



# RM of Beaver River No. 622

Providing ratepayers with  
current and correct information  
pertaining to the RM

June 2026

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## Strychnine Use in Saskatchewan

The emergency use of two per cent liquid strychnine concentrate (strychnine) to control Richardson's ground squirrels is approved in Saskatchewan until November 2027. The web page, [www.Saskatchewan.ca/RGS-Control](http://www.Saskatchewan.ca/RGS-Control), details requirements of the Emergency Use Registration, as well as information specific to vendors and strychnine users.

### Understanding the Emergency Use Registration (EUR)

An EUR is a temporary, time-limited authorization by Health Canada's Pesticides Regulatory Directorate (formerly the Pesticide Management Regulatory Agency). It allows the limited use of pesticides that are not otherwise registered when an agricultural emergency exists.

### Information for Strychnine Users

Strychnine users must complete mandatory online training and may only apply strychnine in approved areas and timelines.

Users are responsible for record-keeping, environmental protection measures and compliance with all label and EUR restrictions. Environmental protection measures include in-burrow bait placement and carcass removal to limit the likelihood of non-target poisonings. All records must be returned to the RM office and will be shared with the Saskatchewan Ministry of Agriculture, which will provide them to Health Canada's Pesticide Regulatory Directorate.

Training is now available online through the SARM website. Those interested should confirm their nearest participating RM office prior to taking training.

After completing the 90-minute online training program, users are required to complete a mandatory Treatment Plan and Declaration Form to become a certified strychnine user.

**The RM of Beaver River does not have any stock of Strychnine available at this time. There is no timeline as to when we will get a supply. Please watch our website and/or Facebook page for when we have stock available.**

**Please also note that any unused supply must be returned to the RM office by October 31, 2027.**

## How Do I Obtain Strychnine?

- Through the Strychnine Stewardship Program, strychnine will be distributed by RM offices that have completed the mandatory training and have expressed interest in participating as a distributor.
- First Nation Communities within the eligible strychnine use area may obtain strychnine from the nearest RM that is distributing strychnine.
- Users must sign a Treatment Plan and Declaration Form.
  - ◇ In the Treatment Plan and Declaration Form, users will commit to follow all label restrictions, adhere to requirements of the Strychnine Stewardship Program and participate in field audits when requested.
- Producers will purchase strychnine from the participating RM office they selected as their primary RM on their training documentation.
- Supplies will be distributed evenly among participating RMs, with a per-producer cap to manage limited supply.
  - ◇ The user may apply strychnine that they purchased in their primary RM in other eligible RMs where they occupy land.
  - ◇ All treatment locations must be within the EUR approved use area.
- Supplies will be limited this growing season. The recommended window for spring application of strychnine ends June 15, after which application is less effective. We encourage producers to use other RGS management options this spring as early intervention and an integrated approach provide the best control outcomes.
- Strychnine will be available for the late summer application window from July 15 and September 1.

## Protection of Species at Risk

The EUR of strychnine was approved with careful consideration of species at risk, predatory animals and the environment. It includes measures to protect non-target species, including:

- Screening for species at risk: Areas with documented species at risk populations will be avoided unless suitable methods to mitigate risk can be demonstrated. Risk mitigation measures must be appropriate for the specific species at risk that are present.
- In-burrow application: All Richardson's ground squirrel burrows are required to be covered following bait application. This application methodology ensures bait is available only to the targeted pest, protecting non-target animals.
- Carcass collection and monitoring: There are strict monitoring requirements under the approved EUR. Following application, all treated areas must be monitored daily for the first week and weekly for three additional weeks. All carcasses must be collected and disposed of through incineration or burial to mitigate risks of secondary poisoning through the consumption of poisoned carcasses.

**For more information please go to: [www.Saskatchewan.ca/RGS-Control](http://www.Saskatchewan.ca/RGS-Control)**

## Assessment Roll 2026

NOTICE is hereby given that the assessment roll of the Rural Municipality of Beaver River No. 622 for the year 2026 has been prepared and is open to inspection at the office of the assessor from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm and 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm on the following days:

**Monday to Friday May 1, 2026 to June 5, 2026**

A Bylaw pursuant to section 214 of The Municipalities Act has been passed. Assessment notices have been sent out as required.

Any person who desires to appeal the assessment of himself/herself is required to file his or her Notice of Appeal with:

Secretary of the Board of Revision

WMC Ltd

Box 149

Meota, SK S0M 1X0

Appeal must be accompanied with \$200.00 for each assessment being appealed, which shall be returned if the appeal results in a change to the assessment.

### Calcium Chloride

Please do not apply any calcium chloride dust control products to the RM road adjacent to your property before speaking with the RM office personnel. This is so that any gravelling and grading can be properly coordinated to happen before the dust control is applied.



**Saskatchewan weather can be unpredictable.**

**Be prepared for hail.**

Do you have cash rented land you would like to insure?

- ◆ Premiums payable via credit card or cheque
- ◆ Losses greater than 85% are paid @ 100%
- ◆ Fire insurance included

Last day to apply for coverage is **August 1st, 2026.**

Call Nicole Neufeld 306-240-6985 for all your additional hail insurance needs.

### Yellow Flags for Dust Control

If you apply dust control to the road in front of your property we now have yellow flags available to place at the beginning and end of the dust control placement that will alert our grader operators to change their procedure. These flags are available at the RM office in Pierceland at no cost to the ratepayer.

## Province Introduces Henry’s Law to Enhance Protection from Dangers of Carbon Monoxide

The Minister of Government Relations introduced *The Building Code (Henry’s Law) Amendment Regulations, 2026* on May 5. This amendment to the National Building Code of Canada requires a carbon monoxide (CO) alarm in every residential suite or unit in a residential occupancy where a person sleeps. The enhanced regulations, known as **Henry’s Law**, are named in honour of Henry Losco, who passed away from CO poisoning in Regina in December 2025.

“Henry Losco’s tragic death demonstrated that Saskatchewan residents need stronger protection from the dangers of carbon monoxide in their homes,” Minister of Government Relations Eric Schmalz said. “Henry’s Law ensures that more CO alarms are positioned to provide protection, promoting the safety that is fundamental to communities and in building a strong Saskatchewan.”

Carbon monoxide is an invisible, odourless, poisonous gas produced by fuel-burning appliances such as natural gas furnaces, stoves, water heaters and fireplaces. CO can build up to dangerous levels when appliances or equipment are not working properly, are poorly ventilated or malfunction. Without a working CO alarm, continued exposure to CO can lead to confusion, drowsiness, loss of consciousness, brain damage and death.

As of November 1, 2026, Henry’s Law will require CO alarms in all multi-unit residential buildings consisting of apartments, condominiums, houses with secondary suites and all other buildings with multiple residential suites, regardless of when the building was initially built or last renovated.



**The RM of Beaver River Reeve  
and  
Council  
would like to extend  
congratulations to all the  
2026  
graduates within our  
municipality**

### Saskatchewan Fun Facts



- ◆ Battleford was once the capital of the North West Territories
- ◆ Saskatchewan is the only province without a natural border
- ◆ Every RCMP officer attended training at Depot Division in Regina
- ◆ Canada's only border city is in Lloydminster
- ◆ Canada's only interprovincial park is Cypress Hills, Interprovincial Park.
- ◆ Cypress Hills is also home to Lookout Point, the highest point in Saskatchewan

**Regular RM Office Hours: Monday to Friday 8 am to 12 pm and 1 pm to 4 pm**



**The RM of Beaver River office  
will be closed  
Wednesday, July 1, 2026  
to celebrate the Canada Day Holiday**



**Attention  
Saskatchewan  
Municipal Hail  
Members**

- ◆ Upcoming Hail Deadlines
  - June 15:** Last day to file crop reports
  - June 30:** Last day for new applicants to apply for coverage with SMHI
- ◆ If you did not withdraw from the SMHI hail program as at March 31, 2026 you are required to file your crop report on or before June 15th, 2026. Failure to do so may result in an appointed official completing a certified crop report on your behalf for a fee.

For more information please contact **Debbie Johnson, Administrator at the RM office 306-839-2060.**



**REEVE AND  
COUNCIL CONTACT  
NUMBERS**

<b>Reeve:</b> Kevin Turchyn	(C) 306-839-4425
<b>Division 1:</b> Matthew Wiatr	(C) 306-819-0440
<b>Division 2:</b> Brian Sawatzky	(H) 306-839-2072
<b>Division 3:</b> Dwayne Degenhardt	(C) 780-812-8701
<b>Division 4:</b> Ken Hammett	(C) 780-903-8666
<b>Division 5:</b> Lorne Wyss	(H) 306-839-2038
	(C) 306-839-7766
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<b>Administrator:</b> Debbie Johnson	306-839-2060
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**Burn Permits**

Burn permits are required

**April 1st to October 31st**

and are available by phone from the Municipal Office with NO FEE.

Please see [www.rmofbeaverriver622.ca](http://www.rmofbeaverriver622.ca) for complete Burn Permit Policy 200-01

**Regular Council Meeting**

**June 16, 2026**

**8:30 am**

**at the RM of Beaver River  
Office in Pierceland**



