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National Park Jasper



Information Update Jasper Intergovernmental Forum, February 2020

The Municipality of Jasper and the Parks Canada Agency in Jasper National Park are committed to a positive, mutually beneficial relationship based on shared goals and interests. To this end, representatives from the two organizations as well as mayor and council meet three to four times per year to discuss and advance topics of mutual interest. The February 11, 2020 Intergovernmental Forum highlights include:

Accessory Dwelling Units

- Parks Canada presented a draft Interim Policy for Secondary Suites in the Town of Jasper to Mayor and Council for review and input, ahead of the interim policy being finalized and becoming a public document.

Whistlers Campground

- Parks Canada indicated that work is progressing at Whistlers Campground and that the project is on track to be completed in time for the 2021 summer season. Winter work focuses on buildings and above ground assets, while more extensive earth work and underground assets replacement will ramp up once ground conditions allow.

Icefields Parkway Avalanche Control and Closures Update

- Parks Canada provided insight into how road closures are planned around weather forecasts and avalanche conditions. Recent avalanche control work caused a significant amount of snow to fall on the road, which required several days to clear. Staff and public safety are paramount.

FireSmart Update

- Work is progressing on the FireSmart project, a joint initiative between Parks Canada and the Municipality of Jasper. Several treatment units around town have been completed. Residents can expect some smoke in town and visible burn piles in coming weeks.

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