



THE Wilderness IS OUR BACK YARD

Upcoming Events

ENVIRONMENTAL FARM PLAN (EFP) WORKSHOP - AUGUST 19

Saddle Hills County is hosting an Environmental Farm Plan (EFP) Workshop on **August 19**, from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., at the Saddle Hills County Admin Building. This event is open to both new and existing EFP participants. Did you know that after 10 years, you need to update your EFP? An EFP is often required for the AgriInvest Program and other government funding opportunities. Plan ahead by completing your EFP now so you're ready when applications open. Please bring your laptop or a device to complete your EFP. Lunch will be provided!

THE BASICS OF HOOF TRIMMING - AUGUST 22

Curious about hoof trimming? Don't miss a hands-on workshop with expert farrier Blane Friesen at Happy Valley Ag and Recreation Club on **August 22** from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.! Enjoy a day of learning, great company, and a delicious lunch. Find out more about the event at saddlehills.ab.ca/AgNews

RYCROFT LIBRARY SCIENCE DAY'S - WEDNESDAYS

The Rycroft Community Library is hosting Science Days every **Wednesday** throughout July and August, from 2-4 p.m. Children under 11 require parental supervision. For more details, contact the Rycroft Library at **(780) 765-3973**.

WOKING MULTIPLEX VOLLEYBALL - THURSDAYS

Join the community at the Woking Multiplex on **Thursdays**, at 7 p.m. for Volleyball. For more information, contact Diamond at **(780) 882-0380** or April at **(780) 518-7756**.

STORIES THAT BUILT SADDLE HILLS COUNTY

Help preserve and celebrate the history of Saddle Hills County. As part of the development of the 2027 Saddle Hills County Calendar, residents are invited to share historic photographs, family stories, school memories, farming history, and community milestones that have helped shape the County and its communities. Selected submissions may be featured in the 2027 County Calendar and future County communications. Submit your photos and stories to communications@saddlehills.ab.ca

2026 TAX PAYMENTS

A reminder for ratepayers that the 2026 property tax deadline of **July 31** has now passed. If your 2026 property tax remains outstanding, a 6% penalty has been applied. To avoid further penalties, please remit payment as soon as possible. Payment can be made online at most financial institutions or in person at the County office. We accept credit cards, debit, and cheques. Office hours are Mon. - Fri., 8:15 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

TREE SEEDLING ORDERS FOR 2027

Do you want to plant trees on your property? Our Tree Seedling Program for residents is in its fourth year, and orders are now open! Available species and more information on the program, including pricing, can be found on our website at saddlehills.ab.ca/Tree-Seedlings

NON-POTABLE WATER AVAILABLE AT KSITUAN & BONANZA

Residents and contractors can now access free non-potable water at both the Ksituan Water Treatment Plant and the Bonanza Water Treatment Plant (TWP 802, RR 123). The Ksituan station has reopened with a larger pump, providing increased water volume and pressure. These stations are intended primarily for agricultural use and are also suitable for dust control, construction, equipment washing, and other non-drinking purposes. Please note: Non-potable water is not safe for human consumption, including drinking, cooking, or personal hygiene. Both stations are available throughout the summer season.

THINK BEFORE YOU FLUSH

Working residents are reminded that toilets are designed for human waste and toilet paper only. Wipes, even those labelled "flushable," along with feminine hygiene products, paper towels, cotton swabs, dental floss, grease, and medications can clog sewer lines, damage equipment, and lead to costly repairs. Putting these items in the garbage helps protect the wastewater system and keeps maintenance costs down for everyone.

PROJECT AURORA UNDERWAY

Construction crews and utility locates along local highways and County roads are part of Project Aurora, bringing high-speed fiber internet to Saddle Hills County. Please slow down and obey all construction signage to keep workers and motorists safe.

MEMBERS-AT-LARGE NEEDED FOR BOARDS & COMMITTEES

Saddle Hills County is currently seeking members-at-large to sit on a number of boards & Committees:

- ALUS Partnership Advisory Committee (PAC) (1)
- Agricultural Services Board (2)
- Central Peace Assessment Review Board (1)
- Saddle Hills County Municipal Library Board (3)
- Subdivision and Development Appeal Board (1 alternate)

Numbers indicate how many positions are available. Those interested in applying should complete the Member-at-Large form or the ALUS PAC Application on our website at saddlehills.ab.ca/applications, before **September 30, 2026**.



COUNTY CALENDAR: AUGUST & SEPTEMBER 2026

Aug. 11, 9:00 a.m.
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Aug. 25, 9:00 a.m.
Sep. 8 9:00 a.m.
Sep. 10, 6:00 p.m.
Sep. 22, 9:00 a.m.

Regular Council Meeting
Public Hearing
Regular Council Meeting
Regular Council Meeting
ALUS Advisory Committee Meeting
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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