



## **DAVE RODNEY, MLA Calgary Lougheed: “Onward & Upward”!**

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***The Rodney Family hosted Minister Counselor Murray Smith & Energy Minister Ron Liepert @ the Calgary-Lougheed “Breakfast Symposium on the Future of AB Energy”***

### **Bill 1: The AB Competitiveness Act**

The Gov’t of AB’s efforts to increase our competitive profile will cut through all sectors of our economy, from agriculture to petrochemicals, research & development to transportation, & beyond. For all of the important details, please visit [alberta.ca](http://alberta.ca)

### **Advancing AB’s Oil & Gas Sector**

The Competitiveness Review assessed ways that AB’s competitive position & share of energy investment have shifted, & identified contributing factors. It also considered how AB could improve its ability to attract conventional oil & natural gas investment, in light of market changes. As a result of that, ***your AB Gov’t is modifying conventional oil & natural gas royalty rates; promoting more innovation & use of new technologies; & reducing unnecessary red tape while improving coordination of regulatory processes.*** Currently, one in seven AB’s are directly or indirectly employed by the energy industry. ***The new changes will create 8,000 jobs in 2011-12, & 13,000 more jobs—annually—across the economy; & over the next 25 years, conventional oil & gas development in AB has the potential to add \$2.5 Trillion (!) in new economic activity!*** “Energizing Investment” & the complete Project Committee Technical Report & Appendix are available at: [energy.alberta.ca](http://energy.alberta.ca)

### **AB Increases Support for Clean Energy Production**

Your AB Gov’t is expanding & extending an incentive program called ***“The Bioenergy Producer Credit Program”***, which will help us meet our climate change targets by reducing emissions--while providing value-added opportunities & long-term stability to AB’s agriculture & forestry industries.

### **Sheriffs & RCMP Improve Safety on AB’s Highways**

A new process for traffic policing will be phased in--& completed—in less than 2 years. It is based

on 4 pilot projects which took place over 6 months in 2009, which demonstrated that ***one of the best ways to improve safety on our highway is to integrate the two forces. Of course, the first steps are for us to obey speed limits & drive UN-distracted!***

**AB Expands Online Campground Reservation System**

***You can book close to 6,000 campsites @ 50 provincial campgrounds online (or through a new toll-free phone reservation service)-up to 90 days in advance: Reserve.AlbertaParks.ca*** (You can preview trails, firepit locations, proximity to washrooms, 360-degree panoramic views of each campsite & campground, & much more. You can also speak directly with a reservation agent to book your campsite: ***877-537-2757***).

**\* Thank-you to All Who Attended Our Open House on March 31!**

If you were unable to attend, but would like to speak with me on any provincial issue, please contact us anytime!

**> Did You Receive my Latest “Winter Report to Constituents” in Your Mailbox?**

If you did not receive this important summary, please contact us & we will ensure that you receive your choice of a ***hard copy or via e-mail—your choice!***

**More than 700 Housing Spaces to be Built or Upgraded Seniors & People with Disabilities**

Your AB Gov't is investing a capital grant funding of of \$50 million which is expected to generate more than \$247 million in construction-related activity.



***Chateau Renoir Seniors' Complex Ribbon Cutting***

**> HAPPY SENIORS WK! ☺ (Let's carry the spirit of the first week in June with us--all year!)**

**\* For the “LATEST & GREATEST” on CALGARY-LOUGHEED issues**

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