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Land Use Planning Hub

Welcome to the Alberta Land-use Knowledge Network's new monthly newsletter in which we share information and resources about land use planning in Alberta.

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Land Use Planning Hub Launches in June

The **Land Use Planning Hub** is an informal network that supports the implementation of Alberta's regional plans.

Launching in June 2018, the Land Use Planning Hub connects practitioners and planners from around the province to share information, stories, and feedback related to land use planning. This website was created and is operated by fRI Research, with support from the Land Use Secretariat.

Here is how to use the Land Use Planning Hub:

See how organizations are implementing Alberta's regional plans

Connect with land use practitioners throughout the province

Learn about land use strategies and approaches

Keep up on the latest land use news

Share your experiences to improve land use planning in Alberta

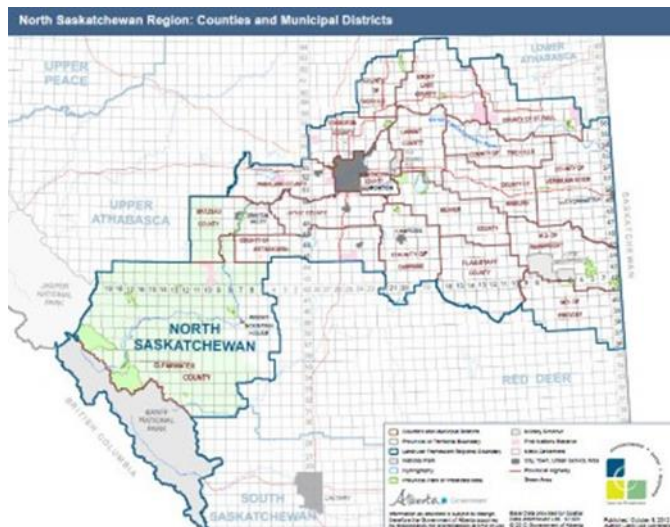
The Land Use Planning Hub complements the **Land-use Knowledge Network**, which was launched by fRI Research in June 2011. Together, the two websites offer resources, information, and support for planners and land use practitioners throughout the province.

For more information about the Land Use Planning Hub, contact the website's coordinator, **Jeff Wiehler**.



North Saskatchewan Regional Plan (NSRP)

The North Saskatchewan Region contains a diverse landscape encompassing Rocky Mountain, rolling foothill and prairie parkland ecosystems. The North Saskatchewan Region includes headwaters forests that provide clean water to downstream communities, mountains foothills, and parkland that support a diversity of habitats that provide homes for species at risk and serves as a major source of recreation and tourism.



The North Saskatchewan Regional Advisory Council Recommendations Report Survey is now closed. Please stay tuned for the next steps.

Check out our resource list related to the [North Saskatchewan Regional Planning](#) process.

[Recommendations Document from the North Saskatchewan Regional Advisory Council](#)

Land Use Topics Planning in Other Provinces

Check out these resources on land use planning legislation, priorities, and methodologies in other Canadian jurisdictions.

[Land Use Planning in British Columbia](#)

[Land Use Planning in Manitoba](#)

[Land Use Planning in Ontario](#)

[Land Use Planning in the Northwest Territories](#)

Meet LuKN's Spotlighted Organizations



The [North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance](#) (NSWA) supports stakeholder and public discussion concerning all aspects of Integrated Watershed Management for the **North Saskatchewan River watershed in Alberta**.

NSWA is one of eleven [Watershed Planning and Advisory Councils](#) (WPACs) in Alberta.

NSWA is guided by a [Board of Directors](#) elected annually from member organizations within the watershed. It is designated a Watershed Planning and Advisory Council (WPAC) for the North Saskatchewan River under the Government of Alberta's [Water for Life Strategy](#).

CPAWS Northern Alberta has championed the protection of Alberta's diverse natural heritage since their establishment in 1968 as the first regional chapter of the Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society. CPAWS is Canada's pre-eminent, non-profit wilderness protection organization. Together, they are working to keep at least half of Canada's public land and water wild – forever. Check out their website to learn more.



Resources on LuKN

Guide to Estimating Homelessness in Rural Areas

The ARDN released a step-by-step guide to estimating homelessness in rural areas. Available to rural communities across Canada free of charge and in both official languages, this guide incorporates cost-efficient and reliable best practices that cater specifically to the unique needs of rural communities and the surrounding areas. We hope to aid rural communities in bringing awareness to the issue of rural homelessness and developing evidence-based practical strategies to reduce or end homelessness.

Municipal Management of Industrial Development

A new report developed through the Community Conserve project focuses on how municipalities can manage industrial development within their municipal boundaries.

EVENTS

Click on the titles to learn more.

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June

Inter-municipal Collaboration Frameworks (ICF) and Inter-municipal Development Plans (IDP) Workshops

June 1 Hanna/Special Areas

June 20 Leduc

June 21 Hardisty/Flagstaff County

Registration now open

COSIA 2018 Oil Sands Innovation Summit

June 7-8 Calgary

2018 7 Cities Housing and Homelessness Conference

June 11-13 Red Deer

Cities Innovating to Reduce Poverty - A Western Summit

June 12-13 Vancouver

Have your say before it's too late

Nose Creek Watershed Water Management Plan: Call for Comments on Final Draft

Comments on final draft close on June 15

fRI Research Workshop: From Concept to Reality: Creating a Road Map for Ecosystem-Based Management

June 19-20 Edmonton

ALIDP Annual General Meeting and Bus Tour

June 22 Edmonton

Discover fRI Research: Science, Solutions, and Opportunities

June 26 Calgary

July

Alberta Wetland Rapid Evaluation Tool-Actual Training Course

Field Training

July 17 Calgary

July 19 Edmonton

September

Save the Date

Okotoks Bioretention Research and Living Soils Filtration Project

September 21 Okotoks

APPI: Fall Conference: Revitalize

September 30- October 2 Kananaskis

October

Save the Date

Remote Sensing Workshop

Oct 24-25 Edmonton

Save the Date

Canadian Rural and Remote Housing and Homelessness Symposium 2018

October 24 - 26 Canmore

November

Canadian Storm Water Institute Conference

November 26-27 Calgary

ALIDP Ready, Aim, Fire: Strategies to Target and Achieve Resilience (half day workshop)

Part of the Canadian Storm Water Institute Conference

November 27 Calgary

NEWS

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Evergreen's Mid-Sized Cities Research Series 2018

Evergreen's 2018 Mid-Sized Cities Research Series highlights important conversations and trends underway in Canadian cities: our urban population is growing, leadership is changing, municipalities need to be smart and open, and inclusion is a must, not a nice to have. The 10 discussion pieces prepared by researchers from across Ontario, demonstrate these perspectives through the lens of Canada's mid-sized cities, with the goal of supporting Canada's city-builders in creating the inclusive, innovative, and regenerative cities of the future.

Do large cities foster innovation?

Read a column that addresses the links between creative cities and economic growth.

Our cities need a culture of inclusive innovation

Another article about weaving innovation and creativity in city design and building.

7 principles of transformative urban innovation

Making cities more sustainable is humanity's most urgent task. Here is how we can go about it.

Bill 10: Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) legislation

Bill 10: *An Act to Enable Clean Energy Improvements* was introduced on April 12, 2018, to let municipalities establish a Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) program that would make it more affordable for Albertans to upgrade their properties without having to put money down.

Under PACE, municipalities would install and pay for upgrades on private property and recover costs through the owners' property taxes.

Government Funding for the Municipal Climate Change Action Centre

In order to expand on the programs, that fund solar panel installations, energy-efficiency audits and retrofits, and climate change resilience workshops, Alberta Environment and Parks has pledged \$54 million to enable the addition of multi-year programs for small-scale community generation, energy-efficiency upgrades for buildings, solar energy for schools and more.



The Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties (AAMDC) has rebranded to make it easier for people to comprehend who they are and what they represent. It will provide greater flexibility for marketing and advocacy as they expand their business for the benefit of all their members. Their new name is now the **Rural Municipalities of Alberta (RMA)**.



The Government of Canada and the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) announced new funding to help municipalities take action on climate change and resilience. [Read the details.](#)

