

**September 29, 2000**  
**Fort McMurray**

*“Albertans told the government they want to commemorate our centennial. They also said they want to focus on things that give value for money over the long term. The Alberta 2005 Centennial Legacies Program respects their wishes on both counts.”*

Guy Boutilier, MLA  
Fort McMurray Constituency

## **Building a centennial legacy**

### **MLA Guy Boutilier announces centennial legacies grant for Fort McMurray**

Alberta’s centennial celebrations are officially under way, and Fort McMurray will be one of the first communities to get provincial government support to commemorate the province’s 100<sup>th</sup> birthday, September 1, 2005.

The Oil Sands Discovery Centre will get an Alberta 2005 Centennial Legacies Grant, worth \$200,000, to redevelop its 15-year-old interactive audio-visual displays. Guy Boutilier, MLA for Fort McMurray, announced the award at a news conference today.

The province established the Alberta 2005 Centennial Legacies Grant Program to support communities and volunteer organizations in developing projects that commemorate Alberta’s 100<sup>th</sup> year in Confederation and create lasting value for future generations.

“The Oil Sands Discovery Centre is an important tourism and education resource for northeastern Alberta,” said Boutilier. “This project will ensure that the centre will continue to support the economic, social and cultural life of our region and the province for many years to come.”

Boutilier’s announcement coincided with the official announcement of Alberta’s 2005 Centennial Program by Community Development Minister Stan Woloshyn. In addition to the Alberta 2005 Centennial Legacies Grant Program and the first 17 projects, Woloshyn unveiled the Alberta 2005 Centennial logo and a centennial web site. “The logo and web site ([www.gov.ab.ca/alberta2005](http://www.gov.ab.ca/alberta2005)) will help Albertans promote and share information and ideas about centennial activities,” said Woloshyn.

“Alberta’s centennial in 2005 is a unique opportunity for Albertans to remember and acknowledge our achievements, build a legacy for our future and take the time to enjoy this wonderful province we live in,” Woloshyn added.

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A digital file of the Alberta 2005 Centennial logo in colour is available by contacting Alberta Community Development Communications at (780) 427-6530.

Backgrounders attached:

- 2000-2001 Community-based Centennial Legacies Projects
- Centennial Legacies Grant Program — Summary

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