

Rural Intermunicipal Development Plans Project

Project Purpose

An Intermunicipal Development Plan (IDP) is a statutory policy document that is designed to foster cooperation and ensure that planning and development across municipal borders takes place in an integrated manner without unnecessary costs or negative impacts on either municipality.

Funded by the Province of Alberta, the following six municipalities are working collaboratively to achieve to IDPs for all of their shared boundaries:

- County of St. Paul
- Lac La Biche County
- County of Vermilion River
- Smoky Lake County
- County of Two Hills
- Municipal District of Bonnyville

This collaborative project is about achieving strategic and efficient delivery of intermunicipal services and development. It will fulfill recent updates to the Municipal Government Act that requires all municipalities to have IDPs with adjacent municipalities.

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What does an Intermunicipal Development Plan contain?

IDPs map standard land and infrastructure features in the areas around the municipal boundary, known as at the fringe area, including land use, transportation, recreation, water and wastewater, and environmentally significant areas. Along with the mapping, IDP's typically address processes that relate to planning and developing including:

- A dispute resolution process that establishes a framework for intermunicipal disputes
- An amendment process that provides a set of guidelines for how the IDP can be amended
- A referral process that outlines who gets notified under what circumstances

IDPs can also contain provisions for:

- Current and future land uses
- Future development and service infrastructure
- Shared transportation and roadways
- Intermunicipal services such as recreation, emergency services etc.

How this affects you?

It's critical to include the community and affected stakeholders in planning for the future. ***We need your help*** to understand the conditions along and nearby the municipal boundary.

The input you provide at the session will help us determine where there may be potential opportunities to achieve an efficient approach for future intermunicipal service options and development.

Opportunity for Community Input

Online

Please share ***your input*** online in this online survey, available February 7 – 21, 2018 here:

surveymonkey.com/r/ruralIDPs

Upcoming In-Person

Stakeholder engagement meetings are being held for each municipal boundary February 12 – 14, 2018 to collect input about the IDP areas and about the potential for

- Current opportunities and constraints within and nearby the municipal boundary
- Existing and future development pressures
- Opportunities for intermunicipal services and future development

Each stakeholder engagement meeting will last approximately two hours. Municipal staff will provide a project overview and facilitators will lead discussions, collect participant input, and answer project questions.

February 12, 2018

Centennial Seniors Citizen Club Hall at 5114, 49th Street, St. Paul, AB

12:00 – 2:00 pm	Smoky Lake County / County of Two Hills
3:00 – 5:00 pm	Smoky Lake County / County of St. Paul

February 13, 2018

Mallaig Legion at 3501 1st Street West, Mallaig, AB

9:30 – 11:30 am	Lac La Biche County / County of St. Paul & Lac La Biche County / Smoky Lake County
12:30 – 2:30 pm	Lac La Biche / MD of Bonnyville
3:30 – 5:30 pm	County of St. Paul / MD of Bonnyville

February 14, 2018

St. Paul Seniors Citizen Centre at 4809 47th St, St. Paul, AB

9:00 – 11:00 am	County of Two Hills / County of Vermilion River & County of St. Paul / County of Two Hills
12:00 – 2:00 pm	County of St. Paul / County of Vermilion River

Future Opportunities for Input

Open houses will be held in spring 2018 to present the technical findings and proposed IDP considerations.

Once the draft IDP is completed it will be available for public review. Public hearings will be held in fall 2018.

Project Timeline

The proposed timeframe for the development of these IDPs are from November 2017 to December 2018.



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