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Emergency Services Contact Information

Corman Park Police Service - Phone: 306-242-8808

Warman RCMP (West of River) – Phone: 306-975-1670

Saskatoon RCMP (East of River) – Phone: 306-975-5173

OFFICE HOURS: Monday – Friday 8:30am to 5:00pm

Closed Statutory Holidays

LEAFY SPURGE

Leafy Spurge is a creeping rooted perennial that is very difficult to control. A number of chemicals will not kill it because the roots can go down 26 ft. Mowing will keep it from going to seed. The seeds can stay viable in the soil for up to 8 years. They are light enough to float in water and hardy enough to germinate just about anywhere. The seeds can be expelled up to 15 ft from the adult plant. The clusters of cup-like flowers are greenish yellow in colour and are found at the end of the stem and branches. **Leafy Spurge** is found in pastures, forage crops, crop land, hay fields, road allowances and acreages. Leafy Spurge seeds can be relocated by livestock, wildlife (deer, skunks, porcupines, coyotes, birds, etc.) machinery, trucks, and by people moving hay, grain and other crops.

Herbicide treatment in mid June just when the plant is in full flower before it goes to seed is the most effective time to combat infestations but may need to be repeated. Leafy Spurge beetles and grazing by sheep are other methods to control **Leafy Spurge**, as it is poisonous to other livestock.

What Is The Landowners' /Occupants' Role In Noxious Weed Control?

Landowners are responsible for knowing whether their property harbors noxious weeds and it is their responsibility to control them. Leafy Spurge is predominantly present in the Moon Lake, Merrill Hills and Valley Road areas of Division 4. It is however present in other areas of the RM as well.

If you have Leafy Spurge, contact the RM of Corman Park Weed Inspector. If you need help controlling it, contact the RM of Corman Park Weed Inspector. The rate for the RM to do custom spraying is \$80.00 per hour. Minimum charge is 1 hour (\$80.00)

What Is the Municipality's Role in Noxious Weed Control?

The Municipality is responsible for the control of noxious weeds on any municipal owned property (i.e. road allowances) as well as being responsible for ensuring that the provisions of The Weed Control Act are adhered to in the Municipality. The Municipality fulfills that responsibility by engaging the services of a Weed Inspector.

For more information, visit our website at

www.rmcormanpark.ca/page/leafy_spurge/

If you have Noxious Weeds contact:

RM of Corman Park Weed Inspector : Larry Wade at (306) 975-0208 or email lwade@rmcormanpark.ca

2013 PROPERTY ASSESSMENT NOTICES

The Province of Saskatchewan underwent a complete revaluation of all property values in 2013. As a result an assessment notice is being mailed to all property owners. Appeals may be initiated by any person with an interest in, or that is affected by, the assessed value or classification of any property. You can appeal if you believe there has been an error in the valuation, the classification, to the contents of the assessment roll or the assessment notice; *however there is no provision to appeal property taxes.* **The appeal deadline is July 3, 2013.** A notice of appeal form is included with the assessment notice or is available at the municipal office or on our website: <http://www.rmcormanpark.ca/page/documents/browse/41>.

2013 MUNICIPAL MILL RATE

The R.M. of Corman Park Council has not established the 2013 mill rate so we are unable to provide information that would assist with the calculation of the 2013 property tax levy. Once the mill rate is finalized further information will be made available on the RM website. Additional information regarding Property Assessment and Taxation can be found on the Government of Saskatchewan website www.municipal.gov.sk.ca/publications and on the SAMA website www.sama.sk.ca.

DO YOU QUALIFY TO EXEMPT ALL OR A PORTION OF THE ASSESSMENT ON YOUR RESIDENCE?

If you occupy a dwelling in the R.M. of Corman Park, you may qualify for an exemption to reduce all or part of the taxable assessment of your principal dwelling. (Dwellings located within an organized hamlet are excluded).

The total assessment of any agricultural land ("N" or "A" class) you own or lease that is located in the R.M. of Corman Park or adjoining rural municipalities will be applied to reduce your residential taxable assessment. (Leased land can only be used if the registered owner does not use it as an exemption). The Municipal office has a record of the land owned in your name in Corman Park. You are required to advise the Municipality of any leased land and/or land owned in an adjoining rural municipality. You should also advise if land is owned in a spouse's name, in joint ownership, or a company name.

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FIRE INSURANCE

Landowners are reminded it is unwise to burn in very windy, dry weather and to always provide extensive fire guarding before a controlled burn. Failure to do so is a contravention of the Prairie and Forest Fires Act. It is important to obtain adequate fire insurance so that you and your property are protected in case of a fire. The Municipality has seen fire bills exceed \$20,000. Please contact your insurance provider for rate information. It is recommended to have more than just basic fire coverage. For questions about fire fighting rates please contact our office or visit our website at www.rmcormanpark.ca under the heading "Protection Services". If you will be conducting a controlled burn, please contact the controlled burn line at 1-866-822-8522. Residents living within the Saskatoon Fire District boundaries must also contact the Saskatoon Fire Department.

PEST CONTROL

The Pest Control Act:

The following have been declared to be pests for the purpose of "The Pest Control Act".

1)The brown or Norway rat, 2) grasshoppers, 3) the warble fly, 4) clubroot, and 5) Richardson's ground squirrel.

Section 3, under the Regulations, "The minister may declare any animal, insect, or disease that he deems likely to be destructive to any crop, grain, livestock, or other property to be a pest".

Although the following information is mainly for the prevention and control of rats it does pertain to most unwanted rodents.

Prevention:

It is important to properly dispose of harborage, rubbish and debris, and to cut tall grass. Minimize water and food source access. Clean up spilled grain and garden waste and burn or bury. Make sure all out buildings are raised up off the ground so rodents cannot burrow under them. This is the first line of defense in effective pest control.

Identification:

Look for burrows under foundations, scrap piles, or feed stacks, well beaten trails or rat runs between water and feed. Oily smudge marks along walls, roof beams, or sides of grain bags. Rat droppings or "scats" are capsule shaped approx. 20 mm in diameter. Signs of gnawing around doors, windows, cracks, knot holes, exposed edges of boards, and concrete.

Control:

Access to areas of inspection is important for keeping rats under control. Allowing Pest Control Officers (PCOs) on your property to conduct inspections while providing safe and open access is key, PCOs are required to inspect all occupied and vacant sites for rats.

Reporting:

Rats are nocturnal; if you see rats in daylight, it is a likely sign of an infestation.

Report any rat sightings to your RM office as soon as possible.

AIR IMAGERY

Air images are now available for use in site plans. If you require one, please contact the office at 306-242-9303 or email rm344@rmcormanpark.ca.

LANDFILL SUMMER HOURS AND RATES

The RM of Corman Park has four landfills located within its boundaries. Landfills are closed on all statutory holidays.

South Corman Park Landfill

Operated by the RM of Corman Park on the E ½ NW 20-35-5 W3 and is available for all residents located in the R.M. **Residents are advised that the rates for the South Corman Park Landfill have changed effective April 2, 2013**

Hours (Open Tuesday – Saturday, closed Stat Holidays)
 Summer (April 16 – September 29) – 8:00am to 7:30pm
New Rates (effective April 2, 2013):

LOAD SIZE	LOAD TYPE	RATE TYPE	
		R-Resident	NR-Non Resident
Car/SUV	HOUSEHOLD (Bagged)	R	\$5
		NR	\$30
½ Ton Truck OR Car & Trailer (<8ft)	GENERAL	R	\$10
		R (Shingles/Concrete)	\$40
		NR	\$30
½ Ton Truck with 4-ft sides	GENERAL	R	\$20
		R (Shingles/Concrete)	\$50
		NR	\$50
½ Ton Truck & Trailer (<8ft)	GENERAL	R	\$50
		R (Trees)	\$20
		R (Shingles/Concrete)	\$100
		NR	\$75
½ Ton Truck with 4-ft sides & Trailer (<8ft) OR 1 Ton Truck with 4-ft sides	GENERAL	R	\$75
		R (Shingles/Concrete)	\$300
		NR	\$100
1 Ton Truck OR Trailer (>8ft)	GENERAL	R	\$50
		R (Trees)	\$20
		R (Shingles/Concrete)	\$300
		NR	\$75
Appliances containing Freon i.e. Fridge, Freezer, A/C Units		R	\$15/unit
		NR	\$25/unit
Other Appliances i.e. Stove, Washer, Dryer, Dishwasher		R	\$10/unit
		NR	\$15/unit
Scrap Vehicles		All	\$25/unit

Northern Landfill (242-8909)

Operated by Loraas Disposal on the SE 16-38-5 W3 and is available for residents located in Divisions 5 – 8

Hours:
 Monday – Friday
 May 1– September 30: 7:00am – 6:30pm
 Saturdays (All year) 9:00am – 4:30pm

Asquith Landfill

Operated by the Town of Asquith on the NE 8-37-9 W3 and is available to residents located in Twp 37 & 38 Rge 7-9.

Hours:
 Monday: 9:00am – 1:00pm Saturday/Sunday: 9:00am – 5:00pm

Langham Transfer Station – For Household Waste ONLY

Operated by the Town of Langham in the NW corner of the Town and is available to residents located in Twp. 38 & 39 Rge. 7-9.

Hours:
 Tuesday:
 May 1 – September 30: 4:00pm – 8:00pm
 Thursday (All Year): 1:00pm – 5:00pm
 Saturday (All Year): 9:00am – 12:00pm & 1:00pm – 6:00pm
 Closed on Stat Holidays

PLANNING

The R.M. of Corman Park Council recently reviewed the single parcel country residential density policies and created severed parcels policies for the R.M. of Corman Park Development Plan and Zoning Bylaw. These documents regulate land use and development in the R.M., with the exception of the area included in the Corman Park – Saskatoon Planning District (which has a separate set of regulations that were recently updated in 2010). Council contracted the services of Equinox3 Consulting Ltd. to undertake the review.

Three public engagement sessions were held March 19-21, 2013 to introduce the draft policies and obtain feedback from ratepayers. The proposed bylaws 22/13 and 23/13 were presented to Council at its April 15, 2013 meeting, where Council gave First Reading to the proposed bylaws.

A public notice advertising the required Public Hearing and a Comment Sheet for ratepayers to fill out for bylaws 22/13 and 23/13 and is included on a separate sheet with this newsletter.

Copies of proposed bylaws and supplementary information are available on the R.M. website www.rm-cormanpark.ca or at the R.M. Office.

FLOOD PREPARATION

Pumping Information

The Municipality is not able to provide residents with approval to pump into the ditch, across the road or moving surface water off any RM resident's property. Approval for this process must be obtained through the Saskatchewan Water Security Agency, with cooperation from any land owner that may be affected by the discharge of water.

RM Flooding Emergencies & Contact Information

For flooding instances where the municipality may be able to correct the situation (plugged/damaged culverts, road wash outs, etc) during office hours please contact the Public Works Department **306-975-1655** or **306-978-6469**. After office hours for immediate emergencies (residence flooding due to surface water backing up from ditches, residence flooding due to plugged culverts, etc) please contact the RM of Corman Park Police Department **306-242-8808**, the officer on call will notify Public Works as deemed necessary.

For flooding caused by surface water flowing from sloughs or low spots on your land or adjacent land, please contact the Saskatchewan Water Security Agency's North Battleford office at 306-446-7450 or www.wsask.ca

If water is affecting a private residence by the way of failure or lack of sump pump (coming up the floor drains) or is not visible above ground (if there is no surface water approaching residence or buildings), the RM is not able to provide assistance. Please contact your insurance provider.

For more information, visit our website at www.rm-cormanpark.ca/page/emergency_preparedness/

2013 GRAVEL PROGRAM

Public Works anticipates the 2013 Gravel Program beginning early in June, depending on weather conditions and Spring Road Bans. Work will begin earlier if feasible. Sections of roadway designated to receive gravel are determined by outstanding projects from prior years, the year that gravel was last applied and the existing gravel condition of the road relative to the type and amount of traffic.

The Municipality would to thank the residents for their patience during periods of excessive moisture and Spring Road Bans.

COUNCIL MEMBER CONTACT INFORMATION

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Councillors:		
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