

Regional Projects

Calgary Metropolitan Region Board Projects		
Summarized below are the CMRB projects that the City of Calgary is engaged in.		
No. on map	Project	Description
A	Collaborative Regional Economic Development Initiative	The Calgary Metropolitan Region Board (CMRB or the 'Board') approved their '5 year plan' on 2022, June 9. This is the first of five key initiatives identified in the plan, with Calgary Economic Development acting as the convener. This work seeks to position the Calgary Metro Region as the premier location for investment attraction through regional collaboration and partnerships. This initial phase is focused on establishing a governance and financial model to pilot over the next three to five years.
B	Water Roadmap Implementation	This is the second of five key initiatives of the Board. The CMRB is leading the project, and the City of Calgary is participating in the Technical Advisory Group. A project charter will be developed to prioritize and implement the recommendations for the future long-term strategy for water security in the region.
C	Regional Transportation and Transit Master Plan	This is the third of five key initiatives of the Board. The CMRB is leading the project, and the City of Calgary is participating in the Technical Advisory Group. This project will develop a scope of work to advance the objectives of the Regional Transportation and Transit Master Plan. The work will support any applications to the Canada Public Transit Fund. Stage 1 of the Regional Transportation and Transit Master Plan has been tendered by the CMRB. Stage 1 will be awarded to a proponent in August/September 2024.
D	Environmentally Sensitive Areas Dashboard Tool Project	This is the fourth of five key initiatives of the Board. The CMRB is leading this project, and the City of Calgary is participating in the Technical Advisory Group. The project will develop an online dashboard tool, following the completion of the Environmentally Sensitive Areas (ESA) Database initiative. This would further the goal of establishing common regional definitions and values related to ESAs by making the information accessible to various organizations, developers and members of the public.

E	Indigenous Relations Plan: Phase 3 2024-25	This is the fifth of five key initiatives of the Board. Project deliverables include enhancing ongoing dialogue with Indigenous Nations, demonstrating continued learnings about Indigenous interests, exploring joint projects of mutual interest, and celebrating the Indigeneity of our Region.
F	Joint Planning Area 1 Context Study – Airdrie, Rocky View County, Calgary.	This area is identified by the CMRB Growth Plan as an area where significant intermunicipal servicing and related growth pressures currently exist or are anticipated in the near future. The City is participating in the development of an intermunicipal Context Study for this Joint Planning Area that will provide a foundation for the sustainable, equitable and efficient provision of servicing, mobility options, parks and recreation, and environmental considerations.
G	Joint Planning Area 2 Context Study – Chestermere, Rocky View County, Calgary	This area is identified by the CMRB Growth Plan as an area where significant intermunicipal servicing and related growth pressures currently exist or are anticipated in the near future. The City of Calgary is participating in the development of an intermunicipal Context Study for this Joint Planning Area that will provide a foundation for the sustainable, equitable and efficient provision of servicing, mobility options, parks and recreation, and environmental considerations.
H	Regional Evaluation Framework Circulations	All new statutory plans and certain amendments to existing statutory plans are required to be submitted to the CMRB for approval by all member municipalities. The City of Calgary Administration reviews Regional Evaluation Framework circulations and provides recommendations to The City of Calgary's Board representatives.
I	Board and Working Groups – Administrative support	The City of Calgary Administration provides support to elected officials on the CMRB Board and Working Groups. Specifically, the Regional Planning team coordinates The City's subject matter expert review of CMRB project work and provides regional planning analysis and advice to CMRB as required.

J	Canada Public Transit Fund Metro-Region Agreement	<p>This federal funding program will provide \$3 billion per year to support public transit and active transportation infrastructure through three funding streams. The Regional Planning team is supporting The City's participation in the Metro-Region funding stream which, if successful, will support regional transit and active transportation projects.</p> <p>The CMRB initiated a Technical Advisory Group to develop the Metro-Region Agreement. The City of Calgary is leading the Agreement with the CMRB's support.</p>
K	Population and Employment Projections update	<p>The Regional Planning team is supporting the CMRB's initiative to update the regional Population and Employment Projections. This work will inform the Regional Transportation and Transit Master Plan and Joint Planning Area Context Studies, as well as other regional work.</p>

Other Projects		
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1	Tri-Party Regional Recreation Study	This Regional Recreation Study will explore opportunities for developing intermunicipal approaches to providing recreation services between Rocky View County, Chestermere and Calgary.
2	Prairie Economic Gateway Initiative	The Prairie Economic Gateway (Gateway) initiative is a collaborative project between The City and Rocky View County. The initiative will use a shared investment, shared services and shared benefit framework. The main focus of the Gateway initiative will be developing an industrial park with direct rail access. This initiative will strengthen rail, land and air transport services to help move people and goods more efficiently in the Calgary Region.
3	Circulation: Springbank Area Structure Plan	<p>Rocky View County has circulated the Springbank Area Structure Plan (ASP) to The City for review. Springbank includes lands to the west of Calgary and contemplates areas with significant source water implications.</p> <p>NOTE: The City is involved in several circulations from regional neighbours. The Springbank ASP is highlighted because it has significant impacts to The City.</p>

4	Airport Trail Stoney Trail Interchange	<p>To support the development of Omni, a master-planned development in Rocky View County, a Rocky View developer is constructing the Airport Trail/Stoney Trail Interchange with support from the Province. The project represents a new interim stage for the interchange but it aligns with and can be expanded to the Province's ultimate design configuration in the future.</p> <p>Once completed, the interchange will provide an additional route for travel between northeast communities. Specifically, it facilitates movement from the Calgary communities of Saddle Ridge to Cornerstone, Skyview and Redstone.</p>
5	Bears paw Reservoir Tri-Lateral Task Force	<p>The Bears paw Reservoir Task Force, comprising of Rocky View County, The City of Calgary and TransAlta, aims to implement the Task Forces' 2019 Consensus Report's recommendations. Their goal is to conduct public consultation and deliver a Bears paw Reservoir Risk Management Strategy. The Task Force's projects focus on risk management, public safety and water quality, public consultation, education and cooperation to ensure the reservoir's long-term sustainability to advance low-risk recreational uses in the mutual interest of all interested parties. With recent increased demand for access to the reservoir, this work is increasingly important.</p>
6	Collaborative Stormwater Management Initiative (CSMI)	<p>This is a sub-regional stormwater management initiative east of Calgary. Membership includes City of Calgary, Rocky View County, Western Irrigation District and Town of Strathmore. This work is instrumental in addressing stormwater challenges for the Belvedere development within Calgary.</p>
7	Harmony Sub Regional Wastewater	<p>The City of Calgary has been participating in a collaborative working group with administration from the Town of Cochrane, Rocky View County and the County's private utility franchise partner, Harmony Advanced Water System Corporation (HAWSCo). In response to the Town of Cochrane's formal servicing request to The City, the technical assessment completed for this project has determined that a sub-regional approach for wastewater servicing using the Cochrane line is the preferred option for all parties. The City is commencing Master Servicing Agreement negotiations based on the proposed service area.</p>

8	YYC Master Plan	Calgary Airport Authority is undertaking a 10-year update to its Master Plan. The City is reviewing the Master Plan against City policy and plans with the purpose of identifying the degree of alignment between City's and Airport's planning direction. This will help identify any issues warranting deeper discussion between the parties.
9	YYC Land Use Agreement Update	Calgary Airport Authority and The City are undertaking preliminary work to inform a project to renegotiate and update the existing Land Use Agreement, Development Guidelines, and Acreage Assessment Levies.
10	Regional Water Servicing Request: Wheatland County	Wheatland County submitted a formal request to the City of Calgary to access potable water supply from the City of Calgary through the East Calgary Regional Waterline.
11	Intermunicipal Development Plan (Foothills County)	The City of Calgary manages the relationship with Foothills County as directed by the Intermunicipal Development Plan for this area. City Administration engages elected officials in this process through the Intermunicipal Committee where issues of common interest are managed.
12	Intermunicipal Development Plan (Chestermere)	The City of Calgary manages the relationship with Chestermere as directed by the Intermunicipal Development Plan for this area. City Administration engages elected officials in this process through the Intermunicipal Committee where issues of common interest are managed.
13	Range Road 284 Coordination with Chestermere.	To support development in Chelsea (Chestermere), Anthem is undertaking the Functional Planning Study for Range Road 284 as identified in the Calgary - Chestermere Intermunicipal Development Plan. The City of Calgary and the City of Chestermere are both active participants in the study to ensure the intents for the corridor (as identified in Intermunicipal Development Plan) can be implemented.
14	Intermunicipal Development Plan (Rocky View County)	The City of Calgary manages the relationship with Rocky View County as directed by the Intermunicipal Development Plan for this area. City Administration engages elected officials in this process through the Intermunicipal Committee where issues of common interest are managed.
15	TAZA Regional Transit	The City of Calgary is working with Tsuut'ina Nation on the feasibility of providing transit service to the TAZA development.

16	Regional Recreation coordination	The City is collaborating with Rocky View County to advance regional development objectives and the efficient allocation of resources for regional recreation.
17	West Macleod Residual Lands Area Structure Plan coordination with Foothills County	The Regional Planning team is participating in the development of the West Macleod Residual Lands Area Structure Plan and is leading the study on the consideration of cross-border impacts with the neighboring Foothills County in the plan.