

Lesser Slave River

Regular Council Meetings

WEDNESDAYS, MARCH 25 AND APRIL 8 AT 10AM

Start Your 2026-27 Scholarship Application Today

The MD recognizes that continuous learning is the foundation of a thriving, dynamic, and forward-thinking community.

To support this journey, we are proud to offer the 2026-2027 **Rugged & Real Scholarship Program**, an initiative designed to empower local students in their academic pursuits.

Each year, the MD Council awards at least one **\$1,000** scholarship to a deserving applicant who demonstrates a commitment to their future. Visit mdlsr.ca/scholarships.

We welcome applications from students of all backgrounds—whether you are a recent high school graduate or a mature learner looking to upgrade your skills. To be eligible, you must be an MD resident (or current seasonal worker) and be enrolled in or planning to attend a post-secondary institution. Don't miss this opportunity to invest in your future; visit mdlsr.ca/scholarships to complete your application before **June 26**.

Why the MD Issues Road Bans

Road bans preserve the lifespan of our roadways—improving motorist safety and reducing long-term repair costs.

Bans are implemented periodically during construction and maintenance, and annually during the spring thaw when frost movement makes roads especially vulnerable to damage. Current road bans are always posted on the MD website at mdsr.ca/road-bans a minimum of two days in advance, except in emergency situations. Each new order supersedes all previous bans.

To request a road ban permit, contact the MD at 1.866.449.4888. Note that special approvals, such as for heavy hauls or travel on banned roads require a minimum of three business days for processing and approval.

Important: Bylaw enforcement personnel conduct spot checks throughout the MD to ensure compliance with road bans. Please note that passenger and recreational vehicles are exempt from road bans in the MD.

New Road Ban in Effect

ROAD BAN ORDER NO. 2026-114 came into effect Thursday, March 19, at 8:00am. For details, visit mdlsr.ca/road-bans. This Order rescinds all previous Road Ban Orders and shall remain in effect until further notice.

Safe OHV Riding

For those heading out on off-highway vehicles this spring, it's important to remember that your machine can inadvertently start a wildfire. Exhaust systems and engine manifolds reach extremely high temperatures and can easily ignite the dry, brown grass common in early spring.

Debris can also become trapped in the undercarriage, where it heats up and may fall off as a glowing spark.

Riders should make it a habit to stop periodically and clear out these potential "hot spots." Learn more at mdlsr.ca/wildfires and mdlsr.ca/ohv.



RUGGED AND REAL ADVENTURES.

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Fresh Air, Great Pay, Awesome Jobs

Looking to kickstart an exciting and rewarding seasonal gig?

The MD is hiring for several seasonal positions—Roles include Weed/Pest Inspectors, Landscape Technicians, Roadside Mowing Operators, Utilities Labourer, Equipment Operator, Transportation Labourer, and GIS Assistant. Explore current opportunities and apply at mdlsr.ca/jobs.

Help Bring People Together

Have an upcoming event you'd like to share with the community? Send it our way!

Post it on our **Community Calendar**. All events must be local in nature (either hosted within one of the communities of Lesser Slave River or in support of a regional initiative of public interest), and must adhere to our terms of use. The MD reserves the right to choose which events appear on the community calendar. Learn more at mdlsr.ca/calendar.

Fire Permits Are the Law

A fire permit is required for *all outdoor burning* except campfires. Permits are free and available online at firepermits.alberta.ca or through your local Forestry Office — Slave Lake at 780.849.7377 or Lac La Biche at 780.623.5388. Burning without a valid permit can result in fines up to \$600. To report a wildfire, call **310-FIRE (3473)**.

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