



# Invest In

## The County of Forty Mile



The County of Forty Mile is a member of Palliser Economic Partnership (PEP), which is the economic development alliance for Southeast Alberta. The County of Forty Mile is located in the southern region of the Eastern Alberta Trade Corridor.



### ABOUT THE COUNTY OF FORTY MILE

The County of Forty Mile 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. With a population of over 3,500, the County of Forty Mile covers 7,283 square kilometres of slightly rolling hills and deep coulees and is centred between the cities of Medicine Hat and Lethbridge. The County is a vast area bordering the United States to the south and the South Saskatchewan River to the north. We have something to offer for everyone, from the casual explorer looking for natural beauty to the entrepreneur growing a business within our burgeoning economy.

### Community Snapshot

Population	3,581
Value of all Regional Building Permits	\$197,900,000
Non-Residential Mill Rate	10.2000 (2018)
Value of Major Projects in the Region	\$8,800,000,000

Source: 2016 Alberta Regional Dashboard



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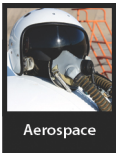
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## OUR TOP INDUSTRIES



### Agriculture

There are close to 500 farms throughout the County with the majority of the rural population living in the northern, irrigated areas of the municipality. The County's diversified agricultural economy is based on ranching, dryland farming, irrigated specialty crops, and intensive livestock operations. The high amount of sunshine in the region also makes the County a suitable location for greenhouse operations.



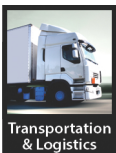
### Aerospace

In 2014, the Foremost Airport introduced a new training and development centre for unmanned aircraft system (UAS) flights and operations for civil and commercial aviation. The Centre is the first of its kind in North America to conduct Beyond Visual Line of Sight UAS training, research and development. The restricted airspace covers 700 square nautical miles (2,400 km<sup>2</sup>) up to 18,000 feet above sea level.



### Renewable Energy

The County of Forty Mile is located in an area very well suited to the wind energy sector primarily due to the high average wind speeds and ready access to transmission lines. In addition, there are hundreds of hectares of farmlands on which to develop large scale renewable energy projects. The region's extensive highway system greatly facilitates the transport of large wind turbines and their components.



### Transportation

The County is served by Highway 61 crossing the southern half of the County and Highway 3 in the northern portion of the County. Various secondary highways feed into the primary system throughout the County and are part of the Eastern Alberta Trade Corridor. Two airstrips are located within the County in Foremost and Bow Island. The nearest commercial and air freight services are located in Lethbridge and Medicine Hat. CP Rail also provides rail service in the County.

## COMMUNITY STATISTICS

### Demographics

	2016 Totals*	2016 %*
Population	3,581	
Median age of the population	30.2	
Total number of census families in private households	715	
Total number of private households by tenure	865	
Owner	740	85.55%
Renter	125	14.45%
Average value of dwellings (\$)	\$268,567	
Average income \$	\$52,450	
Average household total income \$	\$107,666	

### Labour Force

In the labour force	1,250	66.50%
Participation rate		66.50%
Unemployment rate		4.40%
Management occupations	400	32.00%
Business, finance and administration occupations	135	10.80%
Natural and applied sciences and related occupations	20	1.60%
Health occupations	55	4.40%
Occupations in education, law and social, community and government services	70	5.60%
Occupations in art, culture, recreation and sport	15	1.20%
Sales and service occupations	85	6.80%
Trades, transport and equipment operators and related occupations	205	16.40%
Natural resources, agriculture and related production occupations	235	18.80%
Occupations in manufacturing and utilities	30	2.40%

### Education

High school diploma or equivalent	505	27.22%
Postsecondary certificate, diploma or degree	675	36.39%
Apprenticeship or trades certificate or diploma	115	6.20%
College, CEGEP or other non-university certificate or diploma	360	19.41%
University certificate or diploma below bachelor level	35	1.89%
University certificate, diploma or degree at bachelor level or above	165	8.89%

\*Source: 2016 Statistics Canada Census

## SITE SELECTION INFORMATION

### Services

Services Electrical Provider(s)  
Natural Gas Provider(s)  
Broadband Provider(s)  
Water Management  
Waste/Sewage Management

### Providers\*

Fortis Alberta; Equus  
ATCO Gas; The Federation of Alberta Gas Co-ops Ltd  
CCI Wireless; Shaw; TELUS  
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\*Please contact Providers for pricing & capacity information



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