

**CLEARWATER COUNTY
COUNCIL AGENDA
April 12, 2011**

DELEGATIONS:

11:00 WILD ROSE SCHOOL DIVISION

1:15 PUBLIC HEARING - ROAD ALLOWANCE PERMIT APPLICATION

2:00 LAND USE AMENDMENT APPLICATION

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. AGENDA ADOPTION

C. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

1. March 8, 2011 Regular Meeting Minutes

D. PUBLIC WORKS

1. Public Works Manager's Report

2. Policy Review/ Surfacing Strategy

3. 1:15 Charlton Road Allowance Permit

E FINANCE

1. Accounts Payable Listing

2. Reserve Transfers

F. MUNICIPAL

1. Municipal Manager's Report

2. Authorization of Absence

3. 11:00 Wild Rose School Division

4. Governance structure – Regional Solid Waste Authority

5. Blazing Saddles 2011

6. INCAMERA

a. North Saskatchewan River Park (NSRP)

b. Sewage Lagoon

G. PLANNING

1. 2:00 Land Use Bylaw Amendment – Bylaw 938/11

H: AGRICULTURAL SERVICES

1. Ag Services Update

I. COMMITTEE REPORTS

J. ADJOURNMENT

TABLED ITEMS

<u>Date</u>	<u>Item, Reason and Status</u>
08/10/10	Residential Subdivision Policy <ul style="list-style-type: none">• To allow more discussion between Council and Public Works. STATUS: In progress, Public Works
01/25/11	Access Roads Policy Review <ul style="list-style-type: none">• To allow further policy review. STATUS: In progress, Public Works
02/08/11	Audit Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Council to discuss whether appropriate to develop audit committee. STATUS: On Hold
02/22/11	Taimi Road or other road projects for 2011. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Council to discuss road priorities. STATUS: On Hold
	Council's thank you luncheon <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Council to determine dates for invitation of past Councillors. STATUS: Pending
03/29/11	North Saskatchewan River Park <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Staff to contact the Town of Rocky Mountain House and Alberta Transportation to discuss River Road intersections at Hwy 11 and Hwy 11A. STATUS: In Progress, Administration

AGENDA ITEM

DATE: April 8, 2011

ITEM: Policy Review/ Surfacing Strategies

PREPARED BY: Marshall Morton

BACKGROUND: As the administration has been working on updating the Access Road Policy it has become evident that there will be an impact on other policies and how they will be administered. The administration would like to request a half day session with Council to discuss the requested changes and how these changes will effect other policies.

The administration would also like to spend the second half of the day reviewing surfacing strategies and priority setting guidelines for the future surfacing needs of this municipality. Other potential topics of discussion could include alternative dust control products and how escalating fuel costs may impact current programs.

Staff recommends that Council meet on May 2,3,4, or 5 to discuss the above subject matter

RECOMMENDATION: That Council identifies a date to meet with the administration to discuss the above mentioned items.

AGENDA ITEM

COUNCIL: April 12, 2011
ISSUE: Issuance of Permit of Undeveloped Road Allowance (Twp. Rd 36-4, east of Highway 22) to Darl Charlton, road allowance lying between:

1. Part of the South East $\frac{1}{4}$ of 30-36-6 W5M and part of the North East $\frac{1}{4}$ of 19-36-6 W5M (approximately 275 meters or 1.37 acres more or less).

PREPARED BY: Darrell Misner

BACKGROUND:

Mr. Charlton approached Public Works concerning the permitting of the undeveloped road allowance lying immediately east of his acreage approaches at the east end of Twp. Road 36-4 (see attached aerial photo). Upon field review of the request, it was determined that Public Works had interest in a small portion of the requested area. Both the Clearwater County grader and the area school bus turned around at this location, but would not be affected by the request.

Mr. Charlton has requested that he be allowed to put a temporary fence and wire gate up across the undeveloped portion of this road allowance for grazing of his horses. Upon completion of the grazing, the gate would be opened. Mr. Charlton also understands the public nature of the road allowance and is agreeable to any and all public access through the wire gate (if closed). All fencing and gates would be set back far enough to allow continued use of the road allowance and his approaches for grader and school bus turn arounds.

Public Works has reviewed this request and has no concerns with the issuance of this permit.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council grants first, second and third reading of bylaw 939/11.

BY-LAW NO. 939/11

A By-law of the Clearwater County, Province of Alberta, for the purpose of granting a permit for the temporary occupation or use of a road allowance in accordance with the Highway Traffic Act, Chapter H-7, Revised Statutes of Alberta, 1980, Section 16, 1, (Q).

WHEREAS, the lands hereafter described are no longer required for public travel and;

WHEREAS, application has been made to Council to have the highway temporarily occupied or used.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the Clearwater County Council, in the Province of Alberta, does hereby authorize the following roadway for temporary occupation or use subject to rights of access granted by other legislation or regulations and relevant County Policy.

**Portions of SE 30-36-6 W5M and NE 19-36-6 W5M
(Approximately 275 meters or 1.37 acre more or less)**

READ A FIRST TIME this 12th day of April, 2011.

READ A SECOND TIME this 12th day of April, 2011.

READ A THIRD AND FINAL TIME this 12th day of April, 2011.

REEVE

MANAGER

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NE30 36-6-W5M

NW29 36-6-W5M

SW30 36-6-W5M

SE30 36-6-W5M

SW29 36-6-W5M

Proposed Road Allowance Lease
Approximately 275 Meters

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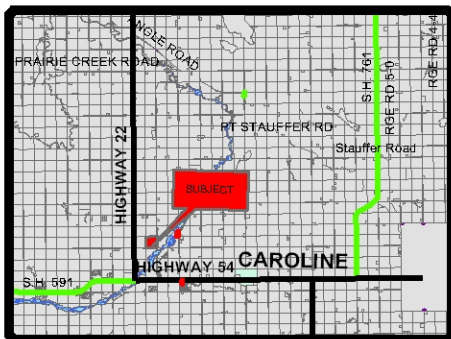
Approximate
Location of Gate

NW20 36-6-W5M

NE19 36-6-W5M

NW19 36-6-W5M

 Road Allowance Lease Area



**Application To Lease Road Allowance
Lying Between
S.E. 30-36-6 W5 and
N.E. 19-36-6 W5
Approximately 275 Meters
1.37 Acres +/-**



Hi Daryl,

I appreciate the quick response to my phone call and as per our phone call this is a concern that Earl and I have with Charlton's application to lease the road allowance.

Having lived on this access road for the past 5 plus years we have felt "monitored" in our use of the road allowance. We as a family will walk to the river from the existing gate to fish or play in the river, if we quad down we are immediately "checked" on by Charlton's. We feel that if permission is given for him to pasture horses on the existing road allowance he will make us feel even more unwelcome to use this public access.

Please feel free to call if you have any questions.

Thanks

Christie Johnson

Agenda Item

Date: April 12, 2011
Item: Financial Reserves
Prepared by: Murray Hagan

Introduction:

The use of financial reserves provides a transparent method of restricting funds for specified future projects as defined by the County's strategic plan.

As the consolidated financial statements for Clearwater County for the year ended December 31, 2010, and related audit, are nearly complete, it would be beneficial to discuss the status of the organization's financial reserves.

Background:

As at December 31, 2009, the County had \$374,264,000 in accumulated surplus. Of this amount, \$338,107,000 is represented by equity in tangible capital assets with the remainder of \$36,157,000 being allocated between unrestricted surplus and various reserves.

The attached schedule identifies these amounts as well as transfers of \$6,682,000 that were previously approved during 2010. There is also another \$3,751,000 in recommended transfers that will require Council's approval to balance the reserves with 2010 and 2011 budgets. We will be prepared to discuss each of these transfers in more detail during the meeting.

Recommendation:

That Council reviews the attached schedule and provides approval for additional transfers to be made prior to finalization of the consolidated financial statements.

Clearwater County Reserves	Unrestricted Surplus	Planning & Recreation Designated	Capital			Operating Designated	Nordegg Designated	Mill Rate Stabilization Designated	Airport Designated	Fire - Capital Designated	Disaster Designated	PW - Capital Designated	PW - Paving Designated	PW - Gravel Designated	Resource Roads Designated	Sewer Designated	ASB Designated	Fire REGIONAL Designated	Total
			Designated	Undesignated	Total														
Balances, December 31, 2009	7,511,596.79	#####	\$600,000.00	3,029,954.11	3,629,954.11	446,000.00	\$4,766,768.15	#####	\$64,500.00	\$994,644.22	#####	\$1,450,000.00	#####	\$2,771,953.29	\$1,525,407.00	\$338,622.26	#####	\$0.00	36,157,068.00
Condor Lot Dev						25,000.00													
Web Site Dev						60,000.00													
Rocky Nordegg Trail						50,000.00													
Se Rec Grounds						200,000.00													
Rural Addressing						26,000.00													
Pandemic Plan Review						14,000.00													
CPO - Special constables						71,000.00													-
Transfers from (to) operating	#####	19,500.92	-	-	-	-	(25,000.00)	1,023,231.00	-	10,000.00	#####	260,000.00	-	-	-	-	-	-	(682,969.52)
Disaster & SAR	(100,000.00)										#####								-
Nordegg Historical Society	25,000.00						(25,000.00)												-
PW - Capital Projects	(200,000.00)											200,000.00							-
Regional Fire - HQ	(25,000.00)									25,000.00									-
Regional Fire - Kline Repeat	15,000.00									(15,000.00)									-
Mill Rate Stabilization	#####							1,023,231.00											-
Planning - developers levies	(19,500.92)	19,500.92																	-
Surplus (Deficit) 2010	(682,969.52)																		(682,969.52)
PW - GIS	(60,000.00)											60,000.00							-
Transfers from (to) capital	-	-	(600,000.00)	#####	#####	-	(1,805,103.30)	-	-	-	-	(1,100,000.00)	(949,633.13)	-	(556,099.36)	-	-	11,875.00	(5,998,960.79)
CS - Medical Clinic			(600,000.00)		(600,000.00)														(600,000.00)
Nordegg General Development							(1,805,103.30)												(1,805,103.30)
PW - Peak Building purchase				#####	#####							(1,100,000.00)							(2,100,000.00)
Base Pave													(949,633.13)						(949,633.13)
Resource Roads														(556,099.36)					(556,099.36)
County Portion Reg Fire Cap																	11,875.00		11,875.00
Transfers between reserves																			-
Balances, December 31, 2010	5,440,895.35	479,405.41	-	2,029,954.11	2,029,954.11	446,000.00	2,936,664.85	4,891,414.73	64,500.00	1,004,644.22	#####	610,000.00	6,337,626.94	2,771,953.29	969,307.64	338,622.26	680,000.00	11,875.00	29,475,137.69
Recommended transfers between reserves																			
Gravel - Future Land Purchase	(1,020,000)													1,020,000.00					-
Gravel - Reclamation	(126,000)													126,000.00					-
Gravel land purchase	1,250,000													(1,250,000.00)					-
Regional Fire - Nordegg Fire	(1,755,296)									1,755,296									-
Lagoon	(2,100,000)														2,100,000				-
Potential Balance after discuss	1,689,599.35	479,405.41	-	2,029,954.11	2,029,954.11	446,000.00	2,936,664.85	4,891,414.73	64,500.00	2,759,940.22	#####	610,000.00	6,337,626.94	2,667,953.29	969,307.64	#####	680,000.00	11,875.00	29,475,137.69

AGENDA ITEM

DATE: April 8, 2011
ITEM: Authorization of absence – Councilor Graham
PREPARED BY: Ron Leaf

BACKGROUND:

As Council is aware, Earl has been in the Red Deer hospital for the past number of weeks. While he is to be released on Friday April 8, Earl has been advised that he will be unable to “return to work” for at least a week and therefore will miss the April 12th meeting. This will be the second meeting Earl has missed in the past 4 weeks.

As Council is aware, Section 174 (d) of the Municipal Government Act (MGA) states that a Councilor is disqualified from Council if they miss all regular Council meetings within an 8 week period. Section 174 (2) allows Council to authorize, by resolution, the Councilor’s absence.

While Earl anticipates that he will be able to return to his Council duties shortly he has requested that, as a precaution, that Council authorize his absence from Council meetings as per Section 174 (2).

I have advised Earl of Council’s offer to have other Council members attend any upcoming meetings on Earl’s behalf. Earl expressed his appreciation for the offer and noted that there are not critical issues or meetings that require other Councilor involvement, at this time.

Recommendation:

That, pursuant to Section 174 (2) of the Municipal Government Act, Council authorizes Councilor Graham’s absence from Council meetings, due to his illness.

AGENDA ITEM

DATE: April 7, 2011
ITEM: Meeting with the WRSD
PREPARED BY: Ron Leaf

BACKGROUND:

In terms of the Wild Rose School Division (WRSD) Board delegation at Tuesday's meeting, the following items have been proposed for discussion:

- Joint Use Agreement –the Town, Village and County have an agreement with the WRSD which sets out details regarding the use by the schools of municipal facilities (e.g. arenas) and the municipal/public's use of school facilities (e.g. gymnasiums). The agreement outlines details such as costs, hours of availability, supervision requirements, etc. It has been a number of years since the joint use agreement was reviewed and the WRSD will provide an update on the status of the current review.
- Emergency Planning – the County and WRSD staff have recognized the need to improve our respective emergency plans to provide for better coordination of municipal and school responses to major emergencies or disasters. Staff will provide on some of the efforts taken to date as well as upcoming plans.
- Update on Family Wellness Worker program – the WRSD assumed administration of the FWW program a couple of years ago; they will provide an update on the program and the benefits/successes the program continues to provide.
- School Time Zones – the Province is proposing changes to school time zones and the WRSD will provide an update on the impact of these changes on the David Thompson, Condor and Leslieville schools.
- Campus Alberta – Is a provincial initiative targeted at improving post-secondary opportunities within rural Alberta, principally through video conferencing. Council has expressed a desire to see post-secondary opportunities improved in the area. WRSD will discuss the various plans it has with respect to the Confluence Campus and potential partnerships with provincial colleges (e.g. Red Deer College). This topic area may provide opportunity for Council and the Board to discuss how the County might support post-secondary initiatives in the area.
- School Resource Officer (SRO) program – The SRO program is entering its third year with one of the contracts due for renewal in 2011. Staff recommends that the WRSD and Council discuss the benefits and successes of the SRO program and the future of the program. As Council will recall, the County assists in funding two SRO positions, one SRO works with the public schools in Rocky Mountain House; this position is funded by the Town, the participating schools and the County. The second officer works in the Caroline, Condor, David Thompson and Leslieville schools; this position is funded by the County and these schools.

A joint Board/Council luncheon will follow the formal delegation time.

Recommendation:

That Council accepts this report for information.

AGENDA ITEM

DATE: April 7, 2011
ITEM: Governance structure – Regional Solid Waste Authority
PREPARED BY: Ron Leaf

BACKGROUND:

At their March meeting the Board of the Rocky Mountain Regional Solid Waste Authority (“the Board”) passed a motion *“that the Rocky Mountain Regional Solid Waste Authority Board supports changing the governance model to a corporation and the costs to do so will be covered by the Rocky Mountain Regional Solid Waste Authority budget”*.

For the Board to be able to move forward on this recommend change in corporate structure, the proposed change requires the support by the Councils of the three member municipalities - being the Town, the Village and the County.

As Council is aware, there are a number of legal options relating to the corporate organization and governance of a waste authority: a commission, Part 9 Company, a corporation, or as a municipal department. Each legal structure has its pros and cons and the Board believes the corporation model is the most appropriate given the current and anticipated operations being undertaken by the waste authority.

Staff recommends that Council supports the recommendation, in principle. This motion will allow Waste Authority staff and the managements of the Town, Village and County to begin work on the development of a “shareholders agreement” which will set out the various powers, duties, roles, responsibilities of the new corporate structure to the three municipalities as well as deal with issues governance structure as well as the transfer of existing assets and liabilities currently related to the management of the solid waste of the Town, Village and County. Based on comments by the Board’s lawyer, the process of developing the shareholder agreement and receiving the necessary government approvals may take upwards of 24 months. Once completed the shareholder agreement will have to be endorsed and approved by the Town, Village and County councils.

Recommendation:

That Council accepts, in principle, the recommendation of Regional Solid Waste Authority Board to change the governance model to a Corporation structure, with associated costs to be incurred by Rocky Mountain Regional Sold Waste Authority and further, that the draft shareholder agreement, once completed, be submitted to Council for final approval.

Agenda Item

Date: April 12, 2011
Item: Blazing Saddles 2011
Prepared by: Tyler McKinnon

Background:

In April 2010, Council approved \$1,000 funding from Clearwater County's economic development budget to take part in the Blazing Saddles initiative through the Rocky Mountain House and District Chamber of Commerce. The goal of Blazing Saddles is to encourage more visitors to come to the area for tourism opportunities.

The Chamber has submitted a letter asking if Council would like to continue with this program for 2011. A copy of the letter has been attached for Council's information.

Membership with this program costs \$1,000. The initiative is scheduled to run from May 1 - August 31, 2011 and includes radio advertising targeted to Central Alberta. Participants get joint and individual advertising spots on Sunny Radio (Lacombe) and CKGY (Red Deer). A copy of the full program details has been attached to this item.

The Chamber notes that three campgrounds last year participated in data collection from their visitors. This data showed that an average of 32 visitors per month noted that they had come to our area as a result of the radio advertising.

This program is in line with Council's goal of promoting the Clearwater County brand. Given this, should Council wish to participate in this initiative again, the \$1,000 fee could be funded from Council's economic development budget.

Recommendation

That Council approve membership with the Blazing Saddles initiative and payment of the \$1,000 fee from the economic development budget.



ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE AND DISTRICT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Box 1374 - 5406 - 48th Street (Highway 11)

Rocky Mountain House, AB T4T 1B1

Telephone (403) 845-5450 Fax (403) 845-7764

"Creating an environment that supports and attracts business"

March 28, 2011

Mike Haugen
Clearwater County
Box 550
Rocky Mountain House, AB
T4T 1A4

RE: Blazing Saddle Market 2011

Dear Mr. Haugen:

Last year, Clearwater County, partnered with the Rocky Mountain House & District Chamber of Commerce and Travel Alberta to increase the tourism marketing for the region. We would, once again, like the opportunity to partner with Clearwater County to initiate the 2011 Blazing Saddle Market Regional Marketing Project.

The ongoing goal of this project is to create awareness in Central Alberta in regards to the tourism opportunities available in Clearwater County and Rocky Mountain House. As with last year's program, we will have the opportunity to partner with Travel Alberta to promote our area through a series of radio advertising. All partners involved will have the opportunity to showcase their particular assets to the Central Alberta listening audience. Partners will develop their own ad content and ads can contain any information that will encourage newcomers to our community.

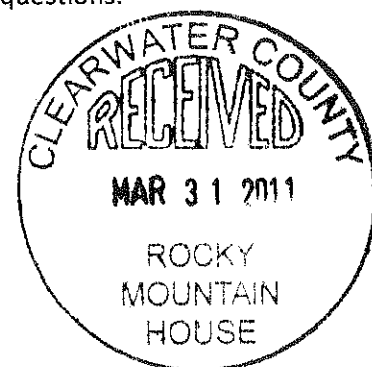
The cost for the program remains the same as last year, at \$1,000.00 per partner. Travel Alberta will match total funds with a funding grant. I have included the details of the marketing project. I have also attached an evaluation of last year's project goals and outcome.

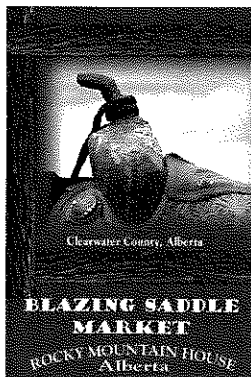
We felt that the program was very successful in meeting our goals and objectives as well as bringing new tourism dollars to the community by creating more awareness of Clearwater County and Rocky Mountain House. The opportunity to partner with Clearwater County, to promote tourism in 2011, is a successful relationship we would like to continue.

Deadline for commitment of this program is April 6, as Travel Alberta has just informed us that funding will be available for 2011.

Please call me if you would like to participate again this program or if you have any questions.

Regards,
Cindy Taschuk
Cindy Taschuk
Executive Director





2011 Blazing Saddle Market Tourism Marketing Program Details:

- Each partner's investment is \$1,000.00.
- All partners will receive joint advertising as well as separate advertising spots.
- Each partner will have the opportunity to supply information for their specific time slot.
- All marketing will be done through 2 out of town radio stations (as per the marketing guidelines) - Sunny radio located in Lacombe and CKGY located in Red Deer
- These two stations cover a viewing audience from age 17 – 65+, with the largest listening audience from 45 - 54
- This initiative will run from May 1 to August 31, 2011
- Specific tourism statistics will be tracked and all information will be forwarded to partners at the end of the program
- All partners will also receive high visibility on the Chamber website with a link to your own site.
- This advertising will also be tied in with the local business signed up for Phase Two of the program

Evaluation of Goals and Objectives 2010

Through the "2010 Blazing Saddle Market" marketing plan we wanted to accomplish two goals.

1. Goal of 20 visitors for 3 random campgrounds (60 visitors), who would say, when surveyed, they came to Rocky Mountain House and Clearwater County due to having heard the radio promotion.
2. Goal of selling 250 Blazing Saddle Market Tickets to promote local business in the area.

Goal 1 was achieved and surpassed as the 3 campgrounds reported that an average of **32 visitors per month (384 visitors)** visited our area because of the radio advertising.

Goal 2 fell slightly short of the mark as **221 Blazing Saddle Market tickets** were sold vs the goal of 250 Blazing Saddle Market tickets.

Agenda Item

Date: April 12, 2011

Item: **Appointment Time 2:00 p.m.**
First Reading of Bylaw 938/11
Application No. 05/11 to amend the Land Use Bylaw
For the redesignation of 11 acres described as Plan 1992NY, Lot B,
PT NE 14-39-07-W5
From Industrial District "I" to Agriculture District "A" for the purpose
of subdividing off and consolidation with the remainder of NE 14-39-
07-W5 which is currently Agriculture Land.
Will and Donna MacDonald on behalf of Blair Hirsch

Prepared by: Kim Jakowski

Background: consolidated

The subject land is located on the east border of the Town of Rocky Mountain House partially within the Long Term Town Boundary and the remainder in the Rural Policy Area as directed in the Rocky - Clearwater Intermunicipal Development Plan. Blair Hirsch holds title to Lot B, Plan 1992 NY containing 21.67 acres and is presently zoned Industrial District "I". The subject portion of land to be redesignated, approximately 11.0 acres, is located in the east half of the property adjacent to the remainder of NE 14-39-07-W5.

Blair Hirsch applied in October of 2004 to have his parcel, that being 21.67 acres, to be rezoned from the Agriculture District "A" to the Industrial District "I" in order to operate his plumbing and heating business at one location and to build a shop. A public hearing was held on January 25, 2005 and the application received second and third reading to approve the redesignation to the Industrial District "I". In 2007 Blair Hirsch received approval to build a shop to operate his business which was constructed on the west half of the existing parcel.

The application before Council today is for the redesignation of 11.0 acres of the 21.67 acre parcel, that being the east half of the existing parcel, from the Industrial District "I" to the Agriculture District "A" for the purpose of consolidation with the remainder of NE 14-39-07-W5 to allow for physical and legal access and an appropriate building site for a residence. Schedule "A" indicates the portion of land to be redesignated and consolidated as well as the new proposed parcel with the remainder of NE 14-39-07-W5 and the consolidation combined.

Currently the remainder of the quarter section obtains access to 42nd Street via adjacent land. Legal access is by the undeveloped road allowance on the east side

of the quarter section. The proposed consolidated parcel would see the south half of the abandoned railway bed consolidated with the portion of Lot B to be subdivided and the remainder of the quarter section. The abandoned railway bed could then be the legal and physical access to the proposed building site on the consolidated parcel.

Planning Direction:

The Rocky - Clearwater Intermunicipal Development Plan adopted in 2007 applies to all lands within the Town boundary and the areas of the County shown on the IDP Future Land Uses map. The Plan guides development and provides a basis for inter-municipal discussion and collaboration where developments in one municipality have the potential to impact the other municipality.

The Rocky - Clearwater Intermunicipal Development Plan indicates in Section 5.1 Agricultural Uses that the common goals of the plan are to avoid the premature subdivision and conversion of agricultural land to non-agricultural use as well as minimize the impact of urban expansion on agricultural lands.

Policy 5.1.1 states agricultural use of land shall continue to be the predominant use within the Rural Policy Area on Map 1 over the long term and subdivision of agricultural lands for non-agricultural purposes should be discouraged.

Policy 5.1.2 states the expansion of the Town onto agricultural lands shall be recognized as ongoing and shall be carefully guided to minimize the premature loss of agricultural land.

The Future Land Uses map of the IDP depicts the general indication of land use for the subject lands to be industrial on the western portion and agricultural in the eastern portion of Lot B. This proposal appears to be consistent with the goals of the IDP regarding the premature conversion of land to non-agricultural uses and minimizing the urban expansion on agricultural lands. This proposal allows for a portion of land that was previously redesignated to Industrial District "I" to be redesignated back to the Agriculture District "A".

The Municipal Development Plan (2010) Intermunicipal Planning, Local Planning and Liaison goals and policies adopted outline the relationship between Clearwater County and the surrounding municipalities. One of the goals is to promote cooperation through reciprocal referral mechanisms with adjoining municipalities on planning and development matters of common interest. Another goal is to participate in joint plans with neighbouring municipalities for areas of common interest. In this case that being the Intermunicipal Development Plan between Clearwater County and the Town of Rocky Mountain House.

Municipal Development Plan (2010) Policy 11.2.1 states that Clearwater County shall work cooperatively with its adjacent municipalities to secure and implement arrangements regarding lands of mutual interest for the referral of:

- (a) proposed statutory plans, outline plans and amendments thereto;
- (b) proposed land redesignations;
- (c) subdivision applications; and
- (d) development applications for major developments.

Policy 11.2.5 shall require Clearwater County to manage growth and land use change in the fringe area around Rocky Mountain House in accordance with the Rocky - Clearwater Intermunicipal Development Plan.



CLEARWATER COUNTY

Application for Amendment to the Land Use Bylaw

Application No. 11/05

I / We hereby make application to amend the Land Use Bylaw.

APPLICANT: Will & Dana MacDonald

ADDRESS & PHONE: RR 1 Site 9 Box 23 Rocky Mountain House T4T 2A1
403 846-1677 cell 403 845-3539 Home

REGISTERED OWNER: Blair Hirsch

ADDRESS & PHONE: 6709-61st Rocky Mountain House T4T 1K5 403-844-0942

AMENDMENT REQUESTED:

1. CHANGE OF LAND USE DISTRICT FROM: Industrial "I" TO: Agricultural "A"

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: NE 1/4 Sec. 14 Twp. 39 Rge. 7 W5M

OR: LOT: B BLOCK — REGISTERED PLAN NO.: 1992 NY

OR: CERTIFICATE OF TITLE NO.: _____ (Site Plan is attached)

SIZE OF AREA TO BE REDESIGNATED: _____ (Hectares / Acres)

2. REVISION TO THE WORDING OF THE LAND USE BYLAW AS FOLLOWS:

Change Industrial zoning to Agricultural

3. REASONS IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT:

Redistrict land to allow for consolidation with remaining quarter section already zoned Agricultural "A" in order to allow development as a residential parcel or farm parcel.

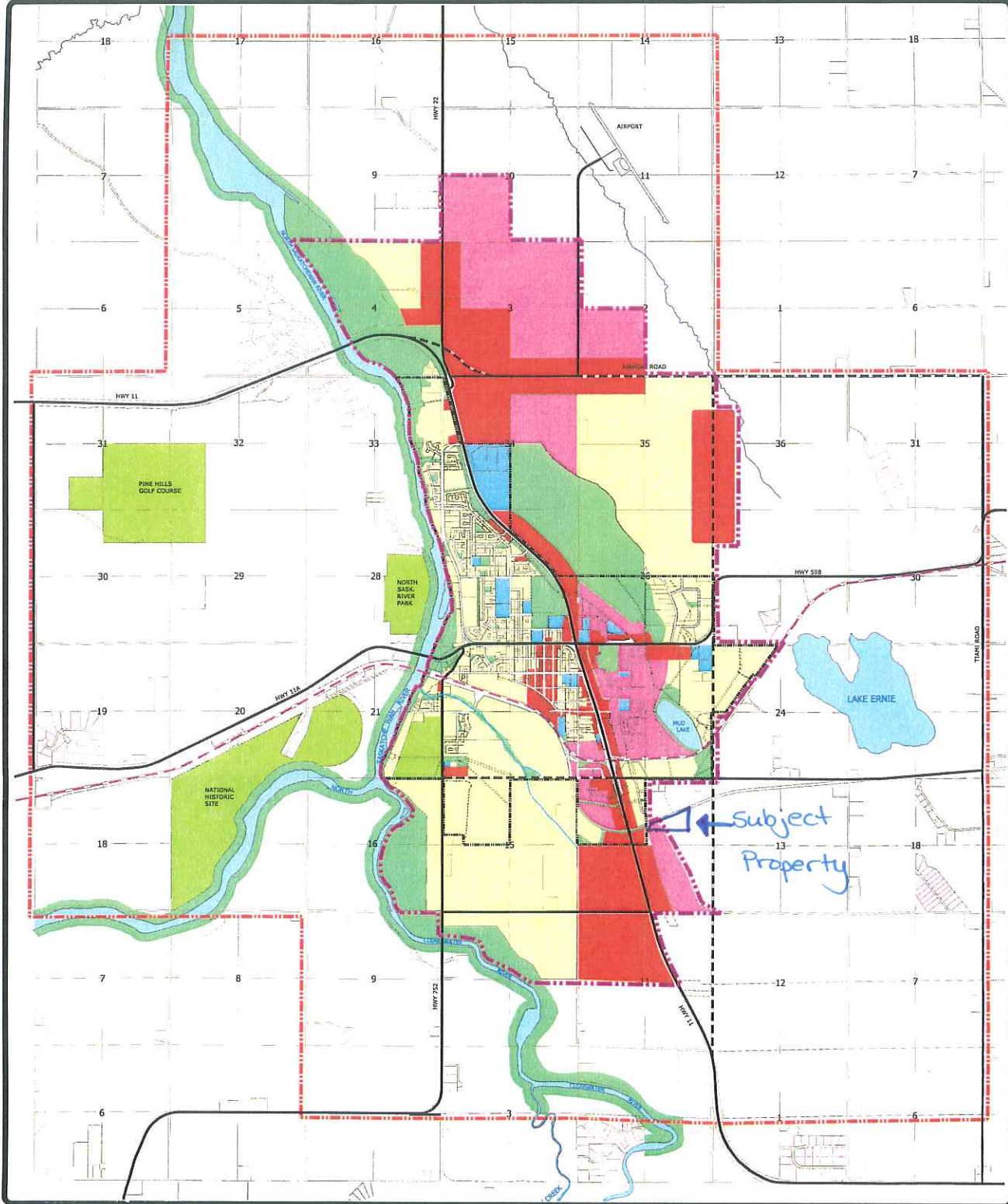
DATE: March 15, 2011 APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE Will MacDonald

This personal information is being collected under the authority of the Municipal Government Act, Being Chapter M-26, R.S.A. 2000 and will be used to process the Land Use Bylaw amendment application. It is protected by the privacy provisions of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, Chapter F-25, RSA, 2006. If you have any questions about the collection of this personal information, please contact Clearwater County, P.O. Box 550, Rocky Mountain House AB T4T 1A4.

APPLICATION FEE OF \$400.00 DATE PAID: March 15, 2011 RECEIPT NO. 70799

K. Jalowski
SIGNATURE OF DEVELOPMENT OFFICER
IF APPLICATION COMPLETE

IMPORTANT NOTES ON REVERSE SIDE



LEGEND

- - - PLAN AREA BOUNDARY
- - - - - EXISTING TOWN BOUNDARY
- - - - - LONG TERM TOWN BOUNDARY
- HIGHWAY AND ARTERIAL ROAD
- - - HIGHWAY AND ARTERIAL ROAD (PROPOSED)
- - - - - RAILWAY LINE

LAND USES AND POLICY AREAS

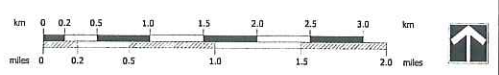
- RESIDENTIAL
- COMMERCIAL
- INDUSTRIAL
- PUBLIC & INSTITUTIONAL SERVICES
- MAJOR OPEN SPACES & UNDEVELOPED AREAS
- RECREATIONAL
- RURAL POLICY AREA

Notes:

1. This map shows the generalized indications of land uses and major roads. It is not intended for scaling or detailed design.
2. The land use patterns and concepts must be interpreted with the text of this plan. More detailed and precise boundaries between land uses will be established through area structure plans, outline plans and land use bylaw designations.

MAP 1
FUTURE LAND USES

TOWN OF ROCKY MOUNTAIN HOUSE & CLEARWATER COUNTY
Intermunicipal Development Plan



42 Avenue (Rainbow Ford Road)

42 Street

Remainder of Plan 1992NY Lot B to remain Industrial "I"

Proposed boundary of consolidated parcel NE 14-39-07-W5 Totalling 58.76 +/- acres Agriculture District "A"

CROWN



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Redistrict 11.0 +/- acres of the total 21.67 acres
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From Industrial "I" to Agricultural "A"
Combined with Subdivision Application 21/3198
Will and Donna MacDonald**



BYLAW NO. 938/11

A Bylaw of Clearwater County, in the Province of Alberta, for the purpose of amending the Land Use Bylaw, being Bylaw No. 714/01.

PURSUANT to the Authority conferred upon it by the Municipal Government Act, Revised Statutes of Alberta, 2000, Chapter M-26 and amendments thereto, and;

WHEREAS, a Council is authorized to prepare, to adopt, and to amend a Land Use Bylaw to regulate and control the use and development of land and buildings within the Municipality;

WHEREAS, the general purpose of the Agriculture District "A" is to accommodate agricultural land uses and to conserve good agricultural land.

NOW, THEREFORE, upon compliance with the relevant requirements of the Municipal Government Act, the Council of the Clearwater County, Province of Alberta, duly assembled, enacts as follows:

That all that portion of Plan 1992 NY, Lot B in the NE 14-39-07-W5, as outlined in red on the attached Schedule "A" be redesignated from Industrial District "I" to Agriculture District "A".

READ A FIRST TIME this ____ day of _____ A.D., 2011.

REEVE

MUNICIPAL MANAGER

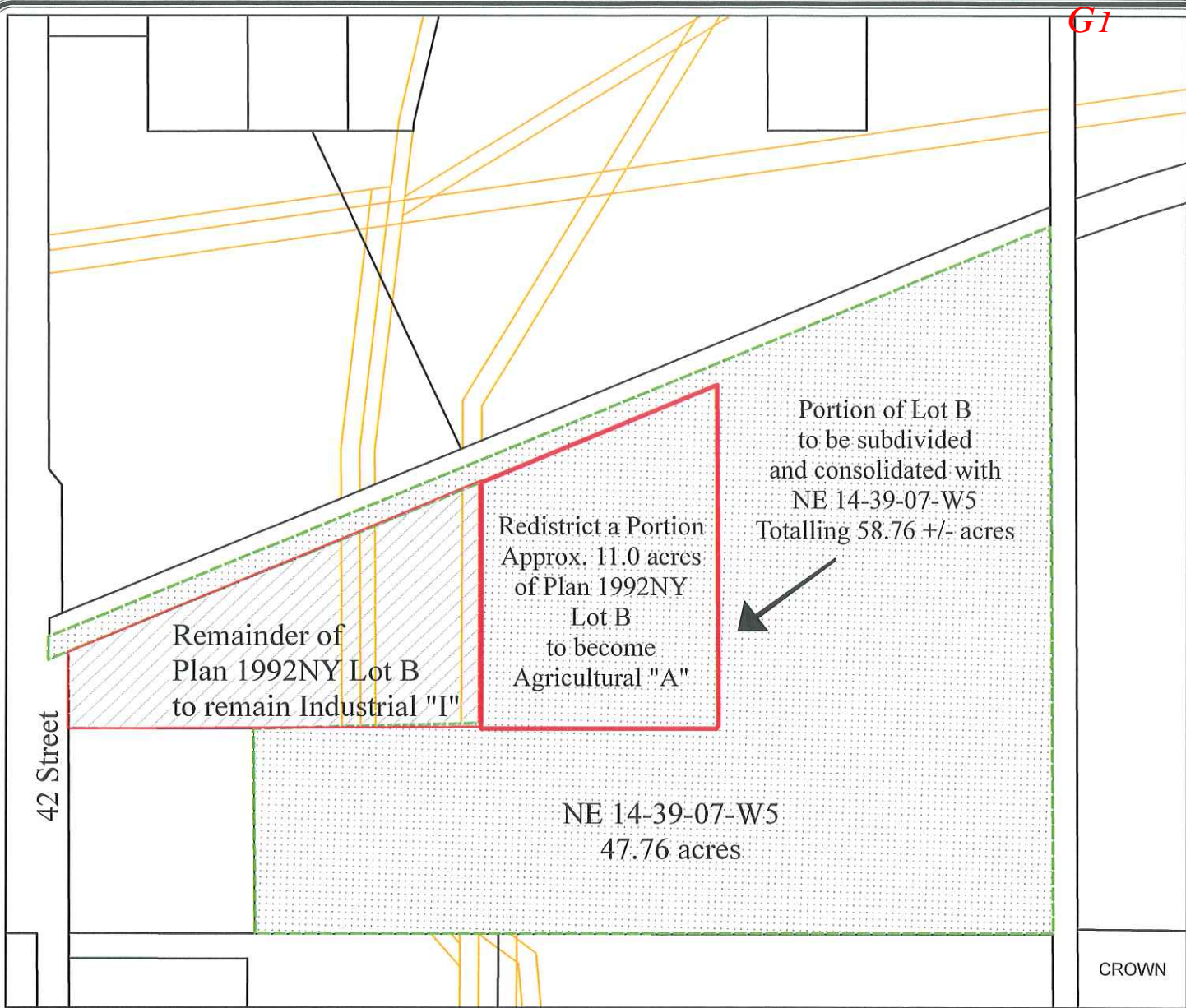
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READ A THIRD AND FINAL TIME this ___ day of _____ A.D., 2011.

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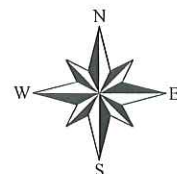
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Schedule "A"**



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Agricultural Services Council Update April 12 2011

Agricultural/Community Awards

The Agricultural Services Board gives out awards to agricultural producers and rural residents within our public relations program. The two sets of awards given to worthy recipients this year include the farm family award, given out every two years at the Rocky and district chamber of commerce banquet this past March, and the Rural Beautification awards given out at the Rocky Agricultural Society Awards banquet April second. The 2010 Farm Family award was presented to the Lawrence Pengelly Family, with the Rural Beautification award in the farm category presented to the Lyell and Leanne Smith, acreage category going to Gerald and Anne Mofford. These awards are a great way to recognize and show case agriculture and our rural community.

Age Verification

Council is aware of the livestock traceability program and services Agricultural Services provides to producers of Clearwater County. Over the years this program has grown into one of the most popular and highest utilized service we provide. The largest component of this traceability program consists of the Age Verification Services we provide to cow calf producers of Clearwater County. Over the last year and a half Ag. Services staff have Age Verified calves for 180 producers attaching birth dates to over ten thousand calves. This is an excellent way for extension staff to build and maintain strong relationships with landowners and producers, as well as taking a leadership role in managing risk to the beef industry by way of disease outbreak and food safety. The work Ag. Services has done through our traceability program has positioned us as the largest third party age verification agency in Canada, an accomplishment we are very proud of. Over the last year and a half Alberta Agriculture has recognized the value of having local on the ground service providers throughout the province and provided grants for organizations willing to assist producers with age verification. Along with Clearwater four other A.S.B's in the province have taken advantage of this program along with private businesses such as Vet Clinics and feed suppliers. This past February the service provider grant program expired, with no word on whether it will be continued this coming fall. Attached is a letter the Agricultural Service Board has written to Deputy Minister John Knapp thanking him for the past support received and requesting that the grant program continue into the future. Over the last year and a half Ag. Services has recouped \$9000 dollars for Age Verification Services from Alberta Agriculture. This grant is separate from the current A.S.B. grant we receive.

Fines Request

Attached is the response from Ag. Minister Hayden to the letter sent from the A.S.B. requesting support and permission to pilot fines as a compliance tool within our community driven weed control program

(P.A.W.C.). The response was positive, though we never received the go ahead to test this compliance tool in the 2011 growing season, should the Arbutus-Alhambra community have requested. Continuing to move forward Ag. Services staff will work with the appropriate ministries and staff to strike a committee as Minister Hayden has directed. Attached is the letter from Minister Hayden.

Hawkweeds

I was able to take part in a regional Hawkweed meeting earlier in March organized by the County of Ponoka. Currently Clearwater, Wetaskawin, Ponoka, Brazeau, Yellowhead, and Leduc Counties have confirmed infestations of Orange and or Yellow Hawkweeds and were represented at the meeting, as well neighboring municipalities, Mountain View, Red Deer, Lacombe and Parkland, who currently do not have confirmed infestations were in attendance. The meeting was very positive with a lot of support for strong eradication programs coming from our neighboring municipalities. To date Ag. Services has sold a considerable amount of herbicide to various S.R.D. divisions to be utilized for hawkweed control. The Invasive Alien Species Partnership Program grant Ag. Service's has applied for through Environment Canada, which would see \$100 000 over three years injected into our Hawkweed eradication efforts, is currently being reviewed.

Respectfully Submitted By

Matt Martinson

Agricultural Services Assistant Manager

Clearwater County

Hi



April 6, 2011

Mr. John Knapp
Deputy Minister
Alberta Agriculture and Rural Development
3rd floor JG O'Donoghue building, 7000 – 113 Street
Edmonton Alberta, T6H 5T6

Dear Deputy Minister Knapp,

Over the past two years, Clearwater County has taken advantage of the Third Party Age Verification Service Provider program. On behalf of the our Agricultural Service Board I would like to thank you and your staff within the traceability division for working so effectively with our Agricultural Services staff in administering livestock traceability extension services in Clearwater County. This board has appreciated the opportunity to partner with Alberta Agriculture by way of the age verification service provider grant.

As a result of our ability to access training, resource materials and funding through Alberta Agriculture to directly offset the costs of age verification Agricultural Services staff have assisted over one hundred and eighty producers attaching birthdates to over ten thousand calves during the 2010-2011 season. While interacting with producers regarding Age Verification staff also were able to discuss premise I.D., record keeping, and best tagging practices with producers.

With cattle producers seeing significant gains in feeder calf, finished cattle and pound cow/bull prices in the last year, traceability playing a role in this, there is new optimism in the beef industry which has not been present for over ten years. Understanding this new optimism, Clearwater County Agricultural Service Board recognizes our work is not over. Traceability will play a key role in retaining and gaining markets, livestock disease management, and food safety, moving our beef industry away from the B.S.E. era and towards a bright and sustainable future.

To ensure a strong sustainable beef industry, protected from the crippling economic effects of disease outbreaks, we hope to continue to build on the strong partnership we currently have with Alberta Agriculture in administering traceability extension programs. We strongly encourage you to continue supporting - through the provision of training, resource material and service provider funding - local traceability extension efforts. If you have any questions about our Traceability Services and programs, or would like to further discuss this request please contact Matt Martinson, Agricultural Services Assistant Manager.

Sincerely

Ken Pattison
A.S.B. Chairman
Clearwater County

CC. Clearwater County Council and Alberta Agricultural Service Boards

ALBERTA
AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

Office of the Minister
MLA, Drumbeller-Stettler

February 22, 2011

Mr. Ken Pattison
ASB Chairman
Clearwater County
Box 550
Rocky Mountain House, AB T4T 1A4

Dear Mr. Pattison:

Thank you for your recent letter requesting permission to conduct a pilot project for year two of the Priority Area Weed Compliance (PAWC) Project. This is an interesting proposal that merits further discussion with relevant Government of Alberta Ministries and your stakeholders.

Although the idea of issuing fines has been working well in Australia, it is a new idea in Alberta. Consequently, a consultation process needs to be developed, which takes into consideration the benefits and costs associated with this endeavour. Further, the *Weed Control Act* and possibly the *Weed Control Regulation* may also need to be modified to accommodate this change, so consultations with Alberta Justice and Attorney General are in order. This process will take some time and may not be completed in the 2011 season. Finally, any proposed changes may not come into play until the 2012 growing season or later, depending on the extent of the changes being proposed.

In the interim, I encourage you to contact Mr. Gayah Sieusahai, Pest Regulatory Officer with the Pest Surveillance Branch, at 780-427-9945 (toll free by first dialling 310-0000) to discuss putting together a committee to determine how these objectives can be achieved.

I commend your diligence in ensuring agricultural production in your county is not impacted by native or introduced weed species.

Sincerely,

Jack Hayden
Minister

