Meadow Portage

Community Overview

Meadow Portage is located on a narrow strip of land between Lake Manitoba and Lake Winnipegosis and developed as ranching and agricultural activities took place in the area.

Access

The community is 16 kilometres (km) south of Waterhen and 48 km east of Winnipegosis.

Governance

The community has been recognized since 1970 and is represented by a mayor and council under The Northern Affairs Act.

Community Contacts

Meadow Portage Community Council Box 24 Meadow Portage, MB R0L 1E0

Phone: 204-732-2675 Fax: 204-732-2205

Email: meadowportagecc@gmail.com website: www.meadowportage.ca

Office Hours and Staff

Tuesday to Thursday: 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

The community employs a community administrative officer, public works employee, volunteer fire chief and back-up water treatment plant operator.

Economic Overview

The terrain is suitable for mixed farming and woodlands operations. Ranching, farming, livestock and commercial fishing are central to the economy. Agriculture, however only provides a modest income. Fishing is a secondary source with all activity taking place on Lake Manitoba and Lake Winnipegosis. The fishers bring their catch from both lakes to a private fish station in Winnipegosis.

Community Statistics

Population		
1985	145	
1991	101	
1996	85	
2001	80	
2006	70	
2011	69	

^{*}Information is from Statistics Canada.

Households

There are 34 housing units, along with 60 to 70 seasonal residences in the area.

Boundary

Manitoba Regulation 67/2009 refers to Director of Surveys at Winnipeg as No. 19318B. See map.

Property Assessment and Taxes

Information is from the 2015 assessment roll and Manitoba Regulation 117/2015 tax rates and levy of Manitoba Indigenous and Municipal Relations.

Value of Assessment		
Business	\$500	
Real Property	\$1,346,580	
Grants-in-lieu	\$645,080	
Exempt	\$106,860	
Total	\$2,099,020	
Rate of Taxation		
General Municipal mills	5.7	
Business Tax	3.75%	
School Levies		
Foundation mills	11.61	
Frontier School Division #48 mills	15.399	

Emergency Services

Fire

Fire fighting capability is based on a well-equipped pumper truck from the fire hall. Portable forestry equipment and a water trailer

are also available for grass and brush fires. The volunteer fire department is a member of the Winnipegosis Mutual Aid District. All volunteers are equipped with FleetNet radios.

Police

Police response is from the Winnipegosis RCMP Phone: 204-656-7000. The community safety officer in Waterhen can also respond Phone: 204-628-3476.

Medical

Medical response is based on ambulance service from Waterhen to hospitals in Winnipegosis, Ste. Rose du Lac or Dauphin.

Communication Services

Phone

Manitoba Telecom Services Rorketon and Winnipegosis Exchanges provide individual line service and digital switching with toll free calling to Camperville, Dauphin, Eddystone, Ethelbert, Fork River, Gilbert Plains, Grandview, Ochre River, Pine River, Sifton, Ste. Rose du Lac, Waterhen and Winnipegosis. Office toll free: 204-225-5687.

Cellular Service/Wi-Fi

Unavailabe

High-Speed Internet

Rural available.

Community Based Services

Hydro

Manitoba Hydro provides landline electric power. Office toll free: 1-888-624-9376.

Water and Wastewater

Water is pumped once a year when there is minimum turbidity from Lake Manitoba into a reservoir. In turn, it is filtered and chlorinated and pumped and stored in the pumphouse where residents can pick up quantities as required.

Sewage is contained in septic tanks and fields by the individual home owners.

Waste Disposal

A solid waste disposal site is provided. Hours of operation year round are: Wednesday 9 a.m. – 11 a.m. and additional hours during the summer from 2 p.m. – 4 p.m. on Sunday.

Schools

Students are transported to either the Winnipegosis School or Rorketon School. The Rorketon school is operated by Frontier School Division and serves 92 students from Kindergarten to Grade 12. Phone: 204-732-2525.

Recreation Facilities

- Baseball diamond with bleachers
- Community hall and office
- Open side picnic shelter
- Indoor rink/recreation facility with canteen
- Playground

Government Services

Manitoba Sustainable Development
Regional Operations, Western Region, District
Office and Conservation Officer Phone:
204-656-7030 in Winnipegosis. Northwest
Region, Fire Control Officer Phone:
204-627-8332 in The Pas.

Environment Officer Phone: 204-622-2316 and Drinking Water Officer Phone: 204-622-2153 in Dauphin. After hours emergency number toll free: 1-855-944-4888 (officers on call).

Manitoba Health, Seniors and Active Living Public Health Inspector Phone: 204-622-2062 in Dauphin.

Manitoba Justice

Circuit court sits at Dauphin coordinated by the Dauphin Regional Court Office Phone: 204-622-2192.

Manitoba Growth, Enterprise and Trade Employment Standards Branch Phone: 204-726-6926 in Brandon or toll free: 1-800-821-4307.

Office of the Fire Commissioner, Deputy Fire Commissioner Phone: 204-726-6855 in

Brandon. The 24 hour emergency number toll free: 1-888-389-3473.

Communities Economic Development Fund (CEDF), Head Office Phone: 204-778-4138 in Thompson or toll free: 1-800-561-4315.

Manitoba Indigenous and Municipal Relations North Central Regional Office Phone: 204-622-2110 in Dauphin. The 24 hour emergency number toll free: 1-866-735-3111.

Recreation and Regional Services Branch Phone: 204-622-2022 in Dauphin.

Community and Regional Planning Branch, Regional Office Phone: 204-622-2157 in Dauphin.

Commercial Services

Accommodation

Nearest commercial accommodation is at Waterhen.

Transportation

Gardewine North will provide freight service from the Dauphin Terminal.

Business Directory

Business	Phone
Hill's Meadow Portage	204-732-2340
Meadow Portage Post Office	204-732-2240

