

Alberta SouthWest Bulletin November 2024

Regional Economic Development Alliance (REDA) Update

❖ Executive Officers Re-elected for 2025!

- Chair: Mayor Brent Feyter, Fort Macleod
- Vice-Chair: Mayor Brad Schlossberger, Claresholm
- Sec-Treasurer: Councillor Sahra Nodge, Pincher Creek
- Signing Authority: Mayor Barbara Burnett, Cowley



❖ NRED Applications close December 6, 2024

New guidelines for Northern and Regional Economic Development program allow for projects up to 3 years duration. Matching funds are directed to help increase regional attractiveness and investment readiness for business expansion and regional growth.

Guidelines and details at: www.alberta.ca/northern-and-regional-economic-development-program



❖ Manufacturing Energy Construction Ag Processing (MECAP) Speaker Series Join the third event in the AlbertaSW MECAP Industry Leaders Forum Speaker Series!

Wednesday, November 20, 2024

12:00-2:00pm (Virtual Zoom) Topic: **Supply Chain ...**

The panel will present innovative solutions, resources, and business cases on how specific companies have worked to address supply chain issues and the logistics and disruptions to movement of goods and products. More details next week!

TO REGISTER... e-mail bev@albertasouthwest.com or NatalieGibson@shaw.ca

❖ New grant program for industrial and manufacturing facilities!

Government of Alberta and Natural Resources Canada have launched a new \$50M fund

Strategic Energy Management for Industry (SEMI) program.

SEMI will support industrial facilities through four activities:

- 1. Up to \$50,000 per facility to conduct an Energy Assessment and Audit.
- 2. Up to \$250,000 per facility to implement an Energy Management Information System.
- 3. Up to \$100,000 per facility to participate in Strategic Energy Management training.
- 4. Up to \$1,000,000 per facility to invest in energy-efficient Capital Retrofit projects.

<https://www.eralberta.ca/semi/>

**A wide range of industries are eligible for SEMI, including agriculture, forestry, mining, quarrying, oil and gas, utilities, construction, manufacturing, transportation, waste management, and more.



❖ Economic Developers Alberta (EDA) 2025 Leaders' Summit & Conference

Pomeroy Kananaskis 1

:00pm Wednesday April 9 to 12 noon on Friday, April 11, 2025

This conference sells out each year, so it is not too soon to secure your spot and book a room!

Register at www.edaalberta.ca/event-5566857

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