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### **Kneehill County COVID-19 Update #2**

With the increased presence of COVID-19 in Alberta, Kneehill County is taking every precaution to ensure the health and safety of our staff and residents, and have implemented Business Continuity processes and protocols to maintain all essential services during this time.

Please remember--to protect yourself and others, stay home if you're sick, wash your hands often, avoid touching your face & get information from reliable sources.

At this time, the Kneehill County Office will remain open to the public, however, we ask that you **call the office first, 403-443-5541, prior to coming in**. Anyone experiencing cough, fever or sore throat, those who have recently travelled by air, and those that may have been exposed to the COVID-19 virus are asked to postpone their business at the County Office for at least two weeks, or to utilize our many services available online, [www.kneehillcounty.com](http://www.kneehillcounty.com).

If you need assistance or are unsure how to access our online services, please contact Kneehill County, 403-443-5541, or [office@kneehillcounty.com](mailto:office@kneehillcounty.com).

Kneehill County residents may experience some service level disruptions and event cancellations as a result of the virus and the evolving situation.

***Essential services, such as road maintenance, water, and fire services, will not be disrupted.***

Please note, as of March 16, 2020, the following events/workshops have been cancelled:

- The Birds and the Bats Workshop in Acme, March 21, 2020
- Countryside Tree Care Workshop in Swalwell, April 3, 2020

We will also be suspending the ASB's sale of Gopher Poison until further notice.

At this time, regular Council meetings will continue. We ask that residents watch the County live stream via YouTube, rather than attend the meeting in person.

Kneehill County is carefully monitoring the COVID-19 health risk for any new developments and will follow protocols in accordance with Alberta Health Services' (AHS) recommendations. We thank you for your patience during these extraordinary circumstances.

For more information on COVID-19, and for daily updates on the situation, please visit: [alberta.ca/COVID19](http://alberta.ca/COVID19)