



PEACE RIVER REGIONAL DISTRICT Board Newsletter



Highlights from the Peace River Regional Hospital District Board and the Peace River Regional District Board Meetings, held January 28, 2010

Enbridge Northern Gateway Pipelines

Mr. Kevin Brown, Communications Manager for Enbridge Northern Gateway Pipelines presented a project update by way of a PowerPoint presentation.

Enbridge will be constructing twin pipelines, 1,170 km in length, from Bruderhiem, Alberta to Kimimat, BC. One pipeline will be for the export of petroleum (approximately 525,000 barrels per day) and the other for the import of condensate (approximately 193,000 barrels per day). The pipelines are expected to create up to four thousand construction jobs and two hundred permanent jobs. Keys to the success of the project are environmental stewardship as well as aboriginal and northern community's engagement.

The company boasts world-class emergency responses that reduces response time, improves response capability, integrates response organization and has international pooling of resources. They have 24/7 monitoring from a sophisticated control centre; in-line inspection tools, proven technology, strict operational standards, efficient safety control valves and leak detection systems and enhanced rapid and effective emergency response.

The full presentation can be viewed on our website through the January 28, 2010 Regional Board agenda at:

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



Peace River Regional District's Climate Change Task Group

At the recommendation of the Peace River Climate Change Task Group, the Board authorized that \$45,000 be included in the budget for a feasibility study to investigate the potential for a "Regional Community Energy Partnership" that can:

- enhance regional capacity for improving energy efficiency and renewable energy use; and
- become a mechanism for investing in carbon offsets within the region.

Consultation and Notification

The Regional Board resolved to respond to Mr. Paul Jeakins, Deputy Minister, Regulatory Affairs and Stewardship Division of the Oil and Gas Commission with several comments to be considered during the Draft Consultation process of the Consultation and Notification Requirements. Some of these comments are, but not limited to:

- landowner rights, respectful, fair and equitable treatment;
- that the landowner owns more than the top six inches of soil, but not the minerals that are below the surface;
- open and transparent reports for the consultation and notification processes;
- that school zones not be included within the Emergency Planning Zones of oil and gas facilities;
- that multi-well pad sites be considered industrial and zoned as such; and
- more thought around timing of operations.



Other Highlights

- ★ The following Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR) application was authorized to proceed to the Agricultural Land Commission (ALC):
 - Subdivision 001/2010 (Miller);
 - Subdivision 004/2010 (Carlson); and
 - Subdivision 006/2010 (Nicholson).
- ★ At the request of the Electoral Area 'C' Director, the Board authorized staff to prepare an Unsightly Premises By-law for his area.



Next Regional Board Meeting

The next regular meeting of the Regional Board will be held Thursday, February 11, 2010 at 10 a.m. in the Boardroom of the Peace River Regional District office at 1981 Alaska Avenue, Dawson Creek, BC.



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