



THE Wilderness IS OUR BACK YARD

SADDLE HILLS COUNTY ROAD BAN

Effective at 9 a.m. on April 20, a road ban will be in place in Saddle Hills County. All gravel roads will be restricted to 75% axle weight, 24 hours a day, unless otherwise posted. This measure is in place to protect County roads from damage during spring thaw and reduce costly repairs. Road use exemption permits may be requested by contacting Operations at the County Office at **780-864-3760**.

PROGRAM & ACTIVITY GRANTS

We are now accepting applications from community groups, clubs, organizations, and schools for Program and Activity Grants. Details about the grant and application forms can be found on the County website at [Saddlehills.ab.ca/Grants](https://saddlehills.ab.ca/Grants). The deadline for applications is **May 31, 2026**

STUDENT BURSARIES

The Student Bursary program for 2026 is now accepting applications. For full details please visit the County website or call us at **(780) 864- 3760**. Deadline for applications is **June 1, 2026**.

WORKING SPRING CLEAN-UP - MAY 14

Please bring your items to the curb the night before or no later than 9 a.m on May 14th and mark them with an 'X' for pick-up. Regular household waste will not be collected on this day. No hazardous waste will be accepted. For any additional information please call the County office **(780) 864-3760**

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.

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

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**

GET READY TO CAMP: RESERVATIONS NOW OPEN

Reservations are now open for Hilltop Lake, Cotillion Park, and Spring Lake. Campsites at these locations can be booked through letscomp.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

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

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS WEEK

Build preparedness habits, you never know when you'll need them. Visit the County website at saddlehills.ab.ca/emergencypreparedness or social media pages for information on how to prepare yourself, your loved ones, and your livestock for an emergency situation. More resources are also available through the Alberta Be Prepared Program at alberta.ca/BePrepared.



COUNTY CALENDAR: APRIL & MAY 2026

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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