

Invest In

Special Areas No. 3



Special Areas No. 3 is a member of Palliser Economic Partnership (PEP), which is the economic development alliance for Southeast Alberta. Special Areas No. 3 is located in the southern region of the Eastern Alberta Trade Corridor.





ABOUT SPECIAL AREAS NO. 3

Special Areas No. 3 is located in the Palliser Economic Partnership (PEP) region of Alberta. PEP is a regional alliance of communities and agencies in Alberta Southeast that work together to enhance the area's economic well-being. Special Areas No. 3 is a rural municipality with a number of hamlets surrounding the Town of Oyen. The region has a strong agricultural economy, successful petroleum industry and a growing tourism industry. Many small businesses flourish in the district and access the world using technology. Special Areas No. 3 encourages innovative ideas to enhance and facilitate a great business environment for residents and new investors throughout the area.

Community Snapshot

Population	1,042
Value of all Regional Building Permits	\$197,900,000
Non-Residential Mill Rate	8.3400 (2017)
Value of Major Projects in the Region	\$8,800,000,000

Source: 2016 Alberta Regional Dashboard















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OUR TOP INDUSTRIES



Agriculture

Farms in our region are generally mixed with ranching and grain production. Grain production accounts for a high percentage of land use with wheat being the main field crop in the area. Other common grains include canola, flax, barley and oats. In addition to traditional cattle operations, large-scale modern hog operations and specialty livestock also contribute to the agricultural diversity in the region.



Oil and Gas

Expanding drilling and exploration operations in the region mean a greater foundation for the oil and gas industry. Reasonable land costs, developed infrastructure, a large labour force and direct access to markets make Special Areas No. 3 a wise choice for investment and opportunity. We are fostering new business in order to capitalize on the pockets of shallow gas and oil deposits in the area.



Service Industry (Oil and Gas)

Our region is ideally situated for oil and gas transportation and servicing. Highway 41 is a major north-south distribution route leading to major oil and gas developments in the oil sands and runs directly through the Special Areas No. 3. Drilling, seismic, and pipeline construction contribute significantly to the economy and numerous opportunities exist for energy service companies to locate here.



Transportation

Special Areas No. 3 is located in Southeast Alberta and the main east-west route in the region is Highway 9, a high load corridor. The main northsouth route is Highway 41. These highways are primary routes for provincial trucking and transportation. Hanna Municipal Airport has a 3,500 foot runway, and the nearest commercial and air freight services are located in Calgary. The area is served by CN Railways.

COMMUNITY STATISTICS

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Source: 2016 Statistics Canada Census

SITE SELECTION INFORMATION

Services	
Electrical Provider(s)	
Natural Gas Provider(s)	

Broadband Provider(s) Water Management

Waste/Sewage Management

Providers*

ATCO Electric, Direct Energy, Enmax

Dry Country Gas, ATCO Gas

XplorNet; Netago

Special Areas Water Services

Big Country Waste Management Commission

*Please contact Providers for pricing & capacity information





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