



MEDIA RELEASE #3

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LOCAL MUNICIPALITIES CONTINUE TO ASSESS REGIONALIZATION

The municipalities of the Town of Bassano, City of Brooks, Village of Duchess, County of Newell and the Village of Rosemary have formed a Regionalization Working Group to discuss the options involved with regionalization. This working group is comprised of two Councillors and the CAO from each municipality, admin support, and Tracey Polowich of Contigo Business Services Inc., who will provide guidance to the group and organize the open houses. Although the group is not in complete agreement as to the direction their municipalities may take, they have agreed to meet on a monthly basis and publish a media release after each meeting.

The Regionalization Working Group (RWG) has arranged for six open houses to obtain questions, opinions and feedback from the residents of any of the communities within the County of Newell boundaries. Residents are invited to attend any/or all of the six open houses in the region. These initial six meetings will better guide the RWG, as residents will be able to provide opinions in different formats. The open houses will have representatives available to hear individual questions and concerns. A feedback sheet will be available to record discussions.

Information, including pros and cons of regionalization will be available for takeaway at the open houses. A website will be developed to better get this information out to residents and maintain a uniform message. The RWG looks forward to hearing from residents.

Time	Thursday, February 21, 2019	Tuesday, February 26, 2019	Wednesday, March 13, 2019
4 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	Bassano Community Hall	Brooks Heritage Inn	Tilley Community Hall
7 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.	Rainier Community Hall	Rosemary South Room Rec Plex	Duchess Community Hall

Should you prefer to speak to someone directly, please contact the CAO in any of the Municipal Offices and they can address your questions or get you in touch with a Councillor.

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City of Brooks - 403-362-3333

Village of Duchess - 403-378-4452

County of Newell - 403-362-3266

Village of Rosemary - 403-378-4246