



Work During His Term

Jim Smith | Area E Director | Elected October 2022

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Highway 97 speed reduction

Jim worked persistently with the transportation ministry to have the posted speed limit through the Seventy Mile House area reduced from 100 km/h to 90 km/h.

Further speed-control measures are being planned, particularly at Highway 97 and North Bonaparte Road.

Frontage-road parking

Jim worked with various agencies to have enforceable signage posted where semis were parking illegally in front of a resident's home on the frontage road beside Highway 97.

Dangerous Dog Bylaw

The TNRD Dangerous Dog Bylaw was amended to include Area E and other areas, addressing concerns raised following a local resident's experience.

Service & Community Involvement

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2026 wildfire season

As a retired volunteer firefighter and TNRD Director, Jim attended daily wildfire briefings provided by BC Wildfire and the TNRD during the 2026 wildfire season and shared important updates with residents through his Facebook page. Jim and his wife followed the South Green Lake evacuation order.

His earlier service with the South Green Lake Volunteer Fire Department during the 2017 Elephant Hill fire was separate from his role in 2026.

[Watch the Global News wildfire report featuring Jim](#)

Supporting local organizations

Community funding during Jim's tenure has supported local organizations, community facilities, volunteer services and rural infrastructure. A general list of the projects and organizations is included on the following page.

Regional representation

Jim's regional board and committee work has covered health care, economic development, solid waste and utility systems. He has also worked with regional, provincial and federal representatives to make sure Area E's voice is heard.

Community Projects & Organizations

Projects and recipients identified in funding records during Jim's tenure, 2022-2026.

Community facilities and infrastructure

- Loon Lake Community Hall upgrades and insulation improvements
- Loon Lake Fire Hall
- 70 Mile Volunteer Fire Department hall upgrades
- Loon Lake water system improvements and water bottle fill station
- Solid waste B-train trailer
- Green Lake Community Centre acoustic sound renovation
- 70 Mile Community Hall interior rejuvenation

Community organizations and other supported initiatives

- South Green Lake Volunteer Fire Department and Auxiliary
- 70 Mile House Volunteer Fire Department
- 70 Mile Access Centre
- 70 Mile Community Club and Community Hall
- Clinton Agricultural Association
- Clinton Food Bank Society
- Clinton Senior Association
- Clinton Legion
- Village of Clinton
- High Bar First Nation
- Loon Lake Road Community Recreational and Agricultural Society
- Green Lake Snowmobile Club
- Kelly Lake Road Wildfire Emergency Preparedness Society
- Green Lake Community Centre
- Glara Lake Study (as named in the supplied funding summary)

Sources: Area E Grant Funding Summary and Northern Development funding confirmation. Listed funding does not establish project completion or Jim's individual role in each application.

Additional details to follow.