

DRAPER ROAD NEWS



December 2025

A Thank-You from Stu & the Wigle Family,

I want to extend a heartfelt thank you to everyone in Sapræ Creek and Draper who came out to vote. Your support means the world to me, and on behalf of myself, Dana, and our boys, thank you for trusting me with another term as your Ward 3 Councillor.

I also want to acknowledge Sarah Hollands for putting her name forward and running a strong campaign. Our community is better when good people step up.

I'm incredibly excited for the next four years as we continue building Sapræ Creek and Draper into even stronger, more connected, and thriving places to live within the RMWB. The first couple of weeks of orientation are now wrapped up, and we're jumping right into budget and strategic planning—work that directly impacts our communities.

I look forward to connecting with everyone soon, and from our family to yours, Merry Christmas and a blessed holiday season to all of Sapræ Creek and Draper!

— Stu Wigle, Ward 3 Councillor





Council's *Holiday Luncheon* for Seniors & Elders

December 4, 2025

**at SMS Equipment Grand Ballroom, MacDonald Island Park
from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. (doors open at 11 a.m.)**

Join Mayor and Councillors for a holiday meal on Thursday, December 4, 2025 at SMS Equipment Grand Ballroom MacDonald Island Park, Fort McMurray.

The holiday lunch will feature good food, great company and bingo!

EVENT REGISTRATION OPENS NOVEMBER 17

Registration is required for this free event, please do so at rmwb.ca/luncheon. If you need assistance registering, contact Pulse at **780-743-7000** or toll free at **1-800-973-9663**. This event is for seniors who are 65 and older and Elders.

TRANSPORTATION AVAILABLE FOR RURAL ATTENDEES

If you are coming from Anzac, Conklin, Janvier, Gregoire Lake Estates, or Fort McKay and need transportation to the venue, please indicate when you register. Transportation will be arranged so you can go to and from the event safely and comfortably.



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Council's Excellence Awards: Nominate today!



 **Council's
EXCELLENCE
AWARDS**

**Help shine a light on
outstanding people in
your community!**

**Nominate them for
an award by Dec. 3.**

 **rmwb.ca/excellence**


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NOMINATE A DESERVING COMMUNITY MEMBER
FOR ONE OF FOUR AWARD CATEGORIES:

- ★ **Citizen of the Year**
- ★ **Everyday Hero**
- ★ **Indigenous Advocate**
- ★ **Youth**

Learn more and nominate your local champions at rmwb.ca/excellence
Have questions? Need support? Call Pulse at 780-743-7000 or 1-800-973-9663.

Rmwb.ca/excellence

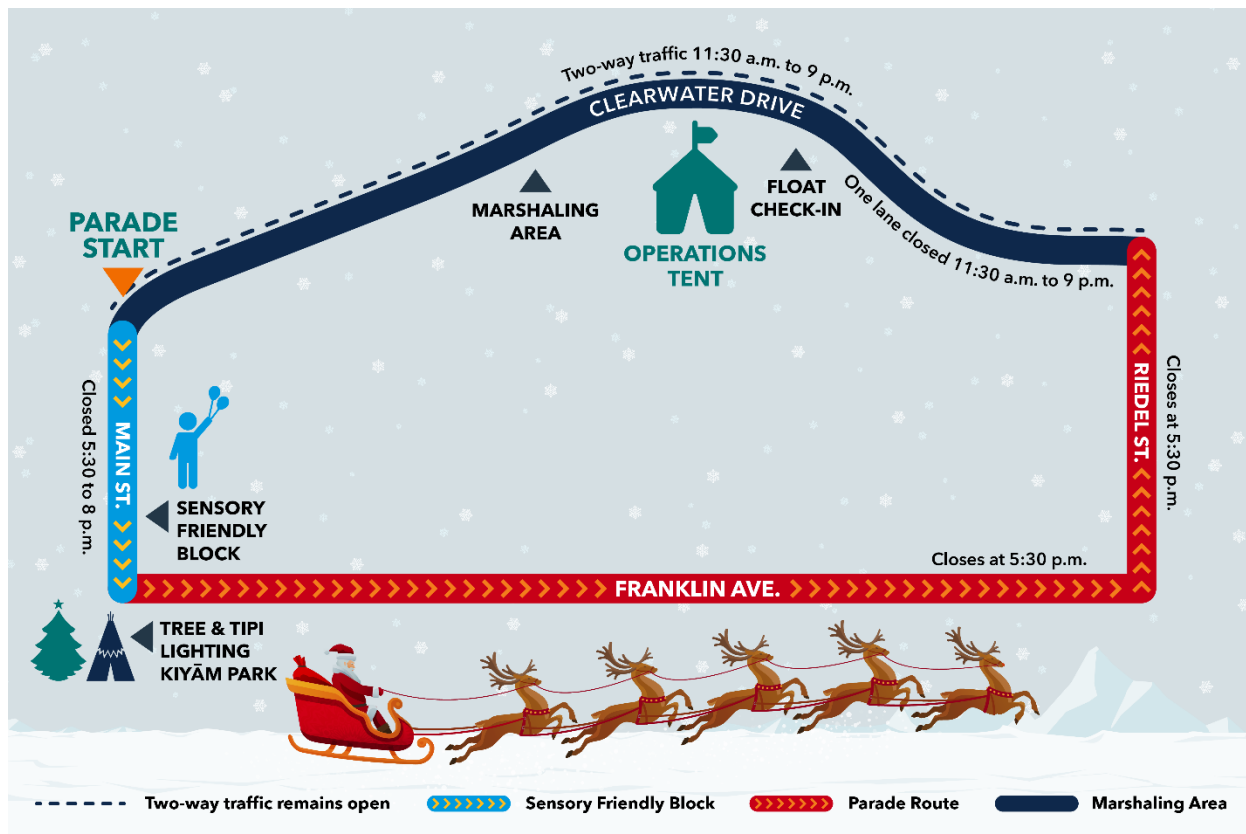
Get ready for the Santa Claus Parade!

Santa Claus comes to town on **Saturday, December 6, 2025!**

Council's Starry Night begins at 5 p.m. at Kiyām Community Park for the lighting of the community tree and tipi.

The Santa Claus Parade will follow at 6 p.m. along Franklin Avenue, featuring colourful floats, community spirit and of course Santa Claus himself.

The parade will begin on Main Street, which is the designated sensory-friendly zone, lights and sounds will start at the intersection of Main Street and Franklin Avenue, then continue south on Franklin Avenue, ending at Riedel Street.



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
- Subscribe for updates at **rmwb.ca/subscribe**.

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.



INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

DEC 3 | 11^{AM} - 2^{PM}

**SYNCRUDE SPORT & WELLNESS CENTRE
KEYANO COLLEGE**

Access for All: Designing Without Barriers.

Join us for a session on Inclusive Design. We will focus on intentionally removing all physical, digital, and systemic barriers to ensure full participation by every member of our community.



**Free Event
Everyone is Welcome**



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Schedule of Events:

11:00 am - Presentation
(SSWC, Fieldhouse 1)

12:30 pm - Refreshments
(SSWC, Fieldhouse 3)

1:00 pm
CNIB Workshop
(Keyano College, Elements Room)

Art for Social Change Guided Tour
(Throughout Keyano College)





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Real answers every time, all the time.



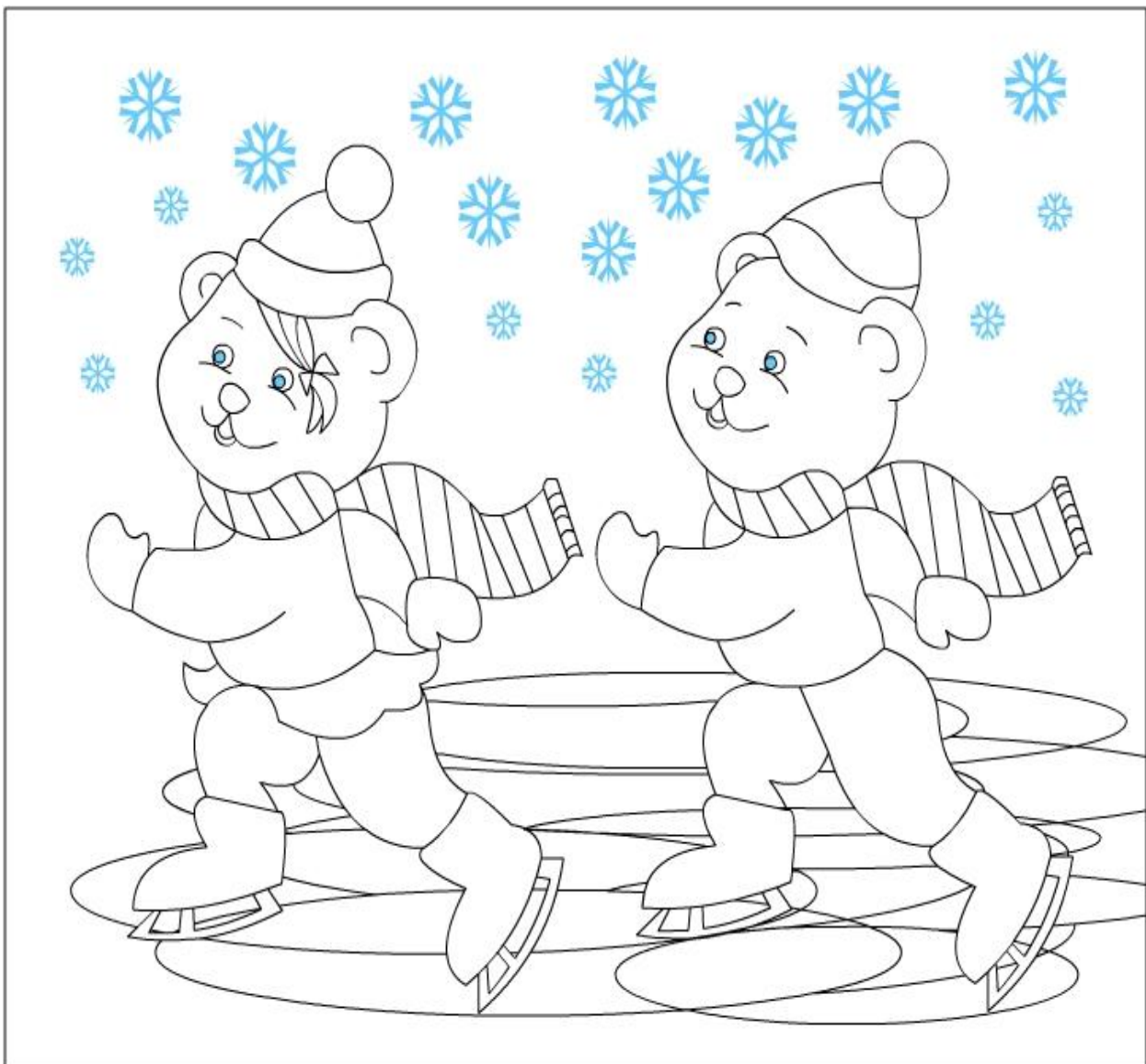
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Residents in rural communities can contact the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo 24/7 by contacting Pulse via the following:

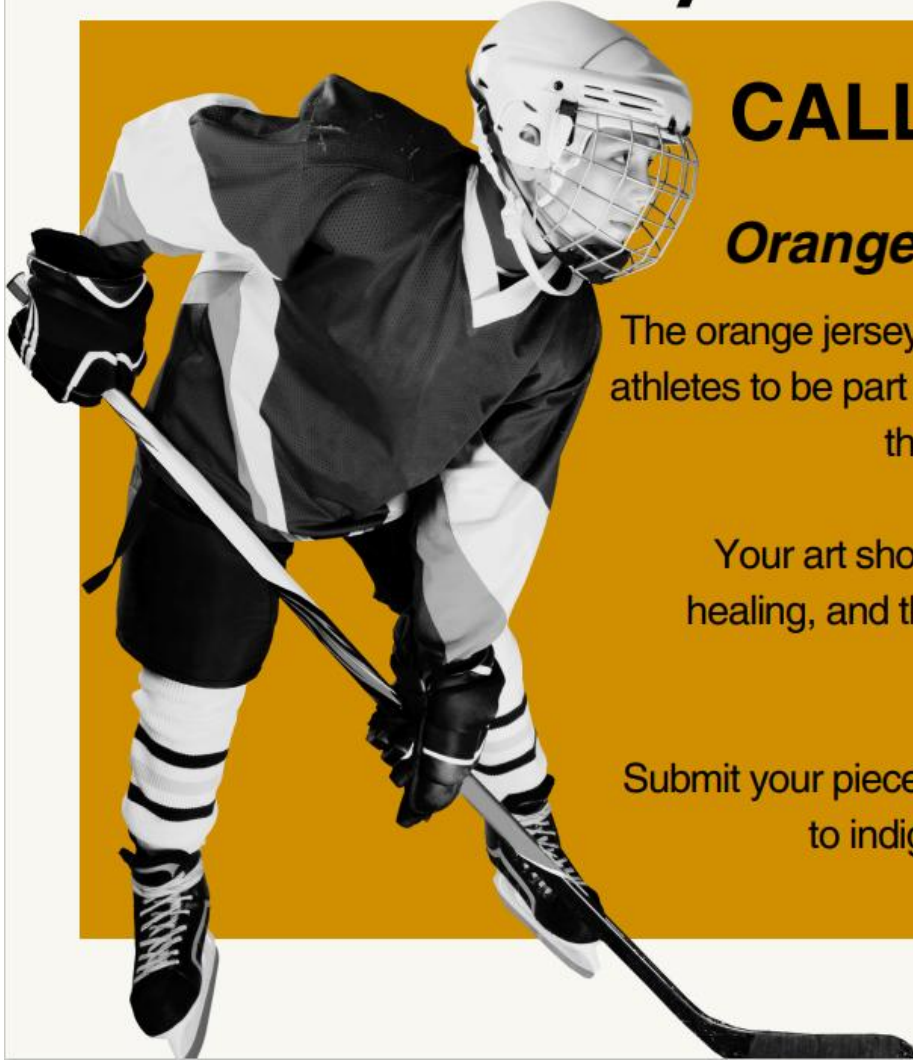
- 780-743-7000
- 1-800-973-9663 (toll-free)

www.rmwb.ca/pulse

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Fort McMurray Minor Hockey



CALL FOR ART

Orange Jersey Project

The orange jersey project empowers youth athletes to be part of truth and reconciliation through the power of sport.

Your art should reflect remembrance, healing, and the strength of Indigenous youth and communities.

Submit your piece by December 15th, 2025
to indigenousdev@fmmha.com



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  @RMWOODBUFFALO  @RMWOODBUFFALO	
FISH & WILDLIFE	780-743-7200		
HEALTH LINK	811		
ALL EMERGENCIES	911		

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

Deadline for January Newsletter submissions:
December 24, 2025

COMMUNITY EVENTS & PROGRAMS CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6 Santa Clause Parade & Council's Starry Night @5pm Kiyam Park
7 Christmas Eve at the Café Musical @1030am, 230pm or 6pm Keyano College Theatre	8	9	10 Cowboy Christmas: George Canyon and Aaron Pritchett @ 8pm Rivers Casino	11 Cowboy Christmas: George Canyon and Aaron Pritchett @8pm Rivers Casino	12 Clearwater Horse Club Christmas Light Tour @5pm-9pm	13 Clearwater Horse Club Christmas Light Tour @5pm-9pm
14	15	16 Elders 55+ Framed Tree Button Art Workshop @12-2pm Nistawoyou Friendship Centre	17 Elders 55+ Métis Dot Painting Workshop @9am-12 Nistawoyou Friendship Centre	18	9 	20 Gingerbread Jamboree & Holiday Market @11am-5pm BGC Fort McMurray
21	22	23 Ugly Sweater Christmas Party @8pm East Village Pub	24 Newsletter submission deadline Fam Jam Christmas Eve Party @5pm-9pm The Alley	25 	26  	27
28	29	30	31 Happy New Year 2026 at The Alley YMM @530pm-8pm			



Where, when, and how many?



We are reviewing rules around **portable signs** in the region. Your feedback on spacing, placement and more will help inform if portable sign regulations need to be updated – and how.

What are portable signs? They're signs that are mounted on a frame, stand or similar support that can be easily relocated to another location.

Learn more at rmwb.ca/PortableSigns.

Take the survey

01. Please tell us about yourself:

Select one answer only
☐ I use portable sign(s) for my business/organization.
☐ I work for a business/organization but do not currently use portable signs.
☐ I own or work for a sign company.
☐ I am a resident in the RMWB.
☐ Other

02. Should portable signs be temporary or permanent?

Select one answer only
☐ Temporary
☐ Permanent

03. If portable signs are temporary, how long should they be allowed on a site?

Select one answer only
☐ Three months per year
☐ Six months per year
☐ Nine months per year





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04. What is the ideal separation distance between portable signs?



Select one answer only

- ☐ 30 metres
- ☐ 50 metres
- ☐ 75 metres
- ☐ 100 metres
- ☐ Other

05. How many portable signs should be allowed on one property?

Select one answer only

- ☐ Only one portable sign per property, no matter how large the property is.
- ☐ One portable sign per property, but only if the property is at least 30 metres wide.
- ☐ Up to two signs per property, as long as the required separation distance rules are met.
- ☐ No limit, as long as the signs follow the required separation distance rules.

06. Please provide any additional comments related to portable signs.

