
Red Deer Lake

Community Status

Red Deer Lake is located 8 kilometres north of Barrows, which is on PTH #77 west of Mafeking. Other nearby communities include Baden, Powell, National Mills and Westgate all on PTH #77.

The community of Red Deer Lake developed as a result of the Red Deer Sawmill, which closed in 1927. Today a historic stone vault, from the community bank building, still stands although the rest of the building is gone.

Red Deer Lake is governed by a contact person under *The Northern Affairs Act*.

Community Contacts

By mail

Red Deer Lake Community Council
General Delivery, Barrows, Manitoba R0L 0B0

By phone

Call (204) 545-6282
Fax (204) 545-6220

Office hours and staff

Office hours are: Mon – Wed 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

The community employs Community Administrative Officer, a water plant operator and shares a recreation director with Barrows.

Community Statistics

Population

1985	55
1991	26
1996	39
2001	40
2006	33

Information from Statistics Canada after 1985.

Households

There are 17 housing units in the community.

By-laws

- Employee Benefits (by minister's regulation)

Boundary

Manitoba Regulation 161/95, as amended, refers to Director of Surveys Plan 19307. See map.

Property Assessment and Taxes

Values of Assessment

Business	nil
Real Property	\$83,460
Grants-in-lieu	18,070
Exempt	21,260
Total	122,790

Rate of Taxation (mills)

General Municipal	5.20
School levies	
Foundation	12.33
Frontier School Division (#48)	17.60
Business Tax	3.75%

Information is from the 2010 assessment roll and tax by-law of Aboriginal and Northern Affairs.

Emergency Services

Fire

Fire fighting capability is limited to support from the nearby community of Barrows. The emergency fire reporting number is (204) 545-6271.

Police

Police service is from the Swan River detachment, RCMP, phone (204) 734-3454. The nearby community of Barrows has a community constable (204) 545-2350 who also provides service to the area.

Medical

Medical response is administered by the Parkland Regional Health Authority. The ambulance emergency number is (204) 734-2215. An ambulance is stationed at Mafeking.

Community-based Services

Hydro

Provided by Manitoba Hydro as land-line electric power. Residential rates are:

Basic charge	\$ 6.85 /month
First 900 kWh	6.25 cents/KWH
Balance	6.30 cents/KWH

Hydro phone 1-888-MBHYDRO (1-888-624-9376).

Telephone

Red Deer Lake is served by the MTS Mafeking Exchange. MTS Allstream Inc., provides individual-line service and digital switching with toll-free calling to Barrows, Benito, Birch River, Bowsman, Cowan, Mafeking, Minitonas, Pelican Rapids and Swan River. Call MTS toll-free at (204) 225-5687.

Water

Water delivery from the Barrows Water Treatment plant.

Waste Disposal

A solid-waste disposal site is near the community. Residential pickup service is provided on a weekly basis.

Schools

Children attend Mountain View School, operated by Frontier School Division. There are six teachers and some support staff. Children from Barrows, Westgate, Powell, Baden and National Mills also attend this school, phone (204) 545-6246.

Recreation Facilities

- Baseball diamond and playground area
- Community park

Government Services

Communities Economic Development Fund, Head Office located at Thompson, phone (204) 778-4138.

Manitoba Conservation, Regional Operations, Western Region, District Office located at Swan River, phone (204) 734-3429.

Manitoba Conservation, Regional Operations, Western Region, Natural Resources Officer is located at Mafeking, phone (204) 545-2263.

Manitoba Conservation, Regional Operations, Western Region, Public Health Office is located at Swan River, phone (204) 734-6774.

Manitoba Culture, Heritage and Tourism, Regional Services Branch, Parkland Regional Office located at Dauphin, phone (204) 622-2022.

Manitoba Agriculture Food & Rural Initiatives; Valley North Go Team – Swan River Go Centre, business and community development support (204) 734-3417.

Manitoba Intergovernmental Affairs, Community Planning Services, Regional office located at Dauphin, phone (204) 622-2115.

Manitoba Justice Circuit Court sits at Swan River, coordinated by the Swan River Regional Court office, phone (204) 734-2252.

Manitoba Labour, Employment Standards Branch, Employment Standards Officer is located in Brandon, phone (204) 726-6926.

Manitoba Labour, Office of the Fire Commissioner, Assistant Fire Commissioner is located at Dauphin, phone (204) 1-888-253-1488.

Commercial Services

Accommodation

- Nearest accommodation is at Mafeking.

Transportation

Gardewine North provides freight service from its Terminal in Swan River.

Businesses

None on record at present time.

Economic Overview

Red Deer Lake Mill was closed in 1927 and since that time several small sawmills have operated for short periods of time.

The area is heavily forested and forest harvesting continues to provide some employment with saw logs for some mills and pulp logs going to Tolko Manitoba Inc. at The Pas.

Soils in the area have potential for agricultural development and there is limited ranching.

Trapping continues to be a major source of employment and the community shares traplines in the Porcupine and Shoal River Registered Trap Line Zones with other communities.

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Some fishing takes place on Red Deer Lake and other nearby lakes with fishers delivering their catch to Dawson Bay or Red Deer Lake fish stations.

Red Deer Lake is a member of the Highway 77 Regional Round Table that strives to address the social and economic needs of the region. Contact (204) 545-6275 Barrows Council Office

Parkland Regional Development Corporation provides support for community and regional community economic development; contact (204) 622-2145. www.parklandrdc.ca

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