

COMMUNITY Edson and area residents return after wildfire evacuation

Looking for **Block Parents** for reboot of initiative...

by Niki Luymes (May 10, 2023)

As skies darkened to red and Wildwood and Evansburg along Highway 32. ashes began to fall on the town, threatened the hamlets and residents of Edson and nearby residents forcing several smoke and filled the air with Yellowhead County had to pack evacuations. up and leave, as a widespread issued on May 5.

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For the week prior, residents near the Brazeau Dam and affected Yellowhead County areas

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The Town of Edson expressed their sincere thanks to the many communities, volunteers, and firefighters that have been helping out during this recent wildfire incident (see page 5).





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County. The northern boundary was Township Road 550 and southern was Township Road 520.

Due to the fires still burning east near Wildwood and Evansburg causing a Hwy 16 closure and the Shiningbank fire closing Hwy 32, all evacuees were directed to head west. During this time, residents of Evansburg and Wildwood had already been evacuated to Edson. Now they, along with Edson and area residents, headed to evacuation centres located in Hinton and Jasper.

Lineups at gas stations quickly ensued and the exodus created bumper-to-bumper traffic as it rolled out of Edson. With guidance from local RCMP, the process went relatively smoothly. "The evacuation went well," said Staff Sergeant Christian Delisle, Detachment Commander with Edson RCMP. "The constant changes in the fire behaviour were a challenge as it limited the use of some of the preplanned evacuation routes."

"The local RCMP members with the assistance of RCMP members from other detachments, the RCMP STO team, the County CPOs, and different provincial enforcement agencies evacuated Edson and the surrounding rural communities without any major problems. The vast majority of the population followed the evacuation order and were able to safely get to an alternate location for the night," said Delisle.

In regard to patrolling the empty township overnight, Delisle said, "This requires a heavier police presence in Town and in the County to prevent and deter any form of criminality while the population is away. The Town did pretty well Friday night."

"There were a couple of accidents that we had to report within the town of Edson, and one in Yellowhead County. Two were very minor, and another one, unfortunately, someone got injured. Besides that, the evacuation went very well," added Delisle. It took approximately two hours for residents to make their way to Highway 16 and head towards Hinton/Jasper.

As of May 6, over 24,000 individuals had been evacuated from communities throughout north and central Alberta, with that count growing. Some people made their way to evacuation centres or hotels, while others stayed with family or friends.

While most of the Edson township was vacated, some residents of Yellowhead County made the choice to stay and do what they could to protect their property. "The work that they did was spectacular, whether it was in Shiningbank, Wildwood, or north of Wildwood," said Yellowhead County Director of Protective Services and Fire Chief, Albert Bahri. "Those residents were great. They didn't evacuate, they were asked to evacuate, they didn't evacuate, they stayed and defended their property, and I support that. The tough part is, our Firefighters are working to do that as well. It's about coordination, it's about training, it's about all that knowledge, and now we have to make sure we keep them safe as well."

On Saturday May 6, a Provincial State of Emergency was declared for all of Alberta.

With some rain, favourable winds, and efforts of Alberta Wildfire, local fire crews, and support staff, the evacuation order was lifted for Edson and certain areas of Yellowhead County on May 8. The fires, however, are still considered out of control. "Our biggest concern for Yellowhead County is all the residents affected by the fires. We are worried about all of them and their residences," said Chief Bahri. Throughout this time, and continuing now, Alberta Wildfire and local firefighters worked around the clock to contain and control the blazes. A number of out-of-town resources came out to assist with the fight. Due in no small part to their efforts, the fire never actually reached town limits. Edson Mayor Kevin Zahara said he was very proud to announce that there was no damage to Edson and no lives lost. "When I left here on Friday night I thought we were going to lose this town. I could see flames from one of our residential neighborhoods and I thought there was nothing that could stop that. Fortunately, with the work of firefighters and the weather change we have a community that has come back in today," said Mayor Zahara. Yellowhead County did unfortunately lose homes to the fires. The exact number is currently unknown. "Yellowhead County, right from the very start, maintained the safety of our residents as our primary concern," said Yellowhead County Mayor Wade

Williams. "As of right now I am happy to report that we have had no loss of human life. We have also protected as much as we possibly could. But with 13 fires burning throughout the county in the past few days that's a massive undertaking."

It didn't take long for life in Edson to resume. The Edson Medical Centre reopened for walk-ins on May 9. The Edson Hospital's emergency room reopened the same day and most schools resumed classes on Wednesday, May 10.

Martin Long, who served as MLA for West Yellowhead, said, "Over the last week I've witnessed firefighters, volunteers, officials, and leaders from all levels prioritize human safety and wellbeing. I am deeply thankful for the hard work and dedication each of them has shown."

"I have seen local residents and businesses coming into evacuation centres bringing in pillows and blankets, offering to bring food and water, offering to volunteer, even offering to provide a room in their homes. The resilience and compassion of our community members, emergency response teams, volunteers, and citizens make me extremely proud to be a part of West Yellowhead," Long added.

Evansburg residents were able to return home on May 10th, and on the 10th, Yellowhead County announced that Wildwood, Lobstick, and Hansonville area residents could plan to head home



Smoke and ash filled the sky as an evacuation order was given for Edson and part of Yellowhead County on May 5.

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on the morning of May 11th.

Yellowhead County stated, "As we continue to deal with the wildfire situation in Yellowhead County, we want to thank the firefighters and emergency crews that have been working long and hard throughout this difficult time. Many of these boots-on-the-ground emergency responders have dealt with their own evacuations and being away from their homes and families while they work to contain these wildfires. -We are all in this together and we thank you for all you've done."

Fire bans and OHV restrictions remain in place for Edson, all of Yellowhead County, and Alberta. Highway 16 in both directions was reopened completely on May 9.

Alberta Wildfire states that while there are some areas that experienced some precipitation other areas did not. "The wildfires in the area are extremely hot and will burn deep into the ground. These fires can re-ignite again if conditions are right. Mid-high temperatures and windy conditions will ignite fires that may look extinguished as they hide deep in the ground. There is still a risk to the communities affected by the Deep Creek Complex." The Deep Creek Complex includes the EWF035 (Shiningbank) fire, and the WCU001/002 fires (which are in the area of Wildwood, Chip Lake, and on both sides of Highway 22).

"All residents should be ready to leave again if need be, weather is unpredictable," said Mayor Zahara. "We didn't want to leave people outside the community longer than we needed to, so what we've said to people is keep your trailers stocked, be ready. We certainly hope that's not going to happen, we're confident that's not going to happen-but as we know, things can change."

The Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) has begun to move out to support Alberta as the province battles the unprecedented wildfires. Over the next few days, these units will deploy to the Grande Prairie, Fox Creek and Drayton Valley areas.

* with files Dana McArthur

(May 9, 2023) Such a whirlwind of events, not just here in Edson but in surrounding communities throughout the province as

wildfires forced mass evacuations.

It was hard and emotional, but we are getting through the worst of it (so far) and together as communities step up to help each other.

Many families have experienced losses and increased stress. It's a whole other kind of experience to have everyone going through frightening emotions at the same time. The panic and fear for their loved ones, their homes, and everything they have worked so hard for over the years may be going up in smoke.

People had to leave everything behind while grabbing just a few personal items or had to leave loved ones to stay behind to contend with fire. Even families who had planned a memorial service had to postpone. We have no idea the extent of stress and emotions others are going through at this time.

As neighbouring communities had to evacuate, many were coming to Edson. Our community members stepped up to help wherever they could. Places to stay, food, water and supplies for families were offered to families who arrived with just a few clothes in their vehicles. However, it wasn't long before Edson was being told they had a mandatory evacuation order too and everyone had to leave. Folks scrambled to evacuate from the town

Kristen Chambers, Chief Administrative Officer for Evergreen Foundation, said, "The evacuation of the Parkland Lodge went incredibly smooth. We made the call to evacuate a few hours before the alert which gave us some additional time to get organized. The families and residents of Parkland Lodge have been absolutely incredible. The



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majority of the lodge residents are currently up in Grande Cache and some are in Jasper. The staff and community members from these

municipalities have been so welcoming and accommodating."

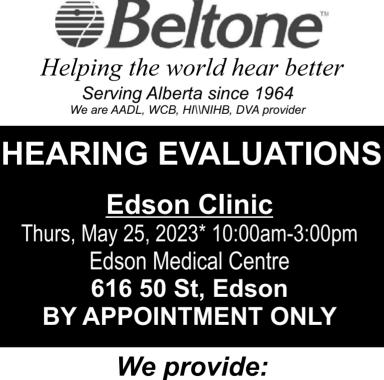
Resident Caitlyn Mullin, said, "I was so worried for the whole community of Drayton Valley especially for my family and friends. I was already worrying for all of the other parts of Yellowhead County. I didn't even think this fire was going to come this close to Edson. But anything can happen so fast with dry conditions. With everything being so dry I was so worried about Hinton and other communities as well. I was pretty anxious about everything. I'm just hoping we get some rain around Alberta that lasts a while."

A flood of pent-up emotions hit some families after younger children were asleep. Some families tried to make it a mini-vacation for the kids. Many families who had nowhere to go were welcomed at the evacuation centres. Children had lots of emotions going on as parents tried to find a hotel or motel to stay that allowed pets.

Many parents needed to stay behind: volunteers, first responders, firefighters, support staff were working hard keeping the fires at bay, as families evacuated ahead of them.

A huge shout out to everyone for helping where you could during such a devastating situation. Every good deed did not go unnoticed, believe me, whatever you did big or small someone noticed and will never forget your generous support.

Even now that families have been able to return home so many emotions are still there. The smoke may be settling for now, but the emotions and stress are still raw. Let's be strong together. Reach out to someone and do not try to carry your troubles alone.





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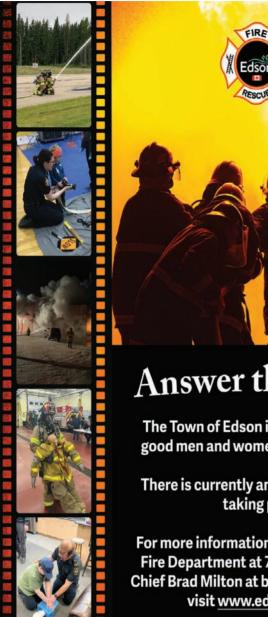
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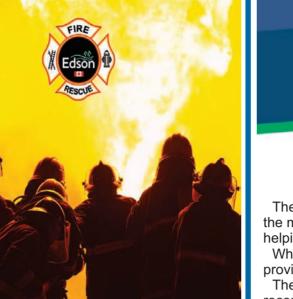
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THANK YOU!



The Town of Edson would like to express our sincere thanks to the many communities, volunteers, and firefighters that have been helping out during this recent wildfire incident.

While the work is far from complete, the support you have provided us has been invaluable.

The Municipality of Jasper and Town of Hinton guickly set up reception centres during the Edson and area evacuation and many citizens and businesses welcomed our residents with open arms.

While we'll be able to do a more specific recognition later, thanks must also be given to the firefighters and support staff from across the province and B.C. that have been here working day and night to protect our citizens and their property.

It's been heartwarming to see so many people come together during this tragedy. Local businesses worked incredibly fast to reopen for the evacuees on their return and have been offering discounts and assistance for those that have been displaced.

Thank you to everyone that has been working incredibly hard in our reception centres and behind the scenes in the Emergency Coordination Centre in conjunction with Yellowhead County as well.

Thank you to all of our residents as well for their patience and understanding as we have worked through this unprecedented situation. Your cooperation and support has been outstanding. -Town of Edson Council, Administration, and Staff

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Letter: **Mayor asks province** to postpone election to focus on wildfires

It is time for all parties running in this upcoming election to band together, get a hold of Elections Alberta, and postpone this provincial election.

This election is nothing but a distraction at this point, when we Albertans need every government official to roll up their sleeves and fight for this province —before we don't have a province to come back to.

At this time, we ask that you postpone this election and form a non-partisan collaborative government for the betterment of all Albertans.

The forecast is for higher temperatures again in the near future and we need to be ready.

I am calling on all Albertans, and all mayors and reeves across Alberta, to contact your MLAs to help get this message out.

Wade Williams Mayor, Yellowhead County



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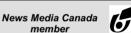


Hand ignition on the north end of the fire on EWF031 (May 6, 2023 at 2:15 p.m.). This fire still poses a significant threat to the town of Edson. -Alberta Wildfire

Edson RCMP Occurrences For the week of Dec May I to May 7, 2023

Assistance calls topped the list of Edson RCMP occurrences at 24. Other investigations included: Abandoned Vehicles 4; Alarms/False Alarms 4; Animal Calls 6;; Assault 0; Cause Disturbance 3; Fail to Comply with Conditions 7; False/Abandoned 911 Call 8; Family Orders and Agreements 1; Fraud 1, Harassment/Criminal Harassment 1; Impaired Operation of Motor Vehicle 0; Information File 3; Lost/Found Property 6; Mental Health Act 5; Mischief or Damage 3; Municipal Bylaws 0; Obstruct/Resist Peace Officer 3; Possess Stolen Property 1; Recovered Stolen Property 1; Sudden Death 3; Suspicious persons 23; Theft Complaints 4; Traffic Complaints 6; Traffic Collisions 11; Traffic violations 9; Trespassing 8; Unlawfully in Dwelling 5; and Wellbeing Checks 11.

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Special moments shared at Mother/Son Soirée

by Niki Luymes

The Town of Edson celebrated an early Mother's Day with the return of the annual Mother/Son Soirée.

On Thursday May 4, sons and their mother figures could come out to the Galloway Museum to enjoy a night of food, dancing, games and prizes. The event was hosted by the Town of Edson, and ran from 5pm to 8pm.

The night began with a time for games and activities. The Soirée was circus-themed, so activities included a bean bag throw, a balancing game and more, plus a photo booth to remember the occasion. "It is an opportunity for mother figures and their sons to come and spend some time together, and just invest in those family dynamics," said Marsha Shack, Community Coordinator with Edson FCSS (Family & Community Support Services).

Supper was provided by the Fresh Vine and served plated by a group of volunteers. Members of the Youth Council and the Town Council volunteered their time to the event. After supper Amy from the Edson Dance Academy came out to lead the group in some dances. After going though partner and popular dances, the rest of the night could be spent on the dance floor or just hanging out.

The Mother/Son Soirée is the companion event to the Father/Daughter Dance that happened earlier this year. Both event made their return to the Edson calendar this year after being canceled during the COVID lockdown years. It was also one of the last events to take place before the town had to evacuate due to wildfires on May 5.

The event served as a time for fun and connection for mothers and sons, and for moms to connect with other moms while the kids could have fun. The event was well attended. "It's been a really nice, pleasant, and relaxing evening," said Shack. "It's good during times likes these for us to come to events like this to connect and socialize and relax."

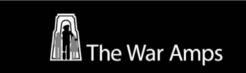


volunteered their time to the event. After the meal was a time for fun and dancing at the annual Mother/Son Soirée. photo Niki Luymes



Kystra and Cooper Hawboldt alongside Kayne Mathers and Paige Knutson pose for a picture right after being served at the Mother/Son Soirée on May 4. photo Niki Luymes





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Looking for Block Parents for reboot of initiative

by Deanna Mitchener

Do you recall those houses that had a sign displayed in their window stating they were 'Block Parent' homes. These homes allowed anyone in search of a safe place to feel welcome.

Block Parent volunteers are responsible adults who care about the safety of children and others. They agree to offer their homes as temporary havens to those who find themselves in threatening or frightening situations.

Vicky Hill and Judy Whitnack are helping with a come back of Block Parent Homes in Edson. The community hasn't had any Block Parent activity in many years. Both Judy and Vicky will be acting coordinators for the area.

Hill said, "Anyone over the age of 18 who has been screened by the police can be a Block Parent. You can be single, married, divorced etc. You can work or stay at home. You do not have to have children, you could be grandparents."

"Everyone in a Block Parent

home must be re-screened every two years. Once this is done they will be given a new decal to place on their sign showing the next year in which screening is required," said Hill.

"Block Parents are responsible adults who care sufficiently about the well-being of children and others to volunteer their homes as a temporary refuge in an emergency. All Block Parents are screened by the police and are given instructions on the program by local volunteers," Hill said.

Whitnack said, "The Block Parent window sign is shown only when someone over the age of 18 is available to answer the door. If the sign is not displayed, this does not mean that no one is home, only that the Block Parent is not available to offer immediate assistance."

"In addition to the primary goal of making communities safer for children, the Block Parent Program deters criminals and troublemakers. The network of Block Parent homes is a visible reminder that citizens are watchful in their neighbourhoods. A Block Parent may be called upon to offer their home as a place of safety when someone is in a dangerous or frightening situation such as bullying, hurt or ill, caught in severe weather, or frightened by a stranger. A Block Parent assists persons in distress by telephoning the appropriate emergency service (police, fire, ambulance, etc) when necessary," said Whitnack.

Block Parent volunteers are not expected to: provide food, drink, toilet facilities or transportation, administer first aid, leave their homes to break up a fight, or open their door to anyone if they feel uneasy about it.

"We are in the process of getting back up and running and as of right now we have two homes cleared to be Block Parents. I am not sure why the first program closed down as it was back in the 80/90's", said Hill.

"Myself and Judy are the program coordinators. We are looking for more households to sign up as well as people to help with running the program," Hill said.

If you are interested in helping any way please call Vicky at 780-712-1008. Emails can be sent to edsonblockparents@gmail.com



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Thank You!

I would like to personally thank the Edson Lions Park Campground for taking in neighbouring communities to camp for free during the wildfire evacuations.

The Edson Mountain Pizza and Steak House for donating pizzas to accommodate 40 individuals that were fleeing and didn't know what was happening.

Another shout out to the Edson Pioneer Cabin for donating the meal they had prepared for a event at the cabin.

Thanks to all volunteers, front line workers, firefighters and those that stepped up to help where ever you could. Too many to mention, but your kindness has touched the hearts of many.

Thank You All, Deanna Mitchener



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If you have recently purchased property in Yellowhead County, Land Titles is four to five months behind in processing. Combined Assessment and Tax notices will be mailed in May so if you haven't received a tax notice by June 1, 2023, please contact the Yellowhead County Edson office. July 1st, 2023 penalty date still applies on any outstanding balances.

Municipal Address Changes:

Do you live in Niton Junction and have a **TOE 1SO** postal code?



Yellowhead County Fire Department's Volunteer recruitment is now open!



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Your address is *no longer valid* due to recent Canada Post changes. Call Yellowhead County at **1-800-665-6030** to update your mailing address.

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Alberta Education has expanded the Living Waters Catholic Separate School Division boundary under Ministerial Order 015/2021. If you are the owner of a property within the new boundaries and would like to direct your taxes to the separate school division, please contact the Yellowhead County Tax department at **780-723-4800**. You can find the Ministerial Order through the following link: *https://kings-printer.alberta.ca/Documents/ MinOrders/2021/Education/2021_015_Education.pdf*

For more information, please call **1-800-665-6030** or **780-723-4800** or email **info@yhcounty.ca**

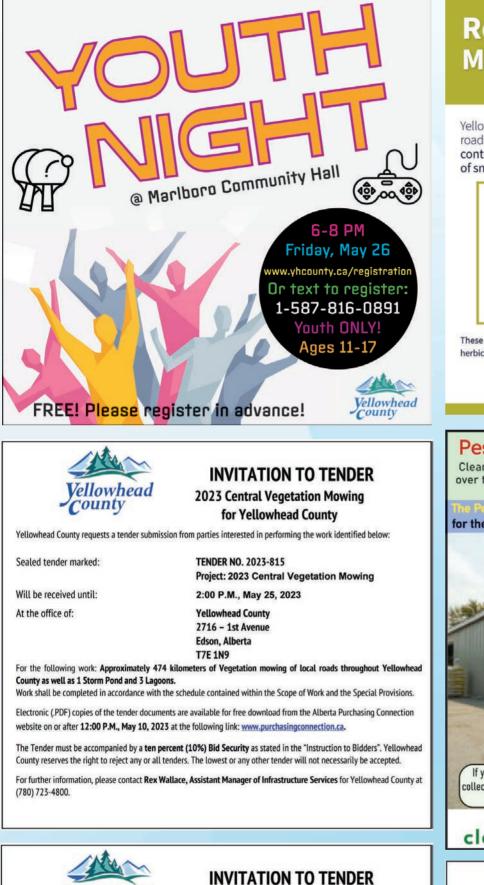
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Roadside Vegetation Management Program Spraying May to September



Yellowhead County's Agricultural Services Department will be spraying county roadsides from May to mid/late September. Spraying of roadsides is done to control the spread of prohibited noxious and noxious weeds and re-growth of small brush.

Herbicides to be used this upcoming season include:

Lontrel 360 - PCP #23545 Escort - PCP #23005 ClearView - PCP #29752 VP480 - PCP #2840 Arsenal - PCP #23713 Arsenal Powerline - PCP #30203 Garlon RTU - PCP #29334 Garlon XRT - PCP #28945 2,4-D Amine - PCP #14726 Milestone - PCP #28517 Navius Flex - PCP #30922 Esplanade - PCP #31333 Roundup Weathermax - PCP #27487 Roundup WeatherPRO - PCP #33653 Killex - PCP #27801 Hasten - PCP #28277

These products are best suited for Yellowhead County's Vegetation Management Plan. Some of these herbicides have residual characteristics so ratepayers should not be using roadside soil in their gardens.

If you have any questions about the program, please contact the Agricultural Services Department at 1-800-814-3935 or (780) 325-3782.

Pesticide Container Site Closure Reminder

Cleanfarms has begun the process of moving pesticide container recycling over to Ag Retailers. This means that you can no longer bring your pesticide containers to the Wildwood and Parkcourt Transfer Stations.

ion will remain open for pesticide container recycling

for the foreseeable future due to the distance from Ag Retailers in that area.



If you wish to take pesticide containers back to your Ag Retailer, you must do so in Cleanfarms collection bags. These are given out when you purchase product. If you need more or did not receive any, you can pick them up at the Wildwood Yellowhead County office free of charge.

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for Yellowhead County

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At the office of:

TENDER NO. 2023-814 Project: 2023 West Vegetation Mowing

2023 West Vegetation Mowing

for Yellowhead County

2:00 P.M., May 25, 2023

Yellowhead County 2716 – 1st Avenue Edson, Alberta T7E 1N9

For the following work: Approximately 562 kilometers of Vegetation Mowing of local roads throughout Yellowhead County as well as 1 Storm Pond, 1 Lagoon, 1 Freshwater Pond and the Hinton / Jasper Airport. Work shall be completed in accordance with the schedule contained within the Scope of Work and the Special Provisions.

Yellowhead County requests a tender submission from parties interested in performing the work identified below:

Electronic (.PDF) copies of the tender documents are available for free download from the Alberta Purchasing Connection website on or after 12:00 P.M., May 10, 2023, at the following link: www.purchasingconnection.ca.

The Tender must be accompanied by a **ten percent (10%) Bid Security** as stated in the "Instruction to Bidders". Yellowhead County reserves the right to reject any or all tenders. The lowest or any other tender will not necessarily be accepted.

For further information, please contact **Rex Wallace, Assistant Manager of Infrastructure Services** for Yellowhead County at (780) 723-4800.

Yellowhead County requests a tender submission from parties interested in performing the work identified below

Sealed tender marked:

Will be received until: At the office of: TENDER NO. 2023-816 Project: 2023 East Vegetation Mowing

2:00 P.M., May 25, 2023

Yellowhead County 2716 – 1st Avenue Edson, Alberta T7E 1N9

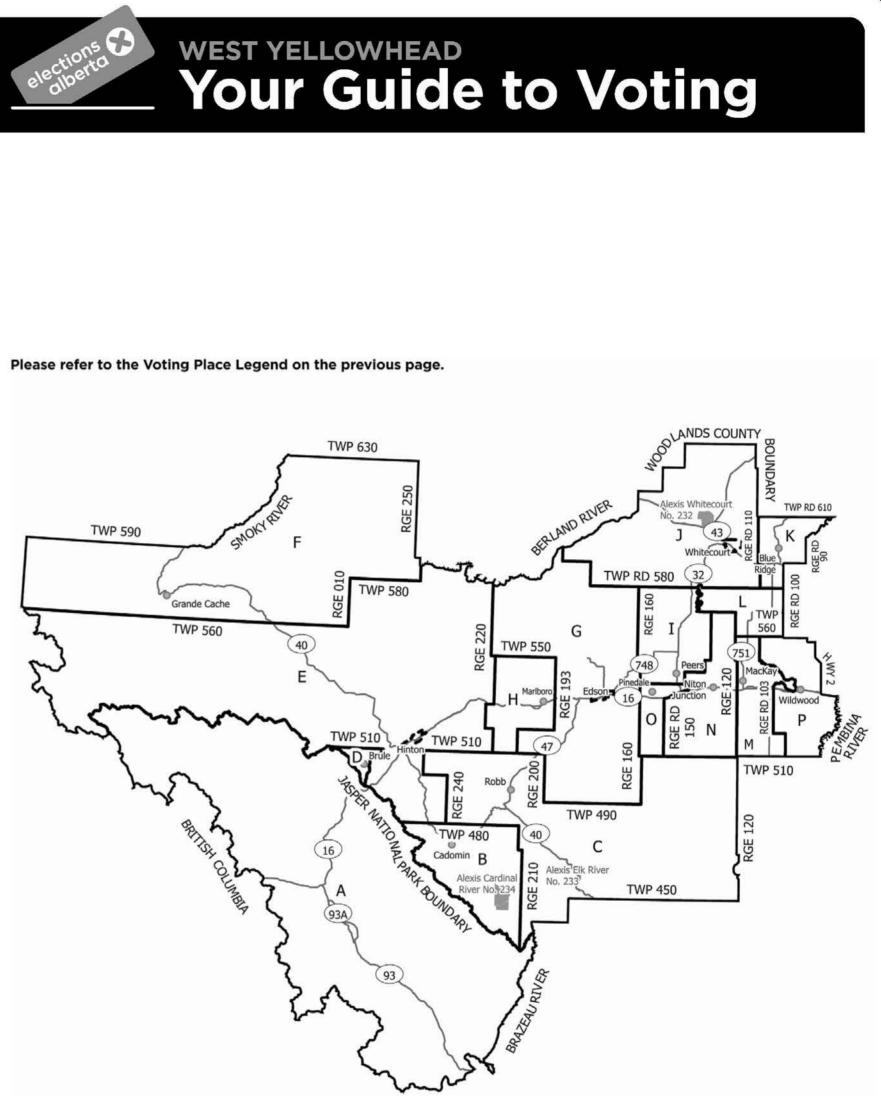
For the following work: Approximately 455 kilometers of Vegetation Mowing of local roads throughout Yellowhea County as well as 2 Lagoons.

Work shall be completed in accordance with the schedule contained within the Scope of Work and the Special Provisions.

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Provincial General Election

Voting will take place to elect a Member of the Legislative Assembly. If you are voting on Election Day, Monday, May 29, 2023, you must vote at the voting place identified for you on the map. If you prefer to vote in advance, from May 23 to May 27, you may vote at any advance voting location in Alberta.

Your Guide to Voting

Advance Voting Days Tuesday, May 23 to Saturday, May 27

During Advance Voting Days, you can vote at any advance voting location in Alberta.

WEST YELLOWHEAD

Advance voting locations nearest your electoral division are specified below. Visit **www.elections.ab.ca** for additional voting locations throughout the province.

Advance Voting Location		Tuesday, May 23	Wednesday, May 24	Thursday, May 25	Friday, May 26	Saturday, May 27
Big Horn Golden Age Club 9702 104 Avenue, Grande Cache	ŝ	9 AM - 8 PM	9 AM - 8 PM	9 AM - 8 PM	9 AM - 8 PM	9 AM - 8 PM
Dr Duncan Murray Recreation Centre 805 Switzer Drive, Hinton	S.	9 AM - 8 PM	9 AM - 8 PM	9 AM - 8 PM	9 AM - 8 PM	9 AM - 8 PM
Jasper Activity Centre 303 Bonhomme Street, Jasper	ę.	9 AM - 8 PM	9 AM - 8 PM	9 AM - 8 PM	9 AM - 8 PM	9 AM - 8 PM
Allan & Jean Millar Centre 58 Sunset Boulevard, Whitecourt	<u></u> е	9 AM - 8 PM	9 AM - 8 PM	9 AM - 8 PM	9 AM - 8 PM	9 AM - 8 PM
Edson Royal Canadian Legion, 5016 5 Avenue, Edson	占昌	9 AM - 8 PM	9 AM - 8 PM	9 AM - 8 PM	9 AM - 8 PM	9 AM - 8 PM

Election Day Monday, May 29, 2023

Election Day voting hours are from 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

On Election Day, you **must** vote at the voting place specified for your residence.

VOTING PLACE LEGEND: WEST YELLOWHEAD - Using the map, locate your address and find the letter representing your voting area, then match it to the voting places listed below.

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Jasper Activity Centre 303 Bonhomme Street Jasper

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Brule Hall 5010 Mountain Road Brule

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Grande Cache GA Edson Royal Canadian Legion 5016 5 Avenue

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Marlboro Community Hall 1005 21 Avenue Marlboro

is. Peers Multiplex 5114 51 Street

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58 Sunset Boulevard Whitecourt κĠ



L & Anselmo Community Hall 565081 Range Road 102 Woodlands County

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MacKay Community Hall 54015 Highway 751 MacKay

NG Carrot Creek Community Hall 13320 Township Road 534 Carrot Creek

0 \$ Pinedale Hall 15229 Township Road 534 Pinedale

РĠ Wildwood Hall 4903 51 Avenue Wildwood

Electors unable to vote in advance or on Election Day may vote by special ballot. See www.elections.ab.ca for more details.

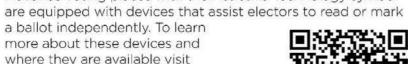
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3, 5023 3 Avenue Edson, AB T7E 1X7 Returning Officer: Terry Abu Al-Soud Phone: 1-833-483-2964 Email: ed87@elections.ab.ca Office hours: Monday to Friday: 9:00 am - 6:00 pm Saturday: 10:00 am - 4:00 pm Voting days: 9:00 am - 8:00 pm

Accessible Voting Barrier-free Access:

www.elections.ab.ca/accessibility

All voting places are evaluated and modified, where possible to provide barrier-free access for voters. Visit www.elections.ab.ca/accessibility for evaluation criteria on each voting place. Assistive Technology: Advance voting places with the Assistive Technology symbol





Results of the official count will be available on Thursday, June 8, 2023 at www.elections.ab.ca

Find out more at www.elections.ab.ca



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The Yellowhead Agricultural Society had a Work-Bee on April 28th out at their grounds. Lori Hellekson says, "Every spring we try to ensure the grounds are cleaned up and ready for any upcoming events. We have daily and weekly users, along with special events." Volunteers: Sharon Zielasko, Lori Hellekson, Donna Osipow, Luc Roth, Destry Roth, Mitch Hellekson, Cory Polak, and Brian Dickson. Volunteers got to enjoy some pizza after the hard work. photo Deanna Mitchener

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Bus Driver Recruitment

Transportation Services 780.723.4471 www.gypsd.ca/working-at-gypsd

TRAINING

GYPSD provides FREE Class 2S Mandatory Entry Level Training (MELT), Monday-Friday 9:00 am to 2:30 pm, Classes are on-going and include 6 days in class, 24 hours of driving and 11 hours in the bus yard. And GYPSD pays you to take the training!

YOUR EXPENSES

You will need to obtain a driver's medical and pay the costs of testing at registry (written and road test).

HOURS OF WORK EXPECTATIONS

Our spare drivers are usually booked in advance to cover routes or drive charter trips but may be called upon with short notice to cover illness or other emergencies. Typical hours of work are within 6:30-9 am and 3-5 pm depending on the length of the route.



We try to schedule our spare drivers in the areas in which they reside. If you are willing, there could be opportunities to travel to other zones.

We currently transport students in Hinton, Edson, Fulham, Niton Junction, Wildwood, Evansburg, Jasper, and Grande Cache.

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Give us a call today at 780.723.4471 to find out the next upcoming driver training session and be on the road to an exciting new career with GYPSD. PAGE 16 MONDAY, MAY 15, 2023

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A Family Literacy Opportunity

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by PETER MARINACCI









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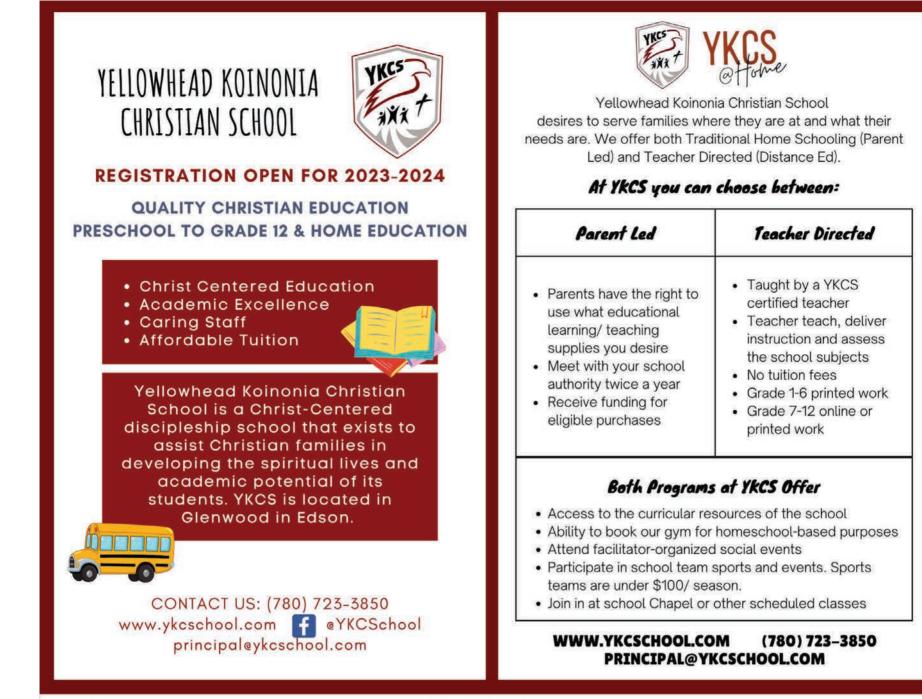


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BUSSING

We are happy to announce that bussing will be provided by GYPSD. We are thankful for the collaboration with GYPSD and for the funding allocated by the Alberta Government.



THANK YOU!

The families, staff, and board of Yellowhead Koinonia Christian School would like to send a heartfelt thanks to all the individuals and businesses of Edson and surrounding area for their support and generous donations to our 2023 Auction Fundraiser. We are also grateful to Patterson's Auctioneering Services, those who donated Bake Sale items, and all our volunteers. Together we raised over \$22,000 to support the school! If we have missed your name below, please accept our apologies.

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Pine Grove School's One Act Play takes to the stage

by Deanna Mitchener

On April 27, Pine Grove Middle School along with other schools including Holy Redeemer Jr/Sr High, Parkland Composite High School, Niton Central School and various schools outside the region took to the stage at the Red Brick Hatlen Theatre over the course of two days performing One Act Plays.

Pine Grove Drama Teacher Tio Bohn, who has been with their Drama Department for the past four years, said, "Pine Grove Middle School's act was Dystopia; The Hungry Maze Game of Divergent Death. We started rehearsals in February and our performance was on April 27. We had rehearsals for two days a week of about 90 minutes each."

When asked what she enjoys the most about teaching students, Bon replied, "I enjoy watching students embracing who they are, becoming contributing members in society, and watching them understand the lessons that I've been teaching them. And specifically in teaching drama, I enjoy the fact that students who normally would be shy or quiet in class come out of their shells. It is amazing how drama has the ability to give a voice to the shy students, a creative outlet for the nonathletic students, lets students become a character and work in a group setting. I also love giving students some creative license in regards to costuming and set design." "I would like to give honourable mentions to Camryn Coate for amazing choreography, and Falon Cole and Wyatt Beck as a fantastic acting duo," said Bohn. All three were awarded Honourable Mention certificates. Thanks also went to the many teachers and volunteers that helped make this happen.



Bottom front L-R: Aaralynn Pyne, Sydney Bustard, Falon Cole, Wyatt Beck. Bottom back L-R: Sophie Kwantes, Rayan Armstrong, Miranda Christie, Jasmine Hemsley, Thia Kerr, Camille Cole, Police Hat: Emily Darling. Back row L-R: Camryn Coate, Amos Beck, Ace Rogers, Malin Teeple, Baya Martin, Luke Boychuck, Kathryn Lawson, Jared Brook, Oliver Olson. photo submitted



Falon Cole and Wyatt Beck were given Honourable Mention as a fantastic acting duo in Pine Grove's One Act Play, Dystopia.

Honourable mention was given to Camryn Coate for her amazing choreography in Dystopia.

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Gordon Welch from Seba Beach singing, Walter Dauble on keybroad, along with Alberta Williamson on guitar and singing. May 5 was a day for local talent and music jamboree at the Pioneer Cabin. It was a smaller turnout with the possibility of a wildfire evacuation of the area, which eventually did take place that evening. photo Deanna Mitchener

Edson Food Bank Society



Wednesday, May 31

7:00 pm Edson and District Leisure Centre Hospitality Room

Call 780.723.1350 for more information Everyone Welcome!

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Emergency financial help for wildfire evacuees

(May 08, 2023) Albertans forced to evacuate their homes due to ongoing wildfires will soon receive emergency financial assistance.

Starting May 9 at 9 a.m., any Albertan who has evacuated under mandatory order for seven consecutive days or more can apply for a one-time emergency evacuation payment to help during this difficult time.

Eligible evacuees will receive \$1,250 per adult and an additional \$500 per dependent child under 18 years. This means that an evacuated family of four will receive \$3,500.

Evacuees can apply for the payment at alberta.ca/emergency using an Alberta.ca Account. Funds can take up to 24 hours to flow into accounts and will be disbursed via etransfer. Evacuees who are unable to receive an e-transfer or who cannot apply online can contact 310-4455 for assistance and to make alternate payment arrangements. Government ministries are working closely with First Nation and Métis communities to ensure supports are provided directly where appropriate.

This is part of the government's ongoing emergency response to wildfires across Alberta. Emergency responders continue working around the clock to keep people safe and reduce the threat to homes and infrastructure. The Emergency Management Cabinet Committee continues to meet regularly to respond to the current wildfire situation across the province. Cabinet continues to have decision-making abilities and will make decisions as needed to deal with this emergency situation. The most up-to-date evacuation information is available at alberta.ca/emergency, Alberta Emergency Alert or by downloading the Alberta Emergency Alert mobile app, which immediately pushes all alerts out to subscribers. Albertans seeking information or supports can call 310-4455. Anyone who has been evacuated due to wildfires is asked to register at local reception centres or at emergencyregistration.alberta.ca.

ATTENTION LANDOWNERS

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(Minimum of 50 – 80 acres)





Parkland Lodge Activity coordinator Amanda Wills and Activity Assistant Shamen Walke decided to be festive with the Kentucky Derby kick starting recently. Shamen says, "Some of us pulled our kids from school today to come take part in the Lodge Horse Races. The weather has been so nice, so we're trying to get our residents outside doing things." Students raced against staff as residents cheered for their favourite numbered horse. photo Deanna Mitchener

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(403) 843-2747 Rimbey Sale Site (780) 208-2508 Hwy 16/Rge Rd 185 Sale Site 1 (855) 783-0556 Toll Free License No. 165690 E-mail: abolson@telusplanet.net - Homepage: allenolsonauction.com Real Estate Terms & Conditions: 10 % Down on Sale Day. Balance & Possession on or before July 26th, 2023. If Balance is NOT RECEIVED by July 26th, 2023 the Deposit will be Forfeited as Liquidation Damages.

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Farm & Field News and Views

Canadian canola market not isolated

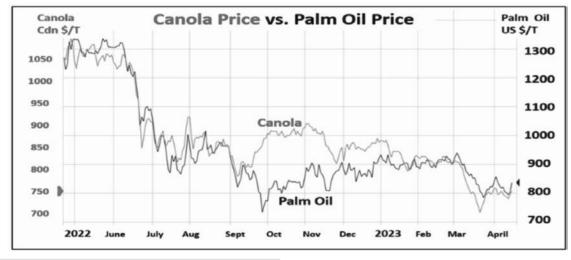
"Canola is Canada's number one oilseed crop, with average Canadian production of about 20 million tonnes compared to 6.5 million tonnes of soybeans," says Neil Blue, provincial crops market analyst with the Alberta government.

Canola contains about 42% oil and 58% meal. Both canola products are known for high quality and have well-established markets. Canola meal is valued mainly as an animal protein feed, competitive with alternative protein sources such as soybean meal. Canola oil is known for its attractive characteristics for human consumption and is increasingly being used in the production of biodiesel.

Annual world vegetable oil production is near 210 million tonnes. Of that total, annual world rapeseed oil production, including canola oil, is estimated at 31 million tonnes. Soybean oil comprises about 60 million tonnes of the world total. The largest volume vegetable oil is palm oil at 77 million tonnes. The largest palm oil producers and exporters are Indonesia and Malaysia, with those 2 countries producing 90% of the global total.

Palm oil is used for cooking, food products, detergents, cosmetics and increasingly so for biofuel. Palm oil production per acre is high, one reason that it is usually the lowest priced vegetable oil. Although palm oil has many positive attributes, a negative is that about half of its fat content is saturated.

"In a competitive world market, lower price can outweigh other characteristics of a product," explains Blue. "Although canola is shown as priced in Canadian dollars and palm oil in U.S. dollars per tonne, the message from the chart below is that the price of a competing vegetable oil like palm oil is correlated to the price of canola. There are times like last fall when canola seed had relative price strength, but overall, the price correlation has been high during the past year."

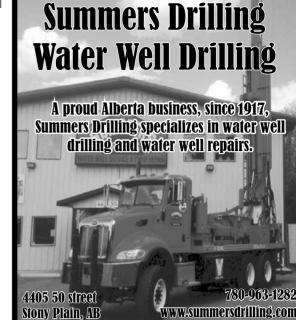


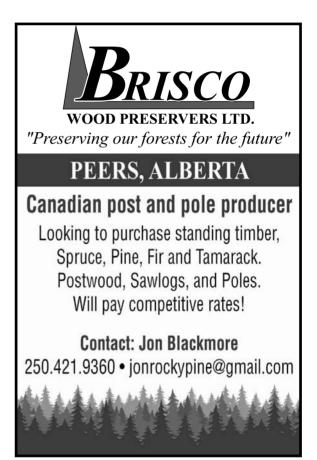
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The sharp move lower of canola prices in March 2023 coincided with a drop in palm oil prices, soybean oil prices and other large volume vegetable oil prices.

"Crude oil prices also dropped during that period, evidence of the increasing connection of vegetable oil to the fuel industry," says Blue. "Such price correlation among vegetable oils is a reminder that the Canadian canola market is not isolated and is subject to price action of competing products across the world." *AgriNews*







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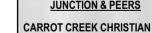
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May 25: Aqua Gentle Drop in Thursday 9:30-10:15am May 1-May 28: Step It Up Challenge. All ages welcome teams of 3+ register at the Leisure Centre once your team is complete.

May 16: Aqua Gentle drop in Tuesday 9:30-10:15am May 19: Family Fun Day at Bear Lake join us for fun outdoor games and a hot dog roast. 12pm-2pm. Please register your family at www.yhcounty.ca/registration May 26: Youth Night ages 11-17 Marlboro Community Hall 6-8pm register at www.yhcounty.ca/registration or text to 1-587-816-0891 Youth Only. June 17: Eddie's Big Run, Kids Fun Run, 3km, 3km, & 10km runs. Save the date. June 23: Mayor's Annual Golf Tournament. Register now **June 24:** The Hamlet of Robb is celebrating 100 years with a full day of activities for all ages. There will be a Beer Garden, Children's Carnival and Food Trucks, Historial Display and many other surprises. Bring your family and help us celebrate in style. 10am to 6pm with a park memorial and time capsule unveiling. Be a part of history July 20: Bear Chase Triathlon. At Bear Lake Campground Registration opens May 24. Ages 3-13 Heats begin at

5:30pm.

Every Tuesday: Winter Walking Group @ 5:15 pm. 60 min guided walk through the Town of Edson exploring the beautiful trails. Drop In no registration. Dogs & kids welcome. See facebook @edsoncomserv for updates and



muster locations.

Every Thursday: Seniors Chair Yoga Free. 10-11am Leisure Centre Hospitality Room.

First Wednesday of Every Month: Senior's Recycling Day. Between 10 am and 1 pm, senior citizens are welcome to visit the depot for snacks and refreshments while their staff unloads your sorted recyclables free of charge.

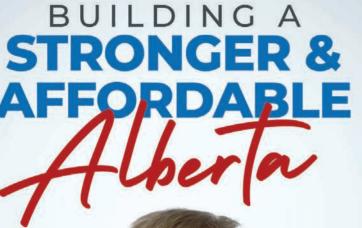


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*due to unforseen circumstances the forum may be postponed visit www.edsonchamber.com before making plans.



Writs issued for the 2023 Provincial General Election

Alberta's Chief Electoral Officer, Glen Resler, confirms that Writs were issued May 1 to administer elections across Alberta. The 31st Provincial General Election will be held on May 29, 2023.

"We are excited to welcome Albertans back to the polls this month," said Resler.

"Returning Officers have been appointed, and we are in the process of recruiting and training nearly 20,000 Election Officers to conduct voting in the 87 electoral divisions across the province."

Voter Identification: To vote in the 2023 Provincial General Election, electors are required to prove their identity and current address. There are several ways to do this, including:

- Providing one piece of Government-issued photo ID, including the voter's full name, current address, and a photo.

- Providing two pieces of ID, both containing the voter's full name and one that lists their current physical address.

- Having another registered elector with identification that resides in their voting area vouch for them.

- Having an authorized signatory complete an attestation form.

More than 50 different types of identification have been authorized by the Chief Electoral

Officer to be used as identification to vote. Advance voting begins on Tuesday, May 23, 2023, and ends on Saturday, May 27, 2023.

Election Day is Monday, May 29, 2023. All voting places will be open from 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Unofficial results will be available after voting closes on Election Day. Official results will be announced on June 8, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.

