

# Invest In

# Elizabeth Metis Settlement



Elizabeth Métis Settlement is a member of Alberta HUB, the regional economic development alliance of Northeast Alberta, which is the northern region of the Eastern Alberta Trade Corridor.





# **ELIZABETH METIS SETTLEMENT**

Elizabeth Métis Settlement is located in the northeast of the Alberta HUB region. Alberta HUB is a partnership of communities, post-secondary educational institutions, and business/industry in northeastern Alberta meant to enhance the quality of life and economic interests of this region. Elizabeth Métis Settlement was founded in 1939, covers 25,641 hectares of land and is one of the smallest of all the Métis Settlements. The Elizabeth Settlement was named after the wife, Elizabeth, of the President Joseph F. Dion. Over the years, the members have gradually been opening home-based businesses and getting into the entrepreneurial spirit. Today, their businesses are vibrant and strong.

# Community Snapshot

Population	644 (2018 Municipal Census)
Value of all Regional Building Permits	\$326,000,000 (2017)
Non-Residential Mill Rate	0
Value of Major Projects in the Region	\$30,679,200,000 (2019)

Source: REDA supplied















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#### **OUR TOP INDUSTRIES**



#### Oil & Gas

Elizabeth Métis Settlement is located on the Cold Lake Oil Sands deposit. Cold Lake operations produce about 160,000 barrels of oil per day and that number could rise by another 55,000 with Imperial Oil Limited's Cold Lake expansion project. The community prospers on the strength of our oil and gas industries and is always looking to foster new partnerships and ventures to capitalize on this growth.



#### Agriculture / Forestry

Our region's unique geography lends itself to varied uses. The alternatives in agriculture include the production of a variety of crops such as alfalfa, canola, barley, oats, spring wheat and hay. The region is also host to multiple livestock, pork and poultry farms. In addition, the old growth boreal forests in the area provide for tremendous opportunities in sustainable forestry. Both the agriculture and forestry sectors provide considerable opportunities in our region.



# Tourism

In the near future and in an effort to bolster tourism in the area, the Settlement is hoping to develop a recreation area at Soars Lake that would include an area for log cabins, boating, horseback riding, and walking/biking for both visitors and members to enjoy. In addition, other nearby attractions such as Cold Lake, Primrose Lake and the Iron Horse Trail provide additional opportunities and potential for eco-tourism ventures and partnerships in the region.



## Transportation

There are two main highways that service the community, Hwy. 897 that leads north to Cold Lake and breaks off to Hwy. 55 east to Cherry Grove, Saskatchewan and west to Bonnyville, continuing onto Edmonton. Bonnyville and Cold Lake are the nearest air services to the Elizabeth Métis Settlement and are 50 km and 30 km away, respectively.

## COMMUNITY STATISTICS

	2016 Totals*	2016 %*
Demographics		
Population	653	
Median age of the population	26.8	
Total number of census families in private households	165	
Total number of private households by tenure	180	
Owner	160	88.00%
Renter	25	12.00%
Average value of dwellings (\$)	\$290,412	
Average income \$	\$31,182	
Average household total income \$	\$67,987	
Labour Force		
In the labour force	260	58.40%
Participation rate		58.40%
Unemployment rate		23.10%
Management occupations	15	5.77%
Business, finance and administration occupations	35	13.46%
Natural and applied sciences and related occupations	10	3.85%
Health occupations	0	0.00%
Occupations in education, law and social, community and government services	30	11.54%
Occupations in art, culture, recreation and sport	0	0.00%
Sales and service occupations	45	17.31%
Trades, transport and equipment operators and related occupations	80	30.77%
Natural resources, agriculture and related production occupations	25	9.62%
Occupations in manufacturing and utilities	15	5.77%
Education		
High school diploma or equivalent	90	19.78%
Postsecondary certificate, diploma or degree	155	34.07%
Apprenticeship or trades certificate or diploma	80	17.58%
College, CEGEP or other non-university certificate or diploma	60	13.19%
University certificate or diploma below bachelor level	15	3.30%
University certificate, diploma or degree at bachelor level or above	10	2.20%

<sup>\*</sup>Source: 2016 Statistics Canada Census

## SITE SELECTION INFORMATION

Electrical Provider(s)	Direct Energy Regulated Services
Electrical Capacity	Direct Energy Regulated Services; Ph. (888) 420-3181
Natural Gas Provider(s)	North East Gas Co-op Ltd
Natural Gas Capacity	North East Gas Co-op Ltd.; Ph. (780) 826-4002
Water Capacity	www.elizabethms.ca/index.php/departments/public-works
Waste/Sewage Capacity	www.elizabethms.ca/index.php/departments/water-treatment
Broadband Provider(s)	Infinity, XplorNet
Broadband Capacity	Residential only



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