



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

Eastern Alberta Trade Corridor Local to Global Forum 2018 DRAFT Agenda

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Wednesday, March 7th 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	Confirmed
	Mayor of Vermilion Caroline McAuley	Confirmed
	MLA Dr. Richard Starke Verm/Lloyd	Confirmed
	MLA Jessica Littlewood Fort Sask/Vergreville	Confirmed
	Economic Development & Trade's Parliamentary Secretary for Small Business	
	Honourable Deron Bilous Minister of Economic Development & Trade	TBC

Thursday, March 8th Vermilion Regional Center 5702 – 47 avenue Vermilion, Alberta

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

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

Value- Added Agriculture

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

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

Friday, March 9th Vermilion Regional Center

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