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## **County Holds Info Sessions for Residents Impacted by Annexation**

The County of Grande Prairie is hosting information sessions aimed at providing County residents with updated details about the City of Grande Prairie's proposal to annex land from the County of Grande Prairie, and inform residents how to become involved in the upcoming hearings. The City withdrew from mediation with the County and proceeded with their application this summer.

The County has major concerns over proposed aspects of the annexation. County landowners also have concerns about certain conditions of the annexation, which largely consist of the time horizon for growth, taxation transition, service delivery commitments, triggering mechanisms, lifestyle issues, pavement of roads and road maintenance and revenue recovery.

The County maintains that the special and unique aspects of this annexation must work for the affected landowners considering the large amount of land and expected longer time period of the proposed annexation. The current annexation plan is the second largest annexation in Alberta's recent history and will have long-lasting implications for the landowners affected.

Two information sessions, consisting of a presentation from County Administration followed by a Q&A, will be held:

**Tuesday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2013**  
**Tec Centre (LSM Room), Evergreen Park**  
**4 pm-6pm (Presentation begins at 4:15 pm)**  
**7 pm-9pm (Presentation commences at 7:15 pm)**

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