

Lodge extension to be completed by March 2024

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The federal and provincial governments heralded a joint investment program of \$8.2 million to fund a redevelopment project for the Del-Air Lodge on October 2019.

The Del-Air Lodge is situated on 202 First Avenue SW in Manning.

The blueprint for the redevelopment was designed to accommodate 16 designated supported living (DSL) units. JMAA Architecture and Chandos Construction Ltd. were chosen to build the DSL expansion.

Construction for the DSL wing at the Del-Air Lodge was progressing in 2023. Town of Manning Councillor Keith Hutchison gave a brief on the new wing at the lodge during a Council meeting on April 26, 2023.

"The walls are 95 per cent up, and the roof trusses are 75 per cent up. It is moving along now. It's going to get busier. More and more



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Construction for the Del-Air Lodge's DSL (designated supported living units) wing is expected to be finalized in March 2024.

contractors are going to come as far as plumbers and electricians, etc. It is coming along with no hold-ups," Hutchison said.

Hutchison estimated that the DSL wing should be completed by March 2024.

"This is what they are hoping for."

Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation announced on February 6, 2020, that the provincial government and federal Canadian were developing

senior housing throughout Alberta.

A \$37-million capital investment had been earmarked to build 173 new lodge and continuing spaces in Oyen, Spirit River, and Manning.