

Municipal District of Bonnyville Media Release

M.D. asks residents to weigh in on recreation needs

August 3, 2018 – If you live in the Municipal District of Bonnyville and have something to say about recreation needs, the M.D. wants to hear from you.

The M.D. acknowledges recreation and leisure play an important part in our residents' quality of life. On August 10, postcards will be mailed out to all M.D. residents providing them with a code to take an online Recreation Needs Assessment survey, which will be found at

<https://md.bonnyville.ab.ca/403/Recreation-Needs-Assessment>. The site will not go live until Aug.10.

"This survey is important," says Reeve Greg Sawchuk. "It will help us plan recreation activities and facilities going forward, and to make sure we are providing our residents with the best quality of life possible."

In addition to the survey, there will be two open houses held in September. The first will be held Sept. 11 at the Cold Lake Energy Centre from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. On Sept. 12, an open house will be held at the Bonnyville and District Centennial Centre, also from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

"I strongly encourage our residents to take part not only in the survey, but the open houses as well," Sawchuk says. "The feedback Council will receive from these public consultations will help us invest taxpayer money and make plans for recreation, which will include working with our urban neighbours."

"I'm excited to have this opportunity to consult with our ratepayers and user groups while planning for the future," says Director of Parks, Recreation and Culture, Chris McCord.

The survey deadline is September 7. The Recreation Needs Assessment project is scheduled to be completed by the end of October 2018.

If you do not receive a postcard, there is an opportunity to still fill out the survey online. Residents can also complete the survey in person, starting Aug. 10 at the Transportation and Utilities Shop and the Parks, Recreation and Culture Shop, both located at 61330 Range Road 455 or at the Main Administration Office at 4905 – 50 Ave., Bonnyville. If you would like a copy of the survey mailed to you, please call the Parks & Rec Department at 780-826-3972.

The assessment project is being conducted by RC Strategies+PERC, a consulting firm specializing in recreation and community services planning.

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