



Employment Opportunities

The Saddle Hills County is seeking to fill the following term positions. These positions will commence on or after May 1, 2009.

Weed Inspectors - 5 positions
Yard Maintenance Person - 1 position
Mower Operator / Labourer - 2 positions

General Requirements:

Candidates must possess a minimum of a class 5 valid driver's license and be able to provide a current driver's abstract upon request. Knowledge of the County is an asset. All candidates will be required to perform daily inspections and maintenance on their respective equipment. Full job descriptions for each position can be found at www.saddlehills.ab.ca.

For further information on the above positions please contact Amy Kaut, Manager of Rural Development at (780) 864-3760. Please send resume or completed applications to Saddle Hills County, P.O. Box 69, Spirit River, AB T0H 3G0 or e-mail to akaut@saddlehills.ab.ca. Please indicate the position that you are applying for. Applications will be received until all positions are filled.

Pondering a Shelterbelt?

If you own more than 5 acres, you can get free shelterbelt trees from PFRA. Application forms are available at the County office or online at www.agr.gc.ca/pfra. Application must be submitted to PFRA before March 15, 2009 to receive trees in May.

Savanna Fundraising Supper & Auction

Saturday, February 21st is a day not to be missed at the Savanna Rec Plex. It is certain to be an entertaining one! The puck drops at 4:00 pm with the Savanna Midget Stars playing a fast moving game against the Wembley Midgets. Come out and cheer for our local team!

From 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. there will be a delicious roast beef dinner! Prices are as follows:

Adults	\$12.00
Seniors	\$10.00
Children (6 to 10 yrs)	\$6.00
5 and under are free	

Where in the County is this?

A CONTEST TO TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE OF SADDLE HILLS COUNTY GEOGRAPHY

If you know where this photo was taken, you could win great prizes! Cut out this photo and keep it on your fridge or another safe place with your answer. Another photo will appear in next week's edition of the Saddle Hills Community Update. Once all six photos have been displayed, watch for instructions about how to send your answers for your chance to win!

Request for Proposal: Rental Tractor

Saddle Hills County is seeking a rental tractor for use this summer with their roadside mowing program. The tractor will be required from June 15 until August 31, with a possibility of extension into September if required. Specifications for the tractor are as follows:

- Preferably less than 5 years old
- 105-140 PTO/HP
- Non-articulating
- Front wheel assist
- Dual rear wheels would be preferred
- FOB Spirit River, Alberta
- Rate per hour of use
- Minimum cost per month
- Repair coverage – in-house vs. at dealership, hourly rates, etc.
- Maintenance requirements – types and amount of oil used, etc.

More than one quote per dealer is acceptable. Quotes will be accepted until March 2, 2009. Additional information can be obtained from and quotes sent to Amy Kaut, Manager of Rural Development, P.O. Box 69, Spirit River, AB T0H 3G0. Please include all details of rental agreement, including:

Janitorial Services TENDER

Janitorial Services are required for Saddle Hills County Administration Building, 5201 – 47 Street, Spirit River, AB and Field Operations Shop, 5203 – Highway 49, Spirit River, AB. Position will commence May 1, 2009. The tender packages will be available at the office for pick up. Closing date for tenders is Monday, March 6, 2009, 2:00 p.m. For more information, call 780-864-3760.

SEND IN YOUR Snappiest Snapshot

Saddle Hills County is presenting a photo contest for residents who enjoy local photography. Residents can send their favourite shots from any season as many times as they wish to Saddle Hills County and be entered to win \$30 for first place, \$20 for second place, and \$10 for third place.

Prize money will be awarded for each of the following categories: (1) Scenery, (2) Industry, and (3) People, places, things. Submissions should include both JPEG format digital and 8" x 10" print copies of the photo and will be considered property of Saddle Hills County. Submissions will not be returned to the submitting resident.

Deadline for submissions is August 14th, 2009. Submissions should be addressed to "Photo Contest" and mailed to the address in the green area below.

When making a contest submission please include information about the photographer (ie. name, mailing address, email address, and phone number) and information about the photo (ie. geographical location, date taken, and the category).

Hungry?

Come on down to the Saddle Hills County Ag Service Board Breakfasts for some great food and hear a compelling new speaker at each one! Speakers to be announced. The breakfasts kick off at 9 a.m. and the speakers at 10 a.m. We hope to see you there!

Feb. 26 Bonanza Community Hall
 Feb. 27 Savanna Community Hall
 Mar. 2 Woking Community Hall
 Mar. 3 Blueberry Mountain Comm. Hall
 Mar. 4 Gordondale Community Hall

Greener Pastures

Grazing Management Ltd. with Steve Kenyon presents "Year-Round Grazing Systems," a 3-day course March 6th to 8th that will take local cattle producers right into the design and planning of a year round grazing system. The course tuition is \$600 per farm unit for two members from each farm business to attend. (For CASS program eligibility call 780-538-5558) Topics will include:

- Grazing Management
- Pasture Rejuvenation/Weed Control
- Cell Designs/Water Systems
- Economics/Finances
- Swath Grazing/Bale Grazing

Course will take place March 6th to 8th in the La Glace Ag. Society Curling Club Lounge in La Glace, AB from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. each day. Contact Jill Henry to register by March 3rd. Phone 780-513-3955 or email Jill at jhenry@countypg.ab.ca. For more info, visit: www.greenerpasturesgrazing.com

DEVELOPMENT PERMITS

The following development permits have been conditionally approved by Saddle Hills County, subject to the right of appeal to the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board. Anyone wishing to lodge an appeal against these developments must do so in writing, stating the reasons for the appeal by 4:30 p.m. on the appeal deadline accompanied by \$50.00 non-refundable fee. Letters of appeal should be addressed to: Secretary, Subdivision and Development Appeal Board, Box 69, Spirit River, AB T0H 3G0

APPLICATION	01-DP-09
LOCATION	03-22-78-12-6
DEVELOPMENT	Sour Gas Processing Plant
OWNER/DEVELOPER	Birchcliff Energy Ltd.
APPEAL DEADLINE	February 17, 2009