

Temporary Pause on Artifact Collections at Nordegg Discovery Centre

(Rocky Mountain House, AB) – Nestled among mountains, forests, and clear waters, with endless opportunities for exploration, creativity, and learning, Nordegg recently unveiled its latest exhibit "Among Clear Waters: Stories of This Place" at the Nordegg Discovery Centre (NDC). The grand opening on May 22, 2024, marked a significant milestone in Nordegg's journey of renewal and revitalization.

As the NDC settles into its new routine following the successful launch of the "Among Clear Waters: Stories of This Place" exhibit, we are facing resource and staff limitations that prevent us from accepting new artifact collections at this time.

"We are thrilled with the community's enthusiastic response to the new exhibit," said Clearwater County Reeve Michelle Swanson. "However, as our team adjusts to the increased visitor traffic and the demands of maintaining the new exhibit, we must temporarily pause the intake of new artifacts."

We understand and appreciate the community's eagerness to contribute to the exhibit with their cherished artifacts. Your artifacts are invaluable to us, and we look forward to incorporating them into our collection in the near future. We kindly ask that you hold onto your artifacts until we are ready to collect them. This additional time will allow our staff to fully settle into their new roles and ensure we can properly catalog and care for each item.

"Today, Nordegg finds itself once again in a time of transition, and the NDC is in a position to anchor that change," continued Reeve Swanson. "The grand opening of the exhibit is about celebrating the rich history, culture, and spirit of Nordegg that makes it such a special place."

We anticipate resuming artifact collection after the busy season ends and will make an announcement when we are ready to accept new contributions. In the meantime, we encourage everyone to visit the Nordegg Discovery Centre and experience the new exhibit.

For more information about the Nordegg Discovery Centre, please visit the County's website or contact <u>heritage@clearwatercounty.ca</u>.

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