



**Mountain View**  
COUNTY

# What's New In Mountain View

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## Highlights from the Regular Council Meeting of 18/03/2009 Environmentally Sensitive Areas report approved

Mountain View County will benefit from an updated inventory of Environmentally Significant Areas within its boundaries. On Wednesday, Council received the final Environmentally Significant Areas report, prepared for the County by Summit Environmental Consultants; and the Riparian Mapping Appendix, which was submitted by Nichols Environmental.

The final Environmentally Sensitive Areas Report, which includes the Riparian Mapping Appendix, may now be used as a reference in the implementation of Environmental Protection Guidelines; for the evaluation of Subdivision and Development Applications; and to help identify priority areas for Beneficial Riparian Management project funding.

Council subsequently directed Chief Administrative Officer Doug Plamping to create a policy and map based on the report, where all Environmental Significant Areas will be ranked equally for planning purposes. "The Environmentally Significant Areas report is very important for our municipality, and the direction given by Council to create a policy and map based on the report shows that there will be actions originating from these studies," added CAO Doug Plamping.

Council also received a report presented by County residents Mr. Harvey Dick and Mrs. Loretta Lund as information, and directed administration to include it as an additional reference document.

## Increasing reserves highlight 2008 financial statements

Mountain View County's financial position remains strong heading into 2009. This was the message Council received Wednesday after reviewing the County's preliminary financial statements for 2008.

According to Director of Corporate Services Greg Wiens, the County's operating reserves at the end of 2008 are \$2.5 million higher than at the end of 2007, and \$3.3 million higher than budgeted. \$1.5 million of the increase in reserves can be attributed to projects that were budgeted in 2008, but which are carrying forward into 2009. The remaining increase in reserves is a combination of higher than expected revenues amid lower than expected expenditures. "As a result of our increasing reserves, Mountain View County is in a financial position to face the challenges which may result during this evolving economic climate," Wiens added.

Final audited financial statements will come back to Council on April 22. Look for more detailed results in May editions of the Mountain View Gazette.

## County clears up '08 expenses

Mountain View County Council approved additional grant funding on Wednesday to cover outstanding expenses on various 2008 road construction projects. Council approved over \$1.1 million in Alberta Municipal Infrastructure Program (AMIP) funding to cover overages on the paving of Range Road 20; and the remaining balance on the contract re-chipping of four County roads.

Funding of \$776,275.18 was required after issues arose during the construction and improvement of the side slopes along Range Road 20 in 2008. Culvert extensions were also added for increased safety, which was an increase from the original tender. "We had the room to go over budget on this project, as we had come in under budget on other projects throughout the year," said Doug Plamping, Chief Administrative Officer for Mountain View County.

An additional \$387,962.43 was also approved to fund additional work in 2008 involving contract re-chipping on the following roads:

- Township Road 320 from Range Road 40 to Secondary Highway 760;
- Range Road 281 from Hwy 27 to Township Road 340;
- Range Road 283 from Secondary Hwy 581 to Township Road 292 and;
- Range Road 285 from Hwy 27 to Township Road 322.

The County initially budgeted \$350,000.00 for contract re-chipping, to be funded by the AMIP grant; but with the final cost of the re-chipping totaling \$656,233.60, an additional allocation was required to cover the balance.

## LANDOWNER? HOMEOWNER? CONTRACTOR?

*Are you building?*

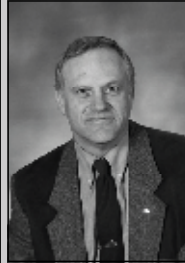
*Remember to apply for your permits - development & building.*

Processing of your applications will commence upon receipt of a completed application. The processing of a development application will take up to 40 days or more, depending on the complexity, and does not include the advertising period. A building permit application takes about 14 days and will be processed upon issuance of the development permit. Visit our website for application forms and call our office for more detailed information.

**PRE PLANNING PROMOTES a POSITIVE PRODUCT**

## Meet your County Representatives

Throughout March and April, Mountain View County Councillors will be hosting a series of Public Open Houses in your area:



### Open House Division 5

Meet Councillor  
Gerald Ingeveld  
March 26, 2009  
Bearberry Hall  
7 p.m. - 9 p.m.

### Open House Division 7

Meet Reeve  
Al Kemmere  
April 14, 2009  
Reed Ranch School  
7 p.m. - 9 p.m.



### Open House Division 3

Meet Councillor  
Everett Page  
April 16, 2009  
Lonepine Hall  
7 p.m. - 9 p.m.

### Open House Division 4

Meet Deputy Reeve  
Kathy Blain  
April 20, 2009  
Bergen Community Hall  
7 p.m. - 9 p.m.



Members of Mountain View County's Senior Management Team will also be on hand to answer your questions.

## Be wary of Fusarium Graminearum

*Fusarium is a seed borne pathogen and infected seed or feed grain represents the greatest risk of introducing Fusarium in quantities sufficient to cause disease development.*



### Key Management Strategies:

- There is a zero tolerance for the presence of Fusarium Graminearum in cereal grain intended for use as seed. All grain used for seed must be tested and found to be free of Fusarium Graminearum. It is further recommended that seed be treated with a registered fungicide, prior to planting, that includes the genus Fusarium on the label list of fungi that are controlled.
- All out of province feed grain should be tested and certified to be free of Fusarium graminearum before entering the Province.
- All feed material must be handled responsibly (best management practices), such that the opportunity for Fusarium Graminearum infected material to contact the soil is minimized. Any infected spilled grain or feed material must be collected and composted.
- There is zero tolerance for field infections of Fusarium Graminearum. Infected crops will be salvaged immediately, and the field must be taken out of cereal production for three years.

For more information visit [www.agric.gov.ab.ca](http://www.agric.gov.ab.ca) ;  
or contact the Agriculture Department @ 403-335-3311

**Global inspections will be taking place on all properties in the following area(s):**



**Range 4.0**  
(Twps. 29-4-5, 30-4-5, 31-4-5, 32-4-5, 33-4-5, 34-4-5)



## Riparian Project Funding Now Available

Mountain View County residents can now access \$25,000 in funding for the implementation of beneficial riparian management practices from the County's Agricultural Service Board (ASB).

Examples of projects that may be eligible for County funding include:

- Off-site watering systems
- Riparian area fencing (exclusion or riparian pasture).
- Creek crossings

Both mandatory and voluntary projects on agriculturally zoned land may also apply for funding. Only the cost of the materials for riparian projects will be eligible for funding; labour and equipment costs must be covered by the applicant.

Upon receipt of the application, a site visit will be arranged with the applicant to get pictures of the project site and fill in any missing information required for rating/approving funding for the project

Applications are available at [www.mountainviewcounty.com](http://www.mountainviewcounty.com),  
or by contacting Lesley Lovell at:  
Telephone: 403.335.3311 (Ext. 163) Fax: 403.335.9207  
Email: [lesley.lovell@mountainviewcounty.com](mailto:lesley.lovell@mountainviewcounty.com)

**Road Bans are now in effect.**

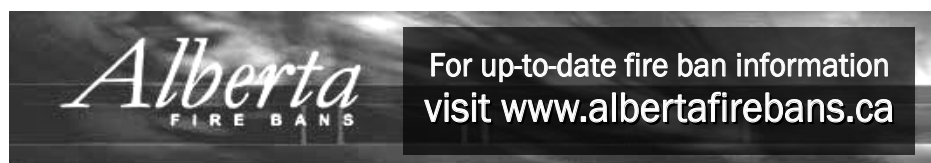
For information on how this affects you, please visit [www.mountainviewcounty.com](http://www.mountainviewcounty.com), or call 403-335-3311 for up-to-date information on banned roads.

## Road Bans affect you!

As of Friday, March 20, 2009, road bans will be in effect on all Mountain View County roads. Bans are placed on County roads to protect infrastructure from deterioration during the spring thaw; and to ensure the safety of the public through the prevention of damage to the driving surface. All roads, with some exceptions, will be banned at 75 per cent, meaning vehicles will be prohibited from carrying loads greater than 75 per cent of their permitted axle weight. Motorists found in violation of the posted axle weights will be subject to significant fines.

The County asks for public cooperation in monitoring heavy loads and reporting any signs of road damage to our Operational Services Department. To report any damage, or to request permits, please contact Operational Services at 403-335-8020 Ext. 504.

For up to date road ban information, please visit our website [www.mountainviewcounty.com](http://www.mountainviewcounty.com); or contact the County switchboard at 403-335-3311. Road Ban information for provincial highways is available online at <http://www.transportation.alberta.ca/522.htm>.



## 2 % Liquid Strychnine Emergency Registration

Mountain View County Agricultural Service Board has decided to participate in the Emergency Registration for 2% Liquid Strychnine for bona fide farmers only. To qualify for product use, producers must have a severe infestation defined as:

- One (1) hole per 2 meters of walking for 100m
- A 10 per cent loss in crop over a 100m wide strip of crop or pasture.

A maximum of two cases (48 bottles) will be allocated per producer- this is equivalent to four- 12kg pails of mixed bait (one bottle of concentrate is mixed with 1 kg of grain). Price is \$160 per case (24 bottles), or \$7 per bottle plus GST.

Be prepared to provide all legal land locations you plan on applying bait to, with a total number of acres to be treated. Farmers must sign a 'Use Agreement' and provide a map of the application site (Mountain View County will provide aerial photos for mapping). Random follow up inspections will be conducted to ensure safe use of the product.

**Distribution of product is scheduled for the following dates:**

**March 27; April 9 & 24; May 15 (pending distributor's ability to supply)**

**Suggested pickup time- 8 a.m. to Noon.**

To place orders contact the Mountain View County's Agricultural Services Department at 403-335-3311 Ext. 179

**Emergency Registration expires July 31, 2009**

## Public Notice

Council considers proposed amendments to Mountain View County Land Use Bylaw No. 55/95:

Persons commenting at the Public Hearing date(s) listed below shall state their name, location of residence, and whom they represent. Any person who wishes to address Council on any matter mentioned herein may do so for a period of FIVE MINUTES. The five (5) minutes shall be exclusive of any time required to answer questions. Only one presentation per person or group is allowed.

Written comments to Council may be submitted to the County Office not later than 12:00 noon on the Comment Deadline below. Only those submissions received by then will be included in the Agenda for Council. All letters must contain the name and address of the writer. Bylaws and proposed amendments may be viewed at the County Office at 1408 TWP RD 320, Didsbury, Alberta between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday to Friday, excepting statutory holidays.

**The Public Hearing for the following will be held on April 1, 2009 at 9:00 a.m.  
Comment Deadline: 12:00 Noon on March 30, 2009.**

### Division 6 (HAINSTOCK) RD 08-105

BYLAW NO. LU 09/09: To redesignate from Agricultural District "A" to Country Residential District "CR", seven point zero (7.0) acres (2.83 hectares) in the SE 18-33-2-W5M  
BOYD, T. Maureen (Applicant/Owner)

### NOTICE OF DEVELOPMENT:

Administrative Subdivision and Development Approving Authority or Municipal Planning Commission has authorized the development permit approvals of the following applications pending the appeal period. A person claiming to be affected by this decision may appeal to the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board by serving written notice with applicable fee to Tony Martens the Appeal Board's Secretary prior to:

**March 31, 2009**

### Division 5 (JAMES RIVER) LP 09-002

WILSON, James & Roxine (Applicants/Owners)  
NW 13-34-6-5

Proposed: Second Dwelling Unit with Setback Relaxation

### Division 3 (WESTERDALE) DP 09-014

HARDY, Brandon (Applicant) and HARDY, Brandon & MacLEOD, Matthew (Owners)  
NE 34-31-2-5, Plan 9813447, Block 1

Proposed: Home Occupation - Office in Existing Dwelling Unit



## BearSmart information is now available

Brochures and information on the Alberta BearSmart program are now available at the Mountain View County Office.

To have information from the Alberta BearSmart mailed to you, please call Chiarastella Feder of Alberta Sustainable Resource Development at 1-403-845-8303. (To call toll-free, dial the Alberta Government RITE line first at 310-0000, followed by the ten-digit number)

To find BearSmart information online, please visit:

<http://www.srd.gov.ab.ca/fishwildlife/livingwith/bearfacts/bearsmart.aspx>

## Road Watch - - - - - March, 2009

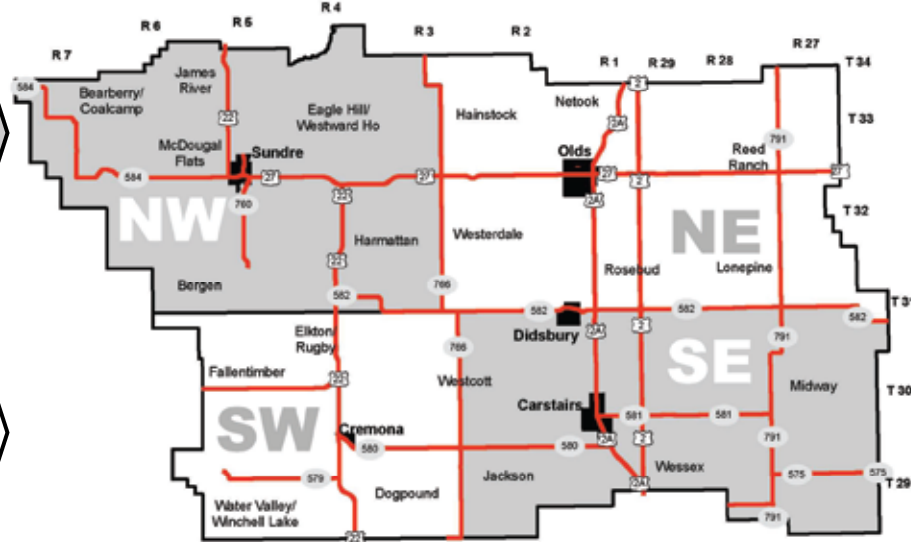
Watch for road ban signs throughout Mountain View County

### Northwest MVC

- Snowplowing
- Sanding
- Brush Burning
- Airport Light Repairs
- Sign Maintenance
- Culvert Steaming (if required)

### Southwest MVC

- Snowplowing
- Sanding
- Road Maintenance
- Sign Maintenance
- Culvert Steaming (if required)
- Gravel Crushing



### Northeast MVC

- Snowplowing
- Sanding
- Guardrail Repairs
- Sign Maintenance
- Culvert Steaming (if required)

### Southeast MVC

- Snowplowing
- Sanding
- Grading Washboards
- Culvert Steaming (if required)
- Sign Maintenance

**We're here for you:** Monday to Friday, 8:00am to 4:00pm

**T** 403.335.3311 **TF** 1.877.264.9754

**After Hours On-Call** 403.586.8800 **Emergency** 911

**F** 403.335.9207 **E** [info@mountainviewcounty.com](mailto:info@mountainviewcounty.com)

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