April 4 COVID-19 Update: Wood Buffalo Region

Latest information:

(Revised) Physical distancing protocols
To help align our protocols with the guidance many governments are using, we are transitioning our physical distancing guidelines from the World Health Organization (WHO) specifications requiring at least one metre (three feet) of distance between people to two metres (six feet) of distance.

We recognize two metre physical distancing will not be possible or practical in all situations across our operations. In these situations, we will conduct additional reviews. Please read the physical distancing guidelines specific to your site to understand the changes being implemented or revised in areas including transportation, lodging and site complexes. We have attached the information shared with Fort Hills, Base Plant and In Situ on physical distancing. The majority of content is consistent, but there is a small amount of information unique to each area. It's your responsibility to follow them the best way you can. If you have any questions, speak with your leader.

![Keep Your Physical Distance](image)

Hopefully, this is a great North American way to visualize a 2-metre physical distance. Wherever possible, maintain “one moose length” distance. You heard right!

Worker self-assessment
Before going to site or starting your shift (i.e. before leaving your home, getting to the bus stop, or arriving at the airport and/or helipad), complete the self-assessment to determine if you are fit for duty.

Ask yourself:

1. Are you experiencing fever (38 degrees Celsius or higher), respiratory symptoms such as a cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing or other COVID-19 symptoms described by your local health authority?

2. In the past 14 days, are you aware of any close contact with a confirmed COVID-19 case?
(Note: Close contact means a person who provides care, lives with, or has close physical contact with a person who is confirmed as having COVID-19; or comes into direct contact with the infectious body fluids of a person who is confirmed as having COVID-19.)

If you answer “Yes” to either of the questions above, **DO NOT GO TO WORK** (i.e. board airplane, check into camp, etc.).

**Health & Safety**

- We have been made aware of a Clean Harbors employee who, while off shift in another province, developed symptoms and tested positive for COVID-19.
- The person was last on shift at MacKay River on March 3 and began developing symptoms on March 16. Due to the length of time (13 days) between the person leaving shift and developing symptoms we do not believe there is a risk to the MacKay River site.
- Clean Harbors has shared with us that health authorities believe this case is attributed to repeated close contact with a person with COVID-19 in Eastern Canada

- Remember to focus on the things we can control: Wash your hands, cough into your elbow, don’t touch your face and practice physical distancing.
- For the most up-to-date information on confirmed COVID-19 cases and laboratory testing conducted in Alberta, visit the [Alberta Government](https://www.alberta.ca) website.

**New** **RMWB transit bus shelters**

- In order to ensure everyone is following the physical distancing requirements, the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo (RMWB) has made the decision to lock all the bus shelters in town.
- At this time, the only shelters that will remain unlocked are: The Main Terminal, Thickwood Terminal and the Timberlea Terminal.
- Please remember to dress appropriately for the weather conditions.