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# Red Deer Lake

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## Community Status

Red Deer Lake is located 8 kilometres north of Barrows, which is on PTH #77 west of Mafeking. Other nearby communities include Baden, Powell, National Mills and Westgate all on PTH #77.

The community of Red Deer Lake developed as a result of the Red Deer Sawmill, which closed in 1927. Today a historic stone vault, from the community bank building, still stands although the rest of the building is gone.

Red Deer Lake is governed by a mayor and council under *The Northern Affairs Act*.

## Community Contacts

### By mail

Red Deer Lake Community Clerk  
Barrows Post Office  
Barrows, Manitoba R0L 0B0

### By phone

Call (204) 545-6282  
Fax (204) 545-6282

### Office hours and staff

Office hours are:  
Thurs. and Fri. 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

The community also employs a water plant operator and shares a recreation director.

## Community Statistics

### Population

1985	55
1991	26
1996	39
2001	40

Information from Statistics Canada after 1985.

### Households

There are 17 housing units in the community.

### By-laws

- Employee Benefits (by minister's regulation)

## Boundary

Manitoba Regulation 161/95, as amended, refers to Director of Surveys Plan 19307. See map.

## Property Assessment and Taxes

### Values of Assessment

Business	nil
Real Property	\$136,800
Grants-in-lieu	33,100
Exempt	23,600
Total	193,500

### Rate of Taxation (mills)

General Municipal	7.00
School levies	
Farm & Residential	5.75
Commercial & Other	17.00
Frontier School Division (#48)	22.75
Business Tax	4%

## Emergency Services

### Fire

Fire fighting capability is limited to forestry-style portable equipment. Additional support is from the nearby community of Barrows.

### Police

Police service is from the Swan River detachment, RCMP, phone (204) 734-3454. The nearby community of Barrows has a community constable who also provides service to the area.

### Medical

Medical response is based on the ambulance from Swan River where the hospital is also located.

## Community-based Services

### Hydro

Provided by Manitoba Hydro as land-line electric power. Residential rates are:

Basic charge	\$ 6.25 /month
First 175 kWh	5.78 cents/KWH
Balance	5.16 cents/KWH

Hydro Office is located at Swan River, phone (204) 734-4505.

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### Telephone

Red Deer Lake is served by the MTS Mafeking Exchange. Manitoba Telecom Services provides individual-line service and digital switching with toll-free calling to Barrows, Benito, Birch River, Bowsman, Cowan, Mafeking, Minitonas, Pelican Rapids and Swan River. Call MTS toll-free at (204) 225-5687.

### Water

Chlorinated treated water is provided by a central well and treatment plant. Residents can haul from the treatment plant to their homes.

### Waste Disposal

A solid-waste disposal site is near the community. Residential pickup service is provided on a weekly basis.

### Schools

Children attend Mountain View School, operated by Frontier School Division. There are six teachers and some support staff. Children from Barrows, Westgate, Powell, Baden and National Mills also attend this school, phone (204) 545-6246.

### Recreation Facilities

- Beach area and change house
- Ball diamond and playground area
- Community Hall, 1740 sq. ft.
- Lighted outdoor rink with change house
- Outdoor cookout shelter, 288 sq. ft.
- Picnic shelters 2 x 180 sq. ft.

### Government Services

Communities Economic Development Fund, Head Office located at Thompson, phone (204) 778-4138.

Manitoba Conservation, Regional Operations, Western Region, District Office located at Swan River, phone (204) 734-3429.

Manitoba Conservation, Regional Operations, Western Region, Natural Resources Officer is located at Mafeking, phone (204) 545-2263.

Manitoba Conservation, Regional Operations, Western Region, Public Health Office is located at Swan River, phone (204)734-6774.

Manitoba Culture, Heritage and Tourism, Regional Services Branch, Parkland Regional Office located at Dauphin, phone (204) 622-2022.

Manitoba Intergovernmental Affairs, Community Economic Development, Regional Office located at The Pas, phone (204) 627-8389.

Manitoba Intergovernmental Affairs, Community Planning Services, Regional office located at Dauphin, phone (204)622-2115.

Manitoba Justice Circuit Court sits at Swan River, coordinated by the Swan River Regional Court office, phone (204)734-2252.

Manitoba Labour, Employment Standards Branch, Employment Standards Officer is located in Brandon, phone (204) 726-6926.

Manitoba Labour, Office of the Fire Commissioner, Assistant Fire Commissioner is located at Dauphin, phone (204) 1-888-253-1488.

### Commercial Services

#### Accommodation

- Nearest accommodation is at Mafeking.
- Restaurant facilities are available at Barrows.

#### Transportation

Gardewine North provides freight service from its Terminal in Swan River.

#### Businesses

None on record at present time.

### Economic Overview

Red Deer Lake Mill was closed in 1927 and since that time several small sawmills have operated for short periods of time.

The area is heavily forested and forest harvesting continues to provide some employment with saw logs for some mills and pulp logs going to Tolko Manitoba Inc. at The Pas.

Soils in the area have potential for agricultural development and there is limited ranching.

Trapping continues to be a major source of employment and the community shares traplines in the Porcupine and Shoal River Registered Trap Line Zones with other communities.

Some fishing takes place on Red Deer Lake and other nearby lakes with fishers delivering their catch to Dawson Bay or Red Deer Lake fish stations.

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