



REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY  
OF **WOOD BUFFALO**

## Council Meeting Presentation Request

Completed requests to make a public presentation must be received by 12:00 noon on the Wednesday immediately prior to the scheduled meeting. **Presentations are a maximum of 5 minutes in duration.**

Presentation Information	
Preferred Date of Presentation	January 22, 2019
Name of Presenter(s)	Tom Arisman
Organization Represented	Athabasca Oil Corp
Topic	Camp Moratorium
Please List Specific Points/Concerns	Potential unintended consequences of the 120km moratorium
Action Being Requested of Council	Camps should be considered on a case-by-case basis.
<p><b>Are you providing any supporting documentation (ie: Powerpoint)?</b>      <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes      <input type="radio"/> No</p> <p>If yes, the documentation <u>must</u> accompany this request, as handouts will not be distributed at the meeting. To ensure that your documents meet minimum standards, please see presentation guidelines on the next page.</p> <p>Supporting documents may be e-mailed to <a href="mailto:Legislative.Assistants@rmwb.ca">Legislative.Assistants@rmwb.ca</a>.</p>	

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# REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF WOOD BUFFALO COUNCIL MEETING

JANUARY 22, 2018

**ATHABASCA**  
OIL CORPORATION

# ATHABASCA OIL CORPORATION'S VIEW ON THE 120 KM CAMP MORATORIUM

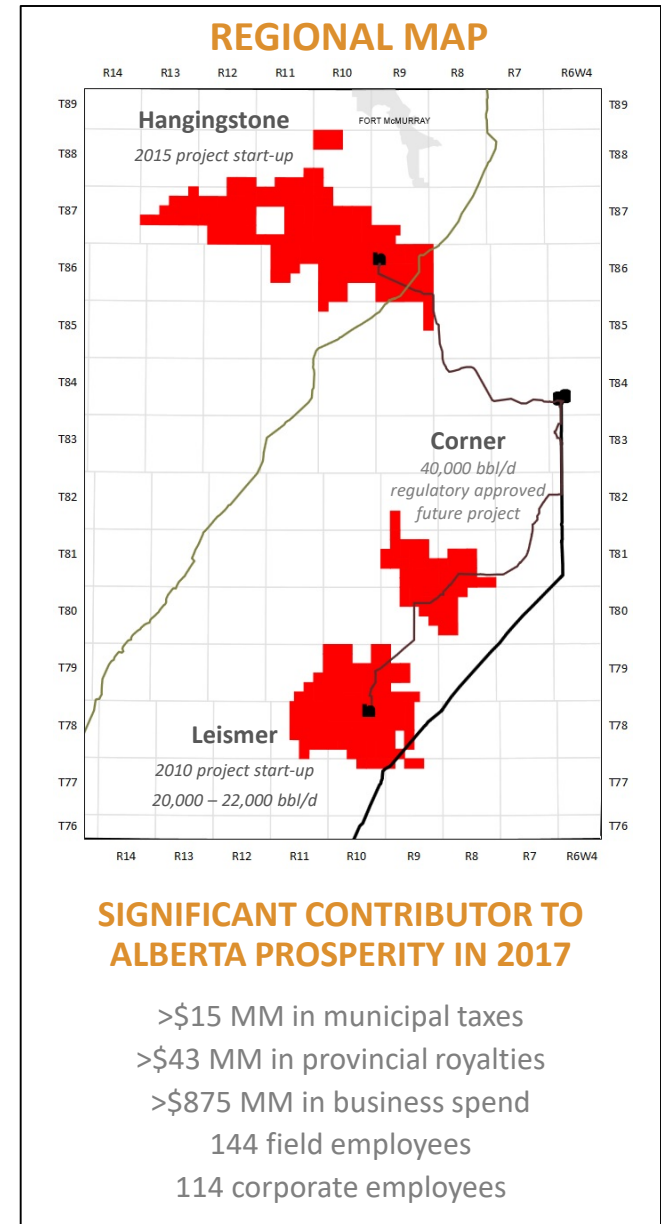
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## ATHABASCA IS COMMITTED TO WORKING WITH RMWB FOR LONG TERM SUCCESS

- Athabasca supports local permanent employment where possible
- RMWB and Industry can partner to achieve common goals and a stronger community
- The success of Industry and RMWB are aligned
- Eliminating Camps within a prescribed radius will have unintended consequences

## CAMPS ARE NOT A “ONE SIZE FITS ALL” SOLUTION

- AOC operates two producing facilities in the region
  - *Hangingstone: ~30 km (1/2 hr drive) from Fort McMurray*
  - *Leismer: ~120 km (~2.5 hr drive) from Fort McMurray*
- Camp decisions are made based on the following factors
  - *Proximity to municipalities: Work efficiencies vs. travel time, benefit of integration into the community*
  - *Safety: Consideration for the safety of employees while travelling*
  - *Business costs*
- In addition, for remote locations, permanent and temporary camps are often used for seasonal work
  - *i.e. drilling programs, seismic programs, turn-arounds*





## HANGINGSTONE (~30 KM FROM FORT MCMURRAY)

- Initially had camps for construction and start-up/ramp-up
  - *During high activity periods, camps were used to mitigate pressures on the community's infrastructure and housing*
- December 2017 shut down 368 bed camp
  - *Reducing Fly in, Fly Out*
  - *Staff that do fly in exclusively use the municipal airport*
  - *Increased participation in the community (~\$1.8 MM) through housing, groceries, restaurants and recreation*

## HIRING LOCALLY TO SUPPORT COMMUNITY INTEGRATION

- Hired Plant Superintendent that lives in Fort McMurray
  - *A number of staff, operators, engineers, and students are Fort McMurray residents*
  - *Looking to Fort McMurray first for all new hires*
  - *All future job postings will identify relocation to RMWB as a requirement*

## COMMUNITY COMMITMENT IN 2017

- >\$15 MM in salaries for 40 field employees and contractors
- >\$5 MM in municipal taxes



## LEISMER (~120 KM FROM FORT MCMURRAY)

- Currently has a 480 bed camp (avg. occupancy ~120 people)
- Flights to site via the Leismer Aerodrome

## HIRING LOCALLY

- Leismer asset is located between Lac La Biche and Fort McMurray
  - *Currently have 13 employees who live in the region (i.e. Lac La Biche, Bonnyville, Cold Lake, St. Paul, Lloydminster)*
    - *40 employees from Edmonton, Southern Alberta, BC and SK*
  - *If the camp was shut-down, Lac La Biche is more proximal for permanent relocation*

## COMMUNITY COMMITMENT IN 2017

- >\$20 MM in salaries for 53 field employees and 29 contractors
- ~\$1 MM in municipal taxes
  - *~\$500 k for lodge and \$200 k for the aerodrome*



## POTENTIAL UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES OF 120 KM CAMP MORATORIUM

- Eliminating existing tax revenue from camp operators
- Promoting relocation to different municipalities
- Negative impact on local businesses (including indigenous communities) that support camps
- Significant costs to community and Industry to accommodate changes
- Impacts on work efficiency and safety (daily travel in all seasons)
- Lack of flexibility for temporary seasonal work

## HOW CAN INDUSTRY AND RMWB WORK TOGETHER FOR A SUCCESSFUL FUTURE?

- Consider unique business needs – camps are not “one size fits all” based on a prescribed radius
- Support a competitive business climate that attracts capital and jobs
- Continue supporting egress solutions for Canada as a top priority
- Maintain a business competitive Municipal Tax structure
- Oppose damaging legislation such as the Carbon Tax and Bill C-69