

Check out what's happening in Saskatoon Willowgrove and throughout the Province!



## PREMIER MOE PAYS TRIBUTE TO RETIRING MLAs

As the spring session of the legislature concluded Friday, July 3, Premier Scott Moe acknowledged and thanked MLAs who will not be running in the next provincial election.

“Politics is a partisan calling, but on both sides of the assembly there are people of good will who are motivated by essentially the same thing,” Moe said. “We all love this province. We all want to build a strong, resilient, inclusive Saskatchewan. On behalf of the entire province, I want to thank my departing colleagues for their sacrifice and commitment as we worked together to build a better Saskatchewan.”

Eleven MLAs – seven from the governing Saskatchewan Party and four from the Opposition New Democratic Party – have announced they are stepping down.

Leaving on the government side are Dan D’Autremont (representing Cannington), Nancy Heppner (Martensville-Warman), Greg Brkich (Arm River), Glen Hart (Last Mountain-Touchwood), Herb Cox (The Battlefords), Larry Doke (Cutknife-Turtleford) and Warren Michelson (Moose Jaw North). Warren McCall (Regina Elphinstone-Centre), David Forbes (Saskatoon Centre), Danielle Chartier (Saskatoon Riversdale) and Cathy Sproule (Saskatoon Nutuna) are the New Democrats stepping down.

The legislative assembly convened for the final time today before the upcoming provincial election, scheduled for October 26.

Farewell speeches will highlight the day, along with tributes from Premier Moe and Opposition Leader Ryan Meili.

All of the retiring MLAs have served at least two terms in the legislature. D'autremont, the former Speaker, is the longest-serving MLA in the assembly. He was first elected in 1991.

"These folks are exemplary citizens who have never forgotten why they were elected," Moe said. "It was a great honour to serve with them. I know MLAs on both sides of the house join me in wishing our colleagues the very best as they begin the next chapter in their life."

## SPRING LEGISLATIVE SESSION FOCUSED ON SUPPORTING GROWTH AND QUALITY OF LIFE IN SASKATCHEWAN



Premier Scott Moe said the government has delivered critical support to build the Saskatchewan economy and sustain high-quality services as the province continues to deal with the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

“During the spring session, we introduced a budget that will ensure our province continues on the path of growth while we manage an unprecedented health care challenge,” Moe said. “The budget includes a two-year \$7.5 billion capital plan that will create thousands of jobs while preparing Saskatchewan for the recovery to come. Saskatchewan is well positioned for an economic comeback. We have a strong financial foundation. We have determined and talented people. And we produce what a growing world requires – food, fuel and fertilizer. I believe Saskatchewan will get through the current challenges and emerge even stronger.”

The Provincial Budget, released on June 15, includes a record \$5.8 billion investment in health care, including more than \$100 million in additional funding to help contain the spread of COVID-19.

Among other initiatives in the budget:

- A record \$435 million for mental health and addictions supports and services;
- \$20 million investment to reduce surgical wait times;
- \$80 million to build new long-term care facilities in Grenfell and La Ronge and to support renewal projects in 51 long-term care facilities across the province;
- Record funding for Saskatchewan schools, including \$2.6 billion to support Prekindergarten to Grade 12 classrooms, early learning and child care, libraries and literacy;
- \$278 million in no-strings-attached Municipal Revenue Sharing – an 11 per cent increase and the highest amount ever provided under the program;
- \$150 million for the Municipal Economic Enhancement Program for municipal infrastructure projects; and
- \$715 million to improve highway safety and efficiency, including more than 20 new passing lanes to be constructed in 2020.

During the session, Premier Moe said the government will continue to support the goals outlined in the province’s new Growth Plan, released last fall.

The government will proceed with the establishment of three new trade and investment offices in Japan, India and Singapore.

“The COVID-19 pandemic has not changed the basic fundamentals of the Saskatchewan economy,” Moe said. “Once the crisis passes, the world will continue to grow, and demand for Saskatchewan products will be strong. We need to be in a position to capitalize on that demand. The new trade offices will help us diversify our markets and help Saskatchewan exporters make connections with international buyers, which will mean more jobs here at home.”

During the session, the government also announced the creation of a Nuclear Secretariat to coordinate nuclear policy and programs and plan for the deployment of clean energy small modular reactors in Saskatchewan.

The government introduced amendments to legislation to better protect the rights of legal firearm and handgun owners in the province.

And during the session, the *Interpersonal Violence Disclosure Protocol (Clare's Law) Act* came into force in Saskatchewan. "Clare's Law" authorizes a police protocol to disclose risk information related to someone's violent or abusive past to intimate partners whose safety may be threatened.

Saskatchewan is the first jurisdiction in Canada to enact Clare's Law legislation and is encouraging other provinces to follow in its footsteps.

## **CHECK OUT MY FACEBOOK PAGE**

<https://www.facebook.com/kencheveldayoffsk/videos/276729783652502/>



I had the opportunity to wish retiring colleagues well on the last day of the legislative session. I invite you to check the [video out on my facebook page.](#)

**SASKATCHEWAN IS THE FIRST PROVINCE IN CANADA TO  
IMPLEMENT "CLARE'S LAW"**

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“Clare’s Law” authorizes a police protocol to disclose risk information related to someone’s violent or abusive past to intimate partners whose safety may be threatened.

The Interpersonal Violence Disclosure Protocol created under the Act sets out a framework and standard process for the disclosure of information. The information can be disclosed to applicants who believe they may be at risk from an intimate partner (“right to ask”), and to persons identified by police to be at risk (“right to know”).

“We are proud to be the first jurisdiction in Canada to enact Clare’s Law legislation and look forward to other provinces doing the same,” Justice Minister and Attorney General Don Morgan said. “If this legislation helps protect even just one person, it’s a success.”

Read more [here](#).

## **MADD SASKATOON - PLEASE DON'T DRINK AND DRIVE!**



This past Saturday, Saskatoon Willowgrove constituents Bonny and Craig Stevenson and members of MADD Saskatoon worked with Saskatoon Police Service Traffic and partners from Corman Park Police. They shared their message and thanked drivers for driving safely. It was a busy evening

Unfortunately, several drivers made poor choices last night. 3 were charged with impaired driving, others had their licenses suspended for 3 or 30 days, and 8 vehicles were impounded for periods ranging from 3 to 60 days

Bonny and Craig and MADD Saskatoon continue to work tirelessly to bring awareness to drinking and driving after tragically losing their son Quinn. Quinn was tragically killed by a drunk driver. They don't want any other families to experience the heartbreak they live with each day.

Please be a good wingman and please don't drink and drive.

**SARCAN RECYCLING HAS BEEN BUSY!**





Since reopening, [SARCAN Recycling](#) has recycled more than 20 MILLION containers alone.

Thank you to Saskatchewan residents for holding your recycling while SARCAN Recycling was closed.

And thank you to SARCAN Recycling for all your hard work in reopening!

Before you go to drop off your recyclables, follow [SARCAN Recycling](#) and visit [sarcana.ca](http://sarcana.ca) for updates such as reduced hours, Drop 'n' Go availability and bag limits.

## **SASKATCHEWAN TESTS NEW TECHNOLOGY TO IMPROVE FARMERS' MENTAL HEALTH**





Innovation Saskatchewan and the Ministry of Agriculture are partnering with a health services company to provide farmers with a new tool to track their mental health and link them with supports.

The mobile app, developed by Bridges Health in Saskatoon, was selected during a province-wide Innovation Challenge in the spring of 2020, where technology entrepreneurs offered solutions to assist Saskatchewan farmers, ranchers and agricultural workers in actively monitoring their mental health.

“Despite progress made, there is still stigma associated with asking for support when it comes to mental health,” Minister Responsible for Innovation Saskatchewan Tina Beaudry-Mellor said. “Having access to an app in the privacy of one’s own home will enhance the likelihood of people asking for help when they need it the most.”

Read the [entire news release](#).

## **TRAFFIC SAFETY FUND GRANTS APPROVED FOR 50 COMMUNITIES ACROSS SASKATCHEWAN**

Road safety improvements are coming to 50 communities across Saskatchewan, courtesy of \$550,000 in grants from the Provincial Traffic Safety Fund.

A total of 52 projects have been approved, with grants ranging from \$2,320 to \$57,750. These include digital speed display signs and other speed management projects, pedestrian crossing signals, school zone beacons and additional street lights.

“It’s great to once again see so many are taking the initiative to reduce traffic collisions, injuries and fatalities in their communities, and I’m pleased that the Traffic Safety Fund is able to help them reach their goals,” Minister Responsible for SGI Joe Hargrave said. “I want to congratulate the successful applicants and encourage others to apply for these grants. Safer roads benefit everyone in our province.”

Read the [entire news release](#).

## **SASKATOON FORESTRY FARM PARK & ZOO SCHEDULED TO OPEN THIS WEEK!**



Who wants to go to the zoo? Do you? Do you want to go to the zoo?

The Saskatoon Forestry Farm Park & Zoo will open on July 8 in compliance with the guidelines and restrictions under the Re-open Saskatchewan plan! Public health orders are still in place, so please avoid the zoo if you are sick.

Read about precautions, along with admission rates and hours, by visiting: [saskatoon.ca/zoo](https://saskatoon.ca/zoo)

## **SASKATOON FREEWAY FUNCTIONAL PLANNING STUDY BEGINS**



**Another phase of the Saskatoon Freeway functional planning study begins.**

**For the remainder of 2020 and into early 2021, Phase 2 of the Saskatoon Freeway functional planning study will focus on the eastern and southeastern components.**

**Because of current restrictions on large in-person gatherings due to COVID-19, the typical approach to stakeholder and public engagement has changed for Phase 2. Organizers are relying on our website as an important platform to keep residents, landowners and stakeholders informed and engaged.**

**Because of COVID-19 restrictions, virtual tools will be used to engage with residents and stakeholders this summer. Sign up for email alerts at [www.saskatoonfreeway.org/alerts](http://www.saskatoonfreeway.org/alerts)**

**NSBA - THE PRAIRIE LILY CRUISE IS BACK!**



We will be taking off at 4pm from the Prairie Lily dock for a leisurely cruise down our scenic South Saskatchewan River where you can enjoy the view and a drink at our first event of the season. We ask that you please respect the social distancing measures that will be in place to keep everyone safe and comfortable during this event.

Can't wait to see you there! Get your tickets here: <https://nsbasask.com/.../nsba-welcome-back-prairie-lily-crui.../>

**RE-OPEN SASKATCHEWAN: INDOOR POOLS, RINKS, SPORTS  
AND THE PERFORMING ARTS CAN RE-OPEN ON JULY 6;  
CASINOS AND BINGO HALLS ON JULY 9**



# Re-Open Saskatchewan: All Remaining Businesses

**July 6**

**Re-Opening:**

- Indoor Pools & Rinks
- Indoor Sports & Activities
- Performing Arts
- Capacity Limits Removed for Restaurants

**July 9**

**Re-Opening:**

- Casinos
- Bingo Halls

**July 16**

**Re-Opening:**

- Rodeos
- Racetracks

Businesses, events and activities continue to re-open in the second part of Phase 4 of Re-Open Saskatchewan.

Beginning Monday, July 6, indoor pools, indoor rinks, indoor sports and activities, and the performing arts – including music, dance and theatre – will be able to re-open. The seating capacity for restaurants and licensed establishments will also increase that same day to a level that allows staff and customers to maintain two metres of physical distance.

On Thursday, July 9, casinos and bingo halls are able to re-open for business. The guidelines for businesses and activities re-opening on July 6 and July 9 are included in this week's update to the plan to re-open the provincial economy.

Racetracks and rodeo-related activities are targeted to resume on July 16. Guidelines are being developed and will include guidance related to spectators. Other updates include:

**Restaurants and Licensed Establishments**

In addition to an increased seating capacity, video lottery terminals (VLTs), pool tables, dart boards, arcade games and other recreation areas will be able to re-open on July 6 as long as physical distancing can be maintained. Increased cleaning and disinfection will also be required. Live entertainment in these establishments is targeted to return on July 16. Guidelines are currently being developed.

#### **Fall Planning for Post-Secondary Institutions**

Fall planning for post-secondary institutions is underway in consultation with public health. The institutions will be communicating to their campus communities in the near future.

As restrictions are gradually lifted in the province, additional information will continue to be added to the Re-Open Saskatchewan plan based on direction from public health officials and input from businesses and service providers.

Saskatchewan residents are encouraged to familiarize themselves with the guidelines and follow their recommendations to ensure the province can continue to re-open in a safe manner without a significant increase in the transmission of COVID-19.

Find the most up-to-date version of the Re-Open Saskatchewan plan at [www.saskatchewan.ca/re-open](http://www.saskatchewan.ca/re-open).

## **NEW BEE SPECIES HONOURS HIGH FLYING CANADIAN HERO**





The Royal Saskatchewan Museum (RSM) announced today that a newly recognized species of bee native to North America is named in honour of Canadian Astronaut Colonel Christopher Hadfield.

In an academic paper, authored by RSM Curator of Invertebrate Zoology, Dr. Cory Sheffield and published in the *Journal of Hymenoptera Research*, Sheffield makes the scientific case for the insect's uniqueness as well as the story behind naming it after a true Canadian hero.

To learn more about entomological research and other exciting work at the RSM, visit <https://royalsaskmuseum.ca/rsm/research>. For more information about the RSM, programming, or to learn how you can support the RSM's world class research and programming, visit <https://royalsaskmuseum.ca/>, Facebook (@Royal.Saskatchewan.Museum), Twitter (@royalsaskmuseum) or Instagram (@RoyalSaskMuseum). Read the [entire news release](#).

**SAVE THE DATE!**



I'm please to share this message from Saskatoon Willowgrove constituent, Bonny Stevenson:

Good Afternoon Friends of the Quinn Stevenson Golf Tournament,

We thought it was time to touch base with all participants and sponsors of Quinn's Golf Tourney. Given the uncertainty in the world we don't really know what the Tourney looks like, but we are hoping to be able to hold the 7th Annual Quinn Stevenson Memorial Golf Tournament on Friday August 21st, 2020.

We will work with the Willow... [See More](#)— at [The Willows](#).

## **SASKATCHEWAN ANNOUNCES \$4 BILLION IRRIGATION PROJECT AT LAKE DIEFENBAKER**

# Lake Diefenbaker Irrigation Expansion

## Westside Irrigation Expansion



**340,000 acres**  
of irrigation

**\$2 billion**  
investment

[saskatchewan.ca](http://saskatchewan.ca)

## Qu'Appelle South Project



**120,000 acres**  
of irrigation

**\$2 billion**  
investment

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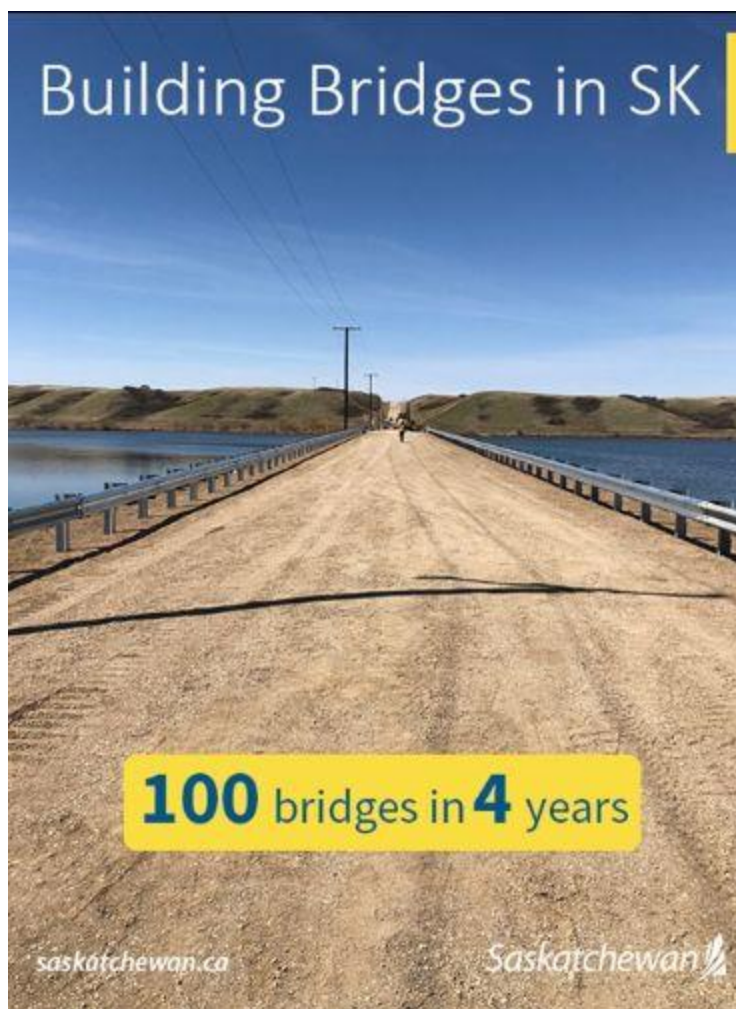
Work To Begin Immediately To Stimulate The Economy

Premier Scott Moe announced the first steps of a generational project that will fulfill the vision of Prime Minister John Diefenbaker to ensure the prosperity of Saskatchewan people and irrigate up to 500,000 acres of land from Lake Diefenbaker, more than doubling the irrigable land in Saskatchewan. The project is beginning with an immediate \$22.5 million investment in preliminary engineering and initial construction. Project construction is expected to occur approximately over the next 10 years in three main phases at a cost estimated at \$4 billion.

“The announcement of this generational project will see the vision of Lake Diefenbaker completed over the course of the next decade,” Moe said. “By doubling the amount of irrigable land in our province, this project will be a massive step in completing the goals our government has set out in our 2030 Growth Plan.”

Read the [entire news release](#).

## MORE THAN 100 RURAL BRIDGES TO BE IMPROVED BY 2024



The Government of Saskatchewan is partnering with Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities (SARM) and the federal government to replace 100 RM bridges over the next four years.

“Investments in public infrastructure, such as road improvements and bridge replacements, help build strong and competitive rural communities and improve the quality of life for Canadians,” said Maryam Monsef, Minister for Women and Gender Equality and Rural Economic Development. “We are proud to support these vital projects in Saskatchewan that will help create well-paying, stable jobs during the construction phase, and will also have positive and long-lasting benefits for residents and businesses for years to come.”

“Our government continues to invest in rural infrastructure that improves safety and keeps our economy growing,” Highways and Infrastructure Minister Greg Ottenbreit said. “The food, fuel,



fertilizer and manufactured goods that our province exports often begin their path to market on a municipal road. So we are happy to upgrade 100 rural bridges to ensure we can reliably get our goods to market.”

Read the [entire news release](#).

## **CROP REPORT FOR THE PERIOD JUNE 23 - JUNE 29, 2020**

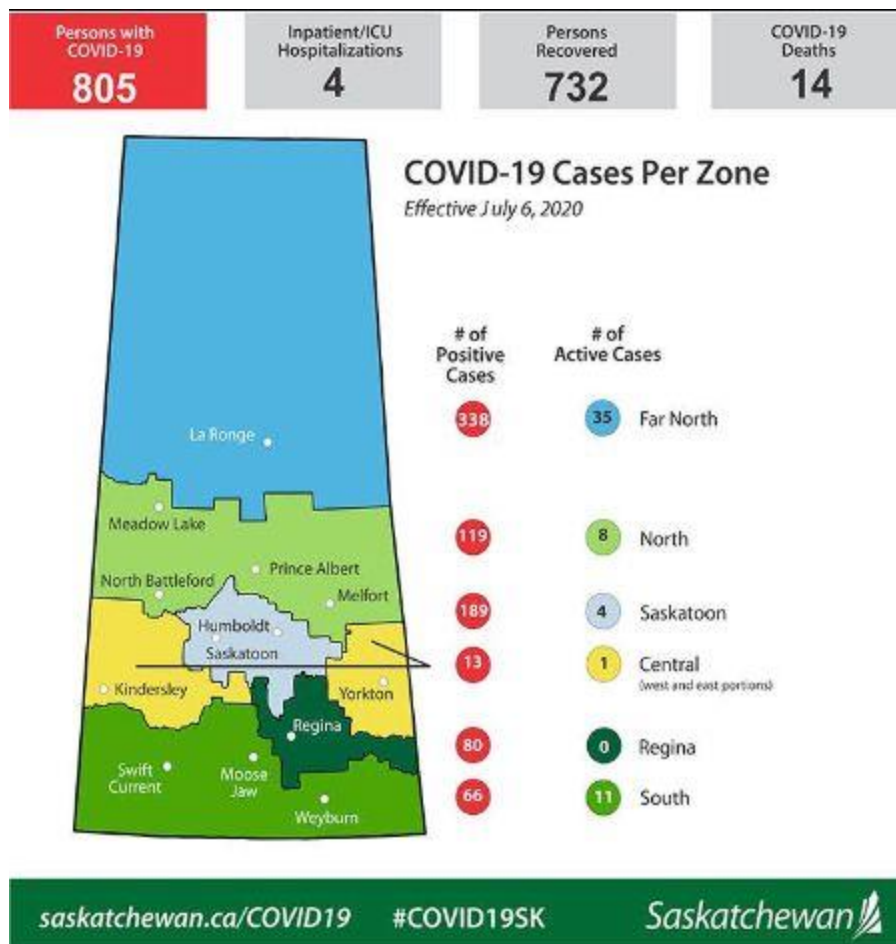


Most of the province received rain this week, improving moisture conditions, especially in the southern and west-central regions that received higher amounts. Some of the northern parts of the province have reported localized flooding and standing water in fields. The majority of crops in the province are in fair to excellent condition.

Provincially, 67 per cent of fall cereals, 72 per cent of spring cereals, 65 per cent of oilseed crops and 81 per cent of pulse crops are at normal stages of development for this time of year. Rainfall in the province ranged from trace amounts to 75 mm in the Macklin area.

Read the [entire news release](#).

## COVID-19 CASES PER ZONE / ADDITIONAL INFORMATION



**COVID-19 UPDATE: NINE NEW CASES; 21 MORE RECOVERIES; FOUR IN HOSPITAL**

<https://www.saskatchewan.ca/government/news-and-media/2020/july/06/covid-19-update-july-6>

### Provincial COVID-19 Information

Provincially, the Government of Saskatchewan has rolled-out numerous resources intended to aid residents of Saskatchewan during the pandemic, and furthermore, supporting them in the transition towards the reopening of our province.

For updated information, refer to [saskatchewan.ca/COVID19](https://www.saskatchewan.ca/COVID19).

### HealthLine 811

- For health-related COVID-19 concerns

- If you would like to request a COVID-19 test

1-855-559-5502

**General inquiry line for COVID-19**

1-844-800-8688

- To contact the Business Response Team for information on program supports during the COVID-19 pandemic

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- 75% if an employee's wages will be covered for eligible employers

**Business Credit Availability Program (BCAP)**



- Under this program, there are four different options to choose from, centered on loan guarantees and co-lending for small and medium-sized enterprises, and mid-market guarantees and financing

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***If you would like me to recognize anyone or have your event mentioned in this newsletter, please don't hesitate to call or email me.***

***"From a Provincial Point of View" is an electronic message from Ken Cheveldayoff, MLA Saskatoon Willowgrove. Your opinions are important and your letters, emails, and phone calls on any issues relating to the provincial government are welcomed.***

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