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Highway maintenance contractor changes west of Edmonton

Edson... The highway maintenance contractor will change Aug. 1 from LaPrairie Group Contractors Limited to Ledcor Alberta Limited for the provincial highways around Evansburg, Mayerthorpe, Whitecourt, and Carrot Creek; and around Edson, Hinton, and Robb.

Since 1995, highway maintenance on provincial highways has been contracted to private companies. These companies must operate according to government standards. Maintenance activities include mowing the highway rights-of-way, weed control, signing, crack sealing, pavement patching and line painting. In winter, maintenance includes pavement snow plowing and sanding.

Highway emergency calls and inquiries regarding these areas should be referred to Ledcor Alberta Limited's 24-hour toll-free number at 1-866-453-3267.

A map showing contractors and their areas is available at www.transportation.alberta.ca/607.htm

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