

# Municipal Services

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# ROADS

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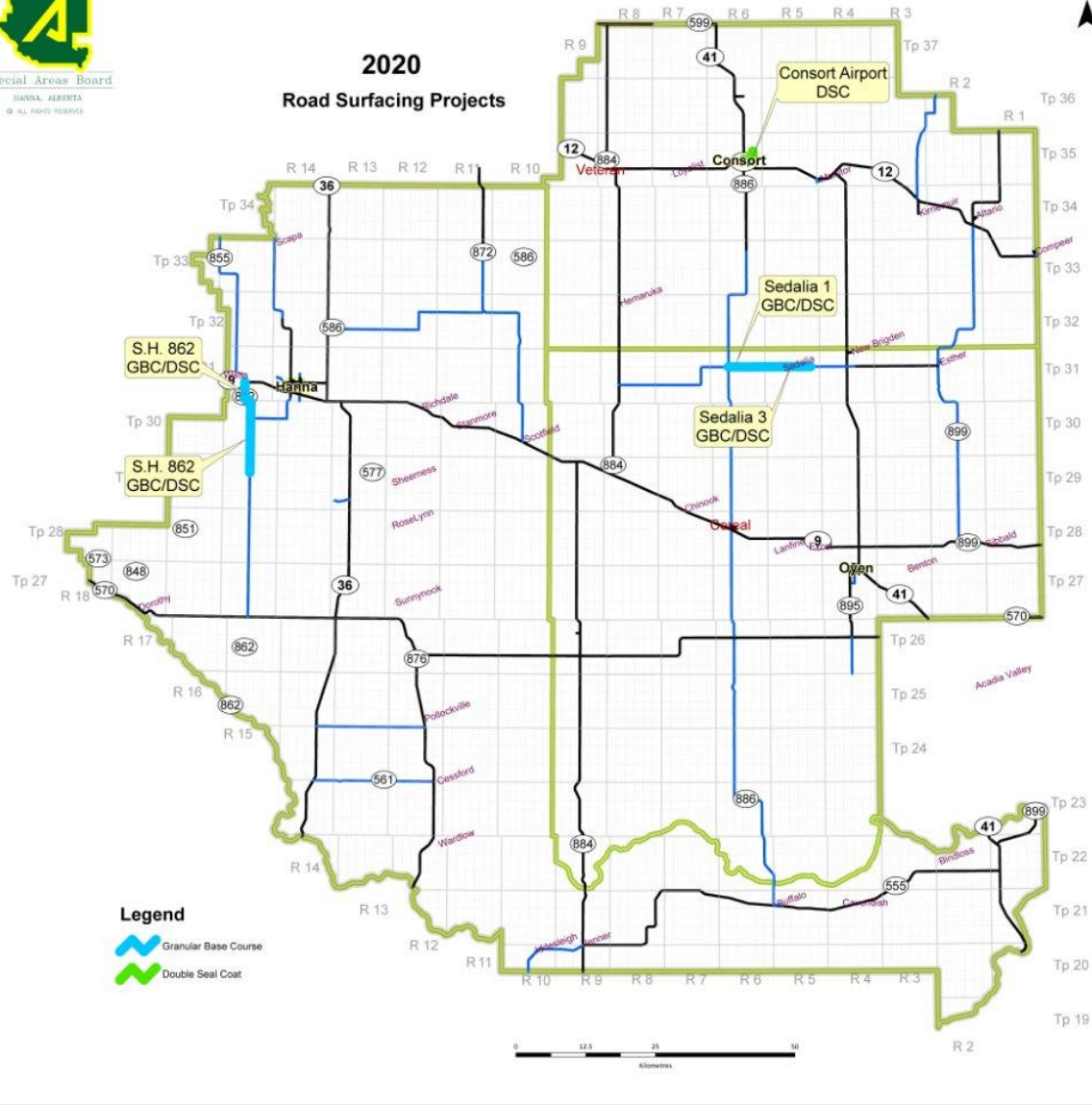
- Reduced Operational Season in 2020
  - No – Shoulder Pull or Repair Crew
  - Construction and Surfacing season starting June 15
- Secondary Highway Agreement
  - Partnership with Alberta Transportation
  - April to October Special Areas takes over approximately 500 km of unpaved secondary highways
  - Currently in the first year of four year agreement
- Secondary Highways projects
  - 2019 - Hwy 886 and 899 – Granular Base Course (GBC)
  - 2020 - Hwy 862 Granular Base Course (GBC)



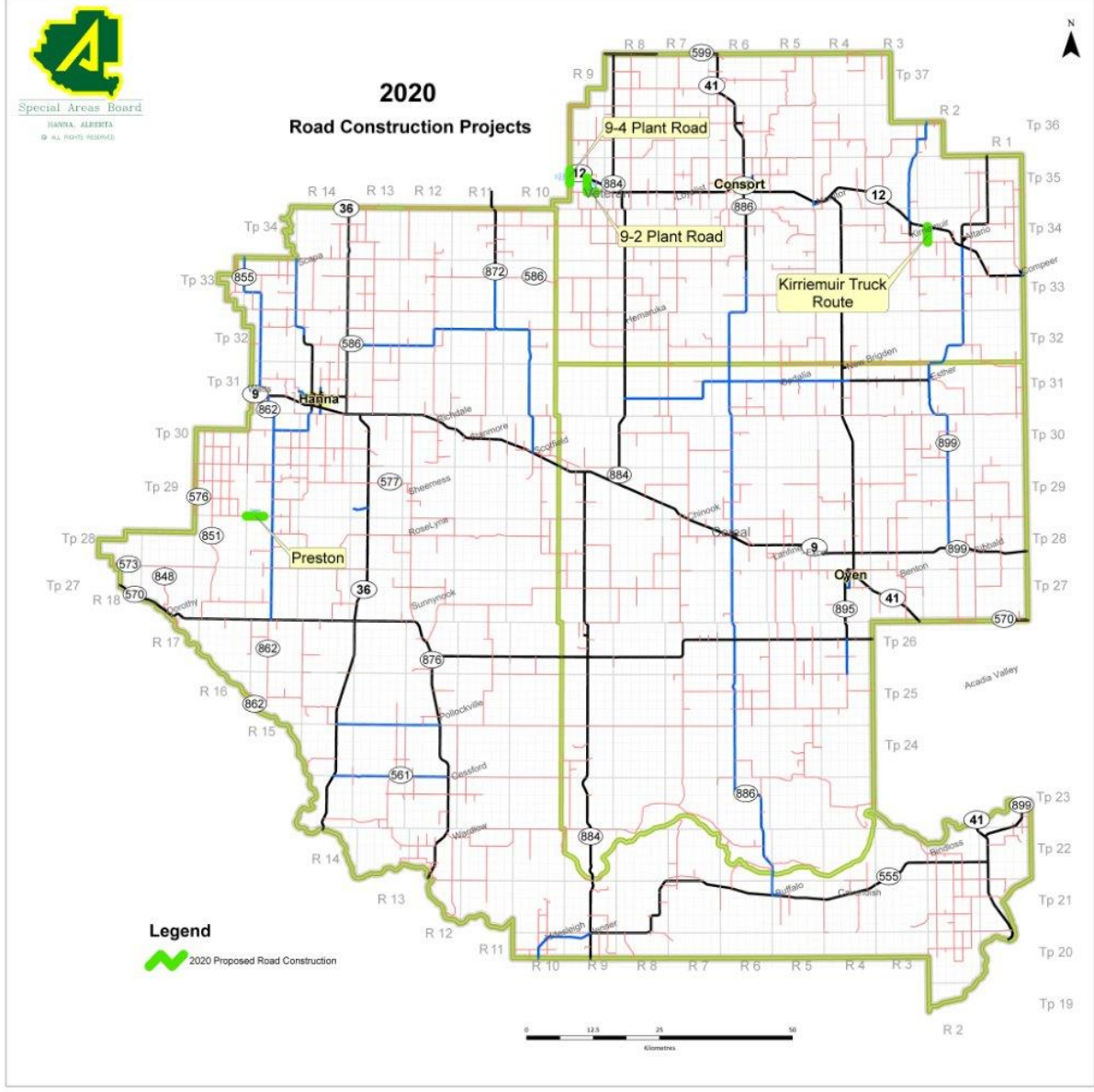
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# 2020 Road Surfacing

## 2020 Road Surfacing Projects



2020 Road Construction



# WATER

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- New truckfill in Sibbald area is open.
- SDS (862) truckfill is a card purchase only station due to repeated vandalism
- Replacement program of the underground storage systems at truckfills has been delayed due to budget restrictions
- Supporting small communities in the Special Areas with service agreements to offer relief personnel for non-SAB operated water systems

# EMERGENCY SERVICES

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- Fire Services
  - Wildfire training for Public Works Staff
- Veteran Fire Hall (cost-sharing between SAB & Veteran) completed
- Homestead Coulee Fire Hall postponed to 2021
- 2 Wildland Fire Trucks to be delivered in 2020
- Regional Emergency Management Plan being completed in 2020 through grant funding. Portions tested with Covid-19
  - Will result in creation of community and regional emergency plans & training to support regional emergency responses.
  - Includes all urban municipalities located within the Special Areas boundaries

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- Community Peace Officers
  - Two officers on staff to provide enforcement for municipal infrastructure (parks, roads, etc.)
  - 2020 focus:
    - Increased presence on surfaced roadways – especially those identified as priorities by ratepayers and Council
    - Focus on education rather than enforcement
  - Building relationships with other enforcement agencies through joint operations, skill sharing/education, community events

# PARKS

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- 2020 Capital projects:
  - Playground replacement at Prairie Oasis Park and Carolside
- Operational agreement in place to operate Gooseberry Lake and Little Fish Lake Provincial Parks for 2020 season
- Reduced hours of operation at Blood Indian Trading Post
- Fisheries & Blood Indian Park
  - Invasive species (Prussian Carp) still a problem at Blood Indian Park
  - One fish limit in place for Carolside



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# Questions?

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