

Fugitive arrives in Wabasca Tuesday night

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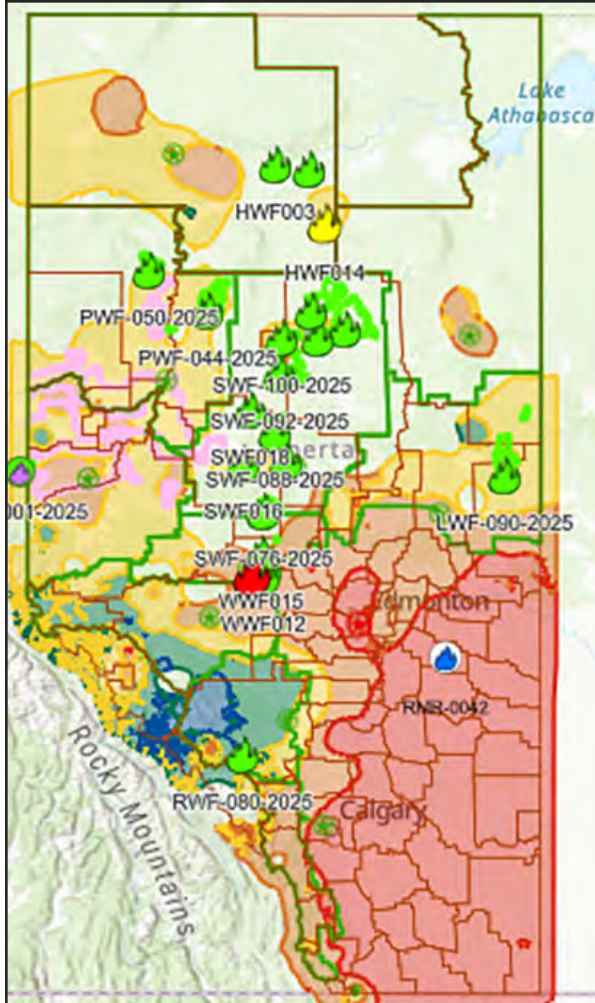
Today, May 14
Starts 4:00 p.m.

Details - Back Page

After a tense night, Wednesday has Four Way Stop and Riverside Inn become Focus of attention, as armed officers contain suspect to second floor room; Businesses are closed; Mistassiniy School locked down, traffic detoured

ARREST MADE EARLY AFTERNOON

Printing of Fever means more details carried by Bruce Thomas Facebook



Officer communicates with fugitive behind vehicle parked near base of steps to second floor rooms.



With snow finally gone, fire risk is climbing fast! more Page 3

Due to lots of spring snow in the north and more recently in the west central foothills, the highest fire danger ratings have actually been occurring outside of the forest protection areas of Alberta. This May 13 map from the provincial Wildfire Dashboard shows the central red flame representing the current only threatening fire near Whitecourt. The cluster of green active flame symbols are most abundant within the borders of Slave Lake Forest Protection Area and are mostly carryover fire from last year.



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2026 COMMUNITY SPRING CLEAN UP

**DO YOUR PART
ON
THURSDAY
June 18, 2026**



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To receive bags and gloves meet at:

Bigstone Public Works—10 AM

MD Public Works—1 PM

Clean-up will be conducted from
10:00am—3:00pm

B.B.Q will be held from 3:00pm-
5:00pm for all participants at the
Wabasca Community Hall

*Businesses, Schools, and Residents
can also do their part by cleaning
their own property.*

**The MD #17 and Bigstone Cree Nation invite all organi-
zations, businesses, schools, and residents to get in-
volved in beautifying our Community.**

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Spring Clean Up Call:

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3815

Troy Stuart at 780-891-3836

So far no major May wildfire disaster like Slave Lake or Fort Mac, BUT fire danger grows as snow disappears in north

By Bruce Thomas

An out-of-control, but-
soon-being-held fire late
Tuesday in a rural residen-
tial area about three kilome-
tres outside of Whitecourt
on the south side of High-
way 43 has been the most
threatening event so far in
Alberta's 2026 wildfire sea-
son

Going into Tuesday even-
ing, one Woodland County
home had been destroyed
and about 100 people had
been evacuated into White-
court.

The fire had grown to
about 60 hectares after start-
ing Monday when dry con-
ditions and some windy
conditions existed.

There was optimism that
ground crews, air tankers
and helicopters with buckets

would be able to contain
soon.

While there had been
about 200 fires this year in
the province's 10 forest pro-
tection area, most have been
minor, although two homes
at Sandy Beach were de-
stroyed earlier this month
and there's been odd homes
in both forest zones and
grassy/bush agricultural
spots to be taken or dam-
aged around the province.

Late April and the first
days of May saw a large part
of Northern Alberta still
blanketed in snow, so pro-
vincial fire authorities had
more concern about dried-
out grassy regions and foot-
hill areas in the southwest
and southern regions.

Some urban area fire de-
partments also have been

contending with trying to
burn off dead grass and
brush, but Edmonton's fire-
fighters rushed around this
past warm and sometimes
windy weekend, dousing at
least 15 fires in parks and
grassy/ brushareas.

Predicting season difficult

There had been hope
that a decent snow pack
would form this past winter

an give Slave Lake Forest
Protection Area a normal
wildfire season, but "nor-
mal" is usually not available
anymore with anything in-
volving the weather, and
weather is a giant factor
when it comes to forests and
wildfires.

Despite a great amount
of late winter snow and
spring snow and moisture,

particularly in northern Al-
berta, most parts of the
province are now expected
to see form of drought strik-
ing this summer.

Southern Alberta is ex-
pected to experience bad
drought conditions and con-
trols over water use have al-
ready been established by
local and regional govern-
ments.

Just Some Tuesday Night Alberta Wildfire Dashboard Stats

Current (May 12) Active Fires: 10
Current Year Total Wildfires: 197
Year So Total Area Affected: 612 hectares
Carryover Fires (from 2025): 11 (Mostly Slave Forest)
Mutual Aid Fires (AB Wildlife assisting): 26
Fire Status of 2026 Fires: Extinguished 92% (182);
Being Held 1% (1); and Under Control 4% (8)
Forest Areas most fires so far: Rocky Mtn. House
35; Lac La Biche 34; Slave Lake tied for third with
Edson and Whitecourt 17 each

Environment Canada Weather Forecast

Wabasca - Peerless Lake - Gift Lake - Red Earth Creek - Cadotte Lake

MAY 14 to MAY 19

Thursday night..Showers. Low plus 4.

Friday..Rain. High 7.

Friday night..Cloudy. Low plus 2.

Saturday..Cloudy. High 9.

Saturday night..Cloudy. Low minus 1.

Sunday..Mix of sun and cloud. High 13.

Sunday night..Cloudy. Low plus 2.

Monday..Mix of sun/cloud. High 17.

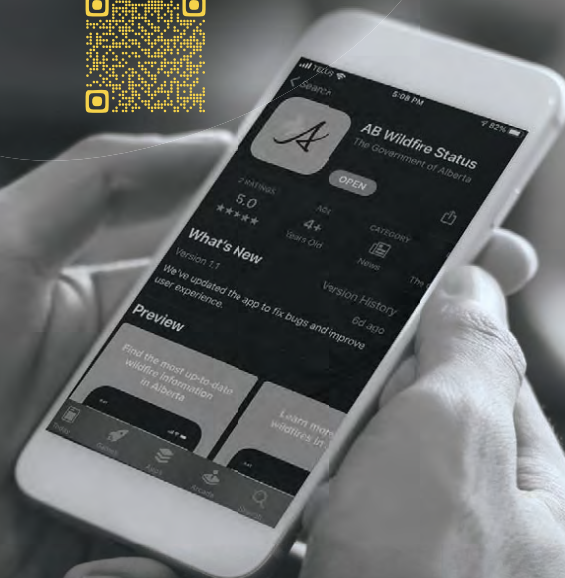
Monday night..Cloudy. Low plus 4.

Tuesday..Mix of sun/cloud. High 14.

Normals for the period..Low plus 3. High 17.

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✓ Please send your advertisements **BEFORE TUESDAY BY NOON**.

This helps us ensure everything runs smoothly for everyone.



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Grass Cutting Opportunity

Wabasca & Calling Lake

The MD of Opportunity No. 17 is seeking assistance in Grass Cutting at various locations in Wabasca and Calling Lake.

The MD of Opportunity will designate areas to perform grass cutting.

- Must have own grass cutting equipment (Z-trac type mower and trimmers).
- Must have Liability Insurance
- Must register grass cutting equipment to determine the rates prior to hiring (rates based on Alberta Road Builders Rates)

Starting in June to October 2026

If you are interested in assisting with grass cutting or have any questions, please call 780-891-3815.

NOTICE OF VOTE



Otipemisiwak
Métis Government

This July, the Otipemisiwak Métis Government will be holding District By-Elections.

District Captain elections will be held for Rocky View Métis District. **District Councillor** elections will be held for Lac La Biche Métis District, Athabasca Landing Métis District, and Wabasca-Desmarais Métis District. **Sub-District Councillor** elections will be held for Red Deer Métis District and St. Albert Métis District. Lac La Biche Métis District will also hold **Youth Councillor** and **Senior Councillor** elections.

From **July 14–20, 2026**, eligible Métis Citizens will have the opportunity to vote by one of the following methods:

IN-PERSON VOTING

Polling stations will operate throughout Alberta from 8 AM to 8 PM during the voting period. Exact dates and addresses of polling locations are yet to be confirmed, and will be posted at MetisElectionsAB.com

MAIL-IN VOTING

A mail-in ballot will be sent to each Citizen who is eligible to vote. If you don't receive a mail-in ballot, or need a replacement, visit MetisElectionsAB.com to request one.

ELECTRONIC VOTING

You can vote online at any time during the vote period. More details will follow about where and how to vote electronically will follow.

To learn more about the vote, including the process for nominations or how to request voting assistance, visit MetisElectionsAB.com

Marta Szylo, (acting) Chief Electoral Officer, Otipemisiwak Métis Government

Notice issued on April 30, 2026



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Children born in 2022, 4 years old on or before
December 31, 2026 may register for K4

Children born in 2021, 5 years old on or before
December 31, 2026 may register for K5

Child must be potty trained to attend

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COMMUNITY ACTIVITY

The NDT Project is gearing up for its second annual volleyball tournament, set to light up the community from May 15 to 17, 2026.

This year's event promises even more excitement with a record-breaking total of 52 teams — including 32 youth teams and 20 adult teams — up from 39 teams last year.

Matches will take place across three venues in Wabasca:

- **Youth Games:** St. Theresa School and Mistassiniy School

- **Adult Games:** Lakeview Sports Centre

The weekend will culminate in Championship Sunday featuring thrilling finals that fans will not want to miss.



YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIP MATCHES

9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
at St. Theresa School and
Mistassiniy School



WOMEN'S FINAL

11:30 a.m. at Lakeview Sports Centre



MEN'S FINAL

12:30 p.m. at Lakeview Sports Centre

Come out and cheer on our athletes as they compete for the championship and showcase the incredible talent in our region!

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE & MATCH DIAGRAM

FRIDAY, MAY 15 – OPENING DAY



**ST. THERESA
SCHOOL**

YOUTH GAMES
Pool Play Matches
All Day



**MISTASSINIY
SCHOOL**

YOUTH GAMES
Pool Play Matches
All Day



**LAKEVIEW
SPORTS CENTRE**

ADULT GAMES
Pool Play Matches
All Day



SATURDAY, MAY 16 – PLAYOFF DAY



**ST. THERESA
SCHOOL**

**YOUTH PLAYOFF
MATCHES**



**MISTASSINIY
SCHOOL**

**YOUTH PLAYOFF
MATCHES**



**LAKEVIEW
SPORTS CENTRE**

**ADULT PLAYOFF
MATCHES**

★ EVENING EVENT

Glow in the Dark Pool Party (Private Invite for NDT Youth Athletes Only)
8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. • Wabasca Water World



SUNDAY, MAY 17 – CHAMPIONSHIP SUNDAY

Youth Championship Matches
9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.



**ST. THERESA
SCHOOL**



**MISTASSINIY
SCHOOL**

Lakeview Sports Centre

**WOMEN'S
FINAL**
11:30 a.m.



**MEN'S
FINAL**
12:30 p.m.



TOURNAMENT AT A GLANCE



32
YOUTH TEAMS



20
ADULT TEAMS



52
TOTAL TEAMS



**UP FROM 39
LAST YEAR!**

MORE THAN JUST A TOURNAMENT

The NDT Project tournament is about more than winning — it is about building connections, encouraging teamwork, and creating positive experiences for youth and adults across Turtle Island.

THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS AND VOLUNTEERS!

This event would not be possible without the support of our amazing community partners, volunteers, coaches, and families.

Let's make this our best tournament yet!



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**GLOW IN THE DARK
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PARTY**

MAY 15-16, 2026

FRIDAY NIGHT – PUBLIC PARTY
6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
Open to the Public

SATURDAY NIGHT – PRIVATE PARTY
8:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.
NDT CUP Youth Athletes Only

WABASCA WATER WORLD



Caribou and Moose Habitat Workshop

Hosted by Bigstone Cree Nation and partners.



May 20th, 2026

5:30 pm – 8:30 PM, Sandy Lake, AB

Join us for a workshop supporting an assessment of how logging is affecting caribou and moose habitat in Bigstone Cree Nation territory. All community members are invited to share their knowledge about caribou and moose habitat and to help determine project priorities.

Dinner and refreshments will be provided for all participants.

Workshop Overview

Opening and dinner

5:30 pm - 6:30 pm, Sandy Lake Hall

An opening prayer and welcome will be followed by a catered dinner and casual conversation.

Workshop

6:30 pm - 8:00 pm, Sandy Lake Hall

Following dinner, the facilitation team will provide an overview of the project objectives.

Participants will take part in discussions to shape project priorities and share ways to integrate community knowledge about changes to caribou and moose habitat in places with logging.



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Guitar Strap for Boys & Men

All supplies provided

Dates: May 20th & May 21st, 2026

Times: 5 pm to 8 pm

Where: 2854 Newatim Drive

(Across from Lloyd C Memorial Park)

Snacks & Drinks provided

Register with Jodi Decoine
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**In recognition of Early Childhood Educator Day
- May 15, 2026**

**We acknowledge all Early Childhood Educators
from both the Opportunity Daycare
in Wabasca and in Red Earth Creek Childcare**

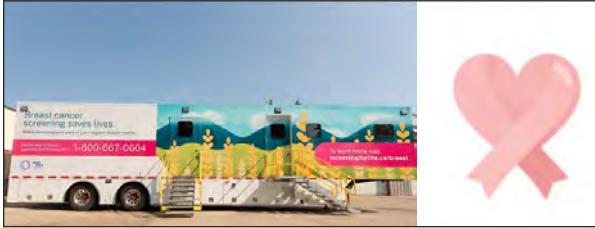
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A moment of distraction
while driving can change
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Mobile mammography clinic coming to Wabasca late May



Residents in Wabasca will soon have improved access to breast cancer screening services as the Screen Test mobile mammography clinic prepares to visit the community later this month.

According to Primary Care Alberta, the mobile mammography trailer will be stationed at the Wabasca Waterworld & Fitness Centre May 25 and 26, offering screening mammograms to eligible individuals aged 45 to 74.



Health officials say the service is designed to improve access to cancer screening in rural and northern communities where permanent mammography services are not readily available. Screening appointments are free for eligible residents, but appointments must be booked in advance.

Healthcare professionals continue to encourage early detection, noting that screening mammograms remain one of the most effective tools in identifying breast cancer in its early stages when treatment options are often more successful.

Residents wishing to book appointments can call 1-800-667-0604 for more information.

Wabasca, Alberta September 16 - 22, 2026



We humbly ask Facilitators & Knowledge Keepers to come share your knowledge with us for our community & people.
We are requesting submissions of quotes/proposals from individuals/ families or groups for 2026.

SEND DETAILS: HOW YOU WILL DELIVER, WHAT PARTICIPANTS CAN EXPECT TO LEARN FROM YOUR STATION. INCLUDE YOUR NAME, TEAM NAMES/HELPERS, ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBER, WHAT YOU NEED FROM US AS HOSTS FOR EXAMPLE, TABLES, CHAIRS, TENT

PREFERENCE WILL BE GIVEN TO LOCALS FROM THE MD OF OPPORTUNITY REGION FIRST

DEADLINE TO SUBMIT: MAY 15, 2026 @ 4:00 P.M.

**For 2026 we will host a
Youth Round Dance, Feast & Giveaway
September 22nd, 2026**



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Pembina Institute says failure to build new transmission lines could cost Albertans \$260 million per year more for electricity

Ratepayers in Alberta are overpaying for their electricity bills due to low-cost renewable energy being wasted at record rates – and the problem is set to get even worse under forthcoming electricity market rules, according to new analysis from the Pembina Institute.

A failure to build enough power lines in southern Alberta – to carry electricity from where it is generated,

to large population centres where it can be used – is resulting in record levels of what is called “curtailment,” when power generators have to shut-in their operations as there is no way of getting electricity to consumers.

The report projects that, unless curtailment issues are addressed, Albertans could shortly be overpaying on their annual electricity bills

by more than \$260 million.

However, the report argues, adding the cost of two new transmission lines in southeast and southwest Alberta to the transmission that is already underway elsewhere in the province, would bring total transmission costs borne by ratepayers to \$224m annually – meaning the cost of alleviating curtailment would be more than covered by the

subsequent savings consumers would make.

In practice, curtailment means wind turbines regularly having their blades rotated out of the wind, and solar panels being disconnected, because transmission lines are simply unable to carry any more electricity.

Curtailment has now reached record levels - increasing from almost nothing in 2020 to more than

1,400 GWh in 2025.

This represented roughly 8% percent of renewable generation last year – and would have been enough to power 200,000 homes.

The wastage of low-cost wind and solar energy, even on very sunny and windy days, is already pushing up costs for consumers – largely because the Alberta Electric System Operator (AESO) applies an additional “rebalancing” charge when it has to seek out other generators to fill supply gaps.

In 2025, this charge alone cost ratepayers \$17 million

However, costs are expected to rise even higher under new electricity market rules taking effect in 2028.

Under the new system, the higher-cost generator that is called upon to fill supply gaps caused by curtailment will now set the price for the entire market (rather than receiving a “rebalancing” payment).

This means, in essence, the changes introduced under the restructured electricity market will dramatically increase the cost of curtailment and, as a result, raise rates for Alberta ratepayers.

This curtailment could be addressed by building more transmission lines, something the AESO had previously planned to do, before shelving those plans due to new transmission regulations implemented by the Government of Alberta.

The new rules mean the AESO can no longer site transmission based purely on minimising congestion, but must instead perform a cost-benefit analysis for each new line.

The report argues given consumer savings will outweigh costs for these transmission lines.

Bigstone Community Wellness Presents Recovery Care Day Program

Bigstone Community Wellness is taking registration for the next 5-week program for Wabasca. This program is free and available to anyone (18 years old and over). The program has been developed to bridge the transition from clinical care into a community recovery support program. This program includes group sessions, workshops, presentations, life skills, and many other activities.

START DATE: Tuesday, June 9, 2026

WHEN: Every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday

TIME: 10:00 am to 3:00 pm.

LOCATION: Bigstone Community Wellness

Lunch and snacks will be provided.

Transportation available.

Open to all community members.

Must register to join the program.



Contact Recovery Care Staff to Register

Robert Zabot

robert.zabot@bigstonehealth.ca

780-891-8252

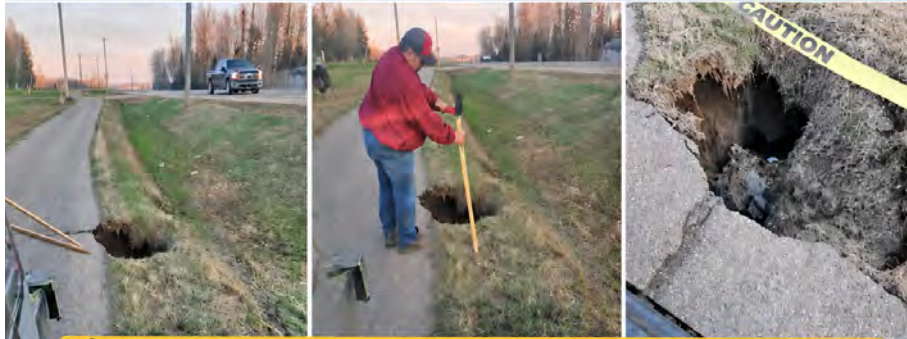
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Photos taken & message shared by Janice Auger FROM WABASCA

BIGSTONE COMMUNITY WELLNESS PRESENTS:

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Recovery & Peer Support
Free program for anyone 18+
On and Off Reserve members in Calling Lake

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DROP IN DATES: May 7, 15, 22, 2026
DROP IN TIME: 12:00 - 2:00 p.m.
LOCATION: Calling Lake Church

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Bigstone Community Wellness Presents:



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Elders Survivor Gathering

George D. Community Hall

Thursday, May 14, 2026

4:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Transportation Available

- IRS Update - Development of Monuments
- Building the story/narrative for Monuments (St. Martin's & St. John's Indian Residential Schools)
- Building connections and sharing through discussion and activities

Supper and beverages provided!

**For more information, please contact Treena Gladue at
Phone No. 780-891-3777 Toll Free 1-877-767-7060**

E-mail treena.gladue@bigstonehealth.ca

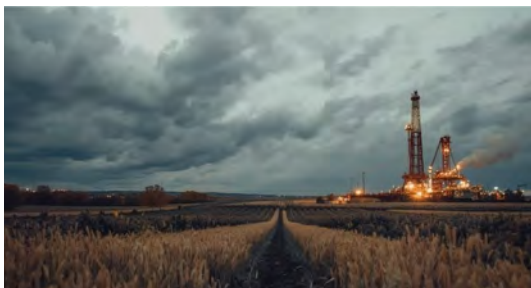
Environmental group says oil/gas industry not doing its share towards reducing growing climate crisis; likely increasing it

Disinformation being spread to put down climate concerns

Environmental Defence releases new background on the growing threat of climate change misinformation and disinformation, and reference resources for debunking misleading myths about fossil fuels.

Fossil Fuel Fact Check: Fighting climate disinformation and misleading oil and gas industry narratives is a new backgrounder that explains the rising threat of climate disinformation and its power to undermine effective climate solutions.

As part of a growing effort to counter climate disinformation and misinformation, this new tool equips readers to counter disinformation. The Fossil Fuel



Fact Check table highlights popular misleading narratives about the energy transition and the fossil fuel industry, with examples from Canadian news media, and provides factual counter-information.

False info hides truth

“Disinformation is increasingly being recognized as a serious threat to our climate, because it’s slowing down and disrupting the rollout of readily available solutions,” says Emilia Belliveau, the energy transition program manager at Environmental Defence.

At the last UN climate negotiations, Canada signed on to the Global Initiative for

Information Integrity and Climate Change, which aims to bring focused support and resources to fighting climate disinformation.

While recognition from the federal government of the problem at hand is valuable, the proliferation of misleading claims about climate change, its causes and solutions, must be tackled across institutions that seek to maintain public confidence.

Journalists have previously highlighted the concerning trend of Canadian politicians sharing mis- and disinformation about climate change.

For example, Prime Minister Carney’s misleading claim about “decarbonized” barrels of oil made headlines last year when it was

swiftly and publicly challenged and debunked. But many misleading narratives continue to go unchallenged.

Main causes of global warming

“There’s a long history of Big Oil misleading the public about climate change, which is why we need to be absolutely clear about the main cause of global warming — coal, oil, and ‘natural’ gas,” Belliveau says.

“So we’re sharing the facts to directly counter false information and to lift the veil on Big Oil narratives that use partially correct but incomplete information to manipulate the public. It’s important for people in Canada to get the full story.”

Prime Minister gets a blast from same environment advocates

Statement by Aly Hyder Ali, Senior Program Manager, Oil and Gas, Environmental Defence:

“If Prime Minister Carney proceeds to gut the industrial carbon pricing, as reporting indicates, he will have put the final nail in Canada’s climate action coffin.

“By agreeing to let Alberta reach a minimum effective industrial carbon price of \$130/tonne by 2040, PM Carney will turn the industrial carbon pricing into a permission slip to pollute for another decade and a half, while Canadians deal with the devastating consequences.

“The point of the industrial carbon pricing is to create a credible, near-term incentive for the country’s biggest polluters to cut emissions and invest in clean solutions. Pushing the price out to 2040 does the opposite. It delays action, protects polluters, and leaves Canada completely off track from our climate targets.

“The Alberta-Canada Memorandum of Understanding was supposed to be a “grand bargain”, exchanging all of our hard-fought climate protections for stronger industrial carbon pricing. This is not a grand bargain. It is capitulation to Alberta and multinational oil and gas CEOs. PM Carney doesn’t need Alberta’s permission to enforce strong industrial carbon pricing.

“Despite claiming that addressing climate change is a moral obligation, PM Carney has cancelled the consumer carbon price, scrapped the planned oil and gas pollution cap, repealed the electric vehicle mandate and may abandon clean electricity rules. Now, by weakening the industrial carbon pricing, he is taking a wrecking ball to what remains of Canada’s climate framework. Copying President Trump’s short-sighted and destructive playbook will cement Canada’s position as a global climate laggard; meanwhile, countries

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Privacy Commissioner says investigation can be held into use of List on Electors

As released to media on May 7

Office of the Alberta Information and Privacy Commissioner issues notice of investigation regarding alleged breach of List of Electors

Investigation will be conducted under Personal Information Protection Act (PIPA) and will look into allegations against the Centurion Project Ltd.

The Information and Privacy Commissioner of Alberta, Diane McLeod, has launched an investigation into allegations that the Centurion Project Ltd. has collected, used and disclosed personal information derived from the Alberta List of Electors, which, if true, may be in violation of the Personal Information Protection Act (PIPA). The Centurion Project was notified of the investigation on May 6, 2026.

“Section 36(1)(a) of PIPA authorizes me to conduct an investigation on my own motion to ensure compliance with any provision of PIPA,” said McLeod. “I have decided to exercise authority to investigate these allegations. See Page 4

Canada is the only G7 nation whose emissions have increased since 1990, and according to an independent assessment, is actively moving away from its 2030 Emissions Reduction Targets. Further, a recently published study from the House Standing Committee on Environment and Sustainable Development, states, “The government has not treated emissions reduction with the seriousness

around the world are making the strategic choice to pursue clean energy pathways.

“PM Carney can’t address the largest source of Canada’s emissions, the oil and gas industry, by delaying emissions cuts, expanding oil and gas production, and clearing the path for another pipeline.

“If this agreement goes ahead, then there is only one conclusion: Net-zero is dead, and PM Carney is the one who killed it.”

Sometimes we play leap frog.



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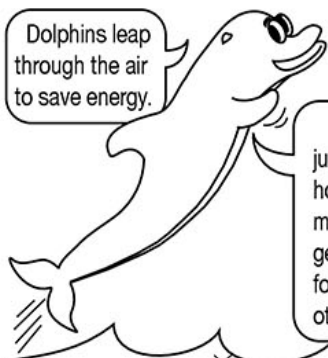
Have you ever done the broad jump?

Kids: color stuff in!



Do you jump, leap and hop when you exercise? What animal can you jump, leap and hop like?

Dolphins leap through the air to save energy.

Almost every animal jumps, leaps, springs or hops. Animals **jump** to move to somewhere, to get out of danger, to catch food or to show off for others.

Read the clues and fill in the puzzle with the names of animals that can jump!

ACROSS:

3. can jump up to 20 feet out of the water; easier for them to move through air than water it saves energy
4. live all around us; they jump using a silk line
6. active during the day, they blend into the grass, and jump using their "spring-loaded" legs
7. also called mountain lions; can leap up to 18 feet in the air and as far as 40 feet
9. carry their young in their pouches; they are from Australia
10. can be trained to race and jump over obstacles in a certain amount of time
11. are antelopes; most live in Africa

Flies jump backward when they take off.

When a little worm living inside a **Mexican Jumping Bean** moves, it makes the bean look as if it is jumping.

DOWN:

1. a rodent; can jump up to 12 feet; likes to eat grass seeds and fruits
2. do not really fly; a loose fold of skin between their front legs and hind legs lets them glide from tree to tree
5. are active at night; can jump up to 20-30 times their body length, or about 3 feet
8. hop along everywhere except in Antarctica; they like carrots

Jump! Leap! Hop!

Whee!

3

horses

jumping spiders

gazelles

6

grasshoppers

dolphins

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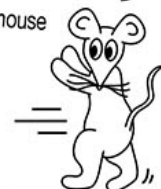
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Wheeee!

flying squirrels

jumping mouse

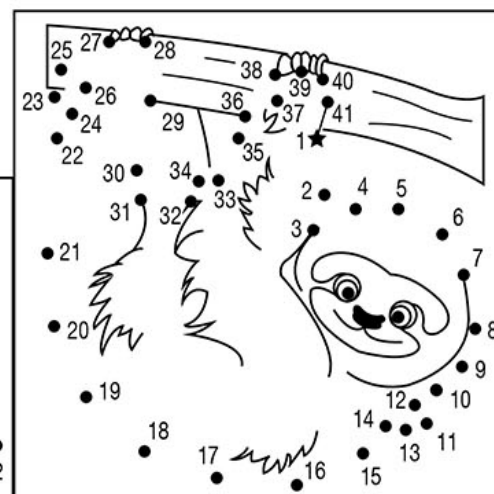
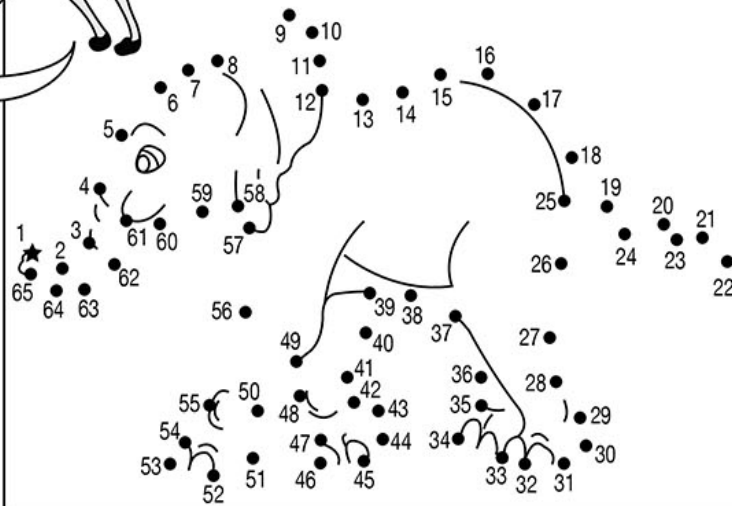
Kangaroos cannot walk backwards like I can!



Most Animals Jump!

Most animals can jump. Did you know that some cannot jump? Follow the dots to see two that do not jump. One is too heavy and the other is too slow.

Most kangaroos live in Australia. We travel together in mobs. We like to eat grass and shrubs. We can jump up to 40 feet in distance and 10 feet high. We can hop as fast as 40 miles per hour for a short time. We use our tails to push us and to help us jump.



Unscramble the letters to name two animals that cannot jump:

1. _____
2. _____

Have everyone in the family show how one animal or maybe insect jumps, hops or leaps - guess what it is!

Solutions can be found on Focus Page 4.

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- Strong organizational, time management, and multitasking abilities in a fast-paced environment
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- A friendly outgoing personality
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- Dedicated and reliable

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- Post-secondary education (Certificate or Diploma) related to Office Administration and/or equivalent.
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POSTED: May 5, 2026

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LIST OF ALBERTA ELECTORS ...

from front page of Focus

"I also have authority under PIPA to order compliance where non-compliance is found during an investigation," said the Commissioner,

Initially, the investigation will examine the following issues:

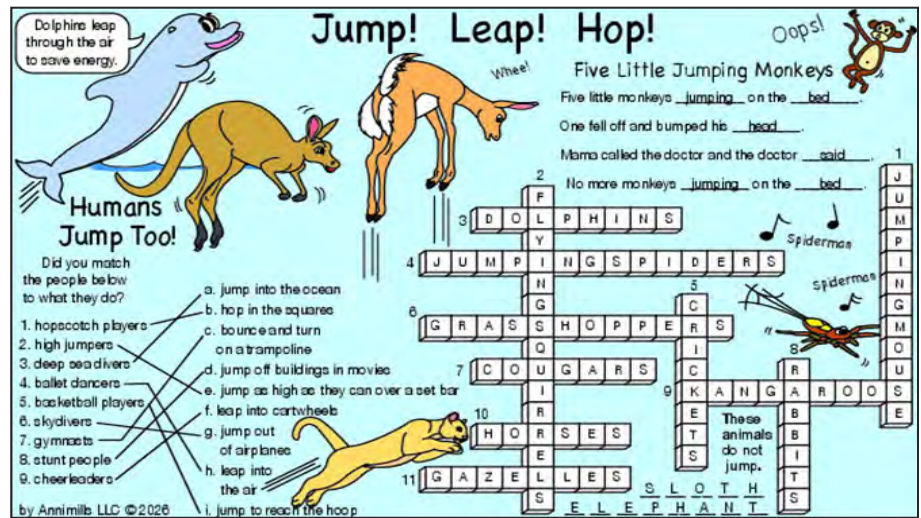
- Does Centurion have the authority to collect the personal information directly and/or indirectly pursuant to section 11 of PIPA?
- Does Centurion have the authority to use the personal information pursuant to section 16 of PIPA?
- Does Centurion have the authority to disclose the personal information pursuant to section 19 of PIPA?
- Has Centurion made reasonable security arrangements to protect the personal information as required under section 34 of PIPA?
- Does Centurion have an obligation to comply with the duty to notify as set out in section 34.1 of PIPA and if so, has it met this obligation?

Additional issues may be considered based on evolving circumstances or in response to evidence received.

At the conclusion of this formal investigation, the OIPC may make findings and recommendations or issue an order to remedy any non-compliance. The Commissioner may also issue a public investigation report.

Through the OIPC, the Information and Privacy Commissioner performs the responsibilities set out in Alberta's access to information and privacy laws, the Access to Information Act, the Protection of Privacy Act, the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act during the transition period, the Health Information Act, and the Personal Information Protection Act.

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