



THE Wilderness IS OUR BACK YARD

GET READY TO CAMP: RESERVATIONS NOW OPEN

Camping season is just around the corner, reservations are now open as of April 6, 2026 for Hilltop Lake, Cotillion Park, and Spring Lake. Campsites at these locations can be booked through lets-camp.ca. Sites at Moonshine Lake can be reserved through the Alberta Parks Reservation System. For more information, visit saddlehills.ab.ca/Parks-Recreation.

G5 RECREATION REGIONALIZATION STRATEGY SURVEY

Nustadia Recreation Inc., in partnership with the Town of Spirit River and the Municipal District of Spirit River No. 133, is undertaking a regional study to explore opportunities for enhanced collaboration in the planning, development, and delivery of recreation facilities and services across the G5 communities. Funded by the Province of Alberta, this study aims to better understand the current and future recreation needs of residents throughout the region. Input is essential to help guide long-term planning, investment decisions, and policy development to ensure recreation opportunities remain accessible, sustainable, and responsive to the diverse needs of our communities. For more information or to fill out the survey visit Saddlehills.ab.ca/News

PERMITS REQUIRED FOR DITCHING

A reminder that permits are required for any work in County ditches and rights-of-way. Landowners must contact the County before starting any work, including approach construction or modifications, ditching (new or existing), brushing, or any work within developed or undeveloped rights-of-way. Rights-of-way provide access and accommodate utilities such as power, phone, internet, gas lines, and pipelines. Permits are free and must be obtained in advance. For more information, or to apply for a permit, call us at **(780) 864-3760** or email publicworks@saddlehills.ab.ca

DO YOU HAVE A VOLUNTEER STORY TO TELL?

Volunteers make a difference every day in Saddle Hills County, often without recognition. If you know a volunteer whose efforts have had an impact—or if you have a story to share about volunteering—we'd like to hear it. Your story helps recognize the people who give their time and strengthens appreciation for the role volunteers play in our communities. Send your stories to communications@saddlehills.ab.ca. Stories will be posted during Volunteer Week April 19-25.

ALUS - GET INVOLVED!

The ALUS Saddle Hills program is helping landowners improve environmental stewardship while keeping their land productive. ALUS provides cost-sharing support to establish beneficial management projects such as wetlands, shelterbelts, and pollinator habitats and offers annual payments for their ongoing maintenance. Learn more about the ALUS program, requirements, and get involved at saddlehills.ab.ca/ALUS

PEACE OFFICER CONTACT DETAILS

To report a bylaw infraction or concern, please contact the Peace Officer through the dedicated complaints line at **(780) 506-0109**. For emergencies or criminal matters, call **911** or contact the **RCMP**.

WE'RE HIRING

For full job descriptions and to apply, visit saddlehills.ab.ca/careers

PERMANENT FULL TIME

- **Equipment Operator II**

2026 FENCELINE SPRAYING AND DO NOT SPRAY AGREEMENTS

The Agricultural Services Department conducts their annual spraying and mowing programs on County Road allowances, using a 3-year rotational cycle, to ensure effective weed and pest control for the entirety of the County. Tentative spray areas for 2026 will include but are not limited to: **Blueberry Mountain, Whitburn, Happy Valley and East Woking**. The deadline to submit No spray and Fenceline Spraying agreements will be **April 30, 2026**. For more information: (780) 864-3760 or email ag@saddlehills.ab.ca

2026 HIGHWAY CLEAN-UP

Interested in making a difference and raising some funds for your local community group? Saddle Hills County is seeking non-profits, schools, and/or community groups interested in participating in our 2026 Highway Clean-up Program, on asphalt paved roads throughout the County, to raise funds for their group and generate a sense of pride in the community. For more information and to sign-up, visit saddlehills.ab.ca/Highway-Cleanup

DUST CONTROL APPLICATIONS OPEN

Each year, Saddle Hills County offers dust control treatments on roads in front of residences at a cost approved by Council. Rates for 2026 are as follows:

- Residential: \$200 (plus GST) per 100m
- Industrial: \$670 (plus GST) per 100m

If you are interested in dust control in front of your residence please complete the application, available on our website or at the County office, by **May 15, 2026**. If you have any questions or require assistance please contact Operations at (780) 864-3760.

SADDLE HILLS HEALTH CLINIC

Hours: 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., Monday to Thursday.

Appointments: saddlehills.ab.ca/saddle-hills-health-clinic.

Phone: (780) 506-0102.

Facebook/Instagram: @saddlehillshealthclinic



COUNTY CALENDAR: APRIL & MAY 2026

Apr. 16, 6:00 p.m.	Agricultural Service Board Meeting
Apr. 28, 9:00 a.m.	Regular Council Meeting
May 12, 9:00 a.m.	Regular Council Meeting
May 26, 9:00 a.m.	Regular Council Meeting



RURAL POTABLE WATER PROGRAM

Making sure residents have access to clean and safe water is a top priority for Saddle Hills County. If you are interested in having your property hooked-up to the County's expanding rural potable water system, at no connection charge, please complete a Rural Potable Water Servicing Agreement, available on our website, by scanning the QR code, or at the County office. For more information: **Darren Lubeck (780) 864-3760**



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