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## NEWS RELEASE

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### **Parkland County to conduct commercial vehicle safety inspections.**

PARKLAND COUNTY, AB. Parkland County Patrol Services continues to promote road safety through its annual commercial vehicle safety inspections, taking place from June 3<sup>rd</sup> to June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2008.

“We will be performing the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance (CVSA) inspections, targeting commercial vehicle operators with a GVW of 4500 kg or more,” said Shane Lindeman, Parkland County Community Peace Officer. “There are a number of different commercial vehicles that operate within or pass through Parkland County and we want to ensure the safety of all users of the County’s roadways.”

Commercial vehicles will be pulled into pre-determined check sites throughout Parkland County and a trained CVSA patrol officer will conduct the inspection. The inspections include mechanical safety, driver qualification, hours of service, load security and, where applicable, dangerous goods transportation and safety.

“Commercial vehicles log hundreds of thousands of kilometers and it is important for the safety of everyone that the vehicles are mechanically sound,” said Peter Morris, Supervisor, Parkland County Patrol Services. “There is a zero tolerance for mechanical defects during this safety blitz.”

The CVSA is the North American standard of training for law enforcement agencies for conducting commercial vehicle safety inspections. Commercial vehicle inspections are part of the 2008 Alberta Traffic Safety Plan. For more information on the Traffic Safety Plan, visit [www.saferoads.com](http://www.saferoads.com). Information regarding commercial vehicle operation, safety and inspections can be found on the Alberta Transportation website at [www.infratrans.gov.ab.ca](http://www.infratrans.gov.ab.ca).

Parkland County is a rural municipality located immediately west of Edmonton. Covering an area of 246,462 hectares (609,007 acres), it is one of the largest in size and one of the highest populated of all rural municipalities in Alberta. Parkland County has grown to a community of over 29,000 people and has seen generations of families continue to enjoy country living.

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