

SMOKY LAKE COUNTY

A G E N D A: County Council Meeting to be held for the
purpose of discussing the **Agricultural Service Board**
on

Tuesday, February 15th, 2022 at 9:00 o'clock A.M.

Held virtually through Electronic Communication Technology: Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83970830258?pwd=KzhXUDZUMlc4c3BRdzJqc2RVV1dudz09>

Meeting ID: 839 7083 0258 Passcode: 251403

1. Meeting:

1.1 Call to Order.

2. Agenda:

Acceptance of Agenda:
as presented or
subject to additions or deletions.

3. Minutes:

3.1 Adopt minutes of **December 14, 2021** – Agricultural Service Board Meeting. ©

Recommendation: Motion to Adopt.

3.2 Agricultural Service Board Meeting: December 14, 2021 – **Action List.** ©

Recommendation: File for Information.

4. Request for Decision:

4.1 Bylaw No. 1344-19: Dog Control Bylaw on Regulating and Confinement of Dogs.
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4.2 Policy Statement 62-10 Agricultural Service Board Business Plan. ©

4.3 2022 Farmers Appreciation Event. ©

4.4 2022 Farm Family Awards. ©

4.5 Lakeland Agricultural Research Association 2022 Contract. ©

5. Issues for Information:

- 5.1 ASB Chairman's Report. ©
- 5.2 Agricultural Department Report. ©
- 5.3 Smoky Lake County 2021 Field Visit. ©

6. Correspondence:

- 6.1 Letter received from John Burrows, Mayor, Woodlands County, dated December 8, 2021 RE: Veterinary Services Incorporated (V.S.I.) Support. ©

Recommendation: File for Information.

- 6.2 Letter received from Megan Evans, Executive Director, Alberta Invasive Species Council, dated December 13, 2021 RE: AISC Funding. ©

Recommendation: Councils Decision.

- 6.3 Letter received from Shawn Rodgers, Agricultural Service Board Chairman, County of Warner, dated December 20, 2021 RE: Synthetic Fertilizer Emissions. ©

Recommendation: File for Information.

- 6.4 Letter received from Jordan Jensen, Executive Director, Farm Safety Centre, dated January 6, 2022 RE Farm Safety Funding. ©

Recommendation: Councils Decision.

7. Delegation(s):

- 7.1 Alyssa Krawchuk, Association Manager, Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA) @9:30am re: LARA Update

8. Executive Session:

9. Date and time of Next Meeting(s):

Adjournment

SMOKY LAKE COUNTY



Minutes of the **Agricultural Service Board Meeting** held on Tuesday, **December 14, 2021**, at 9:05 A.M. held virtually online through Electronic Communication Technology: Zoom Meeting and physically in County Council Chambers.

The meeting was called to Order by the Chief Administrative Officer, Gene Sobolewski, in the presence of the following persons:

ATTENDANCE		
<u>Div. No.</u>	<u>Councillor(s)</u>	<u>Tuesday, Dec. 14, 2021</u>
1	Dan Gawalko	Present in Chambers
2	Linda Fenerty	Present in Chambers
3	Dominique Cere	Present in Chambers
4	Lorne Halisky	Present in Chambers
5	Jered Serben	Present in Chambers
CAO	Gene Sobolewski	Present in Chambers
Assist. CAO	Lydia Cielin	Virtually Present
Finance Manager	Brenda Adamson	Virtually Present
Ag. Fieldman	Carleigh McMullin	Present in Chambers
Assist. Ag. Fieldman	Amanda Kihn	Present in Chambers
Legislative Svcs./R.S.	Patti Priest	Virtually Present
Natural Gas Manager	Daniel Moric	Virtually Present
GIS Officer	Carole Dowhaniuk	Virtually Present

No Members of the Media were Present.
No Members of the Public were Present.

1. Election of Chairperson/Vice-Chairperson:

Chairperson

The Chief Administrative Officer called a first (1) time for nominations for Chairperson of the Agricultural Service Board.

104-20: Halisky

That Councillor Dan Gawalko be nominated as the Chairperson of the Agricultural Service Board.

The Chief Administrative Officer called a second (2) time for nominations for Chairperson.

The Chief Administrative Officer called a third (3) time for nominations for Chairperson.

HEARING NO FURTHER NOMINATIONS.

The Chief Administrative Officer declared nominations for the Chairperson of the Agricultural Service Board, ceased.

Mr. Dan Gawalko was declared elected by acclamation by the Chief Administrative Officer as the Chairperson of the Agricultural Service Board for the ensuing year and assumed the Chair.

Vice-Chairperson

The Chairperson called a first (1) time for nominations for Vice-Chairperson.

105-20: Halisky

That Councillor Linda Fenerty be nominated as the Vice-Chairperson of the Agricultural Service Board.

The Chairperson called a second (2) time for nominations for Vice-Chairperson.

The Chairperson called a third (3) time for nominations for Vice-Chairperson.

HEARING NO FURTHER NOMINATIONS.

The Chairperson declared nominations for the Vice-Chairperson of the Agricultural Service Board, ceased.

Ms. Linda Fenerty was declared elected by acclamation by the Chairperson as the Vice-Chairperson of the Agricultural Service Board for the ensuing year.

2. Agenda:

106-21: Serben

That the Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board Meeting Agenda for Tuesday, December 14, 2021, be adopted as presented.

Carried Unanimously.

3. Minutes:

107-21: Fenerty

That the Minutes of the Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board Meeting held on Tuesday, October 12, 2021, be adopted as presented.

Carried.

There was no Action List required from the Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board Meeting held on Tuesday, October 12, 2021.

4. Request for Decision:

Policy Statement No. 62-28-04 Mowing Program

108-21: Halisky

That the Smoky Lake County Policy Statement No. 62-28-04: Mowing Program be amended:

Title: Mowing Program	Policy No.: 28-05
Section: 62	Code: P-R
	Page No.: 1 of 3 E
Legislation Reference: Alberta Provincial Statutes	
Purpose: Smoky Lake County will govern the municipal mowing program on developed road allowances and County lands under the Agricultural Service Board.	
Policy Statement and Guidelines:	
1. STATEMENT:	
1.1	Smoky Lake County will mow developed road allowances annually to maintain safe visibility for the travelling public and to improve drainage of infrastructure.
1.2	The mowing program promotes effective control of weeds and brush within the municipal right-of-way encroaching the roads surface.
1.3	The County will mow County lands on a as needed basis.
2. DEFINITION(S):	
2.1	County Lands: Property owned and/ operated by Smoky Lake County
2.2	Developed Road Allowances: Road allowances containing a gravel or hard surfaced roadway under the jurisdiction of Smoky Lake County.
3. OBJECTIVES:	
3.1	Define areas that will be mowed within the right-of-way and on County lands.
3.2	Provide the level of right-of-way mowing as set out by the Agricultural Service Board.
3.3	The County's desire to achieve the following objectives with its roadside mowing program: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ to assist with weed control by preventing the seed set of noxious weeds in the right-of-way and to cut any brush regrowth encroaching on the road ▪ to enhance road maintenance with minimal gravel loss and allow positive drainage of rainwater to be more efficiently channeled to the right-of-way ▪ to increase visibility of wildlife crossing and reduce obstructed visibility of signs at intersections for the safety of the travelling public ▪ to provide a fire break and reduce the amount of fire load material in right-of-way. ▪ To prevent drifting on roads, where the blowing snow will travel across the road, rather than being trapped by standing vegetation which will travel across
4. GUIDELINES:	
4.1	The mowing program will be developed and planned by the Agricultural Service Board and implemented through the Agricultural Services Department. The defined mowing areas consist of three (3) zones, divided using range road 150 and Highway 855 as boundaries.

Title: Mowing Program		Policy No.: 28-05
Section: 62	Code: P-R	Page No.: 2 of 3 E
Policy Statement and Guidelines:		
4.2	Ditch clean-up and equipment maintenance will commence 2 weeks prior to mowing program start date.	
4.3	One-pass herbicide mowers will begin mowing operation the first week of June for more effective weed control. Non-herbicide mower operations will begin the last week of June. All mowing operations will cease no later than November 1 st .	
4.4	Mowing Operations consist of three (3) tractors and mowers used to cut grass, brush, and noxious weeds. These mowers are able to accomplish a significant amount of mowing and right-of-way clearing very efficiently when compared to other methods of mechanical control.	
4.5	Without limiting the program or its effectiveness, it will generally be planned as following:	
4.5.1	<p>Developed Road Allowances: All grassy areas along, oiled, or gravel roads will be mowed once a year mowing from roads edge to property line where conditions allow. A second seasonal shoulder pass will be completed once all developed road allowances have received the first seasonal pass to the property line. The second seasonal pass will be completed where the mowers began mowing in the early season and if there is high grass regrowth, and approved by the Agricultural Fieldman. This second seasonal pass will only be a 'shoulder pass' meaning one width of the mower, mowers will not need to go to the property line on this second seasonal pass.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • These secondary passes should be a minimum of 5ft. • Main roads into lake resorts will only be mowed prior to the July and August long weekends (two seasonal passes per year) • Township Road 610 from Range Road 181 East to Hwy 855 will be mowed in conjunction with the lake resorts prior to July and August long weekends (two seasonal passes per year) • The Iron Horse Trail shall only be mowed once per season • It is recognized that inclement weather, such as rain and early winter could prevent completion of the program 	
4.6	All other mowing requests will be at the discretion of the Agricultural Service Board and added to Schedule "A" Approved Additional Mowing	

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Policy: 28-05



**SCHEDULE "A"
APPROVED ADDITIONAL MOWING**

Metis Crossing
Smoky Lake Rodeo Grounds
Smoky Lake Air Strip
Hamlin Ball Diamonds
Waskatenau Ball Diamonds
Bellis Ball Diamonds
Bonnie Lake Enviro Reserve 7921626

Schedule "A": APPROVED ADDITIONAL MOWING

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Carried.

Delegation: Doug Macaulay, Agricultural Service Board Manager, Alberta Agriculture and Forestry, virtually joined the meeting, time 9:24 a.m.

Lakeland Agricultural Research Association Year-2022 Contract

109-21: Halisky

That Smoky Lake County's Agricultural Service Board Chairperson attend the next Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA) board meeting in February 2022, for the purpose of requesting a 25% reduction to the Year-2022 County funding contribution in the amount of \$55,000.00 to the amount of \$41,250.00 towards LARA's extension programming services and research with emphasis on cattle production.

Carried.

Dave Franchuk, Environmental Operations Manager, virtually joined the meeting, time 9:47 a.m.

7. Delegation:

Alberta Agriculture and Forestry - Agricultural Service Board Member Orientation

Virtually present before Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board from 9:29 a.m. to 10:53 a.m., was Doug Macaulay, Agricultural Service Board Manager, Alberta Agriculture and Forestry, to provide the Provincial Agricultural Service Board Member Orientation, which explained: why we have Agricultural Service Boards, what they do, what a member's role is, and what the role of an agricultural fieldman is.

Doug Macaulay, Agricultural Service Board Manager, Alberta Agriculture and Forestry, virtually left the meeting, time 10:53 a.m.

Alyssa Krawchuk, Manager, Forage and Livestock Program, Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA), virtually joined the meeting, time 10:59 a.m.

Barb Shapka, Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA) Farm Member representative for Smoky Lake County entered Council Chambers, time 10:58 a.m.

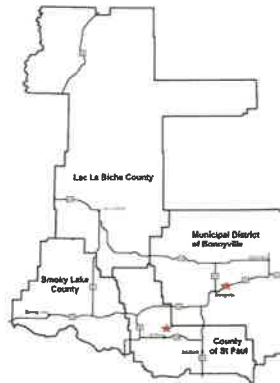
Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA)

Virtually present before Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board from 11:02 a.m. to 11:19 a.m., was Alyssa Krawchuk, Manager, Forage and Livestock Program, Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA), to provide and speak to a presentation including the following information:



WHAT THIS MEANS...

- Source of:
 - unbiased
 - local
 - and applied agricultural information
- Help in the decision-making process.



ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE OF LARA



LAKELAND AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH ASSOCIATION

- Alyssa Krawchuk – Manager and Forage & Livestock Specialist
- Amanda Mathiot – Cropping Program Co-Ordinator
- Kellie Nichiporik – Environmental Program Manager
- Stephanie Bilodeau – Agronomy Technician
- Vic Sadlowski – Field Technician
- Charlene Rachynski – Administration (part-time)
- Dustin Roth – Research Technician (part-time)

• Summer Staff: Amelle Tizzard, Hailey Dechaine, Haley Romanowicz

- 12 Applied Research and Forage Associations in Alberta
 - Fort Vermilion to Lethbridge

- Research Projects and Demonstrations
 - Soil Health Benchmarking Project
 - Regional Silage Trials

- Extension Events and Conferences
 - Western Canada Conference on Soil Health and Grazing
 - December 13, 14 & 16, 2022

- Advocacy for Applied Agricultural Research

PROVINCIAL SCOPE





LARA PROGRAMMING

- Forage & Livestock Program
- Cropping Program
- Environmental Program
- Horticulture Program

2021 RESEARCH REVIEW

OVERVIEW



SMOKY LAKE COUNTY



- Research plots: 2173 (2509)
- Small-plot Trials: 47
- Field Scale Trials: 4
- Demonstrations: 2
- Pest Surveys: 3
- Research Trials: 8
 - Regional Variety Trials
 - Regional Stage Trials
 - ESN in Spring Wheat and Barley
 - Top Dressing Nitrogen on Spring Wheat
- Demonstrations: 2
 - Industrial Hemp Variety
 - Flax Varieties

AGRONOMIC RESEARCH AND DEMONSTRATION

- Looking at the impact of:
 - timing, and rate of top dressing liquid nitrogen on spring wheat on yield and quality (protein)
- 3-year project (2019-2023)
- Over 30 wheat varieties, 14 barley varieties, 3 triticale varieties and 17 field pea varieties were tested.
- Varieties are tested for a minimum of three years against a common check variety.
- All results are available in the LARA Annual Report.

ESN IN SPRING WHEAT AND BARLEY

- Assessing the impact of varying rates of inclusion of ESN as a % of total nitrogen in recommended blend fertilizer.
- 2019-2022

TOP DRESSING NITROGEN IN SPRING WHEAT



REGIONAL VARIETY TRIALS



FIELD SCALE PROJECTS

- Province-wide project started in 2018.
- Goals:
 - Improve the understanding of soil health parameter amongst Alberta producers.
 - Establish a soil health benchmark data base representing points across Alberta.
 - Monitor how management practices affect soil health parameters.

• LARA samples collected so far: 41

- 56 % MD of Bonnyville
- 12% County of St. Paul
- 20% Smoky Lake County
- 7% Lac La Biche County



- Province-wide project started in 2019
 - partnership with ARA's, FA's, ABP, AAF and AAFC
- Enhancing adoption of innovations related to management of cow-calf, backgrounding and/or feedlot operations in Alberta.
 - continuation of 2017 pilot project
- 2 producers in the Lakeland Area
 - K-Cow Ranch (County of St. Paul)
 - Pasture water system
 - Tower Farms Ltd. (Smoky Lake County)
 - Summer tire water system & feed scale

- Round Rock Ranching (County of Vermilion River) was a part of the original pilot project.
 - Bluetooth scale & improved handling facility, drone, soil testing



- Increased focus on the impact soil health has on whole farm productivity and sustainability.
 - Bale Grazing, Swath Grazing, Stockpiled Forage and Corn Grazing
 - Bar LD Ranch (MD of Bonnyville)

- Goals of the project are:
 - Determine the long-term impact of four winter grazing strategies on soil biological, physical and chemical health
 - Determine the long-term impact of four winter grazing strategies on plant productivity and nutritive quality
 - Determine the economic feasibility of four winter grazing strategies
 - Compare the environmental impact (soil and forage) and economics of four winter grazing strategies



AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION

- Hosted 7 in-person extension events, including summer field schools, Soil health Workshop, Mental Health Awareness and a Hemp Field Tour.

• Attendance: 123

- Hosted 10 virtual events including:
 - Dugout Design and Management
 - Designing Cover Crop Blends with Kevin Elmy
 - Succession Planning with Kelly Sidoryk
 - Soil Health Series with Joel Williams

• Attendance: 1996

ENVIRONMENTAL FARM PLANS (EFP)

- 4 EFPs were completed and 3 were started in the Smoky Lake County
- Resulting in 8 applications for the Canadian Agricultural Partnership program and other grant funding programs including the LARA Watershed Resiliency and Restoration Program (WRRP)



SOIL HEALTH BENCHMARKING



RANCHER RESEARCH ENHANCING TECHNOLOGY ADOPTION PROJECT



IMPACT OF WINTER CRAZING STRATEGIES ON SOIL HEALTH



EXTENSION EVENTS



LARAWRRP

- 4 projects completed in Smoky Lake County
 - Riparian Fencing and Watering System
 - Watercourse Crossing
 - Funding is available until November 2022
- Kellie Nichiporik**
Environmental Program Manager
knichip@laraonline.ca
(780) 812-1036



Website: www.laraonline.ca

Extension Services: Age Verification, Forage Testing, Soil Sampling, On-Farm Calls, One-on-One Consultations, Annual Report, Workshops, Field Days, Conferences, Environmental Farm Plans and more...

YouTube Channel

County \$ are used to match the money we receive from the Results Driven Agriculture Research (RDAR), Canadian Agriculture Partnership (CAP) and other grants.

2022 LARA Draft Budget: \$868,386

Major Funders:

- RDAR Core Fund: \$177,221
- ASB AESA: \$68,000
- MD of Bonnyville: \$60,000
- County of St. Paul: \$65,000
- Lac La Biche County: \$60,000
- Smoky Lake County: \$65,000
- CAP Grants: \$144,899
- Total: \$616,920**
- Remaining \$251,466

funded by project grants, contract research etc.
projects are cut or added to balance the budget

ONGOING EXTENSION



FUNDING



THANK YOU

Thank you for your support, we look forward to continuing to work with you in the future.

We are always looking for suggestions for trials and workshop as well as feedback on our programs.



Webinar: Feeding Through the Winter With Limited Feed Supplies

Featuring **Barry Yaremko with Yaremko Ag Consulting Ltd.**

Barry was raised on a mixed farm in northeastern Alberta. He has a Bachelor degree in Agriculture specializing in Animal Sciences as well Barry has completed a Masters degree in Animal Science specializing in nutrition. For many years, he has provided advice to farmers and ranchers on cattle nutrition, forage production, animal management and production concerns. In March of 2020, he started Yaremko Ag Consulting Ltd. as an independent ruminant nutritionist and production management consultant.

Topics Included

- Impacts of processing on grain quality
- Grazing crop regrowth
- Using various forms of supplemental protein
- Concerns with using canola
- Nitrate concerns & managing higher levels
- Bale processor impacts on feed quality and waste
- Using liquid molasses on straw bales

December 15, 2021

7:00 pm to 8:00 pm

To Register:

<https://bit.ly/3DiMZz>

For more information call
(780) 826-7269



Alyssa Krawchuk, Manager, Forage and Livestock Program, Lakeland

Agricultural Research Association (LARA), agreed to provide Council a breakdown of funding allocation towards extension and research for information.

Alyssa Krawchuk, Manager, Forage and Livestock Program, Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA), virtually left the meeting, time 11:20 a.m.

Lakeland Agricultural Research Association Farm Member Appointment

110-21: Halisky

That the Smoky Lake County Council recommend Barb Shapka be re-appointed as a Farm Member representative for Smoky Lake County to the Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA) Board for another 2-year term: 2022-2024.

Carried.

Policy Statement No. 62-10-05: Agricultural Service Board Business Plan

111-21: Fenerty

That Smoky Lake County Policy Statement No. 62-10-05: Agricultural Service Board Business Plan 2022, including the 2021 Agricultural Service Board Grant Reporting data overview, be amended:

Title: Agricultural Service Board Business Plan		Policy No.: 10-07
Section: 62	Code: P-A	Page No.: 1 of 12 E
Legislation Reference: <i>Alberta Provincial Statutes</i>		
Purpose: To establish a Business Plan for the Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board		
Policy Statement and Guidelines:		
1. STATEMENT:		
1.1 The Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board (ASB) is in the business of providing its residents with agricultural programming to enhance the environment, farm income and quality of life. This is achieved through Vegetation Management Programming, Agricultural Extension Programming, Problem Wildlife Programming, Pest Control and Monitoring as well as Government Lobbying.		
The Agricultural Service Board is also responsible for enforcement of Provincial Legislation such as the <i>Weed Act, Agricultural Pest Act, Agricultural Service Board Act, Soil Conservation Act and the Animal Health Act.</i>		
2. VISION STATEMENT:		
2.1 To encourage sustainable agriculture, environmental integrity and improved quality of life in Smoky Lake County.		
3. MISSION STATEMENT:		
3.1 To provide services, policies and education for Agricultural families, businesses and the public to enhance the environment, farm income and quality of life.		
4. STRATEGIC PRIORITIES:		
4.1 <u>The Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board</u> identifies the following priorities:		
One: Vegetation Management Program		
Two: Weed Control Act Duties		
Three: Environmental Stewardship and Extension		
Four: Problem Wildlife		
Five: Agricultural Pest Act Duties		
Six: Soil Conservation Act Duties		
Seven: Intergovernmental Collaboration		

Title: Agricultural Service Board Business Plan		Policy No.: 10-07
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5. IMPLEMENTATION:		
5.1 Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board shall review annually as required by Alberta Agriculture and Forestry.		
5.2 Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board staff will consider and follow the priorities of the Business Plan when creating budgets and work plans.		





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Business Plan	Executive Summary
<p>The Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board is in the business of providing its agricultural producers with agricultural programming to enhance the environment, farm income and quality of life. This is achieved through Vegetation Management, Agricultural Extension, Problem Wildlife, Pest Control, programming and monitoring as well as, government lobbying. The Agricultural Service Board is also responsible for enforcement of Provincial Legislation such as the <i>Weed Control Act</i>, <i>Agricultural Pest Act</i>, <i>Agricultural Service Board Act</i>, <i>Soil Conservation Act</i>, and the <i>Animal Health Act</i>.</p> <p>VISION STATEMENT: To encourage sustainable agriculture, environmental integrity and improved quality of life in Smoky Lake County.</p> <p>MISSION STATEMENT: To provide services, policies and education for Agricultural families, businesses and the public to enhance the environment, farm income and quality of life.</p> <p>VALUES:</p> <p>Integrity: The Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board will conduct business in an ethical manner respecting the environment, public and applicable legislation.</p> <p>Commitment to Service: The Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board will strive to provide the best service possible to its ratepayers conducting operations in an efficient and cost effective manner.</p> <p>Progressive: The Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board will take a proactive and innovative approach in its programming examining new technologies and protocol while accepting and implementing relevant public input.</p>	
	



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1. Vegetation Management Program		
Goal: To implement an integrated vegetation management program on municipal right-of-ways for the purpose of reducing noxious weeds and ensuring sightlines are clear for the motoring public.		
Strategies	Action	Measures
Identify problem noxious weeds within the municipal right of way	-Key emphasis will be on Prohibited Noxious and Noxious weed species analyzing both environmental and economic threats.	-All roads inspected for noxious weeds at least once during the growing season.
 Roadside Spraying	-1/2 of all county roads will be sprayed following the rotation spraying guidelines set out in <i>Policy Statement 62-15 "Vegetation Management Plan"</i> and <i>Policy Statement 62-23 "Forest Rehabilitation Program"</i> . Brush Spraying will be completed during the regular roadside spraying rotation.	-Number of miles of roadside spraying completed. -Amount of herbicide applied for brush control
 Spot Spraying	-Spot spraying will be completed in the other two zone in which regular roadside spraying is being completed. Noxious weeds and brush will be targeted. -Custom spraying of private lands will occur if time and budget allows and priority is put on landowners struggling to control prohibited noxious weeds.	-Number of locations spot sprayed. -Amount of herbicide applied during spot spraying. -Number of landowners who receive help eliminating their Prohibited noxious weeds by the ASB Department.
 Roadside Mowing	-Roadside mowing will be conducted as stated in <i>Policy Statement 62M-02 "Mowing Program"</i> . Roadsides will be mowed as close to the municipal property line as possible, while ensuring passes are only done if deemed efficient to eliminate extra freewheeling and passes of 5 feet or less. -Lake roads leading to resorts will be mowed before the July and August long weekends. - One-pass mowers will be used in rotation to apply herbicide on right-of-ways.	-1 pass of roadside mowing to the property line and a second seasonal "shoulder" pass is to be completed by November 1st of each year. -Iron Horse Trail mowed once a year. -Amount of additional mowing completed for community events. -Amount of additional mowing completed on other municipal properties.




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2. Weed Control Act Duties		
Goal: To control the spread and prevent the establishment of invasive species on privately owned land through responsible communication with landowners, occupants, industry stakeholders and members of the general public as set out in the Weed Control Act of Alberta.		
Strategies	Action	Measures
 Weed Inspection Program	-Weed Inspection are conducted on private land during the growing season annually. -Letters are sent to landowners who are in non-compliance with the Weed Control Act of Alberta, as specified in <i>Policy Statement 62-14 "Weed Inspection and Weed Notice"</i> . -Weed Notices are issued to landowners who do not comply with recommendation letters. -Enforcement actions are completed by the Agricultural Services Department for landowners who are non-compliant with a weed notice that has been issued.	-Number of inspections completed -Number of letters sent to landowners/renters -Number of weed notices issued -Number of Weed enforcements completed
 Noxious Weed Education and Awareness	-Provide weed identification for landowners on farm or samples brought in for identification. -Promote weed awareness at our annual Smoky Lake County Farmer Appreciation Event -Produce and circulate information on invasive species through our website, local newspapers and brochures. -Weed Wanted posters hung annually at all the Towns, Villages & Hamlets including all the water stations and lake lot bulletin boards.	- Number of landowners assisted annually -Number of events hosted -Number of articles circulated -Number of brochures and weed wanted posters given out/posted





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3. Environmental Stewardship and Extension		
<p>Goal: To provide Environmental Farm Plans to producers and work in partnership with Lakeland Agricultural Research Association to deliver collaborative environmental stewardship initiatives and unbiased research that results in sustainable growth of Smoky Lake County's Agricultural Community.</p>		
Strategies	Action	Measures
<p>Environmental Farm Plans</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Assist local producers with completion of Environmental Farm Plans -Provide air photographs for fields and farm yards and soils information -Provide water well information from the Alberta Water Wells Database 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Number of Environmental Farm plans assisted with -Increased adoption of beneficial management practices by producers
<p>Canadian Agricultural Partnership</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Assist local producers with information about new agricultural programs and grants. -Stay current with program updates and changes. -Promote programs and workshop events. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Number of producers assisted -Number of events hosted or promoted
<p>Lakeland Agricultural Research Association</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Ensure Smoky Lake County received programs as promised by LARA. -Ensure crop plot trials are complete in Smoky Lake County. -LARA to give updates throughout the year by attending ASB meetings. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Number of events hosted by LARA in our county -Crop Walk hosted for local producers -Number of unbiased research plots within Smoky Lake County -How many updates were received

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4. Problem Wildlife Program		
<p>Goal: To co-operate and execute and Problem Wildlife Management Program.</p>		
Strategies	Action	Measures
<p>Beavers</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Beaver Tail Bounty for \$15.00 per tail from pre-approved locations as specified in <i>Policy Statement 62-07 "Beaver Management"</i> -Beaver Dam Removal may occur to mitigate flooding which causes damage to municipal infrastructure. Dam removal will be conducted as per <i>Policy Statement 62-21 "Beaver Control- Fee for Removal with Exploiter"</i>. -Maintain Certified Blasters License with the Province of Alberta. -Trapping and removing problem beavers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Number of Beaver tails brought in. -Number of dams removed affecting municipal infrastructure. -Amount of revenue generated completing private land blasting. -Renew every 5 years as required. -How many beavers removed
<p>Coyotes</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Maintain Form 7 License to ensure Smoky Lake County can provide 1080 toxicant to agricultural producers as per <i>Policy Statement 62-03 "Coyote Control"</i>. -Coyote control booklets available for agricultural producers to help better manage coyote predation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Number of tablets given out annually
<p>Richardson Ground Squirrel (Gopher)</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -2% Liquid Strychnine registration has been cancelled. -Recommend Rozol to producers -Recommend local trappers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Number of producers assisted
<p>Northern Pocket Gopher (Mole)</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Mole tail bounty for \$1.00 per tail can be brought in as per <i>Policy Statement 62-02 "Bounty for Pocket Gopher Tails"</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Number of mole tails brought in for bounty.







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4. Problem Wildlife Continued		
Strategies	Action	Measures
 <p>Wild Boar</p>	<p>-Participate annually in the Wild Boar Ear Bounty with Alberta Agriculture.</p> <p>-Wild Boar ears can be brought in for a reward of \$50.00 per set of ears. The boars <u>must</u> be at large.</p>	<p>-Number of wild boar ears brought in.</p>
 <p>Waterfowl Damage Control</p>	<p>-Scare Cannons are available for rent as per <i>Policy Statement 03-20 "Scare Cannon Rental"</i>.</p> <p>-Suggest alternative control measures to mitigate crop damage cause by waterfowl during fall migration.</p>	<p>-Number of rentals that occur</p> <p>-number of producers that engage in alternative control measure.</p>
 <p>Alternative Control Methods</p>	<p>-Agricultural Fieldmen will continue to look into alternative control methods for all pest species.</p> <p>-Promote and notify producers of alternative control measures when they come in.</p>	<p>-Attend In Service Training to hear from other Ag Fieldman from across the province</p> <p>-Attend demonstrations with government research groups</p>


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5. Agricultural Pest Act Duties		
<p>Goal: To provide Smoky Lake County agricultural producers with responsible pest management strategies, pest monitoring and enforcement of declared agricultural pests as deemed by the Agricultural Pest Act of Alberta.</p>		
<p>Crop Surveying</p>		
Strategies	Action	Measures
 <p>Swede Midge of Canola</p>	<p>-Swede Midge is monitored on behalf of Agri-food Canada. It is an 8 week program where sticky pads are changed weekly.</p>	<p>-Continue to monitor for new and invading pest that threaten our agriculture industry.</p>
 <p>Grasshoppers</p>	<p>-Townships are surveyed annually and data is sent to Alberta Agriculture for forecasting. The county ditch and field are sampled at each location.</p>	<p>-Number of fields surveyed</p> <p>-Number of outbreaks that occur</p>
 <p>Bertha Army Worms</p>	<p>- 3 Fields across the county are monitored starting in June until August. The traps are set out in the fields to collect the moths that lay the eggs.</p>	<p>-Number of moths counted annually</p> <p>-Number of outbreaks that are forecasted</p>
 <p>Wheat Midg</p>	<p>- Wheat Midg in high numbers can cause yield loss, wheat crops are monitored around the end of June as wheat heads are emerging up until anthesis (Flowering)</p>	<p>-Samples collected annually and sent to Alberta Agriculture when required</p>
 <p>Blackleg of Canola</p>	<p>- Canola fields are sampled annually for Blackleg severity. Samples are provided to the Crop Diversification Centre for research purposes. Blackleg can cause significant yield loss and harm international exporting</p>	<p>-Number of fields sampled annually.</p>
 <p>Clubroot</p>	<p>- Random canola fields are surveyed after the crop has been swathed. We look for visual symptoms and if we find galls the plant sample is sent to the lab for DNA confirmation</p>	<p>-Number of Canola fields sampled annually</p> <p>-Number of Clubroot Management Agreements sent to producers annually as per <i>Policy Statement 03-12 "Clubroot"</i></p> <p>-Number of Pest Notices given annually</p>

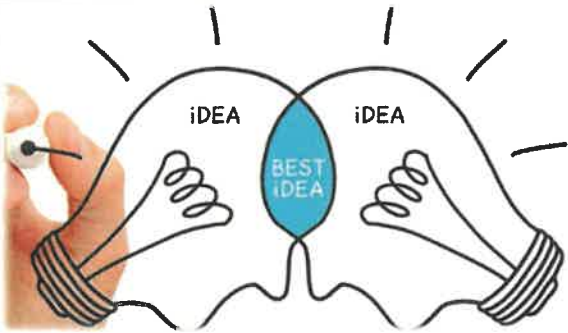
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6. Soil Conservation Act Duties		
Goal: Protect the quality and integrity of agricultural soils in Smoky Lake County.		
Strategies	Action	Measures
Soil Conservation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Agricultural Fieldman are deemed as inspectors and can issue notices under this Act. -Document and photograph any non-compliance with the Soil Conservation Act -Promote soil health workshops and site demonstrations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Number of Soil Conservation Notice issued -Number of Soil Conservation Letters issued -Number of workshops
		

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7. Intergovernmental Collaboration		
Goal: Conduct intergovernmental collaboration with all levels of governments.		
Strategies	Action	Measures
Collaborate with multiple levels and forms of government	-Agricultural Service Board to participate in drafting and passing resolutions at Regional and Provincial Agricultural Service Board Conferences annually.	-Attend annual conferences and participate by discussion and voting on various agricultural issues.
Protect the interests of Smoky Lake County Agricultural Community	-Every effort will be made to convey agricultural concerns from the agricultural community to relevant government agencies via face-to-face interactions, letter writing or any other available means.	-Number of letters sent to MLA's, PM's or other government members
		

Ag Service Board Grant Reporting Overview

The following is an over view of the report that is sent to Alberta Agriculture, outlining the outcomes of our programs in 2021.

AGRICULTURAL PEST ACT

- 3 Agricultural Pest Inspectors appointed
- 75 Clubroot fields Inspected - 6 Positive
- 4 Fields inspected for Virulent Blackleg in canola
- 3 Bertha armyworms locations monitored throughout County for AB Ag
- 12 Locations for Grasshoppers monitored for AB Ag
- 2 Fields Sampled for Fusarium Head Blight in Wheat
- 52 Beaver tails brought in
- 4 New water stabilizers installed (gizmos)
- 7 repaired/upgraded gizmos
- 0 1080 pills distributed
- 0 Bottles of strychnine sold
- 193 Problem beavers removed
- 457 Pocket Gopher tails brought in
- 0 Rat calls investigated

WEED CONTROL ACT

- 3 Weed Inspectors appointed
- 0 Weed Enforcements
- 1 Weed Notice issued with 11 locations
- 50% of Municipal Rights of way's were sprayed for control of noxious weeds
- 2 Location sprayed for prohibited noxious weeds
- 336 Introduction letters sent
- All County roads mowed once

SOIL CONSERVATION ACT

- 2 Soil Conservation Inspectors appointed
- 0 Soil Conservation letters issued
- Monitoring for different types of soil erosion occurs throughout growing season

ENVIRONMENTAL AND OUTREACH

- 0 EFP's completed
- 19 virtual and in person workshops open to all producers
- 1 LARA Trial plot location in the County including a Hemp Trial

Carried.

5. Issues for Information:

Agricultural Service Board Chairperson's Report

The Agricultural Service Board Chairperson: Dan Gawalko Councillor Division 1, provided the following written Agricultural Service Board Chairperson's report:

- Wanda Austin the chair opened the meeting at 1 pm she had no chair report at this time.
- Alyssa gave the office building update they received the beautification grant /loan through community futures Bonnyville and the MD of Bonnyville for 10,000 dollars she is waiting for some quotes on window replacement and replacing the lights in the office and shop her and Kellie are looking into emission reduction Alberta grants also.
- Lots of wear on the old forage harvester its in for repairs thinking about replacing it in the next 5-10 years looking at costs for replacing their truck they use for hauling equipment and also the trailer they are currently using with that unit.
- FarmRITE report, the next meeting will be on Nov 15/21 goals moving forward working with ROAR potential new core grant towards manpower and updating their website.
- Managers' report was given by Alyssa the new LARA website is almost ready to launch, RDAR has created an extension task force and requested that the Applied Research and Forage Associations in the province sit on it Lisa Jeffrey is our rep from Peace Country Beef & Forage Alyssa is the alternate, LARA staff are looking into potential projects to apply for through ROAR and also looking to develop a research committee LARA.
- Research report, all trials have been combined and the seed processed, currently working on data analysis and compilation, soil sampled the liming trials to determine PH levels attended the rvac meeting for the rvt trial program.
- Kellie gave the AESA report lots of interest in the Environmental Farm Plans EFPs due to many grant programs requiring a completed EFP, she is involved in the Thought for

food initiative aimed at increasing local food use hosted the Living labs producer engagement session and know workshop with ag safe Alberta, she will also be attending a meeting on potential hemp projects across the province with Amanda.

- The financial statements were presented and 2022 budget was also presented and discussed.
- The LFA report was given, and they are constructing a new dugout in pasture C4 to replace an aging one.
- Upcoming events, cultivating resilience on the farm by Leslie Kelly on November 16 in Ashmont, looking into some webinars for 2022, and a decision was made not to host Farmer Appreciation night in 2022 because of the ongoing covid issues.
- The next board meeting is at Ashmont on December 13 2021 at 1:00 pm, for any financial statements or the minutes of this meeting please contact a LARA staff member at the Fort Kent office.

Agricultural Service Board Chairperson's Report

112-21: Halisky

That the Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board Chairman's report for the period: October 13, 2021 to December 14, 2021, in regard to the Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA), be accepted for information.

Carried.

Kyle Schole, Planning and Development Assistant, virtually joined the meeting, time 11:42 a.m.

**Agricultural Fieldman's Report:
Nuisance Cat Control in Hamlets**

113-21: Halisky

That the Smoky Lake County Agricultural Fieldman research options for **nuisance cat control in Hamlets** under Smoky Lake County's jurisdiction.

Carried.

Agricultural Fieldman's Report

114-21: Halisky

That the Smoky Lake County Agricultural Fieldman's written Report as of November 29, 2021, be accepted and filed for information.

Carried.

Year-2021 Clubroot Map

115-21: Serben

That Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board, accept the Agricultural Service Board Departments' Year-2021 Clubroot Map, as presented for information.

Carried.

Alberta Crop Report Year-2021

116-21: Halisky

That Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board, accept the Alberta Crop Report, produced by Alberta Agriculture and Forestry, Natural Resource Management Branch in partnership with Alberta Agricultural Fieldmen and staff of AFSC, outlining crop conditions as of October 12, 2021, as the final report for 2021, as presented for information.

Carried.

Year-2021 Insect Survey Results for Smoky Lake County

117-21: Fenerty

That Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board, accept the Insect Survey Results for Smoky Lake County Year-2021, as presented for information.

Carried.

Jordan Ruegg, Planning and Development Manager, virtually joined the meeting, time 12:00 p.m.

Year-2022 Provincial Agricultural Service Board Conference

118-21: Halisky That Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board approve the following people: Councillor Linda Fenerty, Agricultural Fieldman Carleigh Danyluk, and Assistant Agricultural Fieldman Amanda Kihn, to attend the Year-2022 Provincial Agricultural Service Board Conference, scheduled for January 25-17, 2022, at the Westin Hotel, Edmonton.

Carried.

2022 Provincial Agricultural Service Board Resolutions

119-21: Fenerty That Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board, support in favour of all five of the resolutions being brought forward to the Year-2022 Provincial Agricultural Service Board Conference, as follows:

Resolution # 1-22: Vegetation Management on Alberta Provincial Highways,

Resolution # 2-22: Restoration of Alberta Agriculture, Forestry and Rural Economic Development Regional Network of Experts,

Resolution # 3-22: Celebrate Canada Agriculture Day in Alberta Schools (February 22, 2022),

Resolution # 4-22: Properly Managing Ungulate Populations, and

Resolution # 5-22: Exemption of Natural Gas and Propane for Agriculture Under the Greenhouse Gas Pollution Pricing Act.

Carried.

6. Correspondence:

Municipal District of Fairview No. 136

120-21: Cere That the letter received by Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board, from Phil Kolodychuk, Agricultural Service Board Chairman, Municipal District of Fairview No. 136, dated October 18, 2021, in concerning reductions in in Agricultural Service Board funding, be filed for information.

Carried.

Municipal District of Fairview No. 136

121-21: Fenerty That the letter received by Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board, from Ian Sundquist, Agricultural Service Board Chairman, Municipal District of Willow Creek, dated November 24, 2021, concerning the Government of Canada's plan to reduce emissions from fertilizer and how it negatively impacts agricultural producers, be filed for information.

Carried.

Next Meeting

122 -21: Halisky That the next Smoky Lake County **Agricultural Service Board Meeting** be scheduled for **Tuesday, February 15, 2022, at 9:00 a.m.** to be held virtually, through Electronic Communication Technology as per Bylaw 1376-20 **and/or** physically in County Council Chambers.

Carried.

Alberta Agriculture and Forestry Agricultural Service Board Member Orientation

123-21: Fenerty That Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board, acknowledge all five (5) Smoky Lake County Councillors attended the Provincial Agricultural Service Board Member Orientation, provided by the Delegation: Doug Macaulay, Agricultural Service Board Manager, Alberta Agriculture and Forestry, on December 14, 2021.

Carried.

Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA)

124-21: Serben That Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board, accept the presentation from Alyssa Krawchuk, Manager, Forage and Livestock Program, Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA), for information as presented on December 14, 2021.

Carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

125-21: Halisky That the Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board Meeting of December 14, 2021, be adjourned, time 12:14 p.m.

Carried.

CHAIRPERSON

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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER



● Draft ● Not started ● Behind ● On Track ● Complete → Direct Alignment ----> Indirect Alignment

COUNCIL MOTIONS/INQUIRY 2021 PLAN

COUNCIL MOTIONS 2021

Meeting Date	Council Motion #	Goal	Details	Owner	Progress Update	Current Completion	Start Date
		2021 12 14 ASB Meeting				Overdue 96.25 /	2021/12/14

Meeting Date	Council Motion #	Goal	Details	Owner	Progress Update	Current Completion	Start Date
2021/12/14	108-21	→ Policy Statement No. 62-28-04 Mowing Program	That the Smoky Lake County Policy Statement No. 62-28-05: Mowing Program be amended:	Municipal Clerk	Jenna Preston: Achievements: Policy Statement No. 62-28-05: Mowing Program, was updated and sent to the Communications department to post on the County Website on January 13, 2022. A policy memo was sent to staff and managers the same day outlining that the policy was amended. Challenges: <i>No value</i> Next Steps: <i>No value</i>	Complete 100 /	2021/12/14

Meeting Date	Council Motion #	Goal	Details	Owner	Progress Update	Current Completion	Start Date
2021/12/14	109-21	→ Lakeland Agricultural Research Association Year-2022 Contract	That Smoky Lake County's Agricultural Service Board Chairperson attend the next Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA) board meeting in February 2022, for the purpose of requesting a 25% reduction to the Year-2022 funding contribution to LARA from the amount of \$55,000.00 to the amount of \$41,250.00, with emphasis on extension programming services relating to cattle production and reducing those services relating to grain production research (i.e., grain test plots).	Agricultural Fieldman	Carleigh McMullin: Achievements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> E-mail sent to ASB Chairman today February 3rd asking for an update in regards to this request. Will have a full discussion about this at the next meeting. Challenges: <i>No value</i> Next Steps: <i>No value</i>	<div style="background-color: #e67e22; height: 100px; width: 100%;"></div>	2021/12/14
					Carleigh McMullin: Achievements: The next LARA meeting is January 31st, 2022. Will wait to update following that. Challenges: <i>No value</i> Next Steps: <i>No value</i>		<div style="background-color: #e67e22; height: 100px; width: 100%;"></div>

Overdue
70 /

Meeting Date	Council Motion #	Goal	Details	Owner	Progress Update	Current Completion	Start Date
2021/12/14	110-21	→ Lakeland Agricultural Research Association Farm Member Appointment	That the Smoky Lake County Council recommend Barb Shapka be re-appointed as a Farm Member representative for Smoky Lake County to the Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA) Board for another 2-year term: 2022-2024.	Agricultural Fieldman	Carleigh McMullin: Achievements: E-mail sent to Alyssa at LARA on January 4th notifying her of this motion. Farm members will be appointed at the 2022 AGM. Challenges: <i>No value</i> Next Steps: <i>No value</i>	Complete 100 /	2021/12/14

Meeting Date	Council Motion #	Goal	Details	Owner	Progress Update	Current Completion	Start Date
2021/12/14	111-21	→ Policy Statement No. 62-10-05: Agricultural Service Board Business Plan	That Smoky Lake County Policy Statement No. 62-10-07: Agricultural Service Board Business Plan 2022, including the 2021 Agricultural Service Board Grant Reporting data overview, be amended:	Municipal Clerk	<p>Jenna Preston:</p> <p>Achievements: Policy Statement 62-10-07: Agricultural Services Board Business Plan, was sent to the Communications department on January 13, 2022 and posted to the website that same day. A policy memo was sent out to staff and management outlining that the policy has been amended.</p> <p>Challenges: <i>No value</i></p> <p>Next Steps: <i>No value</i></p> <p>Carleigh McMullin:</p> <p>Achievements: 2022 Business Plan updated and added to the policy binder.</p> <p>Challenges: <i>No value</i></p> <p>Next Steps: <i>No value</i></p>	Complete 100 /	2021/12/14
2021/12/14	113-21	→ Nuisance Cat Control in Hamlets	That the Smoky Lake County Agricultural Fieldman research options for nuisance	Agricultural Fieldman	<p>Carleigh McMullin:</p> <p>Achievements:</p>	Complete 100 /	2021/12/14

cat control in Hamlets
under Smoky Lake
County's jurisdiction.

Current Completion

- Researched other County and MD's for cat bylaws, there was none found, many cities and towns have bylaws for cats.
- Some counties have it posted on their website explaining what to do if someone finds a cat in distress or a stray cat; this includes the SPCA contact.

Challenges: *No value*

Next Steps: *No value*

Carleigh McMullin:

Achievements:

- Called Diane Bochar today January 11th and discussed her willingness to take cats. She

is going to think about it and get back to me with a list of her concerns/questions in regards to her housing cats at her facility.

Challenges: *No value*

Next Steps: *No value*

→ Year-2022 Provincial Agricultural Service Board Conference

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2021/12/14

Agricultural Fieldman

Carleigh McMullin:

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Achievements:
Hotel rooms and registration completed on December 17th, 2021.

Challenges: *No value*

Next Steps: *No value*

Complete
100 /

2021/12/14

Meeting Date	Council Motion #	Goal	Details	Owner	Progress Update	Current Completion	Start Date
2021/12/14	119-21	→2022 Provincial Agricultural Service Board Resolutions	<p>That Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board, support in favour of all five of the resolutions being brought forward to the Year-2022 Provincial Agricultural Service Board Conference, as follows:</p> <p>Resolution # 1-22: Vegetation Management on Alberta Provincial Highways,</p> <p>Resolution # 2-22: Restoration of Alberta Agriculture, Forestry and Rural Economic Development Regional Network of Experts,</p> <p>Resolution # 3-22: Celebrate Canada Agriculture Day in Alberta Schools (February 22, 2022),</p> <p>Resolution # 4-22: Properly Managing Ungulate Populations, and</p> <p>Resolution # 5-22: Exemption of Natural Gas and Propane for Agriculture Under the Greenhouse Gas Pollution Pricing Act.</p>	Agricultural Fieldman	<p>Carleigh McMullin:</p> <p>Achievements: Council discussed and agreed on how they will vote at the upcoming ASB Conference.</p> <p>Challenges: <i>No value</i></p> <p>Next Steps: <i>No value</i></p>	Complete 100 /	2021/12/14

Meeting Date	Council Motion #	Goal	Details	Owner	Progress Update	Current Completion	Start Date
2021/12/14	123-21	<p>→ Alberta Agriculture and Forestry Agricultural Service Board Member Orientation</p>	<p>That Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board, acknowledge all five (5) Smoky Lake County Councillors attended the Provincial Agricultural Service Board Member Orientation, provided by the Delegation: Doug Macaulay, Agricultural Service Board Manager, Alberta Agriculture and Forestry, on December 14, 2021.</p>	<p>Legislative Service Clerk</p>	<p>Patti Priest: Achievements: Provincial Agricultural Service Board Orientation taken was acknowledged for his torical reference of information provided to Council. Challenges: No value Next Steps: No value</p>	<p>Complete 100 /</p>	2021/12/14



REQUEST FOR DECISION		DATE	February 15 th , 2022	4.1
TOPIC	Bylaw No. 1344-19: Dog Control Bylaw on Regulating and Confinement of Dogs.			
PROPOSAL	<p>HISTORY: Smoky Lake Agricultural Services Board requested “That the Smoky Lake County Agricultural Fieldman research options for nuisance cat control in Hamlets under Smoky Lake County’s jurisdiction”. Motion #: 113-21</p> <p>BACKGROUND:</p> <p>Smoky Lake County has established its <u>first Bylaw</u> on Animal Control since April 18, 1995: Bylaw No. 965-94: Animal Control - Regulating and Controlling Dogs and Domestic Animals with the jurisdiction.</p> <p>Bylaw has been reviewed in total: 5 times</p> <p>(2) Bylaw No. 1083-00 on September 28, 2000.</p> <p>(3) Bylaw No. 1093-01 on July 26, 2001</p> <p>(4) Bylaw No. 1163-08 on April 17, 2008 – Regulating and Confinement of Dogs This Bylaw removed “Domestic Animals” and the Identification Process.</p> <p>(5) Bylaw No. 1344-19 on June 27, 2019 – most recent. Changes included regulations on how to address “Excessive Barking Complaints” and regulations changes addressed the “Over-Limit” Permit process (number of dogs allows from 2 to number of dogs per acre).</p> <p>CURRENT:</p> <p>Research:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ We have found that Cat Control Bylaws are more commonly found in urban centres than rural settings. This is because they include licensing and a collar control system. ■ We have found a current bylaw with Yellowhead County that includes cat control, they rely on the Bylaw Enforcement Officer to do all enforcing and catching. See attachment # 1. ■ Other counties such as the County of Vermillion River do not include Cat Control in their Bylaw, however County includes information on their websites about how to handle a stray cat, the County relies on the ratepayers to manage the problem themselves and they have an agreement with the local SPCA that allows their ratepayers to drop cats off. See attachment #2 ■ Strathcona County provides humane steps that can be taken to deter unwanted cats from ratepayers’ yards. They also include the SPCAs information. See attachment #3 ■ We also looked into what the SPCAs surrender fees are for cats - they vary depending on the age and condition of the animal. See attachment #4. <p>PROPOSAL:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Consideration for possibly establishing a new bylaw to include Cat Control or amending current dog control bylaw. 			

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ <u>Factors</u> to consider for Cat Control: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ rates need to be established for cats – to determine the penalty if a cat enters onto private property. ▪ establishing a regulation process on “a limit” for how many cats will be allowed. ▪ incorporating a process on complaints – possibly issuing a trap. ▪ negotiations with current animal dog poundkeeper – as shelter may be an issue. ▪ Costs increase for veterinary expenses to be in compliance with the <i>Animal Protection Act</i>. ■ Other budgetary elements: Utilizing the time of County resources: staff time, salary, fuel. ■ Historically: the number of Cat complaints received by the County is minimal. ■ Cat Control process is sensitive in nature (as they are difficult to catch), therefore, the measures taken carefully need to displaying no distress or cruelty on the animal (Cat). <p>Recommendation: Is not to include Cat Control – but possible develop a process similar to County of Vermilion River or Strathcona that provides communication to residents who have issues with Cats. <i>(To be determined from discussion held with Council)</i></p>
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CORRELATION TO BUSINESS PLAN

Strategic Plan references the following County priorities:

LEGISLATIVE, BYLAW and/or POLICY IMPLICATIONS	<p><i>Municipal Government Act:</i> Section: 7(h): A Council may pass bylaws for municipal purposes respecting: <u>wild and domestic animals</u> and activities in relation to them.</p>
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BENEFITS	■ For regulating and control dogs from environment, property and ensure public health.
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DISADVANTAGES	
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ALTERNATIVES	■ N/A
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FINANCE/BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

Operating Costs:	Capital Costs:
Budget Available: \$12,000.00	Source of Funds: Operating Budget
Budgeted Costs:	Actual Costs:
Position of County Dog Shelter as per agreement: Expense is \$1000/month	

INTERGOVERNMENTAL INVOLVEMENT/IMPLICATIONS	Collaborate regionally with Lac La Biche County, MD of Bonnyville and the County of St. Paul through LARA
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COMMUNICATION STRATEGY	Educate and enforce property owners with both dogs and cats-at-large. Communicate with the Dog Shelter Caretaker.
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RECOMMENDATION

That Smoky Lake County take no action and Bylaw 1344-19 remains the same.

Agricultural Fieldman	
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YELLOWHEAD COUNTY

BYLAW NO. 19.19

BEING A BYLAW OF YELLOWHEAD COUNTY IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA FOR THE
PURPOSE OF REGULATING ANIMALS WITHIN THE MUNICIPAL BOUNDARIES OF
YELLOWHEAD COUNTY

WHEREAS, the Municipal Government Act, R.S.A. 2000, c. M-26, as amended authorizes Council to pass bylaws regulating the control of Animals.

NOW THEREFORE, the Council for Yellowhead County, in the Province of Alberta, duly assembled, hereby enacts as follows:

1. TITLE

This bylaw may be cited as the “Animal Control Bylaw”.

2. DEFINITIONS

- a. “**Adjacent**” shall mean land that abuts a site and land that would abut if not for a road, lane, walkway, watercourse, utility lot, pipeline right of way, power line, railway or similar feature.
- b. “**Animal**” shall mean any live animal, both domestic and wild but does not include humans.
- c. “**Animal Unit**” shall have the meaning set out in Section 4(c) of this Bylaw.
- d. “**At Large**” shall mean where an Animal is at any place other than the Owner's property or as otherwise allowed under this Bylaw, and is not being carried by any person or is not otherwise restrained by a Permitted Leash held by a person capable of restraining the Animal.
- e. “**Business Day**” shall mean Monday to Friday, excluding statutory holidays or any day on which the Shelter is not open for regular business hours.
- f. “**Bylaw Officer**” shall mean a bylaw enforcement officer appointed by Council as prescribed in the *Municipal Government Act*, R.S.A. 2000, c. M-26, for the preservation and maintenance of the public peace, and also includes Peace Officers as defined in the *Peace Officers Act*, S.A. 2006, c P-3.5 and members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.
- g. “**Cat**” shall mean a male or female of the domestic feline family.
- h. “**Confine**” shall mean when an Animal is securely contained in a pen, cage or building or securely tethered in a manner that will not allow the Animal to bite or harm any person or Animal.
- i. “**Council**” shall mean the Council for Yellowhead County.

- j. “**County**” shall mean Yellowhead County and the area contained within its boundaries as the context requires.
- k. “**Dog**” shall mean a male or female of any domestic canine species.
- l. “**Damage to Public or Private Property**” shall include any harm done to public or Private Property.
- m. “**Domestic Animal**” shall mean any domestic male or female Dog or Cat.
- n. “**Hamlet**” shall mean any land within an area designated as a hamlet pursuant to the approved bylaws establishing hamlet boundaries.
- o. “**Fowl**” shall mean a domesticated bird of any kind including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, local and exotic birds.
- p. “**Kennel**” shall mean any land on which (4) four or more Domestic Animals over 6 (six) months of age are maintained, bred, trained or cared for, in return for remuneration or kept for purposes of sale.
- q. “**Land Use Bylaw**” shall mean the County Land Use Bylaw 16.13, as amended or replaced from time to time.
- r. “**Live Trap**” shall mean a device used to humanely and safely capture Domestic Animals found to be in contravention of this bylaw.
- s. “**Livestock**” shall mean plains bison, horses, cattle, swine, donkeys, llamas, alpacas, poultry, mules, oxen, sheep, bees, and goats.
- t. “**Offspring**” shall mean progeny of any Domestic Animal while dependent upon its parents for the necessities of life and which is under the age of six months.
- u. “**Owner**” shall mean any person, partnership, association or corporation owning, harbouring, possessing or having charge of or control over any Animals.
- v. “**Over-Limit Permit**” shall mean a permit, in the form attached as Schedule “A” to this Bylaw, and issued to an Owner pursuant to Section 5 of this bylaw permitting the Owner to keep or harbour on land or premises, Animals in excess of the number or type permitted pursuant to this bylaw.
- w. “**Permitted Leash**” shall mean a leash not exceeding 3 (three) meters in length that is attached to a choke chain, collar or harness securely holding that Animal.
- x. “**Pound Keeper**” shall mean designated person(s) owning and/or operating a place designated by Council as a Shelter.
- y. “**Poultry**” shall mean Fowl kept in captivity for the production of eggs, meat and/or other by-products.

- z. **“Private Property”** shall mean land within the County other than property constituting Public Property.
- aa. **“Public Property”** shall mean any land within the County owned, or occupied by the Government of Canada, Government of Alberta or by the County or otherwise under the control and management of the County.
- bb. **“Prohibited Animal(s)”** shall mean wild boar (*sus scrofa*).
- cc. **“Property Owner”** shall mean any person who is registered under the Land Titles Act as the Owner of the land or who is recorded as the Owner of the property on the Assessment roll of the County or a person who has purchased or otherwise acquired the land, whether he has purchased or otherwise acquired the land directly from the Owner or from another purchaser, and has not become the registered Owner thereof, and a person with possession of the land through a lease or license.
- dd. **“Purebred”** shall mean an Animal which bears an obvious tattoo, brand, mark, tag or license identifying it as a purebred Animal.
- ee. **“Secure Enclosure”** shall mean a building, cage or fenced area of such construction that will not allow the Confined Dog(s) to jump, climb, dig or force their way out, or allow the entry of young children.
- ff. **“Shelter”** shall mean the premises designated by Council for the purpose of impounding and caring for all Animals found to be in contravention of this bylaw.
- gg. **“Vicious Dog”** shall mean any Dog, regardless of age, whether on public or Private Property, which has without provocation, chased, injured or bitten any other Domestic Animal or human, or destroyed or damaged any public or Private Property, or threatened or created the reasonable apprehension of a threat to other Domestic Animals or humans and which, in the opinion of a Bylaw Officer presents a threat of harm to other Domestic Animals or humans.
- hh. **“Violation Tag”** shall mean a tag or similar document used by the County, pursuant to the Municipal Government Act, R.S.A. 2000, c. M-26, as amended.
- ii. **“Violation Ticket”** shall mean a ticket issued pursuant to the Provincial Offences Procedure Act, R.S.A. 2000, c. P-34 and Regulations thereunder as amended.

3. RESTRICTIONS AND PROHIBITIONS ON ANIMAL OWNERSHIP

- a. No person shall be an Owner of any Animal in the County except in accordance with this Bylaw.
- b. Subject to limitations set in subsection 3(c), only Domestic Animals are allowed within the boundaries of a Hamlet. Outside of a Hamlet, and subject to limitations set in subsections 3(c) and 4(a), only Domestic Animals and Animal Units are allowed on

parcels up to 16.2ha (40.0ac). Parcels 16.2ha (40.0ac) or more have no restriction on the type or amount of Animals allowed unless the Animal is a Prohibited Animal or otherwise restricted elsewhere in this or another bylaw.

- c. No person shall be an Owner of more than 4 (four) Domestic Animals on any parcel in a Hamlet or on any parcel that is smaller than 0.81ha (2.0ac), or 6 (six) Domestic Animals on any parcel in the County that is 0.81ha (2.0ac) to less than 16.2ha (40ac), except in accordance with an Over-Limit Permit.
- d. No person shall be an Owner of Livestock or Poultry located within the boundaries of any Hamlet in the County.
- e. Subsections 3(a), (b) and (c) inclusive shall not apply to the following:
 - i. Animals accompanying Owners visiting the County temporarily for a period not exceeding 3 weeks;
 - ii. Premises operated by or under the charge of a licensed veterinarian for the care and treatment of Animals;
 - iii. Owners holding a valid and subsisting Development Permit to operate a Kennel or similar operation as authorized by the Land Use Bylaw;
 - iv. Guide Dogs, police Dogs and search and rescue Dogs;
 - v. Horse holding areas on Crown land which are authorized by the Province of Alberta or, if located within a Hamlet, by the County Development Authority or Council as applicable.
 - vi. Holders of a valid and subsisting Over-Limit Permit, issued under section 5 of this bylaw; or
 - vii. Offspring.
- f. Without limitation to section 3(a), no person shall be an Owner of a Prohibited Animal in the County.
- g. Notwithstanding section 3(f), any person legally keeping or harbouring Prohibited Animals prior to the enactment of this Bylaw or any subsequent amendments to this Bylaw will be permitted, through an annual permit, to continue existing operations without expanding beyond the existing size and location as described on the date of enactment of this Bylaw or amendments to this Bylaw. Prohibited Animals thusly grandfathered will not be considered Prohibited Animals under this Bylaw so long as the conditions of the annual permit are met. The County has no obligation to renew the annual permit, which may be cancelled at any time.

4. RESTRICTIONS ON OWNERSHIP OF ANIMAL UNITS

- a. No Animal Units will be permitted in a Hamlet.
- b. Except in the case of Hamlets, on any parcel less than 16.2ha (40.0ac) in size, Animal Units shall be permitted only in accordance with the following:

Parcel size	Animal Unit
0.00ha - 0.80ha (0.0 - 1.99ac)	0
0.81ha - 1.21ha (2.0 - 2.99ac)	1
1.22ha - 1.61ha (3.0 - 3.99ac)	2
1.62ha - 2.02ha (4.0 - 4.99ac)	3
2.03ha - 2.42ha (5.0 - 5.99ac)	4
2.43ha - 4.04ha (6.0 - 9.99ac)	5
4.05ha or greater (10.0 ac. plus)	5*

* Plus the number of Animal Units permitted for that portion of the parcel in excess of 4.05ha (10.0ac). Example: 5.26ha (13.0ac) = 5 + 2 =7 total Animal Units.

- c. For the purpose of this section one Animal Unit equals the following:
 - i. 1 horse, donkey, mule, ass (over one year old); or
 - ii. Up to 2 colts (up to one year old); or
 - iii. Up to 2 llama, 3 alpaca or 3 guanaco; or
 - iv. 1 cow or steer (over one year old); or
 - v. Up to 2 calves up to one year old; or
 - vi. Up to 15 chickens; or
 - vii. Up to 10 ducks, turkeys, pheasants, or other similar Fowl; or
 - viii. Up to 3 sheep or goats; or
 - ix. Up to 20 rabbits or other similar rodents; or
 - x. Up to 2 ostriches or emus
- d. Partial Animal Units cannot be combined to form a whole Animal Unit.
- e. Owners desiring to keep Animal Units in excess of the limits or types, or as a combination, as set out in this Section must obtain an Over-Limit Permit (see Schedule "A") as set out in Section 5 of this Bylaw.

- f. Any Property Owner found to be in contravention of Section 4 of this Bylaw is guilty of an offence.

5. OVER-LIMIT PERMITS

- a. The County may issue to an Owner an Over-Limit Permit authorizing a person to exceed the prescribed limits for Domestic Animals or Animal Units specified in Sections 3 and 4 of this Bylaw.
- b. Anyone wishing to obtain an Over-Limit Permit must complete the appropriate Application Form in the form attached as Schedule "A" to this Bylaw and submit the completed Application Form, together with the applicable fee, to the County.
- c. As part of the application process, an Owner wishing to obtain an Over-Limit Permit shall request written consent from those individuals residing or owning, immediately Adjacent to the property of the Owner.
- d. Upon receipt of a completed Over-Limit Permit Application Form, a Bylaw Officer designated by the County shall consider the application, and may, in his or her sole and absolute discretion:
 - i. Refuse to grant an Over-Limit Permit;
 - ii. Grant an Over-Limit Permit; or
 - iii. Grant an Over-Limit Permit on such terms and conditions as the designated Bylaw Officer deems appropriate.
- e. An Over-Limit Permit shall not be transferable.
- f. A Bylaw Officer in his or her discretion may revoke an Over-Limit Permit if:
 - i. The County receives one or more bona fide complaints from residents or Property Owner(s) Adjacent to the property for which the Over-Limit Permit, is issued; or
 - ii. The Permit holder harbours Animals in excess of the number or type permitted; or
 - iii. The Permit holder is guilty of an offence under this Bylaw.
- g. If a Bylaw Officer revokes an Over-Limit Permit, there shall be no refund of the Application Fee.
- h. Any Property Owner found to be in contravention of an Over-Limit Permit issued pursuant to Section 5 is guilty of an offence.

6. ADMINISTRATION OF ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES

- a. Council may designate one or more Bylaw Officers to:
 - i. be responsible for the administration of the Animal Control Bylaw and related services within the County; and
 - ii. keep an up-to-date and accurate record of all complaints, notices and reports that are assigned to him or her;
- b. A Bylaw Officer shall take any Animal impounded to the Shelter as soon as reasonably practical after impoundment, and notify the Owner, if known, of such impoundment as soon as reasonably practical.

7. POUND KEEPER

- a. Council by resolution shall designate a place, or places to be operated as a Shelter.
- b. Each Pound Keeper shall be responsible for the administration and maintenance of the Shelter and for the safekeeping, caring and feeding of all Animals detained under the provisions of this Bylaw.

8. DOG CONTROL PROVISIONS

- a. No Owner of any Dog shall permit such Dog to be At Large.
- b. No Owner of any Dog shall permit such Dog to bark or howl excessively or in any manner that disturbs or would tend to disturb the peace of others.
- c. No Owner of any Dog shall permit such Dog to defecate on any Public Property or Private Property other than the property of the Owner, unless the Owner causes the feces to be removed immediately.
- d. No Owner of any Dog shall permit such Dog to damage or cause Damage to Public or Private Property.
- e. An Owner of a Dog is guilty of an offence if such Dog:
 - i. Bites, attacks, threatens, harasses, chases, kills or injures any person including, but not limited to, when such person is on a bicycle, horseback or while walking or running;
 - ii. Bites, attacks, threatens, harasses, chases, kills or injures any Livestock, Poultry or Domestic Animals belonging to other persons.
 - iii. Bites or chases any vehicle.

- f. No Owner of a female Dog in heat shall fail to keep such Dog housed and securely Confined or on a Permitted Leash during the entire period for which the Dog is in heat.
- g. No person shall tease, torment, annoy, abuse or injure any Dog.
- h. No person shall untie, loosen or otherwise free a Dog unless such person has the authorization of the Owner or unless such Dog is in a state of medical distress.

9. VICIOUS DOG PROVISIONS

- a. A Bylaw Officer acting reasonably may deem a Dog to be a Vicious Dog and issue written notice of such determination to the Vicious Dog's Owner, if known, including the reasons in support of the determination. The Vicious Dog's Owner may appeal the Bylaw Officer's determination by providing written notice to the County within ten (10) days of such written notice. Council may in its discretion request oral or written submissions from the Dog's Owner and other affected parties to assist Council in reviewing the Bylaw Officer's determination. Upon completing the review, Council shall uphold, vary, or cancel the determination, and Council's decision shall be final.
- b. At all times while a Vicious Dog is on the premises of the Owner, the Owner shall either keep the Dog in a Secure Enclosure or on a Permitted Leash held and under the control of the Owner. Failure to do so is an offence.
- c. When any Vicious Dog is off the premises of the Owner, the Owner shall securely muzzle such Dog and either harness or leash it securely to effectively prevent it from being able to attack or bite a person or other Animal. Failure to do so is an offence.
- d. Subsection (c) shall not apply when the Vicious Dog is in a Secure Enclosure.
- e. A Bylaw Officer may, at his or her own discretion, require the Owner of a Vicious Dog to post a sign at the entrance of his or her property stating "Vicious Dog". Failure to post the required signage is an offence.
- f. An Owner of a Vicious Dog is guilty of an offence if such Dog:
 - i. Bites, attacks, threatens, harasses, chases, kills or injures any person including, but limited to, when such person is on a bicycle, horseback or while walking or running;
 - ii. Bites, attacks, threatens, harasses, chases, kills or injures Livestock, Poultry, or Domestic Animals belonging to other persons; or
 - iii. Bites or chases any vehicle.

10. CAT CONTROL PROVISIONS

- a. No Owner shall permit such Cat to be At Large.

- b. No Owner of any Cat shall permit such Cat to defecate on any Public Property or Private Property other than the property of the Owner, unless the Owner causes the feces to be removed immediately.
- c. No person shall tease, torment, annoy, abuse or injure any Cat.

11. TRAPPING OF ANIMALS

- a. Any person who has a complaint about a Domestic Animal being At Large, may request a Live Trap from the County.
- b. The complainant, upon receiving a Live Trap, shall comply with the Procedure and Guidelines for the Live Trapping of Animals attached as Schedule “B” in this Bylaw, and such further terms the Bylaw Officer may require.
- c. At such time as the complainant captures a Domestic Animal in a Live Trap, he shall deliver the Domestic Animal unharmed to the County Shelter as soon as reasonably practicable, during regular business hours.
- d. The provision of or refusal to provide a Live Trap to a Complainant shall be at the sole discretion of the Bylaw Officer.

12. TRAPPING OF ANIMALS PROVISIONS

- a. No person shall:
 - i. Leave a set Live Trap unattended, except as authorized by the Bylaw Officer.
 - ii. Leave the Live Trap set between the hours of 11:00pm on one day to 6:00am the following day, unless authorized by the Bylaw Officer.
 - iii. Fail to deliver a captured or trapped Domestic Animal to the Shelter within a reasonably practicable time, not to exceed 24 hours unless otherwise authorized by the Bylaw Officer.
 - iv. Fail to comply with the Procedure and Guidelines for the Live Trapping of Animals or any other terms required by the Bylaw Officer pursuant to Section 11(b) of this Bylaw.

13. INTERFERENCE WITH ENFORCEMENT OF A BYLAW

- a. No person, whether or not they are the Owner of a Domestic Animal which is being or has been captured, shall:
 - i. Interfere with or attempt to obstruct a person who is attempting to capture or trap or who has captured or trapped any Domestic Animal in accordance with the provisions of this Bylaw; or

- ii. Remove or attempt to remove any Domestic Animal from the possession of the Bylaw Officer or Pound Keeper.
- iii. Remove or attempt to remove any Domestic Animal from a Shelter except as authorized by the County, a Pound Keeper, or a Bylaw Officer.

14. POWERS OF BYLAW OFFICER

- a. A Bylaw Officer is authorized to capture and impound at the Shelter:
 - i. Any Animal that is At Large within the County;
 - ii. Any Domestic Animal that has been humanely trapped in a Live Trap set for the purpose of capturing Animals At Large;
 - iii. Any Domestic Animal that has been found wounded, distressed, abandoned or diseased.
- b. A Bylaw Officer is authorized to capture and euthanize any Prohibited Animal.
- c. A Bylaw Officer is authorized to impound at the Shelter any Animal that has been captured or trapped and brought to the Shelter.
- d. A Bylaw Officer is authorized to take reasonable measures to subdue and capture any Dogs found to be in contravention of this Bylaw.
- e. A Bylaw Officer may use the following to capture any Dogs in contravention of this bylaw:
 - i. Baits and lures;
 - ii. Live Traps;
 - iii. Snare poles;
 - iv. Other mechanical devices;
 - v. Chemical agents;
 - vi. Tranquilizer guns;

provided such methods are applied reasonably and in a humane manner.

15. IMPOUNDMENT

- a. Except as otherwise provided, when a Domestic Animal has been impounded, the Pound Keeper shall keep such Animal for a period of 3 (three) Business Days from the day of impoundment.

- b. When a Purebred Domestic Animal has been impounded, the Pound Keeper shall keep such Animal for a period of 10 (ten) Business Days from the day of impoundment.
- c. Notwithstanding Section 15 (a) and (b), the Owner of such Animal may at any time, during regular working hours, redeem the impounded Animal upon payment of all applicable fines and levies as set by Council from time to time.
- d. At the expiration of the impoundment period as stated in Section 15 (a) or (b), any Domestic Animal not redeemed becomes property of the County and may be adopted, given away or humanely destroyed by the Pound Keeper, at the Pound Keeper's sole discretion.
- e. An Owner who fails to redeem an impounded Animal resulting in such Animal being destroyed shall pay, upon demand to the County, all impoundment fines, levies and all costs of euthanasia.

16. PENALTIES

- a. Any person who contravenes any provision of this Bylaw is guilty of an offence and is liable to penalty as set out in Schedule "C" of this Bylaw.
- b. Upon convicting the Owner of a Dog of an offence under this Bylaw, the presiding judge may, in addition to any other penalties imposed or orders made and without further notice or hearing, declare the subject Dog a Vicious Dog, pursuant to the provisions of this Bylaw; and may make an order directing any one or more of the following:
 - i. The Owner of such Animal, to Confine or muzzle such Animal for such period as the presiding judge may determine;
 - ii. The Owner of such Animal, to forthwith deliver such Animal to the Pound Keeper who shall forthwith destroy or arrange for the destruction of such Animal;
 - iii. The Owner of such Animal, to remove such Animal from within the corporate boundaries of the County.

17. VIOLATION TAGS

- a. A Bylaw Officer may issue a Violation Tag to any person whom the Bylaw Officer has reasonable and probable grounds to believe has contravened any provision of this Bylaw.

18. VIOLATION TICKETS

- a. If the Violation Tag is not paid within the prescribed time period, a Bylaw Officer may issue a Violation Ticket.

- b. Notwithstanding Section 18(a) of this Bylaw, a Bylaw Officer may immediately issue a Violation Ticket to any person whom the Bylaw Officer has reasonable grounds to believe has contravened any provision of this Bylaw.

19. EXISTING RIGHTS AFFECTED

- a. The terms and provisions of this Bylaw shall apply with respect to any and all rights, interest and property, both real and personal, existing both prior and subsequent to the date of the enactment of the Bylaw.

20. SEVERABILITY PROVISION

- a. Should any provision of this Bylaw be invalid, then such invalid provision shall be severed and the remaining Bylaw shall be maintained.


21. REPEAL OF BYLAW

- a. This Bylaw repeals and replaces Bylaw No. 03.06 and Bylaw No. 09.18.
- b. This Bylaw shall come into force and take effect upon third and final reading and proper signature thereof.


READ FOR A FIRST TIME THIS 26 DAY OF November, 2019

READ FOR A SECOND TIME THIS 28 DAY OF January, 2020

READ FOR A THIRD TIME THIS 28 DAY OF January, 2020



 Mayor, Jim Eglinski



 Chief Administrative Officer, Jack Ramme

Schedule "A"

OVER-LIMIT APPLICATION & PERMIT

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ Initial: _____

Current Animals:

The following additional Animals are requested for the property:

This Application has not been approved for the following reason(s):

The following permit has been approved in with the following conditions:

Yellowhead County reserves the right to revoke this permit if:

- ❖ Yellowhead County receives one or more bona fide complaints from residents or Property Owner(s) Adjacent to the Over-Limit Permit holder's residence; or
- ❖ The permit holder harbours animals in excess of the number permitted by the Over-Limit Permit; or
- ❖ The Permit holder is guilty of an offence pursuant to the Yellowhead County Animal Control Bylaw.

Permit Number: _____ Permit Issuer: _____

Effective Date: _____ End Date: _____

This personal information is being collected under the authority of the Municipal Government Act, Chapter M-26 R.S.A., 2000, Part 13 and the current Animal Control Bylaw and will be used to investigate and enforce provincial and municipal legislation. It is protected by the privacy provisions of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, Statutes of Alberta. Disclosure of personal information collected on this form will be limited to the R.C.M.P. and County solicitors. If you have any questions about the collection of this personal information, please contact the Bylaw Officer at Yellowhead County 2716 — 1 Ave., Edson AB T7E 1 N9, (780) 723-4800

Schedule "B"

PROCEDURE AND GUIDELINES FOR LIVE TRAPPING OF ANIMALS

1. A resident of Yellowhead County, who is disturbed by damages done to their property as a result of stray Dog or Cat, may request a Live Trap.
2. The Complainant will attend the County office and, upon validity of complaint, sign the form and an agreement provided by the County and the County will then provide a Live Trap to the Complainant.
3. The Complainant will be required to pay a deposit to the County. This deposit will be returned to the Complainant at such time as the trap is returned and is found to be in the same condition it was at the time it was obtained from the County.
4. The Complainant will set the Live Trap in a place shaded from the hot sun, on the premises of the Complainant for a period of not more than 72 hours, after which time they will return the trap to the County.
5. It will be the responsibility of the Complainant to check the trap regularly every 2 - 3 hours, or as approved by the County and, if an Animal is caught, the Complainant must bring the Animal and the trap to the Shelter within one (1) Business Day following the trapping.
6. A Bylaw Officer may enter and inspect the premises at any time to ascertain if these guidelines are followed.
7. The Complainant shall not leave a trap set on their property unattended when absent for any period of time, unless approved by a Bylaw Officer.
8. The Complainant shall check the trap prior to 11:00 p.m. on each night that the trap is on their property and, if no Animal is caught, they shall, unless otherwise approved by the Bylaw Officer, trip the trap and render it harmless until 6:00 a.m. the following day, then the Complainant may again set the trap.
9. It is the responsibility of the Complainant to ensure that, once a Domestic Animal is trapped on their property the said Domestic Animal shall not be abused or harmed in any way by anyone on their property or anyone coming onto their property.
10. Any person seeing a Domestic Animal in a trap being abused is encouraged to telephone and report the abuse to the County, at which time a Bylaw Officer will attend at the premises where the abuse has taken place and will remove the Domestic Animal and the trap forthwith and will result in refusal of all future Live Trap requests.

Schedule "C"

PENALTIES

SECTION	OFFENCE	PENALTY	2ND OFFENCE (within 12 months of first offence)
3 (a)	Owner of Animal not compliant with bylaw	\$250.00	\$500.00
3 (c)	More than 4 (four) Domestic Animals within a Hamlet or smaller parcel	\$250.00	\$500.00
3 (c)	More than 6 (four) Domestic Animals within a larger parcel	\$250.00	\$500.00
3 (d)	Livestock or Poultry in a Hamlet	\$250.00	\$500.00
3 (f)	Prohibited Animal	\$1000.00	\$2000.00
4 (e)	Fail to comply with Animal Unit Restrictions	\$250.00	\$500.00
5 (h)	Fail to comply with Over-Limit Permit	\$250.00	\$500.00
8 (a)	Dog at large	\$100.00	\$250.00
8 (b)	Bark or howl excessively to disturb the peace of others	\$100.00	\$250.00
8 (c)	Fail to remove Dog feces	\$100.00	\$250.00
8 (d)	Cause Damage to Public or Private Property	\$100.00	\$250.00
8 (e)	Dog bite, attack, threaten, chase, kill or injure	\$250.00	\$500.00
8 (f)	Fail to Confine a female Dog in Heat	\$50.00	\$100.00
8 (g)	Tease, torment, annoy, abuse or injure any Dog	\$250.00	\$500.00
8 (h)	Untie, loosen or otherwise free a Dog	\$250.00	\$500.00
9 (b)	Vicious Dog at large	\$1,000.00	\$2,500.00
9 (c)	Failure to keep a Vicious Dog muzzled, harnessed, or properly leashed	\$1,000.00	\$2,500.00
9 (e)	Fail to post required Vicious Dog signage on property	\$250.00	\$500.00
9 (f)	Vicious Dog bite, attack, threaten, chase, kill or injure	\$2,500.00	\$5,000.00
10 (a)	Cat At Large	\$100.00	\$250.00
10 (b)	Fail to remove Cat feces	\$100.00	\$250.00
10 (c)	Tease, torment, annoy, abuse or injure any Cat.	\$250.00	\$500.00

12 (a) (i)	Leave a set Live Trap unattended	\$100.00	\$250.00
12 (a) (ii)	Set a Live Trap between 11:00pm-6:00am	\$100.00	\$250.00
12 (a) (iii)	Fail to deliver a captured or trapped Domestic Animal	\$100.00	\$250.00
12 (a) (iv)	Fail to comply with procedures, guidelines, terms	\$100.00	\$250.00
13 (a)	Interference with trap or enforcement	\$250.00	\$500.00
15 (e)	Fail to pay impoundment fines and levies imposed	\$250.00	\$500.00

Cats

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The County of Vermilion River does not have a cat bylaw and will not respond to complaints regarding stray or feral cats. However, we do encourage all cat owners to keep their cats indoors where they are safe. It can be dangerous for cats to roam freely and has the potential for conflict with your neighbours.



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If you insist on letting your cat outside, please ensure they are spayed or neutered to keep the cat population under control.

IF YOU PICK UP A STRAY CAT

We do have an agreement with the Lloydminster SPCA which allows our ratepayers to bring stray cats found within the County to the SPCA. Please contact them at 780-875-2809 before bringing a stray in to ensure they have room available. The SPCA will not accept feral cats.

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If you have an unwanted cat on your property, politely ask your neighbour to keep their cat on their own property. If you do not know who the owner is or if speaking with your neighbour does not solve the problem, you may want to make your property less inviting to the animal. There are many tips and tricks available online to deter cats from entering your property.

Cats can also be humanely trapped and brought to the SPCA. However, you will have to provide food, water and shelter for the cat until it can be turned over to the SPCA. The cat must not be injured by the method you use to trap and transport it.

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If you are dealing with feral cats or a large cat population, please consider contacting an organization with a Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) Program. One organization is Alberta Animal Rescue Crew Society (AARCS) which focuses on cases in rural Alberta. For more information please visit <https://aarcs.ca/spay-neuter/> or email tnr@aarcs.ca.



COVID-19 update

Youth 12-17 will need to show [proof of vaccination](#) beginning 10 weeks after their 12th birthday to join activities open to anyone 18+. All Albertans 5+ can now [get vaccinated](#). [Proof of completed vaccination series with personal QR code, negative test or medical exemption](#) is required for all [non-essential services](#). View the [Strathcona County COVID-19 case count](#).

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Cat control

Strathcona County does not have a Cat Bylaw, however property owners can take steps to humanely deter unwanted cats from their yards and flower beds.

- Some plants and herbs naturally deter cats by giving off smells that cats dislike, including Rue, Lavender, Pennyroyal, Lemongrass, Coleus and Citronella.
- There are numerous types of cat repellent sprays and granules, which can be purchased at many hardware stores.
- Water is an effective repellent. Gently spraying or splashing water on a cat is a useful method for keeping them away.
- Remove any food sources that may be attracting cats into your yard. Ensure garbage / compost bins are securely shut.
- Bury chicken wire in the soil in the flower beds that you especially don't want cats to enter.
- While property owners can take steps to deter cats from their yards, bear in mind **you cannot, under law, do anything to harm the animal.**

Cats in distress or abused

If you suspect a stray or abandoned cat is in distress or has been abused, make a complaint to:

Alberta [SPCA](#)
Phone: 1-800-455-9003

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- **PET BEHAVIOUR ISSUES**
- **Cannot Afford Food and/or Veterinary Care**



We also suggest trying to re-home your pet privately with the help of family and friends. A shelter environment is unfamiliar for most pets which can be stressful, so it is often best for your pet if they can go straight into another home without having to come to a shelter.



Request an appointment:

All surrenders at the Edmonton Humane Society are done **by appointment only** in order to prepare for your pet's arrival and to ensure we have the space and resources available to provide the best possible care.

Please note, all appointments require **proof of ownership, or proof of authority to surrender on behalf of the owner.**

- Submit your surrender request below to inform us about your situation.
- A member of our team will contact you **within three business days** of your submission to discuss potential solutions with you.

Please do not bring your pet to our shelter unless an appointment has been booked, as we may not have space available.



[SUBMIT A DOG SURRENDER REQUEST](#)

[SUBMIT A CAT SURRENDER REQUEST](#)

[SUBMIT A SMALL ANIMAL SURRENDER REQUEST](#)

If you have an emergency situation or to surrender litters of puppies or kittens, please call us at 780-491-3522 or email: admissions@edmontonhumanesociety.com



What to bring to your appointment:

- A driver's license or other government issued ID
- Your pet's veterinary records, if you have not emailed them in advance
- Proof of ownership for your animal (licensing records, proof of microchip/tattoo, bill of sale, veterinary records with your name, etc.)
- Your pet's surrender fee.



Surrender fees:

Fees collected help with costs of your pet's stay, including: food, cleaning, enrichment, medical procedures, vaccines, surgeries, and socialization.

Please Note: Surrender fees are non-refundable.

A team member will confirm pricing with you at the time of booking.


Animal Type	Admission Fee
Dogs	
No medical/behaviour issues Under 7 years Spayed / Neutered	\$80
Medical/behaviour issues Over 7 years Not Spayed / Neutered	\$100
Puppy (3-6 months)	\$80
First litter (under 3 months)	\$0
Cats	
No medical/behaviour issue Under 7 years Spayed / Neutered	\$80
Medical/behaviour issues Over 7 years Not Spayed / Neutered	\$100
Kitten (3-6 months) or Under 6 months (with medical issues)	\$80
Kitten or First litter (8 weeks – 3 months) Note: Kittens under 3 months should be weaned	\$0

Questions? Email admissions@edmontonhumanesociety.com



REQUEST FOR DECISION		DATE	February 15 th , 2022	4.2
TOPIC	Policy Statement 62-10 Agricultural Service Board Business Plan			
PROPOSAL	<p>HISTORY: Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board established the Agricultural Service Board Business Plan in 2010 as a way to track duties carried out as part of the agreement with Alberta Agriculture to ensure compliance with all the duties related to the <i>Weed Control Act, Soil Conservation Act, Agricultural Pest Act</i> and <i>Agricultural Service Board Act</i>.</p> <p>BACKGROUND: Smoky Lake Agricultural Service Board has used the Business Plan as a way of tracking changes and improvements to the ASB Program and ensuring compliance with duties laid out by Alberta Agriculture, Forestry and Rural Economic Development.</p> <p>Policy has been reviewed in total: 7 times</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (2) Policy 62-10-01 on December 17, 2010- Motion # 233-10 to establish an Agricultural Service Board Work Plan for the Smoky Lake Agricultural Service Board Program (3) Policy 62-10-02 on March 5, 2015- Motion #416-15 update to include the Tansy Reduction Program (4) Policy 62-10-03 on December 12, 2017-Motion #59-17 no changes (5) Policy 62-10-04 on December 12, 2018-Motion 193-18 changes to include that the Business Plan be reviewed annually required by Alberta Agriculture (6) Policy 62-10-05 on December 16, 2019-Motion 291-19 changes to include decrease mowing from 2 passes to 1 seasonal pass as per council request, # of landowners assisted to help create a plan to control weed problems, weed awareness to be put in the Grapevine and social media, addition of herbicide (One-pass) mower application. (7) Policy 62-10-06 on December 8, 2020-Motion 138-20 changes to include One-pass mowers will be used in rotation to apply herbicide, number of brochures and weed wanted posters given out/posted, how many updates we receive from LARA annually, how many beavers removed, addition of Policy Statement 62-12 "Clubroot" (8) Policy 62-10-07 on December 14, 2021- most recent Motion 111-21 changes to include "roadsides will be mowed as close to municipal property lines as possible, while ensuring passes are only done if deemed efficient to eliminate extra freewheeling and passes of 5 feet or less", addition of a second shoulder pass where grass has re-growth at the end of the season <p>CURRENT: Alberta Agriculture, Forestry and Rural Economic Development came to Smoky Lake on June 29, 2021 to complete a Field Visit. These field visits are a way for the Provincial government to check on programs being carried out by means of grant money provided by them to the Municipality. They review all core components of the program which are included in this Business Plan. Following the Field Visit they send out a report See 5.3 with recommendations to improve the program. We have included two of the recommendations made in the Field Visit report in an updated version of this Business Plan.</p>			

CORRELATION TO BUSINESS (STRATEGIC) PLAN	
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BENEFITS	
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FINANCE/BUDGET IMPLICATIONS	
Operating Costs:	Capital Costs:
Budget Available:	Source of Funds:
Budgeted Costs:	Actual Costs:
INTERGOVERNMENTAL INVOLVEMENT/IMPLICATIONS	
COMMUNICATION STRATEGY	

RECOMMENDATION	
<p>That Smoky Lake County Council amend <i>Policy Statement 62-10-07 Agricultural Service Board Business Plan 2022</i> to include amendments to the Soil Conservation strategy and the addition of the <i>Animal Health Act</i> strategy to comply with the 2021 Smoky Lake Field Visit by Alberta Agriculture, Forestry and Rural Economic Development results.</p>	
Agricultural Fieldman	

SMOKY LAKE COUNTY



Title: Agricultural Service Board Business Plan	Policy No.: 10-05
Section: 62	Page No.: 1 of 12

Legislation Reference:	<i>Alberta Provincial Statutes</i>
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Purpose:	To establish a Business Plan for the Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board.
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Policy Statement and Guidelines:
<p>STATEMENT</p> <p>The Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board (ASB) is in the business of providing its residents with agricultural programming to enhance the environment, farm income and quality of life. This is achieved through Vegetation Management Programming, Agricultural Extension Programming, Problem Wildlife Programming, Pest Control and Monitoring as well as Government Lobbying.</p> <p>The Agricultural Service Board is also responsible for enforcement of Provincial Legislation such as the <i>Weed Act</i>, <i>Agricultural Pest Act</i>, <i>Agricultural Service Board Act</i>, <i>Soil Conservation Act</i> and the <i>Animal Health Act</i>.</p> <p>VISION STATEMENT:</p> <p>To encourage sustainable agriculture, environmental integrity and improved quality of life in Smoky Lake County.</p> <p>MISSION STATEMENT:</p> <p>To provide services, policies and education for Agricultural families, businesses and the public to enhance the environment, farm income and quality of life.</p>

Title: Agricultural Service Board Business Plan	Policy No.: 10-05
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PRIORITIES:

Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board identifies the following priorities:

- One: Vegetation Management Program
- Two: Weed Control Act Duties
- Three: Environmental Stewardship and Extension
- Four: Problem Wildlife program
- Five: Agricultural Pest Act Duties
- Six: Soil Conservation Act Duties
- Seven: Intergovernmental Collaboration

IMPLEMENTATION:

1. Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board shall review annually as required by Alberta Agriculture and Forestry.
2. Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board staff will consider and follow the priorities of the Business Plan when creating budgets and work plans.

	Date	Resolution Number
Approved	December 17, 2010	#184-10 - Page 9570
Amended	March 5, 2015	#416-15 -Page 11626
Amended	December 12, 2017	# 59-17 -Page 12873
Amended	December 12, 2018	
Amended	December 8, 2020	



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Executive Summary

The Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board is in the business of providing its agricultural producers with agricultural programming to enhance the environment, farm income and quality of life. This is achieved through Vegetation Management, Agricultural Extension, Problem Wildlife, Pest Control, programming and monitoring as well as, government lobbying. The Agricultural Service Board is also responsible for enforcement of Provincial Legislation such as the *Weed Control Act*, *Agricultural Pest Act*, *Agricultural Service Board Act*, *Soil Conservation Act*, and the *Animal Health Act*.

VISION STATEMENT:

To encourage sustainable agriculture, environmental integrity and improved quality of life in Smoky Lake County.

MISSION STATEMENT:

To provide services, policies and education for Agricultural families, businesses and the public to enhance the environment, farm income and quality of life.

VALUES:

Integrity: The Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board will conduct business in an ethical manner respecting the environment, public and applicable legislation.




Commitment to Service: The Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board will strive to provide the best service possible to its ratepayers conducting operations in an efficient and cost effective manner.

Progressive: The Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board will take a proactive and innovative approach in its programming examining new technologies and protocol while accepting and implementing relevant public input.



1. Vegetation Management Program



Goal: To implement an integrated vegetation management program on municipal right-of-ways for the purpose of reducing noxious weeds and ensuring sightlines are clear for the motoring public.

Strategies	Action	Measures
<p>Identify problem noxious weeds within the municipal right of way</p>	<p>Key emphasis will be on Prohibited Noxious and Noxious weed species analyzing both environmental and economic threats.</p>	<p>-All roads inspected for noxious weeds at least once during the growing season.</p>
<p>Roadside Spraying</p> 	<p>1/2 of all county roads will be sprayed following the rotation spraying guidelines set out in <i>Policy Statement 62-15 "Vegetation Management Plan"</i> and <i>Policy Statement 62-23 "Tansy Reduction Program"</i>. Brush Spraying will be completed during the regular roadside spraying rotation.</p>	<p>-Number of miles of roadside spraying completed.</p> <p>-Amount of herbicide applied for brush control</p>
<p>Spot Spraying</p> 	<p>Spot spraying will be completed in the other two zone in which regular roadside spraying is being completed. Noxious weeds and brush will be targeted.</p> <p>Custom spraying of private lands will occur if time and budget allows and priority is put on landowners struggling to control prohibited noxious weeds.</p>	<p>-Number of locations spot sprayed.</p> <p>-Amount of herbicide applied during spot spraying.</p> <p>-Number of landowners who receive help eliminating there Prohibited noxious weeds by the ASB Department.</p>
<p>Roadside Mowing</p> 	<p>Roadside mowing will be conducted as stated in <i>Policy Statement 62-M-02 "Mowing Program"</i>. Roadsides will be mowed as close to the municipal property line as possible, while ensuing passes are only done if deemed efficient to eliminate extra freewheeling and passes of 5 feet or less.</p> <p>Lake roads leading to resorts will be mowed before the July and August long weekends.</p> <p>One-pass mowers will be used in rotation to apply herbicide on ROW's</p>	<p>-1 pass of roadside mowing to the property line and a second seasonal 'shoulder' pass is to be completed by November 1st of each year.</p> <p>-Iron Horse Trail mowed once a year.</p> <p>-Amount of additional mowing completed for community events.</p> <p>-Amount of additional mowing completed on other municipal properties.</p>

2. Weed Control Act Duties

Goal:




To control the spread and prevent the establishment of invasive species on privately owned land through responsible communication with landowners, occupants, industry stakeholders and members of the general public as set out in the Weed Control Act of Alberta.

Strategies	Action	Measures
<p>Weed Inspection Program</p> 	<p>Weed Inspections are conducted on private land during the growing season annually.</p> <p>Letters are sent to landowners who are in non-compliance with the Weed Control Act of Alberta, as specified in <i>Policy Statement 62-14 "Weed Inspection and Weed Notice"</i>.</p> <p>Weed Notices are issued to landowners who do not comply with recommendation letters.</p> <p>Enforcement actions are completed by the Agricultural Services Department for landowners who are non-compliant with a weed notice that has been issued.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Number of inspections completed -Number of letters sent to landowners/renters -Number of weed notices issued -Number of Weed enforcements completed
<p>Noxious Weed Education and Awareness</p> 	<p>Provide weed identification for landowners on farm or samples brought in for identification</p> <p>Promote weed awareness at our annual Smoky Lake County Farmer Appreciation Event</p> <p>Produce and circulate information on invasive species through our website and local newspapers and brochures</p> <p>Weed Wanted posters hung annually at all the Towns, Villages & Hamlets including all the water stations, lake lot bulletin boards</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Number of landowners assisted annually -Number of events hosted -Number of articles circulated -Number of brochures& weed wanted posters given out/posted.

3. Environmental Stewardship and Extension

Goal:





To provide Environmental Farm Plans to producers and work in partnership with Lakeland Agricultural Research Association to deliver collaborative environmental stewardship initiatives and unbiased research that results in sustainable growth of Smoky Lake County's Agricultural Community.




Strategies	Action	Measures
<p>Environmental Farm Plans</p> 	<p>Assist local producers with completion of Environmental Farm Plans</p> <p>Provide air photographs for fields and farm yards and soils information</p> <p>Provide water well information from the Alberta Water Wells Database</p>	<p>-Number of Environmental Farm plans assisted with</p> <p>-Increased adoption of beneficial management practices by producers</p>
<p>Canadian Agricultural Partnership</p> 	<p>Assist local producers with information about new agricultural programs and grants.</p> <p>Stay current with program updates and changes.</p> <p>Promote programs and workshop events.</p>	<p>-Number of producers assisted</p> <p>-Number of events hosted or promoted</p>
<p>Lakeland Agricultural Research Association</p> 	<p>Ensure Smoky Lake County receives programs as promised by LARA.</p> <p>Ensure crop plot trials are complete in Smoky Lake County</p> <p>LARA to give updates throughout the year by attending ASB meetings</p>	<p>-Number of events hosted by LARA in our county.</p> <p>-Crop Walk hosted for local producers</p> <p>-Number of unbiased research plots within Smoky Lake County.</p> <p>-How many updates were received</p>

4. Problem Wildlife Program

Goal:

To co-operate and execute the Problem Wildlife Management Program.







Strategies	Action	Measures
Beavers 	<p>Beaver Tail Bounty for \$15.00 per tail from pre-approved locations as specified in <i>Policy Statement 62-07 "Beaver Management"</i></p> <p>Beaver Dam Removal may occur to mitigate flooding which causes damage to municipal infrastructure. Dam removal will be conducted as per Policy Statement 62-21 "Beaver Control- Fee for Removal with Explosives".</p> <p>Maintain Certified Blasters License with the Province of Alberta.</p> <p>Trapping and removing problem beavers</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Number of Beaver tails brought in. -Number of dams removed affecting municipal infrastructure. -Amount of revenue generated completing private land blasting. -Renew every 5 years as required. -How many beavers removed
Coyotes 	<p>Maintain Form 7 License to ensure Smoky Lake County can provide 1080 toxicant to agricultural producers as per <i>Policy Statement 62-03 "Coyote Control"</i>.</p> <p>Coyote control booklets available for agricultural producers to help better manage coyote predation.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Number of tablets given out annually
Richardson Ground Squirrel (Gopher) 	<p>2% Liquid Strychnine registration has been cancelled.</p> <p>Recommend Rozol to producers</p> <p>Recommend local trappers</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Number of producers assisted
Northern Pocket Gopher (Mole) 	<p>Mole tail bounty for \$1.00 per tail can be brought in as per <i>Policy Statement 62-02 "Bounty for Pocket Gopher Tails"</i>.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Number of mole tails brought in for bounty.

4. Problem Wildlife Continued		
Strategies	Action	Measures
<p>Wild Boar</p> 	<p>Participate annually in the Wild Boar Ear Bounty with Alberta Agriculture.</p> <p>Wild Boar ears can be brought in for a reward of \$50.00 per set of ears. The boars <u>must</u> be at large.</p>	<p>-Number of wild boar ears brought in.</p>
<p>Waterfowl Damage Control</p> 	<p>Scare Cannons are available for rent as per <i>Policy Statement 62-26 "Scare Cannon Rental"</i>.</p> <p>Suggest alternative control measures to mitigate crop damage cause by waterfowl during fall migration.</p>	<p>-Number of rentals that occur</p> <p>-Number of producers that engage in alternative control methods.</p>
<p>Alternative Control Methods</p> 	<p>Agricultural Fieldmen will continue to look into alternative control methods for all pest species.</p> <p>Promote and notify producers of alternative control measures when they come in.</p>	<p>-Attend In Service Training to hear from other Ag Fieldman from across the province</p> <p>-Attend demonstrations with government research groups</p>

5. Agricultural Pest Act Duties

Goal: To provide Smoky Lake County agricultural producers with responsible pest management strategies, pest monitoring and enforcement of declared agricultural pests as deemed by the Agricultural Pest Act of Alberta.

Crop Surveying

Strategies	Action	Measures
Swede Midge of Canola 	Swede Midge is monitored on behalf of Agri-food Canada. It is an 8 week program where sticky pads are changed weekly.	-Continue to monitor for new and invading pest that threaten our agriculture industry.
Grasshoppers 	Townships are surveyed annually and data is sent to Alberta Agriculture for forecasting. The county ditch and fields are sampled at each location.	-Number of fields surveyed -Number of outbreaks that occur
Bertha Army Worms 	3 Fields across the county are monitored starting in June until August. The traps are set out in the fields to collect the moths that lay the eggs.	-Number of moths counted annually -Number of outbreaks that are forecasted
Wheat Midge 	Wheat Midge in high numbers can cause yield loss, wheat crops are monitored around the end of June as wheat heads are emerging up until anthesis (Flowering)	-Samples collected annually and sent to Alberta Agriculture when required
Blackleg of Canola 	Canola fields are sampled annually for Blackleg severity. Samples are provided to the Crop Diversification Centre for research purposes. Blackleg can cause significant yield loss and harm international exporting	Number of fields sampled annually.
Clubroot 	Random canola fields are surveyed after the crop has been swathed. We look for visual symptoms and if we find galls the plant sample is sent to the lab for DNA confirmation	-Number of Canola fields sampled annually -Number of Clubroot Management Agreements sent to producers annually as per <i>Policy Statement 62-12-03 "Clubroot"</i> -Number of Pest Notices given Annually

6. Soil Conservation Act Duties

Goal: Protect the quality and integrity of agricultural soils in Smoky Lake County.

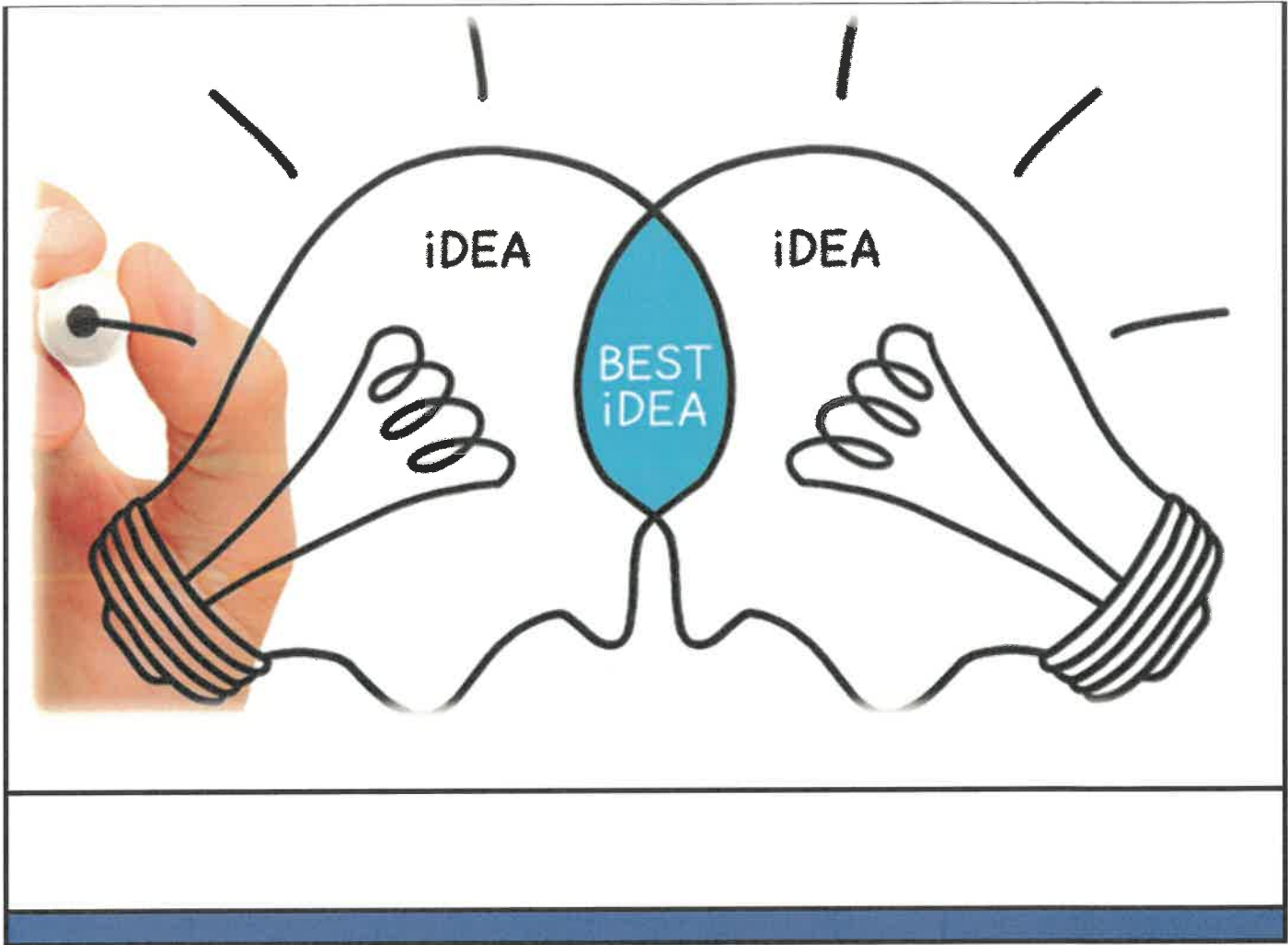
Strategies	Action	Measures
<p>Soil Conservation</p>	<p>Agricultural Fieldman are deemed as inspectors and can issue notices under this Act.</p> <p>Document and photograph any non-compliance with the Soil Conservation Act</p> <p>Promote soil health workshops and site demonstrations</p> <p>Monitor soil conditions and respond to an area on concern that need to be assessed following an event that could impact soil/water sources</p>	<p>-Number of Soil Conservation Notice issued</p> <p>-Number of Soil Conservation Letters issued</p> <p>-Number of workshops</p> <p>-Number of areas assessed for soil condition concerns</p>



7. Intergovernmental Collaboration

Goal: Conduct intergovernmental collaboration will all levels of governments.

Strategies	Action	Measures
Collaborate with multiple levels and forms of government	Agricultural Service Board to participate in drafting and passing resolutions at Regional and Provincial Agricultural Service Board Conferences annually	-Attend annual conferences and participate by discussion and voting on various agricultural issues.
Protect the interests of Smoky Lake County Agricultural Community	Every effort will be made to convey agricultural concerns from the agricultural community to relevant government agencies via face-to-face interactions, letter writing or any other available means.	-Number of letters sent to MLA`s, PM`s or other government members
Animal Health Act	<p>Liaison with the Chief Provincial Veterinarian, Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) and local Veterinarians, when necessary, on any livestock emergencies.</p> <p>Livestock emergencies include cattle liner accidents on the highway</p> <p>If a positive case or outbreak as stated in the <i>Animal Health Act</i> is confirmed within Smoky Lake County boundaries, ASB staff will act in accordance with the directives of the Chief Provincial Veterinarian (CPV)</p> <p>Work with our Fire Protective Service Department in case of livestock emergency on the highways. These duties would include helping them source rendering truck, trailers or calling a local vet.</p>	<p>-Number of investigations asked to assist on</p> <p>-Number of highway livestock emergencies assisted with</p>





REQUEST FOR DECISION		DATE	February 15 th , 2022	4.3
TOPIC	2022 Farmers Appreciation Event			
PROPOSAL	<p>HISTORY: Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board established the Farmers Appreciation Event in 2002 in response to the BSE crisis. Smoky Lake was the first ASB in the province to host an event. This event began as a pancake breakfast where Council cooked pancakes for attendees, this then evolved into an afternoon BBQ event. In 2016 and 2017 there was a shift to an evening event that was a supper with a short educational speaker and entertainment. This event had a small fee of \$10-\$20 and required preregistration which allowed us to prepare and plan better than a BBQ because we were able to have exact numbers before the event. For the past 20 years, this event has been rotated through the various communities: Smoky Lake, Vilna and Waskatenau. The last Farmers Appreciation was held in 2019 Vilna, 2018 was in Waskatenau. This event has been hosted in conjunction with the Bellis 4-H Beef Club.</p> <p>BACKGROUND: The Annual Farmers and Ranchers Appreciation Event has not been held since 2019 due to the Covid-19 pandemic.</p> <p>April 15, 2020</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> That Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board postpone the 18th Annual Farmers and Ranchers Appreciation Day lunch event of hamburgers and hotdogs scheduled for Friday, June 5, 2020, from 11:00a.m. to 2:00 p.m., in the Town of Smoky Lake, until further notice due to uncertainties surrounding the COVID-19 Pandemic. Motion # 676-20 <p>April 13, 2021</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> That Smoky Lake County defer further discussion of the idea of holding the Year-2021, 19th Annual Farmers and Ranchers Appreciation Day in conjunction with the Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA), Plot Tour scheduled for August 5, 2021, due to the uncertainty of COVID restrictions." Motion # 577-21 <p>April 13, 2021</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> That Smoky Lake County sponsor the purchase of the Year-2021 Bellis 4-H Achievement Day Belt Buckles in the amount of \$750.00, which are to be provided for their annual show and sale scheduled for June 11, 2021 in Waskatenau, in response to the letter received from Justin Cherniwchan, President of the Bellis 4-H Beef Club, dated March 7, 2021.' Motion # 574-21 <p>June 15, 2021</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> That Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board acting on behalf of County Council, take no action to host the Year-2021, 19th Annual Farmers and Ranchers Appreciation Day in conjunction with the Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA), Plot Tour scheduled for July 22, 2021, due to COVID-19 restrictions and the possibility of hosting an appreciation day in conjunction with the County's 60th Anniversary in Fall 2021 subject to pandemic restrictions; and approve to provide LARA with appropriate door prizes for their said event." Motion # 840-21 Due to no event being hosted in 2021 Smoky Lake County sponsored lunch for the 			

	<p>Bellis 4-H Achievement Day. 'That Smoky Lake County sponsor lunch for the Bellis 4-H Achievement Day, show and sale, scheduled for June 11, 2021 in Waskatenau, up to a maximum in the amount of \$500.00, subject to the event going forward in respect to the uncertainty of COVID restrictions.' Motion # 575-21</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> As well as sponsored the Do More Agriculture Foundation. That Smoky Lake County, donate in the amount of \$1,000.00 to the Do More Agriculture Foundation, which is a not-for-profit organization focusing on mental health in agriculture across Canada, based on the 3 pillars: Awareness - education and breaking the stigma; Community - being more than just a physical place, community is also a sense of belonging and being a part of something more; and Research - which is the backbone to creating further resources and ensuring they serve the agricultural industry; as part of or in lieu of the Year-2021 Farmers Appreciation Event which may not be hosted due to the COVID-19 Pandemic evolving gathering restrictions. Motion # 576-21 <p>Recommendation: To be determined from discussion held with Council</p>
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CORRELATION TO BUSINESS (STRATEGIC) PLAN

LEGISLATIVE, BYLAW and/or POLICY IMPLICATIONS

BENEFITS	<p>Show appreciation to our agricultural community Work with community service groups Increases profile of the Agricultural Service Board</p>
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DISADVANTAGES

ALTERNATIVES	<p>Sponsor local Bellis 4-H Beef Club and the Do More Agriculture Foundation Cancel event</p>
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FINANCE/BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

<p>Operating Costs: Budget Available: \$3000 Budgeted Costs:</p>	<p>Capital Costs: Source of Funds: Actual Costs:</p>
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INTERGOVERNMENTAL INVOLVEMENT/IMPLICATIONS

COMMUNICATION STRATEGY

RECOMMENDATION

Option 1: That the Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board host an afternoon BBQ in conjunction with the Bellis 4-H Beef Club in June 2022. This event will have to be a preregistered event due to the uncertainty of the Covid-19 pandemic and for planning purposes.

Option 2: That Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board sponsor a lunch for the Bellis 4-H Beef Show in June 2022 and donate to the Do More Agriculture Foundation.

Option 4: That Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board take no action for an event in 2022 due to ongoing Covid-19 uncertainty.

Agricultural Fieldman	
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REQUEST FOR DECISION		DATE	February 15 th , 2022	4.4
TOPIC	2022 Farm Family Awards-Division 5			
PROPOSAL	<p>HISTORY:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> County Council acknowledges the significant contribution made by farm families in Alberta and is proud to recognize residents in Smoky Lake County who are eligible to receive the Farm Family Award. For 50 years, farm families from northern and central Alberta communities have been recognized as the recipients of the Farm Family Award. The Northern and Central Agricultural Service Boards select outstanding families who best represent values of the family farm within their rural community. The award honors both their farming business practices and community involvement. Each recipient receives a commemorative gate sign and are honored at the Farm Family Awards Gala. <p>BACKGROUND:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Each division will have the opportunity to nominate one of their constituents on a rotating basis every 2 years. The 2020 recipient was Huk Family Farms from Division 1. <p>CURRENT:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board nominate a recipient from Division 5 to receive the Farm Family Award. Deadline for submissions is June 30th, 2022 Attachment # 1 			
CORRELATION TO BUSINESS (STRATEGIC) PLAN				
LEGISLATIVE, BYLAW and/or POLICY IMPLICATIONS		Policy Statement 62-22-05		
BENEFITS	This award is to recognize outstanding farm families in an area of our municipality who best exemplifies the value of the family farm and society in general.			
DISADVANTAGES				
ALTERNATIVES	None			
FINANCE/BUDGET IMPLICATIONS				
Operating Costs: N/A		Capital Costs: N/A		
Budget Available: N/A		Source of Funds: N/A		
Budgeted Costs: N/A		Actual Costs: N/A		
INTERGOVERNMENTAL INVOLVEMENT/IMPLICATIONS				
COMMUNICATION STRATEGY				

RECOMMENDATION	
That the Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board nominate a recipient from Division 5 to receive the 2022 Farm Family award.	
Agricultural Fieldman	

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Title: Northlands Farm Family Award	Policy No.: 22-05
Section: 62	Code: P-R
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Legislation Reference:	Alberta Provincial Statutes
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Purpose:	To provide a guideline for the Northlands Farm Family Award.
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Policy Statement and Guidelines:
<p>1. STATEMENT:</p> <p>1.1 County Council acknowledges the significant contribution made by farm families in Alberta and is proud to recognize residents in Smoky Lake County who are eligible to receive the Northlands Farm Family Award.</p> <p>2. DEFINITION:</p> <p>2.1 “Farm Family” means a family whose primary income is derived from agricultural production.</p> <p>3. GUIDELINE:</p> <p>3.1 Residents of Smoky Lake County who are considered a “farm family” and meet the requirements of the Northland Farm Family Award will be eligible for nomination by the Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board.</p> <p>4. PROCEDURE:</p> <p>4.1 Each division will have the opportunity to nominate one of their constituents on a rotating basis once every two years. Please see <i>Schedule “A” Northlands Farm Family Award Divisional Rotation/ List of Past Recipients.</i></p> <p>4.2 Councillor representing the division of the nominated family will be the County representative at the Northlands award ceremony. If unable to attend ASB Chairman, Agricultural Fieldman or other designate may be appointed to attend by the ASB.</p> <p>4.3 Applicants will be notified when the Award is prepared and invited to receive a plaque on behalf of the ASB. Please see <i>Schedule “B” Northlands Farm Family Award Plaque.</i></p>

	Date	Resolution Number
Approved	February 4, 2013	#370-13 - Page #10460
Amended	January 9, 2015	#250-15 - Page #11526
Amended	March 6, 2017	#428-17 - Page #12547
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SCHEDULE "A"

NORTHLANDS FARM FAMILY AWARD – DIVISIONAL ROTATION AND PAST RECIPIENT LIST

2020 Division 1

2022 Division 5

2024 Division 4

2026 Division 2

2020	Huk Family Farm	Div. 1
2018	Barry Feniak Family	Div. 3
2016	Dmetruik Farms	Div.2
2014	Ryan Franchuk	Div.4
2012	Curtis Boychuk	Div.5
2010	Roy Mulkay	Div.1
2008	Don Christensen	Div.3
2006	Shapka Family	Div.2
2004	Ed Doktor	Div.4
2002	Barry Przekop	Div.5
2001	George Balash	Div.1
2000	Gary Kulka	Div.3
1999	Billy Hominiuk	Div.2
1998	Ken Danyluk	Div.4
1997	Jack Jarema	Div.5
1996	Peter Flondra	Div.1
1995	Terry Melnyk	Div.3
1994	Bernie Buyar	Div.2
1993	John Semeniuk	Div.3
1992	Clinton Phillips	Div.3
1991	Henry Melnyk	Div.3



SCHEDULE "B"

NORTHLANDS FARM FAMILY AWARD PLAQUE

**Congratulations
To
ABC Farms Inc.
John and Jane Smith**

**Northlands / ATB Farm Family Award
YEAR Recipient**

**Nominated by
Smoky Lake County
Agricultural Service Board**

Presented; Month Day Year

Note: Title may change dependent on Northlands official title and corporate sponsor

FARM FAMILY AWARDS

Submission Guidelines & Nomination Form

County/MD Name: _____

**Submission Deadline:
Thursday, June 30, 2022**





THE FARM FAMILY – Leaders in the Industry

The objective of the Farm Family Awards is to recognize outstanding farm families in an area north of Township 34. The Farm Family Awards honor those who best exemplify the value of the family farm to our rural communities and society by being leaders in the industry.

Note: The Farm Family is considered as the *immediate* family currently involved in the family farm operation.

To be eligible for nomination, the Farm Family must meet the following criteria.
Please check off each characteristic as you confirm their validity.

The Farm Family **must**:

- Be an active farm family unit where agriculture is the major source of income

The Farm Family **should**:

- Increase awareness of agriculture and maintain a high standard in their agriculture business
- Promote the agriculture community through involvement and rural citizenship
- Be proactive in new agricultural technologies
- Act as a role model to the rural community
- Be deserving based on equal recognition of agricultural and community involvement

Please use the following to assess Farm Family Awards candidates. There are two criteria – **THE FARM** and **THE COMMUNITY**. Local conditions may suggest additional selection criteria, however these are the basic ones to be considered. Each of the two criteria should receive equal weight when making a decision.

THE FARM FAMILY

Please ensure that the information is correct before submission and it is the direct contact information for the family.

Name of Farm or Farm Unit: _____
Last Name *First Name*

Primary Farm Partner 1: _____
Last Name *First Name*

Primary Farm Partner 2: _____
Last Name *First Name*

Primary Farm Partner 3: _____

E-Mail Address: _____ Phone: _____

Mailing Address: _____ City/Town: _____

Province: _____ Postal Code: _____

Farm Website (if applicable): www. _____

Names of **immediate** family members **actively engaged** in the current farming operation:

Full Name: (First / Last)	Relationship:	Age:	Gender: (M/F)
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____



Nomination Form

Be sure to consider the **WHOLE FAMILY CURRENTLY FARMING**, not just one member. Describe the following in detail. Additional information may be added on separate pages. **DEADLINE: Thursday, June 30, 2022**

ABOUT THE FAMILY

Each year, farm families from North/Central Alberta communities are selected as the recipients of the Farm Family Awards. These awards recognize families who best represent the values of the family farm within their rural community.

Tell us about the family on this application form and how they demonstrate these values within your community.

Please provide a short family bio (300 words max). Please include this as a separate TYPED document.

Include information such as the history of the farming operation, length of time in the community, how the family acts as models in the community, and how the family spends time together.

THE FARM

Type of Farming Operation: _____

Scale of Operation (# of acres, head, etc.): _____

Use of modern farming practices & technologies (*please give examples*):

Soil conservation practices (*please give examples*):

Involvement in self-improvement programs (*e.g. extension courses, 4-H programs, short courses, etc.*):

General appearance / upkeep of farmstead (*Buildings, Machinery, Yard/Driveway*):

Any additional information:

THE COMMUNITY

**ORGANIZATIONS
& SPECIAL PROJECTS**

Please list family members involved, positions, responsibilities, and length of membership.
Include involvement in any business, government, agriculture, church, youth, or service clubs, associations, and groups.

THE COMMUNITY

AWARDS

Please list any awards won and include year and name of recipient. Include awards in relation to business, government, agriculture, church youth or service clubs, associations and groups.

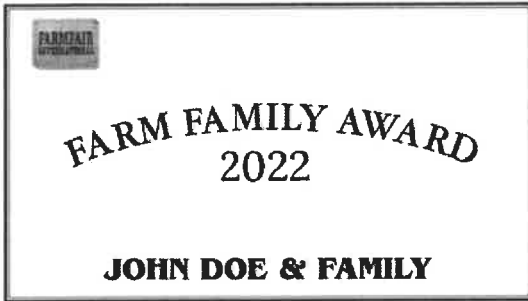
FARM FAMILY AWARDS

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

GATE SIGN

In the event that this family is chosen as a Farm Family Award recipient, please indicate the EXACT wording and correct spelling (Family or Farm Name) they would like on their gate sign. Only one line of print allowed. Print size will vary with the number of letters requested. Please select only one format.

Example Gate Sign: FAMILY NAME



OR

Example Gate Sign: FARM NAME



PLEASE PRINT GATE SIGN NAME AS IT WILL APPEAR ON THE SIGN:

LOCAL MEDIA

A news release will be mailed following the announcement of the Farm Family Awards recipients. Please list the exact name of the major local paper or other relevant publications serving the Farm Family area. **An email address must be included.**

Publication 1:

Contact: _____

Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

Publication 2:

Contact: _____

Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

Publication 3:

Contact: _____

Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

M.L.A.

M.P.

Please list your current Member of Legislative Assembly (MLA) & Member of Parliament (MP).

AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD

This application is submitted by

Service Board Name:

Contact: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

Signature, Chairman Agriculture Service Board:



COMPLETION CHECKLIST

Please ensure you have included all of the following information in this nomination form:

- The Farm Family
- The Farm
- The Community
- About the Family
- I have attached a Family Bio (300 word maximum)
- Additional Information

I hereby certify that I have confirmed the above information and that it is true to the best of my knowledge.

County/MD Rep	Signature	Date
Family Rep	Signature	Date

CONTACT

Please email the completed application to Kimberly Zagar at kzagar@exploreedmonton.com

Kimberly Zagar
Phone: 1.780.720.7806
E-Mail: kzagar@exploreedmonton.com

Deadline: Thursday, June 30, 2022
farmfairinternational.com



REQUEST FOR DECISION		DATE	February 15 th , 2022	4.5
TOPIC	2022 Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA) Contract			
PROPOSAL	<p>HISTORY: For the last 8 years Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board has partnered with the Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA) to provide unbiased environmental and extension programming to Smoky Lake County’s agricultural community. Smoky Lake County has contributed \$55,000.00 of ASB operational funds to LARA annually, since 2015.</p> <p>BACKGROUND: November 6, 2014 Smoky Lake County first entered into a contract with LARA.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> That the Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board partner with Lakeland Applied Research Association to provide environmental and extension programming for Smoky Lake County residents and increase the 2015 ASB budget by \$55,000; and the Environmental Streamline Program grant funding of \$25,000.00 remain in-house. Motion #112-14 <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Budget amount has remained the same for LARA since the initial contract.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> December 16, 2019 That Smoky Lake County not enter into a contract with the Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA) for the Year-2020 Extension Programming, as Smoky Lake County has provided a municipal contribution in the amount of \$55,000.00 each year from Year-2015 to Year-2019, and LARA is not willing to accept Smoky Lake County’s reduced Year-2020 municipal contribution offer as per the November 6, 2019 Council Motion #1221-19 in the amount of \$25,000.00 towards the LARA program. Motion # 294-19 <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Following the December 16, 2019 meeting LARA had sent out a newsletter to producers in Smoky Lake County notifying them that Smoky Lake County would no longer be contributing to LARA.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">February 24, 2020, 20 Members of the Public entered Council Chambers to attend the meeting and express their concerns about LARA no longer being funded by Smoky Lake County.</p> <p>February 24, 2020</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> That Smoky Lake County Council’s December 16, 2019 Motion # 294-19: “That Smoky Lake County not enter into a contract with the Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA) for the Year-2020 Extension Programming, as Smoky Lake County has provided a municipal contribution in the amount of \$55,000.00 each year from Year-2015 to Year-2019, and LARA is not willing to accept Smoky Lake County’s reduced Year-2020 municipal contribution offer as per the November 6, 2019 Council Motion #1221-19 in the amount of \$25,000.00 towards the LARA program.”, BE RESCINDED; and, approve to provide Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA) funds for Year-2020 in the amount of \$55,000.00, and proceed to execute a contract with the LARA for the Year-2020 Agricultural Extension Programming. Motion # 576-20 <p>CURRENT: Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board recently requested a decrease in funding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> December 14, 2021 That Smoky Lake County’s Agricultural Service Board Chairperson 			

	<p>attend the next Lakeland Agricultural Research Association (LARA) board meeting in February 2022, for the purpose of requesting a 25% reduction to the Year-2022 County funding contribution in the amount of \$55,000.00 to the amount of \$41,250.00 towards LARA's extension programming services and research with emphasis on cattle production. Motion #109-21</p> <p>PROPOSAL:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Factors to consider is Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board doesn't enter into an agreement with LARA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - How will we provide extension to our producers? - LARA does feed sample testing - LARA gives us a bale probe for producers to pick up and use for free - LARA provides unbiased research and advice to producers - LARA assists with many of our EFP's and CAP funding <p>Recommendation: Is to continue to partner with LARA to provide environmental and extension programming for Smoky Lake County residents. <i>(To be determined from discussion held with Council. Chairman will speak to this in his report)</i></p>
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CORRELATION TO BUSINESS PLAN

3. Environmental Stewardship and Extension

LEGISLATIVE, BYLAW and/or POLICY IMPLICATIONS	
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BENEFITS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unbiased research and extension events at a local level for producers. • Continue to meet our obligations under the Environmental Stream Grant and provide enhanced extension programming to Smoky Lake County producers allowing ASB to expand the services that are offered.
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DISADVANTAGES	
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ALTERNATIVES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Host Events in-house -Quarterly Communication news letter -Host events on a as needed basis -No extra extension events
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FINANCE/BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

Operating Costs:	Capital Costs:
Budget Available: \$55,000	Source of Funds: Operating Budget
Budgeted Costs:	Actual Costs:

INTERGOVERNMENTAL INVOLVEMENT/IMPLICATIONS	Collaborate regionally with Lac La Biche County, MD of Bonnyville and the County of St. Paul through LARA
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COMMUNICATION STRATEGY	
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RECOMMENDATION

That Smoky Lake County Council sign a contract with the Lakeland Agricultural Research Association for the 2022 year for continued extension programming at a cost of \$55,000.

<i>Agricultural Fieldman</i>	
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Operational Funding Agreement

Between

Lakeland Agricultural Research Association
(LARA)

and

Smoky Lake County
(the Municipality)

1.0 Term

This agreement will commence January 1, 2022 and subject to termination, according to terms of the agreement, continue through December 31, 2022. This agreement will be renewed on an annual basis.

2.0 Conditions

2.1 During the term of this agreement, LARA agrees to:

- a) Allow representation from Smoky Lake County on the LARA Board of Directors according to the bylaws of LARA.
- b) Make public results from LARA research and demonstration programs via newsletters, annual report, meetings, articles, etc. as may be decided by the LARA Board of Directors.
- c) Conduct extension programs and related research and demonstration trials that maybe requested by municipal representatives, residents and the LARA Board of Directors in conjunction with Smoky Lake County.
- d) Have the research trials in Smoky Lake County planted and harvested in a reasonable timeline and maintained weed free. In case of severe weather conditions such as drought, excess moisture, storms and animal damage these conditions will be eased.
- e) Continued partnership with Smoky Lake's County through their Agricultural Service Boards, Lakeland Forage Association, AAFRD and private Ag-Industries.
- f) LARA manager to liaise with the Smoky Lake's County's Agricultural Fieldman or Assistant Agricultural Fieldman on a monthly basis.
- g) LARA manager to provide Smoky Lake's Agricultural Fieldman with current Board of Directors meeting minutes.

2.2 During the term of this agreement the Municipality agrees to:

- a) provide operational funding to LARA in the amount of \$55,000.00 upon signing of agreement
- b) appoint representatives to the LARA Board of Directors according to the bylaws of LARA.
- c) allow LARA to use Agricultural Demonstration Equipment owned by the County at no cost.
- d) provide project ideas to the LARA Board of Directors, via the Agricultural Service Board.
- e) LARA participation at the Agricultural Service Board meetings bi-annually to review project status.

2.3 Smoky Lake County will be doing our own Environmental Farm plans and assisting producers with growing forward 2 applications. This service will not be needed from LARA.

2.4 LARA will provide Smoky Lake County with an outline of the research trails and extension programs LARA wishes to put on for that calendar year.

2.5 In the case where Smoky Lake County finds that LARA is not providing sufficient services, Smoky Lake County holds the right to withhold funds until services are being completed or termination of contract may occur.



Infrastructure

- 3.0 To ensure optimal regional coverage by LARA the Municipality will provide:
 - a) Access to telephone and/or fax
 - b) In Kind contributions

4.0 Hold Harmless

4.1 LARA agrees to indemnify and hold harmless Smoky Lake County, its employees and agents from any claims, demands, actions and costs whatsoever that may arise directly or indirectly, out of any act or omission of their employees or agents, in performance of this agreement.
 This hold harmless shall survive the term of this agreement.

5.0 Termination

5.1 Smoky Lake County may terminate their involvement in this agreement with 30 days' notice should Lakeland Agricultural Research Association fail to meet Smoky Lake County's conditions in (2.1) listed above.

6.0 Addresses for Notices

6.1 Any notice made under the Agreement shall be deemed given to the other parties in writing and personally delivered, sent by registered mail or equivalent, addressed as follows:

Lakeland Agricultural Research Association
 P.O. Box 7068
 Bonnyville, Alberta
 T9N 2H4
 Fax: (780) 826-7099

Smoky Lake County
 P.O. Box 310
 Smoky Lake, AB
 T0A 3C0
 Fax: (780) 656-3730

7.0 Signed and sealed by the proper officers this _____ day of _____, 2022

Lakeland Agricultural Research Association

Alyssa Krawchuk, Association Manager

Wanda Austin, LARA Chairman

Smoky Lake County

Carleigh Danyluk, Agricultural Fieldman

Dan Gawalko, Ag Service Board Chairman

LARA

Board of Director Meetings

Dan Gawalko councillor Div. one

December 13 2021 meeting Ashmont Agriplex

- Alyssa presented the interim draft budget for 2022 which was approved by the board.
- The title cropping program co-ordinator was changed to cropping program manager.
- A Farm RITE meeting was held on Nov. 15 via zoom main topics of discussion was RDAR's perspective on research conducted by forage and research assoc. in Alberta they are also asking for a meeting with the new Ag minister.
- Alyssa gave the managers report the new website is up and running please check that out ,the forage harvester has been fixed, RDAR funded an economic analysis project for the associations to better understand the impact they have across the province which should help with discussions on why RDAR should still provide a core fund to the associations moving forward, working on CAP grant reports, new led office lights have been installed working on a corporate sponsorship package for next year as well as a research document that could be used for seeking grants or contract work, looking into having a strategic planning session in March and also looking into prices for a new truck.
- Research program report lots of producer feed samples have been going out assisted a local producer with ration balancing through CowBytes, helped with the mental health workshop, attended

multiple ARVA meetings discussing the RVT program and regional silage trials, pest survey has been sent out looking to start certified crop advisor accreditation next year.

- Environmental program report by Kellie she is working on alternative soil health academy for 2022, did some EFP's, participated in the Beaver river watershed management plan and the connect for food initiative, working with food and water wellness foundation on the living labs application, hosted a meeting with other ARA's for the potential development of a hemp project application to RDAR, hosted the Lesley Kelly event on Nov 16, the rancher research project videos have been released for viewing on You Tube.
- Jay presented the LFA report the new dugout has been dug and will determine in January if we will be seeking any new patrons for next year.
- The HR committee will be meeting to discuss staff salary and wages as well as new updated job descriptions in the new year.
- RVT trials are now handled by the Alberta wheat and barley commissions following inspections the ARA's had issues with trial quality this year, LARA has been managing 2 rvt sites since 1991 the Ft.Kent site is volunteer so is unpaid and the site in St.Paul it costs over \$100/plot and the AWC & ABC pay \$55/plot therefore counties are subsidizing the program some assoc. are looking at dropping the unpaid sites and dropping the program altogether.
- Will be having future discussions with our partner counties in 2022 about long term goals and visions, results driven research and economic analysis.
- A decision was made to host the board meetings on the last Monday of the month.
- The next meeting is January 31 2022 @ 1:00pm.

January 31 2022 meeting virtual

- Alyssa presented the 2022 budget which was adopted with the increase to utilities.
- Wanda LARA's chair attended RDAR's AGM on January 18 and the HR committee meeting on January 19th and she received a call from the new chair of ARECA lobbying on 5 year funding and working on a forage strategy their AGM will be held on March 9 & 10 in Edmonton AB.
- Farm RITE report by Alyssa, had several meetings in preparation for RDAR's AGM, hoping to set up a meeting with the new ag minister Nate Horner.
- She also gave the managers report the contract with LaLaBiche county has been signed, posted the summer jobs received 2 applications so far, working on a document outlining prices for contract research trials, completed a research capacity document to assist with pursuing research projects, worked with Kellie to finalize the LARA survey, attended the RDAR AGM and HR committee meetings doing up the annual reports and seed sourcing the 2022 silage trials, also did an updated covid policy.
- Amanda gave the research report busy with grant reports finalized and sent trial data for ultra early wheat trial, attended RDAR AGM & wheat comm. AGM and several webinars.
- Kellie gave the AESA report presented and discussed the LARA survey assisted with submitting the grants for living labs, assisted producers with some Cap grants and EFP's, planning extension events and Kellie is the zone 8 coordinator for the classroom agriculture program for grade 4 which is coming back in 2022.
- Alyssa presented the financial report and a discussion was held about some outstanding invoices.
- LFA will be having an AGM in the coming weeks.

- The HR committee did a COLA review and updated all job descriptions.
- I brought up motion 109-21 from Smoky Lake county requesting a 25% reduction regarding our funding contribution to LARA from 55,000 dollars to 41,250 dollars for the 2022 year and to focus on more cattle production related items and the board took the request into consideration but will hold funding at the current level for 2022, and will be discussing with partner counties and municipalities what direction and programs they would like to have going forward any suggestions are welcome.
- Upcoming events- Inter cropping webinar series February 8, 10 & 17th , Agronomy update February 24, Cover cropping & cows with Kevin Elmy March 9th , webinar with Elaine Froese March 15th , working well workshop March 23, and LARA's annual general meeting March 1 2022 at Ashmont agriplex .
- For the minutes or financial statements feel free to call the LARA office in Ft.Kent if you have any questions feel free to call me at anytime.
- Next meeting February 28 @ 1:00 pm
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Connect for Food (CFF)

is an initiative developed with the purpose to identify and create opportunities for people and businesses with interest in the local food economy. We believe everyone connects with food and has ideas and experiences to share to contribute to a strong local food system. Connect for Food wants to listen and learn from **you**.



"Connecting For Food" will launch early in 2022 with a series of events, providing an opportunity for people with a stake in the local food system to give their input. Your input will support economic development and improve community vitality through our connection with food.

The 'Connect For Food' Model

◀ If you produce, process, distribute, consume or educate, we are all connected to food!

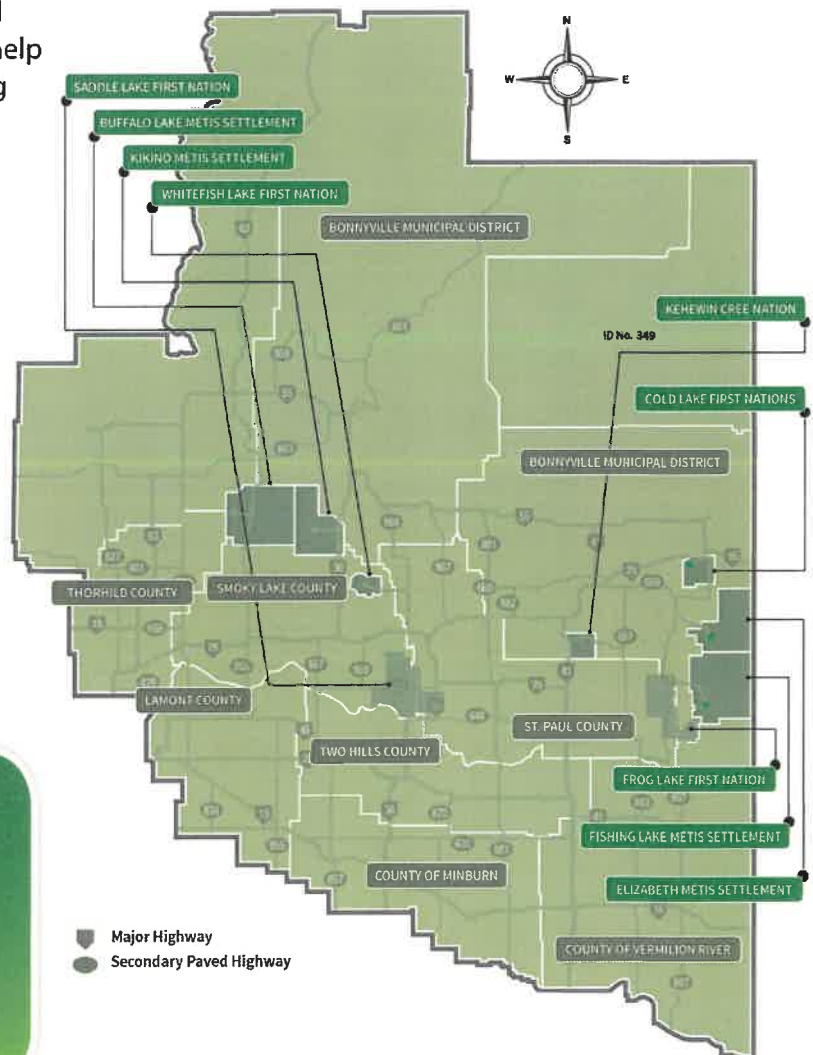
We Need You!

As someone with a connection to local food, we need your valuable input to help create a strong, diversified and thriving local food system.



CONNECT FOR FOOD

A thriving and diverse local food system through advocacy and a community driven approach.



is supported by the following:



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1-780-614-3715 | perryphillips@albertahub.com

Applied Research
and Forage Associations
2019



● **Head Office**

- MARA - Mackenzie Applied Research Association
- NPARA - North Peace Applied Research Association
- SARDA - Smoky Applied Research and Demonstration Association
- GRO - Gateway Research Organization
- BRRG - Battle River Research Group
- CARA - Chinook Applied Research Association
- LARA - Lakeland Applied Research Association
- PCBFA - Peace County Beef and Forage Association
- WCFA - West Central Forage Association
- GWFA - Gray Wooded Forage Association
- FFGA - Foothills Forage and Grazing Association
- FS - Farming Smarter
- ARECA - Agricultural Research and Extension of Alberta

1) Overview

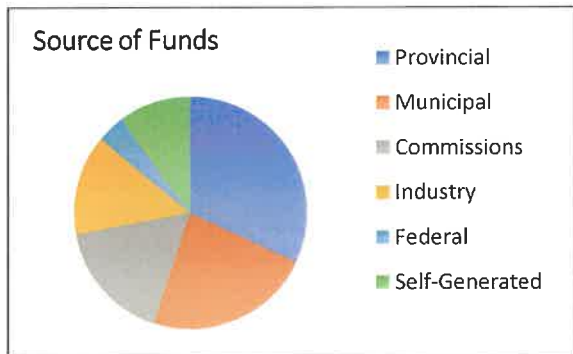
- A collaborative network of 12 farmer led independent associations providing applied research and knowledge transfer services to farmer and ranchers across Alberta
- Apply, adapt, adopt innovative existing and new technologies and practices to assist farmers/ranchers in improving profitability and lowering production risk in an environmentally sustainable manner
- Working closely with commissions, researchers, agribusiness, governments and others in provision of these valued services

2) Priorities

- Reducing costs per unit of production of crops and livestock through regional and local adapting of technology and practices
- Adapting technologies and practices to mitigate risk of changing climate and weather
- Pest monitoring and surveillance to protect yield, quality and lower production risk
- Increasing use of improved genetics
- Improving soil health to improve yields and environment sustainability
- Support crop and livestock diversification
- Improving carbon sequestration
- Environmental Farm Plans
- Development and adapting of organic production practices

3) Finances

- Amalgamated budgets of 12 associations for 2018 - \$6,530,000
- Source of funds



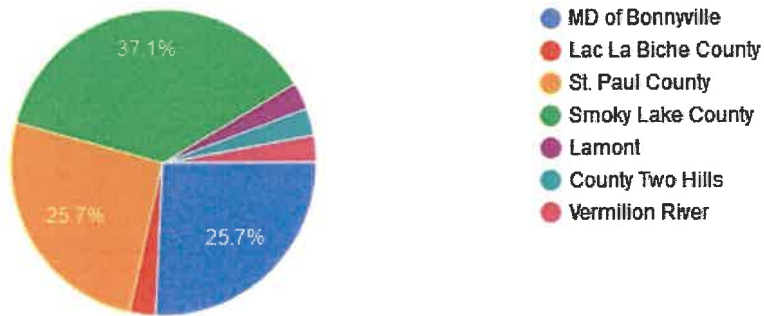
- 32% Provincial
- 23% Municipal
- 17% Commissions
- 14% Industry
- 4% Federal
- 10% Self-Generated

4) Examples of benefits achieved for farmers/ranchers

- Adoption of technologies, genetics and practices by commercial farming and ranching operations
- Lowering of production risks from weather, pests and diseases, and improved soil
- Establishment of the soil health lab services at CARA to support applied research and knowledge transfer efforts
- Through over 200 applied research trails and over 200 extension events in 2018, farmers and ranchers accessed and applied learnings in their operations
- Nearly 11,000 Environmental Farm Plans in place with farmers/ranchers and risking processor interest in sustainable sourcing of farm product
- Agronomy packages developed for hemp production
- Annual regional variety trials helping farmers select best varieties for their farms

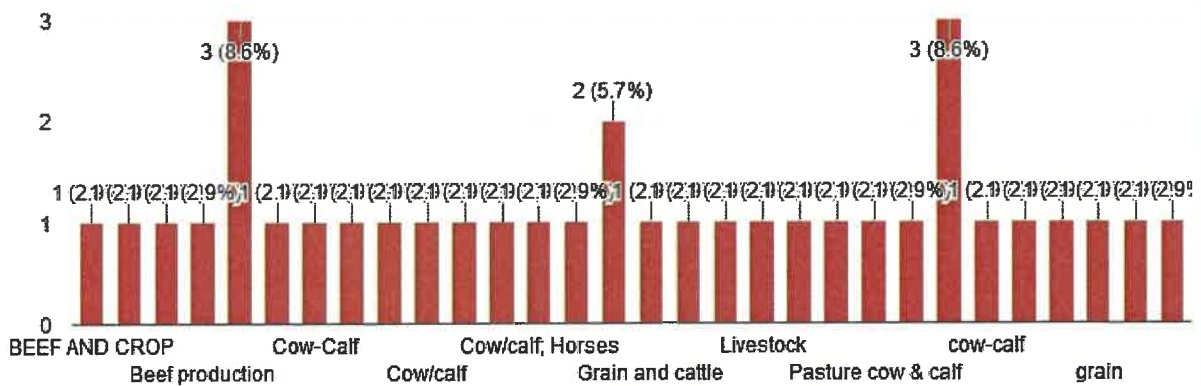
What Municipality are you from?

35 responses



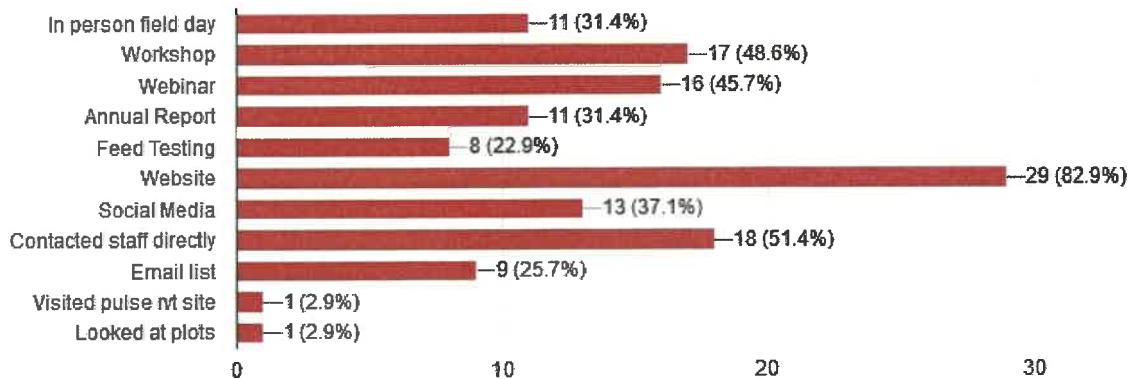
What is your main farming operation?

35 responses



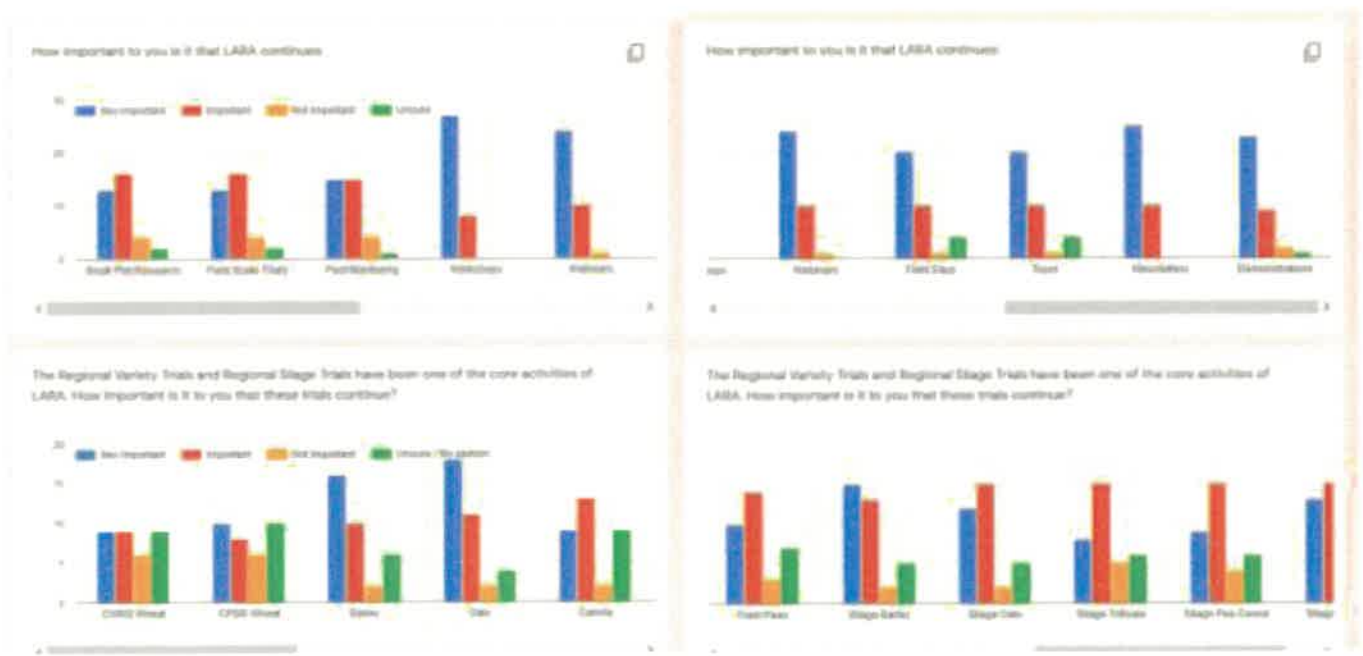
Have you utilized any service that LARA provides in the last year?

35 responses



Do you receive LARA's newsletters (Grow With Us and The Verdant Element)? Is the information relevant/useful/informative?

- Yes
- yes
- Yes
- Yes! It's an awesome way to stay up to date with events
- Yes, worth reading
- It is excellent
- good practical info
- yes, vey useful and informative
- yes very good information
- No I don't but I would like to
- Very well done
- yes, excellent publications, very informative
- Yes and timely
- Yes informative
- yes, exceptionally informative, enjoy it immensely
- no
- Yes. Very good information
- Yes I receive. Some newsletters are more useful than others but I enjoy the read for sure
- I can only receive the lara newletter if I get all the other fylers and spam. Would be nice if I could be put on a mailing list so I don't have to get all the spam mail in order to get the newsletter. I find the newsletter at my inlaws and I read it there and find it very useful.
- Yes, always relevant/useful and informative
- I look at the Grow with Us
- Yes, informative...
- I do not receive these



What would interest you for future cropping program trials?

Alternative, soil health

Hemp and soil health with a variety of managed crops

Annual forages

Not really

intercropping and fall rye , winter wheat, hemp, biologicals.

intercropping and cover crops (regen Ag)

buckwheat

Cover crop

corn

Alternative crops- intercropping, hemp, pulses (like lupins)

Cover crops, soil health, new crops(lupins)

direct seeding (no till)into grazed off hay land in the late fall, should grow in the spring

Soil health, alternative crops

All the above sounds good.

Hemp

soil health /soil amendments/ organic fertilizers/drought resistant plants

soil health

Silage pea - silage oat- fall rye multicrop

Soil health, intercropping, relay seeding cover crops

More on weed prevention and control (such as herbicide application)

Alternative crops; drought resistant crops; soil health

Cover cropping

None at this time

Unconventional crops

I believe there research for grains & Silage are important - but it doesn't pertain to our farm at this point of operations.

The regional trials don't seem to be done very well so maybe better to focus funds on other things.. workshops or webinars.

Soybeans, alternative crops fertilizer, hemp

Cover crops with cash crops

moderately

No opinion

Yes to all...

Maybe paddocking

What would interest you for future Forage and Livestock Programming?

Brush control

Winter grazing, pasture management, brush control, water sources,

Presentations from "experts" people doing novel or progressive work, field days, dealing with feeding through drought or challenging climate changes

YES

perennial forage rotation with grains, rotation grazing and cattle nutrition

buckwheat bales

things to look for in bull performance, marketing strategies, pasture wellness,

Multi species grazing

Drought mitigation

direct seeding(no till) into overgrazed pasture or hay land ,should grow in the spring

Pasture management

Brush control without the use of chemical. Crop cocktails without the use of inputs and how it affects the soil over multiple year study

Winter grazing, pasture management and brush control

brush control by chemical spraying- farmer funded participation trials

All of the above

Continue support of grazing multi crops

Winter grazing, and pasture management.

Managing effective cattle grazing

Buck brush control; rotational grazing

Regen Ag: Cover Cropping/Corn/Grazing integration and strategies for drought resiliency, and water retentions.

Corn, forage grasses, brassica's, mixed corn and cover crops for winter grazing.

Grants and funding, how to cope with drought

Pasture Walks that focus on rotational grazing

At one time years ago someone did a workshop for women calving cows. I found that very informative especially for someone like myself who was a first time farmer moving from town to the farm. Perhaps you can look at something like that or a refresher course or one having to do with when's the best time to call a vet & what you can do on your own so you don't have to call a vet - perhaps a course on livestock medicines & vaccines as well.

Brush control, pasture management

very

All

Pasture management.

More working with marginal land

What would interest you for future Environmental Programming?

Soil health, shelter belts,

Soil health

Keeping your supporters informed with new trends, ideas

Water dugouts

biologicals , manure use for cropping nutrition

drought and flood protection ideas

Shelter belt & riparian

Soil health, managing water on farm

Surface water management, maintaining water quality

Could LARA add value to their business model by entertaining well-site reclamation seeding

Riparian management.

Shelterbelts

water quality/developments

water quality

more local programming that is relevant to my County

Future of carbon credits as it supports various crops .

Soil health and water quality.

Dugout health and testing

Water quality; soil health

Strategies for pasture rejuvenation for grazing leases & pastures that do not allow or would like to avoid costs of tillage for meadows and pastures to increase stock carrying capacity through biodiversity. Anything to do with livestock management with our environment. Soil health might be connected. Grazing lease management & beaver management.

Maybe teaching urban families that cows are not ruining the environment

Ideas on becoming more environmentally sustainable

I did want to go to the one in regards to feeding cows in a drought but I missed that one. Water well management is good too, I know you have offered them.

Water quality

Shelter belts soil health.

Pollinator strips with field crops

very

Yes to all...

What you seem to bring to the table we've liked!

Do you have any suggestions for workshops, webinars topics or tours or speakers that you would like to see?

Steve Kenyon,

Something fun and interesting with family ideas

more cattle rations (barry was great)

love to hear Elaine Froese, banking or AFSC or FCC consultants, ag colleges to review programs that could be taken without being a full or part time student

Global water futures,

try to get a lot more producers to come to field trail tour day...how about at least 50

Cowbytes presentation

continuation of farm safety presentations,also more farmers needed at annual field day

Herd selection. How to toughen up the herd for winter grazing while maintaining body condition and rebreeding

Livestock health and disease, Feedstuffs and cattle nutrition

Cover crop successes and failures / how to plan a successful cover crop and how to avoid costly mistakes.

Keep it up...your doing a great job! Rotating every couple years same topics works well

Not at the moment

Pasture Walks that focus on rotational grazing

Mental Wellness for farmers, Estate planning, I know these have been offered as well, it's just a matter of trying to make the dates work :)

More Agronomic type workshops for the grain farmers. Seems a lot of your workshops are more focus on livestock only.

Scientific soil management. Learning the science of soil health, research results of soil improvement and nutrient removal and increase. Not just holistic management.

Not really just possibly more of and shorter workshops, webinars and tours of a variety...

We absolutely loved your Regenerative Farming that was held in Flat Lake, a refresher would be great down the road! If possible



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GOALS

51%
GOAL COMPLETION

AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD PLAN

(ASB) PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT

Goal	Progress Update	Current Com...	Start Date	Due Date
Administrative Activity 2022: 100% NEW Carleigh McMullin: Achievements: Meetings and Training attended December 15-February 15 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agronomy Basic hosted by Alberta Canola Council: January 5th • Carleigh attended Grazing School for Women meeting: January 6th • 2022 Agronomy Update hosted by Alberta Canola Council: January 11th-12th • Joint Health & Safety Meeting: January 20th • Amanda Weed Review Committee Meeting: January 20th • Departmental Meeting: January 25th • ASB Provincial Conference: January 25th-January 28th • Sustainability Series Environmentally Sustainable Agriculture Webinar hosted by AFRED: February 9th • Canola Council Ag Policy Webinar: February 9th 		78% 78 / 100% 4% behind	2017/12/31	2022/12/31

Challenges: No value

Next Steps: No value

2022/02/03

Goal	Progress Update	Start Date	Due Date
ASB Environmental Services 2022: 100% NEW Carleigh McMullin: Achievements: LARA Upcoming Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Intercropping Webinar Series: February 8, 10 and 17th • Agronomy Update: February 24th • Cover Crops and Cows: March 9th • Finding Fairness in Farm Transitions: March 15th • Working Well Workshop: March 23rd Challenges: No value Next Steps: No value 2022/02/03	99% 99 / 100%	2017/12/31	2022/12/31
Council Member Inquiry 2022: 100% NEW Carleigh McMullin: Achievements: 1) Request sent on February 2nd, 2022 to share LARA events on social media. Result: All events have been added to the website calendar. Intercropping event had been shared on Facebook on February 3rd. Agronomy Update will be shared February 15, Elaine Froese Event will be shared March 1, Working Well Workshop will be shared March 10th. Challenges: No value Next Steps: No value 2022/02/03	80% 80 / 100% 2% behind	2017/12/31	2022/12/31
Mowing Activity 2022: 100% NEW Carleigh McMullin: Achievements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have 2 returning operators and will be advertising for 1 mower operator position for the 2022 season. Challenges: No value Next Steps: No value 2022/02/03	77% 77 / 100% 5% behind	2017/12/31	2022/12/31
Pest Control 2022: 100%	0% 0 / 100% 82% behind	2017/12/31	2022/12/31

Goal	Progress Update	Current Com...	Start Date	Due Date
<p>→ Problem Wildlife (Beaver Control) 2022</p> <p>NEW Carleigh McMullin: Achievements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beaver trapping has been successful so far this winter. The benefit to the winter beaver trapping is it not only allows us to easily trap on any Crown land areas but it allows our Trapper to have the advantage of trapping the real problem/smart beavers that we were unsuccessful with the previous summer. • 29 beavers as of February 8th, 2022 • 21 muskrat as of February 8th, 2022 • Explosives Magazine license renewed for 2022 • Mag Guard monitoring maintenance January 20th <p>Challenges: <i>No value</i></p> <p>Next Steps: <i>No value</i> 2022/02/08</p>		0% 0 / 0	2020/01/01	2022/12/31
<p>Training Activity 2022: 100%</p> <p>NEW Carleigh McMullin: Achievements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amanda completed her Safety Representative Course <p>Challenges: <i>No value</i></p> <p>Next Steps: <i>No value</i> 2022/02/03</p>		0% 0 / 100% 82% behind	2017/12/31	2022/12/31
<p>Weed Control 2022: 100%</p> <p>NEW Carleigh McMullin: Achievements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advertised for 3 weed inspectors to begin May 2nd, 2022. <p>Challenges: <i>No value</i></p> <p>Next Steps: <i>No value</i> 2022/02/03</p>		78% 78 / 100% 4% behind	2017/12/31	2022/12/31
<p>→ Weed Inspections (Copy) 0 Inspection(s)</p>		100% 0 / 0 Inspection(s)	2021/01/01	2021/12/31

Goal	Progress Update	Start Date	Due Date
Safety Activity 2022	<p>NEW Carleigh McMullin:</p> <p>Achievements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attended January 20th Joint Health and Safety Committee Meeting Amanda completed Health & Safety Committee Representative Course online February 7th, 2022 <p>Challenges: <i>No value</i></p> <p>Next Steps: <i>No value</i> 2022/02/03</p>	2020/01/01	2022/12/31
			0% 0 / 70% behind
Dog Catching 2022	<p>NEW Carleigh McMullin:</p> <p>Achievements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7 calls since January 17th, 2022 No dogs caught since January 17th, 2022 <p>Challenges: <i>No value</i></p> <p>Next Steps: <i>No value</i> 2022/02/08</p>	2021/10/05	2022/12/31
			0% 0 /
			101% 16 / 0 Call(s) 16 Call(s) ahead
			101% 2 / 0 Dog(s) 2 Dog(s) ahead
			0% 0 / 100% 55% behind
	<p>→ Dog Catching Phone Calls 2022 0 Call(s)</p> <p>→ Dog Catching Success 2022 0 Dog(s)</p>		
	ASB Environmental Services 2022:		
	100%		

January 2022

ASB Regional Liaison Program

The ASB Regional Liaison Program replaces the Key Contact Program and has moved to a virtual and regional approach.

Your virtual regional liaison is part of a special team of liaisons who will be able to provide you with monthly updates on both policy initiatives and programs. They will be your virtual conduit between your ASB and the department.

[Meet your new ASB Regional Liaison](#)

Northeast Region

Cassandra Docherty has recently joined the policy section in Alberta Agriculture, Forestry and Rural Economic Development after working on the Bee Health Assurance Team for the last four years as an apiculture technician. Her primary role on the Bee Team was working with the lead scientist on treatment options for two honey bee parasites. Before starting with the department, she completed her undergrad at the University of British Columbia in Natural Resources Conservation, a course-based masters in Conservation and Land Management from Bangor University, Wales, and a Masters of Science in Conservation Biology from the University of Alberta.

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An interactive in-person conference for Women in Agriculture featuring:

Josie Van Lent, Simply Bee, Old School Cheesery,
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March 12, 2022
Wainwright, Alberta

Reserve your ticket at
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Tentative Agenda

- 9:00 – 9:30 Intro's and registration
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- 9:30 – 10:00 Simply Bee
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- 10:00 – 10:30 Animal health, safe calving, vaccine administration
Provost Vet Clinic
-
- 10:30 – 10:45 Break
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- 10:45 – 11:30 Succession Planning
Green Belt Farms
-
- 11:30 – 12:15 Lunch
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- 12:15 – 1:00 Women in Agriculture
Josie Van Lent
-
- 1:00 – 1:15 Break
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- 1:15 – 2:15 Dry weather grazing and grass management
Amber Kenyon
-
- 2:15 – 3:00 The Old School Cheesery

Click [Here](#) to register for the
Winter Workshop.

Additional Information

The Winter Workshop will be hosted at the Wainwright Elks Hall,
1401 1 avenue Wainwright, Alberta.

Smoky Lake County Field Visit

June 29, 2021



Figure 1: Mowing Program Smoky Lake County

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INTRODUCTION

The Agricultural Service Board (ASB) Program conducts field visits annually to ensure ASB Grant funding appropriately supports ASB Grant Program objectives. Information gathered from field visits also benefits other ASBs in the development and delivery of programs related to the ASB Grant and provides evidence to the Office of the Auditor General on the effective and efficient use of ASB Grant dollars to support programs related to the *ASB Act*, environmental extension and awareness and rat control.

Alberta Agriculture and Forestry (AF) visited 14 municipalities in 2021 under the field visit program. Municipalities included in 2021 field visits are:

South	Central	Northwest	Northeast	Peace
Wheatland	Flagstaff	Thorhild	Wainwright	Smoky River
Newell	Starland	Sturgeon	Smoky Lake	Spirit River
	Paintearth	Barrhead	Lac La Biche	Grande Prairie

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Krista deMilliano, Crop Assurance Specialist met with the Carleigh McMullin, Agricultural Fieldman and Amanda Kihn, Assistant Agricultural Fieldmen for Smoky Lake County on June 29, 2021 to review programs and projects implemented under the various Acts the ASB is delegated to enforce.

Smoky Lake County received funding under the Legislative and Resource Management Funding Streams of the ASB Grant.

Based upon our field visit findings and observations, Smoky Lake County was able to demonstrate, that they had programs related to each of these funding streams indicating effective use of ASB Grant dollars to support activities related to the administration of legislative requirements under the *Agricultural Service Board Act* and enhanced environmental awareness.

FIELD VISIT AGENDA - FIELD OFFICE & TOUR SITES:

- Met with Carleigh McMullin the Agricultural Fieldman and Amanda Kihn, Assistant Agricultural Fieldman and the Smoky Lake County ASB.
- Completed a review of all ASB programs with the Agricultural Fieldman and Assistant Agricultural Fieldman.
- Toured the Ag Services Bay and the department's equipment
- Road Tour included observing the County's mowing and spraying program, pond leveler program, bug traps, weed awareness at the County water fill station, hoary allysum control, and LARA research and extension site.

OBSERVATIONS:

- Overall, the partnership between Carleigh McMullin, Amanda Kihn, the ASB and staff is positive and productive. Carleigh and Amanda lead many programs that benefit the agriculture industry in the County and the Agricultural Service Board is invested in the work that is conducted.

- Legislated activities are reported to Council as per the ASB Act and the ASB acts as an advisory body to council through the ASB Act.
- Smoky Lake County has various policies and programs which promote and develop agriculture in the municipality which meet the needs of the Agricultural Pest Act and Weed Control Act.
- Inspectors are properly appointed and have procedures in place to follow for Act compliance and enforcement.
- The Agricultural Fieldman and Assistant have created several successful avenues for awareness of agricultural programs.

Section 1: Legislated Duties & Requirements

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Requirement 1: Legislated activities are reported to council as per section 4 of ASB Act (Summary of activities - Minimum annually)							
Fully Meeting	X	Partially Meeting		Not Meeting			
		Notes		Status		Recommendations	
Criteria				Yes	No	Critical	Significant
ASB is appointed by council		Evidence of ASB appointments were included in the Organization Meeting Minutes from October 22, 2020.		X			
Ag Fieldmen is appointed by council		Evidence of Ag Fieldmen appointment was included in the minutes of the April 15, 2020 ASB Meeting. Appointment is effective from April 1, 2020 to termination of employment.		X			
ASB members meet section 3 (3) of ASB act (knowledgeable on ag and qualified to develop ag related policies)		ASB exists and consists of Smoky Lake County Councillors. ASB members' orientation presentation was provided. The ASB has policies and bylaws that guide the ASB activities.		X			
Summary of activities provided to council		ASB summary report is given to Council monthly.		X			
Minimum one report(s) provided to council per year		ASB report(s) is given to Council 12 times per year		X			
Council accepts the annual report		Last ASB report was accepted by Council in February 2021.		X			

Requirement 2: ASB acts as an advisory body to council to support section 2 (a) through (e) of ASB Act.						
Fully Meeting	Partially Meeting		Not Meeting			
Criteria	Notes	Status		Significant	Recommendations	
		Yes	No			Enhancement
ASB provides input into municipal plans on areas of agricultural interest	<p>ASB Business Plan – The Smoky Lake County ASB is in the business of providing its residents with agricultural programming to enhance the environment, farm income, and quality of life. This is achieved through Vegetation Management Programming, Agricultural Extension Programming, Problem Wildlife Programming, Pest Control and Monitoring as well as Government Lobbying. The ASB Business Plan is approved at Council’s Organizational Meeting.</p> <p>Agricultural Issues Advisory Committee – ASB Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson and any other member of Council affected by a specific issues be appointed to the Agricultural Issues Advisory Committee; and the Agricultural Issues Advisory Committee will call for Public-at-Large members, when required.</p>	X				

Requirement 3: Promote and develop agricultural policies as per ASB Act Section 2e (Minimum annually; Current within year; policies and bylaws for the following:

- *Weed Act*
- *Agricultural Pests Act*
- *Soil Conservation Act*
- *Animal Health Act*
- *ASB Act*

Fully Meeting	Partially Meeting	Not Meeting	Status		Critical	Recommendations	
			Yes	No		Significant	Enhancement
Criteria	Notes						
ASB has and applies policies and/or bylaws for WCA	Weed Inspection and Weed Notice Policy – May 9 , 2016 Vegetation Management Plan – October 22, 2018 Tansy Reduction Program/Policy – October 22, 2018 Seed Cleaning Plant Inspections Policy – January 16, 2017 Mowing Program Policy – October 22, 2018 Mowing Operations Policy – May 24, 2018		X				
ASB has and applies policies and/or bylaws for APA	Bounty for Pocket Gopher Tails – Last amended April 23, 2019 Coyote Control Policy – Last amended October 15, 2019 ECO Grasshopper Bait Distributor Policy – Last amended March 1, 2016 Pocket Gopher Traps Policy – Last amended May 5, 2015		X				

	Clubroot Policy – Amended February 19, 2019 Clubroot Prevention Techniques Policy – Amended March 1, 2016 Sale of 2% Liquid Strychnine Policy – January 12, 2016						
ASB has and applies policies and/or bylaws for SCA	The ASB did not have any policies or bylaws in place for the SCA.	X				Recommend creation of a Soil Conservation Policy and procedure that references current legislation and reflects County soil conditions as per 2020-2021 Report Q31, Q 32. Refer to related policies on agriculturalserviceboards.com	
ASB has and applies policies and/or bylaws for AHA	The ASB did not have any policies and or bylaws in place for the AHA	X				Recommend creation of an Animal Health Policy that reflects current supporting activities in AHA requirement 5 and County livestock industry. Refer to related policies on agriculturalserviceboards.com	
ASB has and applies policies and/or bylaws for ASB act	Sale of Pesticides Policy – Last amended March 5, 2015 ASB Poster Contest – Approved October 3, 2016 Beaver Management Program – Last amended December 12, 2018 Hay Permits on County Right-of-Way Policy – Approved November 4, 2015 ASB: Complaint Inspection Process Policy – July 25, 2011			X			Recommend establishing a schedule for reviewing all agricultural policies to ensure they continue to meet the needs of the County and producers

	<p>License of Occupation of Road Allowance for Ranching and Farming Purposes Policy – amended January 18, 2007 Firearms Authorization for Agricultural Service Board – amended July 7, 2015 ASB: Terms of Reference Policy – amended May 9, 2016 ASB: Committee Terms of Reference Policy – amended December 13, 2013 Beaver Control – Fee for Removal with Explosives – amended January 9, 2015 Northlands Farm Family Award Policy – December 8, 2020 Scare Cannon Rental – Approved May 5, 2017 Agricultural Service Fees Policy – May 5, 2017</p>				
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Requirement 4: Appeal committees meet requirements of Acts.					
Fully Meeting	Notes	Partially Meeting		Not Meeting	
		Yes	No	Critical	Recommendations Significant
ASB has appeal committee that meets the WCA	Smoky Lake County appoints Public-at-Large members to the ASB Independent Appeal Panel for Weed Control (Bylaw 1240-12) – from	X		X	Barry Feniak, Norman Schmidt, Robert Semeniuk, and Ed Doktor as alternate.

	Organizational Meeting October 22, 2020				
ASB has appeal committee that meets the APA	Smoky Lake ASB does not have an appeal committee for APA	X		Recommend appointment of an appeal committee by Council that meets the APA. The local authority should make the appointment effective for the beginning of each calendar year.	
ASB has an appeal committee that meets the SCA	Smoky Lake ASB does not have an Appeal committee for SCA	X		Recommend appointment of an appeal committee that meets the SCA. Composition of the committee can be found in Section 14 of the SCA.	

Requirement 5: Inspector Appointments and Inspections						
Criteria	Notes	X	Partially Meeting			Not Meeting
			Yes	No	Critical	Recommendations
Local authority appoints inspectors under the WCA 7(1)	Smoky Lake County Council completed seasonal appointments during the May 27, 2021 meeting . 4 weeds inspectors are appointed for the County.		X			
Local authority provides inspectors with identification WCA 10 (1)	Inspectors are provided with valid identification card		X			
Local authority appoints sufficient # inspectors under	Smoky Lake County Council completed seasonal appointments during the May 27,		X			

the APA 9 (1) (2) 10 (1) (2)	2021 meeting . 4 pest inspectors are appointed for the County.					
Local authority provides inspectors with identification APA 17 (3)	Inspectors are provided with valid identification card	X				
Inspector(s) with Form 7 certification APA Regulation 14 (2)	Smoky Lake has two staff members with Form 7 certification. Both expire in December 2024.	X				
Local authority appoints at least one inspector under the SCA 15 (1) (2)	As per the ASB Act 8(3 – The agricultural fieldmen is, in the municipality employing the fieldmen, a soil conservation officer of the municipality under the <i>Soil Conservation Act</i> .	X				
Municipality meets requirements listed in section 2c of ASB Act for AHA	Smoky Lake ASB has developed relationships with surrounding municipalities to ensure access to resources in the case of an emergency. The Fire Chief and Deputy Fire Chief have received training for an animal emergency response event.	X				

Requirement 6: Act Compliance & Enforcement						
Fully Meeting		Partially Meeting			Not Meeting	
Criteria	Notes	Status		Recommendations		
		Yes	No	Significant	Enhancement	
Local authority has procedures in place for issuing	Weed awareness is the first step and is promoted at all events	X				

<p>notices and tracking enforcement under the WCA Part 3</p>	<p>the County attends with an information booth and by posting weed “wanted” posters throughout the County in all the towns/villages and in the County Grapevine in the local paper. Social media is also utilized to get weed awareness out to the general public through the County’s Facebook page.</p> <p>If a regulated weed is found, the landowner will first receive a weed control introduction letter and then depending on their actions will either receive a compliance letter or non-compliance letter. If compliance is not achievable a weed notice will be issued with and information package and options for control.</p> <p>Munisight is used to track weed issues.</p>				
<p>Seed cleaning plants licensed WCA Regulation Part 1 (2) – (7)</p>	<p>Currently do not have a staff member trained for seed cleaning plant inspections.</p>	<p>X</p>	<p>Recommend connecting with a trained Ag Fieldman and AFRED staff for assistance in conducting seed cleaning facility licensing inspections as annual licensing is required for all seed cleaning facilities.</p>		

<p>Local authority has procedures in place for issuing notices and tracking enforcement under the APA 12 (1) – (4) 13 (1) and APA Pest & Nuisance Control Regulation 14 (2) (3) (6) (7) (8) (9) (13)</p>	<p>County completes surveys for Bertha Armyworm, Clubroot, Grasshoppers and additional surveys as required by Alberta Agriculture.</p> <p>Awareness for the pest is the first step and is promoted at all events the County attends with an information booth and in the County Grapevine in the local paper. Social media is also utilized to for awareness out to the general public through the County's Facebook page.</p> <p>If a regulated pest is found, the landowner will first receive a pest control introduction letter and then depending on their actions will either receive a compliance letter or non-compliance letter. If compliance is still not achievable a pest notice will be issued with and information package and options for control.</p> <p>Generally, working with the producer has achieved the best results for the County. It is not often enforcement is necessary.</p>	<p>X</p>		
<p>Local authority has procedures in place under the SCA 4 (1) (2), 5 6 (1) – (3)</p>	<p>Smoky Lake completes informal soil conservation inspections, as well as responds to complaints.</p>	<p>X</p>		<p>See recommendation for SCA policies and</p>

* procedure to monitor soil condition is mandatory; actions taken are based upon local circumstances	If remedial action is required, a letter will be issued to the affected landowner. If compliance is not achieved a Soil Conservation Notice will be issued to the landowner.					bylaws requirement 3
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Requirement 7: Program & Policy Awareness (Section 2 of ASB Act)

Fully Meeting		Partially Meeting		Not Meeting	
Criteria	Notes	Status		Recommendations	
		Yes	No	Significant	Enhancement
ASB has E&A programs in place for all legislated responsibilities under ASB Act 2 (b) – (c)	As mentioned in the previous section, Smoky Lake has several methods of extension developed for weed and pest control, as well as working with LARA on water conservation.	X			The ASB is also responsible for extension which would assist in the control of animal disease under the <i>Animal Health Act</i> . It may be helpful to visit alberta.ca/animal-health.aspx to find information and resources for your ASB and residents.
ASB has programs in place for all legislated responsibilities under ASB Act 2 (d) (e)	Smoky Lake County has an agreement in place with Lakeland Agricultural Research Association to support research and demonstration programs, extension programs, and Environmental Farm planning with county residents. Smoky Lake County also has an agreement in place with Lakeland	X			

	Industry and Community Association to develop and deploy beaver coexistence management devices (pond levelers and/or culvert protectors), as well as to create education signs for the public.				
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Section 2: Resource Management Requirements
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Requirement 8: Resource Management Programming (as per grant agreement) - describe activities and programming supported under this funding stream. Does it align with programming outlines in application?						
Received Resource Management Funding: Yes No Partnership (list)						
Criteria	Notes	Status		Recommendations		Enhancement
		Yes	No	Significant		
ASB -- CAP programming	Not applicable.					
ASB -- EFP programming	In 2020 Smoky Lake County's trained Environmental Farm Plan Technician assisted 3 producers with completing their Environmental Farm Plans and issued them completion letter. In 2020, LARA assisted 3 producers in completing their Environmental Farm Plans and assisted 6 producers in applying for CAP funding.	X				
ASB -- Resource management programming	LARA WRRP funding: Funded 7 producers, 8 offsite watering systems, 9.8 miles riparian fencing, 2 water course crossings. The funding also supports the salary of the Assistant Agricultural Fieldmen who also completes EFPs with producers.	X				

Section 3: Rat Control Program

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Requirement 9: Rat Control Programming (as per grant agreement) - describe activities and programming supported under this funding stream. Does it align with programming outlines in application?						
Received Rat Control Program Funding: Yes <u>No</u>						
Fully Meeting		Partially Meeting		Not Meeting		
Criteria	Notes	Status		Recommendations		
		Yes	No	Significant	Enhancement	
ASB has a system for reporting, tracking and responding to rat sightings						
ASB has a system for control and eradication of confirmed rat infestations						
ASB has a system to properly store and issue bait						

Recommendation Categories & Process

Recommendations Categories

Critical: directly impacts legislated requirements with implications for grant fund disbursements

Significant: directly impacts legislated requirements without implications for grant fund disbursements

Enhancement: indirectly impacts legislated requirements and provided for continuous improvement

Recommendations Process

- ✓ Recommendations for the ASB are categorized based upon the criteria's impact on the requirement.
- ✓ Due dates reflect the timeframe permitted for the identified issue to be resolved by the ASB.
 - Critical recommendations are to be resolved within the calendar year of the field visit
 - Significant recommendations are to be resolved within the calendar year following the field visit
 - Enhancement recommendations are to be considered with steps taken where appropriate, by the next field visit
- ✓ Signatures accepting the critical and significant recommendations reflect the ASB's commitment to resolve the issue by the due date.
- ✓ Actions taken to resolve the issue are provided by the ASB to the Minister's representative by the due date.
- ✓ The Minister's representative in conjunction with the ASB unit reviews all submitted materials to assess whether the actions taken are sufficient to resolve the issue and meet the requirements' criteria.
- ✓ If the issue is assessed as resolved, the Minister's representative will sign off on the recommendation. If further actions are required, the ASB Unit Manager and Minister's representative will work with the ASB until the issue is closed and requirements are met.

Field Visit Recommendations Plan Summary (for all critical and significant recommendations)						Recommendation Tracking	
Requirement	Recommendation	Critical	Significant	Due Date	Decision	Approved by/Date	
ASB has and applies policies and/or bylaws for SCA	Recommend creation of a Soil Conservation Policy. Refer to related policies on agriculturalserviceboards.com		X	May 2022			
ASB has and applies policies and/or bylaws for AHA	Recommend creation of an Animal Health Policy. Refer to related policies on agriculturalserviceboards.com		X	May 2022			
ASB has appeal committee that meets the APA	Recommend appointment of an appeal committee that meets the APA. The local authority should make the appointment at the beginning of each calendar year.	X		March 2022			
ASB has an appeal committee that meets the SCA	Recommend appointment of an appeal committee that meets the SCA. Composition of the committee can be found in Section 14 of the SCA.	X		March 2022			
Seed cleaning plants licensed WCA Regulation Part 1 (2) – (7)	Recommend connecting with a trained Ag Fieldman and AFRED staff for assistance in conducting seed cleaning facility licensing inspections as annual licensing is required for all seed cleaning facilities.	X		September 2022			

Once you have the reviewed and accepted the recommendations, please sign and send a signed copy to your AF Field Visit staff

Recommendations accepted:

ASB Chair: [insert name]

Signature of ASB Chair: _____ Date: _____

Agricultural Fieldmen: [insert name]

Signature of Ag Fieldmen _____ Date: _____

Recommendations solution assessment:

Reviewed by: _____ Date: _____

Assessment decision: _____ Date: _____

Date Closed _____

Appendix 1

Section 1

Requirement 1 Legislated Activities Reported to Council



Figure 2: Smoky Lake County Council/ Agricultural Service Board Members



Figure 3: Example of Agricultural Service Board Orientation Slides

Requirement 2 ASB Advisory Body



Title: Agricultural Service Board Business Plan	Policy No.: 10-05
Section: 62	Page No.: 1 of 12

Legislation Reference: Alberta Provincial Statutes

Purpose: To establish a Business Plan for the Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board.

<p>Policy Statement and Guidelines:</p> <p>STATEMENT</p> <p>The Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board (ASB) is in the business of providing its residents with agricultural programming to enhance the environment, farm income and quality of life. This is achieved through Vegetation Management Programming, Agricultural Extension Programming, Problem Wildlife Programming, Pest Control and Monitoring as well as Government Lobbying.</p> <p>The Agricultural Service Board is also responsible for enforcement of Provincial Legislation such as the <i>Weed Act</i>, <i>Agricultural Pest Act</i>, <i>Agricultural Service Board Act</i>, <i>Soil Conservation Act</i> and the <i>Animal Health Act</i>.</p> <p>VISION STATEMENT:</p> <p>To encourage sustainable agriculture, environmental integrity and improved quality of life in Smoky Lake County.</p> <p>MISSION STATEMENT:</p> <p>To provide services, policies and education for Agricultural families, businesses and the public to enhance the environment, farm income and quality of life.</p>
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Title: Agricultural Service Board Business Plan	Policy No.: 10-05
Section: 62	Page No.: 2 of 12

<p>PRIORITIES:</p> <p>Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board identifies the following priorities:</p> <p>One: Vegetation Management Program</p> <p>Two: Weed Control Act Duties</p> <p>Three: Environmental Stewardship and Extension</p> <p>Four: Problem Wildlife program</p> <p>Five: Agricultural Pest Act Duties</p> <p>Six: Soil Conservation Act Duties</p> <p>Seven: Intergovernmental Collaboration</p> <p>IMPLEMENTATION:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board shall review annually as required by Alberta Agriculture and Forestry. Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board staff will consider and follow the priorities of the Business Plan when creating budgets and work plans.

	Date	Resolution Number
Approved	December 17, 2010	#184-10 - Page 9570
Amended	March 5, 2015	#416-15 -Page 11626
Amended	December 12, 2017	#59-17 -Page 12873
Amended	December 8, 2018	
Amended	December 8, 2020	

Figure 4: Page 1 and 2 of Agricultural Service Board Business Plan

Requirement 3 Agricultural Policies



Title: Weed Inspection and Weed Notice	Policy No.: 14-02
Section: 62	Code: P-1
	Page No.: 1 of 8
	E

Legislation Reference: Alberta Provincial Statutes

Purpose: To enforce the Weed Control Act and therefore prevent and control the establishment and/or spread of noxious weeds.

Policy Statement and Guidelines:

- Objective**
To prevent and control the establishment and/or spread of noxious weeds through responsible communication with landowners, occupiers, industry stakeholders and members of the general public.
- Procedures**
 - The ASS shall, at its discretion, appoint a sufficient number of inspectors to enforce the Weed Control Act and supply each inspector with identification in the form prescribed by the Weed Control Regulations.
 - The Weed Inspection Program will be conducted during the months of May to September and will be carried out by the Agricultural Fieldman, Assistant Agricultural Fieldman, Agricultural Services Technologist or Weed Inspector (if hired).
 - The Agricultural Fieldman will be responsible for enforcement of the Weed Control Act.
 - When a weed problem is found every effort will be made to cooperate with the landowner to deal with the problem in an amicable manner. Only after verbal and written communication is made is a Weed Notice to be issued. Weed Notices are to be issued at the discretion of the Agricultural Fieldman, as per **Schedule 5.4 - Notice to Remedy Weed Problem**.
 - Weed Notices and all actions carried out before, after and in accordance with the issuance thereof, must be in compliance with the current Weed Control Act or related statutes of the Province of Alberta.
 - If remedial measures of the Weed Notice have not been complied with, the work may be carried out by the municipality or a private contractor (as hired by the municipality) and all associated fees are to be applied to the landowner and/or occupant.
 - If the landowner and/or occupant fail to pay the amount owing, the charges will be applied to the tax roll against the land in question by motion of County Council.
 - Weed Notices shall have, attached, **Schedule 7B - Appeal Notice**, a form allowing the recipient of the Weed Notice the opportunity to appeal the Weed Notice. The conditions of an appeal will be as determined by the Agricultural Services Board Committee as per **Policy 62-20 - Agricultural Services Board Committee Terms of Reference** form time to time and shall be printed on this form.



Title: Clubroot	Policy No.: 12-03
Section: 62	Code: P-5
	Page No.: 1 of 9
	E

Legislation Reference: Alberta Provincial Statutes

Purpose: To recognize that Clubroot is a serious problem and Smoky Lake County supports the agricultural community to help minimize the spread of Clubroot which is a pest under the *Agricultural Pest Act*.

Policy Statement and Guidelines:

- DEFINITION:**
 - "Clubroot" is a disease of canola, mustard and other crops in the cabbage family (*Cruciferae*), caused by a parasite of plants (*Plasmodiophora brassicae*) that lives in the soil and characterized by bumpy or club-shaped swellings on the roots and premature wilting, yellowing, and stunted growth of aboveground parts.
- BACKGROUND:**
 - Clubroot can spread through spores in the soil or in cruciferous plant material containing galls such as Canola, Mustard, Flaxseed, Salspeed's pulse, Salspeed. Reseeding spores are extremely long lived, surviving in soil for up to 20 years, and are most likely to spread via contaminated soil carried from field to field by equipment. Tillage equipment represent the greatest risk of spreading the disease as soil is frequently carried on above and discs from field to field.
- OBJECTIVE:**
 - To minimize the spread and build-up of Clubroot in canola fields through education and awareness.
 - To prevent economic loss by employing a Clubroot Management Agreement between agricultural producers who have confirmed Clubroot fields within Smoky Lake County.
- STATEMENT:**
 - The Agricultural Service Board, under the authority of the *Agricultural Pest Act*, will undertake the following measures to assist in the minimization of Clubroot in canola.
 - 1.1 Perform random testing of susceptible crops and confirm suspected infections through laboratory testing (PCR).



Title: Seed Cleaning Plant Inspections	Policy No.: 25-01
Section: 62	Code: P-5
	Page No.: 1 of 6
	E

Legislation Reference: Alberta Weed Control Act, Seed Cleaning Plant Regulation

Purpose: To outline seed cleaning plant inspection procedures within Smoky Lake County. This policy applies to all operating seed cleaning plants within Smoky Lake County, including mobile plants.

Policy Statement and Guidelines:

- STATEMENT:**
 - To protect farmers from the spread of weeds due to seed cleaning plant faulty practices, design or maintenance, as required by the Alberta Weed Control Act.
- DEFINITION:**
 - "Mobile Seed Cleaning Plant" means a portable seed cleaning plant for hire which cleans seed to be used for seeding.
 - "Seed Cleaning Plant" means a building, or structure intended or used for custom cleaning grain or seed to be used for seeding.
 - "License" means a license to operate a seed cleaning plant issued under the Seed Cleaning Plant Regulation of the Alberta Weed Control Act.
 - "Inspector" means Agricultural Fieldman or designate.
- GUIDELINE:**
 - The inspection of a seed cleaning plant must be done annually to obtain a valid operating license provided under the Seed Cleaning Regulations of the Weed Control Act of Alberta.
 - The owner or operator of a portable or mobile seed cleaning plant intending to clean seed must notify Smoky Lake County ASS 24 hours prior to entering Smoky Lake County and must have a valid license issued by Smoky Lake County.
- PROCEDURE:**
 - Any seed cleaning plant operating within Smoky Lake County must contact Smoky Lake County to obtain an inspection and proper license as per **Schedule 6 - License to Operate a Grain and Seed Cleaning Plant**.
 - The Agricultural Fieldman or designate shall inspect each plant at a minimum of once annually. The license is non-transferable and expires one year after the date of issue.

Figure 5: Examples of Smoky Lake Agricultural Policies



Figure 6: ASB Programs including pond leveler and hoary alyssum control

Requirement 4 Appeal Committees

Agricultural Service Board Independent Appeal Panel for Weed Control

52-20: Orichowski That Smoky Lake County re-appoint the Public-at-Large members to the Agricultural Service Board Independent Appeal Panel for Weed Control, as per Bylaw 1240-12, as follows: Barry Feniak, Norman Schmidt, and Robert Semeniuk; and Ed Doktor as alternate.

Carried.

Figure 7 Organizational Meeting Minutes from October 22, 2020 - Appeal Panel appointment

Requirement 5 Inspector Appointments and Inspections



Figure 8: Examples of Weed/Pest Inspector Identification Cards

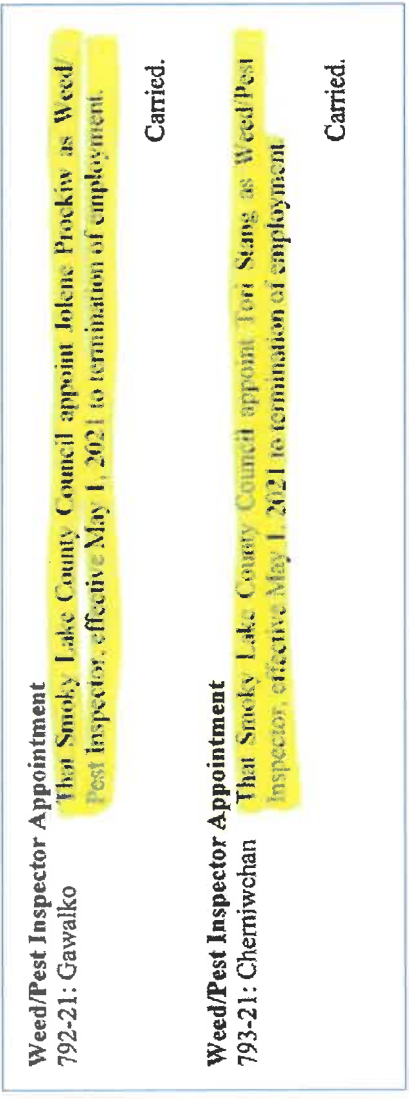


Figure 9: Examples of seasonal weed/pest inspector appointments

Permit for Coyote and Skunk Control On Another Person's Land

Alberta  **Government**

Permit Holder:
 Name: Carleigh McMullen Title: Ag. Fieldman
 Employer: Smoky Lake County Address: P.O. Box 310 Prov: AB PC: T0A 3C0
 Town: Smoky Lake

The permit holder named above has been trained in the use, storage, and handling of:

- devices and poisonous material for coyote control
- devices and poisonous material for skunk control

The permit holder is authorized to conduct the following:

Use, store, and handle the following devices and poisonous material:

- Compound 1080
- Livestock Protection Collars - Compound 1080
- Sodium Cyanide Cartridges and M-44s
- Neck Snare

- Issue the above to an owner or occupier of land who holds a Form 6 permit referred to below and train that owner or occupier to use, handle, and store them.
- Remove or alter a written warning issued by the Department concerning their use or storage.
- Issue Form 6 permits under the Pest and Nuisance Control Regulation.
- Issue Form 8 permits under the Pest and Nuisance Control Regulation.

The rules and methods for using, storing, and handling the devices and poisonous materials are set out in the applicable provisions of:

- The Agricultural Pests Act and the Pest and Nuisance Control Regulation (Alberta)
- The Pest Control Products Act (Canada)
- The policies of Alberta's Department of Agriculture and Rural Development.

R.H.M.

Bruce Hamblin
 Manager, Inspection Services
 License #: 6650

Dated this: November 24, 2020
 Expires: December 31, 2024

Form 7

Permit for Coyote and Skunk Control On Another Person's Land

Alberta  **Government**

Permit Holder:
 Name: Amanda Kuhn Title: Ag. Fieldman
 Employer: Smoky Lake County Address: PO Box 310 Prov: AB PC: T0A 3C0
 Town: Smoky Lake

The permit holder named above has been trained in the use, storage, and handling of:

- devices and poisonous material for coyote control
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R.H.M.

Bruce Hamblin
 Manager, Inspection Services
 License #: 6659

Dated this: November 24, 2020
 Expires: December 31, 2024

Form 7

Figure 10: Examples of Form 7 Permits

Requirement 6 Act Compliance & Enforcement

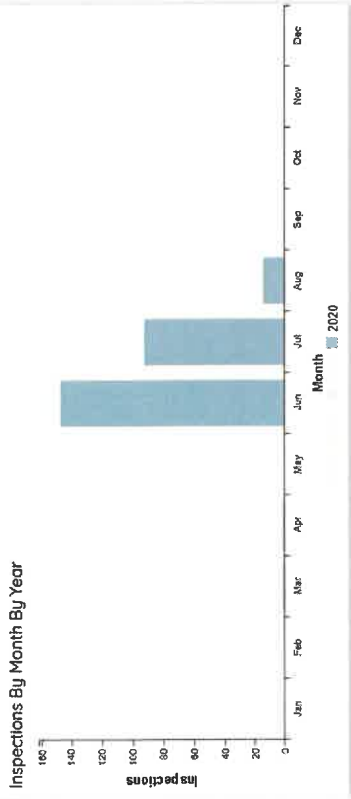


Figure 11: Weed Inspection Tracking



Figure 12: Examples of Awareness, Compliance and Non Compliance Letters for Weeds



Dear Smoky Lake County ratepayer:

Re: Noxious Weed; Common Tansy

During Smoky Lake County's 2016 routine weed inspections we have noticed an abundance of Common Tansy thriving within residences and farmland. Common Tansy is a perennial form that spreads by both seed and short underground horizontal roots. Often thought of as a "pretty" wildflower, this non-native is an aggressive invader. Its greatest impact is on forage production in pastures and meadows. Common Tansy can form thick dense stands and the plants contain alkaloids that are toxic to both humans and livestock; if consumed in large quantities.

Common Tansy is listed as Noxious under the *Alberta Weed Control Act* and must be controlled. This is why public awareness is critical for prevention and control of this highly invasive weed.

Regular mowing can reduce seed production, but must be repeated to eliminate regrowth from the rootstock. Repeated stem removal will eventually deplete the energy stored in the plants roots. The most effective control method combines both mowing (or hand cutting) with chemical control.

If you have any further questions please contact the Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Department at (780) 656-3730.

Thank you for your cooperation!



DATE
ADDRESS

Dear Smoky Lake County ratepayer:

Re: Weed Control Compliance; Mustard Leaf

As part of Smoky Lake County's 2019 weed inspection program, WEEDS has been identified on your property. This weed is listed as noxious under the *Alberta Weed Control Act* and must be controlled.

Please be aware that it is your responsibility as designated under the *Alberta Weed Control Act* to control any noxious weeds that have been identified on your property. Due to their highly invasive nature and ability to outcompete, these weeds pose a serious threat to agricultural land, environmentally sensitive areas and native vegetation within Smoky Lake County. We all must work together to take responsibility for control of these noxious weeds, so that the problem does not get any worse and spread to neighboring properties.

Each weed species may need a different method of control, depending on the weeds biology and growth stage, to be effective. Some plants respond well to mechanical control options (hand pulling, mowing or cultivation), some to cultural controls (fertilization and competition), and others to herbicides. Please make an attempt to control these weeds before **October 1st**.

For specific information regarding the weeds found within your property, please contact the Smoky Lake County Agricultural Services Department at (780) 656-3730, or you can contact me directly on my cell phone at **INSPECTOR CELL PHONE #**.

Thank you for your cooperation.

INSPECTOR NAME
Smoky Lake County Weed Inspector



DATE
ADDRESS
PROPERTY
PROPERTY

Dear Smoky Lake County ratepayer:

Re: Weed Control Compliance; Letter - Cdn. Elm

As part of Smoky Lake County's 2016 weed inspection program, weeds have been identified on your property and some form of control must be taken. Attempts to control you have been made requiring your cooperation in this matter. These letters provided you with a reminder that control work needed to be completed by the end of the season. The weeds identified on your property are listed below. Please note that the weeds identified on your property are designated as Noxious under the *Alberta Weed Control Act*, meaning your sort of control is necessary to prevent the spread of these weeds. Failure to do this means we control these weeds away from your property. Smoky Lake County's Weed Control is under a *Weed Control Act* through with enforcement is the *Inspection Act*.

An inspector, or any person authorized by an inspector, may take any action that the inspector deems necessary to fulfill a requirement of a notice given under this Part that has not been complied with. The inspector may enter the property at any time, and may take any action that the inspector deems necessary to fulfill a requirement of a notice given under this Part that has not been complied with. The inspector may enter the property at any time, and may take any action that the inspector deems necessary to fulfill a requirement of a notice given under this Part that has not been complied with. The inspector may enter the property at any time, and may take any action that the inspector deems necessary to fulfill a requirement of a notice given under this Part that has not been complied with.

Section 28 of the *Weed Control Act* states:
15000.01 An owner of an offence under this Part who is a fine of not more than \$1000 for each day the offence continues.

Smoky Lake County is requesting your assistance and cooperation in control of these noxious weeds by completing any necessary control work on your property. If you have any questions or concerns about this form, please contact the Smoky Lake Agricultural Services Department at (780) 656-3730.

Thank you.

Weed Inspector Name
Smoky Lake County Weed Inspector

2020 Bertha Armyworm Monitoring

Date	June 19	June 25	June 30	July 9	July 16	July 24	July 30	Aug 4
West								
SW-26-59-18 W/4	1	0	13	46	29	12	2	5
	0	0	1	73	25	13	0	7
Central								
NE-11-59-17 W/4	3	1	3	128	64	11	3	0
	1	1	4	61	45	6	0	0
East								
SE-25-58-14 W/4	0	1	8	101	70	48	7	3
	1	1	3	70	41	33	13	1



Figure 13: Bertha armyworm monitoring

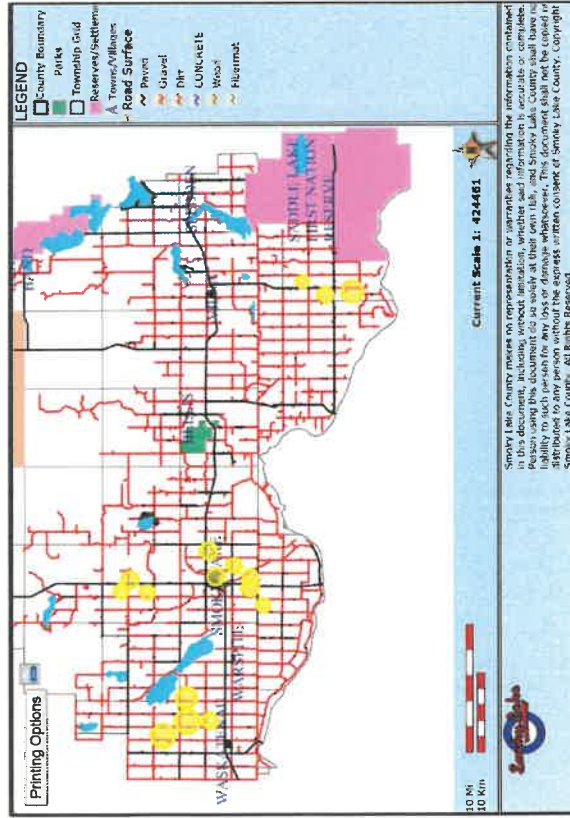


Figure 14: Clubroot inspections Map 2020



Figure 15: Examples of Spray Trucks for Weed Control Program

Requirement 7 Program & Policy Awareness



Pest Control

Smoky Lake County supports the management of the agricultural productivity of the municipality by controlling or eradicating of pests and nuisances within its boundaries that may have a detrimental impact on the agricultural sector. Landowners are also accountable for controlling or eradicating pests on their properties. Agriculture Services Pest Management Program is legislated by the *Agricultural Pest Act*.

Agricultural pests and nuisances are defined under the Agricultural Pest Act as any animal, bird, insect, plant or disease which negatively impacts agricultural production.

Smoky Lake County Agricultural Services works to educate producers and landowners on agricultural pests and nuisances, and participates in several provincial initiatives to monitor and control pest levels within the County. Pest inspectors are appointed by the Agricultural Service Board to carry out the duties of the Agricultural Pest Act.

Richardson Ground Squirrels *Urodellus richardsonii*

On March 4, 2020 under the authority of the *Pest Control Pesticides Act*, Health Canada has cancelled the registration of all strychnine products used to control Richardson ground squirrels.

Important Dates:
 Last date of sale by Registrant is March 4, 2021 (Manufacturer)
 Last date of sale by Retailer is March 4, 2022 Smoky Lake County is SOLD OUT
 Last date of permitted use is March 4, 2023

Richardson's Ground Squirrels (commonly known as 'gophers') are found in many areas throughout Alberta.

Figure 16: Excerpt of Smoky Lake County Website with example of pest awareness

Weed inspections on Private Land begins today.

WEED INSPECTIONS ON PRIVATE LAND

Strobel Lake County Agricultural Services will be conducting weed inspections of private land beginning June 1st. Weed inspectors will have a valid Weed Inspector ID and be in a marked Strobel Lake County vehicle. Weed inspectors will be looking for noxious and prohibited noxious weeds as regulated under the *Illinois Invasive Control Act*.

Spraying for noxious and prohibited noxious weeds in County right-of-ways will also be commencing June 1st.

For more information on prohibited noxious and noxious weed inspectors visit www.slsd.com/weedinspector For more information or questions, contact the Agricultural Services Department at 708.255.7473.



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Figure 17: Examples of social media promotion of agricultural programs



Figure 18: Weed awareness posters at water fill station



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8 December 2021

V.S.I. Services (1980) LTD

Box 137
Fariview, AB T0H 1L0

Attention: Terry Ungarian, President

Dear Mr. Ungarian

Re: Veterinary Services Incorporated (V.S.I.) Support

Woodlands County has supported the V.S.I. program since 2007. Since joining the program, a total of 160 producers have participated in the program. These producers have been able to receive assistance for eligible services from our area veterinarians.

The V.S.I. program provides two significant benefits in our municipality. The first benefit is to attract and retain large animal veterinarians. Producers receive financial support for the eligible procedures the veterinarians are more likely to be called to provide these services.

Secondly, overall herd health increases with the consistent care of the veterinarians as the economic costs are not as significant to the producer.

For these reasons, Woodlands County will continue to support the V.S.I program in the future.

Sincerely,


John Burrows
Mayor

cc: Provincial Agriculture Service Boards (via email)

Attach:



PO Box 1925
Blairmore, AB T0K 0E0
www.abinvasives.ca

December 13, 2021

Dear Amanda,

Thank you for your continued support of the Alberta Invasive Species Council (AISC). Without your contribution, the AISC risks surrendering our mission of protecting the province from the impacts of invasive species, particularly during these uncertain times.

In the past year, like many other organizations, AISC navigated rapidly changing environments and implemented innovative solutions to work toward achieving our goals. We have been diligently working toward our goals and with your support we were able to:

- Revise and reprint 55,000 copies of the **'Be Plant Wise - Grow Me Instead'** brochure.
- Create and print Quick Fact Cards for the **'Squeal on Pigs!'** and **Weed Free Forage** programs.
- Promote the **'Squeal on Pigs!'** campaign through press releases, billboard advertisements, custom merchandise, and stickers.
- Work toward revitalization the Alberta Certified Weed Free Forage program by training **45 Certified Weed Free Forage Inspectors**.
- Work with Wheatland County on the revision of the **'Alberta Invasive Plant Identification Guide'**, scheduled to be printed in the spring of 2022.
- Promote **EDDMapS**, a free smartphone app that allows users to report invasive plant species. We verify those reports and send them to the local authority for follow-up.
- Launch the new **EDDMapS Pro app**, an app designed for use by municipal invasive species managers for mapping and tracking their invasive species data.
- Create **distribution maps** for all invasive species reported through EDDMapS.
- Implement **goat grazing** for control of invasive plants with the Edmonton & Area Land Trust.
- Attend more than **34 virtual or in-person events** to promote awareness of invasive species in Alberta.
- Administer the **Alberta Biocontrol Release** program, providing 41 releases of leafy spurge beetles, training to landowners and organizations, and a pdf guide on how to release them.
- Pilot a new source of revenue for AISC with **holiday greeting cards**.
- Promote behaviour change campaigns such as **'PlayCleanGo'**, **'Don't Let It Loose'**, **'Clean Drain Dry'**, etc.
- Increase our social media presence and reach thousands of people through our posts. **We almost doubled our Facebook followers in 2021** with an increase from 794 to 1,353!
- Host our first ever week-long **Virtual Conference and AGM**, which offered professional development credits for certified pesticide applicators and boasted almost 150 registrants.
- Promote and maintain more than 150 **invasive species factsheets**.



- Publish **quarterly newsletters**, which are distributed to over 1,400 subscribers.

If you or your organization receives value and benefits from AISC's efforts, please review the following options and consider new or continued partnership with our organization for 2022.

Partner Benefit	Bronze Partner (\$1,000)	Silver Partner (\$2,000)	Gold Partner (\$5,000 +)
Access to our invasive species factsheets.	✓	✓	✓
Access to quarterly electronic newsletters.	✓	✓	✓
Free use of and data downloads from the EDDMapS and EDDMapS Pro apps.	✓	✓	✓
Opportunity to participate in working groups, events, or contribute articles to our newsletters.	✓	✓	✓
Reduced price on annual conference registration fees.	✓	✓	✓
Recognition in AISC's website and regular recognition of your generous contribution throughout the year in social media posts, at events, etc.	✓	✓	✓
Logo and recognition in our quarterly newsletter.	✓	✓	✓
Annual AISC memberships (includes one vote per membership at AGM).	2	3	4
Article in 'The Invader' newsletter; choose the topic and provide content on one article per year in consultation with the Editor.	✓	✓	✓
Free conference registration fee.			1
NEW* : Production of one 30-second invasive species 'factsheet video'. Species selection is first come first served. Partner logo will be added to video.			✓

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AISC Partner Form

Organization Name _____

Contact Name _____ Contact Phone _____

Contact Email Address _____

Sponsorship Level (Bronze, Silver, Gold) _____

Name of Members (2 for Bronze, 3 for Silver, and 4 for Gold):

_____	_____
_____	_____

Add email to newsletter mailing list

Invoice Required

Please return this completed form to execdirector@abinvasives.ca or PO Box 1925, Blairmore, AB T0K 0E0. Thank you for your continued support to help protect Alberta from the impacts of invasive species.

If you have any questions about the Alberta Invasive Species Council or partnership opportunities, please do not hesitate to contact us. Please let us know if there are other program ideas or partner recognition ideas you would like to discuss – we'd love to work together!

Thank you for your continued support of the AISC and for helping to protect Alberta from the harmful impacts of invasive species, we could not do the work that we do without it.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "ME", is positioned above the typed name.

Megan Evans
Executive Director



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December 20, 2021

ASB2021-026

Honorable Steven Guilbeault
Minister of Environment and Climate Change
House of Commons
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6

Dear Minister Guilbeault,

Re: Synthetic Fertilizer Emissions

The County of Warner Agriculture Service Board (ASB) is supporting letters from other municipalities regarding the federal government's emissions target for synthetic fertilizer.

Canadians in both urban and rural communities rely on agriculture as we overcome the crisis that we are in. There is currently a focus on increasing Canadian agricultural exports, increasing production of crops used for biofuels, and continued domestic demand for agricultural products from a growing population.

To achieve this, an increase in fertilizer is also required, as producing more crops requires the use of fertilizers. We ask your government not to further jeopardize this keystone industry by providing an emission target, which will result in cutting of use. Instead, a reduction in emission intensity or a measurement based on bushels produced may be more appropriate. Additionally, increased grants for research and development into innovative technologies to improve crop fertilizer uptake and retention are better approaches to meet the goal for better agricultural products and practices that will save farmers money and time while protecting Canada's environment.

The County of Warner ASB strongly encourages Honourable Steven Guilbeault to continue to review how best to achieve the fertilizer emissions target without placing limits on overall crop production.

Yours Truly,

Shawn Rodgers, ASB Chairman
Councillor Division 5 | County of Warner No. 5

Cc Honourable Marie-Claude Bibeau, Federal Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food
Premier Jason Kenney
Honourable Jason Nixon, AB Minister of Environment and Parks
Honourable Nate Horner, AB Minister of Agriculture
Honourable John Conrad, Assistant Deputy Minister, ADM Primary Agriculture
Glen Motz, MP Medicine Hat-Cardston-Warner
Grant Hunter, MLA Taber-Warner
Provincial Agricultural Service Boards

Amanda Kihn
Smoky Lake County
Box 310
Smoky Lake Alberta T0A 3C0



January 6, 2022

Dear Amanda Kihn,

The 2021-2022 school year is the 24th consecutive year of Safety Smarts delivery to children attending rural and remote elementary schools in Alberta. The generosity of many continues to make this unique farm safety extension effort possible and we are grateful for each and every dollar donated in support of the important outreach of our charitable organization.

As you know, this past year was filled with unique challenges related to the Covid pandemic. However, we have managed to keep both our Safety Smarts and our Sustainable Farm Families programs running albeit in a slightly different fashion than in previous years.

The Safety Smarts program has been adapted to allow for both virtual delivery via Zoom as well as safe face-to-face delivery in schools. Our Safety Smarts team has been well trained and fully equipped with all the necessary skills and tools to be able to successfully and safely deliver Safety Smarts presentations to rural elementary students across the province. In the 2021 calendar year, our Safety Smarts team delivered a total of 1,586 Safety Smarts presentations to 31,330 elementary students in 285 rural elementary schools across the province.

The Sustainable Farm Families program, also known as the Rural Health Initiative, is a newer program designed to promote health, well-being and safety among rural adults. In 2021, the Sustainable Farm Families program made significant adaptations to allow for one-on-one in-depth health assessments and personal education instead of the traditional group setting. This new approach has enabled us to safely deliver Rural Health Initiative workshops within the current Covid restrictions. More information about the Rural Health Initiative is attached. Please let us know if your organization would like to host a Rural Health Initiative workshop for families in your area.

You may also know, that in October of 2020, the Farm Safety Centre was informed by Government of Alberta representatives that ALL their involvement in and support of farm safety learning and extension would end in December 2020. True to their word, their departmental staff were laid off and online resources were withdrawn at the end of 2020. This has created a significant funding challenge for the Farm Safety Centre and other agriculture-based charities in the province that care about the well-being of farmers and their families. To put into perspective, about 35% of our annual funding came from the GOA in the form of government grants designated for program delivery.

The continued commitment of Counties and MD's across Alberta kept the Safety Smarts program viable this last year. Please pass on our sincere thanks to your ASB's. While your own budget realities make it impossible to support all requests, we are hopeful that you might be able to again have funds available to support program delivery in 2022.

Our 2022 request, based on 2021 delivery to 178 children @ \$3.50/student, is \$623.00 (see enclosed delivery details). We recognize that this year's delivery may be less than in years past. With your generous support, we hope to increase delivery equivalent to years past, prior to Covid. Should your budget realities allow, please consider a donation similar to previous years.

Each contribution, of **any amount**, is greatly appreciated and we acknowledge the generous contributions received from Your M.D./County in previous years. All contributions are recognized under "Supporters" on our website.

With this in mind, the Farm Safety Centre is hopeful that in 2022 your organization will consider supporting our extension efforts, as we continue the search for alternate funding partners. If this is does not work within your budget then a donation of any amount will be greatly apricated.

As a charity registered with CRA, any donation in support of our mission is eligible for a charitable tax receipt.

Thank-you for your continued support,



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SAFETY SMARTS

DELIVERY FOR THE 2021 CALENDAR YEAR

31,435
STUDENTS



1,591
PRESENTATIONS

285 SCHOOLS



Safety Smarts Totals This FY

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School: County ↑		Total # Students	Total # Pres	School: #	Date	School Name
		17	1	1	2021-10-04	Kinuso School
		20	1	1	2021-02-16	Joussard School
		23	1	1	2021-03-15	Joussard School
		40	2	1	2021-03-05	High Prairie Elementary School
		22	1	1	2021-10-25	High Park School
		25	1	1	2021-11-30	Grimshaw Public School
		39	2	1	2021-11-10	Eckville Elementary School
		79	6	1	2021-11-01	St. Andrew's School
		70	6	1	2021-11-09	St. Andrew's School
		20	1	1	2021-10-18	Covenant Christian School
		0	0	1	2021-10-18	Covenant Christian School
		19	1	1	2021-09-23	Waldeck School
		62	5	1	2021-04-27	Vilna School
		45	5	1	2021-11-26	Vilna School
		42	1	1	2021-11-16	Stony Plain Central School
		18	1	1	2021-11-18	Stony Creek Program School
Subtotal	Sum	541	35	12		
	Count	16				
Athabasca County		21	1	1	2021-02-01	Greentree School
		45	2	1	2021-02-26	Greentree School
		52	2	1	2021-03-04	Greentree School
		21	1	1	2021-04-15	Greentree School
		26	1	1	2021-10-06	Greentree School
		49	3	1	2021-11-30	Grassland Community School
		71	4	1	2021-09-21	Caslan School
		75	4	1	2021-06-03	Boyle School
Subtotal	Sum	360	18	4		
	Count	8				
Beaver County		32	1	1	2021-03-18	C.W. Sears Elementary School
		217	13	1	2021-03-19	C.W. Sears Elementary School
		112	6	1	2021-03-04	Viking School
		20	1	1	2021-05-21	Viking Colony School
		16	1	1	2021-11-10	Viking Colony School
Subtotal	Sum	397	22	3		
	Count	5				
Birch Hills County		10	1	1	2021-11-16	Eaglesham School
		10	1	1	2021-03-23	Eaglesham School
		13	1	1	2021-11-26	Eaglesham School
Subtotal	Sum	33	3	1		
	Count	3				
Brazeau County		142	6	1	2021-10-20	Drayton Christian School
		161	7	1	2021-09-28	Breton Elementary School
		326	16	1	2021-03-19	Aurora Elementary School
Subtotal	Sum	629	29	3		

	Count	3			
Camrose County		115	6	1	2021-02-05 Hay Lakes School
		77	4	1	2021-12-09 Ecole Sifton School
		132	7	1	2021-11-08 Ecole Sifton School
		57	3	1	2021-02-16 Cornerstone Christian Academy
		138	7	1	2021-03-05 Bawlf School
		95	6	1	2021-06-17 Bashaw School & ECS
		105	6	1	2021-02-02 New Norway School
		110	6	1	2021-02-02 New Norway School
Subtotal	Sum	829	45	6	
	Count	8			
Cardston County		14	1	1	2021-11-24 Hutterville Colony School
		0	1	1	2021-10-14 Crystal Spring Colony School
		200	9	1	2021-03-09 Cardston Elementary School
		156	8	1	2021-03-10 Cardston Elementary School
		165	8	1	2021-03-11 Cardston Elementary School
		143	7	1	2021-11-22 Cardston Elementary School
		166	8	1	2021-11-24 Cardston Elementary School
		174	8	1	2021-11-23 Cardston Elementary School
		21	1	1	2021-10-14 Rockport Colony School
Subtotal	Sum	1039	51	4	
	Count	9			
Clear Hills County		15	1	1	2021-02-19 Worsley Central School
Subtotal	Sum	15	1	1	
	Count	1			
Clearwater County		272	13	1	2021-03-26 Lochearn School
		214	11	1	2021-04-01 Ecole Rocky Elementary School
		223	10	1	2021-03-29 Condor Elementary School
		20	1	1	2021-02-23 Caroline School
Subtotal	Sum	729	35	4	
	Count	4			
County of Barrhead		159	7	1	2021-06-14 Neerlandia Public Christian School
		192	7	1	2021-10-25 Barrhead Elementary School
		144	7	1	2021-10-28 Barrhead Elementary School
		515	20	1	2021-06-01 Barrhead Elementary School
		224	8	1	2021-10-27 Barrhead Elementary School
Subtotal	Sum	1234	49	2	
	Count	5			
County of Forty Mile		0	1	1	2021-10-27 Baker Colony School
		17	1	1	2021-06-07 Kings Lake Colony School
		28	1	1	2021-12-09 Starbrite Colony School
		135	8	1	2021-04-13 St. Michaels Elementary School
		60	3	1	2021-04-30 Cherry Coulee Christian Academy
		60	3	1	2021-11-26 Cherry Coulee Christian Academy
		80	4	1	2021-03-05 Burdett School
		67	4	1	2021-03-08 Burdett School
		118	7	1	2021-10-13 Burdett School
		0	1	1	2021-10-27 Rosedale Colony School
	14	1	1	2021-12-09 Plainview Colony School	
Subtotal	Sum	579	34	8	
	Count	11			
County of Grande Prairie		20	1	1	2021-02-17 Hythe Elementary School
		15	1	1	2021-06-22 Hythe Elementary School
		65	3	1	2021-04-23 Harry Balfour School

		14	1	1	2021-11-17	Grandview Colony School
		21	1	1	2021-03-15	Clairmont Community School
		12	1	1	2021-06-22	Clairmont Community School
		38	1	1	2021-04-01	Clairmont Community School
		48	2	1	2021-10-01	Clairmont Community School
		10	1	1	2021-04-26	Bezanson School
		22	1	1	2021-03-22	Beaverlodge Elementary School
		42	1	1	2021-04-01	Beaverlodge Elementary School
		12	1	1	2021-10-25	Beaverlodge Elementary School
		17	1	1	2021-11-25	Beaverlodge Elementary School
		21	1	1	2021-10-26	Beaverlodge Elementary School
		26	1	1	2021-11-30	Wembley Elementary School
Subtotal	Sum	383	18	7		
	Count	15				
County of Lethbridge		28	1	1	2021-06-14	Keho Lake Colony School
		56	3	1	2021-05-11	Jennie Emery School
		89	5	1	2021-05-12	Jennie Emery School
		134	6	1	2021-05-10	Jennie Emery School
		156	7	1	2021-11-03	Jennie Emery School
		155	8	1	2021-11-02	Jennie Emery School
		85	4	1	2021-11-01	Jennie Emery School
		79	4	1	2021-12-08	Huntsville School
		138	7	1	2021-03-01	Dorothy Dalgliesh School
		153	7	1	2021-05-03	St. Joseph's School
		14	1	1	2021-11-08	St. Catherine School
		21	1	1	2021-11-15	St. Catherine School
		16	1	1	2021-11-08	St. Catherine School
		26	1	1	2021-03-05	Coalhurst Elementary School
		20	1	1	2021-03-08	Coalhurst Elementary School
		85	4	1	2021-11-29	Coalhurst Elementary School
		133	7	1	2021-05-26	Coalhurst Elementary School
		23	1	1	2021-04-26	Coaldale Christian School
		89	6	1	2021-03-16	Calvin Christian School
		147	7	1	2021-03-17	Calvin Christian School
		151	8	1	2021-03-18	Calvin Christian School
		11	1	1	2021-11-17	White Lake Colony School
		18	1	1	2021-10-08	Barons School
		28	1	1	2021-09-23	Barons School
		18	1	1	2021-11-08	Barons School
		164	7	1	2021-04-22	Noble Central School
		106	6	1	2021-09-16	Sunnyside School
Subtotal	Sum	2143	107	13		
	Count	27				
County of Minburn		104	7	1	2021-09-28	Mannville School
		24	2	1	2021-04-16	Delnorte School
		22	2	1	2021-11-24	Delnorte School
		188	10	1	2021-03-10	St. Martin's Catholic School
		21	1	1	2021-03-18	St. Martin's Catholic School
		324	13	1	2021-03-02	A.L. Horton Elementary School
Subtotal	Sum	683	35	4		
	Count	6				
County of Newell		16	1	1	2021-12-09	Lathom Colony School
		178	8	1	2021-04-20	Holy Family Academy
		79	4	1	2021-04-21	Holy Family Academy

		129	6	1	2021-04-19	Holy Family Academy
		134	6	1	2021-11-19	Holy Family Academy
		63	3	1	2021-06-07	Eastbrook Elementary School
		23	1	1	2021-02-26	Eastbrook Elementary School
		14	1	1	2021-05-04	Eastbrook Elementary School
		30	1	1	2021-10-22	Rosemary School
		21	1	1	2021-10-18	Rosemary School
		24	1	1	2021-03-19	Bassano School
		39	3	1	2021-12-02	Alcoma School
		18	1	1	2021-11-04	Tilley School
		41	2	1	2021-10-05	Tilley School
Subtotal	Sum	809	39	7		
	Count	14				
County of Paintearth		109	7	1	2021-05-28	Gus Wetter School
Subtotal	Sum	109	7	1		
	Count	1				
County of St. Paul		20	1	1	2021-12-10	Elk Point Elementary School
		17	1	1	2021-11-24	Elk Point Elementary School
		43	2	1	2021-11-19	Elk Point Elementary School
		38	2	1	2021-12-08	Ecole Mallaig Community School
		36	2	1	2021-12-10	Ecole Mallaig Community School
		261	10	1	2021-04-22	Ashmont Elementary School
Subtotal	Sum	415	18	3		
	Count	6				
County of Stettler		21	1	1	2021-10-22	Christ-King Catholic School
		61	3	1	2021-03-12	Botha School
		328	16	1	2021-04-07	Stettler Elementary School
Subtotal	Sum	410	20	3		
	Count	3				
County of Thorhild		99	6	1	2021-05-25	Thorhild Central School
		30	1	1	2021-09-24	Thorhild Central School
Subtotal	Sum	129	7	1		
	Count	2				
County of Two Hills		50	3	1	2021-12-01	New Myrnam School
		92	5	1	2021-03-26	Two Hills School
		99	7	1	2021-10-14	Two Hills School
Subtotal	Sum	241	15	2		
	Count	3				
County of Vermilion River		0	1	1	2021-11-25	Barr Colony School
		0	0	1	2021-12-03	Barr Colony School
		17	1	1	2021-10-01	Marwayne Jubilee School
		16	1	1	2021-09-20	Marwayne Jubilee School
		13	1	1	2021-09-21	Marwayne Jubilee School
		22	1	1	2021-09-22	Marwayne Jubilee School
		18	1	1	2021-12-08	Hillmond Central School
		16	1	1	2021-11-18	Hillmond Central School
		87	5	1	2021-06-18	E.H. Walter School
		45	4	1	2021-04-30	Dewberry School
		183	9	1	2021-04-15	St. Jerome's School
		21	2	1	2021-04-26	Clandonald School
		164	8	1	2021-10-18	Vermilion Elementary School
		23	2	1	2021-10-21	Vermilion Elementary School
		71	4	1	2021-10-21	Vermilion Elementary School
		137	7	1	2021-10-18	Vermilion Elementary School

Subtotal	Sum	833	48	8	
	Count	16			
County of Warner		12	1	1	2021-11-24 Milford Colony School
		12	1	1	2021-12-15 Fairlane Colony School
		0	1	1	2021-12-15 Evergreen Colony School
		25	1	1	2021-11-25 Elm Spring Colony School
		0	1	1	2021-10-28 Delco Colony School
		11	1	1	2021-06-07 Wolf Creek Colony School
		51	3	1	2021-05-06 Raymond Elementary School
		23	1	1	2021-11-25 Prairie Home Colony School
		19	1	1	2021-11-09 Warner School
Subtotal	Sum	153	11	9	
	Count	9			
County of Wetaskiwin		67	4	1	2021-03-24 Lakedell School
		86	4	1	2021-02-03 Gwynne School
		19	1	1	2021-11-03 Gwynne School
		44	2	1	2021-11-04 Gwynne School
		149	6	1	2021-10-06 Griffiths-Scott Middle School
		104	6	1	2021-11-04 Clear Vista School
		117	6	1	2021-11-03 Clear Vista School
		11	1	1	2021-05-21 Silver Creek Colony School
		229	10	1	2021-03-12 Sacred Heart Catholic School
		87	4	1	2021-12-10 Pipestone School
		112	6	1	2021-03-17 Alder Flats Elementary School
	Subtotal	Sum	1025	50	8
	Count	11			
County of Wheatland		11	1	1	2021-05-26 Country Hills Colony School
Subtotal	Sum	11	1	1	
	Count	1			
Cypress County		44	2	1	2021-06-04 Irvine School
		0	2	1	2021-10-15 Irvine School
		174	10	1	2021-02-02 Seven Persons School
		20	2	1	2021-10-19 Seven Persons School
		64	3	1	2021-05-31 Schuler School
Subtotal	Sum	302	19	3	
	Count	5			
Flagstaff County		83	6	1	2021-03-25 Forestburg School
		158	6	1	2021-03-01 Central High Sedgewick Public School
		14	1	1	2021-03-01 Central High Sedgewick Public School
Subtotal	Sum	255	13	2	
	Count	3			
Foothills County		8	1	1	2021-10-27 High River Colony School
		0	0	1	2021-12-10 C. Ian McLaren School
		20	1	1	2021-03-09 Blackie School
		18	1	1	2021-09-27 Blackie School
		16	1	1	2021-09-23 Blackie School
		23	1	1	2021-03-05 Big Rock School
		18	1	1	2021-10-08 Big Rock School
		72	4	1	2021-03-15 Turner Valley Elementary School
		22	1	1	2021-03-16 Turner Valley Elementary School
	20	1	1	2021-09-27 Turner Valley Elementary School	
Subtotal	Sum	217	12	5	
	Count	10			
Kneehill County		13	1	1	2021-12-13 May City Colony School

		10	1	1	2021-12-14	Huxley Colony School
		16	1	1	2021-12-02	Bristone Colony School
		115	6	1	2021-06-23	Prairie Christian Academy Elementary School
		108	5	1	2021-06-17	Acme School
		28	1	1	2021-12-16	Three Hills Colony School
Subtotal	Sum	290	15	6		
	Count	6				
Lac La Biche County		22	1	1	2021-11-02	Ecole Plamondon School
Subtotal	Sum	22	1	1		
	Count	1				
Lacombe County		47	2	1	2021-11-10	Iron Ridge Intermediate Campus
		112	6	1	2021-11-05	Iron Ridge Elementary Campus
		94	6	1	2021-11-03	Iron Ridge Elementary Campus
		109	6	1	2021-11-04	Iron Ridge Elementary Campus
		169	8	1	2021-06-07	Ecole Lacombe Upper Elementary School
		202	9	1	2021-04-09	Ecole Lacombe Upper Elementary School
		183	7	1	2021-11-23	Ecole Lacombe Upper Elementary School
		157	7	1	2021-11-22	Ecole Lacombe Upper Elementary School
		27	1	1	2021-11-18	Ecole James S. McCormick School
		45	3	1	2021-03-24	Crestomere School
		142	7	1	2021-04-06	Clive School
		19	1	1	2021-10-27	Clive School
		13	1	1	2021-10-15	Clive School
		22	1	1	2021-10-14	Clive School
		214	11	1	2021-03-23	Bentley School
		55	2	1	2021-10-13	Bentley School
		78	4	1	2021-11-08	Bentley School
		92	4	1	2021-10-20	Bentley School
		26	1	1	2021-11-17	Pleasant Valley Colony School
		131	6	1	2021-04-23	Alix MAC School
		17	1	1	2021-11-10	Terrace Ridge School
		62	3	1	2021-10-26	Terrace Ridge School
Subtotal	Sum	2016	97	10		
	Count	22				
Lac Ste. Anne County		225	11	1	2021-05-28	Elmer Elson Elementary School
		164	7	1	2021-12-14	Elmer Elson Elementary School
		116	6	1	2021-12-13	Elmer Elson Elementary School
		138	7	1	2021-06-08	Darwell School
		190	10	1	2021-06-11	Onoway Elementary School
		151	9	1	2021-04-29	Onoway Elementary School
		24	1	1	2021-05-19	Onoway Elementary School
Subtotal	Sum	1008	51	3		
	Count	7				
Lakeland County		25	1	1	2021-11-18	Holy Cross Elementary School
		17	1	1	2021-11-24	Holy Cross Elementary School
		75	5	1	2021-05-31	Elizabeth School
		103	6	1	2021-10-19	Cold Lake Middle School
Subtotal	Sum	220	13	3		
	Count	4				
Lamont County		199	8	1	2021-11-16	Lamont Elementary School
		98	6	1	2021-06-04	Bruderheim Community School
		0	0	1	2021-09-20	Andrew School
		52	3	1	2021-09-21	Andrew School
		0	0	1	2021-09-21	Andrew School

		10	1	1	2021-09-20	Andrew School
Subtotal	Sum	359	18	3		
	Count	6				
Leduc County		20	1	1	2021-11-17	Holy Spirit Catholic School
		124	6	1	2021-11-18	Holy Spirit Catholic School
		57	3	1	2021-09-27	New Humble Community School
		259	8	1	2021-12-01	Ecole Champs Vallee School
		221	8	1	2021-12-02	Ecole Champs Vallee School
		228	11	1	2021-02-11	Calmar Elementary School
		22	1	1	2021-02-24	Calmar Elementary School
		108	6	1	2021-04-20	Warburg School
		20	1	1	2021-05-06	New Sarepta Elementary School
		213	10	1	2021-03-08	New Sarepta Elementary School
		198	11	1	2021-04-08	Thorsby Elementary School
Subtotal	Sum	1470	66	7		
	Count	11				
M.D. of Acadia		75	3	1	2021-06-14	Warren Peers School
		23	2	1	2021-10-25	Warren Peers School
Subtotal	Sum	98	5	1		
	Count	2				
M.D. of Bonnyville		90	5	1	2021-11-29	Kehewin Community Education Centre
		103	5	1	2021-06-22	Glendon School
		117	6	1	2021-11-15	Ecole Dr. Bernard Brosseau Catholic School
		145	8	1	2021-05-05	Duclos School
		217	12	1	2021-05-04	Duclos School
Subtotal	Sum	672	36	4		
	Count	5				
M.D. of Fairview		25	1	1	2021-02-17	St. Thomas More Catholic School
		20	1	1	2021-04-23	St. Thomas More Catholic School
		27	1	1	2021-04-27	St. Thomas More Catholic School
		216	14	1	2021-06-08	E.E. Oliver Elementary School
Subtotal	Sum	288	17	2		
	Count	4				
M.D. of Greenview		112	6	1	2021-06-15	Harry Gray Elementary School
		95	6	1	2021-10-22	Harry Gray Elementary School
		118	7	1	2021-04-19	St. Stephen's Catholic School
		17	1	1	2021-03-22	Ridgevalley School
		12	1	1	2021-10-15	Ridgevalley School
		73	5	1	2021-06-10	Penson School
		33	2	1	2021-04-20	Oscar Adolphson Primary School
		54	3	1	2021-04-19	Oscar Adolphson Primary School
		44	2	1	2021-04-21	Oscar Adolphson Primary School
Subtotal	Sum	558	33	5		
	Count	9				
M.D. of Lesser Slave River		16	1	1	2021-12-13	St. Mary of the Lake School
		53	4	1	2021-02-23	Smith School
Subtotal	Sum	69	5	2		
	Count	2				
M.D. of Pincher Creek		29	1	1	2021-06-14	Livingstone Colony School
		0	1	1	2021-11-04	Livingstone Colony School
		20	1	1	2021-11-04	Spring Point Colony School
		22	1	1	2021-06-04	Pincher Creek Colony School
Subtotal	Sum	71	4	3		
	Count	4				

M.D. of Provost		84	4	1	2021-04-14	Amisk School
Subtotal	Sum	84	4	1		
	Count	1				
M.D. of Smoky River		88	3	1	2021-05-07	Ecole Providence School
Subtotal	Sum	88	3	1		
	Count	1				
M.D. of Spirit River		34	3	1	2021-06-18	Spirit River Regional Academy
		11	1	1	2021-03-23	Rycroft School
		21	1	1	2021-10-04	Rycroft School
		94	7	1	2021-06-10	Ste. Marie Catholic School
Subtotal	Sum	160	12	3		
	Count	4				
M.D. of Taber		53	3	1	2021-11-18	L.T. Westlake Fine Arts Elementary School
		17	2	1	2021-03-22	Hays School
		70	4	1	2021-03-23	Enchant School
		27	1	1	2021-11-18	Enchant Colony School
		23	1	1	2021-10-01	Dr. Hamman School
		26	1	1	2021-09-15	Dr. Hamman School
		22	1	1	2021-09-21	Dr. Hamman School
		21	1	1	2021-09-22	Dr. Hamman School
		23	1	1	2021-12-03	Dr. Hamman School
		0	1	1	2021-11-10	Copperfield Colony School
		61	4	1	2021-11-04	Chamberlain School
		117	7	1	2021-02-22	Central School
		82	3	1	2021-02-23	Central School
		0	1	1	2021-11-10	Cameron Farms Colony School
		182	9	1	2021-06-03	Vauxhall Elementary School
		88	4	1	2021-04-07	Vauxhall Elementary School
		111	6	1	2021-02-24	Taber Christian School
	102	6	1	2021-02-25	Taber Christian School	
	20	1	1	2021-09-20	Taber Christian School	
	141	6	1	2021-10-12	Taber Christian School	
Subtotal	Sum	1186	63	11		
	Count	20				
M.D. Of Wainwright		42	2	1	2021-09-27	Irma School
		59	4	1	2021-06-09	Edgerton Public School
		6	1	1	2021-10-27	Dr. Folkins Community School
		18	1	1	2021-10-12	Wainwright Elementary School
		49	2	1	2021-10-06	Wainwright Elementary School
		22	1	1	2021-10-04	Wainwright Elementary School
Subtotal	Sum	196	11	4		
	Count	6				
M.D. Of Willow Creek		17	1	1	2021-06-14	Jumbo Valley Colony School
		17	1	1	2021-12-08	Greenwood Colony School
		55	3	1	2021-04-14	Granum School
		0	3	1	2021-10-14	Granum School
		11	1	1	2021-10-06	Ewelme Colony School
		15	1	1	2021-11-17	Daly Creek Colony School
		0	1	1	2021-11-03	Clear Lake Colony School
		0	0	1	2021-12-08	Willow Creek Colony School
		42	2	1	2021-05-04	W.A. Day School
		42	2	1	2021-06-21	A.B. Daley Community School
		18	1	1	2021-04-30	A.B. Daley Community School
	20	1	1	2021-09-21	A.B. Daley Community School	

		23	1	1	2021-04-26	Stavely Elementary School
		25	1	1	2021-11-17	Stavely Elementary School
Subtotal	Sum	285	19	10		
	Count	14				
Mountain View County		13	1	1	2021-10-29	Neudorf Colony School
		16	1	1	2021-12-01	Mountain View Colony School
		23	1	1	2021-10-04	Ecole Olds Elementary School
		28	1	1	2021-10-06	Ecole Olds Elementary School
		23	1	1	2021-10-26	Ecole Olds Elementary School
		21	1	1	2021-10-06	Ecole Olds Elementary School
		24	1	1	2021-09-23	Carstairs Elementary School
		24	1	1	2021-09-27	Carstairs Elementary School
		45	3	1	2021-03-04	Reed Ranch School
		161	7	1	2021-10-06	Olds Koinonia Christian School
		147	7	1	2021-05-27	Olds Koinonia Christian School
Subtotal	Sum	525	25	6		
	Count	11				
Northern Sunrise County		50	4	1	2021-12-07	Northlands Online School
		23	1	1	2021-11-25	Good Shepherd School
Subtotal	Sum	73	5	2		
	Count	2				
Parkland County		225	12	1	2021-03-22	Muir Lake Community School
		24	1	1	2021-10-07	Muir Lake Community School
		78	3	1	2021-11-17	Entwistle School
		16	1	1	2021-11-18	Entwistle School
		38	3	1	2021-10-14	Duffield School
		70	4	1	2021-10-15	Duffield School
		64	3	1	2021-04-12	Tomahawk School
		22	1	1	2021-11-02	Tomahawk School
Subtotal	Sum	537	28	4		
	Count	8				
Ponoka County		22	1	1	2021-05-18	Leedale Colony School
		22	1	1	2021-11-19	Leedale Colony School
		83	4	1	2021-12-16	Mecca Glen School
		93	4	1	2021-09-23	Bluffton School
Subtotal	Sum	220	10	3		
	Count	4				
R.M. of Eldon		20	1	1	2021-09-23	Ratusniak Elementary School
Subtotal	Sum	20	1	1		
	Count	1				
R.M. of Eye Hill		19	1	1	2021-10-12	Macklin School
Subtotal	Sum	19	1	1		
	Count	1				
R.M. of Frenchman Butte		38	2	1	2021-12-08	St. Walburg School
		19	1	1	2021-10-07	Paradise Hill School
		24	1	1	2021-09-30	Paradise Hill School
Subtotal	Sum	81	4	2		
	Count	3				
R.M. of Hillsdale		10	1	1	2021-09-23	Neilburg Composite School
		17	1	1	2021-09-16	Neilburg Composite School
Subtotal	Sum	27	2	1		
	Count	2				
R.M. of Round Valley		27	1	1	2021-09-27	Unity Public School
		28	1	1	2021-10-13	Unity Public School

		14	1	1	2021-09-24	Unity Public School
Subtotal	Sum	69	3	1		
	Count	3				
R.M. of Turtle River		26	1	1	2021-09-24	H. Hardcastle
Subtotal	Sum	26	1	1		
	Count	1				
Red Deer County		101	5	1	2021-04-29	John Wilson Elementary School
		140	6	1	2021-04-28	John Wilson Elementary School
		139	7	1	2021-04-27	John Wilson Elementary School
		21	1	1	2021-05-17	Jessie Duncan Elementary School
		20	1	1	2021-05-18	Jessie Duncan Elementary School
		23	1	1	2021-06-03	Jessie Duncan Elementary School
		20	1	1	2021-09-29	Jessie Duncan Elementary School
		24	1	1	2021-10-09	Jessie Duncan Elementary School
		23	1	1	2021-10-18	Jessie Duncan Elementary School
		116	7	1	2021-04-17	Innisfail Middle School
		63	3	1	2021-10-21	Innisfail Middle School
		83	4	1	2021-10-20	Innisfail Middle School
		52	4	1	2021-03-02	Elnora School
		182	8	1	2021-12-07	Ecole Steffie Woima Elementary School
		235	7	1	2021-11-29	Ecole Steffie Woima Elementary School
		21	1	1	2021-09-27	Ecole St. Marguerite Bourgeoys School
		64	3	1	2021-12-03	Ecole St. Marguerite Bourgeoys School
		23	1	1	2021-10-06	Ecole St. Marguerite Bourgeoys School
		18	1	1	2021-09-22	Ecole St. Marguerite Bourgeoys School
		21	1	1	2021-02-03	Delburne Centralized School
		67	3	1	2021-11-05	Delburne Centralized School
		24	1	1	2021-10-07	Delburne Centralized School
		24	1	1	2021-09-16	Delburne Centralized School
		25	1	1	2021-09-20	Delburne Centralized School
		138	7	1	2021-04-16	Spruce View School
		301	11	1	2021-03-30	C.P. Blakely Elementary School
		23	1	1	2021-02-11	Bowden Grandview School
		24	1	1	2021-10-19	Bowden Grandview School
		24	2	1	2021-10-29	Rainbow Colony School
		10	1	1	2021-10-29	Pine Hill Colony School
		194	8	1	2021-10-05	Penhold Elementary School
		17	2	1	2021-04-12	Sylvan Meadow Adventist School
Subtotal	Sum	2260	103	14		
	Count	32				
Rocky View County		142	6	1	2021-03-03	Langdon School
		14	1	1	2021-03-19	Langdon School
		96	5	1	2021-05-25	Indus School
		17	1	1	2021-10-28	Fairview Colony School
		25	1	1	2021-09-17	Cochrane Christian Academy
		107	2	1	2021-11-10	Beiseker Community School
		10	1	1	2021-10-28	Beiseker Colony School
		18	1	1	2021-10-08	Red Deer Lake School
		155	8	1	2021-12-09	Westbrook School
		19	1	1	2021-12-01	Tschetter Colony School
Subtotal	Sum	603	27	9		
	Count	10				
Saddle Hills County		15	1	1	2021-06-14	Woking School
		0	0	1	2021-06-21	Woking School

Subtotal	Sum	15	1	1		
	Count	2				
Smoky Lake County		52	4	1	2021-03-18	Holy Family Catholic School
		126	7	1	2021-03-15	H.A. Kostash School
Subtotal	Sum	178	11	2		
	Count	2				
Special Area 2		16	1	1	2021-03-23	Berry Creek Community School
Subtotal	Sum	16	1	1		
	Count	1				
Special Area 3		13	1	1	2021-03-19	Youngstown School
		35	2	1	2021-12-06	Youngstown School
Subtotal	Sum	48	3	1		
	Count	2				
Special Area 4		146	7	1	2021-04-12	Consort School
Subtotal	Sum	146	7	1		
	Count	1				
Starland County		11	1	1	2021-06-04	Blue Sky Colony School
Subtotal	Sum	11	1	1		
	Count	1				
Strathcona County		64	3	1	2021-10-15	Holy Redeemer Catholic School
		281	13	1	2021-03-09	Fultonvale Elementary School
		304	8	1	2021-11-26	Ecole Elementaire Ardrossan Elementary
		196	8	1	2021-11-25	Ecole Elementaire Ardrossan Elementary
		178	8	1	2021-02-17	Uncas Elementary School
		1023	40	4		
Subtotal	Sum	1023	40	4		
	Count	5				
Sturgeon County		103	7	1	2021-10-12	Legal School
		22	1	1	2021-11-22	Ecole Citadelle School
		69	3	1	2021-10-08	Bon Accord Community School
		131	6	1	2021-05-27	Ochre Park School
Subtotal	Sum	325	17	4		
	Count	4				
Vulcan County		9	1	1	2021-06-07	Little Bow Colony School
		0	1	1	2021-11-03	Little Bow Colony School
		30	2	1	2021-10-27	Brant Colony School
Subtotal	Sum	39	4	2		
	Count	3				
Westlock County		131	7	1	2021-10-21	Eleanor Hall School
		51	4	1	2021-06-01	Dunstable School
		82	4	1	2021-05-06	St. Mary School
		105	6	1	2021-06-02	Busby School
Subtotal	Sum	369	21	4		
	Count	4				
Wheatland County		26	1	1	2021-12-02	Stahlville/Hines Colony School
		37	2	1	2021-03-12	Carseland School
		30	1	1	2021-02-08	Ecole Brentwood Elementary School
		42	2	1	2021-11-16	Ecole Brentwood Elementary School
		23	1	1	2021-10-25	Ecole Brentwood Elementary School
		18	1	1	2021-09-22	Ecole Brentwood Elementary School
		18	1	1	2021-12-13	Sandhills Colony School
		10	1	1	2021-12-14	Rosebud River Colony School
		22	1	1	2021-12-15	Rosebud Creek Colony School
		96	5	1	2021-06-15	Wheatland Elementary School
	128	6	1	2021-06-16	Wheatland Elementary School	

		23	1	1	2021-12-06	Wheatland Crossing
		22	1	1	2021-12-15	Rising Sun Colony School
		21	1	1	2021-02-26	Trinity Christian Academy
Subtotal	Sum	516	25	10		
	Count	14				
Yellowhead County		62	4	1	2021-10-01	Fulham School
		74	5	1	2021-04-07	Evansview School
		176	8	1	2021-11-01	Ecole Westhaven Elementary School
		311	17	1	2021-06-16	Vanier Community Catholic School
		23	1	1	2021-06-10	Vanier Community Catholic School
Subtotal	Sum	646	35	4		
	Count	5				
Total	Sum	31435	1591	285		
	Count	456				

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Research into the state of rural health has identified several health and well-being disadvantages faced by rural people which negatively impact their quality of life. The Sustainable Farm Families Rural Health Initiative aims to remedy many of these disadvantages by providing rural Albertans who participate in this program with 3 annual, in-depth physical & mental health assessments. In addition to these health assessments, participants are educated about each aspect of the assessment to ensure they fully understand each of their measurements and know how to better manage their health and well-being. Those who participate in this program are only asked to commit 1 hour of their time each year over the course of the 3-year program.

The preventative approach used by the Sustainable Farm Families Rural Health Initiative takes seemingly healthy people living in rural communities and seeks to either uncover undiagnosed conditions or confirm their healthy status. Since 2014, the Farm Safety Centre has delivered over 135 SFF workshops to more than 1,300 participants across the province. Participant feedback from our external evaluations have identified that 97% of SFF participants felt the workshops were a good investment of their time and that 92% recommended the program to others.

What you can expect in your one-on-one personal health assessment with our Registered Nurses:

- Blood Pressure
- Cholesterol
- Metabolic Age
- Visceral Fat
- Body Mass Index
- Muscle Mass
- Basal Metabolism
- Body Water Percentage
- Bone Density
- Mental Health Assessment
- Blood Sugar
- Diabetic Risk
- Triglyceride Levels
- Oxygen Saturation
- Eyesight

SFF workshops are currently being delivered in rural communities throughout Alberta. For more information about this program or to schedule a workshop for your community or organization please contact Keylan Kado. If you would like to register for an existing workshop in your community, please visit www.abfarmsafety.com.

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