

In The Know

A number of years ago, the Municipalities (RM of Hillsdale No. 440 and Neilburg) requested you to be prepared for an emergency and asked everyone to update their contact information with the Municipal Office. Please do this again! **We would like everyone to provide their current email address and cell phone number.** We want to utilize the H2Safety System we have in place for notifications and emergencies.

You may have received a text, email or voice call regarding 2% Liquid Strychnine - if you did not, we do not have your correct information. At this moment, we send out all three (3) notification to hopefully catch everyone. In the future we plan to utilize text and email only. The voice calls come from Calgary, and we understand answering them may not be your preference.

To update and check your information please send us an email to rm440@sasktel.net or give us a call at 306-823-4321.

Strychnine

Mandatory strychnine training for producers is now available.

Under the approved Emergency Use Registration, all RMs distributing strychnine and all users of strychnine are required to complete a 90 minute online training course available through the Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities (SARM).

The training includes information on strychnine use restrictions, species at risk, pesticide safety and storage.

At the conclusion of the training, a certificate will be generated

To be eligible to purchase strychnine, Purchase Information and Treatment Plan documentation along with a copy of the training certificate must be submitted to the municipality.

The RM of Hillsdale No. 440 must keep meticulous records of strychnine use in order to be eligible to supply in 2027.

You've Got Mail

As a gentle reminder when you receive correspondence from the Rural Municipality of Hillsdale No. 440, please take a moment to look it over.

We only mail information we want you to know.

**Please check it out,
it may be something significant!**

Important deadlines can be missed when mail is not responded to.

We do not send out junk mail. Paper mail is still the best way to reach all of our rate payers, although emailing documents will be accommodated.

If you wish to receive correspondence via email, please visit our website, www.rmofhillsdale.com and fill in the E-Notice Consent Form, send it to us, and we will update your information.

Backroad Stunting

Our gravel roads are seeing an increased presence of 'stunting'. The RCMP have been notified to watch out for erratic driving behavior.

Leaving wavy groves in the road surface or making circular ruts at intersections is a direct cause of road deterioration.

Roadways with ruts can alter the road surface posing a danger to other motorists.

Grader operators must delay regular road maintenance to repair these areas.

We would like to encourage persons attempting these 'stunts' to cease. We do not want to see anyone get hurt or any vehicle

Pest Control Officer

The Pest Control Officer for the RM is
Rob Knoll 780-999-4833

Rob visits yards, bin yards and vacant sites to ensure the rat population stays in

Summer 2026

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Rural Municipality of Hillsdale

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Payment Options

The RM of Hillsdale No. 440 has **FIVE** different ways to make tax payments.

IN PERSON

Cash or Cheques are accepted during regular business hours at 39 Centre Street in Neilburg. After hours, *cheques* may be left in the drop off box.

BY MAIL

Mail cheques to: Box 280, Neilburg, SK S0M 2C0. *Remember to mail early to avoid penalty charges.*

CREDIT CARD

Visa or Mastercard is accepted through Option Pay. You may access this online through our website, www.rmofhillsdale.com or at the municipal office. *Fees are charged to you for this service at time of payment.*

E-TRANSFER

Electronically through your banking institution using email: rm440@sasktel.net. (The RM has auto deposit so passwords are not necessary) *You may need to divide payments depending on your daily limit.*

CREDIT UNION PAYEE

The Rural Municipality of Hillsdale No. 440 is available as a payee (bill payment) through your Credit Union. *You will require your customer number from you tax notice which is displayed in the top righthand corner, in brackets to the right of your name.*

Property tax installments are accepted anytime throughout the year.

Taxes are due December 31 of each calendar year. Council sets the budget and levies taxes mid year. Tax notices are mailed shortly after. If you misplaced your copy, contact the Municipal Office and we can send you a copy by mail or e-mail.



Please remember when making payments electronically or by mail, to include your name and customer number. This helps to match payments made by company checks to the correct ratepayer.

Pest Biosecurity Program Gopher Control Program Claim Deadline is July 31, 2026



Producers, RMs and First Nations

are eligible to claim through the cost-share rebate program to control ground squirrel (Richardson's, Franklin's, thirteen-lined and northern pocket gopher) populations in Saskatchewan.

Scan the QR code or visit the **SARM website** at the link below for the GCP Program Guidelines and Claim Form.

sarm.ca/programs/sustainable-canadian-agricultural-partnership/gopher-control-program/



Pest Biosecurity Program Invasive Plant Control Program Claim Deadline is October 31, 2026



Producers, RMs and First Nations

are eligible to claim through the cost-share rebate program to assist with costs to control prohibited weeds and specific noxious weeds in Saskatchewan.

Scan the QR code or visit the **SARM website** at the link below for the IPCP Program Guidelines, Claim Forms and required supporting documents.

sarm.ca/programs/sustainable-canadian-agricultural-partnership/invasive-plant-control-program/



Hello Ratepayers of the Rural Municipality of Hillsdale No. 440!

Our newsletter is made with the intention to provide you with information we want you to know.

We are here to answer questions and to provide guidance with Governance, Transportation, Environmental Health and Wellness, Recreation and Culture & Planning and Development.

To reach us, call 306-823-4321 or email rm440@sasktel.net.

A group of seven Council members set policies and provide direction through the CAO, and Foreman plus 4 full-time employees and 2 seasonal employees.

If you have comments, questions or concerns, the Reeve or your Division Councilor would be happy to discuss them at a council meeting.

This year is an Election year for Divisions 2, 4 and 6.

Nomination period opens Wednesday, September 16, 2026, forms will be available on the RM website or can be picked up at the municipal office. Nominations close on Monday, October 5, 2026 and **Election Day is on Monday, November 9, 2026.**



Remember: not everyone votes for Division Councillors.

The division where a person is eligible to vote is determined by the first applicable clause:

1. The division where the voter resides;
2. The division where the voter owns assessed property; or
3. The division where the voter holds a permit as the occupant of a trailer or mobile home.

If a voter owns assessed property in more than one division, but does not live in the municipality, they are eligible to vote in the division with the highest assessed property. If assessment is equal in both divisions, the person votes in the lowest numbered division.

Election and Advance Poll are located in the municipal office in Neilburg, SK.

There are approximately 530 people living in the RM of Hillsdale No. 440. We maintain 315 miles of road by grading, gravelling, repairing, mowing, weed control and pavement management.

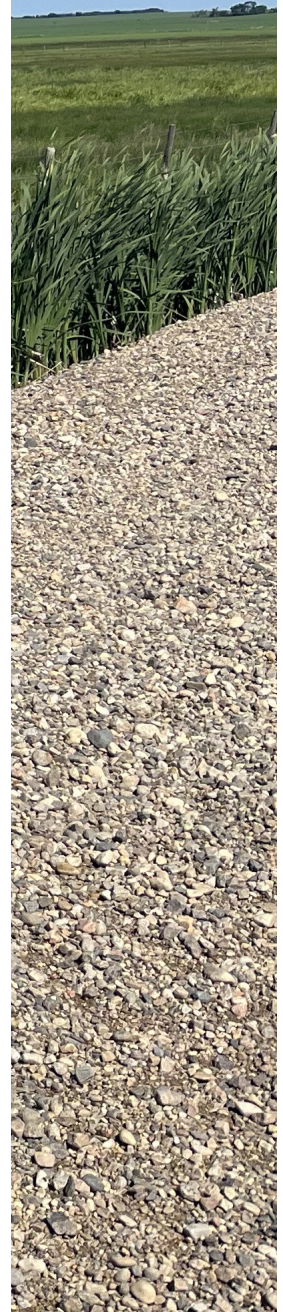
Each yard site receives one free grading per year, call the office to schedule.

In winter, we do our best to get roads plowed quickly and efficiently. Snow plowing driveways is executed only with agreements in place and when signage is posted.

Various funds are granted to Recreation Boards in Neilburg, Maidstone and Cut Knife to help provide places to be active throughout the year.

We have a transfer station for garbage disposal. Please do not dispose of garbage in the ditches!

The municipality also provides for, four cemeteries, East Manitou, Baldwinton, Carruthers and the Carruthers Catholic cemetery. Prior to any burials, you must contact the municipal office. Records need to be updated and cemetery maintenance can be scheduled.



2026 Construction

Cory Contracting Ltd. will begin construction on the Baldwinton Grid in July 2026.

This reconstruction will raise the road base up approximately 2 meters with rip wrapped rock edges.

Baldwinton Grid will not be paved.

The road will remain closed while our contractor works. Construction is expected to be completed in late fall, weather dependent.

Brushing or Mulching

Cleaning up fence lines?
Clearing trees or brush?

Please contact the municipal office or speak to your councillor prior to any brushing or mulching along Municipal Right of Way.

The municipality may want to clear brush at the same time and will share in the cost, pending prior approval.

Rural Municipality of Hillsdale No. 440 Council

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What can be taken to the Transfer Station?

Many, Many things! If you are unsure, please call the Municipal Office 306-823-4321

Items that CANNOT be accepted are:

Animal Carcasses, Anti Freeze or Anti Freeze Containers, Asbestos, Asphalt, Brick, Concrete, Electronics, Fertilizer, Fuel Tanks, Grain, Hazardous Waste, Paint, Paint Cans, Used Oil, Oil Containers or Oil Filters, Propane Bottles, Tires, or Vehicles.

Recycle Bins for Paper, Tin Cans, Cardboard and Plastics are available on Railway Avenue in Neilburg.



Our mission is to maintain and enhance the economic, cultural and social wellbeing of our ratepayers.

We accomplish our mission by providing services to the public which cannot feasibly be achieved individually such as transportation, protective, environmental development, public health and welfare, economic development and recreational and cultural services for the benefit of the public as a whole.