3	0	0

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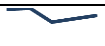
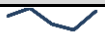
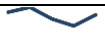
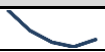
Comments:
Police Officers: Of the 11 established positions, there are nine officers working. There is one temporary absences (Parental, and one hard vacancies.

Detachment Support: Of the three established positions, there are three resources working.

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Sexual Assaults		2	6	4	3	4	100%	33%	0.1
Other Sexual Offences		11	2	0	1	1	-91%	0%	-2.1
Assault		47	58	44	47	48	2%	2%	-0.9
Kidnapping/Hostage/Abduction		1	3	3	1	1	0%	0%	-0.2
Extortion		2	0	3	0	1	-50%	N/A	-0.2
Criminal Harassment		15	21	23	14	23	53%	64%	0.9
Uttering Threats		22	23	14	16	18	-18%	13%	-1.5
TOTAL PERSONS		**102**	**117**	**93**	**82**	**96**	**-6%**	**17%**	**-4.7**
Break & Enter		24	31	17	12	28	17%	133%	-1.1
Theft of Motor Vehicle		20	16	13	9	4	-80%	-56%	-3.9
Theft Over $5,000		3	8	7	3	5	67%	67%	-0.1
Theft Under $5,000		72	84	57	41	66	-8%	61%	-5.5
Possn Stn Goods		13	7	7	5	2	-85%	-60%	-2.4
Fraud		37	34	37	31	33	-11%	6%	-1.1
Arson		0	0	2	1	0	N/A	-100%	0.1
Mischief - Damage To Property		39	72	32	26	37	-5%	42%	-5.0
Mischief - Other		40	27	6	27	34	-15%	26%	-1.2
TOTAL PROPERTY		**248**	**279**	**178**	**155**	**209**	**-16%**	**35%**	**-20.2**
Offensive Weapons		25	11	3	0	5	-80%	N/A	-5.1
Disturbing the peace		58	67	35	38	49	-16%	29%	-4.7
Fail to Comply & Breaches		24	65	67	34	17	-29%	-50%	-4.5
OTHER CRIMINAL CODE		14	19	19	16	9	-36%	-44%	-1.3
TOTAL OTHER CRIMINAL CODE		**121**	**162**	**124**	**88**	**80**	**-34%**	**-9%**	**-15.6**
TOTAL CRIMINAL CODE		471	558	395	325	385	-18%	18%	-40.5

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Drug Enforcement - Possession		11	7	7	3	5	-55%	67%	-1.6
Drug Enforcement - Trafficking		3	4	8	4	3	0%	-25%	0.0
Drug Enforcement - Other		1	0	0	0	0	-100%	N/A	-0.2
Total Drugs		**15**	**12**	**15**	**8**	**8**	**-47%**	**0%**	**-1.8**
Cannabis Enforcement		2	1	0	0	1	-50%	N/A	-0.3
Federal - General		21	17	16	16	19	-10%	19%	-0.5
TOTAL FEDERAL		**38**	**30**	**31**	**24**	**28**	**-26%**	**17%**	**-2.6**
Liquor Act		49	40	17	21	8	-84%	-62%	-10.1
Cannabis Act		3	1	2	0	0	-100%	N/A	-0.7
Mental Health Act		53	63	46	39	53	0%	36%	-2.4
Other Provincial Stats		50	78	82	62	45	-10%	-27%	-2.6
Total Provincial Stats		**155**	**182**	**147**	**122**	**106**	**-32%**	**-13%**	**-15.8**
Municipal By-laws Traffic		0	1	1	0	0	N/A	N/A	-0.1
Municipal By-laws		8	15	6	9	10	25%	11%	-0.2
Total Municipal		**8**	**16**	**7**	**9**	**10**	**25%**	**11%**	**-0.3**
Fatals		1	0	0	1	3	200%	200%	0.5
Injury MVC		12	17	21	21	14	17%	-33%	0.8
Property Damage MVC (Reportable)		155	157	147	140	140	-10%	0%	-4.7
Property Damage MVC (Non Reportable)		17	18	26	20	19	12%	-5%	0.6
TOTAL MVC		**185**	**192**	**194**	**182**	**176**	**-5%**	**-3%**	**-2.8**
Roadside Suspension - Alcohol (Prov)		4	13	10	3	9	125%	200%	0.0
Roadside Suspension - Drugs (Prov)		1	0	2	1	1	0%	0%	0.1
Total Provincial Traffic		**841**	**959**	**901**	**960**	**1,017**	**21%**	**6%**	**35.3**
Other Traffic		**4**	**3**	**1**	**0**	**0**	**-100%**	**N/A**	**-1.1**
Criminal Code Traffic		**41**	**52**	**33**	**30**	**24**	**-41%**	**-20%**	**-5.6**
Common Police Activities									
False Alarms		**24**	**22**	**40**	**49**	**19**	**-21%**	**-61%**	**1.7**
False/Abandoned 911 Call and 911 Act		**29**	**30**	**35**	**34**	**16**	**-45%**	**-53%**	**-2.2**
Suspicious Person/Vehicle/Property		**66**	**64**	**71**	**65**	**56**	**-15%**	**-14%**	**-1.9**
Persons Reported Missing		**17**	**16**	**14**	**16**	**8**	**-53%**	**-50%**	**-1.8**
Search Warrants		**2**	**0**	**0**	**1**	**0**	**-100%**	**-100%**	**-0.3**
Spousal Abuse - Survey Code (Reported)		**37**	**55**	**49**	**43**	**35**	**-5%**	**-19%**	**-1.6**
Form 10 (MHA) (Reported)		**4**	**4**	**2**	**3**	**4**	**0%**	**33%**	**-0.1**

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

November 9, 2026, to November 20, 2026

Discussion:

Nov 10	Council Committee and Regular Council Meetings
Nov 10	MPC Meeting
Nov 11	Remembrance Day Stat
Nov 12	AES Manager Interviews
Nov 12	Planning Session
Nov 12	Admin Bargaining Team Meeting
Nov 16	Council Road Tour
Nov 17	CUPE Negotiations
Nov 17	Coffee with Council (Div 2)
Nov 18	CUPE Negotiations
Nov 18	Joint Special Meeting with Town of Pincher Creek

Upcoming:

Nov 24	Council Committee and Regular Council Meetings
Nov 25	JHSC Meeting
Nov 26	Annual Southwest Region Elected Officials Meeting
Nov 27	Hometown Holiday Parade

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council receives for information the Chief Administrative Officer's report for the period November 9, 2026, to November 20, 2026.

Prepared by: Roland Milligan, CAO Date: November 19, 2026

Respectfully presented to: Council Date: November 24, 2026

ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT ACTIVITY

November 5, 2026 to November 19, 2026

Correspondence from the Last Council:

- Response Letter re: Lighting for Football
- Community Volleyball request for funding
- Cancellation of License of Occupations

Advertising/Social:

- Coffee with Council
- Special Council Meeting
- Joint Operations with CPO and Willow Creek
- Cowley Standpipe issue and resolution
- Construction notice – Beaver Creek Road
- Fire Restriction
- Remembrance Day Office Closure
- Willow Valley Schoolhouse Christmas Market

Other Activities:

- Coffee with Council – November 17
- Special Council Meeting – November 18

Invites to Council:

Upcoming Dates of Importance:

- Regular Committee & Council Meeting – November 24
- Regular Committee & Council Meeting – December 8
- Regular Committee & Council Meeting – December 22
- Annual Christmas Closure – Closed December 24, 2026 - Opening January 4, 2027

Recommendation to Council

TITLE:	**Memorial Community Centre Ice Arena Renovation Funding Request**		
PREPARED BY: Roland Milligan		**DATE:**	**2026-11-19**
DEPARTMENT: Enforcement Services			
			ATTACHMENTS:
Department Supervisor	**Date**		**1) Presentation from November 18, 2026 Special Joint Meeting with the Town of Pincher Creek**

APPROVALS:			
		Roland Milligan	**2026-11-19**
Department Director	**Date**	**CAO**	**Date**

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council for the M.D. of Pincher Creek No. 9 approve funding of up to $1,500,000 from the Regional Communities Initiatives Reserve for the Memorial Community Centre Ice Arena Renovation, contingent upon:

Matching funding from the Town of Pincher Creek and further:

Receipt of funding from the Build Communities Strong Fund – Local Impact Stream (PrairiesCan)

BACKGROUND:

On Wednesday November 18, 2026, the MD and the Town held a Special Joint Council Meeting to discuss issues of mutual interest that may impact both municipalities.
At that meeting, the Town's CAO, Konrad Dunbar, presented a request for funding for upgrades required to the Memorial Community Centre Ice Arena, to extend the life of the facility ***(See Attachment No. 1)***.
In their presentation, the Town is stating that the arena has reached, or exceeded, its expected service life, both the ice plant and floor are both near failure, and that a new arena is not affordable today. In order to extend the life of the facility, they are recommending that the existing trusses be modified to bring them up to current code standards.
They state that the renovation project will extend the life of the facility for another twenty (20) years.

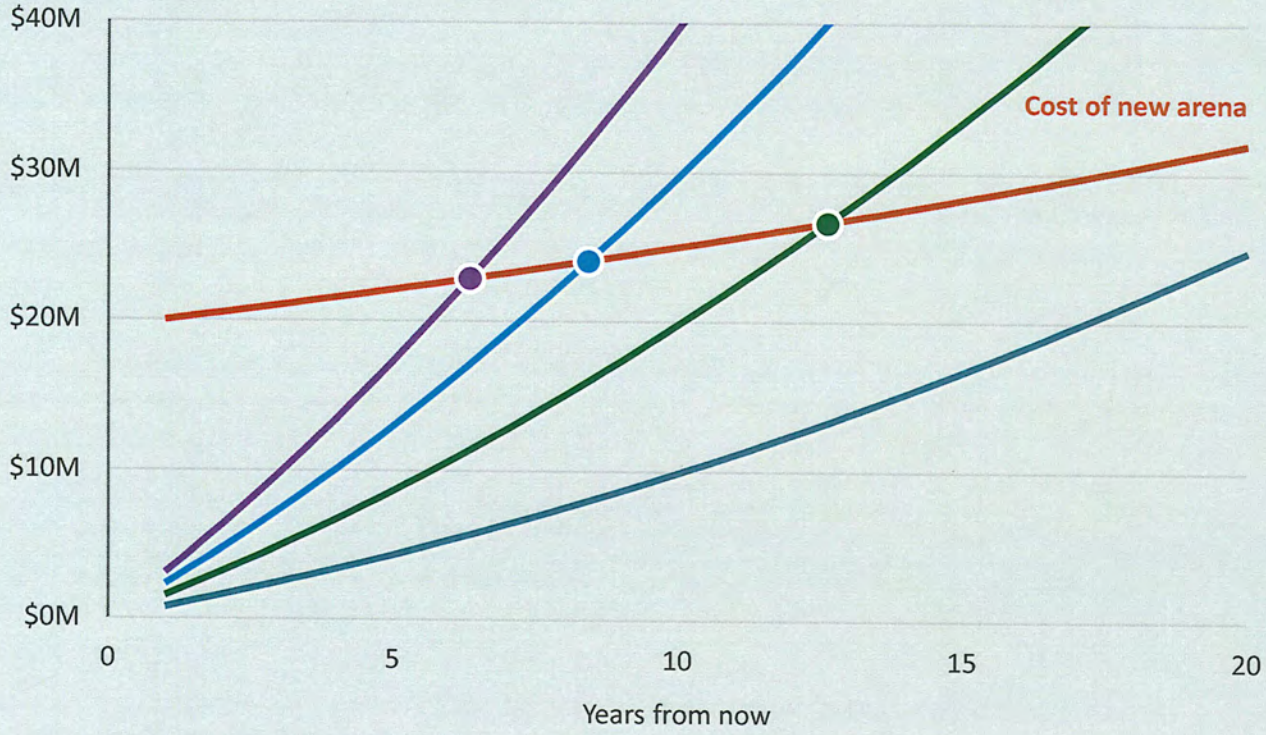
FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:
$1,500,000 from the Regional Communities Initiatives Reserve

Memorial Community Centre Ice Arena Renovation

Costs and Funding Plan, 2027–2028

Joint Council Meeting | Town of Pincher Creek & M.D. of Pincher Creek

What a New Arena Would Take



Years to Afford

1% / year	27 yrs
2% / year	13 yrs
3% / year	9 yrs
4% / year	7 yrs

$20M new arena, 2.5% annual cost inflation. Town property tax only (1% = $50K per year); no M.D. or grant funding assumed. Borrowing at $70K annual payment per $1M.

Why We Are Doing This Project

1. **End of Service Life**
   The arena has reached, or passed, its expected service life

2. **Ice Plant and Floor at Risk**
   Both are failing or near failure; a major failure could close the arena without warning

3. **Replacement Is Years Away**
   A new arena is not affordable today, as the previous slide shows

4. **Renovation Extends Life by About 20 Years**
   Engineer-recommended truss work buys the time needed to raise funds for a new arena

Four Projects, $5.0M Total

2027 $2.0M

Strengthen Roof Trusses

$1.5M

Heat, Access, Change Rooms

$0.5M

2028 $3.0M

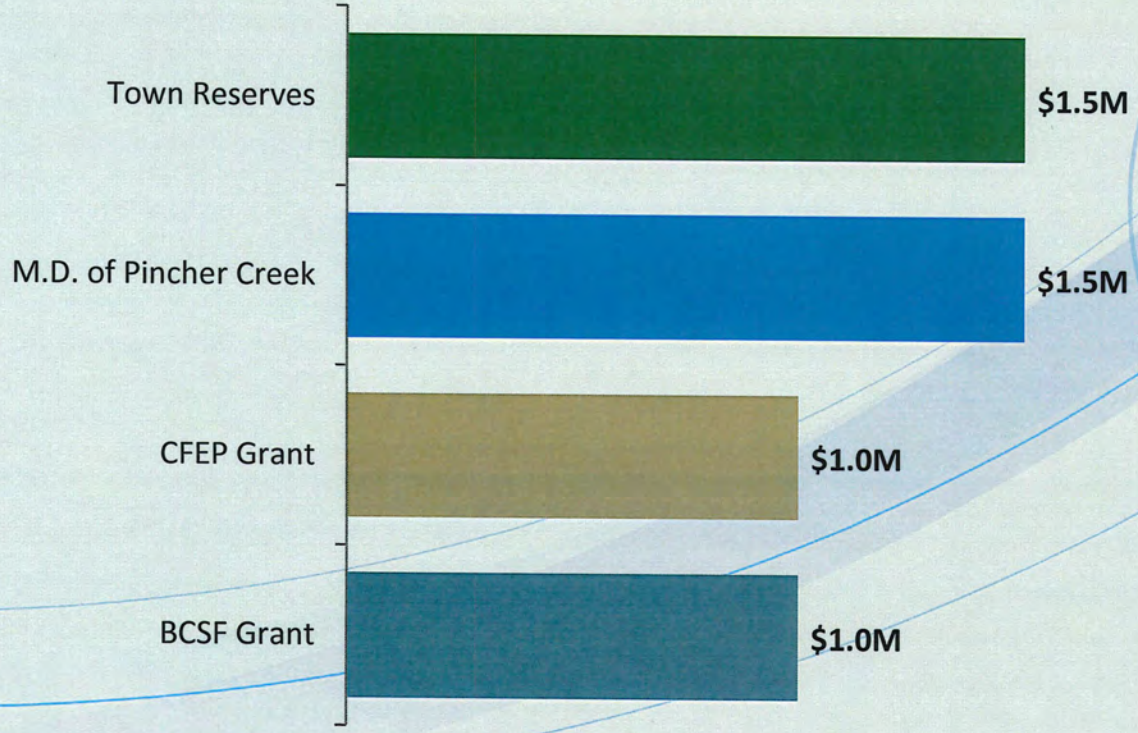
Replace Ice Plant

$1.2M

Replace Floor and Piping

$1.8M

Funding by Source



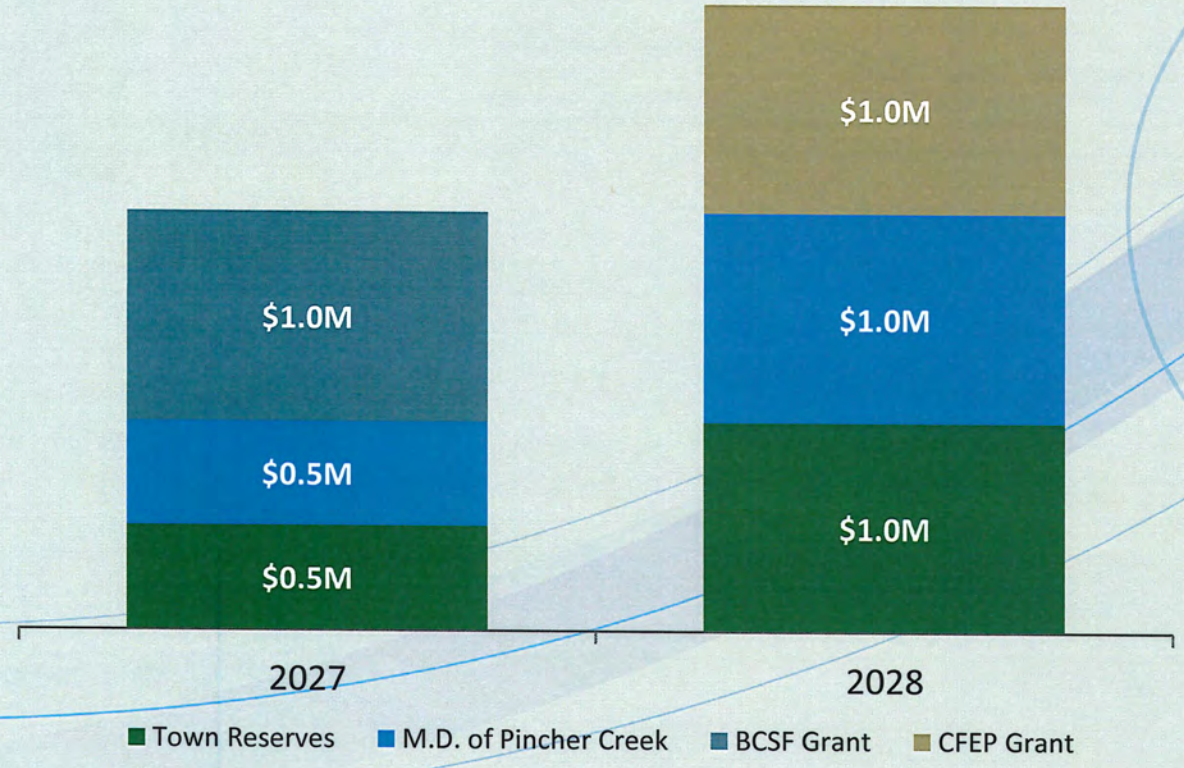
$1.5M

Town Reserves, 30%

$1.5M

M.D., 30%

Funding by Year



2027

$2.0M

Roof trusses, misc

2028

$3.0M

Ice plant, floor, piping

A Shared Commitment

Town of Pincher Creek	
2027	$0.5M
2028	$1.0M
Total	**$1.5M**

M.D. of Pincher Creek	
2027	$0.5M
2028	$1.0M
Total	**$1.5M**

Equal municipal shares, matched by $2.0M in grants

The Immediate Need: BCSF Funding

PrairiesCan application requirements

Application Deadline: December 9, 2026

- Shovel-Ready Project
- **Over 50% From Other Sources, Confirmed in Writing**
- Identified Local or Provincial Priority
- Supports Communities With Major Projects
- Economic and Community Benefits
- Addresses a Clear Community Need
- Viable Project Plan

Our Request Today

A Motion From Each Council

Confirms our funding in writing

60%

of project cost committed by both councils

Next Steps

If Council Approves Proceeding Today

1. **Finalize Truss Design**
2. **Submit BCSF Application to PrairiesCan**
3. **Tender Award and Truss Construction**
4. **Apply for CFEP Grant Funding**

LOOKING AHEAD

2028 Work Follows

Ice plant, floor and piping replacement, subject to CFEP funding

Questions?

Proposed Motion

THAT Council for the Town of Pincher Creek approve funding of up to **$1,500,000** from the Arena Reserve for the Memorial Community Centre Ice Arena Renovation, contingent upon:

1. **Matching Funding From the Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9**

2. **Receipt of Funding From the Build Communities Strong Fund – Local Impact Stream (PrairiesCan)**

Outlook

Fw: Invitation to Advertise in the 2027 Pincher Creek Visitor Guide

From Roland Milligan <AdminCAO@mdpinchercreek.ab.ca>
Date Thu 2026-11-19 08:42
To Jessica McClelland <AdminExecAsst@mdpinchercreek.ab.ca>

1 attachment (121 KB)
Visitor Guide Rate Sheet 2027.pdf;

Council info action

Roland Milligan
Chief Administrative Officer
M.D. of Pincher Creek No. 9
Box 279
1037 Herron Avenue
Pincher Creek, AB T0K1W0
Phone: 403-627-3130
Email: AdminCAO@mdpinchercreek.ab.ca

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From: Kim Uhersky <communications@pinchercreek.ca>
Sent: November 19, 2026 07:15
To: Roland Milligan <AdminCAO@mdpinchercreek.ab.ca>
Subject: Invitation to Advertise in the 2027 Pincher Creek Visitor Guide

Dear Roland,

The Town of Pincher Creek is pleased to invite you to advertise in our 2027 Visitor Guide.

The Visitor Guide is a key promotional piece that highlights Pincher Creek as a welcoming basecamp for visitors exploring southwest Alberta. It is distributed locally and regionally and is available at visitor information locations, local accommodations, community events, and trade shows throughout the year.

Advertising in the Visitor Guide is a great way to connect with visitors and residents alike — encouraging them to shop, dine, stay, and explore locally while supporting the continued promotion of our community.

Whether you are a returning advertiser or considering advertising for the first time, we would be happy to include your business in the 2027 guide. Enclosed you will find advertising information, including available sizes, rates, and deadlines.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss advertising options, please don't hesitate to contact me. Thank you for supporting Pincher Creek and helping us showcase everything our community has to offer.

We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Kim Uhersky
Communications and Marketing Officer

email: communications@pinchercreek.ca
main line: (403) 627-3156 | direct line: (403) 904-8100 | cell: (403) 632-5417

Town of Pincher Creek, 962 St. John Ave (Box 159) Pincher Creek, AB T0K1W0

www.pinchercreek.ca

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Need to meet? Book time to meet with me

Pincher Creek
2027 Visitor's Guide
Ad Rate Sheet

FULL PAGE
8 1/2"w x 11"h with 0.25" bleed on all sides

Business Card
3.9" x 2.5"

1/4 page - horizontal
8" x 2.5"

1/4 page vertical
3.9" x 5"

1/2 page vertical
3.9" x 10.5"

AD SIZES

1/2 page - horizontal
8" x 5"

*see rates on next page

The Town of Pincher Creek is once again pleased to produce the upcoming edition of the Pincher Creek Visitor's Guide!

Widely distributed across Alberta and British Columbia, as well as available online, this comprehensive guide will reach thousands of travellers looking for experiences, accommodations, and attractions in our region. It's an exceptional opportunity to showcase your business to a broad audience.

As a cornerstone of our marketing and community engagement efforts, the Visitor's Guide will be distributed in April 2027. Book early and save! Advertisers who reserve their space by December 31, 2026 will receive discounted early bird rates and priority placement within the guide. Participating promotes your business and supports a shared marketing initiative that benefits the entire community. Your involvement will help increase visibility, attract more visitors, and drive customer traffic to your business.

The success of this publication relies on the support of our local advertisers, and together, we can make this the best edition yet.

Don't miss your chance to be part of something special, and reserve early to get the best rate and placement!

2027 AD RATES

Early Bird Deadline December 31, 2026

Ad Size	Early Bird	Regular Rate
Business Card	$190	$220
1/4 page	$390	$425
1/2 page	$790	$875
Full page	$1190	$1300
Full premium	$1490	$1650
Back Cover	$1890	$2100

*see dimensions on previous page. GST not included

Deadlines

Ad booking	January 29
Design content*	February 5
Final copy	February 19
Payment due	March 5

*Design content deadline: if you have requested design assistance, this is the deadline to send all imagery, logos, and content to communications@pinchercreek.ca

Design Assistance & Proofs

We offer ad creation and modifications at no additional cost. All content including images, logos, and copy must be submitted to communications@pinchercreek.ca no later than February 5. Images and logos should be high resolution. Images with low resolution cannot be scaled larger without loss of detail and clarity. Do not send images embedded in emails, Word, or Publisher, these programs automatically compress images and reduce the resolution. A proof will be submitted to you by February 12; if no response is received by February 19, the ad will run as is. Proofs will not be provided for ads that are submitted as final copy.

Terms & Conditions

File types: Artwork must be provided in AI, EPS, PDF, JPG, PNG, or TIF at a minimum 300dpi. We cannot accept Microsoft Word or Publisher files. Fonts: if providing an AI or EPS file, ensure all fonts have been converted to outlines to avoid any differences in final copy. Ad quality: We want our Visitor's Guide to reflect quality and high standards, so we have the right to refuse content. Payment: must be received in full before an ad is included in the Visitor's Guide. GST will be added to the ad rate.

To place an ad, please complete the advertising agreement and submit to Kim Uhersky, Communications & Marketing Officer at communications@pinchercreek.ca or call 403-627-3156 for more information.

Advertiser Information and Agreement

Business Name:	
Contact Name:	
Mailing Address:	
Phone Number:	
Email Address:	
Ad Size: (circle)	business card · 1/4 page horizontal · 1/4 page vertical · 1/2 page horizontal · 1/2 page vertical · full page · full premium · back cover
Requesting Ad Assistance (circle)	Yes No
Date:	
Signature	

By signing, advertisers agree to the specifications and terms outlined above.

Outlook

Re: Concerned Resident

From MDInfo <MDInfo@mdpinchercreek.ab.ca>
Date Mon 2026-11-16 08:34
To Becky Stoddard <>; Tony Bruder <CouncilDiv1@mdpinchercreek.ab.ca>; Rick Lemire <CouncilDiv2@mdpinchercreek.ab.ca>; Dave Cox <CouncilDiv3@mdpinchercreek.ab.ca>; Jim Welsch <CouncilDiv4@mdpinchercreek.ab.ca>; councildiv5@mdpionchercreek.ab.ca <councildiv5@mdpionchercreek.ab.ca>; MDInfo <MDInfo@mdpinchercreek.ab.ca>

Good morning, Becky,

Letting you know that your letter has been received by Council and administration.

Jessica McClelland
Executive Assistant
Municipal District of Pincher Creek No. 9
1037 Herron Avenue, PO Box 279
Pincher Creek, AB T0K-1W0
Phone: 403-627-3130
Communications@mdpinchercreek.ab.ca

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From: Becky Stoddard <>
Sent: November 13, 2026 14:57
To: Tony Bruder <CouncilDiv1@mdpinchercreek.ab.ca>; Rick Lemire <CouncilDiv2@mdpinchercreek.ab.ca>; Dave Cox <CouncilDiv3@mdpinchercreek.ab.ca>; Jim Welsch <CouncilDiv4@mdpinchercreek.ab.ca>; councildiv5@mdpionchercreek.ab.ca <councildiv5@mdpionchercreek.ab.ca>; MDInfo <MDInfo@mdpinchercreek.ab.ca>
Subject: Concerned Resident

To the Pincher Creek MD,

It is almost 3am this morning and I awake yet again to intrusive thoughts of a possible home invasion.

A while back while on holidays we were broken into. Items like my wedding ring and my husband's heirloom guns were taken and unretrievable. But as far as damage to our home, furnishings, truck …repairable; and most stolen items replaceable.

The home invasion that looms now is of a different sort.

Its damage is unrepairable!

It runs incessantly producing noise and air pollution 24/7 365 days a year.

Captus Generation owned by Summit Point Capital L.P (private equity group) proposes a full-scale power plant to accommodate a hyperscale AI Data centre. They mark the location as 20km south of Pincher Creek.

I would add that it is also 20km north of Waterton National Park (a UNESCO World Heritage Site, UNESCO Biosphere Reserve, and a UNESCO International (dark sky).

How fortunate we are to live in this beautiful area!

How great is our stewardship as the caretakers!!!

The proposed site also sits in the designated Waterton Biosphere. And much more than a mere sidenote… **literally next door**. Myself, my husband, and two generations after us and another neighbor share a direct border to the proposal, with more occupants close by!!!

Alberta has shovels in the ground for these centres, but zero experience to even one of them being operational. Meanwhile the Alberta Government currently looks to change Environmental Safeguards to "FAST TRACK" more.

Wise and prudent County's like Rocky View's Council have placed a moratorium on bringing forward new land-redesignation applications for AI data centres.

I am calling for an immediate moratorium on this and all such proposals that may come under a new name!

This is secondary of course to an absolute "NO".

A "No" to a power plant and Data Centre here is a "Yes" to preserve and protect this area, the people, land, water, air, plants, and animals both domestic and wild.

Growing backlash to Data Centers is in consequence of the negative experiences of people living too close to these monstrosities. Rich investors are happy to reap the gains from these "clean burning, safe operations", they just don't want them near their homes and families!

Undisputable reports of polluted well water, respiratory issues, unbearable noise, chemical leaks to soil represent the start of a very long list of disadvantages. Any sellout out to the promises of $$$ tax revenue and jobs will be weighed out in the scale of time. What choices will YOU be remembered for?

Advances are being made quickly in the AI industry. Projects often use technology that is outdated by the time they reach completion. What won't change is damages incurred to the land. An example is the characteristics of underground geological formations in this area as opposed to central Alberta, where risk of destroyed local wells is much more likely. Hopefully as our representatives you are doing your homework and already know this!

I understand the (AUC) rules on power plants. But you hold responsibility for the Data Centre with "Direct Control". The power to call a moratorium is yours now. The power to tighten bylaws that protect homeowner property lines and not just 15meters from their front steps to intrusive noise is now. I could go on.

Being proactive deters the wrong type of investments seeking a foothold in the area!!!

Please send a receipt that you have received this communication.

Thank you for your time,

Becky L. Stoddard Email:

Outlook

Fwd: Swag for APOS event

From Kelly Cooley <coolprosolutions@gmail.com>
Date Thu 2026-11-19 12:05
To Jessica McClelland <AdminExecAsst@mdpinchercreek.ab.ca>

Jessica - please see abridged email thread for the request from ALUS you and I discussed this morning. Please let me know if you need anything more formal.
Thanks,
Kelly

Subject: Re: Swag for APOS event
To: Kelly Cooley <coolprosolutions@gmail.com>

If it's a normal process, sure. Thanks!
Karen

From: Kelly Cooley <coolprosolutions@gmail.com>
To: Karen Snethun <ksnethun@alus.ca>
Subject: Re: Swag for APOS event

Hi Karen.
I just spoke with our exec asst for the MD of PC, and she said what they normally do for requests like this is put together a $40-50 gift pack from local merchants. Would that work? We can chat about it a bit during the Teams meeting today, and if that works, I'll advise her to put it on Council agenda for approval next week.
Cheers,
Kelly

> **From:** Kelly Cooley <coolprosolutions@gmail.com>
> **To:** Karen Snethun <ksnethun@alus.ca>
> **Subject:** Re: Swag for APOS event
>
> Karen - Christine is correct that we've not produced any ALUS PC swag yet.
> I could ask if the MD wants to donate anything, or ask my PAC if we want to produce some ALUS PC swag his fall.
> Kelly
>
> Karen Snethun <ksnethun@alus.ca> wrote:
>> Hi Kelly,
>> I'm reaching out because APOS has invited us to their Dec 12th Christmas Banquet (for the first time!) and they've asked if we can contribute some (ALUS) swag to the silent auction. I wondered if you might any ALUS PIN swag (Christine mentioned you may not have produced any yet) or some MD of Pincher swag available that we could use for the event?

> We thought it would be great coming from an APOS community.
>
> Karen Snethun
>
> ALUS West Hub Manager

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Notice of application
Alberta-British Columbia Intertie Restoration Needs Identification Document

The Alberta Electric System Operator has applied for approval of the need for transmission development to restore the Alberta-British Columbia intertie

Proceeding 31047
Application 31047-A001

The Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC), the independent utilities regulator, will be considering the need for electric transmission development in Proceeding 31047. If you feel you may be affected by this application, you can request to participate and provide input to the AUC before it makes its decision.

You can request to participate by registering and filing a statement of intent to participate by December 18, 2026.

The Alberta Electric System Operator, under the *Electric Utilities Act* and Section 16(2) of the *Transmission Regulation*, has applied for approval of the need for transmission development to restore the capability of the Alberta-British Columbia intertie to reliably import at or near 950 megawatts of electricity into Alberta. The proposed development would address voltage stability and transmission equipment capacity constraints that limit imports into Alberta.

The proposed transmission development would include the following major components:

- Add a new substation, designated as SC2 541S Substation, including one 500-kilovolt (kV) series compensator and one 500-kV circuit breaker near the midpoint of AltaLink Management Ltd.'s 500-kV Transmission Line 1201L, approximately 127 to 191 kilometres from AltaLink's Bennett 520S Substation.

- Connect the proposed SC2 541S Substation to Transmission Line 1201L using an in-and-out configuration.

- Replace the existing 500/240-kV transformer at the Bennett 520S Substation with a higher-capacity 500/240-kV transformer having a continuous rating of at least 1,350 megavolt amperes (MVA), an emergency rating of at least 1,850 MVA for 30 minutes, and one spare phase.

- Replace the conductor on AltaLink's 240-kV Transmission Line 1114L between Bennett 520S and Langdon 102S substations with a higher capacity conductor having a continuous rating of at least 1,350 MVA and an emergency rating of at least 1,850 MVA for 30 minutes.

- Modify, add or remove associated equipment, including switchgear and operational, protection, control and telecommunications equipment, as required to integrate the development with the transmission system.

In conjunction with these developments, the Alberta Electric System Operator proposes to increase the thermal rating of the Alberta segment of Transmission Line 1201L between Bennett 520S Substation and the British Columbia border to at least 1,350 MVA continuously and 1,850 MVA for 30 minutes under emergency conditions. This work would involve improving line clearances through tower modifications, such as increasing tower heights.

The map included in this notice indicates the general area where the transmission development is proposed. The exact site for the proposed new substation has not yet been determined. A transmission facility proposal from AltaLink is required to determine the exact locations of facilities.

Additional information about the application
The application and any associated documents are publicly available and can be accessed from the eFiling System on the AUC website www.auc.ab.ca. Alternatively, for more information about what is being applied for, or for a copy of the application, please contact:

Alberta Electric System Operator
Brenda Hill
Phone: 403-539-2850
Email: brenda.hill@aeso.ca

Participant information
For more information about how you may become involved in this proceeding, please contact us or visit our website and review the information under "Get involved."

Register to participate by filing a statement of intent to participate
If you wish to participate in this proceeding, please visit our website and log in to the eFiling System, go to Proceeding 31047, and register to participate under the "registered parties" tab. You will be prompted to fill out a statement of intent to participate. For guidance on how to use the eFiling System, please visit www.auc.ab.ca/how-to-use-efiling. Alternatively, please contact us at 310-4AUC (310-4282) in Alberta or info@auc.ab.ca for more information or assistance with filing your statement of intent to participate. The lead application officer, Kyle Surgenor, can also be contacted at kyle.surgenor@auc.ab.ca or 403-592-4386.

The AUC may make its decision without further notice or process if no statements of intent to participate are received.

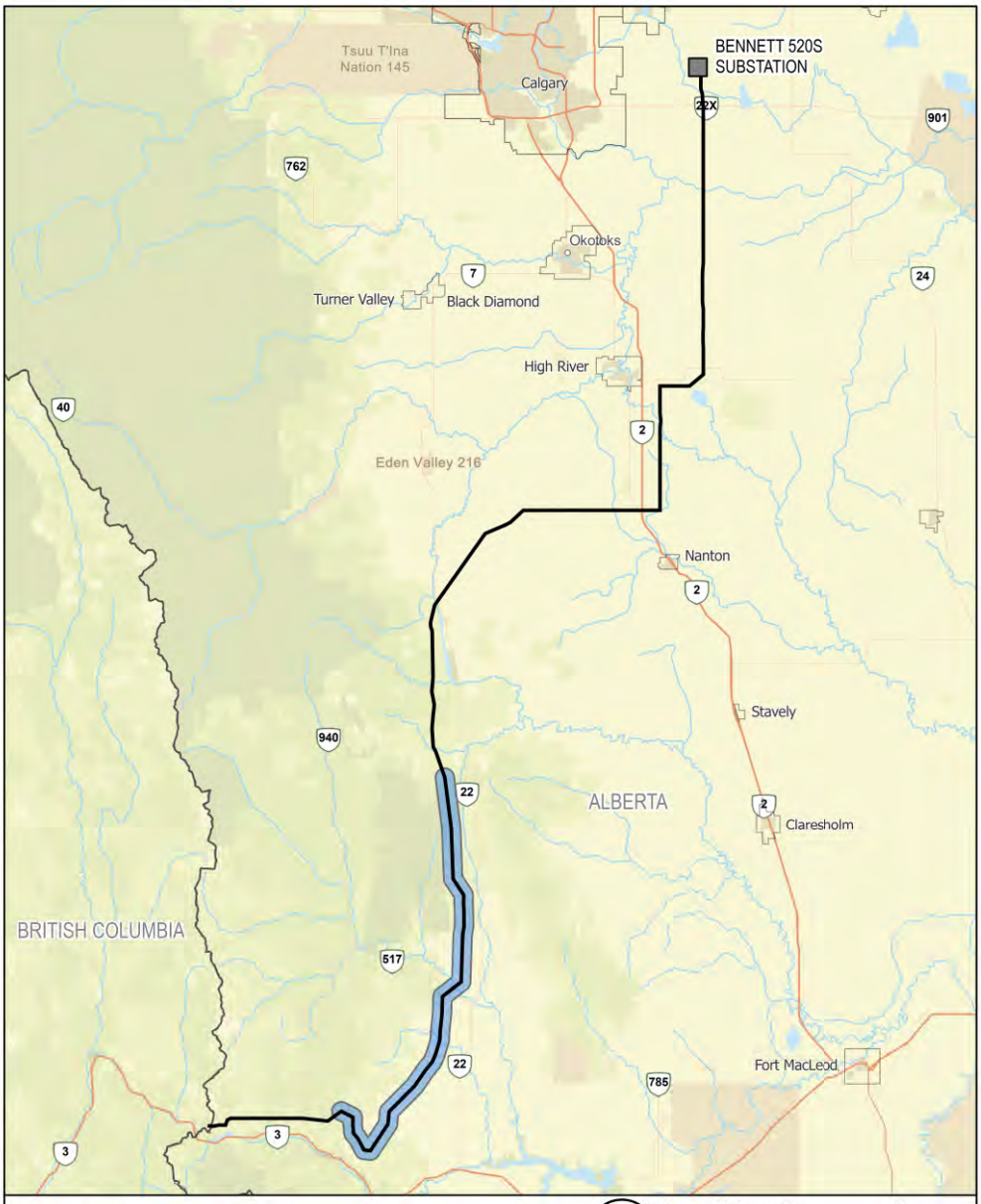
Statements of intent to participate must include your name, address, phone number, legal land location, description of your land in relation to the proposed development and a description of your interest in the land, your business, or your activities which may be affected by the proposed project. Please also briefly describe the issues you would like the AUC to consider when making its decision.

The AUC must consider the Alberta Electric System Operator's assessment of need to be correct unless someone satisfies the Commission that the need application is technically deficient, or that to approve it would be contrary to the public interest.

Privacy
To support an open and transparent process, information you send to the AUC will be publicly available through the AUC's eFiling System. If there is confidential information you would like to file, a request must be made in advance of registering to participate.

Issued on November 13, 2026.

Alberta Utilities Commission



AUC
Alberta Utilities Commission

Legend

ALTALINK MANAGEMENT LTD. 500-kV TRANSMISSION LINE 1201L

POTENTIAL AREA FOR NEW SUBSTATION SITE

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Scale: 1:1,100,000

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Letter of Support - Farming Smarter

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Hello,

For the past 22 years, Farming Smarter has operated from leased facilities while delivering independent applied research, producer extension, training, and knowledge-sharing programs that support Alberta's agricultural sector. With our lease at Lethbridge Polytechnic ending in April 2027, we are now working to establish the Home Quarter, a permanent facility that will secure our ability to continue serving producers, industry, researchers, and communities for decades to come. As our programs, partnerships, and impact continue to expand across Alberta, a permanent home is essential to supporting our long-term growth and service to the province's agricultural community.

To help make this vision a reality, Farming Smarter is submitting a Budget 2027 request to the Government of Alberta for a one-time, capped capital contribution of $2,000,000 toward the development of the Home Quarter. A provincial contribution would help anchor the federal and private funding needed to complete the project.

We would be grateful if your municipality would consider providing a letter of support for this request. We are seeking support from counties, municipal districts, organizations, businesses, and individuals who recognize the importance of maintaining strong agricultural research, extension, and innovation capacity in Alberta.

The support letter is attached. If you are able to support this initiative, please sign the final page with the name and title you would like listed and return it at your convenience. If you require additional information or need more time to consider the request, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for your consideration and continued support of Alberta agriculture.

Best regards,

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November 9, 2026

The Honourable Tara Sawyer
Minister of Agriculture and Irrigation
Government of Alberta
131 Legislature Building
10800 97 Avenue NW
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Re: Budget 2027 Submission: One-Time Capital Contribution of $2,000,000 toward the Farming Smarter Home Quarter Research Facility

Dear Minister Sawyer,

Thank you for meeting with Farming Smarter on October 6th, 2026. On behalf of Farming Smarter and the organizations that support this request, I am writing to submit a Budget 2027 request. We are asking for a one-time, capped capital contribution of $2,000,000 toward the Home Quarter, Farming Smarter's permanent applied research facility in Lethbridge County.

Why a permanent home, and why now

For over three decades, Farming Smarter has grown from a canvas quonset into the research partner southern Alberta producers and industry rely on without having our own shop and office space to call home. That growth has happened in temporary structures, leased ground, and a leased building but we recently found out our current leased site is no longer available come April 2027.

For Alberta producers to remain global leaders, and for the province to keep growing its agri-food exports, they need trusted, independent research grounded in Alberta's soils, water, and climate. That is the work Farming Smarter does, and the Home Quarter is how it continues.

Farming Smarter is currently looking for land for the Home Quarter in the Lethbridge area. The plan is a 35,000 square foot facility built to expand as the work grows, with shop space, laboratories, collaborative learning space and room to host producers and industry events.

What we are asking for

We request a one-time capital contribution of $2,000,000 toward the construction of the Home Quarter. This is not a request for ongoing operating funding. It is targeted at the parts of the project that no federal or provincial research program will fund: the shared shop, extension and learning space, site preparation and relocation.

Making the province's existing investment go further

Alberta already invests in Farming Smarter's research through Results Driven Agriculture Research (RDAR). A permanent facility would amplify that investment. Purpose-built laboratories and shop space in place of tents and temporary buildings mean more trials per dollar and better data for producers. This also gives us the capacity to take on the industry work that is now coming to us. The province's recent

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$500,000 capital grant shows what targeted capital does: the irrigation systems and potato research equipment it bought are in use in our fields today.

Farming Smarter has become a research campus for hire for southern Alberta:

- Bayer has moved its entire seed canola field trial program to us, and we lead the science on its camelina research and run its corn trials.
- GS Dunn relies on us as science advisors for its value-added irrigated mustard program.
- We conduct most of the agronomy trials for the seed alfalfa sector, and we are filling research gaps for the region's fast-growing potato industry by working with McCain Foods and The Little Potato Company.

In 2026 we are running 196 trials across 35 crops on than 11,926 research plots, under both dryland and irrigated conditions. Of our $3.24 million in 2025 operating revenue, 91 percent went directly to research and extension. Our work generates a significant economic impact, contributing an estimated $111 million to the regional economy through research activities in 2026, along with an additional $238 million through our Knowledge and Network program.

Others are investing alongside the province

The Home Quarter is not waiting for the government alone. Farming Smarter is financing the land purchase itself. We have submitted a Notice of Intent to the Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI) 2027 Innovation Fund along with the Innovation Impact Program, which would provide provincial matching support for the research facility. We are also pursuing federal infrastructure funding through PrairiesCan. Private foundations and industry partners are also at the table. Every federal and private conversation returns to the same question: where does Alberta stand? A provincial contribution in Budget 2027 would place Alberta as the anchor partner on a project built in Alberta, for Alberta producers.

Alignment with the Government of Alberta's priorities

- **Irrigation.** Alberta accounts for almost three-quarters of Canada's irrigated land. Much of our trial program tests crop and water management under irrigation, directly supporting the province's irrigation expansion.
- **Value-added agri-food.** Our research underpins the potato, pulse and specialty crop supply chains behind the processing investment Alberta is attracting, including through the Alberta Agri-Processing Investment Tax Credit.
- **Producers and the next generation.** Our trials are shaped by growers and commodity groups. The Home Quarter would also be a training ground for new agronomists, and a bridge between agriculture and the wider community.

Broad support

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The organizations listed in the enclosed document support this request. Together they represent municipalities and agricultural service boards, irrigation and watershed organizations, economic development, post-secondary and youth agriculture partners, a producer commission, and seed, crop input, food processing and agricultural technology companies across southern Alberta. Their support reflects a shared view that a permanent home for Farming Smarter is an investment in the competitiveness of Alberta agriculture.

Our request

We respectfully ask that you support this request for a one-time capital contribution of $2,000,000 in Budget 2027 and champion it at the Treasury Board table. We would welcome the opportunity to host you at the research farm to see the work firsthand, and we would be glad to provide any further details your officials may need.

Sincerely,

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Ken Coles
Executive Director, Farming Smarter

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Ryan Mercer
Board Chair, Farming Smarter

cc: Jason Hale, Deputy Minister of Agriculture and Irrigation

Enclosure: Organizations supporting this request

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Endorsement

Our organization supports Farming Smarter's Budget 2027 request to the Government of Alberta for a one-time, capped capital contribution of $2,000,000 toward the Home Quarter, Farming Smarter's permanent applied research facility, and endorses the letter above.

Organization _____

Name _____

Title / Role _____

Signature _____

Date _____

Please return the signed page to Dakota Hanson, Farming Smarter, at the email address it came from.

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Thank you to the municipalities, Metis Settlements, FCSS staff, volunteers, boards, community organizations and partners who contribute to FCSS in communities across Alberta.

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