



# PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT UPDATE

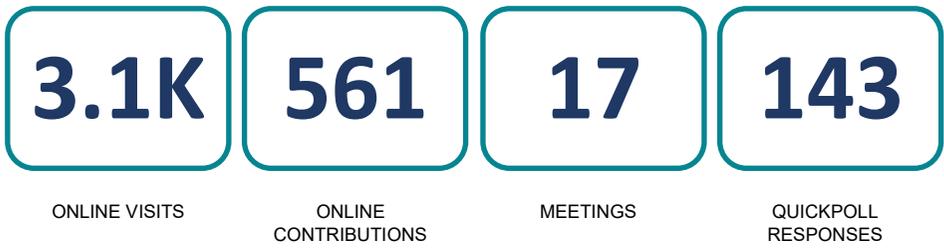
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Your thoughts matter. Get involved in the projects listed below and know that your perspective counts. Did you know by participating, your feedback will be reviewed and considered as a part of the decision-making process? Tapping into local insight and knowledge helps the municipality learn from you and continue developing a vibrant region.

Public engagement is an ongoing process – join in any of the conversations that matter to you. Get started today by reading more below, and subscribing to [Participate Wood Buffalo](https://participate.rmwb.ca).

Have questions? Email us at [participate@rmwb.ca](mailto:participate@rmwb.ca).

## Engaging Stats



## New!



### MACOY University Speaker Series: Education & Humanities: March 12 and 13

Join the MACOY Engagement and Outreach committee this March as they continue the University Speaker Series. This month MACOY will be interviewing university students in Education and Humanities. This is the final event in the series, but you can still watch previous session recordings and get more information at [rmwb.ca/macy](https://rmwb.ca/macy).



### Public Art Bench Program

Public Art Wood Buffalo is launching a pilot project to create unique public art benches to strengthen the visual connection between rural communities and the urban core. First up is Anzac and Sapræ Creek. This project will see unique park benches created for and installed in each rural community, with identical sister benches for Kiyâm Community Park in Fort McMurray. Your feedback will inspire the two local artists to design and fabricate benches that will reflect the unique character of each community. Visit [rmwb.ca/publicartbench](https://rmwb.ca/publicartbench) to contribute your ideas and stories.



### Where Do We Go with Transit Master Plan

The Municipality is continuing to work on the Transit Master Plan that will provide recommendations and a roadmap to guide all aspects of transit services over the next 5-10 years. Following the engagement in fall of 2021, we want to know if you agree with the recommendations that will be put forward. Find the feedback survey and other engagement opportunities at [participate.rmwb.ca/transit](https://participate.rmwb.ca/transit) until March 16<sup>th</sup>.

## Ongoing Engagements



### Community Coffee Chats

Have you been to a Community Coffee Chat yet? We have hosted three events so far, and we plan on hosting them every month. Join us March 16 for the next virtual chat. Speak with real people about any of the municipal topics that matter to you. Did we mention there's free coffee? Find out more at [participate.rmwb.ca/community-coffee-chats](https://participate.rmwb.ca/community-coffee-chats).



### Draper Projects

Several important projects are occurring in the community of Draper: Land Use Bylaw, Area Structure Plan and Flood Mitigation. Some of these projects can be quite complex, and they are all important to you. We invite you to ask questions, share your feedback, and keep up to date on what's happening by visiting [participate.rmwb.ca/draper](https://participate.rmwb.ca/draper).



### Heritage Resources Management Plan

The Municipality is working towards a plan to identify, evaluate and manage heritage resources throughout the region, and you're invited to join the conversation. What is a heritage plan? What are our heritage resources or heritage sites? How should we preserve them? Residents recently took part in virtual discussions and an online survey to share their thoughts. Stay tuned for more opportunities to get involved as the project moves into the second phase of engagement. Visit [participate.rmwb.ca/hrmp](https://participate.rmwb.ca/hrmp) to learn more.



### Municipal Development Plan

After ongoing engagements with residents and stakeholders across the region, the Municipal Development Plan (MDP) draft is available for viewing with opportunity for final feedback. The MDP is a blueprint on how the region will evolve, thrive, and expand for the next 20 years. Help us plan where we're going, and provide your final feedback by March 13. Visit [rmwb.ca/mdp](https://rmwb.ca/mdp).

## Recently Completed

Thank you for taking the time to share your thoughts on how we can make Fort McMurray Wood Buffalo an even greater place to call home. Here are the results of our recently completed engagements.



### 2022 – 2023 Annual Policing Priorities Survey

Each year, the RCMP establishes priorities – in addition to responding to service calls – to ensure that officers focus on what the community identifies as important. The survey ran from Jan. 17 – Feb. 14, 2022, with nearly 1,200 responses. Thanks for participating! Find out what happens next for this project by visiting [participate.rmwb.ca/community-policing](https://participate.rmwb.ca/community-policing).



### Beacon Hill Greenspace Restoration

Thank you to everyone who participated in the conversation. We're committed to keeping you informed on the progress of this project. Find out what you told us and review the What We Heard Report. Now available to view at [participate.rmwb.ca/beaconhillspacerestoration](https://participate.rmwb.ca/beaconhillspacerestoration). Check out the highlights from the survey and next steps for the project.

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