



The Insider, Sept. 15

Find out what's new at the RMWB on Sept. 15, 2025.

Last chance to cast your vote in the Summer Photo Contest

We've picked the top 10 photos of the Summer Photo Contest - now it's your turn to crown its three winners!

Cast your vote by Friday, Sept. 19. We'll announce the winners in a later edition of The Insider.

Vote for your favourite summer
photos!



Week 3 of your Truth and Reconciliation Challenge begins

This week the Challenge will cover the following themes and subjects:

- Reconciliation at the RMWB
- Moving Forward Together
- Economic Reconciliation

Watch your RMWB email inboxes this week and the following weeks for TRC Challenge email newsletters. This year there is only one newsletter per week – please set aside about 15 minutes to complete this newsletter.

If you are often away from your desk and don't have the opportunity to read the email newsletters, you should expect to hear short TRC Challenge presentations and receive printed handouts from TRC Champions and volunteers in your department.

These TRC Challenge handouts are also available on the Intranet home page under "Announcements."

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Introducing the new SharePoint Online Implementation Site

Corporate Records is excited to announce the launch of our SharePoint Online Implementation site!

Your one-stop shop for everything you need to know as we transition to SharePoint Online for the RMWB's Document Management System (DMS).

This site will provide:

- Project updates so you can follow along with our progress
- Resources and guides to help your department prepare for the move online
- FAQs and tips to answer common questions
- Support information so you know where to go for help

Whether you're curious about timelines, looking for training materials, or simply want to learn more, the [SharePoint Online Implementation site](#) is the place to start.

We encourage you to bookmark the site and check back regularly for updates as your department's implementation date approaches.

Have questions? Contact recordsmanagementservices@rmwb.ca.

Upcoming custodial changes: Clarification on waste disposal

We would like to provide some clarity regarding custodial practices in our facilities with upcoming changes to our service provider.

- **Waste Disposal:** All food waste, not just compostable items and any materials that may deteriorate or create odors should be placed in the centrally located, daily serviced waste bins.
- **Waste Bins:** There is no change to the current waste bins. They will remain as they are, and there is no plan to switch to clear bins.
- **Compostable Collection:** At this time, there is no plan to implement a compostable garbage waste collection system.

Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our facilities clean and safe. If you have any questions, please reach out to Facilities Services facilities@rmwb.ca

Curious about the new Transit system? Let's talk!

RMWB Transit staff are in the building at Jubilee Centre today and again on Wednesday!

Whether you're curious about the changes for yourself or want to learn more to support residents you work with such as students, seniors, newcomers or families - this is a great chance to speak directly with subject matter experts.

 **When:** Today & Sept. 17

 **Drop-in Times:**

- 7:30 a.m. to 9 a.m.
- 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
- 3 to 5 p.m.

 **Where:** Jubilee Centre lobby

That's a wrap! One Council term ends... and soon another begins

Thank you to the many staff who kept Council running for this four-year term, providing their time and labour, expert advice, IT support, presentation skills and more.

Your efforts keep our local government working for the people of Wood Buffalo, and will definitely be needed again in November when the new Council term starts!

Meet Fort McMurray's newest lawyer!

On Sept. 12, **Erin Wells**, Legal Services, was called to the Alberta Bar at the Fort McMurray courthouse, making her both Fort McMurray's newest lawyer, and the RMWB's newest Municipal Counsel!

Well done, Erin!

RMWB staff participate in Pembina emergency response exercise

Last week, five RMWB staff observed a full-scale exercise hosted by Pembina Pipeline Corporation. The exercise tested how industry and local partners respond to a simulated release on the Athabasca River.

RMWB staff in attendance included Antoine Rempp, Julie MacEachern, Katie MacDonald, Heather Dolhanty, Mike Hewitt, and George Muirhead. Observers from the RCMP, Canadian Natural Resources Ltd. (CNRL), and Connacher Oil & Gas were also present.

In the field, Pembina deployed boats and equipment at a control point upstream of the municipal water plant intake. Crews installed booms and an oil skimmer, using the river's natural bends to increase recovery efficiency. A drone provided aerial observation, giving responders an overhead view of containment and recovery operations. This demonstrated how new technologies are enhancing traditional on-water response strategies.

For RMWB staff, observing the scenario provided valuable insight into regional emergency preparedness and how collaboration supports the protection of community infrastructure and the environment.

August sees two big farewells for RMWB staff

Robert Eison, manager of Technical Services, officially retired on Sept. 2.

After starting in 2020 as a supervisor in Wastewater Treatment, Robert went on to hold several different leadership roles in Environmental Services. Through all of Robert's roles at the RMWB, he was known for bringing the team together. His positive attitude, team-building, and guidance will be missed by the Environmental Services team!

Retirement brings Robert back to Vancouver Island, closer to family. He plans to keep himself busy whether it be renovating his home, rebuilding an old car, fishing, or golfing – in no determined order. We wish him all the best in this next chapter and hope he can find some time to relax and enjoy retirement between all of his plans!

Team members threw a going away party for **Such Chandhiok**, manager of Development Planning, after 13 years with Planning and Development.

After a rewarding journey with the RMWB, Such is starting a new chapter as Director of Community Growth at the City of Chestermere.

Best of luck, Such!

Contact us

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