

# SAPRAE CREEK NEWS



# September



## **Project Name: Rural Water & Sewer Service (RWSS)**

### **Current Status**

We have exciting news to share! Construction of RWSS water mains and sewer lines in Saprae Creek has been completed. The contractor, H. Wilson Industries, is now finishing warranty work, and is expected to be **finished by the end of September 2022.**

### **Next Steps**

Warranty work is mostly related to landscaping and drainage improvements, which includes reseeding, and putting topsoil in ditches along Janke Lane, Weiss Drive, Sol Park Drive, and Community Lane.

Please watch for signage and give space to crews as they finish work in these areas.

While RWSS mains have been completed, many individual residences are in the process of getting connected to the mains. This means that several contracting companies continue to work in the area, which may have some temporary impacts on ditch drainage.

With the water mains and sewer lines now installed, the Public Works team is in the process of updating and expanding the maintenance plan for green spaces in the area.

Thank you for your patience while work has been ongoing.

To review the Homeowner Service Connection Guide and information about applying to the RWSS Residential Service Connection Plan visit [rmwb.ca/rwss](http://rmwb.ca/rwss).

**Project Name: L. Robert Industrial Park Lift Station, Forcemain and A-Frame Road Upgrades**

**Current Status**

- **Lift Station:** Forms, hatches, and rebar preparation was completed on LS operating slab and concrete was poured last week. Backfilling around LS with sand ongoing.
- **Force Main:** Complete. Pending marker ball installation. Substantial completion walkthrough will be scheduled afterwards.
- **A-Frame Road:** Temporary road centerline completed. Seeding on-going.

**Progress Since Previous Update**

- **Lift station:** Membrane installation complete, main floor slab formed, backfill continues, waterline tie-in into lift station building has been completed, CC valve installation complete, existing manhole remediation completed.
- **Forcemain:** No new update.
- **A-Frame Road:** Ditch grading completed. Topsoil and seeding on-going.

**Next Steps**

- Backfill around lift station structure
- Install membrane and insulation around lift station
- Install electrical conduit
- Forcemain marker balls, forcemain deficiency walkthrough
- A-Frame Road finish topsoil and seeding

**Expected Project Completion Date**

September 30, 2023

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*For more information, please visit [rmwb.ca/construction](http://rmwb.ca/construction) and subscribe for email updates directly to your inbox.*



## Join the 2022 Truth and Reconciliation Challenge

An important step towards reconciliation is actively participating in learning.

Please join us for the Truth and Reconciliation Challenge! You will learn about Canada's true history, local Indigenous culture, language, and history.

**Beginning August 15**, a different topic or theme will be explored every week with information and activities to help guide you on your own journey of reconciliation.

Stay tuned each week for information, activities, and in-person events that will guide and enrich your personal journey of reconciliation. Take part in the conversation as we all learn together.

At the end of the seven weeks, you will receive a certificate of completion in recognition of your commitment to reconciliation. Remember – reconciliation is a lifelong commitment, and it is important to continue to act. Keep following along for other ways to practice reconciliation.

Subscribe now at [participate.rmwb.ca/TRC](https://participate.rmwb.ca/TRC) for updates. Visit [RMWB.ca/TRC](https://RMWB.ca/TRC) and join the Truth and Reconciliation Challenge to learn more.

## Community Gathering

*Friday, September 30, 9:30 a.m.  
Jubilee Building-9909 Franklin Avenue*

Join us in honouring residential school survivors, those who did not make it home, and all impacted by the legacy of residential schools. We encourage people to wear orange in solidarity

The gathering begins at 9:30 a.m. followed by a walk to MacDonald Island, where light refreshments will be served.

Community Gathering -  
**National Day for Truth  
and Reconciliation**





**Help shape the future of your community  
Apply to serve on a RWMB Board or Committee**

If you have a passion for your community, consider joining one of the RWMB's municipal [boards or committees](#).

Volunteering gives you the chance to advise on important matters that impact your community, while also connecting you with others who share similar interests.

The following committees are seeking members:

- Advisory Committee on Aging
- Assessment Review Board
- Combative Sports Commission
- Community Identification Committee
- Communities in Bloom Committee
- Community Standards Appeal Committee
- Fort McMurray Airport Authority
- Public Art Committee
- Regional Advisory Committee on Inclusion, Diversity and Equity
- Regional Recreation Corporation Board
- Subdivision and Development Appeal Board
- Vehicle for Hire Committee
- Wood Buffalo Regional Library Board
- Wood Buffalo Housing and Development Corporation Board
- Wood Buffalo Development Advisory Committee
- Wood Buffalo Downtown Revitalization Advisory Committee
- Wood Buffalo Waterfront Advisory Committee

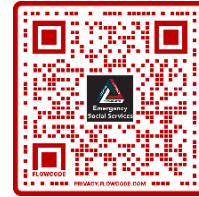
To learn more visit [www.rmwb.ca/boards](http://www.rmwb.ca/boards). Applications will be accepted online between **September 19 and October 28, 2022**. Please contact Pulse at 780-743-7000 or 1-800-973-9663 with any questions.

## Emergency Social Services (ESS)

Emergency Social Services provides support during emergencies by providing a safe place for evacuees when they are displaced. Registration centres or other evacuation sites are set up provide accommodations, as necessary, for up to 72 hours as evacuees to plan their next steps as they transition to recovery.

Registration centres may provide the following services:

- Food/water
- Shelter
- Clothing
- First Aid/emotional support
- Family reunification
- Animal care and rescue assistance



To learn more about ESS, or to join the ESS Team, visit [rmwb.ca/ESS](http://rmwb.ca/ESS) or scan the QR code below:

## VPR

Emergencies happen. If you are a vulnerable person living in the region, you may be at greater risk during an emergency.



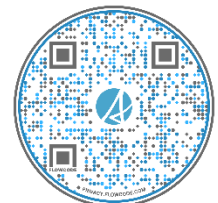
**Vulnerable  
Persons  
Registry**

The Vulnerable Persons Registry (VPR) is a service that improves the safety of vulnerable residents living at home.

This is done by communicating directly with registrants during emergencies and by sharing key information to first responders about individuals on the VPR. Go to [rmwb.ca/VPR](http://rmwb.ca/VPR) to find out more.

## MAERS

The MyAlberta Emergency Registration System is available to all residents of Alberta as a tool to assist during an evacuation or emergency. Albertans can register themselves and their family members in advance of an emergency using their MyAlberta Digital ID. Scan below to pre-register today.



## Did you know there are general standards you must follow for your water delivery or sewer haul?

### Your water and sewer tanks must:

- Be properly vented with a minimum capacity of 4,500 litres.
- Have an easily accessible fill point with a 50-millimetre (2-inch) camlock no less than 0.9 metres (36 inches) and no more than 1.2 metres (48 inches) from the surface labelled **WATER**.
- Include adequate protection to prevent surface water or foreign matter from entering the tank.

### Here's what to do for your scheduled water delivery or sewer haul.

- Post the date and volume of water required (in litres) in a visible place if no overfill is installed.
- Trim all low hanging branches and raise low hanging wires to provide access and prevent damage to delivery trucks.
- Provide clear access by removing vehicles and other obstacles on delivery day.
- Delivery truck must be able to drive within 15.24 metres (50 feet) from connection points.
- Ensure your water tank has a 2-inch camlock and your septic tank has a 3-inch camlock.
- Restrain dogs and other animals.
- Remove any animal waste from the area around your tank connection.

### Need some help converting your water measurement into litres?

Gallons (gal)	Imperial gallons (imp gal)	Litres (L)
264	219	1,000
330	274	1,250
396	329	1,500
462	384	1,750
528	439	2,000
594	494	2,250
660	549	2,500
726	604	2,750
792	659	3,000
858	714	3,250
924	769	3,500
990	824	3,750
1,056	879	4,000
1,122	934	4,250
1,188	989	4,500
1,254	1,044	4,750
1,320	1,099	5,000

If you require any additional information, call Pulse at 780-743-7000 or toll-free at 1-800-973-9663.

Bike Index is a non-profit online bicycle registry designed to help victims of bike theft recover their bikes. Wood Buffalo RCMP and the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo have partnered with Bike Index to bring the database to the region.

**How does it work?**

**Step 1:** Scan the QR code or visit [rmwb.ca/bikeindex](http://rmwb.ca/bikeindex) to register. It only takes two minutes! Staff at the Municipal Office can help you register if needed.



Register your bike on Bike Index and put the **brakes on bike theft**



**Step 2:** Alert the community. If your bike goes missing, log in to the Bike Index and mark it as lost or stolen. This will notify the entire Bike Index community and its partners.

Report a missing bicycle to Wood Buffalo RCMP. Call the non-emergency number at 780-788-4000.

**Step 3:** The community responds! Bike Index users or partners, such as the RCMP and Bylaw Services, encounter your bike, use Bike Index to identify it, and contact you.

**Step 4:** With the help of the Bike Index community, RCMP and Bylaw Services, you now have a higher chance of recovering your bike.

**Get a free QR code sticker for your bike**

After you register, you can pick up a free unique QR code sticker at the Municipal Office. If you are in Fort McKay, you can contact the Fort McKay Métis or Fort McKay First Nation to get your QR code sticker.

Learn how to link your Bike Index QR code sticker to your Bike Index account at [rmwb.ca/bikeindex](http://rmwb.ca/bikeindex).



**ACCESSIBILITY AUDIT**

**Can your community be more accessible?**

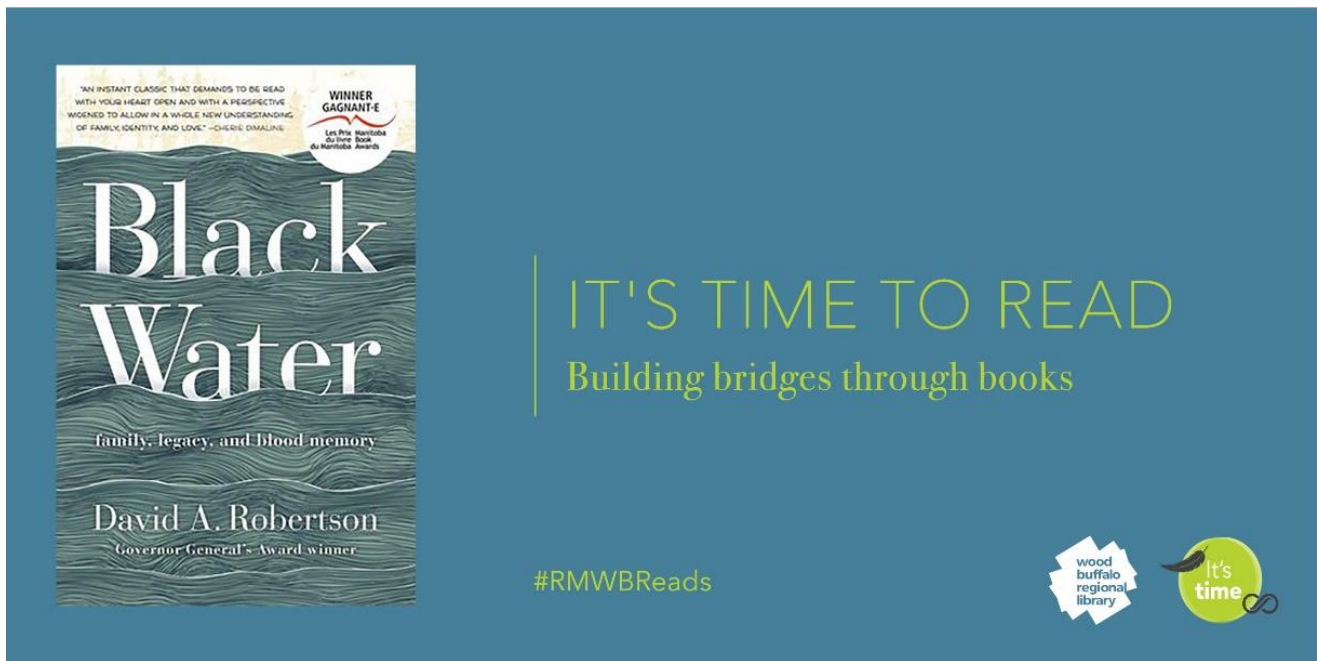
We need your help identifying buildings with accessibility obstacles. Do you encounter obstacles at the doctor's office? At Vista Ridge or even the grocery store? We want to know!

The Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo will be auditing a select number of buildings based on what buildings **YOU** identify!

Do you want to talk to us in person? Join us September 7 at the first floor of Jubilee Centre.

Provide your feedback online at [participate.rmwb.ca/accessibility-audit](http://participate.rmwb.ca/accessibility-audit), by contacting your Municipal office or PULSE at 780-743-7000 or toll-free 1-800-973-9663. The survey is open until September 18.





IT'S TIME TO READ  
Building bridges through books

#RMWBReads



## Join the *It's Time to Read* Book Club in September

The *It's Time to Read* Book Club is exploring Governor General Award-Winner *Black Water*, a memoir about intergenerational trauma and healing by David A. Robertson.

In this bestselling account, a son who grew up away from his Indigenous culture takes his Cree father on a trip to the family trapline and finds that revisiting the past not only heals old wounds but creates a new future.

All interested are encouraged to join the online club and read *Black Water* in the lead up to National Day for Truth and Reconciliation on Sept. 30. Anyone can subscribe for updates, and to learn about an opportunity to bead an orange shirt pin with other book club members.

### About the Book Club

Featuring the works and voices of Indigenous authors, the book club is a partnership of the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo (RMWB) and the Wood Buffalo Regional Library (WBRL) and is part of ongoing efforts to build more understanding and awareness of Indigenous culture, history, and current issues.

Through a virtual platform, book club members regularly explore and discuss story themes and share thoughts through discussion forums, polls, and other methods. All are welcome to join; however, it is important to note that books may contain adult content, including but not limited to adult language and themes, and violence.

Interested in joining? Visit [participate.rmwb.ca/it-s-time-to-read](https://participate.rmwb.ca/it-s-time-to-read) for more information and to subscribe.

## Help emergency responders and delivery services find your home



Is the address on your home visible from the road? **All homes and businesses** must clearly display their street number at the front entrance. The numbers need to be at least three inches in height and in a colour that can be easily read from the road.

A visible civic address on your property helps:

- Emergency responders get to you faster
- Water delivery and haul services stay on schedule
- Ensure your deliveries, like Amazon packages, end up at the right address

Learn more at [rmwb.ca/goodneighbour](https://rmwb.ca/goodneighbour).



**REGIONAL  
EMERGENCY SERVICES  
COMMUNITY PANCAKE  
BREAKFAST**

September 24, 2022



Join us for some family fun, displays, food and much more:

- September 24, 2022,
- 9 a.m. to noon
  
- Downtown Fire Hall #1
- 2 Tolen Drive, (across from Lions Park)

**Free event  
All are welcome**



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## IMPORTANT CONTACT INFORMATION

PULSE (MUNICIPAL SWITCH BOARD)	1-800-973-9663 780-743-7000	PULSE@RMWB.CA	RMWB.CA/PULSE
<b>COMMUNITY CONTACTS:</b>		<b>SOCIAL MEDIA:</b>	
RCMP	780-788-4000	 @WOODBUFFALORURALCOMMUNITYCONNECTION   @RMWOODBUFFALO   @RMWOODBUFFALO	
FISH & WILDLIFE	780-743-7200		
HEALTH LINK	811		
ALL EMERGENCIES	911		

To submit information to the newsletter please email:

[koralee.samaroden@rmwb.ca](mailto:koralee.samaroden@rmwb.ca)

Deadline for October newsletter submissions:

September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2022

Residents in rural communities can contact the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo 24/7 by contacting Pulse via the following:

- 780-743-7000
- 1-800-973-9663 (toll-free)




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# COMMUNITY EVENTS & PROGRAMS CALENDAR

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
				1	2	3
						
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	Labour Day RMWB Offices Closed					
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
						
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
					Newsletter submissions due	
						
25	26	27	28	29	30	
					