

# Transportation and Economic Corridors Notice of Application Decision

## Special Event in Proximity of a Provincial Highway

<b>Permit Number:</b>	RPATH0048644	<b>Issued Date:</b>	March 7, 2025
<b>Event Name:</b>	Cochrane Winter Rally		
<b>Event Start Date:</b>	March 9, 2025	<b>Event End Date:</b>	March 9, 2025
<b>On-Site Contact:</b>	Josh Keatley, 403-921-3846, josh@keatley.ca		
<b>Highway(s):</b>	40, 579	<b>Municipality:</b>	M.D. of Bighorn No. 8
<b>Decision By:</b>	Yubin Chen	<b>Issuing Office:</b>	Southern Region / Calgary
<b>Description of Event:</b>	The Cochrane Winter Rally is a sanctioned motorsport event by the Canadian Association of Rally Sport. The objective is to have fun in a controlled environment. The Calgary Sports Car Club has hosted the Cochrane Winter Rally on these roads for over 25 years		



Please accept this letter as Transportation and Economic Corridors' approval to use portions of the highway(s) listed for above noted event. You must also obtain permission from all affected municipalities for use of their

roadways. Please inform the local R.C.M.P. of your schedule.

This event shall be conducted in a manner that will not create any hazard to either the participants or the motoring public. If cyclists are involved, they must follow the rules of the road when riding along the highways. Only peace officers or certified flag persons shall direct or attempt to control traffic. Support vehicles must maintain the normal highway speed if any part of the vehicle is crossing the white shoulder line into the driving lane. Proper warning signs should be placed in advance to advise motorists of the event occurring along the highway. The signs are to be removed following the completion or suspension of the event.

Approval of the event is based on the provided information. Should any changes of the submitted plans occur, approval from the department is required. Please ensure that all appropriate Provincial and Federal Acts and Regulations are adhered to regarding this event. You are responsible for obtaining all necessary permits. Transportation and Economic Corridors will not assume any responsibility for any incidents that may occur on the highway during, or as a result of, the event. Due care must be exercised.

All rules and regulations must be followed as outlined in the Transportation and Economic Corridors Special Events Guide and any additional requirements as indicated herein:

1. The event organizer, event participants, and their associates shall indemnify and hold harmless Transportation and Economic Corridors, its employees and agents from any and all claims, demands, actions, and costs whatsoever that may arise, directly or indirectly, from anything done or omitted to be done in the proposed operation.
2. The event organizer is responsible for ensuring that the Traffic Accommodation Strategy is implemented and the highway is adequately signed to notify motorists of the event taking place.
3. This approval does not excuse violation of any other legislation, regulation, bylaw, or act, which may affect the event. The event organizer is responsible for obtaining any other permits or approvals from other agencies and jurisdictions as may be required, including local and federal government approvals.
4. Any supplemental lighting used must be directed away from the highway, so as not to interfere with or distract passing motorists.
5. This approval is for events held during daylight hours only. Any traffic control or activity on the highways after sunset and before sunrise will not be permitted without the express written consent of Transportation and Economic Corridors.
6. Support vehicles must maintain the normal highway speed if any part of the vehicle is crossing the white shoulder line into the driving lane. All support vehicles must be parked off the road surface a minimum of 15 metres from the edge of pavement.
7. Any collisions or other incidents involving the event participants and other road users must be reported to Transportation and Economic Corridors through the RPATH portal and immediately to the RCMP / local police, and the Park Ranger-in-Charge if filming occurs in a Provincial Park.

8. A copy of this approval must be kept at the site during all activities associated with this event. The event organizer / on-site contact is required to provide proof of this approval when requested, including appropriate insurance and other documentation.

9. The event shall be immediately suspended or cancelled during periods of inclement weather, reduced visibility, or during poor driving conditions, to ensure safety of participants and motorists.

10. The event organizer shall inform the local RCMP Detachment and/or local police of your event schedule a minimum of 2 days in advance of the start of the event.

11. Removal or modification of any highway facilities, i.e. signs, posts, rails, etc. is prohibited without prior written permission from Transportation and Economic Corridors.

12. Proper warning and/or notification signs shall be placed in advance of the event, to advise motorists of event participants along the highway. These signs are to be removed following completion or suspension of the event.

Prior to commencement of your event, please consult Transportation and Economic Corridors' online road reports at <http://511.alberta.ca> for any road construction or other activities that may affect the event.

Transportation and Economic Corridors wishes your organization a successful and safe event.

Please contact Transportation and Economic Corridors through the [RPATH Portal](#) if you have any questions, updates, or require additional information.



By **Yubin Chen, Asst Dev and Planning Tech**, on **March 7, 2025** on behalf of the Minister of Transportation and Economic Corridors pursuant to *Ministerial Order 52/20 – Department of Transportation and Economic Corridors Delegation of Authority*