



**March 7-9, 2018**  
**Vermilion, Alberta**

## Eastern Alberta Trade Corridor Local to Global Forum 2018 DRAFT Agenda

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*Wednesday, March 7<sup>th</sup> Pomeroy Inn & Suites 4111 – 51 street Vermilion, Alberta*

6:30 pm	Welcome Reception Master of Ceremonies	Jay Slempp EATC Chair
	Reeve County of Vermilion River Dale Swyripa	<b>Confirmed</b>
	Mayor of Vermilion Caroline McAuley	<b>Confirmed</b>
	MLA Dr. Richard Starke Verm/Lloyd	<b>Confirmed</b>
	MLA Jessica Littlewood Fort Sask/Vergreville	<b>Confirmed</b>
	Economic Development & Trade's Parliamentary Secretary for Small Business	
	Honourable Deron Bilous Minister of Economic Development & Trade	<b>TBC</b>

*Thursday, March 8<sup>th</sup> Vermilion Regional Center 5702 – 47 avenue Vermilion, Alberta*

<b>8:00 am</b>	<b>Registration/Breakfast</b>	
<b>8:40 am</b>	<b>Jay Slempp Welcome</b>	
	Town of Vermilion Welcoming Remarks Mayor Caroline McAuley	<b>Confirmed</b>
	County of Vermilion River Welcoming Remarks Reeve Dale Swyripa	<b>Confirmed</b>
<b>8:45 am</b>	Update on EATC; Discussion of Key Conference Themes: Transportation, Agriculture, Renewable Energy, Broadband	Jay Slempp
<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>Alberta Transportation</b> Ranjit Tharmalingam – <b>ADM</b> Transportation strategy / Eastern Alberta Focus High Load Corridor Study / industry development effecting transportation	<b>Confirmed</b>
<b>9:30 am</b>	EATC Wild Horse Border Crossing Update Jay Slempp / <b>Jim Turner</b>	<b>TBC</b>
	Rail Development Town of Oyen – Mayor Doug Jones	<b>Confirmed</b>
	Rail Development Lamont County – Jim Newman	<b>Confirmed</b>
<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Broadband</b> Service Alberta ADM Stephen Bull	<b>Confirmed</b>
<b>10:30am</b>	<b>NETWORKING/ BREAK</b>	
<b>10:45 am</b>	<b>Broadband</b> Taylor Warwick Craig Dobson	<b>Confirmed</b>

11:15 am	Michele Evans ADM    Economic Development and Trade	<b>Confirmed</b>
11:45 am	Jay Slemo    Summary	
12:00 pm	<b>Lunch</b>	
1:00pm	Renewable Energy Remarks by Minister Shannon Phillips or designate    Community Power	<b>TBC</b>
1:30 pm	EDP Renewables Canada– <i>Sharp Hills Wind Farm – Supply Chain</i>	<b>TBC</b>
1:50pm	Stephanie Ewing – <b>Green Cat Renewables Canada Corporation</b> Renewable Energy – Opportunities for Communities	<b>Confirmed</b>
2:10pm	AESO Mike Deising ‘The Renewable Energy Landscape’	<b>Confirmed</b>
2:40pm	Lakeland College – Renewable Energy	<b>Confirmed</b>
3:00pm	<b>NETWORKING/BREAK</b>	

#### **Value- Added Agriculture**

3:15pm	Lakeland College    Agriculture Research    SASC project	<b>Confirmed</b>
3:35pm	Mark Olson, Unit Head - Pulse Crops, Food/Bio-Industrial Crops, Alberta AG	<b>TBC</b>
4:00pm	Industrial Hemp    - Alberta AG    Lori – Jo Graham	<b>Confirmed</b>
4:20pm	Portage College    Food Science / Commercial Kitchen	<b>Confirmed</b>
4:45pm	Wrap up / summary for the day    Jay Slemo	

*Experience Vermilion for Dinner 5pm – 7pm*  
 You are invited to attend a meeting at the Vermilion Regional Center  
 “Cannabis, What You **Need to know**”  
 7pm  
 Hosted by the Vermilion River Regional Alliance (VRRA)

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*Friday, March 9<sup>th</sup>    Vermilion Regional Center*

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8:00 am	<b>Breakfast</b>	
8:45 am	Michael Reeves Ports to Plains	<b>Confirmed</b>
9:15 am	US – Canada Trade in a Changing Landscape Thomas Palaia, US Consul Gen	<b>TBC</b>
10:00am	<b>Networking break</b>	
10:15 am	Matthew Machielse ADM Trade and Investment Attraction Division Economic Development & Trade <b>NAFTA / TPP info</b>	<b>Confirmed</b>
10:45 am	Pipeline Update Trans Canada - Keystone XL    BJ Arnold	<b>Confirmed</b>
11:15 am	Mark Baxter – EATC Marketing	<b>Confirmed</b>
11:45 am	Closing Remarks    Jay Slemo	
12:00 pm	Conference Ends	