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Nutrien Lanigan poised for the future after historic production

■ Daniel Bushman

Setting production records in the Phase 2 mill, a plan to hire more employees and starting up its second mill (something done just five years out of its 54-year history), Nutrien Lanigan is buzzing with optimism.

Despite navigating through the uncertain times of the pandemic, Nutrien Lanigan General Manager Rob Jackson said, "There has been a lot of work done within Nutrien and the potash business unit of really trying to see where the trend is as far as growth. There is a longterm growth rate that we have always watched and Nutrien has always been disciplined at bringing on more production as that demand grew."

After Nutrien's decision to increase potash production in 2021 and now electing to raise its capability to approximately 15 million tonnes in 2022, a jump of nearly one million tonnes compared to previous expectations, Jackson said the move has spilled over to Nutrien's Lanigan site near Guernsey.

Excited about the opportunity to help meet demand, Jackson said the local mine will fire up its second mill later this year. The move also accelerates the company's five-year controlled ramp up plan. "We are hiring people to run that mill and then we are hiring underground to operate a few more mining machines to provide the ore to the mill. We anticipate hiring into October when we will have that second mill started up."



Pictured: Nutrien Lanigan's site.

- photo courtesy Nutrien Lanigan

With Nutrien's overall potash production expected to increase by nearly two million tonnes compared to 2020 while accounting for more than 70 percent of global production added over that period, by utilizing the second

mill at Nutrien Lanigan, Jackson said it will provide a lot of flexibility in the company's running rates. "Currently we have put a lot of work into optimizing our Phase 2 mill. (see page five: **NUTRIEN**)

BHP making significant strides on Jansen Project

■ Daniel Bushman

After receiving final approval for its Jansen Project, creating more employment opportunities for those within the local area and injecting billions of dollars into Stage 1 of its project, BHP is eager to not only become a permanent part of the area but remain a fixture for years to come.

As part of mining week, BHP along with Simon Thomas, Vice President Potash graciously took some time to answer a few questions about the company's Jansen Project, its progress, the importance of the mine and when everything could be operational.

Once approval was granted, after years of hard work, how excited was the team at BHP to move forward with the Jansen Project?

The team couldn't be more excited. Jansen is in a class of its own, with a lifespan that could last a century. Our employees understand the kind of generational

benefits we can deliver for

our own communities here in Saskatchewan, and at the same time, we can make a global impact, by providing the potash the world needs to feed a growing population. But it's not just about delivering the resources. We want to do it safely and sustainably.

Jansen will be developed as a modern, sustainable mine of the future, and that's something the entire BHP team around the world is very excited about.

Since Jansen Stage 1 received approval, how has things gone at the site?

Since Jansen Stage 1 was approved, everything at site remains on track. We are making good progress on construction of the mine shafts, and expect the permanent shaft liners to be complete this summer. We have also begun working on the installation of essential surface infrastructure and utilities.

What does the rest of 2022 look like as far as the project

goes?

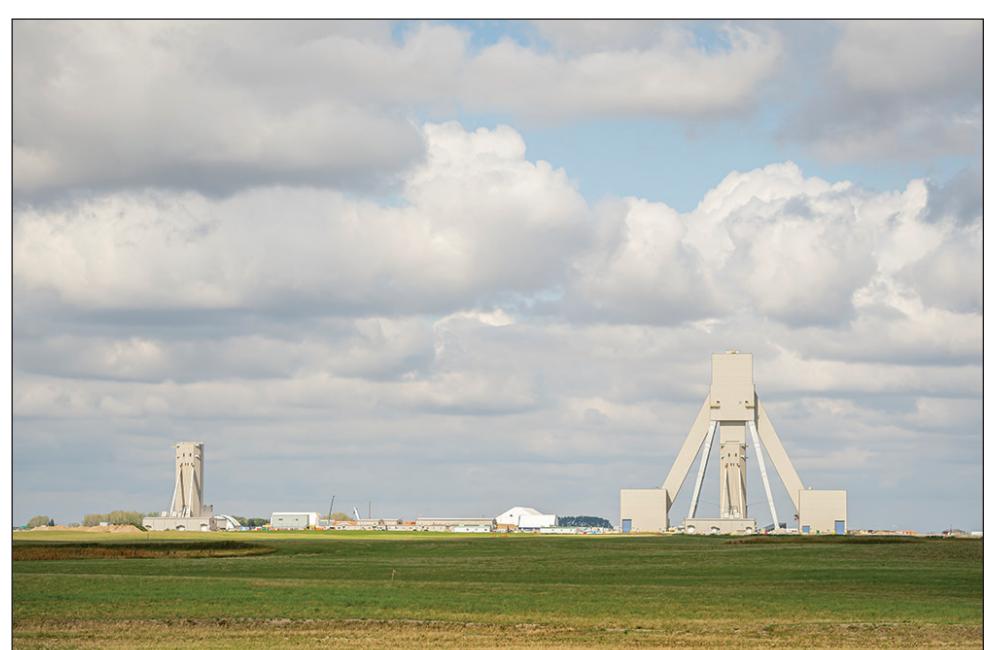
Over the remainder of 2022, we plan to complete the shaft liners. This will serve as the primary access to the underground mine. Over the remainder of the year, we'll also be working on various pieces of surface infrastructure, including piling and concrete foundations, and processing infrastructure.

Is the team at BHP looking forward to the remainder of this year and beyond?

As a team, we are both excited, and humbled, by the challenge in front of us but we are determined to deliver this project for the people of Saskatchewan.

Overall, are there different phases contained within the Jansen Project?

One of the benefits of Jansen is that the project can be scaled up over time in phases. Jansen Stage 1 contemplates the construction of a potash mine with a production rate of 4.35 million tonnes per year, based on an initial investment of \$7.5 billion (Canadian



Pictured: BHP Jansen Project.

- photo courtesy BHP

dollars). Depending on market conditions in the future, there is potential for up to four stages at the project, which could increase annual production.

How important is a project like the Jansen one for BHP?

Jansen is the single largest investment BHP has ever made and potash is a critical

component of our company's strategy to focus on future-facing commodities. The resources industry has always been central to the industrial needs of the world, but right now we are also central to helping solve some of the world's biggest challenges. Challenges like decarbonization; like building the infrastructure to change the way we use and create power on a massive scale; and how we feed a growing population with increasingly scarce arable land. The basic building blocks required to meet these challenges are what the resources sector brings to the table. Iron ore for steel. (see page six: **BHP**)

RCMP Report

Gas stolen in Lanigan

On May 12, 2022 a female left a business on Railway Avenue in Lanigan without paying for fuel. The female was driving a grey Pontiac SUV and is described as being in her 20s, wearing a black sweater and black and white leggings.



If you have information about this or any other crime, please contact Humboldt RCMP at 306-682-2535 or you may contact Saskatchewan Crime Stoppers anonymously at 1-800-222-8477 or submit a tip online at www.saskcrimestoppers.com.

Camper thefts in local area

Several fifth wheel camper

thefts have been reported in the Watrous detachment area in the last few weeks. Watrous RCMP encourages owners to lock up their towable trailers when not in use by way of a hitch lock or other means.

One of those incidents occurred during the evening of May 21st when a 2015 Keystone Camper Trailer with Sask licence plate 704LKY was stolen from a lot in Simpson, Sask.

Anyone with information about fifth wheel camper thefts in the area are advised to call Watrous RCMP at 306-946-3316 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477.

Train derailment

Shortly after 12 p.m. May 26, Fort Qu'Appelle RCMP received a report of a train derailment approximately 3.2 km west of Edgeley, Sask. on the 2154 grid, approximately one km north of Hwy. 364. Officers from the Fort

Qu'Appelle, Indian Head, and White Butte RCMP Detachments immediately responded to the scene and established a perimeter.

Preliminary investigation determined there was a collision at a level crossing between an east-bound train and a south-bound road maintenance vehicle immediately before the train derailment. A 57-year-old male from the RM of Lajord was driving the road maintenance vehicle at the time of the collision and passed away on the scene. No other injuries were reported to police.

Saskatchewan RCMP - Your Provincial Police Service - Weekly Report from May 16 to 22

Investigative Recap

May 16: At approximately 11:20 p.m., Rosthern RCMP received a report of a vehicle/pedestrian collision which occurred approximately one km north of Duck Lake in the northbound lane of Hwy. 11. The pedestrian,

a 24-year-old male from Saskatoon, passed away on scene. The adult female driver of the vehicle remained on scene and was transported to Rosthern Hospital for what were reported to be non-life-threatening injuries. Preliminary investigation determined the pedestrian was wearing dark coloured clothing while walking down the middle of Hwy. 11 when he was struck by the northbound vehicle. Traffic on Hwy. 11 was rerouted for approximately four hours. The investigation is ongoing with the assistance of a Saskatchewan RCMP Collision Reconstructionist and the Saskatchewan Coroners Service.

May 16: On Mar. 27, 2022, Rosthern RCMP received a report of a shooting on Beardy's and Okemasis' Cree Nation. Officers located an injured male on a road in the community. Despite life-saving efforts, the male passed away at the scene. He has been identified as 22-year-old Cody Tait from Saskatoon. On May 16, 2022, Saskatchewan RCMP Major Crime Unit investigators arrested and charged Precious Gamble from Beardy's and Okemasis' Cree Nation with one count, second degree murder, Section 235(1), Criminal Code. Four other individuals have also been charged in relation to Tait's death.

May 21: Carrot River RCMP: requesting public assistance after serious assault. On May 21, 2022, at approximately 5:45 a.m., Carrot River RCMP received

multiple reports of a serious assault which occurred at a residence on the Shoal Lake Cree Nation. An adult female was transported to local hospital for treatment of what are believed to be serious injuries. The investigation is ongoing and anyone with information is asked to contact Carrot River RCMP at 306-768-1200 or Crime Stoppers.

May 22: A report of a break and enter to a rural property east of Meadow Lake was reported to police. Investigation revealed the incident occurred sometime between May 15 and 22, 2022. A residence and outbuildings on the property were damaged and several items were taken including a trailer, motorcycle, hot tub, old sewing machines, several tools and a rare motorboat with trailer.

The rare motorboat is described as an orange 1984 Targa with a red trailer, serial number NSOF0020M840.

Officers continue to investigate the incident with the assistance of North Battleford RCMP Forensic Identification Services.

May 23: Wollaston Lake RCMP investigating after male located injured. In the early morning hours of May 23, Wollaston Lake RCMP received a report of a male lying outside on a driveway at a residence on Hatchet Lake First Nation. Police officers responded and the 34-year-old male was determined to be injured. He was transported to hospital with what were described as serious injuries. Wollaston Lake RCMP continues to investigate the incident with the assistance of Prince Albert and Saskatoon

General Investigation

Sections.

May 23: Loon Lake RCMP arrests man with warrant issued for arrest. In the early morning hours of May 23, 2022, Cherokee Cantrre was located and arrested by Loon Lake RCMP. There was a warrant issued for Cantrre's arrest on Aug. 25, 2021. He was charged with multiple new charges after an incident that occurred Nov. 4, 2021 on Makwa Sahgaiehcan First Nation including flight from peace officer, dangerous operation of a conveyance, operation while prohibited and resist arrest. In November 2021, officers attempted to approach Cantrre after it was determined he was in a vehicle in the community, but he fled in the vehicle at a high rate of speed – in close proximity to an elementary school.

Cantrre appeared in Loon Lake Provincial Court May 24, 2022. Loon Lake RCMP wants to thank the public for their assistance with this six-month long investigation.

The Saskatchewan Internet Child Exploitation (ICE) Unit notes increase in reports of extortion. Investigation has

determined that in most cases, a youth becomes connected with the suspect on social media, then is asked to send intimate images. Once they do, the suspect will demand money or information or they will release the images on social media or to loved ones.

The Saskatchewan ICE Unit is made up of investigators from Saskatchewan RCMP, Prince Albert Police Service, Regina Police Service and the Saskatoon Police Service. Its mandate is to investigate crimes involving the abuse and/or exploitation of children on the Internet.

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Manitou Springs Resort and Mineral Spa receives recognition as a top spa

■ **Daniel Bushman**

For nine years running and despite navigating through the COVID-19 pandemic, Manitou Springs Resort and Mineral Spa has once again ranked as one of the best spas in the nation as part of the Spas of America's Top 100 Spas.

In addition to ranking number 11 within Canada for 2021, the resort and mineral spa once again took top spot in Saskatchewan. General Manager at Manitou Springs Resort and Mineral Spa Kapil Thaker was extremely proud of the staff and the high level of service they provide.

"I really appreciate our wonderful staff for their hard work to make this achievement possible, as well as our valued customers for supporting our business! Navigating through the pandemic has been a challenge but we are proud of our team who have helped lead us through."

In the Spas of America's Top 100 Spas of 2021, Manitou Springs Resort and Mineral Spa placed 70th overall, ahead of a number of locations in the United States and Mexico. Founded in 1987, the resort and mineral spa at Manitou Beach is open year-round and recognized globally for its leadership in mental and physical wellness vacations and retreats.

Overall, the Top 100 Spas of 2021 list included 83 spas from the United States, 13 spas from Canada, and four from Mexico. The most popular spa experience was country with 18 spas in the Top 100, followed by Mineral Hot Springs with 12, Mountain with 11, City with 10, Beach and Casino with nine, Ocean with eight, Desert with seven, Lake with six, Health and Wine with

four and, lastly, Fitness with two spas. A total of 38 states and provinces were represented in this year's Top 100, and while New York held the number one ranked spa, California had the most with 16 spas on the list.

Sharing about the past year, Spas of America President Craig Oliver said, "For the North American spa and wellness industry, 2021 was a good, but challenging year. Many resort and hotel spas reported strong revenue, despite having staffing challenges. Consumers have been affected by a partially opened economy and changing travel guidelines, which created uncertainty. In turn, they responded by supporting regional spa and wellness

businesses, especially drive-to destinations. We expect a strong year for the industry, as pent-up demand will bring out consumers seeking spa and wellness experiences with a focus on health and fitness, leading to improved quality of life."

As for the spa at Manitou Beach, Thaker is extremely appreciative for the support received since the new ownership group took over in 2021. "On behalf of the owners, they have really appreciated the support from our customers from all over the world and from right here at Manitou Beach and Watrous. We look forward to serving them for the remainder of 2022 and beyond!"



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■ media release

Seeding progress climbed throughout many regions in the past week, despite a storm that brought snow and rain to parts of the province. That is according to the Ministry of Agriculture's weekly Crop Report for May 17 to 23 where 52 percent of the 2022 crop is now seeded, up from 33 percent. This is still behind the five-year average of 78 percent for this time of year. The rainfall received in drier areas will help improve soil moisture conditions and establishment of early seeded crops.

The west central region is the farthest along with 81 percent of the crop seeded.

Crop Report

Seventy-six percent of the crop is seeded in the northwest, 73 percent seeded in the southwest, 44 percent seeded in the southeast, 22 percent seeded in the northeast and 21 percent seeded in the east-central region of the province.

The east received significant amounts of precipitation. The Hudson Bay area reported 88 mm, the Jedburgh area 85 mm, the Rama area 83 mm, the Indian Head area 32 mm and the Biggar and Cando areas 11 mm. While rain is welcome in the eastern half of the province, many producers are eager to continue their seeding operations.

Soil moisture continues to improve across the province,

mainly in the eastern regions where most of the spring precipitation was received. Cropland topsoil moisture is rated as 15 percent surplus, 58 percent adequate, 18 percent short and nine percent very short. Hay and pasture land topsoil moisture is rated as six percent surplus, 63 percent adequate, 20 percent short and eleven percent very short.

Pasture conditions are rated as 10 percent excellent, 27 percent good, 36 percent fair, 16 percent poor and 11 percent very poor. Pastures in the western half of province are struggling to establish this spring due to very limited precipitation causing many livestock producers in the area to continue to feed cattle on farm.

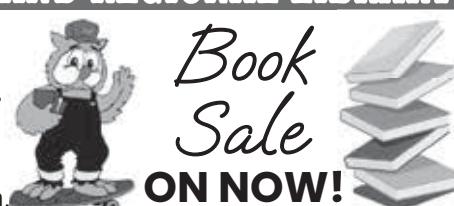
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Jansen

Louise Shannon

A memorial funeral was held Sunday, May 29 for the late Rod Schroeder. The service was held at the Jansen Cemetery with Jack Robson officiating.

The committee for the disc golf club met May 25 to cleanup and plan the area and the game. They appreciate all the people

who donated money for the holes and benches.

Gardening is coming along but be aware of ticks. I got a couple on me. They are late this year.

Welcome to June. I hope seeding is going well.

Happy birthday to Angel Liebrecht and Tynell Mack.

Plunkett

Deloris Wilson (Sutherland) • 306-944-4852

The Plunkett Hotel got broke into.

We recently got an inch of rain.

A shower for Katlen Giddings of Moose Jaw was held Saturday, May 14.

Folks will have to watch for ticks.

Visiting us were Linda and her husband.

Leona and her grandson

Allandrex Crawford returned home from Toronto.

All the folks who were away on holidays for the winter are now home.

Farmers are busy seeding now that they have moisture.

Monday and Thursday there is coffee and visiting at the Plunkett Hall.

Have a good week everyone.

Viscount

Sandra Reid • 306-227-1193

Blankets for Canada delivered 11 baby blankets, two lovely cushions and 25 adult/youth blankets to both Saskatoon and Regina. We will meet one more Wednesday in May before taking a break for the summer. Wednesday May 18, we were four ladies. We had so much fun recounting stories and having good laughs while working on the blankets. As always, we appreciate donations of synthetic yarn as well as knitted and or crocheted 8" x 8" squares. An adult blanket uses 48 squares of this size, making it a 6 x 8. A youth blanket uses 35 squares of the same size, making it a 5 x 7 and a baby blanket uses 25 making it a 5 x 5. Please feel free to call Evelina at 306-944-4820 should you like more information. We welcome all to join us even if you just would like to visit and watch.

The Great-Grandma Program at Viscount Central School had its first 'reading buddies' Wednesday morning, May 18. We were unable to meet with our 'great-grandchild' in person over the last two years due to COVID, so it sure was wonderful to meet them. This is a pen pal program for the 3/4 grades to help them learn to address and write letters and improve both their handwriting and their reading.

Well, we managed to get away on the May long and enjoyed a weekend of nice weather and camping, as usual the nights were fairly cold. We even took in a few garage sales that were at the lake. Looks like planting and seeding is under way. It is probably time I get my garden planted.

Best wishes to anyone who might be under the weather. Have a great week stay safe and enjoy all that you can. If you have any news to share please let me know elr.slr@sasktel.net

submitted by Evelina

Dancing Sky Theatre just finished its first indoor production since COVID. It was a most entertaining show called Jonas and Barry in the Home written by well-known Canadian playwright Norm Foster and performed by Kent Allen, Blaine Hart and Abby Thiessen. It was one of my very favourite plays thus far; very thoughtful, very funny and very well acted.

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uncompliCATED - *It's all mostly good if the funny bone still works*



■ by Arlene Martin

I've been thinking a lot about my father lately. He was such a caring, calm and gentle person and I often wonder his reaction to today's world events. One of his favourite things to do was laugh. He figured out that joy was key to strength, stamina and survival. Unkind words never existed in his vocabulary, but his heart broke many times over about injustices, cruelty and suffering of others.

In his closing years we had moved him many times till finally his last 'home' was a care facility only a fifteen minute drive from our farm. Every move meant another downsize - and furniture, boxes of things and clothing that couldn't go with him started occupying much space in our home and garage. So it was late afternoon when the frugal April prairie sun tossed its rays through the window, and with my coffee mug on the floor beside me, I tackled the biggest box of dad's papers and pictures and 'stuff'.

I sorted through years of Christmas cards, birthday cards, photos, magazines and similar memorabilia. I found half-written letters, notes to himself, his 'joy collection' of whimsical and funny sayings and jokes. I found old reading glasses and receipts. But it was the bill to his hearing aid dated 2004 that shocked me disclosing what he had paid for something so dinky - and for something he seldom wore. He said it was 'too noisy and more of a nuisance than anything'.

True to many of his generation, he didn't like to toss things away. He had a box of string, rubber bands, safety pins, used and wrinkled twist and bread ties, a motley assortment of nails and screws, safety tacks and various whatnots. He collected all

these bits and pieces but his personal needs and possessions were prudent. He knew all along what it takes many a lifetime to discover: coffins don't come with luggage racks. His treasures were things that couldn't be placed and stored inside a box: relationships, music, laughter and his faith.

He loved music and cherished his collection of cassette tapes. After mother's passing he filled many lonely evenings playing his violin as accompaniment with his tapes. My father never lost his song.

Throughout the years we spent many hours playing music by ear. My fingers on the piano would leap from one song, mostly the old hymns and right into the next and his violin followed fluently. We also shared the unpleasant and painful world of migraine. After being sick with a headache for two or three days, a quick phone call to my soft-spoken papa and compassion and comprehension leaped through the wires and formed an invisible hug.

That evening with renewed interest I was scrutinizing his hearing aid. I noticed it was for his right ear and thought it convenient because severe nerve damage has rendered me stone-deaf in my right ear. South Paw was sitting next to me on the sofa - as is the norm in our home, TV remote clutched tightly in his strong mechanic hands. I was leafing through the instruction manual adjusting a squealing hearing device in my ear. I hadn't bothered turning on a lamp and the teeny print was a hard read. The high-pitch shriek eventually got to hubby and he turned to give me an irritated look. However one glance and his face exploded into laughter. I was adjusting a very noisy squealing hearing aid, wearing two pairs of reading glasses holding the manual three inches from my face. As the last rays of daylight faded through our patio window South Paw's laughter echoed throughout our home dispelling the gloominess of the day and my heart. With a conspicuous over-sized hearing aid screeching dreadfully loud in my right ear, I too, joined in the fun. Holding our sides and welcoming the sheer and sudden delight of joy.

NOTICES AND CLASSIFIEDS

THANK YOU

I want to thank all those who came to help me celebrate my birthday. It was absolutely wonderful to see and visit with you. To all who sent cards and phoned me, I deeply appreciate your kindness. To my family for hosting and serving a delicious meal, I thank you. To Marie Schmidt for transportation and Ruth Morningstar for hair service, I am grateful. I have been blessed.

- Sincerely, Ruth Ewen

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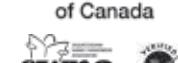
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(from front page: **NUTRIEN**)

We were pretty much limited to as many tonnes as we could make with that mill and 2021 was a record production year with just that Phase 2 mill. I'd say we almost overachieved to help supply the extra tonnes that Nutrien needed."

Since the single mill could not really take anymore tonnes, Jackson explained having the second mill unlocks quite a ramp up in availability. "We will just bring on additional tonnes as the network needs and this will allow us to do that. The last few years we have been near capacity with the Phase 2 mill so this is pretty good for our site and what we can do moving forward into the future."

With a greater demand for potash in 2022 and with the current events in Ukraine forcing sanctions on Belarus and Russia, Jackson shared those two countries previously combined to provide almost 40 percent of the world's potash.

Now that a supply gap has been created, Jackson explained Nutrien is definitely looking at that situation and the potential of global food shortages. "This last year we had an increase of one million tonnes of production from Nutrien and this year another million from what we budgeted. That equates to almost 70 percent of the extra production globally that was brought on in the last two years coming from Nutrien. We are positioned the best with our network of six mines in Saskatchewan. The groundwork we have laid out over the last number of years to have these additional tonnes ready, a lot of it now is execution and hiring people."

As production ramps up, a call for more employees to fill Nutrien's sites across its provincial network has been made including at the Lanigan site which will see significant

hires over the coming months. Having a staggered hiring period to allow for proper training for future staff, Jackson said Nutrien Lanigan is planning to add 65 positions in a variety of roles at the mill, within mining operations and maintenance. The area of safety will also be highlighted to have all of the proper supports in place as people are hired in.

"We have quite a rigorous selection process and always want to bring people on that find the work satisfying in what we are doing. We are trying to feed the world and produce potash that can help optimize crop yield around the world. But we also think it is a long-term investment in people and people are really what our success is based on. I think it is exciting to get some more people here. We encourage everyone to apply for our positions and are also looking to increase the diversity of our workforce including opportunities for women, aboriginal people and minorities."

As for navigating through the pandemic and achieving some important milestones, Jackson said the credit goes to the employees at the mine site who pushed through the past two years.

"I can't really describe how well our workforce managed the pandemic," said Jackson sharing that many were asked to work remotely early on and stepped up in a big way. "We also worked with our site Occupational Health Committee (OHC) to create and put protocols in place. We changed people's shifts so we didn't have as many people in the lunchroom or change room at the same time and a robust masking policy on site to protect our employees and their families. Our covid transmission rate at the Nutrien Potash sites were almost 15 times lower than the general



Pictured: Nutrien Lanigan's control centre.

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public through much of the pandemic and we were able to keep producing potash. At Lanigan in 2020 and 2021 we had production records through the pandemic but people were really happy to get somewhat back to normalcy in 2022. While there are still a few restrictions and safety continuing to be a core value, we are learning what this new normal is. We are still looking at data and tracking transmission and numbers and if things need to change they can."

Getting through two years of the pandemic, looking back, Jackson feels there was some pride created from the mine employees because of the perseverance it took. "It wasn't easy for people but they did it and were able to make it work. It is also great to see the provincial mine rescue competition again this year which is also a big milestone, something that could not be held the past two

years."

Hoping to soon be able to host employee events again, Jackson was also quick to point out a few other notable highlights that took place and are currently taking place at Nutrien Lanigan. A couple of those include:

- the underground mining automation program is moving along with some other Saskatoon area mines now outfitting their machines with teleremote and automation. "Our operators have been instrumental in having some pretty big technical and operational milestones with that program. We will have three machines here by mid-year that are outfitted. Every day it feels like there is more progress being made and it is something we are continuing to work on. It also keeps people out of an active working face and also is more productive as they work in a safer

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dollars) of direct and indirect contributions to the province's GDP in the six years of construction.

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We'll be providing training and other support to ensure that local businesses and organizations can take advantage of these opportunities, and we will continue to support initiatives in our communities. We have also signed agreements with six First Nations near Jansen – agreements that aim to improve outcomes in education, economic development, health, and community well-being.

In addition to economic benefits and social investments in the community, Jansen will be a model for sustainable mining with a focus on emissions reduction, water stewardship, and cleaner mining. We expect Jansen to emit about half the carbon dioxide per tonne of product as compared to the average performer in potash mines in the province. Jansen will use about 60 percent less water per tonne than current operations use on average. Our underground mining and support fleet will be more than 80 percent battery electric vehicles, by consumption, and we're pursuing 100 percent electrification. We will also pursue carbon neutral electricity to supply our operation through commercial partnerships.

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environment."

• Nutrien has put out some Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) targets and one area that the company is focused on is having some renewable projects at some sites. In the case of Nutrien Lanigan, last year during the fall a meteorological tower was installed near the facility to measure wind speed, direction,

temperature, humidity and pressure. The tower will be in operation for a few years to see what the feasibility of wind power might be to help supplement Nutrien Lanigan's site power needs. "A number of sites are looking at a combination of either wind or solar or both. That is something that Nutrien has committed to have projects in at some sites by 2025."

PROCLAMATION

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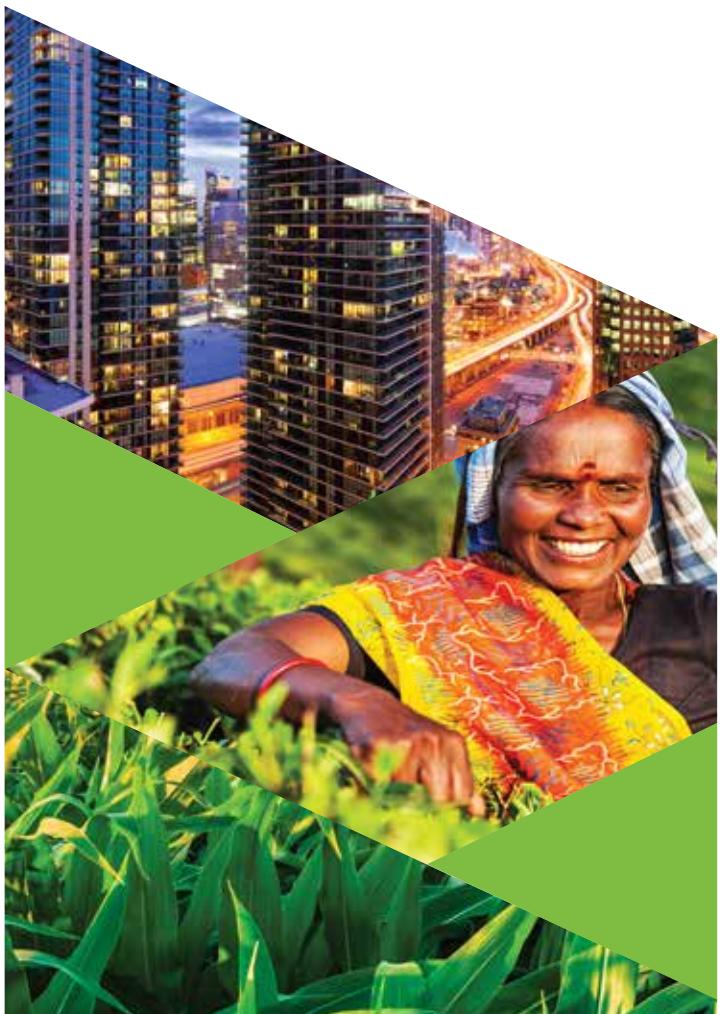
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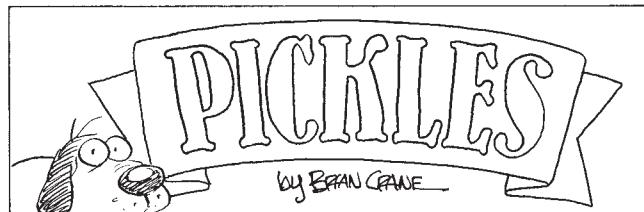
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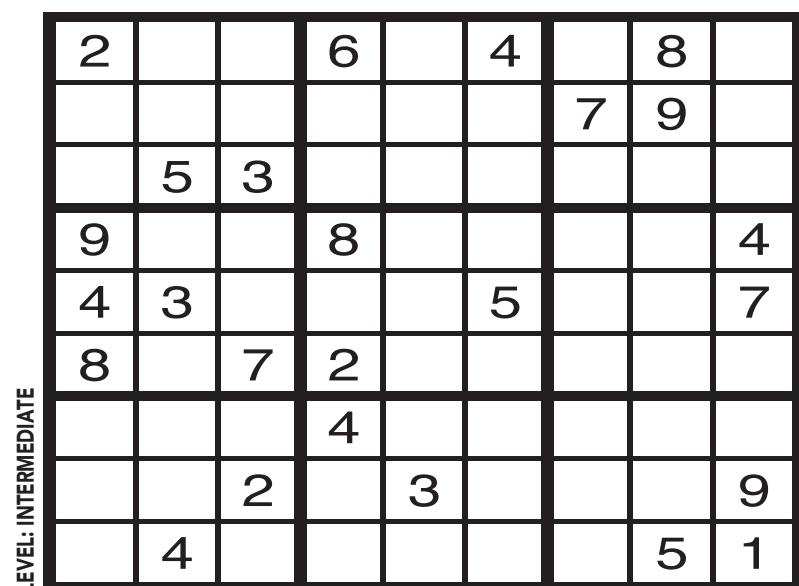


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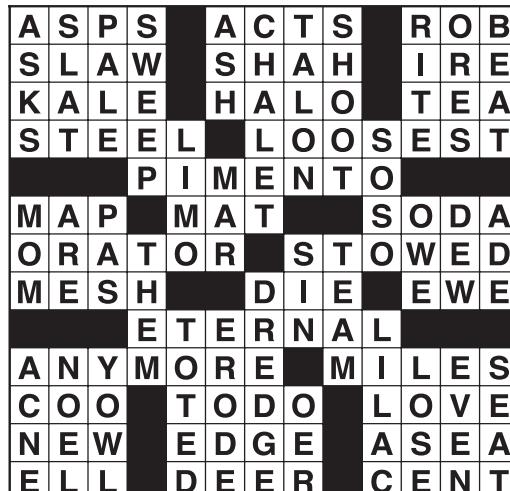


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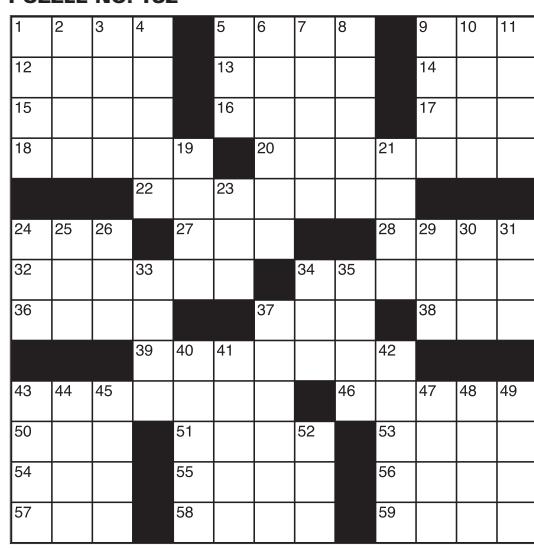
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12. Cabbage dish
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22. Olive stuffer
24. Atlas part
27. Wrestler's surface
28. Carbonated beverage
32. Powerful speaker
34. Packed away
36. Interlock
37. Casino cube
38. Meadow mama
39. Unending
43. Nowadays
46. Units of distance
50. Dove sound
51. Hubbub: hyph.
53. "And I ___ Her"
54. Of recent origin
55. "The ___ of Night"
56. Bewildered
57. Addition to a house
58. Doe
59. Nickel component
60. Dawn dampness
61. Sweet drink
62. Those guys

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LANIGAN ADVISOR



Ready to race

Despite a few weather delays forcing the relocation of pre-district track and field events, 52 participants from Lanigan Elementary School joined others May 18 to compete at the competition. Fa-

cing athletes from local area schools, the contingent had an amazing showing with several moving on to district action in Saskatoon.

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How much of an impact has the project already had thus far in the local area?

Hiring is underway at the project and we expect that to ramp up over the next two years as we advance through construction. Over the past six years, we have invested \$35 million in projects that benefit our local communities and the province, including \$20 million for the development of the International Carbon Capture and Storage Knowledge Centre in Regina.

Approximately how many people will be working on the project before and after completion?

The Stage 1 investment will create 3,500 jobs at peak construction and around 600 ongoing jobs through operations. Our goal is for the operational workforce to be gender balanced and 20 percent Indigenous. These are ambitious goals - but we are confident it will make us a better operator and it

will help to ensure Jansen's workforce represents the communities where we live and work, which is important.

How important do you feel it is to give back to the area?

BHP has really put the concept of "social value" at the heart of everything we do. When we look at making a new investment, it's not just about "how much" we can produce, but also "how" we do it. Delivering a successful resource project is about delivering value for our shareholders and improving the lives and livelihoods of those

and around us as well. We do this by having strong climate targets and plans for reducing our own emissions; by working up and down our value chain to help our partners and customers address their emissions; and by a comprehensive approach to creating social value in the communities we work in.

If we get this right, we can build prosperity through thriving, empowered communities, and responsible supply chains, while making a major contribution to the health of the planet. The onus is on us to demonstrate that our investments will create social value for the people who own the resources, and for society at large, and that is exactly the approach we are taking here at Jansen.

How much has BHP spent on the project so far and how much is expected to be spent to have it operational?

The shaft sinking project had a capital cost of \$2.97 billion (U.S. dollars) and that work is 99 percent completed now. With Jansen Stage 1 being approved in August 2021, the remaining costs to construct and commission the mine is \$7.5 billion (Canadian dollars).

When do you anticipate to see everything completed by?

Our current schedule anticipates a six-year construction period, completing in 2027 but we are looking at opportunities to bring first production forward. Decisions on potential expansion beyond Stage 1 will be made in the future.

Once the project is completed, how much production do you anticipate the mine will do?

Jansen Stage 1 contemplates the construction of a potash mine with a production rate of 4.35 million tonnes per year. Depending on market conditions in the future, we see the potential for up to four phases at the project, which could increase annual production to more than 16 million tonnes per year, making Jansen one of the largest potash mines in the world.

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