



THE Wilderness IS OUR BACK YARD

Upcoming Events

NEW DATE BASICS OF HOOF TRIMMING WORKSHOP

Hands-on workshop with expert farrier Blane Friesen at Happy Valley Ag and Recreation Club on **September 19!** Space is limited. To reserve your spot call (780) 864-3760.

SCHOOL ZONES ARE BACK, PLEASE SLOW DOWN

Students are returning to schools on September 3, 2026, and school zones will once again be in place. Drivers are reminded to slow down, observe speed limits, and watch for children walking or biking. Please allow school buses plenty of room and remember not to pass when red lights are flashing, as children are entering or exiting the vehicle. School zones are in effect, Monday to Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

TEMPORARY CLINIC CLOSURE

Please be advised that the Saddle Hills County Health Clinic will be temporarily closed starting in September while the Nurse Practitioner is on maternity leave.

During this time, patients are encouraged to seek care from their family physician or visit a walk-in clinic for non-urgent medical needs. If you require urgent or emergency medical care, please go to your nearest emergency department or call 911 in the event of a medical emergency.

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

PROGRAM & ACTIVITY GRANTS NOW OPEN!

Saddle Hills is now accepting applications from community groups, clubs, organizations, and schools for Program and Activity Grants. Applications are accepted for a wide range of activities and age groups. Details about the grant and application forms can be found on the County's website, at saddlehills.ab.ca/grants. The deadline for applications is September 30, 2026.

THINK BEFORE YOU FLUSH

Working residents are reminded that toilets are for human waste and toilet paper only. Wipes, even those labelled "flushable" feminine hygiene products, paper towels, cotton swabs, dental floss, grease, and medications can clog sewers, damage equipment, and increase repair costs. Please put these items in the garbage to help protect the wastewater system and keep costs down for everyone.

SCHEDULED OFFICE CLOSURE

Please note, that the Saddle Hills County Administration Building will be closed on **Monday, September 7, 2026**, for Labour Day. We will re-open on Tuesday, September 8, 2026, at 8:15 a.m.

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.

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**.

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.

TREE SEEDLING ORDERS FOR 2027

Do you want to plant trees on your property? The 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



COUNTY CALENDAR: SEPTEMBER 2026

Sep. 8, 9:00 a.m.
Sep. 10, 6:00 p.m.
Sep. 22, 9:00 a.m.
Sep. 23, 9:00 a.m.

Regular Council Meeting
ALUS Advisory Committee Meeting
Regular Council 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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