

# Here is the timeline of the events and facts leading up to where we are now.

- Plans for Biogas plant started in 2018 (as verified by Kendra Donnelly news article)
- Korova Feeders bought Western Feedlot - May 2019 renames Rimrock Feeders
- Rimrock Feeders has cattle pens redone with Rolled Compacted Concrete (RCC) Aug/Sept 2019
- Rimrock starts filling cattle pens 2020 & 2021
- Notice is sent out to local residents within 2 miles from Rimrock feeders for the (Deemed) Permit Determination Request for Grandfathering of the type of cattle held at the feedlot. Rimrock claims they have the capacity to hold 35000 head of Beef Finishers as of Jan 1, 2002 when AOPA came into effect. Prior to this date there was no paperwork determining the TYPE of cattle held at this feedlot. Jan 31, 2020
- Notice of Grandfathering posted in the High River Times according to NRCB Feb 7, 2020
- NRCB approves Grandfathering determination of TYPE (Beef Finishers) of cattle held at Rimrock Feeders Oct 8, 2020
- Tidewater Renewables approaches Foothills County about Biogas plant Nov 2020
- Foothills County waives Development Permits (DP) Nov 2020
- Foothills County Reeve writes letter of support for Korova Feeders to receive a grant from Alberta Emissions Reductions for the RRC, anaerobic digester and greenhouse project Sept 23, 2021
- Odour complaints to NRCB start as cattle pens are cleaned 2021/2022
- Notice from Foothills County is sent to local residents about the closure to purchase road allowance through the middle of future proposed biogas plant March 2022
- **May 20, 2022 Alberta Environment and Parks - Public Notice -Korova Feeders Ltd. - Water Act Notice of Application for a Transfer of Water Allocation Pekisko Creek- Highwood River- The irrigation purpose of the water use will be charged to Agricultural ( feedlot) and Industrial (bio-digester) purpose - posted in the High River Times Classifieds Section - with 30 days to file Statement of Concern**
- **Digital Regulatory Assurance System (DRAS) Notice of Application for Water Act Notice of Application for a Transfer of Water Allocation for Rimrock Biodigester Renewable Natural Gas Facility- Stated Notice Posted on July 12, 2022 -Notice Posted Until August 11, 2022 ??- (only posted once in High river Times May 20, 2022) Dates and Names of Applicants for Water Transfer are different! All other Public Notices for Water Act are posted in the Western Wheel under Foothills County!**
- July 20-23, 2022 Alberta Environment and Parks - Notice of Permit Application is distributed to homes within a 2 km radius of proposed biogas project in Foothills County( taped to gates ect by Aim Land Services for Rimrock Renewables and Tidewater Renewables, notice is put in High River Times.
- Notice of permit application gives notified residents 30 days from undated letter to write and submit Statement of Concerns (SOC's)
- 9 SOC's are filed by Aug 19, 2022
- Odours are horrendous and complaints to NRCB and Town increase, cleaning of pens, hauling and spreading of manure are taking place. July/August and September 2022
- After 30 days has passed for filing SOC's, Rimrock/Tidewater Renewables representatives meet with small groups of Foothills County residents and share inaccurate information as per the permit application later shows.
- Town has Price family attend Town meeting Sept 2022
- Town has NRCB attend Town meeting, they are looking into odour sources-possibly catch basins need draining - more odours.
- Sept 26, 2022 Application for Water Transfer approved - in the name of Korova Feeders
- Resident of Foothills County share information of proposed biogas project to Town of High River Oct 2022
- Residents have an open house at Ramada Inn to share newly attained information about biogas project to 50 Foothills and High River residents and Reeve of Foothills County attends Oct 2022
- Facebook page is started and StopthatSmell.ca website to provide the facts of the proposed biogas project which includes the full copy of the Permit Application. Nov 2022
- Lawyer Gavin Fitch of McLennan Ross is retained by SOC filers and other residents Jan 2023
- Facebook page and StopthatSmell.ca website launched in opposition to biogas plant - Nov 2022

- Rimrock/Tidewater Renewables were asked numerous times to hold open house meeting late summer and fall 2022
- Rimrock/Tidewater Renewables decides to hold a virtual meeting co-hosted by Foothills County Council Jan 25, 2023 Foothills County residents get to see virtual meeting Jan 12, 2023
- Questions for Rimrock/Tidewater have to be submitted one week prior to meeting.
- Nov 28, 2022 letter for Supplemental Information Request (SIR) is sent to Rimrock Renewables from Alberta Environment and Protected Areas (AEPA) Regulatory Assurance Division Southern Region, Industrial Approvals Engineer. Deadline for information to be provided Jan 30, 2023
- Feb 13, 2023 Rimrock/Tidewater Renewables submits Supplemental Information (SIR#1) Contains design changes.
- Feb 2023 Opposition Group provides open house for all residents to attend and read information on Rimrock Renewables Biogas plant
- Feb 2023 SIR#1 is posted on Stopthatsmell.ca website
- March 23, 2023 Another (SIR#2) is requested - deadline to provide is June 19, 2023
- July 17, 2023 Rimrock/Tidewater Renewables provides AEPA with SIR#2
- SIR#2 is posted on Stopthatsmell.ca website, again contains design changes for biogas project
- Odours from Rimrock Feeders are the worst and more constant, increased complaints to NRCC throughout spring and summer 2023- Complaints since feedlot re-opened until Sept 2023 = 1747  
Complaints for Oct 2023 = 473, Nov 2023 = 353 and Dec 2023 = 143 and still continue with no solution!
- Open letter with 546 signatures asking for moratorium on biogas to be included with other renewables presented to Minister of Environment Sept 9, 2023
- Oct 10, 2023 Meeting with Premier, Minister of Environment, Minister of Agriculture, MLA, CEO of Tidewater Renewables Rob Cocleugh, Co-owner Rimrock Renewables/Feeders Kee Jim, Rachael Powell Consultant, and Biogas Plant opposition
- Dec 11, 2023 Approval under the Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act given to Rimrock Renewables Biogas Project Dec 11, 2023 by Director Craig Knaus of Alberta Environment and Protected Areas (AEPA)
- SOC filers, Town of High River submit documents to Environment Appeals Board (EAB) to appeal approval for Biogas Plant.
- Appeals process starts Lawyers for Director of AEPA give notice to Environment Appeals Board documents will be submitted by March 28, 2024

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