

Springfield News and Views

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Floodway's Public Liaison Committee Update

If you are interested in the floodway project, live within the floodway region and would like to participate in the Public Liaison Committee as a local resident, please contact the Manitoba Floodway Authority at (204) 945-4900, toll free 1-(866)356-6355 or visit the website at: floodwayauthority.mb.ca to get an application. The deadline for applications is Monday, March 12, 2007.

The MFA has recently announced that the Reeve/Mayor membership of the PLC will be increased to allow one representative from each of the nine rural municipalities within the floodway region. This is good news for the RM of Springfield, local residents and the floodway project itself.

CN Redditt Railway Bridge at the Perimeter

The work area is adjacent to the Rural Municipality of Springfield and the City of Winnipeg. The project is scheduled to be completed in the summer of 2008. The construction of the new bridge piers and abutments will involve driving piles, constructing pile caps and pier shafts. In order to complete these works excavation will require shoring or sheetpiling cofferdams and the temporary crossings of the Low Flow Channel. The contract also includes the establishment and removal of a temporary railway detour. The bridge was previously used for the construction of the CN Sprague Railway Bridge and will, subsequently, be used for the construction of the CP Keewatin Bridge. In addition, channel excavation of approximately 50,000m³ on the east and west bank will be undertaken.

Council Meets with MP Vic Toews

Council and CAO Larry Tetrault met recently with local Member of Parliament Vic Toews. Discussions on the following topics were included: Highway #15 Floodway Bridges, Oakbank Water Treatment Plant Expansion, Fire Hydrant Infrastructure Expansion, Traffic Lights, Springfield Wellness Center and Drainage Permits/Regulation Bureaucracy.

