BAPTISTE LAKE

Key Contacts
- County of Athabasca 780-675-2273
- Director Emergency Services
- Ron Jackson 780-212-6789
- Baptiste Lake Fire Chief
- Rob Laackmann 780-675-4718
- Athabasca Fire Chief
- Denis Mathieu 780-689-9024
- LLB Fire Center 780-623-5388 (office)
- Duty Officer 780-623-5245 (desk)
- Utilities
- Fortis 310-9473
- Alta-Gas 1-866-222-2068
- RCMP
- Emergency/Search and Rescue 911
- Athabasca 780-675-4252 (office)
- Alberta Emergency Management Agency (AEMA) 1-866-618-2362

Fire Behavior Factors
- Fuel: D1 with M1/M2 along the creeks and scattered D3; some C2 west of the lake
- Topography: flat with a steep bank down to lake in places, some rolling hills to the west

Values at Risk
- Critical Infrastructure: Grosmont Hall and Baptiste Lake Fire Hall
- Special Values at Risk: None identified
- Dangerous Goods: None Identified

Staging Areas
- Grosmont Hall/Ball Field
- Farm fields surrounding lake

Water Supply
- Baptiste Lake—unlimited supply
- Grosmont Truck Fill—10,000 gal @ 25gal/min, no back up power
- South Baptiste Public Beach

Communications
- Command (Mutual Aid Channel) 156.855 MHz Wide Band
- Tactical (AFD) TX 169.545 RX 168.855
- Tactical (SRD) TX 169.545 RX 168.855
- Tactical (SRD Heavy Equipment) Fire Line 11 152.390 MHz Tone 100 Hz
- Aircraft Monitoring
- Fire Net 203 by XMA22 TX 157.770 MHz RX 152.510 MHz 162.2 Hz Tone
- Air Advisory 129.800 MHz

Evacuation Protocol
- SRD IC will advise the DO when a fire is threatening the community; DO will advise the Municipal Disaster Services Authority.
- Alert status will be determined by the Evacuation Trigger Points.
- When a wildfire is discovered and initial attack has failed to contain the fire start within the primary containment lines, the IC will give a strategic evacuation notification.
- If a wildfire occurs within the second containment line, or is immediately threatened, the IC may be required to do a tactical evacuation and give immediate notification.
- If a wildfire approaches the community from a distance of greater than 10 kilometers, the Evacuation Alert will be based on local weather conditions and fire behavior.

Wildfire Operations
- Primary Strategy
  - Contain a wildfire threat on the east side of Highway 2 or on the west side of Baptiste Lake Road
  - Fire Department’s primary role will be to patrol that portion of the sub-division that is under threat by airborne embers and extinguish any spot fire starts
- Secondary Strategy
  - If the fire is already inside this area, or jumps across, the secondary plan should be to protect structures closest to the fire as shown on the sprinkler plan map.
  - Should the fire originate from within the community, or breach the containment lines, the final stand will be made at the edge of each threatened sub-division.

Sprinkler Deployment Plan
- 6 divisions; deploy in divisions threatened by wildfire
- First priority—structures in Division closest to the fire

Area Description
The summer villages surrounding Baptiste Lake are located about 12 km west of Athabasca, just off Highway 2. The communities consist of about 646 dwellings with the majority of them being summer residences.