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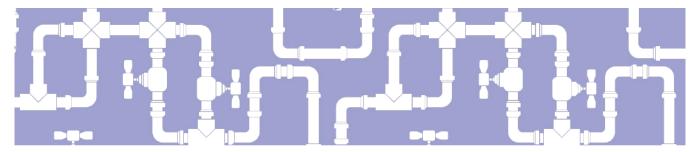
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Rural Water & Sewer Servicing (RWSS) Saprae Creek Estates Update

LOT BY LOT ASSESMENT

To address on-site service connection questions, the Engineering team will be undertaking a lot by lot assessment.

The assessment will include:

- Distance of pumps/tanks from the roadway
- Electrical panel capacity
- Pump/tank location to the home (inside, outside, front, back)
- Impact on private properties (driveways, landscaping, secondary buildings)

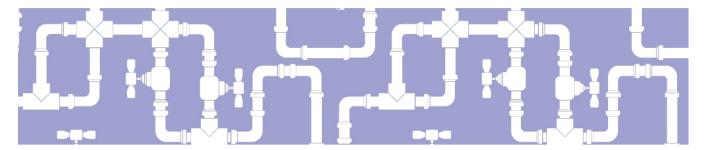
In the new year residents can expect a visit from an RMWB representative. More details how this process will work will be communicated in the coming months.

ON-SITE SERVICE CONNECTION PLAN

This winter, a plan for on-site service connections will be prepared and presented to Council for approval later in 2019. This will allow Administration to address the main questions from the October community engagements. As per the Nov 27 Council Report, in the proposed plan Administration is preparing to address the following elements:

- The Municipality fund the entire installation of on-site service connections from lot lines to residential homes for existing residents served by the new system
- The funding program be available to existing residents for a five-year period
- Residents who are served by the new RWSS system be required to hire their own certified contractor to complete the on-site service connection
- Existing residents served by the new Rural Water and Sewer Servicing system be asked for \$16,000 (\$10,000 in Saprae Creek) as service connection fee
- A long-term payment option for the service connection fee





FIRE HYDRANTS

Fire hydrants have been installed on Community Lane and Freestone Way. Once the hydrant system is fully constructed and tested for the required pressure a certificate of completion can be issued. The anticipated date to complete the hydrant system is Oct 2019.

More information regarding Municipal fire hydrants and their flushing schedule can be found at www.rmwb.ca/hydrants.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

On November 27, 2018 the Director of Engineering presented to Council on the RWSS program. To view this presentation or the video please visit rmwb.ca/council.

Please visit <u>rmwb.ca/rwss</u> to review the frequently asked questions and your community's updates, timelines, maps and the power point presentation from your last engagement with Engineering.

To allow our Engineering team to reply to your question, please submit your questions to Pulse by calling 780-743-7000 or visiting rmwb.ca/pulse.



Bylaw Services: pet care during the winter and holiday season

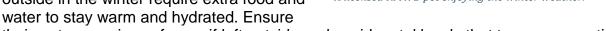
It's the most wonderful time of the year, until a pet injury or illness spoils good cheer. Pets are a cherished part of our families; follow the tips below to help keep them safe and happy this winter and holiday season.

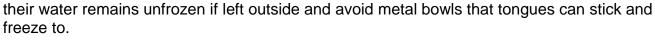
Cold weather pet care

Watch your pet when outside: Alberta winters are extremely cold and can be dangerous for pets. During winter, the best place for your pet is indoors. When pets do go outside, keep a close eye on them to ensure they aren't showing signs of discomfort or distress.

Wash the pads of paws: After being outside, wipe your pet's paws with a washcloth to keep their pads from getting chapped and help prevent paw licking.

Provide extra food and water: Pets that spend time A licensed RMWB pet enjoying the winter weather. outside in the winter require extra food and





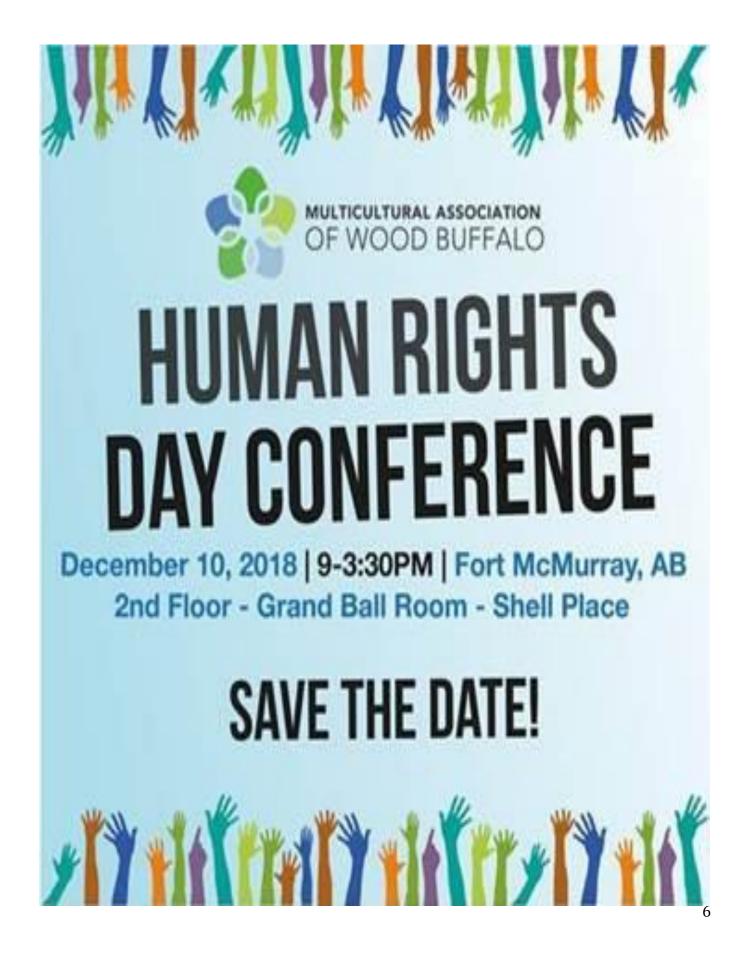
Proper dog house: A dog house needs to be the right size for your animal, be sturdy and have proper bedding; straw is preferable as blankets soak up moisture and freeze.

Report neglected animals: If you suspect an animal is being left outside for too long or without proper protection from the elements, contact Bylaw Services at 780-762-5858.

Holiday pet care

- Know your veterinarian clinic's phone number and emergency contact information.
- Do not give your pet treats made for humans, especially those containing chocolate, grapes/ raisins, onions, alcohol and other food toxic to animals.
- Avoid leaving your pet alone with lit candles or holiday decorations.
- Keep holiday plants, especially holly, mistletoe and lilies, out of reach of pets.
- Secure your Christmas tree to keep it from falling.
- Provide a safe place for your pet if you're entertaining guests, such as a kennel, crate, scratching post or bedroom.

For more information on pet care and precautions, contact your veterinarian or Bylaw Services at 780-762-5858.



Wellness Corner

Brought to you by FCSS Counselling Services

The holidays can be a time of joy and celebration. It can also trigger unpleasant memories. As we prepare for this busy time of the year, make time to care for yourself.

Take time to play, it is the secret of perpetual youth.

Take time to love and be loved, it is the nourishment of the soul.

Take time to be friendly, it is the road to happiness.

Take time to laugh, it is the music of the soul.

Take time to dream, it is your highway to the stars.

Take time to read, it is the fountain of wisdom.

Take time to think, it is the source of power.

Take time to do charity work, it is the greatest gift.

Courtesy of www.rishikajain.com

For more information, please contact FCSS Counselling Services at 780-743-7910.

The Municipality just got closer.



you've got questions. we've got Pulse, toll free.

1.800.973.9663 rmwb.ca/pulse





DO YOU RELY ON THE WINTER ROADS AND TRAILS TO GET AROUND THE REGION?

The RMWB maintains the Fort Chipewyan Winter Road, La Loche Winter Trail and a 10.7 km portion of the Lac La Biche winter trail.

With the dropping temperatures, crews will soon begin preparing ice bridges and trails for winter use.

Follow the RMWB for regular updates and information throughout the winter:

- RMWB website: www.rmwb.ca/winterroads
- Facebook: www.facebook.com/WoodBuffaloRuralCommunityConnection
- Pulse online: www.rmwb.ca/pulse
- Pulse Toll Free: 1-800-973-9663
- Winter Road Hotline: (recorded message) 1-866-743-6111
- Roads Hotline: 780-743-7859 or streets.resource@rmwb.ca

FORT SMITH WINTER ROAD

For information on the Fort Smith Winter Road, please call **Parks Canada at 1-867-872-7962.**



RMWB News/Notices



Very important reminder:

Your Garbage & Recycling bins should be placed out by the curb by 7:30am every Friday. (Except for statutory Holidays).

Please remove garbage bins off the road or shoulder after your bins have been emptied, pull them back onto your property.

Household waste (**BLACK**) will be emptied every week.

Recycling Bins (LIGHT BLUE: paper and cardboard & DARK BLUE: metal, drink containers) will be emptied alternate weeks.

December Dates for Garbage Bins are:



Friday December 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th

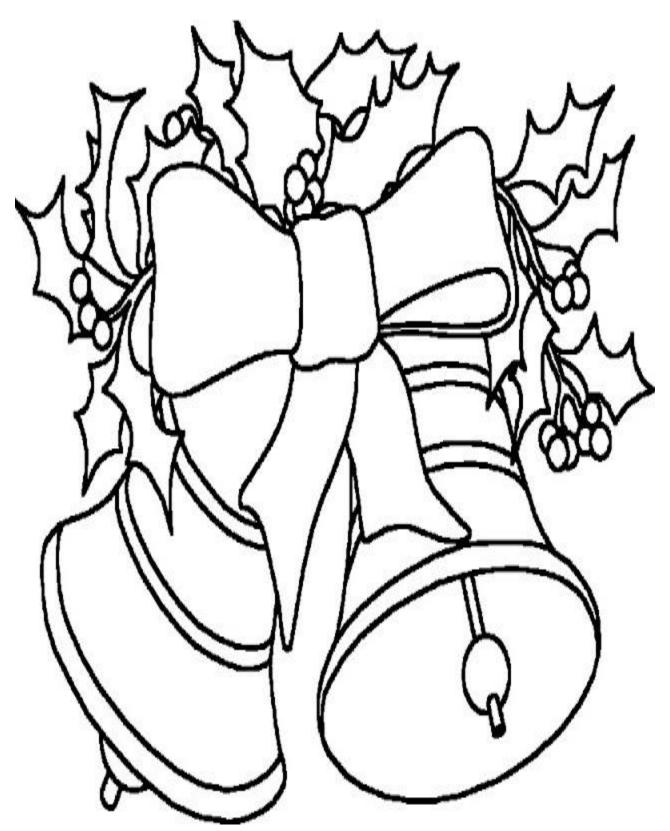


Friday December 7th, 21st



Friday December 14th, 28th

Kids/Youth Corner



Community Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
						1 Santa Claus Parade
2	3	4	5	6	7	8 Saprae Christmas Party
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19 Newsletter inserts due!	20	21	22
23	24	25 Merry Christmas	26 Boxing Day	27	28	29
30	31 New Year's Eve					

Saprae Creek's ON-GOING FUNCTIONS:

Mondays Nights: Saprae Creek Volunteer Fire Department Training

Wednesday Mornings: The HUB 10-11:30pm

Fridays Garbage Days:

Fridays Saprae Youth Group Programs: Subject to Change depending on weather

