

Heartland Communities Receive Beneficial Project Updates

October 28, 2014 – Air quality and noise management information along with industrial project updates were presented at the Heartland Community Information Evening on October 27 in Gibbons. Nearly 250 residents, businesses, local government and industry representatives attended the bi-annual event hosted by Life in the Heartland.

“Our Heartland Information Evenings provide residents with opportunities to connect with dozens of organizations in a single night,” comments Vanessa Goodman, Chair of Life in the Heartland. “There is a wealth of information about industrial activities available on our website, on social media, and in our e-newsletter; however those who live and work in the region are also able to hear updates and have conversations at these events.”

Salt cavern storage, employment, road network upgrades, and resource development were topics discussed with approximately 20 organizations and industrial companies at the Information Evening.

Five organizations delivered presentations and shared the following details:

- **Fort Air Partnership** provided details of their air quality data feed online as well as plans to build and operate an air quality monitoring station in or near Gibbons.
- **Northeast Capital Industrial Association** highlighted their Regional Noise Management Plan, a first of its kind in the world, and available on a Google Earth platform by end of year.
- **Access Pipeline** provided an update on their pipeline project from Conklin to Sturgeon County, in addition to their participation in a joint resident data collection pilot project.
- **Agrium** highlighted their successful turnarounds in 2014 in addition to their community investment, including \$500K to United Way along with various other donations and volunteer commitments.
- **North West Redwater Partnership** reported that their site workforce is approximately 1,400 people, site construction is well underway, and their busing program began in September.

The presentations are available at www.lifeintheheartland.com. Tweets from the evening can be found by following [@LifeinHeartland](https://twitter.com/LifeinHeartland) or searching #ABHeartland on Twitter. Details about the Community Information Evening in Spring 2015 will be available in April.

To learn more, visit www.lifeintheheartland.com, email info@lifeintheheartland.com, or follow us on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/LifeinHeartland) and [Twitter](https://twitter.com/LifeinHeartland).

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Life in the Heartland provides information and resources for residents of the Heartland region.

Supporting partners include Alberta's Industrial Heartland Association, Alberta's Industrial Heartland Land Trust Society, Fort Air Partnership, Northeast Capital Industrial Association, and Northeast Region Community Awareness Emergency Response.