



Peace Region Idea Group (PRIG) “Information & Training Session” Summary
American Public Works Association, Alberta Chapter / AMSA, Zone 4
Date: Friday, 17th February 2023

Host Community: Saddle Hills County, Junction of Hwy49 & Hwy725, 79177 RR84, AB

Attendance:	13 ‘members’ representing 5 different Municipal Governments
Greetings & Call to Order:	PRIG Chair, Rob Naugler thanked attendees for coming and previewed the day’s forthcoming presentations and highlights
Housekeeping	Host Ron Pelensky went over the relevant Safety and Housekeeping items of importance
Introductions, All Present:	Round table was performed to ensure everyone was introduced, including all three presenters
News from AMSA:	Leonard Van Oort of County of Northern Lights ran through the agenda for the Spring 2023 AMSA Conference being held at the Shaw Convention Centre in Edmonton from 21-22 March
News from APWA, Alberta Chapter:	Rob Naugler of County of Grande Prairie described their plans to hold a Public Fair to help celebrate this year’s upcoming National Public Works Week (NPWW) which is always held the third full week in May. Other Municipalities present described their plans to celebrate as well
Presentation #1:	Shawn Gerow of County of Grande Prairie described how he has started a new Committee to continue advocating for the Safety of all Alberta Vulnerable Roadside Workers, and in particular, a campaign to have those workers able to use Flashing Blue Lights on their vehicles
Presentation #2	JF Royer of Integral High-Performance Coatings gave a splendid presentation on a special coating called Zebron® including some additional applications beyond typical tanks / manholes that sparked some enthusiasm for select audience members
Networking Lunch:	As graciously sponsored by Integral High-Performance Coatings and Northlink Supply and included attendance by all three presenters
Presentation #3:	Jamie McMunn as well as Ian K (virtually), of Northlink Supply, Grande Prairie described how their Asset Armour line of products let Nature do most of the sediment and erosion control work
Round Table:	A very informative and seemingly helpful discussion with full participation of all those present with topics including: update on Enterprise Fleet Program; Cat grader manufacturing locations now include Brazil; Claims vs Litigation with Contractors; Levels of Service reviews; recent Water Conference held in Grande Prairie; Bobcat Tool-cat lease problems; Registered Drainage Ditches
DOOR PRIZE DRAWS:	As generously donated, and brought in, by multiple Municipalities and Presenters / Sponsors
Adjournment Approximately 2:45pm	