

DRAPER ROAD NEWS



January 2026



COMMUNITY NOTICE

How rural winter maintenance works in your community

Winter maintenance in rural communities is done by municipal contractors, and includes:

- Snow plowing and snow removal.
- Sanding/salting asphalt roadways whenever needed to create a safe driving surface.

Snow plowing in your community:

- Primary (high-traffic) roads are plowed within 24 hours of snowfall.
- School routes will be plowed within 24 hours for easier school pick-up and drop-off.
- Secondary roads are plowed within 48 hours.
- Gravel roads are plowed within 72 hours.
- Contractors will try to remove windrows (snowbanks) at residential and commercial driveways where possible.

Snow removal in your community:

- Contractors start snow removal when snowbanks are too high and block safe sightlines at intersections.

Help your community with winter maintenance:

- Remove garbage and recycling bins from the roadside to leave room for plowing.
- Do not shovel/push snow onto the road or into ditches, as this creates flooding issues in the spring.

More details are available at rmwb.ca/snowplow

Questions? Please contact Pulse at rmwb.ca/pulse, or by phone at 780-743-7000 or 1-800-973-9663 (toll-free).



Rural Water & Sewer Service

Hiring a certified contractor

A certified contractor must be selected from the [Alberta Municipal Affairs Private Sewage System Installer Certification List](#).

The following local contractors have been certified by Alberta Municipal Affairs as of July 2024:

Contractor	Contact information
B Mac Underground Services Ltd.	780-742-9848
Best Choice Plumbing, Heating and Wastewater Solutions	780-799-6267
Call First Plumbing & Heating	780-880-4726
Consun Contracting Ltd.	780-743-3163
H Wilson Industries (2010) Ltd.	780-743-1881
NC Transport & Equipment	780-713-1169
Parker Drainage and Waterproofing	780-799-0723
Qalipu Enterprises	780-598-4933
Rob Ryan Construction Inc.	780-799-6434
SENA Constructors Inc.	780-747-9664
Sureway Construction Management Ltd.	780-743-4788
Wellingdale Group Inc.	780-607-1431
Wood Buffalo Plumbing & Heating Ltd.	780-974-0521

Please note, this list is for informational purposes only. The RMWB is not recommending or endorsing these businesses. Any contract you enter with a certified contractor is strictly at your own risk.

Stay up to date on services, news, and projects in your community!

You may have noticed a refreshed look for rmwb.ca last month.



The new website provides a more reliable and user-friendly way to keep informed and connected.

Key changes include an improved mobile-friendly design and enhanced accessibility.

We've also streamlined the subscription process.

News, alerts, updates and more

Stay ahead of what's happening around your neighbourhood: get timely news delivered straight to your email inbox by subscribing to municipal updates.

Pick and choose the categories you're interested in:

- Municipal News (News Releases)
- Emergency Alerts
- Winter Maintenance Zones
- Construction: Fort McMurray - North of the Bridge
- Construction: Fort McMurray - South of the Bridge
- Construction: Rural Communities - North of Fort McMurray
- Construction: Rural Communities - South of Fort McMurray
- Fort Chipewyan Winter Road
- La Loche Winter Trail
- Legislated Public Notices
- River Breakup Community Updates

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If you're having trouble finding municipal information on our website, please contact Pulse at 780-743-7000 or rmwb.ca/pulse.

Skate closer to home: Build a backyard rink this winter!

With winter around the corner, it's time to get ready for skating season.



The Community Backyard Rink program makes it easy for you to create temporary ice rinks on municipal property in your neighbourhood, helping families embrace winter safely.

Get started

Getting your community backyard rink started is simple. Begin by reading through the online guide at rmwb.ca/CommunityRinks. This guide includes information and tips on the application process and building and maintaining your rink.

Approved applicants will be provided with insurance coverage under the Municipality's insurance policy.

Any unauthorized structures are subject to fines and removal.

Apply online

Applications are open all season, but rinks should be constructed by Dec. 31. Apply online through our E-Permitting portal at rmwb.ca/CommunityRinks.

For questions, contact Pulse at 780-743-7000 or online at rmwb.ca/pulse.

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OF WOOD BUFFALO

Residents in rural communities can contact the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo 24/7 by contacting Pulse via the following:

- 780-743-7000
- 1-800-973-9663 (toll-free)

www.rmwb.ca/pulse



The Rural Sharing Network

The Rural Sharing Network supports the social profit sector with relationship building and networking of services offered to rural communities in effort to address gaps to meet the needs of rural residents.



The Rural sharing network is open to community members and services providers. Coming together in collaboration to learn about the services available in community, identifying the needs of the community and understanding service gaps while working together to better service rural communities is the common goal.

Are you a service provider in the RMWB that would like to connect within the rural communities?

Please reach out to Aimee McCamon - aimee.mccamon@rmwb.ca



IMPORTANT CONTACT INFORMATION

PULSE (MUNICIPAL SWITCH BOARD)	1-800-973-9663 780-743-7000	PULSE@RMWB.CA	RMWB.CA/PULSE
COMMUNITY CONTACTS:		SOCIAL MEDIA:	
RCMP	780-788-4000	 @WOODBUFFALORURALCOMMUNITYCONNECTION	
FISH & WILDLIFE	780-743-7200	 @RMWOODBUFFALO	
HEALTH LINK	811	 @RMWOODBUFFALO	
ALL EMERGENCIES	911		

To submit information to the newsletter please email:
infor.rr@rmwb.ca

Deadline for February Newsletter submissions:
January 23, 2026

COMMUNITY EVENTS & PROGRAMS CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 	2 	3 Oil Barons vs Devon Xtreme 7:00pm Centerfire Arena
4 Pride Coffee Social & Craft Circle Redpoll Centre 2 - 4pm	5 Girls Inc. Registration for Winter Programs Online 9:00am	6	7	8	9 Huskies Volleyball vs Lakeland College 	10
11 QTBIPOC Coffee Social 2 - 4pm CMHA	12 Adult Art WBRL 5:30 - 7:30pm	13 Shayleen Gladu Author visit 9 - 3pm Elsie Fabian School	14 Marketing made Simple 10:00am FuseSocial	15 GOLDEN GIRLS The Laughs Continue 7:30pm Keyano Theater 	16 Oil Barons vs Olds Grizzlies 7pm 	17 Miciowin Farmer's Market 11am - 3pm Stonebridge Hotel
18 Tubbing at Vista Ridge 8:15am - 1pm	19 Oil Barons vs Whitecourt Wolverines 7:00pm Centerfire Arena	20	21 Oil Barons vs Whitecourt Wolverines 7:00pm Centerfire Arena	22	23 Newsletter submission deadline 	24 Family Literacy Day WBRL 10am - 3pm Miciowin Farmer's Market 11am - 3pm Stonebridge Hotel
25	26 Adult Art WBRL 5:30 - 7:30pm	27	28	29	30 Huskies Basketball vs NAIT 6pm Syncrude Sports & Wellness 	31 Miciowin Farmer's Market 11am - 3pm Stonebridge Hotel