

DRAPER ROAD NEWS



September 2026





Check your mail - property tax notices are out

The Municipality mailed out 2026 property tax notices to all residential and commercial property owners.

It is the responsibility of property owners to contact the municipality if they do not receive their notice. Late payment penalties will be applied to any outstanding balance of property taxes after June 30.

In addition to mail, there are a variety of ways to pay your property taxes:

- At a bank/financial institution
- Through online banking
- [RMWB's Online Payment Portal](#)
- In-person at a municipal office

The RMWB also offers the Tax Installment Payment Plan (TIPP) for monthly property tax payments for those without taxes included in their mortgage. For the full list of options and payment details, visit rmwb.ca/taxes.

Learn more at rmwb.ca/taxes or contact Pulse at **780-743-7000** or Toll Free at **1-800-973-9663**.

Rural Water & Sewer Service

Hiring a certified contractor

A certified contractor must be selected from the [Alberta Municipal Affairs Private Sewage System Installer Certification List](#).

The following local contractors have been certified by Alberta Municipal Affairs as of July 2024:

Contractor	Contact information
B Mac Underground Services Ltd.	780-742-9848
Best Choice Plumbing, Heating and Wastewater Solutions	780-799-6267
Call First Plumbing & Heating	780-880-4726
Consun Contracting Ltd.	780-743-3163
H Wilson Industries (2010) Ltd.	780-743-1881
NC Transport & Equipment	780-713-1169
Parker Drainage and Waterproofing	780-799-0723
Qalipu Enterprises	780-598-4933
Rob Ryan Construction Inc.	780-799-6434
SENA Constructors Inc.	780-747-9664
Sureway Construction Management Ltd.	780-743-4788
Wellingdale Group Inc.	780-607-1431
Wood Buffalo Plumbing & Heating Ltd.	780-974-0521

Please note, this list is for informational purposes only. The RMWB is not recommending or endorsing these businesses. Any contract you enter with a certified contractor is strictly at your own risk.



NATIONAL DAY FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2026

COMMUNITY GATHERING & REMARKS AT 10:00 AM
SOLIDARITY WALK AT 11:00 AM
Gather at Kiyām Community Park, 10007 Franklin Avenue.



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Rural Sharing Network

Connecting services, strengthening rural communities

The Rural Sharing Network brings together community organizations and service providers to build relationships, share information and collaborate on services for rural residents across the RMWB.

By participating, you can:

- Learn about programs and services available in each rural community
- Build connections with other agencies and community organizations
- Help identify community needs and service gaps
- Work together to improve supports for rural residents

Who can join?

- Non-profit and social profit organizations
- Government and municipal services
- Other service providers working in RMWB

Want to get involved?

If you represent a service provider or community organization in the RMWB that would like to join the Rural Sharing Network, please contact:

Aimee McCamon, Rural Relations Coordinator

Email: aimee.mccamon@rmwb.ca



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Stay up to date on services, news, and projects in your community!

You may have noticed a refreshed look for **rmwb.ca**.



The new website provides a more reliable and user-friendly way to keep informed and connected.

Key changes include an improved mobile-friendly design and enhanced accessibility.

We've also streamlined the subscription process.

News, alerts, updates and more

Stay ahead of what's happening around your neighbourhood: get timely news delivered straight to your email inbox by subscribing to municipal updates.

Pick and choose the categories you're interested in:

- Municipal News (News Releases)
- Emergency Alerts
- Winter Maintenance Zones
- Construction: Fort McMurray - North of the Bridge
- Construction: Fort McMurray - South of the Bridge
- Construction: Rural Communities - North of Fort McMurray
- Construction: Rural Communities - South of Fort McMurray
- Fort Chipewyan Winter Road
- La Loche Winter Trail
- Legislated Public Notices
- River Breakup Community Updates

Subscribe for updates at **rmwb.ca/subscribe**.

If you're having trouble finding municipal information on our website, please contact Pulse at 780-743-7000 or rmwb.ca/pulse.



The Northeast Alberta FASD Network enhances regional capacity to prevent FASD and support those impacted by it through coordinated planning, collaboration, education, and service delivery.

- **Assessment and diagnosis:** Diagnosis is the first step to getting the help that individuals with FASD need.
- **Rural outreach:** Our outreach program is designed to assist and support individuals affected by FASD as well as their families/caregivers. Through a strength-based approach clients are prepared to achieve greater success.

NEAFAN team is available in:

Fort McKay: Family Support Building – September 14th, 21st, 28th

Fort McMurray 468 First Nations: Health Center – September 1st, 15th, 22nd, 29th

Fort Chipewyan: Charlie Voyageur Centre: September 16th

Janvier Municipal Building – September 2nd, 16th, 23rd

Conklin Multiplex Centre –September 24th

Anzac Recreation Centre – September 10th

*Please refer to the community events and programs calendar for date and time for information or to schedule an intake appointment, please contact:

FASD Rural Outreach Worker: Kenisha Boothe
9916 Manning Avenue, Fort McMurray, AB
Phone: 780-799-1748
Email: Kenisha.boothe@mcman.ca

FASD Rural Outreach Worker: Kaylee Paterson
9916 Manning Avenue, Fort McMurray, AB
Phone: 780-799-1748
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NEAFAN
Northeast Alberta FASD Network

FASD Awareness Day 2026

Everyone Plays a Part:
**IT TAKES
A COMMUNITY**

This FASD Awareness Month,
let's come together to support,
learn, and build a strong
Northeast Alberta for
families and individuals
affected by FASD.



WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2026
10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
KIYÂM COMMUNITY PARK
ENJOY A FREE BBQ BURGER




NEAFAN
Northeast Alberta FASD Network



**WEDNESDAY,
SEPTEMBER 9, 2026**
10:00 AM – 3:00 PM



KIYÂM COMMUNITY PARK
Corner of Franklin Avenue &
Main Street, Fort McMurray



AWARENESS EVENTS THROUGHOUT NORTHEAST ALBERTA!

Date	Location	Activity
SEPT 8	Jamies	Multiplex
SEPT 9	BBQ	Kiyâm Community Park
SEPT 10	Anzac	Rice Centre
SEPT 14	Fort McKay	Family Support Building
SEPT 15	Fort McMurray First Nations	Health Centre
SEPT 16	Fort Chipewyan	Charlie Voyageur Centre
SEPT 24	Conklin	Multiplex



**SALINE CREEK BRIDGE
WILL BE ILLUMINATED RED
IN SUPPORT OF
FASD AWARENESS MONTH
SEPTEMBER 9 – 10, 2026**

-  **FREE BBQ**
-  **LIGHT THE BRIDGE**
-  **FASD EDUCATION**
-  **LEARN & CONNECT**
-  **CONNECT OUR COMMUNITIES**

FASD AWARENESS DAY 2026
BBQ AT KIYÂM COMMUNITY PARK - SEPT 9, 2026 - 10 AM - 3 PM



DRAPER COMMUNITY OPEN HOUSE

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JOIN US

Connect with Municipal project teams and share your feedback

**SEPTEMBER 10
5:30 - 7:30 p.m.**

**Royal Canadian Legion
McMurray Branch 165**

WE'RE SEEKING YOUR FEEDBACK ON:

RURAL SNOW AND ICE



Share your input on rural winter maintenance. What priorities matter most to your community? Take the survey at rmwb.ca/ruralsnow

RURAL BRIDGE REPAIR



Learn more about important rural bridge repairs.

**And more project and program
updates happening in your community.**

Learn more at rmwb.ca/participate
Have questions? Reach out to Pulse at 1-800-973-9663 or rmwb.ca/Pulse



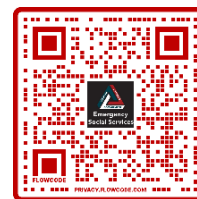
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Emergency Social Services (ESS)

ESS provides individuals or families with supports when they are displaced due to an emergency. Registration centres or other evacuation sites are set up to register evacuees and provide immediate basic needs. This support is available to provide a safe place for evacuees to plan their next steps as they transition to recovery.

Registration centres may provide the following services:

- Food/water
- Shelter
- Clothing
- First Aid/emotional support
- Family reunification
- Animal care and rescue assistance



To learn more about ESS, or to join the ESS Team, scan the QR code below:

VPR

Emergencies happen. If you are a vulnerable person living in the region, you may be at greater risk during an emergency.



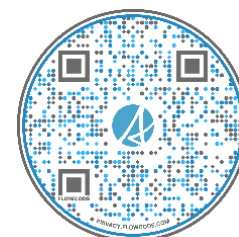
**Vulnerable
Persons
Registry**

The Vulnerable Persons Registry (VPR) is a service that improves the safety of vulnerable residents living at home.

This is done by communicating directly with registrants during emergencies and by sharing key information to first responders about individuals on the VPR. Click [here](#) to find out more about the VPR.

MAERS

The MyAlberta Emergency Registration System is available to all residents of Alberta as a tool to assist during an evacuation or emergency. Albertans can register themselves and their family members in advance of an emergency using their MyAlberta Digital ID. Click [here](#) or scan below to pre-register today.





Residents in rural communities can contact the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo 24/7 by contacting Pulse via the following:

- 780-743-7000
 - 1-800-973-9663 (toll-free)
- www.rmwb.ca/pulse

Walking Safety Tips



Walk Facing Traffic: If there is no sidewalk and you must walk on the side of the road, choose the side where you are facing oncoming traffic. This gives you the best chance to see traffic approaching closest to you and take evasive action if necessary.

Cross Safely: Look both ways before crossing any street. Make eye contact with any drivers who may be turning. Give them a wave. Make sure they see you.

Walk Single File: Unless you are on a sidewalk separate from the road, you should walk single file. This is especially important on a road with lots of curves. While it can be enjoyable to walk down the road two or three abreast chatting merrily, drivers don't expect it.

Stay aware of bikes and runners: Share the road and path with bikes and runners. Bike riders should alert you when approaching from behind with a bike bell or a "passing on the left/right." Listen for them.

Be Visible: Wear bright colors when walking in daytime. When walking at night wear light-colored clothing and reflective clothing or reflective vest to be visible.

Hang Up and Eyes Up: Chatting or texting while walking is as dangerous as doing that while driving. You are distracted and not as aware of your environment. You are less likely to recognize traffic danger, passing joggers and bikers or tripping hazards. Potential criminals can also see you as a distracted easy target.

When walking your pet: keep your pet on the side away from traffic so that they don't accidentally dart into the roadway.

Community Standards Bylaw

This summer, RMWB Bylaw Services is out checking in on properties, following up on concerns and making sure communities across the region stay clean, safe and welcoming for everyone.

We all play an important role by keeping our homes and yards well-kept, being mindful of noise at night and making sure we're not draining water onto our neighbours properties.

Learn more about what is included in the Bylaw at rmwb.ca/communitystandards

To report a concern in your neighbourhood, visit Pulse online, or call **780-743-7000**.



Celebrate the year of the Therapeutic Gardening! Plant, grow and connect with the healing power of nature. Enjoy the vibrant shades of gold, orange, bronze and burgundy sunflowers.

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IMPORTANT CONTACT INFORMATION

PULSE (MUNICIPAL SWITCH BOARD)	1-800-973-9663 780-743-7000	PULSE@RMWB.CA	RMWB.CA/PULSE
COMMUNITY CONTACTS:		SOCIAL MEDIA:	
RCMP	780-788-4000	 @WOODBUFFALORURALCOMMUNITYCONNECTION  @RMWOODBUFFALO  @RMWOODBUFFALO	
FISH & WILDLIFE	780-743-7200		
HEALTH LINK	811		
ALL EMERGENCIES	911		

To submit information to the newsletter please email:
info.rr@rmwb.ca

Deadline for October Newsletter submissions:
September 25, 2026

Apply for 2027 Community Investment Program grants

Learn about the opportunities and application process at September information sessions

Grant applications are being accepted starting Sept. 2 for the 2027 Community Investment Program (CIP) grant cycle.

CIP grant opportunities are available for registered non-profits, individuals, teams and groups.

The funding supports programs, projects, services, and events that foster community and social wellbeing, as well as encourage participation in amateur sports. The deadline to apply is Sept. 30 at 4:30 p.m.

Learn more and apply online

See all the details and start your online applications in the CIP Portal at rmwb.ca/CIP.

Pre-application meetings with the CIP team are strongly encouraged for **all** applicants. Meetings can be booked from Sept. 2 – 18.

To connect or book a one-on-one meeting with CIP staff, contact Pulse at 780-743-7000, toll-free at 1-800-973-9663 or online at rmwb.ca/Pulse.

Available grants:

- **Community Capital Grant** – Provides funding to registered non-profit organizations to support the enhancement, development, or renovation of public-use facilities within the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo. Applications for this grant are by invitation only.
- **Community Impact Grant** – Provides funding to registered non-profit organizations to deliver programs, projects and events that improve quality of life for residents in the region through two streams; the Community Programs and Projects stream and the Community Events stream. This year, applicants may apply for one, or both.
- **Community Sustaining Grant** – Provides funding to registered non-profit organizations providing strategic services that align with three or more funding priorities set by Council. Applications are by invitation only.
- **Games Legacy Grant** – Provides funding to support development in amateur sport, and residents competing at the provincial, national, or international level.

Upcoming information sessions

The CIP team will be hosting information sessions throughout September to answer questions and provide guidance on the application process. Drop in and learn more at any of the following sessions:

- Sept. 8, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., Conklin Multiplex (244 Northland Dr., Conklin)

- Sept. 8, 2 - 4 p.m., Janvier Municipal Centre (110 Janvier Dr., Janvier)
 - Sept. 9, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m., Vista Ridge (1 Spruce Valley Dr., Fort McMurray)
 - Sept. 11, 2 - 4 p.m., Fort Chipewyan Municipal Office (136 MacKenzie Ave.)
 - Sept. 14, 5 - 7 p.m., Jubilee Centre lobby (9909 Franklin Ave., Fort McMurray)
 - Sept. 16, 5 - 7 p.m., Anzac Recreation Centre (237 Stony Mountain Rd., Anzac)
 - Sept. 17, 1 - 3 p.m., Jubilee Centre lobby (9909 Franklin Ave., Fort McMurray)
 - Sept. 25, 3 - 6 p.m., Fort McKay Community Centre (Range Road 1109 W)
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Public Service Announcement

Fort McMurray: Increased Air Traffic

Aug 30, 2026 – Cold Lake, Alta. – National Defence / Canadian Armed Forces

4 Wing Cold Lake, Alberta will conduct military training at Fort McMurray International Airport from 31 August to 4 September 2026.

During this period residents of Fort McMurray and the surrounding areas may notice increased air traffic and military activity. The training will involve CF-18 Hornet fighter aircraft and be supported by civilian patterned military vehicles.

4 Wing and Canadian Forces Base Cold Lake values its relationship with its northern community neighbours and appreciates the continued support of the residents. Every effort will be made to minimize noise impacts and reduce disruptions to the community while ensuring essential training objectives are achieved.

These training activities are carefully planned and closely controlled to ensure public safety and provide valuable opportunities to maintain collective readiness and operational effectiveness.

Community Calendar September 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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2	3	4	5	6	7 Garbage Collection Day 	8
9	10 Community open House 5:30- 7:30pm	11	12	13	14 Garbage Collection Day 	15
16	17	18	19	20	21 Garbage Collection Day 	22
23	24	25 Newsletter Submission Deadline	26	27	28 Garbage Collection Day 	29
30 Orange Shirt Day	31					