

## M. D. of Foothills – Div. 4 Information Update: May 8, 2014

Dear Residents,

I want to inform you about a few noteworthy **emergency alert and communication systems** which are now in place for you to access or sign up for:

1. **M. D. Foothills Alert** - the M. D. of Foothills has just launched our ALERT fan-out system. You can view more information and **sign up** by going to: <http://www.mdfoothills.com/> Click on the “MD Foothills Alert” graphic and proceed to the linked information or click this link: <https://member.everbridge.net/index/1332612387832173#/login>

2. **Keeping You Informed** - The M. D. of Foothills has set up an informational periodic email about events taking place in our municipality. Please sign up by clicking on this link:

<http://www.mdfoothills.com/services/planning-and-development/municipal-plans/current-planning-projects/growth-management-strategy/subscribe-to-email-list.html>

or, call our main reception at: 403.652.2341

This Link gives you an example of a current “Keeping You Informed” informational email:

<http://us2.campaign-archive2.com/?u=9eb5fc0b7be16711e79762b61&id=99491e5007&e=c25797007b>

3. **Twitter** – the M. D. of Foothills is now on Twitter: <https://twitter.com/MDofFoothills/>

4. **Facebook** – the M. D. of Foothills is now on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/MD-of-Foothills-No-31/713699565318774>

3. New Provincial **Alberta Rivers: Data & Advisories App** soon to be released. The Gov. of AB intends to release an app for your smart phone that will give you access to the river forecast data and provide warnings on floods as well. This was announced at the Flood Symposium on April 29, 2014. Look for it soon. See this link for details: <http://www.slideshare.net/YourAlberta/flood-forecasevan-friesenhan>

4. **Alberta Emergency Alert** information, Emergency Preparedness and **Sign Up** for various social media alerts: [http://www.aema.alberta.ca/ea\\_index.cfm](http://www.aema.alberta.ca/ea_index.cfm)

5. **511 - Alberta’s Official Road Report**: <http://511.alberta.ca/>

6. **April 29, 2013 Flood & Drought Symposium** info: <http://alberta.ca/flood-symposium.cfm>

An announcement was made at this event that has taken the proposed Elbow diversion to Priddis/Fish Creeks off the table for projects to be considered. Other projects will receive further consideration and investigation. For the latest information and announcements on Flood & Drought Mitigation, see:

<http://www.slideshare.net/YourAlberta/matt-machielse>

7. **Misc Info**: We are back in our High River **office** as of the last week of March and very thankful for this. Our staff and Public Works are still tied up with overseeing **Flood Recovery Erosion Protection and Bridge repairs** during this time of opportunity in the Fisheries approval windows over the next few weeks. We would ask that you have a bit of **patience** with us as we will soon transition to our usual spring and summer work, plus repairing road damages from hauling materials for these projects and damages due to this past winter. Other erosion work may take place around the end of August/September. All of this additional work may cause some delays to projects we thought we were going to get to this summer. We are very **thankful** for the timely assistance of our provincial government in supporting us with approvals and funding for the many repairs and projects which we are undertaking as a result of the June 2013 Flood. A note on the **Hwy 762** Speed Limit Survey: Alberta Transportation plans to do assessment on Hwy 762 during the summer months to get an accurate record of conditions and challenges as related through your comments and suggestions.

Wishing you a safe, enjoyable spring and summer 2014!

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