

Your input on Highway 43 service road study needed

Once again, we are inviting residents to give us feedback on an issue in Woodlands County.

The County is doing a joint initiative with Alberta Transportation to address traffic pressures along Highway 43, east of Whitecourt. As more subdivisions are being built, the intersections along the highway could become a concern if not dealt with properly.

HDR iTrans Consulting was contracted to do a service road study along Highway 43 between Whitecourt and Highway 751 (Nojack Road), to determine a plan for better and safer traffic flow. The consultants came back with two proposals for alternative service road networks.

These two different network systems will be presented at an open house later this month. We want our residents to come and give us feedback about the proposals, which could affect their driving routes in the future.

The study indicated that within five to eight years, some of the intersections along Highway 43 will not operate satisfactorily. As a result, service roads will be created parallel to Highway 43, linking the existing roads together to allow for the closure of some of the intersections. Although the project is a joint initiative, the final decision

regarding any intersections along Highway 43 are at the sole discretion of the province.

As a county, we want to encourage residents to become informed about the proposed changes.

An open house is being held Wednesday, Nov. 25 from 4-8 p.m. in the council chambers at the Woodlands County office in Whitecourt.

This open house will be your chance to ask questions and voice your thoughts. If you live, work or play in the area, please plan to attend so we can hear what you have to say.

Words from
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Mayor
Jim Rennie



Please feel free to contact me with any questions, concerns or ideas at jim.rennie@woodlands.ab.ca or at the county office at 780-778-8400.

