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## **Environmental Appeals Board Hearing Schedule**

The Environmental Appeals Board has rescheduled the Hearing set for June 21, 2007, to November 13 and 14, 2007, commencing at 8:30 a.m. at the Turner Valley Golf and Country Club in Turner Valley, Alberta. The Hearing is in relation to Alberta Environment's September 8, 2006 decision to issue *Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act* Amending Approval 1242-01-05 to the Town of Turner Valley. The Amending Approval allows for the construction, operation and reclamation of a raw water storage reservoir as part of the waterworks system for the Town of Turner Valley. The raw water storage reservoir is located at 835 Okalta Road, Turner Valley, at SE 1/4 1-20-3-W5M.

The Environmental Appeals Board is a separate and independent body that reviews certain decisions made by Alberta Environment. The Board is composed of environmental experts from a variety of disciplines.

The Board determined that the only issues to be heard at the Hearing will be:

1. Is the Amending Approval sufficient to protect the Town of Turner Valley's water supply from contamination to ensure a safe water supply?
2. Is using clay from the site as a liner for the raw water storage reservoir the best practicable technology to protect the stored raw water from contamination arising from previous industrial activity?
3. Was the testing, investigation, and remediation of the site prior to and during construction adequate to identify risks from possible contaminants onsite, including the possible contamination of onsite clay used for the construction of the liner?

The Hearing is open to the public for viewing only.

Copies of materials filed with the Board respecting this appeal is available for viewing at the Sheep River Public Library in Black Diamond during its normal operating hours, or by appointment at the Office of the Environmental Appeals Board in Edmonton.

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