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County of Smoky Lake Council  
4612 McDougall Drive, P.O. Box 310  
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**RE: Letter of Support for Canadian Heritage Designation for the North Saskatchewan River**

The North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance (NSWA) is pleased to provide this letter supporting the nomination of the North Saskatchewan River for the Canadian Heritage River System (CHRS) by the County of Smoky Lake.

With the County of Smoky Lake being committed to identifying and preserving its vast and rich local historic and heritage assets through municipal policies, bylaws, and its participation on the Smoky Lake Heritage Regional Heritage Board, the County is uniquely qualified to lead the designation of the NSR for its cultural values.

The NSWA applauds the County of Smoky Lake for its efforts in securing support from both provincial and municipal governments and preparing the application and subsequent management plan required for the CHR designation. NSWA would be happy to provide the County with our original CHR reports and background information in support of your endeavors.

Sincerely,

Ken Crutchfield, Chair  
North Saskatchewan Watershed Alliance

cc Leah Kongsrude, Executive Director NSWA

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