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County receiving \$4.5M for Rural Broadband

Fund intended for shovel-ready projects for communities with inadequate or no internet coverage

by Shaylyn Thornton

Following the exciting news that Yellowhead County was receiving federal funding for rural broadband internet (see release page 11), The Weekly Anchor spoke with Mayor

Wade Williams to discuss further details on the project.

The County is receiving approximately \$4.5 million through a grant from the Universal Broadband Fund: Rapid Response Stream to bring high-speed internet

service to communities in the west end of Yellowhead County.

The Rapid Response Stream fund is intended for shovel-ready projects for communities with inadequate or no internet coverage, as identified by the

Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada (ISED).

The ISED determined that the areas of Robb, Brule, Mountain View Estates, Aspen Heights, Seabolt, Grandview,

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On the first Sunday of each month the Knight Rider 4H Multi Club Metalworks members get together to use a coal forge. Metalworks members include Tayden Dickson, Arthur Hokanson, Dakota Dickson, Hayden Plunkie, Rihanna Myrick, Cooper Martineau, Max Bauman and their leader Theresa Bauman. They have been learning how to light a forge and about the different types of coal and which one is used in a forge. They are also learning about what tools to use for the job, how to use a hammer and anvil, when the metal is ready for the next step, and how to draw out the metal into an object they desire. submitted by club reporter Tayla Plunkie

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Maskuta, Carldale, and Yellowhead County East River Road qualified and the County's grant application was successful. The project is now underway.

Yellowhead County has been focused on expanding internet service since 2014, and the work that they put in since that time had a huge impact on their ability to get this grant. Because they already had towers and plans in place, their project was shovel-ready and qualified for the Rapid Response funding.

Mayor Williams said that the hope is to complete the project within a year, but it is a "huge" project and the ability to complete the project within that time frame may be hindered by "supply chain issues" and other things out of the County's control.

The project will bring fiber from the County's towers to resident homes at no cost to the residents, and approximately 400 households in the above areas will be offered the fiber hookups. While residents will have the ability to turn down the installation, Mayor Williams stressed that he would encourage every resident to take the opportunity to get the fiber put in and take advantage of the free installation.

"I would highly recommend that everyone get it at least put in to their property for now because if we come back at a later date to put it in, there will be a charge. That doesn't mean they have to hook up to it, just allow us to run it in to their residence," Williams said.

Once the fiber is put into place, residents

will then pay a provider for internet service. The fiber will provide minimum speeds of 15mbps download and 10mbps upload. Actual speeds and packages will be determined by the offerings of service providers that sign on to provide internet in these areas.

Currently, Morad Communications, 3CIS, and Rock Networks have signed on, and this can be expanded in the future to any provider that wishes to provide service. This will make it a "competitive system" where residents will have choices of providers and packages.

The County's many departments have "spent countless hours" on the expansion of internet service and will continually be applying for provincial and federal grants to make it happen. Currently, there are applications in for the McKay and Evansburg areas.

While Mayor Williams said the County will continue to roll out as much as they can, money is limited so the amount of federal and provincial funding received will dictate how fast the projects can happen.

Mayor Williams said that this project moving forward, as well as others in the future, "is absolutely huge for Yellowhead County residents."

From children being able to do school from home if needed, and people being able to work from home if needed, to just overall having better access to the internet, "This is

essentially going to open the world up for our residents," Williams said.



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Yellowhead County resident contacts Council with Health Care System concerns

by Shaylyn Thornton

At their February 8 meeting, Yellowhead County Council discussed a letter received from a local resident regarding issues in the healthcare system. In the letter, Firefighter and Paramedic Alex Webster detailed issues regarding staffing and ambulance response practices in Alberta.

“The staffing levels for both AHS EMS and contracted services, such as Associated Ambulance, have been at critical levels for some time,” Webster wrote. “With vacant shifts and empty ambulances leaving communities across Yellowhead County... without reasonable ambulance coverage should the worst come to pass.”

Webster explained that he had personally responded from Mayerthorpe to Edson and from Hinton to Jasper “as there were no ambulances available in the area when they were needed.”

“On top of coverage issues, AHS's mandate has driven many paramedics off of the ambulance, and out of EMS. Coupled with the previous staffing issues that AHS EMS has had since its inception, it's no secret that we are on the verge of a collapse of Emergency Medical Services in Alberta,” Webster wrote.

Another area of concern is the response times to send out ambulances in Yellowhead County. Webster explains that AHS EMS and all contracted services use a model of staffing known as “Core Flex” which in turn means that everyone in Yellowhead County, even in the larger municipalities, are subject to an 8-minute “chute time” (the time for the ambulance to leave the station).

Larger centers are required to have a chute time of less than one minute, despite their residents paying the same provincial tax. “As a taxpayer in

Yellowhead County, I can assure you that I am not ok with this, neither are the constituents that I talk to on a regular basis,” said Webster.

Webster suggested that Yellowhead County get “ahead of this wrecking ball” and create a County-based EMS service that would be “combined with the YCFD, with a mandate to stay within the boundaries of Yellowhead County, and to give the citizens of Yellowhead the response times and staffing levels they deserve.”

Director of Protective Services Albert Bahri agreed that the system is experiencing significant issues, noting that “when the system is not able to function properly, it creates backlogs downstream. One of these backlogs that is created is long wait times for ambulances.”

Bahri pointed out that “simply because of the sheer size” of Yellowhead County, long wait times for an ambulance response is “abnormally normal.” He added that there are also many issues that “hold up ambulances” at hospitals, meaning they can't offload their patients quickly and move on to other calls. “There are some issues that delay and restrict the overall system based on not being to offload those patients,” Bahri said.

“One of the pressures that Yellowhead County will see through the Fire Service, is if those ambulances aren't available, the Fire Service goes out, there's a prolonged wait time for the Fire Service to be on scene with those patients, providing the basic care that we can provide,” Bahri explained. “It takes that unit out of service to respond to any other calls.”

“Paid On Call Firefighters make up the bulk of the Department response and the longer they are tied up waiting for an ambulance, the longer they are away from their jobs or their family,”

said Bahri. “It becomes more difficult every day for employers to allow employees to leave their place of work to respond to any calls. The added burden of long wait times does not help this issue.”

Bahri went on to explain that AHS and Alberta Health are aware of the issue and have released a 10-point plan to deal with ambulance issues. The plan includes actions such as hiring more paramedics, transferring low priority calls to other agencies in consultation with EMS physicians, and stopping the automatic dispatch of ambulances to motor vehicle collisions that don't have injuries.

With that in mind, Bahri recommended that Council direct Administration to prepare a letter to the Minister of Health raising concerns regarding the current state of the Health Care system and long ambulance wait times, and also through RMA lobby the Provincial Government to address the health care concerns and long ambulance wait times.

Councillor Brigitte Lemieux spoke of her support for that motion, adding that she appreciated Mr. Webster taking the time to bring his concerns to Council.

Councillor Anthony Giezen also supported the motion. “If you read through the 10-point plan, I think there are some points in there that would get some resolutions to some of these problems,” Giezen said. “So to lobby the government, lobby through RMA, I support that.”

Giezen suggested that part of the letter ask the Province where they are at with the 10-point plan to ensure it is not “just a document that's sitting on the shelf and not being fulfilled.”

Councillor David Russell also supported the motion, and spoke about a conversation at an RMA meeting “a long time ago”. A discussion on a municipality having their own ambulance services was had.

“They mentioned that, in order to function within AHS, you submit your ambulances to them. There is no keeping them within your own municipal boundaries, they will go wherever Alberta Health tells them to,” Russell said, which “wouldn't really accomplish much” for County residents. “We have to continue pushing through RMA to the provincial government and try to make our positions known as strongly as we can.”

Russell added, “I feel that EMS personnel are some of the most underpaid, underappreciated people on planet Earth... I encourage everyone to recognize their importance and the service they provide.”

Mayor Wade Williams agreed with Council's thoughts and said that the County's “first step” should be to send the letters and lobby through RMA.

In a vote, Council unanimously agreed to have Administration prepare a letter and to lobby through the RMA regarding these issues.

The 10-point plan from the Province can be viewed at:

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Seniors Transportation Society 2022 priorities

by Adrienne Tait

The Edson Seniors Transportation Society provided Town Council with an overview of their priorities for 2022 at the meeting on February 8.

Presenter Jim Gomuwka said moving forward the society is focusing on hiring an executive coordinator, increasing ridership, building community partnerships and developing a volunteer pool while providing reliable transportation options within the Town.

ESTS has also begun to plan for bus replacement within the next few years and came to

Council asking for a three-year agreement of \$50,000/year over and above the current funding, fuel, and insurance the Town provides.

Councillor Moore asked how the group, as a Seniors Transportation Society, planned to attract more ridership. The committee members said nothing has been decided, and the focus will remain on seniors, but it has considered several options including possibly expanding to help lower income and single parent families without a vehicle get to children's programs or newcomers to Edson without vehicles get to appointments.

Shelter Pod Committee dissolved

by Adrienne Tait

The Shelter Pod Committee has been dissolved. The group came together in the fall of 2020 to address rising concerns surrounding homeless people in the community. The Shelter Pods were opened in June and two additional committee members joined in August. By the end of September the committee had 17 volunteers to assist with nightly opening of the pods. Each volunteer worked one week at a time.

On December 6th the pods were closed for a week. Reflections came forward to assist and the pods re-opened on December 17.

Reflections assumed responsibility for the pods and the Shelter Pods Committee was then dissolved.

In the 175 days the committee was in charge of the 5 pods there were 960 stays comprised of 50 unique individuals. Approximately one half of those are known to be "chronically homeless" with the other half occasionally "couch surfing" and/or able to find alternate temporary accommodations. 12 of the users use the pods on an on-going basis.

The bulk of the cost to build and run the pods was covered via federal grant so money the Town had provided to assist with the project

has been kept in trust and not used. Those funds will go to Reflections at the end of March.

Erica Snook Pennings told council that there are still people "sleeping rough" and at times she had clients sleeping outside because the pods were full. However, when asked if she would advocate for more pods she said no. "I wouldn't be advocating for more pods, I would be advocating for transitional housing," said Snook-Pennings.

Anne Auriat said since Reflections has taken over the management of the pods she has noticed a marked difference at the Recycling centre.

Reflections has dedicated staff to cleaning and hired surveillance for the pods which has led to a "marked decrease in entry into the Recycling Centre." Auriat said the change to being run by a staff has saved her "a lot of gray hair and stress."

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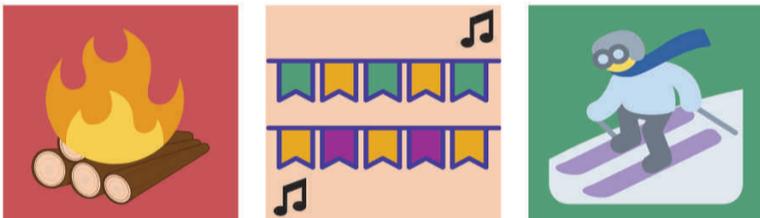
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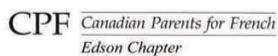


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GUEST EDITORIAL/COMMENT

Alberta taxpayers getting nickel and dimed in 2022

In 2022, we'll pay higher income taxes, carbon taxes, property taxes and even higher taxes for a bottle of booze

by Kevin Lacey
Alberta director
Canadian Taxpayers Federation

Another year and another New Year's dominated by COVID-19. Restrictions on hockey games, travel and even community gatherings lead the news. While that diverts our attention, politicians are nickel and diming us with higher taxes.

In 2022, we'll pay higher income taxes, carbon taxes, property taxes and even higher taxes for a bottle of booze.

Politicians will tell you: don't worry about it, these increases are small and you probably won't even notice it. But their tax hikes add up.

The Alberta government is increasing its tax take in 2022 through a sneaky income tax hike known as bracket creep. Bracket creep occurs when governments stop moving their tax brackets with inflation, and taxpayers get bumped into higher tax brackets even though they can't actually afford to buy more.

Premier Jason Kenney introduced bracket creep in his 2019 budget, despite promising not to raise taxes only a few weeks before.

This year, bracket creep will cost each Alberta taxpayer between \$44 and \$141, depending on their income. That may not sound like a lot but consider this: when you add together previous years' increases since 2020, your tax bill will be between \$105 and \$331 higher just because the government didn't index its tax brackets.

Kenney knows better than most how bracket creep eats away at taxpayers' wallets. When Kenney was a member of Parliament he wrote a column in the Calgary Herald bashing the federal government's bracket creep as a "hidden and regressive tax grab." The federal government has stopped bracket creep, but the Alberta government has not.

The federal government is also adding a series of increases that will affect almost anyone earning more than \$40,000. The tax rate and maximum earnings for the Canada Pension Plan are both increasing, which means workers and businesses

will each pay \$3,500 through the CPP tax in 2022. That's a \$333 annual tax hike for each worker making \$64,900 or more.

The Employment Insurance tax is also increasing in 2022, costing each worker an extra \$63 and each business an extra \$89.

The federal carbon tax will also increase to 11 cents per litre of gasoline on April 1. That's nearly \$9 just in carbon tax costs every time a family fuels up their minivan.

But that's not all. Politicians will be reaching deeper into your wallets every time you buy a six-pack or bottle of wine. Starting on April 1, the excise tax you pay will automatically go up by the inflation rate. Taxes already account for about half of the price of beer, 65 per cent of the price of wine and more than three-quarters of the price of spirits.

Municipal governments are also raising taxes. Calgary is increasing property taxes by 3.89 per cent in 2022 and Edmonton is hiking taxes by 1.91 per cent.

There is one positive change. Federal income taxes will be lower because the basic personal amount is increasing from \$13,808 to \$14,398, saving anyone making less than \$155,625 about \$89.

Bit by bit, politicians are taking more money from your family this year. It could be even worse in the near future. Kenney is set to announce a tax panel to see where he could find more money to pay for ever-increasing government spending. Alberta Finance Minister Travis Toews still hasn't ruled out a future provincial sales tax.

Even during the pandemic, the average Canadian family paid 36 per cent of their budget to taxes. That's more than the average Canadian family paid for food, shelter and clothing combined. Do politicians really think increasing their tax-take during a pandemic makes life better for Albertans?

As we look forward to 2022, we need to keep an eye on all the ways politicians already take from us before we let them take even more.

Kevin Lacey is the Alberta Director of the Canadian Taxpayers Federation.

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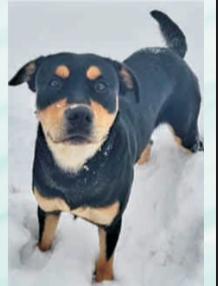
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Letter to the Editor:

"We have the freedom to make a choice" says writer

Many Canadians are voicing their discontent with compulsory vaccine mandate for cross border truckers to be able to enter Canada.

Some say it threatens their rights and freedoms. Obviously, they've never lived in a country that doesn't guarantee individual rights and freedoms.

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The private sector

has done this for many years- to work in the oil patch many courses are compulsory to take and pass for employment to be offered by certain companies.

Where were the protestors then?

And one final comment. Many of the people who have contributed to the freedom fund have chosen to remain anonymous. Why? Is it to protect their reputation, their political ideas, or their financial state in the outcome of this protest? The one thing I do already know about

them is they are cowards without the backbone to stand up for their principles publicly. I know my viewpoint is not popular here in Alberta but I have no problem saying so publicly.

Some disgraceful things have been done in Ottawa this weekend. They have been so disgusting. I will only say swastikas do not belong on my Canadian flag, graffiti does not belong on the statue of Terry Fox, or the lack of respect shown for the tomb of the unknown soldiers should be abhorrent to us all.

Thank God I know most Canadians are proud of our country.

Judy Beck



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by February 14, 2022

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News Bulletin

Feb 19, 1913

Mrs. Windy Weatherly, partner in Weatherly & Church of the Grande Prairie Trail is being investigated for selling false land deeds in the Edson area.

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Trans Mountain's first priority will always be the health and safety of our workforce, their families and our communities. In response to the evolving COVID-19 pandemic, Trans Mountain and our construction contractors for the Trans Mountain Expansion Project have been working diligently together to ensure adherence to all advice and direction from government and health officials both provincially and federally. More details about our specific actions can be found at transmountain.com/covid19.

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8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Babysitter's Safety Course

This Kidproof Safety course is designed to provide graduated babysitter's with the necessary skills to ensure safe and effective babysitting. The course will be held at the Wildwood Community Hall.

March 4
(PD Day)

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Sleep Talk Series

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Infant/Toddler Series (3 months - 2.5 years): Registration Deadline: March 7	Wednesday, March 9 7:30 - 8:30 PM
Preschool Series (3 - 5 years): Registration Deadline: March 11	Monday, March 14 7:30 - 8:30 PM

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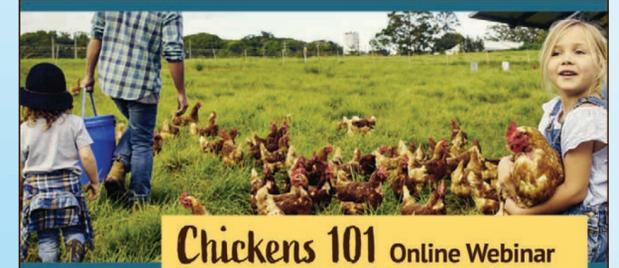
February 26

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Chickens 101 Online Webinar

Things you Probably Didn't Know about Chickens.
Feb. 16 | 6:00pm-7:30pm

This is a free webinar, but registration is required. Please register before February 14 by calling 1-800-814-3935 or 780-325-3782.

Are you considering raising chickens? Or do you currently raise chickens but have questions that Google just can't seem to give you a straight answer on? Join Dr. Frank Robinson, a Poultry Production Professor for the UofA, on February 16th from 6:00pm-7:30pm to get all your questions answered.

Dr. Robinson has 45 years of experience with general poultry husbandry, so he knows his facts about chickens! The presentation will go through some of the lesser known facts about chickens, and some tips for raising chickens in general, the second half will be a questions and answer period.

This workshop is intended for residents who own a small flock or for those that are thinking of raising chickens.

Approved Development Permits have been issued authorizing the following:

Permit No.	Location	Proposal	Date
D22-009	Plan 7921360, Blk 2, Lot 13 SW 29-53-15-W5 Pinedale Estates	Single Detached Dwelling	Jan 26/22
D22-008	SE 28-55-09-W5 Wildwood Area	Home Business - Small Indigenous Retail / Trading Post	Feb 1/22
D22-004	Plan 0526646, Blk 2, Lot 8 SW 32-51-24-W5 East River Road	Home Business Medium - Discretionary	Feb 3/22
D22-012	NW 28-53-11-W5 Nojack Area	Single Detached Dwelling	Feb 7/22
D22-011	Plan 0820472, Blk 2, Lot 7 SW 32-51-24-W5 East River Road	Home Business Medium - Discretionary Use, Two Existing Accessory Buildings (Office Buildings - Variance for Number of Buildings) & Addition to Existing Accessory Building (Shop)	Feb 8/22

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ENERGY EDUCATION IN ACTION



Trans Mountain Completes Pipeline Construction in Greater Edmonton

Pipeline construction in the Greater Edmonton area has successfully wrapped up, marking completion of the first section of pipeline construction on the Trans Mountain Expansion Project. In late 2019, construction crews began working on this portion of the Project, which included 50 kilometres of pipeline running from Trans Mountain's Edmonton Terminal in Sherwood Park to Acheson, Alberta.

"This is an important milestone for the Trans Mountain Expansion Project, made possible by the hard work and dedication of some 900 workers, and our Indigenous and local business partners. It has taken many years of planning and preparation to ensure this portion of the job was delivered while respecting the environment and communities around us," said Ian

Anderson, President and CEO of Trans Mountain Corporation.

The work scope included installation of 48,762 metres of pipe, 14 horizontal directional drills, 472 tie-ins and took 1.5 million person-hours of work to complete.

"Trans Mountain is proud of the work completed with our contractors who share our values of safety, integrity and quality," added Anderson. "We were also able to maximize the benefits from the Project for Indigenous and local communities with 22 per cent of the workforce on this spread being Indigenous and \$57 million in contracts awarded to 42 Indigenous businesses."

Trans Mountain has community benefit agreements with the local governments in the area with

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County Receives Federal Funding for Rural Broadband Program

Background

In 2014, Yellowhead County started work on our municipality's Rural Communications Strategy. It was part of a multi-year plan to develop and build a Yellowhead County Tower Network System with a goal to enhance connectivity to underserved areas in the County.

Yellowhead County needed to build a more robust and reliable backbone system network for cell service, broadband internet service, Protective Services communications connectivity and wildland fire detection.

There are four key parts of our tower program:

1. Internal staff and Protective Services connectivity
2. Enhanced cellular service by co-locating ISP providers on County Towers
3. Broadband Internet provisions for Yellowhead County residents
4. Early-Warning wildland fire detection system

The project began with the first two tower tenders going out to the Alberta Purchasing Connection (APC) site for bidders to build two towers – one in Wildwood the other in Obed.

Since the 2014 project start, Yellowhead County has been able to place 11 tower projects on the APC site allowing bidders from all over Canada the chance to participate in building towers, and benefiting the economy. Enabling this project also extends coverage to many regions that previously had poor or no ability for connectivity. This also began to lay the backbone for a broadband system and a platform for cell phone providers and internet service providers.

Tower sites are strategically placed to allow for fibre connection, microwave links, industry needs, emergency services and staff coverage, and to provide coverage and connectivity to residents. These towers can offer numerous immediate advantages, including expanding the public safety communications infrastructure (through emergency services) and providing communications services for

our industry ratepayers.

Federal Grant Funding

Part of the ongoing Rural Communications plan was for Yellowhead County to find ways to provide broadband services in a cost-effective manner.

Yellowhead County has been applying for all available Provincial and Federal grants that would fund the Rural Communications Plan since 2014.

In December of 2020, the Federal Government created a program under the Universal Broadband Fund (UBF) called Rapid Response Stream. This fund was for shovel-ready projects identified by Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada (ISED) as having inadequate or no coverage. There was a very short timeline for responses to be sent in. A section of the western part of Yellowhead County met the ISED requirements and funding limits.

During the grant application process, Yellowhead County worked with several Canadian partners who specialize in this industry to research and develop the data needed for the grant application. Yellowhead County has been ready to work with the best-qualified companies to help the County meet the grant requirements. The partners included both local and national companies who all have a presence in our province and were determined to be the best fit for the project.

The grant application was successful, and the project to provide Robb, Brule, Mountain View Estates, Aspen Heights, Sebolt, Grandview, Maskuta, Carldale, and Yellowhead County East River Road is now underway under the federal government's Universal Broadband Fund.

This federal grant will allow Yellowhead County to continue to build the network's backbone and expand cellular and broadband services throughout the region. The grant enables Yellowhead County to continue to build an expanding open network that any service provider can use to provide services to county residents and industry. The goal is to get fibre

connections to as many households as possible and create new wireless options where fibre is not an option. This network will be an entirely new system and not use old, unsupported, and outdated infrastructure already in place.

Yellowhead County has also applied for additional funding under Canada's Connectivity Strategy's UBF program to allow more network backbone to be built in all populated areas of Yellowhead County.

County residents and businesses, however, must still rely on the interest of commercial cellular and internet providers to bring in these services. But as Yellowhead County has effectively covered the cost of infrastructure development—with support from the grant funding—commercial service providers have only to attach their services to these towers. Yellowhead County has made it easier for service providers to bring their coverage to our communities, but it's still up to them to see this enticing business opportunity.

Ongoing System Builds:

While there are several additional places in the County that could benefit from better coverage, the next two sites waiting for Provincial grants that have been applied for are located in the McKay and Evansburg areas. These two new locations, if funded, will continue to allow Yellowhead County to develop an infrastructure backbone to support the ever-increasing need for high-speed internet and cellular connectivity for Yellowhead County residents, staff, first responders, emergency services and other protective services such as early wildfire protection, as well as industry, and other stakeholders.

As residents continue to rely more and more on these services for school, business, safety, and day-to-day living – and business and industry need this infrastructure backbone to operate in our more remote areas, Yellowhead County's Broadband Tower Network System continues to be a vital infrastructure service to our communities and region for continued growth and viability.

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\$475,000 dedicated to local, community projects that will provide lasting legacies for the residents of the City of Edmonton and Strathcona County.

Work continues at our Edmonton Terminal, pump stations and on the other spreads and facilities of the Expansion Project. Overall, as of January 8, 2022, construction on the Expansion Project is more than 45 per cent complete and inclusive of pre-construction activities, the Expansion Project exceeded 55 per cent overall progress.

Construction is currently accelerating on the pipeline portions in the Fraser Valley and Lower Mainland of BC. Work on some of the major portions of the Project, including the Burnaby Mountain Tunnel and Westridge and Burnaby Terminals are all past the half-way point in

construction. As of December 31, 2021, there were approximately 12,700 people working on the Project.

While the pipeline construction phase in Greater Edmonton is complete, there are still several steps before that section of the pipe is ready for operations and some continued activities will be visible in the area such as reclamation and seeding. In accordance with the Canada Energy Regulator (CER) Act, companies require permission from the CER through a process called "Leave to Open." This process requires results from a series of testing, inspections and safety information that demonstrate the pipeline and associated facilities can be safely opened for operation.

Keystone XL trade challenge: Minister Savage

Minister of Energy Sonya Savage issued the following statement on the filing of a notice of intent for a legacy NAFTA claim for the Keystone XL project:

"The Government of Alberta – through the Alberta Petroleum Marketing Commission – has taken formal steps to initiate a legacy North American Free Trade Agreement claim under the Canada-United States-Mexico Agreement over the cancellation of the presidential permit for the Keystone XL pipeline border crossing.

"After examining all available options, we have determined a legacy claim is the best avenue to recover the government's investment in the Keystone XL project.

"The Keystone XL pipeline would have provided a number of economic benefits on both sides of the border. As we have seen with recent global events, energy security for North America is critical to our shared economic growth and prosperity. It remains Alberta's position that our resource sector can and should be a responsible and reliable energy source for North American markets in the years to come.

"We remain disappointed about the events and circumstances that led to the cancellation of this project. Alberta's government will continue to fiercely advocate for our energy sector and the workers whose livelihoods depend on it."



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The future of coal worldwide

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The energy systems of tomorrow will rely on a mix of advanced, clean and efficient technologies for energy use and supply. In order to reduce its

environmental impact, development and application of Clean Coal Technologies (CCTs), designed to convert coal to a cleaner source of energy, should continue.



Further development of CCTs will lead to a number of technology options that will eliminate or reduce atmospheric emissions that currently are of concern.

Alberta Innovates - Energy and Environment Solutions works with industry, universities, and federal and provincial research agencies to pursue the goal of identifying and adopting the best, most environmentally sound technologies that may be employed to produce and use Alberta coal and coal products. Additional information about Alberta Innovates - Energy and Environment Solutions is available at www.albertainnovates.ca/energy



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Alberta takes first step in "safely return to normal" plan

Alberta says it will "begin a careful and prudent plan to phase out public health measures, starting Feb. 8". The province says the three-step approach will begin with lower-risk activities while maintaining protections for the health-care system, including continuing care facilities.

Beginning Feb. 8 at 11:59 p.m., Alberta will move to step one, which includes the removal of the Restrictions Exemption Program and capacity limits on venues under 500 capacity, including libraries and places of worship, and allows for food and beverage consumption in seated audience settings for large events and entertainment venues. Mandatory masking for children and youth in schools, and for youth aged 12 and under in any setting will end Feb. 13 at 11:59 p.m.

"The last two years have taken a significant toll on Albertans' overall health, social and economic well-being. Now that we are through the worst of the fifth wave and have achieved high vaccination rates, it is time to shift to a balanced approach where we are able to live with COVID-19 and return to normal." —Jason

Kenney, Premier

Subsequent steps will see changes to working from home, masking requirements, large venue capacity limits and indoor social gathering limits, with a final step removing isolation requirements and COVID-specific measures in continuing care settings. The lifting of restrictions will progress once pressures on the health-care system have sufficiently eased.

Step one

Effective Feb. 9:

- Restrictions Exemption Program (REP) ends, along with most associated restrictions.
- Entertainment venues will continue to have some specific rules in place:
- Restrictions on sale of food and beverages and consumption while seated in audience settings will be removed.
- Restrictions on closing times, alcohol service, table capacity in restaurants and interactive activities will remain in force.
- For all businesses, venues and facilities – whether they were previously eligible for the REP or not –

capacity limits are removed, except for:

- Facilities with capacity of 500 to 1,000, which will be limited to 500.
- Facilities with capacity of 1,000-plus, which will be limited to 50 per cent.

Effective Feb. 14:

- Masks will no longer be required for all children and youth in schools.
- Masks will no longer be required in any setting for children aged 12 and under.

NDP leader Rachel Notley stated to the media, "We are a nation of laws and it's time this UCP government remembers that these laws apply to everyone; even if you happen to want their vote in the leadership review."

"The sight of an elected government being bent to the will of criminals should be of grave concern to everyone regardless of their political beliefs," added Notley. "The UCP has tossed out their values for votes."

For more information visit: <https://www.alberta.ca/coronavirus-info-for-albertans.aspx>

Teachers want normalcy, but caution is still needed

(ATA) In response to the latest COVID-19 provincial update, ATA president Jason Schilling has released the following statement:

Just one month ago, the government decided to extend winter break and provided new, medical grade masks to all schools. Now just days after those masks have arrived in some schools, the provincial government has decided to eliminate masking requirements entirely. The school community expects that the government will make decisions after carefully considering expert scientific advice and, when appropriate, proceed with a gradual reduction in safety protocols so that students and teachers can continue to learn and teach with confidence that our schools are safe and healthy places.

"A return to a more normal school setting is something that everyone is hoping for. However, we do not want a hasty decision, only to take us a step backwards in a few

weeks. We urge the government to take a more cautious approach regarding the safety protocols in schools.

"Teachers, like most Albertans, are tired of the pandemic, but they are also worried about the speed at which the government announced the removal of the one protection that was available to all students—masking."

Throughout the past two years, the minister of education has consistently abdicated the responsibility of the pandemic response to school boards. The minister has stated the importance of school boards' autonomy and their ability to make decisions and respond to specific local needs. In response, many boards stepped up and made the hard, but necessary, decisions to ensure community safety. However yesterday, this strategy changed, and the minister stripped school boards of their capacity to respond to COVID in their schools and communities.

"Once again, the government has made a decision without consulting educational stakeholders, including the Association and school boards. Consulting those working every day in schools was the bare minimum the government should have done. They didn't."

The government of Alberta has repeatedly stated that schools reflect the COVID that is present in the community. Average COVID rates remain at a high level across the province, and students will now be in crowded spaces, many poorly ventilated, without masks.

"We have consistently heard from the government that schools reflect the COVID that is present in the community. Why remove the mask mandate so quickly when community spread has not decreased significantly? What will be so different next week from this week?"

Removing COVID-19 protections is a short-sighted decision based on politics, not evidence

Although the Premier insists it will be "a careful and prudent plan," the government's track record suggests otherwise.

(Friends of Medicare) Today [Feb. 8], Premier Jason Kenney revealed that he will be announcing his government's plan to lift Alberta's public health measures. Last summer the government tried a similar approach, leaving Albertans needlessly vulnerable.

"Here we go again. Each time the UCP government has lifted public health protections they've rushed to do it too soon and been met with outcry from concerned public health experts, health care workers, and advocates," says Chris Gallaway, Executive Director of Friends of Medicare. "But throughout this crisis, we've been repeatedly ignored by a government more concerned with protecting private profits than the health and wellbeing of the people of this province and our health care system."

Kenney says the decision to lift measures will be contingent on declining hospital numbers, but as it stands, there are still more COVID-infected people in Alberta hospitals than ever before in the pandemic. Research from the University of Toronto shows that Alberta has higher rates of excess mortality during the COVID-19 pandemic than any other province.

"Our hospitals are still overcapacity, we're facing staffing shortages throughout our health care system, and surgeries are still being canceled, yet this government continues to dodge their responsibility for protecting the safety of health care workers and patients," says Gallaway. "Our health care workers have been invaluable over the past two years, and they deserve all the support we can give. What they don't need is their government recklessly adding to the immense pressure on our health care system."

The ongoing fifth wave has barely shown signs of

curbing, and its impact is still being acutely felt throughout our health care system. But while Kenney initially stated his intention to lift restrictions in March, or late February, the timeline has since shortened dramatically, following protests in Coutts, and across Canada.

"This province's pandemic response continues to be made based on political whims and short-sighted ideological bents, rather than evidence, and what's best for protecting our collective public health," says Gallaway. "The UCP government continues to play games with Albertans' health and safety. But as we've already seen, this pandemic won't end just because they say so."

"Our provincial government must learn its lesson from its repeated past mistakes and finally put evidence—and the health of Albertans—first," concluded Gallaway.

W hat's happening, when and where in the community

Community Events

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Economic Development. 'Large amounts of snow and below average temperatures in the winter do not necessarily mean a slower start to the wildfire season. The wildfire hazard in Alberta is largely dependent upon the spring precipitation

received particularly through the end of late March to the end of May.' At this time of year, industry and landowners often take advantage of the cooler weather to burn debris and brush on their land. However, landowners need to be careful that their actions

do not start a wildfire. The majority of wildfires are started by humans. Alberta Wildfire urges anyone doing winter burning to ensure their piles have been fully extinguished. 'If fires are not properly put out, they can spread and burn underground, even under the snow and ice, all winter. Under the right conditions, these fires can re-emerge in the spring as wildfires,' says Davidson.

Following safe burning practices during this period will help prevent holdover fires that can start spring wildfires. Although snow helps reduce the risk of the fire burning into the ground, it is recommended that landowners regularly revisit all fall and winter burn sites to ensure the fire is out. 'Walk the burn area and roll over any debris to check for hot spots. The best way to find

hotspots is to look for visible signs of burning such as melting snow around the edges. Touch the burn area with your hands and smell for smoke.' Things to consider when burning this winter: - Ensure you have proper tools at the burn site such as an axe, shovels and at least 200 litres of water. - Consult local municipalities or Alberta Agriculture, Forestry and Rural Economic Development on how to mitigate impacts when undertaking larger winter burning projects near communities or roadways.

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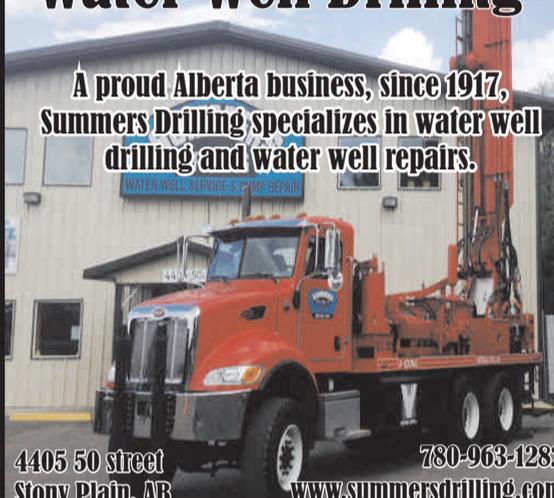
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