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Provincial Disaster Recovery Programs Announced

Medicine Hat – The Government of Alberta today announced two new provincial disaster recovery programs totaling \$203.5 million for Southern Alberta.

The \$200-million 2010 Southern Alberta Disaster Recovery Program will provide assistance to Albertans for severe overland flooding that followed a series of intense rainstorms from June 15-21, 2010.

In addition, the \$3.5-million 2010 Spring South Eastern Alberta Disaster Recovery Program will provide assistance for Albertans who experienced overland flooding due to extreme amounts of snow and rain from April 13-May 31.

The Disaster Recovery Program Registration Centre for Medicine Hat will open at 10 a.m. Wednesday July 7, 2010 in the Helen Beny Gibson Lounge, City Hall. The Registration Centre will operate from 10 a.m. until 8 p.m. from Wednesday to Friday and on Saturday if required.

Over 260 people have registered with the City Clerk's office and follow up calls will be made to notify registrants that the centre is open tomorrow. All applicants who have registered with the City Clerk's office and those who have yet to register are reminded to contact their insurance providers to obtain a letter identifying whether or not their claim of loss is insurable.

The letter from the insurance company is required by the Alberta Emergency Management Agency (AEMA) evaluators who will be visiting homes, businesses and agriculture properties impacted by the flood.

Residents and business owners who have not registered with the City Clerk's office are encouraged to do so by calling 403.529.8115. Please call the Flood Information Line at 403.502.8900 between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. (seven days a week) or visit the city website at www.medicinehat.ca for more information.

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For further information, please contact:
Flood Information Line
403-502-8900
City Clerk's office 403.529.8115