

COVID-19 UPDATE

APRIL 14, 2020

EMERGENCY OPERATIONS TO DATE

- Emergency Operations Centre activated on March 16, 2020
 - Operational Periods scheduled with daily teleconference updates
 - Daily co-ordination with POC (Provincial Operations Center)
- Ongoing operational updates with all business units and external stakeholders i.e. Alberta Health Services, RCMP, PSD 70, Evergreen Separate Schools
- Safety protocols implemented for staff:
 - Self-quarantine when returning from travel or feeling unwell
 - Physical distancing, workspace sanitizing and hand washing guidelines
 - Majority of office staff set up to work from home
 - With exception of essential workers (911/customer service/field staff)
 - Technical and equipment support provided to enable staff to successfully fulfil their duties remotely
 - Information Services arranged virtual meeting options
 - Staff asked to avoid in person meetings and business travel



COUNTY SERVICES

- Offices CLOSED to the public as of March 16, 2020:
 - Parkland County Centre, Agricultural Services Building, County Services
 Building and the Tomahawk shop
 - Contact Customer Service for emergent issues /time sensitive business to book an appointment
 - Services to residents will continue over the phone or by email
 - All Parkland County Fire Stations
 - Fire response services remain the same
 - Enforcement Services
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COUNTY SERVICES

- Areas OPEN to the Public:
 - Animal Control
 - Amended public hours 12:00 pm 4:30 pm, Monday to Friday
 - Transfer Stations
 - Regular hours maintained
 - Residents to limit visits / use only when necessary
 - Take it or Leave it areas closed



COUNTY SERVICES AND SUPPORT

- Customer service telephone and online services
 - Payments, invoices, appointments
 - Council deferred tax penalty deadline to August 31, 2020
 - Council deferred utility bill penalties up to 90 days
- Safety codes inspections
 - Unoccupied interior spaces continue/occupied delayed where possible
 - Some inspections able to be completed virtually with technology.
- April 14, 2020 Council meeting will be conducted virtually
 - Future meetings to be determined
- Call 211 for information on existing County resident supports
- Communications staff continue Parkland County website updates
 - Parkland County continues to support provincial messaging



COUNTY AND REGIONAL FACILITIES - CLOSURES

- Facilities Closures:
 - TransAlta Tri-Leisure Centre closed March 14, 2020
 - All Parkland County Libraries closed March 16, 2020
 - All Parkland County Schools and Daycares closed March 16, 2020
 - Meridian Sports Park closed until further notice
 - County School Playgrounds closed and marked with signage
- County Recreational Areas such as Chickakoo Lake have been marked with safety protocol signage
 - Enforcement and Parks staff are monitoring



COUNTY FACILITIES CONSTRUCTION

- Entwistle HUB construction continues
 - Swimming Facility to open 2021
 - Library will open in late fall 2020.
- Wabamun arena site demolition tender closed
 - To commence in next three weeks / on schedule
- Parkland County Transfer Station construction
 - Commenced March 6th / on schedule
- Contractors required to provide COVID-19 and mitigation plans to ensure safety of work environment and site personnel

