



Peace River Regional District Board Meeting Newsletter

April 23, 2015 Location: Dawson Creek



Committee of the Whole

The Board received updates from:
Pembina Pipeline Corporation about proposed projects in Northeast BC
Spectra Energy about current and planned activity in the PRRD Region
TransCanada about the Prince Rupert Gas Transmission Project

Geoscience – Peace Project update

Carlos J. Salas updated the Board; that the Peace project is continuing to look at surface water and groundwater interactions, do regional airborne groundwater mapping, explore for saline water sources and safe deep fluid disposal. This information will continue to assist in identifying sources of new water for communities, agricultural and natural gas sectors and inform potential for alternate non-potable water sources for natural gas development. The Project continues to provide regional baselines for groundwater to the regulator, First Nations, local government and industry with the data needed to make informed decisions on groundwater usage and protection.

Groundwater Baseline Project

Dr. Gilles Wendling, Phd, water expert and lead scientist on the PRRD Groundwater Baseline Project updated the Board on the project. The Baseline Project will establish a comprehensive understanding of regional groundwater resources to be shared with PRRD residents. Understanding where groundwater is present in the subsurface, and how it moves in permeable soil layers (aquifers) and in fractured bedrock is the first step of the project. Information is being assembled by putting together information from the provincial water wells database, available mapping, and interacting with provincial agencies and other partners regarding other related groundwater studies now being conducted in the region. Learn more about the project in May at the following community meetings

Date	Location
May 5 th 7:00 PM	Sudeten Hall, 1901 Alaska Hwy Dawson Creek
May 6 7:00 PM	Cottonwood Room, Chetwynd Recreation Centre 4552 N Access Rd. Chetwynd
May 7 7:00 PM	Pomeroy Sports Centre, (upstairs meeting room) 9324 – 96 th Street, Fort St. John

PRRD Website

The Peace River Regional District website has a new look check it out! New features include subscription options, new pages, an Engage! section and it is now easily read on hand held devices.



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Development Application Review Process

The Regional Board approved that a two-week period will be added to the development application review process to allow time for the appropriate Electoral Area Director to review applications prior to it going to the Regional Board for consideration.

Air Photo Collection

The Regional District will donate its air photo collection to the Fort St. John North Peace Museum Archives. In 2007 the Regional District undertook a colour imagery project and air photographed select areas in the North, South and West Peace fringe areas. Once that project was completed the old paper air photos were slated for disposal. Although the air photo collection is out of date, there is an historical value.

Development Cost Bylaw

The Peace River Regional District Development Cost Charge Bylaw No. 2146, 2015 was adopted by the Board.

The bylaw permits the Regional District to collect fees from new development at the time of subdivision or building permit to help pay for the cost of off-site infrastructure services that are needed to accommodate growth in the Charlie Lake area.

Next Board Meeting

May 14, 2015

10 am

Dawson Creek Board Room

View Board schedules, agendas and minutes:

www.prrd.bc.ca/board/meetings/agenda

<http://prrd.bc.ca/board/meetings/schedule/index.php>.

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