

THE WATER ACT PUBLIC NOTICE

PROPOSED INTERBASIN TRANSFER OF TREATED WATER BETWEEN THE RED DEER RIVER BASIN and THE BATTLE RIVER BASIN

Notice is given that the Shirley McClellan Regional Water Services Commission filed an application under the provisions of the *Water Act* to divert up to 7,859,000 cubic metres (7,859 dam³) of water annually from the Red Deer River at SW 27-38-22-W4 to supply treated water to communities within the Counties of Camrose, Stettler, Paintearth and the Special Area 4, portions of these are in the Battle River Basin.

The purpose of the diversion is to provide communities within the Counties and Special Area 4 with treated water obtained from the Town of Stettler's facilities. Section 47 of the *Water Act* requires that a Special Act of the Legislature be passed to allow for interbasin transfer of water. The Special Act may only be passed following public consultation.

As part of the public consultation, the Shirley McClellan Regional Water Services Commission will be holding Open Houses on the following dates and locations to provide the public with information respecting the proposed transfer of water and to solicit the public's input on the proposed water diversion:

<u>Community</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>
Drumheller	Aug 14, 2007	Civic Center AV Room, 224 Center St.
Consort	Aug 16, 2007	Consort Community Hall, 4604 50 Ave.
Camrose	Aug 21, 2007	Moose Hall, 5001 52 Ave.
Stettler	Aug 22, 2007	Stettler Community Hall, 5101 46 Ave.
Red Deer	Aug 23, 2007	Capri Center, 3310 - 50 Ave, the Marseille Room

Open Houses will be held 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Further information respecting the proposed interbasin transfer of water may be obtained from the Shirley McClellan Regional Water Services Commission care of the County of Stettler at:

Shirley McClellan Regional Water Services Commission

**c/o County of Stettler
Box 1270
Stettler, Alberta
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Tel: (403) 742-4441
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Information is also available on line at:
www.stettler.net

Your comments respecting the proposed interbasin transfer are important and may be forwarded to the Shirley McClellan Regional Water Services Commission at the above address.

Statements filed regarding this interbasin transfer of water are public records and are accessible by the public. The information may be considered by Alberta Environment in the review of the application prior to issuance of a license for the interbasin transfer of water.