


DEPARTMENT: EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	
	TOPIC: Special Event – Branch Out Bike Tour
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PURPOSE OF REQUEST

For Council to consider supporting the use of provincial & municipal roads within Foothills County for the Branch Out Bike Tour in support of Branch Out Neurological Foundation.

BACKGROUND

This is the 15th annual event hosted by Branch Out Neurological Foundation, and the first time in Alberta. 250 cyclists, beginning and ending their ride of choice, 40km, 80km, or 100km route at the Millarville Racetrack. Utilizing the following roads as outlined in their application.

- 112 St W
- Hwy 549
- 192 St W
- 338 Ave W
- 176 St W
- 402 St w
- Cowboy Tr
- Hwy 762
- Plummers Rd W
- ❖ Waiting on AB Transportation permit and proof of insurance, expected April 30th

A department review was completed, concerns brought forward were quickly confirmed and documents amended. Public Works has requested additional signage cautioning cyclists ahead at the following intersections. Priddis Valley Road W at Plummers Road, Parkins Road W at HWY762, 2311 Drive W at HWY762, Millarville Road (x2) at HWY549, 338 Ave W at HWY22, 1160 Drive W at 402 Ave W. Cyclists must adhere to traffic safety rules of the road, and rider code of conduct. Branch Out Event coordinator has confirmed compliance with development permits (DP)18D114-B and 22D 089 - Part B. Foothills Fire requested additional information identifying the location of the beer gardens, occupant loads, tents adhere to fire code, emergency access maintained as well as participant & staff parking locations. Branch Out Bike Tour is still awaiting confirmation of certificate of insurance and AB Transportation Permit, they expect the have these by April 30th.

REQUEST OF COUNCIL

Proposed Motion:

That Council reviews and accepts the special event report as information and supports the use of the provincial and municipal roads within Foothills County for the Branch Out Bike Tour 2026.

APPENDICES

Appendix A: Event Application

Appendix B: Emergency Response Plan

Appendix C: Supporting Documentation