

# Here for You

## Public Information Session #66

Wednesday, September 6, 2017: 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Here for You: Urban Market

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**Public Participation:** 14

**Internal Participation:** Recovery Task Force

### **Background:**

- As part of the ongoing commitment by the RTF to engage and inform residents about the recovery and rebuild process, the task force will be present at all Urban Market events throughout the summer.
- There are a total of 11 Urban Markets, which run bi-weekly until September 20, 2017.

### **Feedback:**

- In addition to general recovery information, residents were given an update about the firebreak rehabilitation and trail restoration projects.
  - Residents were told that work on these projects is now under way and will include grading and adding topsoil and grass seed in the first 30 metres beyond the end of residential property lines.
  - Rehabilitation work will also include the restoration of trails damaged or destroyed during the wildfire. Residents were told all trails will be restored to their previous condition. For example, restoring paved trails as paved trails and gravel trails as gravel trails. In some cases, trails will be moved further from the property line and closer to the tree line.
  - Residents were told these projects will implement FireSmart guidelines, which identify tree species and spacing. Grass in the firebreak areas will be maintained and added to the Municipality's mowing and maintenance program.
- Some residents asked questions about whether trees could be planted along the fence line in the firebreak areas. They were told this would not be a possibility in order to maintain public safety. Planting deciduous trees that meet FireSmart guidelines may be a long-term opportunity
- Residents in attendance said they were grateful for the opportunity to ask questions directly to the Municipality

### **Next Session:**

Here for You: RES Pancake Breakfast

Saturday, September 9, 2017

Topic: FireSmart education



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