

SPOG outlines plans for county councillors

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The Sundre Petroleum Operators Group (SPOG) has a number of activities planned for the coming months, including ongoing household consultations, executive director Tracey McCrimmon told the recent policies and priorities committee

meeting. A collection of oil and gas companies with operations in the Sundre area, SPOG promotes awareness of oilpatch activities through open houses, community consultations and working groups, she said.

SPOG also has associate members, including from Mountain View

County and the Town of Sundre, as well as provincial regulators. There are 6,000 households in the 600-square-mile SPOG area.

McCrimmon said the resident visitor program, where SPOG officials visit rural residences in the district, helps maintain up-to-date information that can be used in

emergency situations such as floods, as well as for stakeholder engagement.

"When we gather information on behalf of the companies we are very transparent about the fact we gather information for emergency response and for other communication tools," said McCrimmon.

"When we had the (Plains Midstream) flood in June 2012 we were able to provide some information to Mountain View County."

SPOG would like to work even more closely with area municipalities when it comes to communication sharing, she said.

"We are looking to see if we can continue some dialogue and discussion and see what opportunities are out there," she said. "We can continue to build on the relationship that we have."

McCrimmon outlined some of the plans for the 2014 Neighbours Day (Sept. 12) open house in Sundre.

"This year we are really going to focus on some of the changes that have happened within government, like the single regulator (AER)," she said. "One of the common things that comes up with the municipality is areas where oil and



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Tracey McCrimmon, SPOG executive director.

gas impacts, so we'd like to work with the county to provide information from us to stakeholders about who is the regulator for some of these activities. Who is the regulator for roads? Who is the regulator for dust? And some of those impacts."

In 2014 SPOG will be conducting community consultation services on behalf of some of its members, she said.

SPOG member companies will continue working with other stakeholders in responding to future emergencies such as floods in the region, she said.

"There are a lot of

(company) resources that are available to the towns and municipalities," she said.

In response to a question from Reeve Bruce Beattie, McCrimmon says SPOG has been in contact and consultation with the new Alberta Energy Regulator.

"They really look to us to be leaders and to provide feedback to them," she said. "So that is a benefit to all of our stakeholders and partners, be it the municipalities, the companies and the communities."

SPOG will be working to bring more companies into the organization in 2014, she said.

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Nominating Committee
2. Set per-diem
3. Appointment of Auditors
4. Amendment to Bylaw - 7.04 - Nominating Procedure
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5. Other business that is usually brought before the annual meeting, as permitted by the standard bylaws.

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