



## **Canadian Natural Resources Limited sponsors museum wing**

Canadian Natural donates \$250,000 for the Currie Museum's Oil and Gas Wing

## Press Release

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GRANDE PRAIRIE, AB – Canadian Natural Resources Limited ("Canadian Natural") has donated \$250,000 to sponsor the Oil and Gas Wing of the Philip J. Currie Dinosaur Museum – a full one-third of the museum exhibit space.

"I think this is an absolutely incredible display of Canadian Natural's support of the local and regional community," said Brian Brake, executive director of the Pipestone Creek Dinosaur Initiative. "This is another indication of their commitment to improving the quality of life and economic health of the communities and regions where they operate."

The Oil and Gas Wing will explore the relationship between hydrocarbons and the ancient landscapes they formed in and are mined from, how ancient coral seas and prehistoric rivers are in the sights of petroleum geologists looking for new oil and gas plays and just how the petroleum products are involved in our everyday lives, from the clothes we wear to our computers and technology – even their connection to hockey. This exhibit will also look at the new technologies energy companies are using to increase efficiency while simultaneously lessening the impact on the ecosystem.

"Canadian Natural's involvement will greatly enhance our ability to connect effectively with the oil and gas story," Brake said. "We'll definitely pursue their input for that segment of the fossil fuels story."

Greg Ulrich, Canadian Natural's Manager of Western Field Operations explained. "This project aligns with our goals to support education, culture and economic prosperity in the region. The museum will enhance tourism, welcome students and provide employment opportunities to many in the Wembley area. We are delighted to be involved."

"On behalf of the County, I'd like to thank Canadian Natural for the generous contribution," said Leanne Beaupre, County of Grande Prairie Reeve. "Many Canadian Natural employees live and work in the County. It is admirable that larger organizations such as Canadian Natural understand our region's needs at a larger, more complex level and are finding ways to help improve quality of life."

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## About the Philip J. Currie Dinosaur Museum and the Pipestone Creek Dinosaur Initiative

The Philip J. Currie Dinosaur Museum, scheduled to open its doors in Fall 2014, will be a 41,000 sq. foot, world-class facility highlighting the rich fossil resources of Northern Alberta. Named for Dr. Philip Currie, Canada's preeminent palaeontologist, the museum, located in Wembley AB will serve as a hub of education and science in the area. The Pipestone Creek Dinosaur Initiative is the omnibus term for the project team tasked with the realization of the museum.





Photo: From left, Greg Ulrich, Canadian Natural Manager of Western Field Operations, Leanne Beaupre, County of Grande Prairie Reeve, Ross Sutherland, County of Grande Prairie Deputy Reeve and River of Death and Discovery Dinosaur Museum Society Chair.

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