

Flood Recovery Update

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Disaster Recovery Program (DRP) Applications for Financial Assistance

Do you need help with your Disaster Recovery Program (DRP) application? The application deadline is less than a month away!

DRP case managers will be in Fort Vermilion July 21-23 and will be available by appointment to support residents with their applications or answer any questions regarding their claim. Residents can make appointments with DRP case managers by contacting Ashley at the Mackenzie County office at (780) 927-3718.

Samaritan's Purse has local case workers on site in Fort Vermilion to support residents with their DRP application process and to help residents with their recovery. Contact Janet or Mike at (780) 880-0097 to make an appointment.

Additional application assistance is being provided by FCSS in La Crete (780-247-1680), Fort Vermilion (780-927-4340), and High Level (780-821-4010) and the Métis Association #74 at (780) 927-3788.

The Disaster Recovery Team for Mackenzie County reminds all homeowners, landlords, renters and businesses to start the DRP application process now. This is how you get a case manager assigned by the Disaster Recovery Program (DRP) who can guide you through the process.

The application deadline is August 7, 2020.

Public Meetings

- The Disaster Recovery Team, Mackenzie County, and representatives from the Government of Alberta will be hosting an Open House at the Fort Vermilion Community Cultural Complex on Tuesday, July 21. Drop-in anytime between 4 pm and 8 pm.
- Due to COVID-19, we are only allowed 50 people in the room at one time. If you are sick or have been exposed to COVID-19 do not attend the Open House. Physical distancing requirements will be in place.

Development Permit Restrictions-UPDATE

Mackenzie County Council has approved an update to the development permit restrictions previously imposed for Fort Vermilion residences within the hamlet's floodplain zone.

Temporary development permits can now be obtained for the following repair work to basements:

- Insulation and vapour barrier on exterior walls,
- Insulation, sealing and sheeting dividing walls between multi-unit dwellings to meet Minimum Requirements,
- HVAC, plumbing, heating and electrical work to restore functionality to pre-flood functionality
- Temporary, unfinished walls to define bedrooms and bathrooms

No new development is permitted on vacant properties in areas impacted by the flood

A copy of the approved policy can be found at: <u>http://www.mackenziecounty.com/disaster-recovery/repair-and-rebuild</u>

Additional restrictions may be imposed as the Disaster Recovery Team develops the Disaster Recovery Plan.

If you have questions or wish to make an appointment to discuss your permit requirements, please contact us at (780) 927-3718.

This Update is provided by the Disaster Recovery Team for Mackenzie County, and distributed on Friday. For more information and discussion, visit Facebook www.facebook.com/MackenzieCounty or our website www.mackenziecounty.com/disaster-recovery