



## Living With Wilderness in the District of Lakeland

### EMERGENCY SERVICES

<a href="#">24-hour Firewatch Line</a>	1-800-667-9660
<a href="#">24-hour Report a Bear</a>	1-800-667-7561
<a href="#">Saskatchewan Crime Stoppers</a>	1-800-222-8477
24-hour RCMP	310-7267
<a href="#">SaskPower: Report an Outage</a>	310-2220

### LOCAL SERVICES

Looking for help maintaining your property?  
Browse our [business directory](#) for local businesses  
that can help with tree removal, yard  
maintenance, security, and water hauling.

## Damages from Storm?

In response to the storm early on Saturday July 7th, the District of Lakeland has decided to open the Emma Lake Transfer Station from 8am to 4pm **every day of the week until the end of July**. Call 306-982-2010 to report fallen trees on municipal reserve or on roadways, and consult our [business directory](#) for tree removal on private property.

Insurance claims are not done through the District of Lakeland, and while not all repairs will need a development permit, ratepayers should still email our development officer at [development@lakeland521.ca](mailto:development@lakeland521.ca) regarding permit requirements. A general list of what requires a permit will be coming soon, for now please read our [Development Information](#) packages.

# Bears and Other Wildlife

WHO TO CALL AND WHAT TO DO



**We live in bear country!** Black bears are opportunistic creatures that are naturally drawn to food sources by their keen sense of smell. They will return frequently to places where they discover a source of food. It is important to "bear-proof" out homes:

- Avoid leaving pet food outdoors.
- Properly clean barbecue grills.
- Never feed or approach a bear or cubs.
- Report problem bears to 1-800-667-7561.
- Sasktel customers can text #5555

When bears start to associate their food with humans, they become a nuisance. Nuisance bears usually have to be destroyed. It is important to take measures to prevent bears from learning these behaviors in the first place.

Keep your trash in a secure location until garbage pickup day. **Do not leave your bin out if you are leaving before garbage day**, instead dispose of your trash to the bear-proof bins or haul it to the transfer station.



The District of Lakeland has traps to catch skunks and for safety reasons we won't handle skunks in ratepayer's traps. Call the office at 982-2010 to report skunks.

Other wildlife is the responsibility of Sask Environment, call the TIPS 24-hour line 1-800-667-7561.

Pet owners please pay special attention to

[\*The Animal Control Bylaw.\*](#)

# Protecting Your Home

MINIMIZING DAMAGE FROM FIRE AND STORMS

Sometimes there's nothing that can be done against powerful winds, rain, lightning, and hail. But there are some measures that can be taken to mitigate damage:

- **Replace missing or damaged shingles.**  
Damaged shingles are structurally weak to strong winds, and a missing shingle can be a gap for wind to get under and do even more damage. This also applies to siding.
- **Keep your gutters clear.** This is the first line of defense in helping water to flow away from your home, preventing basement flooding.
- **Regularly trim your trees.** Sometimes there's nothing you can do to prevent a tree from blowing over but dead trees and limbs are the weakest and usually the first to go.
- Walk around your property. Is there furniture that can be regularly put away? Do you have tools or other yard debris laying out? **Think about items that could become projectiles in a strong storm.**



Visit [FireSmart Canada](#) for resources on how to protect your home from wildfire.

## Criminal Activity

WHO TO CALL AND WHAT TO DO

**Emergency or crime-in-progress: always call 911.**

In this day and age, we have a growing tendency to post criminal activity to online social media, like Facebook. While this is useful for informing your friends list, RCMP and LDPS do not follow your Facebook.

If you are a victim of a crime, please call the RCMP at 310-7267. Crime Stoppers has a TIP line available for reporting criminal activity you become aware of at 1-800-222-8477, along with [online PSA and submission forms](#).

Please don't hesitate to call Lakeland District Protection Services at 306-982-4466.

# Resources

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT WILDFIRES, POWER OUTAGES, AND STORMS

Ratepayers can [sign up for CodeRED](#) to receive emergency alerts on a variety of devices, from telephone calling to an app on your smartphone, email, or social media. These alerts cover extreme weather events, fires, evacuation notices, and extended power outages.

If you are interested in becoming more involved with current issues such as the zebra mussel infestation, consider joining the [Provincial Association of Resort Communities in Saskatchewan](#) (PARCS) to receive newsletters, participate in workshops and conventions, and have a voice in your community.

Keep an eye on [weather alerts for Saskatchewan](#) when planning your activities in the District of Lakeland.

If you're sure you see a wildfire in the distance you can check the status of active wildfires on a [map that's updated hourly](#) on the Government of Saskatchewan website. **Always report wildfires to 911.**

Keep up to date on power outage information on [SaskPower's twitter account](#) and report a power outage to the twitter or by calling 310-2220. Often times during major power outages the phone lines can be busy, but if you have a personal twitter you can message or tweet SaskPower anytime.

**Our mailing address is:**

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