



2018-2019 SNOW PLOWING



With the onset of winter, the Public Works Department would like to remind residents that the snow plowing of driveways will be available to full time residents that qualify.

Should you want your driveway cleared please ensure that you are on the approved snow plow list and that you have a proper County of Two Hills Snow Plow Flag out.

As part of the snow clearing policy **BUS ROUTES WILL BE GIVEN FIRST PRIORITY AND THEN COUNTY ROADS** before driveways are cleared, so please be patient as the Snow Clearing crews will do their best to get to everyone in a timely matter.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Public Works Department at 780.657.2499

LANDOWNERS THAT HAVE NOT RECEIVED COMPENSATION FOR OIL/GAS LEASES

If a person is entitled to rental payments under a Compensation Order, Right of Entry Order, or Surface Lease and that amount remains outstanding, they may apply to the Surface Rights Board. Should payment not be forthcoming, the Board may direct the Minister to pay the amount owing out of the General Revenue Fund.

Recovery of Rentals

“If an operator has not paid money payable under a surface lease, right of entry order or compensation order and the due date for the payment has passed, the person entitled to the money may bring an application under **Section 36 of the Surface Rights Act**. Upon receiving evidence of the non-payment the Board will issue a notice to the operator, demanding full payment.”

To access the application form please visit www.surface.right.alberta.ca and view the form under the “Recovery of Rentals” section. You may also contact the ASB Department at 780.657.3358 for more information or assistance in accessing the application form.



ALBERTA BEEF PRODUCERS PLEBISCITE DEADLINE EXTENDED

ABP has extended the plebiscite voting period to November 27, 2018.

The plebiscite is asking beef producers to vote on whether they would like the provincial check-off to continue to be refundable or become non-refundable.

Due to potential mail disruptions you are encouraged to vote in-person at any of the AFSC offices in Alberta during their regular office hours.

For more information you can contact Alberta Agriculture and Forestry’s Ag-Info Centre at 310-FARM (3276) or visit the ‘producers’ section of www.albertabeef.org

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**CHECK OUT OUR
UPDATED WEBSITE!**

We recently updated our website to contain more information of value to our residents. We encourage you to give it a visit at www.thcounty.ab.ca

AGRICULTURAL PRODUCER GRANTS AVAILABLE

Environmental Stewardship & Climate Change-Producer

Supports active producers in reducing negative impacts on the environment while enhancing sustainable production, managing climate change and increasing profitability. Eligible activities include: watering systems, riparian fencing, improved manure storage facilities, pesticide management (sectional controls, etc.), Ag plastic rollers and compactors, and shelterbelts. **To be eligible for funding under this program you must have a valid Environmental Farm Plan (EFP).**

Farm Water Supply

Shares costs with producers relating to enhancements of their on-farm water supply management. Eligible activities include: construction of water sources such as wells, dugouts, dams, and pipelines; water protection such as aeration systems and off-source watering systems. Most projects are eligible for reimbursement of one-third of expenses to a maximum of \$5000. **To be eligible for funding under this program you must have an approved Long Term Water Management Plan (LTWMP).**

On-Farm Solar Photovoltaics Program

Provides funding towards solar photovoltaics on Alberta farms. Any resident of Alberta with a distribution rate class of Farm, Irrigation, Grain Drying or equivalent are eligible to apply for funding under this program for *grid-tied systems*.

Farm Energy and Agri-Processing Program (FEAP)

Shares costs with agriculture and agri-processing sector on energy efficiency investments. Eligible activities include: energy audits and assessments, insulation, lighting, ventilation fans, retrofit grain dryer *components* and new grain dryer *components*. Equipment purchased since April 1, 2016 is eligible, including construction of new buildings.

Farm Health and Safety Producer Grant Program

Offers financial support to eligible employers to improve health and safety in their operations and **help them comply with the changes to the OH&S Code that takes effect on December 1, 2018.** Farmers and ranchers with waged, non-family workers and a WCB account are eligible to apply. Eligible expenses include: first aid courses, WHMIS, etc.; first aid kits, fire extinguishers, respirators, eye wash stations, warning signage, equipment guards, etc. and Health and Safety consultant/contractor services.

For more information please visit our website: www.thcounty.ab.ca or contact our Municipal Conservation Coordinator in the ASB Department at 780.657.3358.

REMOTE AREA HEATING ALLOWANCE PROGRAM

Are you eligible for a rebate?

If you live outside the franchise boundaries of a natural gas distributor you may be eligible for a 25% (less GST) rebate on heating oil and/or propane. The program may apply to grain drying if the site cannot be serviced with natural gas or with a large enough pipe for a grain dryer. ***If natural gas can be extended to your location in the future, your eligibility for heating oil/propane rebates will be terminated.***

You can obtain your rebate by submitting an application form along with clearly printed copies of invoices for heating oil and/or propane to the Government of Alberta Rural Utilities Branch.

Invoices must be dated one year or less from the date your application is received. Application deadline is March 31, 2019.

For more information or to download an application form visit www.agriculture.alberta.ca or call 780.427.0125.

You may also contact the ASB Department for more information at 780.657.3358.