



2026 RATEPAYER MEETINGS

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Regional Initiatives

Regional Health Initiatives

Regional Support for Local Health Services

- Supporting collaboration among local medical clinic boards in region (Hanna, Oyen, Consort).
- Regional approach to recruitment / retention
 - Special Areas funding for local medical clinic boards
 - Healthcare Professional recruitment updates
- Update on new clinic buildings



Regional Health Initiatives

Consort Nurse Practitioner Program

- Consort & District Medical Centre Board (CDMCB) continues Nurse Practitioner pilot program to support local medical services being available in the community
 - Pilot program is a community-led initiative
- Special Areas is helping fund this program in partnership with the Province
 - Special Areas continues to engage with the Province to prioritize sustainable long-term funding
- Nurse Practitioner (NP) Team:
 - Two NPs for Family / All – Ages
 - Three NPs for Adult only
 - (1) complex primary care, (1) seniors focus, (1) women's health

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Oyen Assisted Living / Dementia Care Facility

- Construction started on the Assisted Living/Dementia Care facility in Oyen
 - Is a 14-unit single story facility connected directly to the Oyen Lodge
 - DSL4/4D spaces support assisted living & dementia care
- The Government of Alberta funded the project through a capital grant to the Acadia Foundation

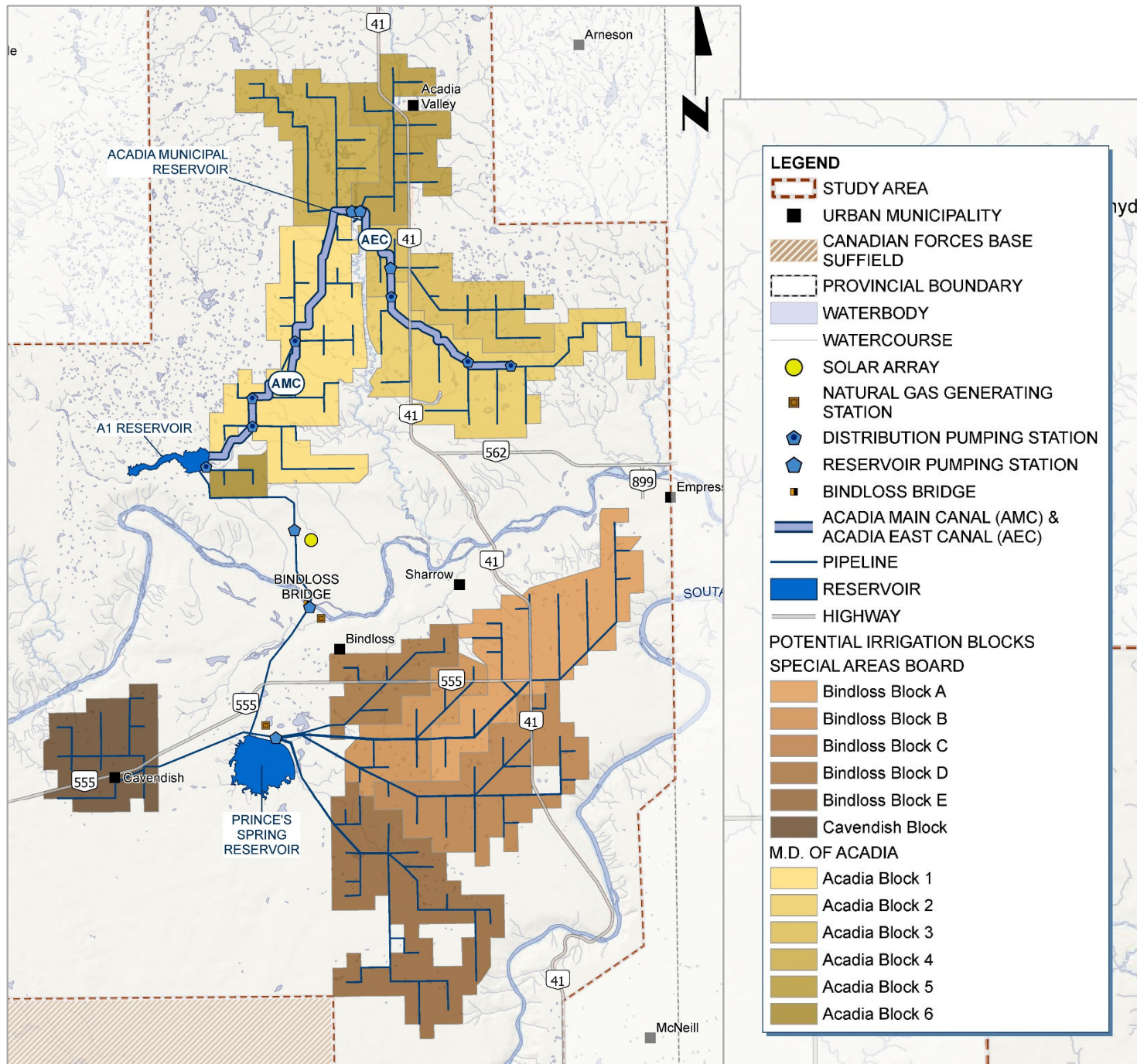


North Elevation

MD of Acadia & Special Areas Joint Irrigation Project

Project Update

- Joint project with Government of Alberta, Canada Infrastructure Bank, MD of Acadia and Special Areas
- Phase 1 work – finished with report in 2022 (pre-feasibility)
 - Concluded ‘green-field’ (new) development of irrigation for 108,000 acres is feasible
- Phase 2 work - completed spring 2025
 - Phase 2 work included preliminary engineering design, environmental and regulatory considerations and potential financing options
 - Report on Phase 2 work delivered to project partners. It identified key decision information and will help support an investment decision.
- Creation of Municipally Controlled Corporation (MCC) is the next major step

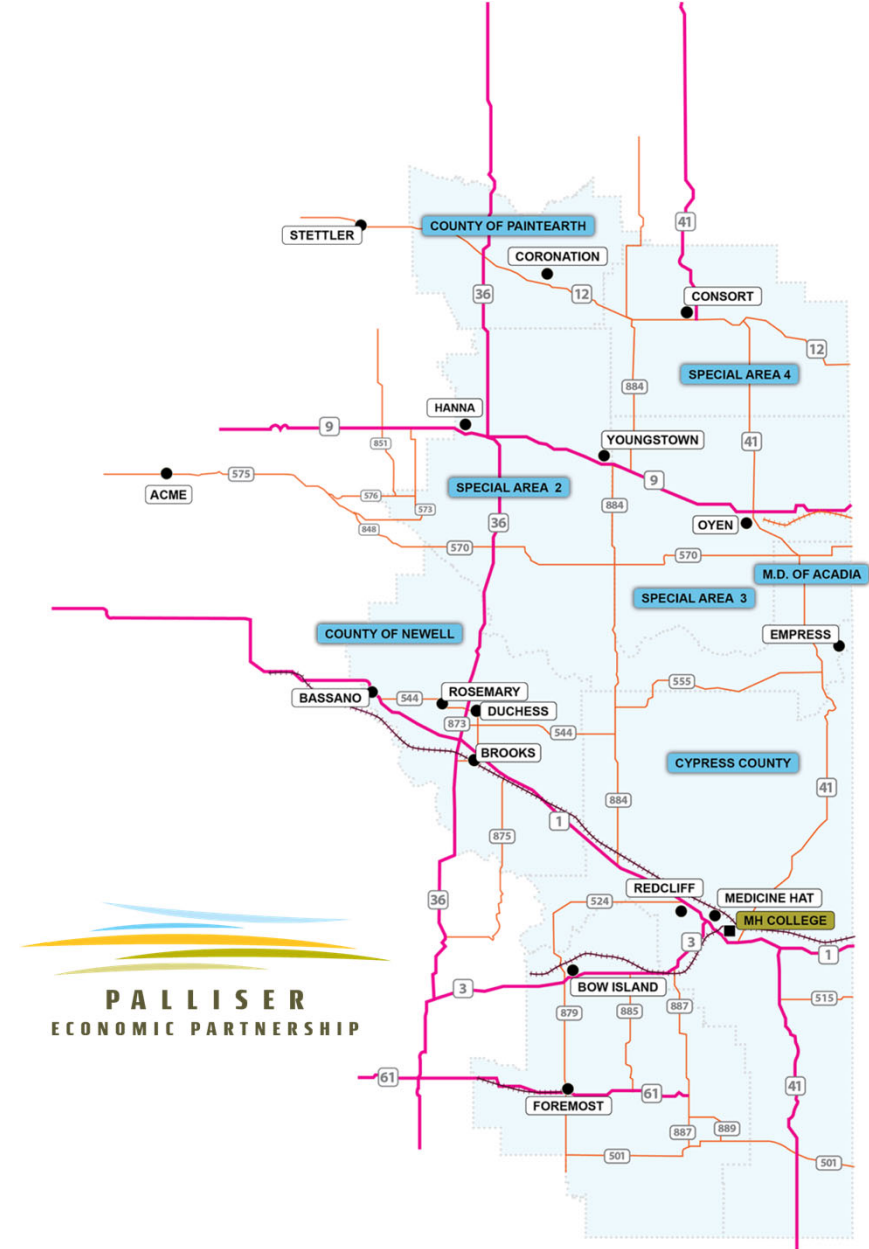


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Regional Economic Development

2026 Focus

- Palliser Economic Partnership
- Special Areas & Oyen Development Corporation





Questions

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