



AGENDA

Municipal District #124 Committee of the Whole
Wednesday, May 20, 2026 - 9:00 AM - MD Council Chambers

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CALL TO ORDER

ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA

- 2.1 May 20, 2026, Committee of the Whole Meeting Agenda

Proposed Motion: Move to accept the May 20, 2026, Committee of the Whole Meeting Agenda as presented.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

- 3.1 April 16, 2026, Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes 4 - 7

Proposed Motion: Move to adopt the April 16, 2026, Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes as presented.

[04162026 DRAFT COW Minutes](#)

DELEGATIONS

- 4.1 Aspen View Public Schools 10:00 a.m. 8

Proposed Motion: Move that Council receive Delegation - Aspen View Public School Presentation for information.

[MD Lesser Slave Delegation Form](#)

- 4.2 Sheila Ghostkeeper - MD Resident - 10:30 a.m. 9 - 12

Proposed Motion: Move that Council receive Delegation - Sheila Ghostkeeper Presentation for information.

[Delegate Bayer Road_Redacted](#)

[Letter of Support_Bayer Road Waterline_Redacted1](#)

[Bayer Road_Whitetail Way Resident Interest_Signup Sheets_Redacted](#)

- 4.3 The Caddy Shack - Chad Caron 11:00 a.m. 13

Proposed Motion: Move that Council receive Delegation - Chad Caron / The Caddy Shack Proposal for information and refer to Administration for investigation and report back to Council by the second Council meeting in June.

[Delegation The Caddy Shack_Redacted](#)

- 4.4 Small Craft Harbours/Canyon Creek Harbour Agreement - Chantal Larochelle - 11:30 a.m.

Proposed Motion: Move that Council receive Delegation - Small Craft

Harbours, Chantal Larochelle Discussion for information.

REPORTS & PRESENTATIONS

- 5.1 Utilities 1st Quarter Report 14 - 16

Proposed Motion: Move that Council receive the Utilities Department 1st Quarterly Report as information.

[1st Quarter Report 2026- Utilities](#)

CONSIDERATION OF BYLAWS & POLICIES

- 6.1 Private Driveway Snow Plowing Policy Amendments 17 - 20

Proposed Motion: Move that Administration bring forward Policy TR-32-02 Private Driveway Snowplowing with the presented amendments to a Regular Council meeting prior to July 2026 for approval.

[20260520 Request for Decision - Private Driveway Snowplowing Policy](#)

[20260520 Private Driveway Snowplowing Policy](#)

- 6.2 Incident Level 1 Reporting 21 - 32

Proposed Motion: Move that Administration bring forward Policy #PS-26-02 Incident Level I Reporting as presented to a Regular Council meeting prior to July 2026 for approval.

[RFD Level 1 Incident Reporting RFD](#)

[PS-26-02 Level 1 Incident Reporting](#)

[PS-26-02.1 Level 1 Reporting Procedures](#)

[Public Security Division Bulletin 19-2025](#)

REQUESTS FOR DECISION

- 7.1 Canyon Creek Harbour 33 - 48

Proposed Motion: Move that Council receive the Canyon Creek Harbour Report for information.

[20260523-RFD Canyon Creek Harbour](#)

[2021-14 Lease Canyon Creek Harbour - SC](#)

[Assignment Acceptance ltr 2022-03-04](#)

[Catalis Drawing REC 850012 dRS880168](#)

- 7.2 ASB Members Terms of Service 49 - 54

Proposed Motion: Move that Administration bring forward to Regular Council prior to July 2026 an amending bylaw of the 2020-19 Agricultural Service Board Establishment Bylaw and the AG-63-01 Agriculture Services Administration Policy to change the member-at-large board appointment from one-year term to a two-year term.

[05202026 RFD - ASB Policy Bylaw Amendment V2](#)

[2020-19 ASB Establishment-SC](#)

[AG-63-01 Agriculture Services Administration - PC](#)

- 7.3 Muskeg Creek Temporary Oilfield Bridge Update 55 - 56

Proposed Motion: Move that Council receive the Muskeg Creek Bridge Temporary Oilfield Bridge Update for information.

[20260520 - Muskeg Creek Bridge Update](#)

7.4 Slave Lake Regional Library 2026 Budget & Contributions 57 - 63

Proposed Motion: Move that Council receive the 2026 Slave Lake Regional Library Budget Update and 2026 Contribution Invoice for information.

[20260520 COW - SL Regional LB 2026 Budget & contribution](#)

[SL Regional Library 2026 Approved Budget](#)

[2026 MD Amended Library Invoice](#)

7.5 Liberty Five-Year Extended Warranty 64 - 70

Proposed Motion: Move that Council received the Liberty Five-year Extended Warranty report for information.

[2026 Request for Decision 5 year warranty](#)

[SEW-42-02 Residential Sewer Grinder Pump Maint Policy - PC](#)

[5 Year Liberty Warranty_Redacted](#)

7.6 National Police Federation - May 27, 2026, Delegate 71 - 106

Proposed Motion: Move that Council direct Administration to compile and forward Council's questions to the National Police Federation in advance of the May 27, 2026, Council meeting, and that the correspondence and attached materials be received for information.

[RFD National RCMP Federation - LM Reviewed](#)

[NPF to Municipal District of Lesser Slave River No. 124 re Introduction](#)

[27112025](#)

[NPF-Alberta-Wave-8-August-2025-Public-Research](#)

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS - CLOSED SESSION

8.1 Closed Session as per Sections 26 and 32 of the Access To Information Act (ATIA)

Section 26 - Disclosure harmful to intergovernmental relations

Section 32 - Privileged information

Council Boards

Proposed Motion: Move to go into Closed Session at _____ a.m./p.m.

Proposed Motion: Move to return to Open Session at _____ a.m./p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA (CORRESPONDENCE, BOARD REPORTS)

PLANS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS TO REGULAR COUNCIL

ADJOURNMENT

MINUTES

**Committee of the Whole Council Meeting
Municipal District of Lesser Slave River No. 124
April 16, 2026
MD Council Chambers**

- MEMBERS PRESENT** Murray Kerik - Reeve
Norm Seatter - Deputy Reeve
Sandra Melzer - Division 1
Richard Colborne - Division 1
Lester Vanhill - Division 1 (via Teams)
Thomas Snowden - Division 2
Brad Pearson - Division 2
- IN ATTENDANCE** Kevin Gannon - Chief Administrative Officer, MDLSR
Shari Spencer - Director of Field Services, MDLSR
Nicky van Deventer - Director of Human Services & Corporate Services, MDLSR
Kristen Schalin - Director of Finance, MDLSR
Jeremy Dumaresque - Director of Environmental Services, MDLSR
Dan Tarney - Marten Beach FireSmart Committee
Colten Nahrebeski - West Central Airshed Society
Robert Chrobak - West Central Airshed Society
Julia Maqsomor - Lakeside Leader
Marilyn Gladue - Recording Secretary, MDLSR
- CALL TO ORDER** Reeve Kerik called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.
- ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA** **April 16, 2026, Committee of the Whole Agenda**
MOTION COW 007-26
Moved by Deputy Reeve Seatter to accept April 16, 2026, Committee of the Whole Agenda as amended:
Add:
New Business - RhPAP Rural Community Conference
- Amendment to the Inter-Municipal Development Plan Bylaw
CARRIED
- ADOPTION OF MINUTES** **March 12, 2026, Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes**
MOTION COW 008-26
Moved by Deputy Reeve Seatter to adopt March 12, 2026, Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes as presented.
CARRIED
- DELEGATIONS** **Marten Beach FireSmart Committee – Dan Tarney**
MOTION COW 009-26
Moved by Councillor Pearson to accept the discussion with Marten Beach FireSmart Committee as presented.
CARRIED

West Central Airshed Society – Colten Nahrebeski/Richard Chrobak

MOTION 010-26

Moved by Deputy Reeve Seatter that Council accepts the presentation from West Central Airshed Society as information.

CARRIED

RECESS 10:53 a.m.
RECONVENE 11:00 a.m.

**CONSIDERATION OF
BYLAWS & POLICIES**

Crack Sealing Policy

MOTION COW 011-26

Moved by Councillor Pearson to direct Administration to bring back Policy TR-32-10 Road Inspection, Maintenance & Repairs to a Regular Council meeting with the proposed amendments:

- *“The Transportation Manager will complete an annual crack sealing program on the entire width of asphalt surface to the edge of the right of way on all paved Municipal roadways prior to June 30th, of each year.”*

Recorded Vote:

For: Reeve Kerik, Deputy Reeve Seatter, Councillors Snowden, Pearson, Melzer,
Vanhill
Against: Colborne

CARRIED

Policy Review – Cemetery Grant Funding & Community Assistance Grant Policies

MOTION COW 012-26

Moved by Councillor Melzer that Council accept the Cemetery Grant Funding & Community Assistance Grant Policies for information and to bring back the amended Cemetery Grant Funding Policy to a future Council meeting.

Amendment – “include requirements for funding reports.”

CARRIED

**BOARD/COMMITTEE
REPORTS**

Council Board/Committee Reports

MOTION COW 013-26

Moved by Councillor Pearson to accept the Council Board/Committee Reports as information.

CARRIED

RECESS 12:05 p.m.
RECONVENE 12:35 p.m.

CORRESPONDENCE

2025/2026 Alberta Community Partnership – Intermunicipal Collaboration Application

MOTION COW 014-26

Moved by Councillor Melzer that Council accepts the 2025/2026 Alberta Community Partnership Intermunicipal Collaboration Application information.

CARRIED

COUNCIL ACTION LIST

Council Action List (April 16, 2026)

MOTION COW 015-26

Moved by Councillor Pearson to accept the Council Action List (April 16, 2026) as information.

CARRIED

RhPAP Rural Community Conference

MOTION COW 016-26

Moved by Deputy Reeve Seatter to bring back to the next Regular Council a Request for Decision for Councillors Melzer and Pearson to attend the RhPAP Rural Community Conference on October 6-8, 2026, in Peace River, Alberta.

CARRIED

Amendment to the Inter-Municipal Development Plan Bylaw

MOTION COW 017-26

Moved by Councillor Melzer that Council directs Administration to bring forward a Request for Decision for approval of the amendment to the Inter-Municipal Development Plan Bylaw amendment to the next Regular Meeting of Council.

CARRIED

CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Closed Session

MOTION COW 018-26

Moved by Deputy Reeve Seatter to go into Closed Session at 12:56 p.m. as per Section 19 of the Access To Information Act (AITA) with CAO Gannon, Directors van Deventer, Schalin, Spencer, Dumaresque and Recording Secretary Gladue in attendance.

- Lease Review

Section 19 – Disclosure harmful to a business interest of a third party

CARRIED

MOTION COW 019-26

Moved by Councillor Melzer to return to Open Session at 1:37 p.m.

CARRIED

MOTION COW 020-26

Moved by Councillor Pearson that Council is willing to discuss Travelling Timbers Lease Agreement extension from 5 or 10 years.

Recorded Vote:

For: Reeve Kerik, Deputy Reeve Seatter, Councillors Pearson, Melzer, Colborne
Against: Councillors Vanhill, Snowden

CARRIED

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ADJOURNMENT

MOTION COW 021-26

Moved by Deputy Reeve Seatter to adjourn at 1:37 p.m.

CARRIED

Kevin Gannon
Chief Administrative Office

Murray Kerik
Reeve



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Administration

APPEARING BEFORE COUNCIL AS A DELEGATION

GUIDELINES

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LEGISLATION: Bylaw 2021-12

DELEGATION REQUEST TO APPEAR BEFORE COUNCIL

This form is mandatory before any request is considered.

NAME OF PERSON & ASSOCIATE OR ORGANIZATION

Aspen View Public Schools

TOPIC OF DISCUSSION

Please be specific, provide details, and attach additional information if required.

Education Update

PURPOSE OF PRESENTATION

For example: information only, requesting a letter of support, requesting funding, etc. (Please provide details).

Information only

ACTIVITIES TO DATE RELEVANT TO THIS MATTER

Attach additional information if required.

ADDRESS

Athabasca

PHONE

780-675-7080 x11

EMAIL

tammy.ledieu@asperview.org

SIGNATURE

Tammy Ledieu

DATE

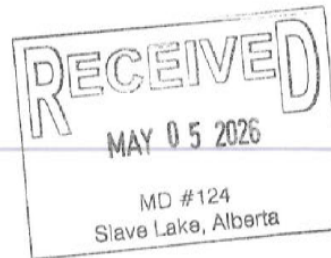
December 15, 2025

COUNCIL MEETING DAY REQUESTED

March 25



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Bayer Rd. Residents + Whitetail Way

TOPIC OF DISCUSSION

Please be specific, provide details, and attach additional information if required.

Resident support to Bayer Rd/Whitetail Way
Waterline Construction for residential water.
Sawridge FW has not be consulted.

PURPOSE OF PRESENTATION

For example: information only, requesting a letter of support, requesting funding, etc. (Please provide details).

Supply a list of residents interested in services being installed.

ACTIVITIES TO DATE RELEVANT TO THIS MATTER

Attach additional information if required.

Canvased residents to determine interest.

ADDRESS

PHONE

EMAIL



SIGNATURE

DATE

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S. Ghostkeeper May 5, 2026 May 20, 2026

Sheila Ghostkeeper

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Slave Lake, Alberta, T0G 2A0

May 14, 2026

MD of Lesser Slave River

P.O. Box 722

3000 15th Ave. S.E.

Slave Lake, Alberta, T0G 2A0

RE: Bayer Road / Whitetail Way Proposed Waterline Project

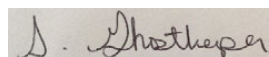
ATTN: MD of Lesser Slave River Reeve and Councillors

Dear Mr. Kerik and Councillors,

As a resident of Bayer Road, within the MD. of Lesser Slave River, I would like to offer my support for the proposed Bayer Road / Whitetail Way waterline extension project with access for residents to tie in their properties. I have talked to numerous residents in this area and there has been a lot of support for this project as long as the costs are reasonable for the residents. The majority of these residents are hauling water. There are some residents currently on wells, but the water is not good with an iron content of 16 ppm and a tannin content. Due to the poor water quality, it is essential to have an expensive water treatment system that requires regular maintenance. Attached please find the sign-up sheets showing support from other residents.

Respectfully,

Sheila Ghostkeeper



Bayer Road Residents Interested In Joining Onto a Potable Waterline (2026)					
Name	Street Address	Signature	Email Address	Phone #	Equipment Available
Randy Fleckner					also
Ed & Mac Kinnon					OPERATOR
Ed Penner					Yes
J & D Donni's					455
Todd Stahl					1573 Lead bed
Ed Schaefer					Cat
Martin Bricebos					
Kille Little					
Gunner Persson					224 "ect"
Jason & Kelly Anderson					
Paul & Natasha Bond					30
Carl McKee					Boring, Talk Hoe.
Bryer McKee					operator
ANDREAS HOLEWA					
Derek & Shayla Raymond					
Tim Jackson					2407 OPERATOR
Holly Wigmore					
Sheila Ghostkeeper					

Whitetail Way Residents Interested In Joining Onto a Potable Waterline (2026)					
Name	Street Address	Signature	Email Address	Phone #	Equipment Available
Scott Lawrence	[REDACTED]	[Signature]	[REDACTED]		
Robin Edwards		[Signature]			
Aaron Franklin		[Signature]			
Scott Dahlgren		[Signature]			
Henri Beaudoin		[Signature]			
Juliana Franklin		[Signature]			



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NAME OF PERSON & ASSOCIATE OR ORGANIZATION

Chad Caron / The Chaddy Shack

TOPIC OF DISCUSSION

Please be specific, provide details, and attach additional information if required.

To lease or buy Adjacent lots (lot 3, 4)
Public parking area near general Area + Road Access to lots

PURPOSE OF PRESENTATION

For example: information only, requesting a letter of support, requesting funding, etc. (Please provide details).

Access Road, Parking and lease of land

ACTIVITIES TO DATE RELEVANT TO THIS MATTER

Attach additional information if required.

Proposed Mini Golf, eating and drinking Establishment

ADDRESS

PHONE

EMAIL

SIGNATURE

DATE

COUNCIL MEETING DAY REQUESTED

[Handwritten Signature]

May 05/2026

May 20/2026



Lesser Slave River

Report to Council

Title:	<i>Utilities 1st Quarter Report</i>
Date:	<i>May 20 2026</i>
Presented By:	<i>Jeremy Dumaresque</i>
Attachments:	<i>N/A</i>

Proposed Motion:	<i>Move that Council receive the Utilities Department Quarterly Report as information.</i>
Administration's Recommendation(s):	<i>As proposed</i>

Capital Projects

Smith Water Treatment Plant Pretreatment Upgrade – Jeremy/Doug

Project engineering and design phase is nearing completion, and the 90% completion drawings will be issued on April 22 for MDLSR review and approval. When the design review is completed and approved, the long delivery items will be ordered, and the site construction scope of work and construction schedule can be finalized. Some preliminary construction work may start later in 4th Quarter this year, but the main water treatment package will not be delivered until Q1, 2027 so the bulk of the construction will be in Q1 of 2027. The new system should be installed and operating in early Q2 of 2027.

Smith Raw Water Pump Chamber and Pipe Replacement – Doug

The record drawings and the project data books have been received. This project can now be deemed complete.

Canyon Creek Water Treatment Plant Upgrade - Jeremy and Doug

Project has been approved by Council to proceed. The preliminary engineering and design work has started and is expected to be completed by the end of May. We are also planning on ordering the long lead equipment in May. Anticipating construction startup in Q3 and will hopefully have the new systems installed and in service by Q4 this year.

The concrete pad and intake screen piping, spools have to go through the ice to the river bottom. Administration has developed a "Working on Ice Safety Plan" which is a requirement when working on and under an ice-covered waterway. The overall planning is almost complete, and the work will take place the end of January or first part of February depending on the weather and the ice thickness on the river. We will start monitoring the ice thickness in the first week of January.

Utility Pond Dredging - Jeremy

Contractor is scheduled to be on site towards the end of May.

Widewater Lift Station Upgrade – Engineering (Jeremy)

Engineering is complete. Administration will be bringing a request for decisions forward at a later date to move the project forward.

Mitsue Water Plant Upgrade - Engineering (Jeremy)

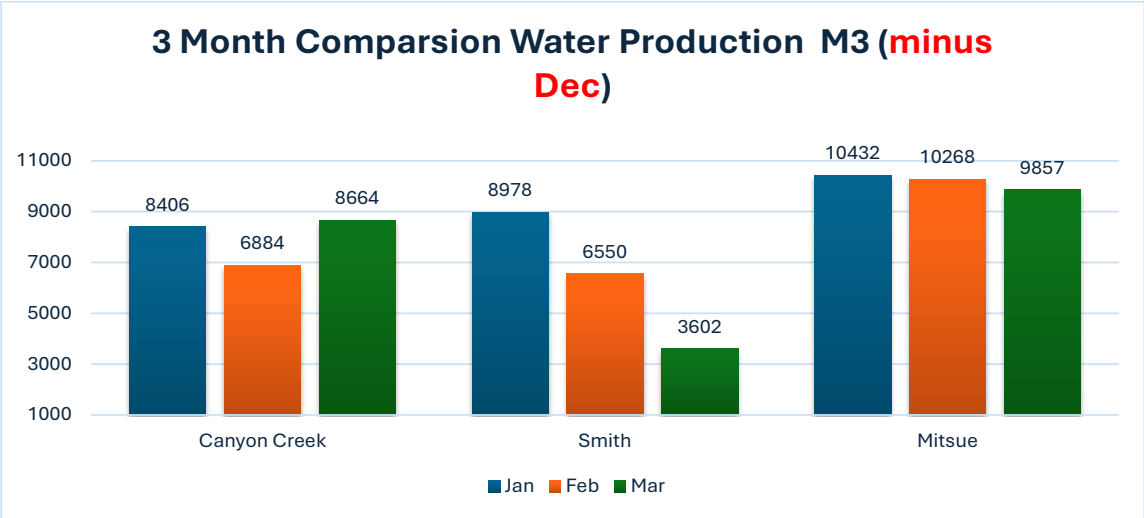
Feasibility study has been completed. Administration will be bringing a decision request forward at a later date to move the project forward.

Preventative Maintenance Program (Jeremy)

This project has been put on hold to try and encapsulate a broader scope. Trying to include the MD as a whole.

Operational

- Tested ice on Athabasca River and divers repaired Smith river intakes
- 2 CC repair/ replacements in Smith, both had severe leaks
- Contractor removed all obsolete electrical off the wall at Canyon WTP
- Sewer CC dig- removed plug in Widewater
- Repaired sewer service in Widewater
- Smith WTP membrane repairs
- Smith WTP membrane tank lining was replaced
- Installed new flow meter on EQ line at Southshore
- Smith Sani dump froze- repaired twice
- Year end reporting was completed for all locations
- Several operators attended AWWOA water training courses (time of the season)
- 3 operators wrote certification exams
- Poplar Lane water main repair
- Mitsue water main dig



Prepared by: *Jeremy Dumaresque, Utilities Manager*
Reviewed by: *Heather DeAlexandra, Administrative Assistant to Utilities*
Approved by: *Kevin Gannon, Chief Administrative Officer*



Lesser Slave River

Request for Decision

Title:	Private Driveway Snow Plowing Policy Amendments
Date:	May 20, 2026
Presented By:	Shari Spencer, Director of Field Services
Attachments:	Redlined Policy TR-32-02

Proposed Motion	Move that Administration bring forward Policy TR-32-02 Private Driveway Snowplowing with the presented amendments to a Regular Council meeting prior to July 2026 for approval.
Administration's Recommendation(s)	As Proposed

BACKGROUND:

At the March 12, 2026 Committee of the Whole Meeting, Administration brought forward information about the private driveway snowplowing program. At this time, they also brought forward research about how other municipalities handle this service or if they provide it at all. The request of Administration was for council to consider raising the price of snow flags for the 2026/2027 season.

At that time, the feedback from council was for Administration to draft proposed amendments to the current policy that would bring it more in line with the majority of municipalities and be more manageable for current administration. The cost was be addressed, as well as the inclusion of disabled residents into the discount offer, as well as closing the loophole that allowed seniors to purchase flags for regular residents at the discounted rate.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS:

- Council can approve the policy with the suggested changes
- Council can amend the suggested changes or add changes
- Council can decide to leave the policy as is
- Council can decide to rescind the policy and not continue the program.

BENEFIT/RISKS:

The proposed amendments align with Council's direction, ensuring a sustainable, valuable service that protects vulnerable residents while mitigating risks of program misuse and unsustainable costs during heavy snowfall.

While maintaining the current policy offers a valued service, it lacks necessary support for residents with disabilities and poses administrative challenges during high-snowfall years.

Administration recommends against rescinding the program. High usage confirms a clear community need, though the current low-cost structure encourages over-reliance.

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT:

- The MD would like to assist residents who may not be capable of clearing snow themselves, such as people with disabilities or seniors, and encourage aging in place as much as possible.
- The MD has a responsibility to clear roadways prior to clearing driveways
- The MD needs to ensure that they are charging appropriately for snow removal on driveways, to offset some

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or all of the cost of the work.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATION:

Currently the program is costing the municipality around \$23,000/year to administer. The goal of this program is not to be a revenue generator but to minimize the subsidy and ensure it is not always residents first option. At the March 12, 2026, meeting, Administration made the following recommendations:

Operational Cost	
# of Flags Sold	303
Average Equip. Cost	\$152.25
Number of hours worked	151.5
Total Cost	\$23,065.88
Revenue Collected	\$9,413.75
Net Cost	-\$13,652.13

- Increase the snow flag cost to \$75 for residents and the senior discount rate to \$50. This will still provide the service to those who need it but hopefully encourage residents not to rely on it for regular snow clearing.
- Stricter enforcement of the senior discount. Discounted flags will be sold in a different color and must be at the buyers' residence. This will be on Administration to monitor and enforce and should not be overly burdensome to operations.

The tables below show the current rate versus the proposed rates:

	Current Rates			Proposed Rates	
	Senior Rate	Regular Rate		Senior Rate	Regular Rate
# Sold	163	140	# Sold	163	140
\$/Flag	\$21.25	\$42.50	\$/Flag	\$50	\$75
Total	\$3,463.75	\$5,950.00	Total	\$8,150	\$10,500
	Total Collected \$9,413.75			Total Collected \$18,650.00	

These rates are still quite reasonable compared to industry standards and would reduce the subsidy to under \$5,000.

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:

N/A

COMMUNICATION STRATEGY:

Administration will bring the agreed changes to a future council meeting for review and adoption, if directed by council. This will also include a detailed communications plan for social media, the website and mailouts.

Once the policy is finalized and communications prepared, Administration will advertise the changes starting in late August for the 2026/2027 snow season.

Prepared By: Shari Spencer, Director of Field Services
 Reviewed By: Cody Borris, Transportation Manager
 Approved By: Kevin Gannon, Chief Administrative Officer



MD of LESSER SLAVE RIVER

Policy

POLICY TITLE: Private Driveway Snowplowing	POLICY NO.: TR-32-02
RESOLUTION: Click or tap here to enter text.	EFFECTIVE DATE: Click or tap to enter a date.
DEPARTMENT RESPONSIBLE: Field Services	NEXT REVIEW DATE: 2029-05-20

POLICY STATEMENT:

To provide a reasonable level of snowplowing services, the Municipal District of Lesser Slave River # 124 will offer, on a **cost recovery basis** (remove), to snowplow private driveways of residences with a Municipal operations permit.

DEFINITIONS:

Council Policy means the written commitment of Council establishing service delivery, programs, and governance matters. Policy is approved, amended, or rescinded by Council and reflect Council’s values, established service levels and strategic goals.

(NEW)

Senior Citizen means a resident that is 65 years of age or older and resides at the address for which the snow flag is being issued.

Disabled Person means a resident that meets the definition of a disabled person is defined under the [Alberta Human Rights Act](#) as having any degree of physical disability, infirmity, malformation, or disfigurement caused by bodily injury, birth defect, or illness, or any mental/developmental disorder.

PRINCIPLE:

1. All residents requesting snowplowing services must sign a Snowplowing Agreement (attached as schedule “A”), available from any Municipal District 124 office, prior to any snowplowing being authorized. This agreement gives consent from the owner and allows the Municipal District to complete the work without liability for any damages that may occur.
2. All residents requesting snowplowing services are required to purchase a snow flag. The cost of this flag will be at the rate established by Council from time to time as outlined in Bylaw 2022-08 Service Fees – Schedule “A”. A 50%**(Change to \$25)** discount will be provided to senior citizens that are 65 years of age and older **(Add)or residents that are disabled. Residents claiming the senior and/or disabled benefit may be asked to proof residency, age or disability.**

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3. The Municipal District will only plow driveways with a Municipal operations permit. Only that portion of a private driveway from the residence to the road allowance, to a maximum of ¼ mile per flag, will be plowed by the Municipal District. Roadways not leading to a residence will not be snowplowed unless preapproved by the Foreman or **Director of Field Services(Change to Transportation Manager)**. A minimum one-week notice must be given.
4. If the Grader Operator determines a private driveway is too narrow or otherwise obstructed, he will not enter onto the driveway and will call the Foreman or Director of Field Services who will decide whether the driveway will be plowed. The Foreman or Director of Field Services will be responsible for advising the resident that the Municipal District will not be plowing the driveway and the reasons for such decision.
5. The Municipal District reserves the right to determine if the conditions warrant snowplowing, and as a result, may choose not to carry out the request.
6. The roadway system throughout the Municipal District will receive the priority. Apart from an emergency, when it is considered the road system is satisfactorily maintained, private driveways will then be completed.

SPECIAL NOTES/CROSS-REFERENCE: Click or tap here to enter text.

AMENDMENT DATE: 2026-05-27



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Request for Decision

Title:	Level 1 Incident Reporting
Date:	20-05-2026
Presented By:	Paul Mulholland
Attachments:	Policy # PS-26-02 Procedure # PS-26-02.1 Bulletin 19-2025

Proposed Motion	Move that Administration bring forward Policy #PS-26-02 Incident Level 1 Reporting as presented to a Regular Council Meeting prior to July 2026 for approval.
Administration's Recommendation(s)	As Proposed

BACKGROUND:

Public Security and Emergency Services has changed how they will investigate Level 1 incidents (death, serious injury and serious accusations). These incidents will now be submitted to the Police Review Commission.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS:

There are no alternative options. This is mandated by Public Security and Emergency Services.

BENEFIT/RISKS:

The benefit to MDLSR is that a level 1 incident will be reported correctly thereby fulfilling our responsibilities. There are no known risks to approving said Policy and Procedures.

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT:

Aligns with provincial needs other municipalities within the province.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATION:

There will be financial implications because of the need to compensate the on-call duty supervisor. That is not a cost we can predict ahead of time – but there is an Overtime budget in the 2026 Budget.

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:

COMMUNICATION STRATEGY:

The Policy and procedure will be submitted to the Public Security and Emergency Services Office.

Prepared By: Paul Mulholland, Senior Peace Officer
Reviewed By: Nicky van Deventer, Director of Human Resources & Corporate Services
Approved By: Kevin Gannon, Chief Administrative Officer

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Policy



POLICY TITLE: Level 1 Incident Reporting	POLICY NO.: PS-26-02
RESOLUTION: Click or tap here to enter text.	EFFECTIVE DATE: Click or tap to enter a date.
DEPARTMENT RESPONSIBLE: Protective Services	NEXT REVIEW DATE: Click or tap to enter a date.

POLICY STATEMENT:

This policy will provide structured, procedural guidance for peace officers and supervisory personnel on the appropriate protocols for reporting Level 1 incidents or complaints involving serious injury/death or matters involving serious/sensitive actions involving a peace officer.

DEFINITIONS:

“**MDLSR**” means the Municipal District of Lesser Slave River No.124.

“**Peace Officer/Member**” means a duly appointed Peace Officer, appointed under the Peace Officer Act of Alberta.

Purpose:

This policy will identify mandatory notification to the Chief Executive Officer (or designate), Police Review Commission in accordance with section 19(1.1) of the Peace Officer Act (Act) alongside existing obligations to the Director of Law Enforcement.

Clarify the roles and responsibilities of all peace officers involved in the serious injury/death or matters involving serious and sensitive actions and supervisors who may be involved in the reporting process to ensure operational consistency.

Promote timely, precise, and thorough documentation of all serious injury/death or matters involving serious/sensitive actions of a peace officer to support and assist Alberta’s Integrated Investigative Unit’s investigative integrity and organizational transparency.

Definitions:

Affected Person: An individual who has sustained serious injury/death, or who has been directly impacted by a serious/sensitive incident involving a peace officer.

Authorized Employer: Means the authorized employer with whom the peace officer is employed/engaged.

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Chief Executive Officer, Police Review Commission (CEO-PRC): The CEO is responsible for overseeing the Police Review Commission, ensuring transparency, accountability, and adherence to legislation and regulations in the handling of complaints against law enforcement officer.

In-Scope: Refers to incidents resulting in serious injury/death, to any individual and allegations of serious/sensitive matters involving peace officers that will be investigated by the Integrated Investigative Unit as directed by the CEO-PRC.

Integrated Investigative Unit: Alberta Serious Incident Response Team (ASIRT) is an independent oversight agency established under the section 43.3 of Policing Act whose primary mandate is to investigate serious incidents involving police officers/peace officers, including:

- Incidents/complaints resulting in serious injury/death to any individual; and
- Matters/allegations of serious/sensitive misconduct.

Although ASIRT falls within the PRC, ASIRT operates independently from police services and government bodies, ensuring impartiality and transparency in its investigations. It has jurisdiction over all municipal police officers, First Nations police officers, RCMP and peace officers with Alberta, regardless of whether the incident occurred on or off duty.

Intervention Options: Refers to any weapon or less lethal device used by the subject peace officer. May be, but not limited to, the following:

- Firearm;
- Shotgun;
- Conducted Energy Weapon;
- Baton;
- Pepper ball Device, and/or
- OC Spray

Level 1 Incident: An incident has occurred involving:

- Serious injury or the death of any person may have resulted from the actions of a peace officer or police officer or
- There is a matter of a serious or sensitive nature related to the actions of a peace officer or police officer.

Location: Refers to where an incident pertaining to section 19(1.1)(a) or the circumstances described in a complaint identified in section 19(1.1)(b) occurred.

Out of Scope: Refers to statutory matters not arising to the threshold of a serious/sensitive matter of resulting in serious injury/death to any individual involving peace officers that will be investigated by the police service of jurisdiction as directed by the CEO-PRC.

Peace Officer: As defined by section 7(1) of the Act.



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Peace Officer Notes: Includes reports, notes, accounts, statements, or other memorandums of information whether in writing or electronic form, or represented or reproduced by any other means, that a peace officer creates, and digital evidence that a peace officer creates, including body worn camera/in-car camera footage.

Police Review Commission (PRC): A newly established public body created under the Police Act. The PRC is mandated to independently investigate statutory offences – such as those under the Criminal Code – that do not meet the threshold for referral to ASIRT. It will also assume responsibility for public complaints governed by the Police Conduct and Oversight Regulation, which are currently managed by individual police services. ASIRT, which investigates cases of serious injury/death or serious/sensitive allegations involving all police officers and peace officers in the province, is part of the PRC.

Police Service of Jurisdiction: Refers to the police service that has jurisdiction over the location where an incident referred to in section 19(1.1)(a) or the circumstances described in a complaint identified in section 19(1.1)(b) occurred.

Subject Peace Officer: Refers to a peace officer who is the subject of an incident referred to in section 19(1.1)(a) of the Act or a complainant referred to in section 19(1.1)(b).

Witness Peace Officer: Refers to a peace officer of police officer, as defined in the Police Act, who is a witness to or has material information in relation to an incident or complaint referred to in section 19(1.1)(a)(b).

Effective December 1, 2025, ASIRT's mandate includes the investigation of death/serious injury and serious/sensitive allegations involving peace officers. This will ensure serious allegations involving law enforcement officer are investigated consistently through the province, regardless of the location or the agency.

For the purposes of this policy, the CEO-PRC functions as the primary external notification body of incidents resulting in serious injury/death to any individual and allegations of serious or sensitive matters involving peace officer.

Chief Administrative Officer

Date



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Date

RELATED DOCUMENTS:

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SPECIAL NOTES/CROSS-REFERENCE: N/A
AMENDMENT DATE: N/A



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Procedure

PROCEDURE TITLE: Level 1 reporting procedure	PROCEDURE NO.: PS-26-02.1
RESOLUTION: Click or tap here to enter text.	EFFECTIVE DATE: Click or tap to enter a date.
DEPARTMENT RESPONSIBLE: Protective Services	NEXT REVIEW DATE: Click or tap to enter a date.

GENERAL GUIDELINE

To create a procedure for the reporting of Level 1 incidents and complaints

Reporting Procedures:

All Level 1 incidents must be immediately reported to the CEO-PRC by the authorized employer, or as soon as practicable. Authorized employers must contact the CEO-PRC at 1-866-238-3313 OR 780-441-6277. Once the incident has been reported to the CEO-PRC, the authorized employer shall also report the incident to the Director by way of a PS3535 form (<https://cfr.forms.gov.ab.ca/Form/PS3535>) and submitted to the Peace Officer Program (poprogram@gov.ab.ca)

Serious Injury/Death and Serious/Sensitive Misconduct Notification Guide:

In cases of uncertainty, the authorized employer must contact the CEO-PRC for direction.

Roles and Responsibilities:

Supervisors:

- Contact the CEO-PRC regarding all Level 1 incident immediately or as soon as practicable.
- Notification shall include, but not limited to, the following:
 - o Date/time of the incident
 - o Type of incident (e.g., serious injury/death or serious sensitive matter)
 - o Location of incident
 - o Peace officer(s) and police officer(s) involved
 - o Affected person’s name (if known)
 - o Affected person’s injuries and prognosis (if known)
 - o Summary of the incident
 - o Contact person
- Contact the police service of jurisdiction to request their assistance to establish and preserve the integrity of the location. If unavailable, peace officers (not including the alleged subject peace officer) shall secure the location by restricting unauthorized access and maintaining a log of all personnel entering or exiting the area until relieved by the police service of jurisdiction, ASIRT, or supervisory personnel.

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- Once the location is secured, peace officers (not including the alleged subject peace officer) may identify and engage civilian witnesses solely for the purpose of collecting accurate contact information to facilitate follow-up by ASIRT or the police service of jurisdiction.
- Conduct a prompt assessment of the incident's severity or sensitivity. If safe and operationally appropriate, attend the location in person; otherwise, provide remote oversight and guidance. Prioritize the safety of all involved peace officers and members of the public, and ensure the location is secured to preserve all relevant evidence.
- When an incident or complaint referred to in section 19(1.1) of the Act will be investigated, the supervisor shall, to the extent that is practicable, segregate all the peace officers involved in the incident or complaint from each other.
 - o Peace officers shall not communicate with any other peace officer(s) and/or police officers who was/were involved in the complaint concerning the details of the incident or complaint until the person in charge of the investigation or a person acting under the authority of that person determines that the investigation is complete.
- A witness peace officer must complete in full their officer's notes in accordance with section 21.5(2) of the Peace Officer (Ministerial) Regulation (POMR) in respect of an incident or complaint referred to in section 19(1.1) of the Act.
- Subject to section 21.5(4) of the POMR, section 21.5(2) further states that witness peace officer must provide the peace officer's notes of the witness peace officer to the authorized employer within 24 hours after a request for the peace officer's notes is made by person in charge of the investigation or a person acting under the authority of person to the authorized employer.
 - o The supervisor shall provide copies of the witness peace officer's notes to person in charge of the investigation or a person acting under the authority of that person on request and no later than 24 hours after the request was made.
 - o The person in charge of the investigation or a person acting under the authority of that person may extend the time within which copies of the peace officer's notes of a witness peace officer must be provided by the authorized employer.
- Shall ensure the Director is notified by submitting a PS3535 [<https://cfr.forms.gov.ab.ca/Form/PS3535>] through the Peace Officer Program at poprogram@gov.ab.ca regarding the Level 1 incident referred to in section 19(1.1) of the Act.
- Accurately document preliminary incident details, ensuring all pertinent information is recorded in a timely and objective manner.
- Allegations of serious or sensitive misconduct involving a peace officer shall be immediately reported (or when known) to the PRC.

Peace Officers:

Peace officers are required to follow the outlined procedures when involved in incidents resulting in serious injury/death to any individual, or when facing allegations of serious/sensitive involving themselves or other peace officers.

- Immediately (or as soon as practicable) report the incident or complaint to their direct supervisor using the designated communication channels.
- Do not initiate evidence processing unless there is an imminent risk of evidence being



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compromised (e.g., due to inclement weather), and only upon explicit direction from ASIRT or the police service of jurisdiction.

- Refrain from engaging with the media or the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner; all communications and coordination shall be deferred to ASIRT or the police service of jurisdiction, which holds exclusive responsibility for public and inter-agency liaison.
 - Any allegations of serious/sensitive misconduct involving a peace officer—including self-disclosure—must be reported immediately to the supervisor through the appropriate channel.
- Status of a Peace Officer (section 21.4(2) of the POMR):

The person in charge of the investigation or a person acting under the authority of that person, shall:

- Before requesting copies of peace officer's notes under section 21.5 of the POMR or directing an interview with a peace officer under section 21.6 of the POMR:
 - o Determine (where possible) whether the peace officer is a subject peace officer or a witness peace officer, and
 - o Advise the peace officer in writing concerning the determination of whether the peace officer is a subject peace officer or a witness peace officer, and
 - o As soon as practicable, advise the authorized employer in writing concerning the determination of whether the peace officer is a subject peace officer or a witness peace officer.
- If, after interviewing a peace officer who was considered to be a witness peace officer when the interview was requested under section 21.6 of the POMR, or after obtaining a copy of the peace officer's notes who was considered to be a witness peace officer when the officer's notes were requested, the person in charge of the investigation or a person acting under the authority of person decides that the peace officer is a subject peace officer, the person in charge of the investigation or a person acting under the authority of that person shall:
- o Advise the authorized employer and the peace officer in writing that the peace officer is now considered to be a subject peace officer,
 - o Give the peace officer the original and all copies of the record of the interview, if any, and
 - o Give the authorized employer the original and all copies of the peace officer's notes.

Subject Peace Officers:

- Any peace officer involved in an incident as defined under Section 19(1.1)(a) or subject to a complaint under Section 19(1.1)(b) of the Act, must promptly identify themselves to their immediate supervisor. Final determination of subject officer status rests with ASIRT or the police service of jurisdiction.
- Must not speak with anyone involved, including police officers and other peace officers at the location.
- A subject peace officer shall complete in full the peace officer's notes of the subject peace officer in respect of an incident or complaint referred to in section 19(1.1) of the Act in accordance with the procedures of the authorized employer and section 21.5(5) of the POMR.
- However, the subject peace officer is not required to provide the peace officer's notes of the subject peace officer to an investigator and no other person may provide the peace officer's notes of the subject peace officer to the investigator without the express permission of the



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subject peace officer in accordance with section 21.5(6) of the POMR.

Witness Peace Officer Officers:

- Witness peace officer(s) are to identify themselves to their immediate supervisor.
- Supervisor shall segregate all witness and subject peace officers from each other until they have completed their notes and/or have been interviewed by ASIRT or the police service of jurisdiction.
- Supervisors shall inform witness peace officer(s) they cannot discuss the incident with anyone except for ASIRT or the police service of jurisdiction.
- Supervisors shall ensure that witness peace officers provide a detailed report at the first reasonable opportunity after the incident unless there are exceptional circumstances before going off duty. Supervisors shall request permission from ASIRT or the police service of jurisdiction before releasing witness peace officer(s) from their duty.
- If the subject of a Level 1, 2 or 3 incident or complaint is a police officer and a peace officer (Community Peace Officer or Sheriff) was at the location where the incident/complaint occurred, the Police Conduct and Oversight Regulation can compel peace officers to write a witness statement and/or attend a witness interview.
- If the person in charge of the investigation or a person acting under the authority of person decides that the peace officer is a subject peace officer, the person in charge of the investigation or a person acting under the authority of that person shall return the peace officer's original and all copies of the record of the interview, if any, and the original and all copies of the peace officer's notes to the authorized employer.

After Hours Availability:

All authorized employers shall have a "duty" supervisor on-call after normal working hours in the event a Level 1 incident or complaint. If an incident or complaint is reported after hours, the matter shall be immediately reported to the CEO, PRC at 780-441-6277.

Intervention Option(s) Seizure:

Under the direction of ASIRT or the police service of jurisdiction, supervisors shall seize only the intervention options(s) utilized by the subject peace officer(s) during the incident.

If the intervention weapon is a firearm (handgun, carbine, shotgun rifle) supervisors shall ensure it is safely unloaded and rendered inoperative. Place the ejected round in a clearly labeled transparent exhibit bag and record the action in your notes. Notes shall contain, but not limited, to the following:

- o Date and time of seizure
- o Source of the item (individual or location)
- o Make, model, and serial number of the intervention option
- o Use separate lockers for each distinct intervention option
- o Exhibit number
- o Provide a copy of the notes to ASIRT or the police service of jurisdiction upon their arrival or at their earliest convenience.



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Supervisors shall secure the intervention option(s) seized in a designated temporary exhibit locker to maintain evidentiary integrity until ASIRT or the police service of jurisdiction takes responsibility of the intervention option(s).

Support:

Supervisors shall provide support for the involved peace officers such as mental health services, Occupational Health and Safety, peer support, trauma response or any other support as identified in the authorized employers HR policies, deemed necessary or requested by the peace officer(s) when appropriate.

Authorized employers may provide legal support at their discretion or in accordance with their HR policies and/or Collective Bargaining Agreement.

Chief Administrative Officer

Date

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SPECIAL NOTES/CROSS-REFERENCE: Click or tap here to enter text.

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BULLETIN

19-2025

December 1, 2025

To All Authorized Employers:

Re: Level 1 Incident Reporting Requirements

This bulletin outlines immediate actions required by authorized employers and peace officers when a Level 1 incident occurs after November 30, 2025. Additional procedural details will be provided in the upcoming Peace Officer Manual.

A Level 1 Incident includes the following situations:

- Serious injury or death of any person that may have resulted from the actions of a peace officer.
- Serious or sensitive matter related to the actions of a peace officer.

Actions Required by Authorized Employers:

- Notify the Police Review Commission (PRC) immediately or as soon as practicable (Phone: **780-441-6277**). Be prepared to provide the following information:
 - date/time,
 - type of incident,
 - location,
 - involved officers,
 - affected person details, and
 - brief summary.
- Once the PRC has been notified, the authorized employer must inform the Peace Officer Program by submitting Form PS3535 to poprogram@gov.ab.ca.

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Following a Level 1 incident, the following actions are required to ensure the security and continuity of the scene:

- Secure the location and contact the police service of jurisdiction. If unavailable, assign peace officers (not the subject officer) to restrict access and maintain a log until relieved by ASIRT or police.
- Segregate involved officers to prevent communication until cleared by investigators.
- Preserve evidence without processing unless directed by ASIRT or police.
- Provide mental health, peer support, and legal assistance as per HR policy.

Actions Required by involved and responding Peace Officers:

- Report immediately to your supervisor using designated channels.
- Do not engage with media or external agencies; all communications go through ASIRT or police.
- Complete notes promptly in accordance with employer policy and POMR requirements.
- Do not discuss the incident with other involved officers until cleared by investigators.
- Do not collect evidence unless directed and only to prevent imminent loss.
- Authorized employers must have an on-call supervisor available during their peace officer programs hours of operation. All Level 1 incidents reported after hours must still be immediately reported to the PRC at **780-441-6277**.

Further guidance will be provided in the Peace Officer Manual. For questions, contact: peaceofficerinfo@gov.ab.ca.

Sincerely,

Grant Isles
Manager
Peace Officer Program
Acting Director
Law Enforcement Standards and Audits

Reminder: Bulletins are no longer posted on the Government of Alberta website.



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Request for Decision

Title:	Canyon Creek Harbour
Date:	5/20/2026
Presented By:	Lana McCann
Attachments:	Map of REC 580012 and DRS 880168 REC 580012 Bylaw 2021-14 Canyon Creek Small Harbour Lease

Proposed Motion	<i>That Council receive the Canyon Creek Harbour Report for information.</i>
Administration’s Recommendation(s)	Administration to return with: timeline, risks, costs, and required approvals.

BACKGROUND:

The following is an update of where the assignment is in the process and progress that has been made:

- Provincial Recreational Lease REC 580012 held by the Canyon Creek Harbor Authority (CCHA) expired in 2016. Administration has confirmed that the lease has been transferred to the Municipal District effective September 3, 2021, expiring September 2, 2031.
- On May 26, 2021, Bylaw 2021-14 was passed authorizing the execution of the lease agreement OP-5802-H-2102 for the Canyon Creek Small Craft Harbour. The agreement is with Her Majesty the Queen as represented by the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans and the Municipal District. The Lease Agreement was for a one-year term starting May 17, 2021.
- The transfer of the harbour lands over to the Municipal District was anticipated to occur within that time frame; if delayed, a new lease was to be negotiated until finalization of the transfer. This did not happen. As per the email received and her attending as a delegate, Chantal Larochelle has confirmed that “the Hold Over status continues to be in effect until a new agreement is signed” and the intention is to maintain the current agreement until a formal divestiture plan is developed.
- The land is being held as a Disposition Reservation DRS880168 – Transportation and Economic Corridors.

Administration has been in contact with the Government of Alberta Forestry and Parks (Therese Yacyshyn and Kate Haskell). They advised that the process required to transfer the DRS would be quite extensive.

Because it involves an Order in Council, the timeline is not immediate and the earliest estimate would be around November, though it could take longer depending on the approvals required.

One option they considered is the possibility of adjusting the boundary slightly (if feasible) ensuring that the building(s) fall fully within the REC 580012 site. This process could be a faster solution than a full DRS transfer.

HISTORICAL MOTIONS:

- 285-20 Moved by Councillor Rosche to proceed upon the advice from the Canyon Creek Harbour Authority and the Department of Fisheries and Oceans on provincial and federal lease assumption for the Canyon Creek Harbour Authorities properties.
- 070-21 Moved by Deputy Reeve Acton to purchase and assume ownership of the Canyon Creek Small Craft Harbour on an 'as is' basis for the sum of one dollar by the Municipal District of Lesser Slave River No. 124.
- 071-21 Moved by Councillor Peiffer to guarantee that the Canyon Creek Small Craft Harbour will remain safe and assessable to the public for a minimum of five years from the time of transfer to the Municipal District of Lesser Slave River No. 124.
- 072-21 Moved by Councillor Esau to enter into an agreement with the Province of Alberta to occupy the Canyon Creek Small Craft Harbour by the Municipal District of Lesser Slave River No. 124.
- 073-21 Move to purchase and assume ownership of the Canyon Creek Small Craft Harbour on an 'as is' basis for the sum of one dollar by the Municipal District of Lesser Slave River No. 124.
- 215-21 Moved by Councillor Pearson to authorize the addendum to Canyon Creek Small Craft Harbour lease agreement no. OP-5802-H-2102 to include the addition of improvements being the harbour office and a gazebo.
- 246-21 Moved by Councillor Pearson to direct Administration to bring forward a list of assets (assumed from Canyon Creek Harbour Authority) within 2 weeks.
- 190-21 Moved by Councillor Pearson to give third reading to Bylaw 2021-14 Canyon Creek Small Craft Harbour Lease Agreement # OP-5802-H-2102
- 259-21 Moved by Councillor Pearson to direct Administration to provide documentation showing proof of leases from the provincial and federal governments for the Canyon Creek Harbour and Campground assets.

LEGISLATIVE ALIGNMENT:

This item aligns with the Municipal Government Act (Alberta) and the Municipal District's authority to enter into agreements, acquire/hold interests in land, and manage municipal assets, facilities, and services for the benefit of residents and users.

The matter also aligns with applicable provincial public-lands disposition processes (including disposition reservations and recreational lease administration) as the Municipal District continues to work with provincial partners to ensure lawful occupation, operation, and public access.

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Proceed with the boundary adjustment so the buildings fall within the REC 580012 instead of pursuing a full DRS transfer.
2. Request an interim disposition/permit/lease for DRS 880168 from the Province to allow continued occupation/operation while the longer transfer process is considered.
3. Pause/Defer the decision and direct Administration to return with: timeline, risks, costs, and required approvals for a DRS transfer vs boundary adjustment vs interim agreement.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATION:

The Municipal District received a grant for the Canyon Creek Rehabilitation Project for \$ 539,000. There may still be costs for restoration of infrastructure. Ms. Larochelle may provide more comments to this during her delegation.

COMMUNICATION STRATEGY:

Provide a public update following Council direction to confirm next steps for securing area for Canyon Creek Harbour and maintaining safe, accessible public use.

Key messages: (1) the Municipal District is working with provincial/federal partners to resolve the disposition/lease alignment; (2) public access and safe operation remain priorities; (3) updates will be provided as milestones are reached.

Prepared By: Lana McCann, Municipal Clerk
Reviewed By: Marilyn Gladue, Executive Assistant
Approved By: Kevin Gannon, Chief Administrative Officer



BYLAW 2021-14

A BYLAW OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF LESSER SLAVE RIVER NO.124 IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF THE LEASE AGREEMENT OP-5802-H-2102 FOR THE CANYON CREEK SMALL CRAFT HARBOUR

WHEREAS the *Municipal Government Act* provides that a Council of a municipality may pass bylaws respecting, people, activities and things in, on or near a public place or place that is open to the public;

AND WHEREAS the *Municipal Government Act* provides that a Council of a municipality may pass bylaws respecting services provided by or on behalf of the municipality;

AND WHEREAS the *Municipal Government Act* states the purposes of a municipality are to provide services, facilities or other things that, in the opinion of council, are necessary or desirable for all or a part of the municipality;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Municipal District of Lesser Slave River deems it advisable and in the public interest to execute Lease Agreement OP-5802-H-2102 regarding the Canyon Creek Small Craft Harbour at Canyon Creek, Alberta; and

NOW THEREFORE the Council of Municipal District of Lesser Slave River in the Province of Alberta, duly assembled, hereby authorizes the Chief Administrative Officer and the Reeve to execute and affix the corporate seal to the Agreement between Her Majesty Queen in the right of Canada, represented by the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans, and the Municipality, which is attached hereto as Schedule "A" and forms part of the Bylaw.

This Bylaw shall be called the Canyon Creek Small Craft Harbour Lease Agreement # OP-5802-H-2102 Bylaw 2021-14.

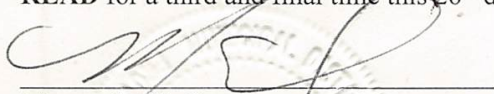
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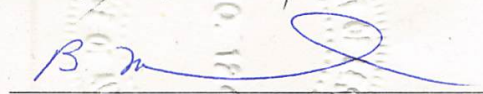
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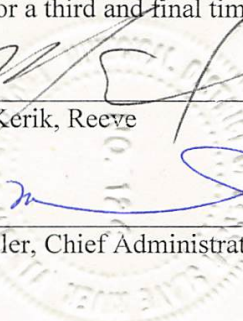
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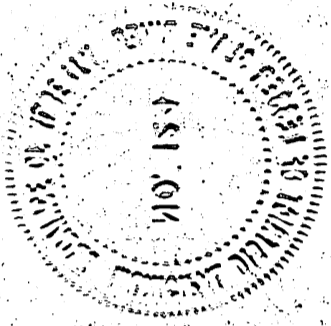


Murray Kerik, Reeve



Barb Miller, Chief Administrative Officer







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OP-5802-H-2102

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BAIL

SMALL CRAFT HARBOURS BRANCH AND

DIRECTION DES PORTS POUR PETITS BATEAUX ET

MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF LESSER SLAVE RIVER #124

AUTHORITY / Autorisation

DATE OF DOCUMENT / Document daté du May 14, 2021

BEGINNING OF TERM / La période de location commence le May 17, 2021

END OF TERM / La période de location se termine le May 16, 2022

RENT PAYABLE / Loyer payable IS NOMINAL (ONE DOLLAR)
(SEE REDDENDUM CLAUSE)

LANDS OR RIGHTS DEMISED / Cession ou transfert ALL AND SINGULAR that certain parcel or tract of land lying and being located on the South shore of Lesser Slave Lake in the North East Quarter of Section 36 on a water lot being 88.7 metres by 109.73 metres in the Hamlet of Canyon Creek, Province of Alberta, TOGETHER WITH the Government Improvements located thereon, being more particularly shown outlined in red on the Plan hereto annexed and designated as Schedule "A".

FILE No. / No de dossier EFSC-5802/V001

REMARKS / Remarques

THIS AGREEMENT made in duplicate this 14th day of May, 2021;

BETWEEN –

HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN, in right of Canada,
represented herein by the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans
(hereinafter called “the Minister”)

OF THE FIRST PART;

-and-

MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF LESSER SLAVE RIVER #124,
incorporated as a corporation under the laws of the Province of Alberta
(hereinafter called “the Agent”)

OF THE SECOND PART;

WITNESSETH that the Minister, in consideration of the rents, covenants,
provisos, and conditions hereinafter contained, hereby leases unto the Agent:-

Description

ALL AND SINGULAR that certain parcel or tract of land lying and being located on the South shore of Lesser Slave Lake in the North East Quarter of Section 36 on a water lot being 88.7 metres by 109.73 metres in the Hamlet of Canyon Creek, Province of Alberta, TOGETHER WITH the Government Improvements located thereon, being more particularly shown outline in red on the Plan hereto annexed and designated as Schedule “A”.

Habendum

TO HAVE TO HOLD the said premises unto the Agent for a term of One (1) year from and including May 17, 2021 to May 16, 2022 and then fully to be complete and ended.

Reddendum

THE AGENT RENT for the Leased Area is nominal (\$1.00) as the service of managing the Leased Area for a Public Purpose during the pending transfer of property is valuable and sufficient consideration to the Minister.

Interpretation IN THIS AGREEMENT;

- (i) “Minister” means the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans and any person he has delegated to act on his behalf.
- (ii) “Regional Director” means the Regional Director of Small Craft Harbours Branch of the Department of Fisheries and Oceans and any person he has delegated to act on his behalf.

It is agreed by and between the said parties hereto that these Presents are made and executed upon and subject to the covenants, provisos, conditions and reservations hereinafter set forth and contained, namely:

- Purpose**
1. a) The Agent shall use and occupy the said premises and carry out the management and operation of the said premises in accordance with the Fishing and Recreational Harbours Act and the Fishing and Recreational Harbours Regulations as amended from time to time, or any other applicable act or regulations enacted or made during the currency of this Agreement.
 - b) Nothing in Clause No. 1a) hereof, shall relieve the Minister from discharging any of his duties under the said Fishing and Recreational Harbours Act and the said Fishing and Recreational Harbours Regulations.
 - c) That the Minister shall supply to the Agent, one copy of the said Act and Regulations, as amended from time to time.
- To Pay Rent**
2. That the Agent will pay all annual rental fees herein reserved at the time and in the manner in these Presents set forth, without any abatement or deduction whatever.
- Taxes**
3. That the Agent will pay or cause to be paid all rates, taxes and assessments, of whatsoever description, that may at any time during the existence of these Presents be imposed, or become due and payable upon, or in respect of the said premises.
- Compliance with Law**
4. The Agent shall in all respects abide by and comply with all rules, regulations and by-laws of municipalities and other governing bodies, in any manner affecting the said premises.
- Public Use**
5. Subject to Clause No. 19 hereof, the Agent shall not interfere with the public use of the said premises during the currency of this Agreement; it being expressly understood and agreed, however, that the Agent may refuse the use of the said premises to any vessel on which tolls and dues are outstanding and the Agent may take all lawful action through Small Debts Court or otherwise to obtain payment of outstanding or overdue accounts.
- Access**
6. a) That the Minister, his servants or agents shall, at all times and for the purpose of inspecting the said premises, have full and free access to any and every part of the said premises.
 - b) The Minister shall, upon reasonable notice to the Agent, except in the case of emergency, have full and free access to the said premises for the purposes of repairing and maintaining the said premises.
- Assignment**
7. That the Agent shall not make any assignment of these Presents, nor any transfer or sub-lease of any of the premises, rights or privileges demised or leased hereunder, without obtaining the prior consent in writing of the Minister to such assignment, transfer or sub-lease. The Agent shall pay to the Minister a reasonable charge for the preparation of any consent thereto expressed in writing, and shall be responsible for any costs incurred by the Minister in addressing the request for consent, provided that such costs are reasonable.
- Repair and Maintenance**
8. That the Agent shall not, during the currency of this Agreement, do, suffer or permit to be done any act or thing which may impair, damage or injure the said premises beyond the damage occasioned by reasonable use, and shall inspect, maintain, and effect minor repairs of the said premises which may at any time become damaged, whether due to the negligence of the Agent or otherwise. Nothing in this provision shall obligate the Agent to be responsible to effect repairs of any major or structural kind but, in the event that such repairs are needed, it shall be the responsibility of the Agent to provide notice to the Minister of the need for major or structural repairs, and to take whatever steps are appropriate to deal with continued use of the premises while such repairs are pending. When such repairs are warranted, the parties hereto shall consider, and together decide how and when to effect such repairs.

Care of Property

9. That the Agent shall, at its own cost and expense, at all times during the currency of this Agreement, keep the said premises in a neat and tidy condition, removing or causing to be removed therefrom all papers, refuse, litter, waste or rubbish arising out of the operations of the Agent under this Agreement, all to the satisfaction of the Regional Director.

Improvements

10. That any improvements made to the said premises by the Agent at any time during the term of this Agreement, to make the said premises suitable for the purpose referred to in Clause No. 1 hereof, shall be at the risk, cost and expense of the Agent and to the satisfaction of the Regional Director.

Construction of Buildings or Structures

11. That the Agent shall not construct or erect any buildings or other structures on the said premises without obtaining the approval of the Regional Director, of plans showing the design and nature of construction of such buildings or structures and their proposed locations.

Annovance Nuisance and Disturbance

12. That the Agent shall not, at any time during the currency of this Agreement do, cause or permit to be done, any act or thing in or upon the said premises which shall, or may be, or might become, an annoyance, nuisance or disturbance to the occupiers of any lands or premises adjoining or in the vicinity of the said premises.

Title

13. That is hereby declared, and this Agreement is accepted by the Agent, upon the express condition that the Agent shall have no recourse against the Minister, should the minister's title to the said premises be found to be defective, or should these Presents prove ineffectual by reason of any defect in such title.

Claims and Damages

14. That the Agent shall not have any claims or demand against the Minister for loss, damage or injury of any nature whatsoever, or howsoever caused to the said premises or to any person or property, at any time brought, placed, made or being on the said premises unless such damage or injury is due to the negligence of any officer, servant, agent, contractor or sub-contractor of Her Majesty the Queen in right of Canada while acting within the scope of his duties or employment.

Indemnification

15. That the Agent shall at all times indemnify and save harmless Her Majesty the Queen in respect of any action, claim, cause of action, suit, debt, loss, damage, cost, expense or demand whatsoever, at law or in equity, arising by way of any breach by the Agent, its employecs, servants, agents, sub-lessees or persons for whom it is by law responsible, of any provisions of this Agreement or arising by way of the Agent and her Majesty's ownership, occupation and control of the premises, except claims for damages resulting from the negligence of any officer, servant, agent, contractor or sub-contractor of Her Majesty the Queen while acting within the scope of his duties.

Termination

16. That this Agreement may be terminated at any time:

(a) By the Agent upon sixty (60) days' notice in writing, such notice to be signed by the Agent and delivered to or mailed addressed to the Regional Director, Small Craft Harbours Branch, Department of Fisheries and Oceans, 501 University Crescent, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3T 2N6, or

(b) By the Minister upon sixty (60) days' notice in writing, signed by the Minister, and either delivered to the Agent or any officer of the Agent, or mailed addressed to Municipal District of Lesser Slave River #124, Box 93, 660061 Range Road 20, Flatbush, AB T0G 0Z0.

and thereupon, after the expiration of such period of notification, these Presents shall be determined and ended, and the Agent shall thereupon, and also in the event of the determination of this Agreement in any other manner, except re-entry under Clause No. 17 hereof, forthwith remove from the said premises all things at any time brought or placed thereon by the Agent and shall also to the satisfaction of the Regional Director repair all and every damage and injury occasioned to the said premises by reason of such removal or in the performance thereof, but the Agent shall not, by reason of any action taken or things performed or required under this Clause, be entitled to any compensation whatsoever, provided that, unless required by the Minister, no goods, chattels, materials, effects or things shall be removed from the said premises until all rent due or to become due under this Agreement, is fully paid.

Default

17. That, notwithstanding anything in this Agreement contained, if the rent above reserved or any part thereof, shall be in arrears or unpaid, whether or not the same shall have been in any manner demanded, or in the case of default, breach or non-observance to be made or suffered by the Agent at any time or times, in, or in respect of any of the covenants, provisos, conditions, and reservations herein contained, which on the part of the Agent ought to be observed and performed, then, and in every such case, provided such non-payment of rent, default, breach or non-observance is not cured within thirty (30) days from the date of notice thereof in writing from the Minister to the Agent, the Minister may terminate this Agreement by giving to the Agent a notice in writing, signed by the Minister, and either delivered to the Agent or any officer of the Agent, mailed addressed to the last known place of business or office of the Agent, and thereupon after delivery or mailing of such written notification, this Agreement shall be determined and ended, and in that event, it shall be lawful for the Minister, his servants or agents, to re-enter and thereafter to have, possess and enjoy the said premises and all improvements thereon.

And no acceptance of rent subsequent to any breach or default, other than non-payment of rent, nor any condoning, excusing or overlooking by the Minister on previous occasions of breaches or defaults similar to that for which re-entry is made shall be taken to operate as a waiver of this condition nor in any way defeat or affect the rights of the Minister hereunder.

The Agent shall pay in addition to any other provisions hereof the reasonable fees and disbursements of counsel to the Minister in connection with the enforcement of this Agreement, or in the event of default hereunder.

Hold Over

18. Provided always and that it is hereby agreed by and between the parties hereto that if the said Agent shall hold over after the expiration of the term hereby granted, and if the Minister shall accept rent, the new tenancy thereby created shall be a tenancy at will and not a tenancy from year to year, and the Agent shall pay as rent during the time of such occupancy a rental to be determined at the discretion of the Minister, and shall be subject to the covenants and conditions herein contained so far as the same are applicable to tenancy at will.

**Tolls, Dues
& Charges**

19. That the Agent shall, during the currency of this Agreement, charge tolls or dues established under the authority of the Fishing and Recreational Harbours Act or by Regulations approved from time to time by the Governor in Council respecting the said premises. The Agent may collect additional reasonable charges for services such as electrical power outlets, water outlets, watchman services, etc., provided at the Agent's expense for the benefit and use of the boating public using said premises.

**Accounting
Records**

20. That during the currency of this Agreement, the Agent shall cause to be kept records of its operation hereunder, such records to be kept according to accepted principles of accounting, and the Agent shall supply to the Regional Director, a certified statement for each accounting period during the currency of this Agreement.

**Audit
Inspection**

21. That the books of the Agent concerning the operation and management of the said premises, shall be open for audit and inspection at all times during business hours, by the accredited officers of the Minister.

Pollution

22. That the Agent shall not place or deposit, or cause or permit to be placed or deposited, any fill, sand, gravel, detritus, waste, debris or other materials, articles or things on the said premises which may form a deposit thereon or therein without the prior consent, in writing, of the Regional Director.

**Environmental
Protection**

23. (i) The Agent agrees to abide by and comply with all federal environmental legislation, including the relevant provisions of the Canadian Environmental Protection Act, affecting the said premises, as well as with the regulations and guidelines made and established under it, and all applicable Provincial, Territorial and municipal environmental legislation, regulations, rules or guidelines affecting the said premises.

(ii) The Agent shall not process, use, deposit or store on the said premises or in its subsoil any toxic substances, as defined in the Canadian Environmental Protection Act, nor any other substance that constitutes or may constitute a danger to the environment or to human life or health.

(iii) The Agent agrees to clean up, at its expense, to then current federal and provincial standards, any part or all of the said premises contaminated during the term of this Lease or any renewal of it immediately upon becoming aware of the contamination.

**Service
Reservation**

24. That this Agreement is granted strictly subject to the right of the Minister and Lessees and Licensees of the Minister to maintain and operate services installed on the said premises at the date of this Agreement, and to the right of the Minister to grant leases or licences, as the case may be, at any time during the currency of this Agreement, covering the right and privilege or permission to install, lay, maintain and use services on, over or across the said premises and the Agent shall not, at any time during the currency hereof, do anything or cause or permit anything to be done which will in any way interfere with the rights and privileges or permissions thereby granted, provided however, that such leases or licences will be granted subject to this Agreement and provided that the Lessees or Licensees thereunder shall not commence to exercise the rights and privileges or permissions thereby granted unless and until the consent in writing is first obtained from the Agent, and which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.

Concession

25. That no application for permission to establish concessions of any kind shall be granted without the prior approval in writing of the Regional Director.

Use by Agent 26. That in the event that any portions of the said premises are used for the purposes of the Agent, the Agent shall establish a market rental for such use and the Reddendum Clause shall be applied to such rental.

Fire Prevention 27. That the Agent shall take all necessary precautions against fire occurring in or on the said premises.

Navigation Protection Act 28. That the Agent shall fulfill in all respects the requirements of "Works" Section of the Navigation Protection Act, Chapter N-22 of the Revised Statutes of Canada 1985.

Members of Parliament 29. No member of the House of Commons shall be admitted to any share or part of this Agreement or to any benefit to arise therefrom.

Discrimination 30. That the Agent and any Sub-lessee shall not discriminate against any person by reason of race, colour or creed, in any manner whatsoever, pertaining to the operation of the said premises.

Sale or Transfer 31. (i) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, in the event that the Minister disposes of its interest in the leased premises, or any part thereof, by way of sale, transfer or other conveyance, including a transfer of administration and control to Her Majesty the Queen in right of the Province of Alberta, the Minister shall be entitled at their sole option to assign this Agreement, or such portion thereof, to the transferee, or to terminate this Agreement, and the Agreement shall upon notice thereof be terminated forthwith.

(ii) In the event of notice of termination being given by the Minister to the Agent, the Agent agrees that it shall forthwith vacate the said premises, and remove any chattels from the said premises in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement. The Agent further agrees and acknowledges that it shall have no cause of action against the Crown arising out of early termination of the Agreement, and hereby releases the Minister from any liability or otherwise that may be said to flow from the aforesaid early termination of this Agreement.

Financial Administration Act 32. If the Agent defaults in the payment of any amount due under this Agreement, the Agent shall be responsible for and pay interest on such defaulted payment (to the extent permitted by the Financial Administration Act R.S.C. 1985, Chapter F-11 and the Interest and Administration Charges Regulations SOR/96-188 (the Regulations) or any amendments thereto) up to the date payment is received by or on behalf of Her Majesty. For greater certainty and until such time as the Regulations are amended, in the case of default in respect of any monetary amount due, interest on the amount in default shall be calculated and compounded monthly at the average bank rate plus three per cent and accrue from the due date of the payment, until paid. Furthermore, in the event that any instrument is tendered in payment or settlement of any amount due to Her Majesty hereunder which for any reason is dishonoured, the Agent shall be responsible and pay an administrative charge of \$15.00 to Her Majesty, or any amount prescribed therefor by the Regulations will be applicable and in addition to the outstanding amount due.

Insurance 33. That the Agent shall, in addition to the payment of yearly rental hereunder, at its own cost, insure concurrently with the execution of this Agreement, and thereafter during the currency of this Agreement, maintain in force, a policy of liability insurance for the ownership, possession and control of the said premises with coverage of at least Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00) per occurrence and including Her Majesty as a named co-insured in that policy. The Agent, on the anniversary of this Agreement, in each and every year, shall submit to the Regional Director, proof of such insurance.

Gender

34. (i) Wherever the singular or masculine form are used in this Agreement, they shall be construed as meaning the plural or feminine or body corporate or politic where the context or the parties hereto so require.

(ii) The form of this Agreement shall not be construed against the drafter.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the duly authorized officials or officers of the parties have executed these Presents.

EXECUTED BY THE AGENT) MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF LESSER
SLAVE RIVER #124

this 26 day of MAY , 2021)

April Baucher

Witness

[Signature]

Agent

[Signature]

Agent c/s

EXECUTED BY THE MINISTER)
this 11 day of June , 2021)

Gibbs, Dayna

Witness

Newton, Steven

For the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans

Digitally signed by Gibbs, Dayna
Date: 2021-06-11 12:03:48

Digitally signed by Newton, Steven
Date: 2021.06.11 11:43:59 -0500





Lands Division
Lands Delivery & Coordination – North Branch
Public Lands Disposition Management
5th floor, South Petroleum Plaza
9915 – 108 Street
Edmonton, Alberta, T5K 2G8
Fax: 780- 422-2545
<https://www.alberta.ca/land>

File No: REC 850012

March 4, 2022

Sent via email - russ.jassman@mdlsr.ca

Municipal District of Lesser Slave River No. 127
Box 722
Slave Lake, AB T0G 2A0

RE: Recreational Lease No.: REC 850012
NE 36-73-8 W5M (2.240 ha / 5.54 ac)
Purpose: Recreational Development (M/NP) – Recreational Campground
Assignment Registered: March 4, 2022
Assignment From: Canyon Creek Harbour Authority Inc. (Assignor)
To: Municipal District of Lesser Slave River No. 124 (Assignee)

The assignment of this disposition has been registered in the records of the department.

The assignor(s) has no further right or interest in the disposition. The assignee(s) will be required to comply with the terms of the contract and has obligations under the *Public Lands Act* and the Regulations. To obtain a copy of the Act or Regulations, please contact the Queen's Printer at (780) 427-4952.

Please ensure that a copy of this approval letter is attached to the lease agreement referred to in the above mentioned assignment(s) as it now forms part of that document.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Michelle Smith at 780-691-2479, in Edmonton or at: michelle.smith@gov.ab.ca.

Sincerely,

Shelly Currie
Public Lands Disposition Management Section

cc: Assignee: MD of Lesser Slave River No. 124 - russ.jassman@mdlsr.ca
Assignor: Canyon Creek Harbour – judydealexandra@hotmail.com
Land Use: trevor.holtze@gov.ab.ca

Classification: Protected A



Rec Lease REC 850012- Disposition Holder – Canyon Creek Harbour Authority



Disposition Reservation DRS880168 – Transportation and Economic Corridors



Lesser Slave River

Request for Decision

Title:	ASB Members Terms of Service
Date:	5/20/2026
Presented By:	Kiara Hudy, Agricultural Fieldman
Attachments:	2020-19 Agricultural Service Board Establishment Bylaw AG-63-01 Agriculture Services Administration Policy

Proposed Motion	<i>Move that administration bring forward to Regular Council an amending bylaw of the 2020-19 Agricultural Service Board Establishment Bylaw and the AG-63-01 Agriculture Services Administration Policy to change the member-at-large board appointment from one-year term to a two-year term.</i>
Administration's Recommendation(s)	As proposed.

BACKGROUND:

Amending the 2020-19 Agricultural Service Board Establishment Bylaw and AG-63-01 Agriculture Services Administration Policy to provide for a two-year term for members at large would support continuity on the Board. Staggering the terms of the members at large would help ensure that one experienced member remains on the Board at any given time. A longer term would also provide members with more time to gain experience, build familiarity with Board processes, and participate more confidently in meetings and discussions.

This topic was presented to the Agricultural Services Board, which voted in favour of amending the policy to reflect a two-year term.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS:

To continue status quo with a one-year term appointment.

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT:

- ASB Act

COMMUNICATION STRATEGY:

- Once bylaw and policy are passed by Council, a motion will be sought to revise the term for current members-at-large appointments.

Prepared By: Kiara Hudy, Agricultural Fieldman
Reviewed By: Morgan Cryderman, Vegetation Lead Hand
Approved By: Kevin Gannon, Chief Administrative Officer



BYLAW 2020-19

OF THE MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF LESSER SLAVE RIVER NO. 124

Being a Bylaw to establish an Agricultural Service Board within the Municipal District of Lesser Slave River No. 124 in the Province of Alberta

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 145 of the *Municipal Government Act*, a Council may pass bylaws in relation to the establishment and functions of council committees and other bodies and procedures to be followed by council, council committees and other bodies established by the council.

AND WHEREAS, pursuant to section 3 of the *Agricultural Service Board Act*, a Council may establish and appoint members to an Agricultural Service Board;

AND WHEREAS, the Council of the Municipal District deems it necessary to establish an Agricultural Service Board; and

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Municipal District of Lesser Slave River in the Province of Alberta, duly assembled, and pursuant to the authority conferred upon it by the *Municipal Government Act*, enacts as follows:

1.0 SHORT TITLE

1.1 This Bylaw will be called the Agricultural Service Board Establishment Bylaw.

2.0 AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD

2.1 The Agricultural Service Board is hereby established for the Municipal District of Lesser Slave River No. 124.

2.2 Agricultural Service Board members will be appointed annually by resolution of Council at the annual Organizational Meeting of Council.

2.3 The Agricultural Service Board will consist of five members as follows:

2.3.1 two members from Council; and

2.3.2 three members at large.

2.4 At large members must reside within the boundaries of the Municipal District.

2.5 The Agricultural Service Board will follow the Agricultural Services Administration Policy J.1 as amended from time to time.

2.6 Agricultural Service Board members will be entitled to remuneration (as per Municipal District policy as amended from time to time) for subsistence, travel and other expenses.

2.7 Agricultural Service Board members will be entitled to honorarium (as per Municipal District policy as amended from time to time) for attending meetings, events and functions of the Board.

3.0 DUTIES OF THE AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD

3.1 Act as an advisory body and to assist the Council and the Minister of Agriculture and Forestry, in matters of mutual concern.

- 3.2 Advise on and to help organize and direct weed and pest control and water conservation programs.
- 3.3 Assist in the control of animal disease under the Animal Health Act.
- 3.4 Promote, enhance, and protect viable and sustainable agriculture with a view to improving the economic viability of the agricultural producer.
- 3.5 Promote and develop agricultural policies to meet the needs of the municipality.
- 3.6 Exercise on behalf of Council all the duties and powers that are conferred on it by the Council, under this or any other enactment, with respect to agricultural matters.
- 3.7 Present a summary of its activities for the preceding year to the Council in a form acceptable to the Council containing the information required by the Council.
- 3.8 Provide input on annual operational and capital budgets and short and long-term business/strategic plans.

4.0 SEVERABILITY

- 4.1 If any clause in this Bylaw is found to be invalid, it shall be severed from the remainder of the bylaw and shall not invalidate the whole Bylaw

5.0 EFFECTIVE DATE

- 5.1 This Bylaw takes effect immediately after third reading and upon being signed.

READ for a first time this 25th day of November, 2020.



Reeve



Chief Administrative Officer

READ for a second time this 25th day of November, 2020.

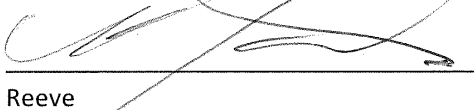


Reeve




Chief Administrative Officer

READ for a third and final time this 25th day of November, 2020.



Reeve



Chief Administrative Officer



MD of LESSER SLAVE RIVER

Policy

POLICY TITLE: AGRICULTURE SERVICES ADMINISTRATION POLICY	POLICY NO.: AG-63-01
RESOLUTION: 293-22	EFFECTIVE DATE: 2022-09-28
DEPARTMENT RESPONSIBLE: Community Services	NEXT REVIEW DATE: 2025-09-28

POLICY STATEMENT:

The Municipal District of Lesser Slave River No. 124 (Municipal District) has established an Agricultural Service Board as per the Agricultural Service Board Establishment Bylaw 2020-19. This policy defines the structure and responsibilities of the Agricultural Service Board and the role of Agricultural Fieldman with respect to the administration of agricultural programs within the Municipal District.

PRINCIPLE:

1.0 AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD STRUCTURE

- 1.1 The Agricultural Service Board (Board) has been established via the Agricultural Service Board Establishment Bylaw 2020-19.
- 1.2 The Board will consist of five members as follows:
 - 1.2.1 two members from Council; and
 - 1.2.2 three members from the public at large.
- 1.3 Board members will be appointed annually by resolution of Council at the annual Organizational Meeting of Council.
- 1.4 Board members should include persons who are familiar with agricultural concerns and issues and who are qualified to develop policies consistent with the Agricultural Service Board Act.
- 1.5 Any vacancy on the Board may be filled by resolution of Council.
- 1.6 Council may remove a member from the Board by resolution at any time.
- 1.7 A Chair and Vice-Chair will be elected at the first Board meeting or hearing after the annual Organizational Meeting of Council.

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- 1.8 The Chair and/or Vice-Chair may be re-elected for two or more standings.
- 1.9 Quorum of the Board will be three members.
- 1.10 Voting on Board resolutions is by simple majority.
- 1.11 In the event of a tie vote, the resolution will be deemed to be lost.
- 1.12 The Board will develop a schedule of meetings for the calendar year including dates, times and locations.
- 1.13 Scheduled Board meetings can be cancelled, changed or postponed at the discretion and consensus of the Chair and the Agricultural Fieldman.
- 1.14 Special meetings can be called at the discretion and consensus of the Chair and the Agricultural Fieldman.
- 1.15 Board members will be entitled to such remuneration, travelling, living and other expenses as established by Council from time to time.

2.0 AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD RESPONSIBILITIES

- 2.1 The Board is responsible for the following duties:
 - 2.1.1 act as an advisory body and to assist the Council and the Minister of Agriculture, in matters of mutual concern;
 - 2.1.2 advise on and to help organize and direct weed and pest control and water conservation programs;
 - 2.1.3 assist in the control of animal disease under the *Animal Health Act*;
 - 2.1.4 promote, enhance, and protect viable and sustainable agriculture with a view to improving the economic viability of the agricultural producer;
 - 2.1.5 promote and develop agricultural policies to meet the needs of the municipality;
 - 2.1.6 exercise on behalf of a Council all the duties and powers that are conferred on it by the Council, under this or any other enactment, with respect to agricultural matters; and
 - 2.1.7 present a summary of its activities for the preceding year to the Council in a form acceptable to the Council containing the information required by the Council.





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3.0 AGRICULTURAL FIELDMAN

3.1 The Agricultural Fieldman will be appointed by resolution of Council pursuant to the *Agriculture Service Board Act*.

3.2 The Agricultural Fieldman will act as a designated officer of the municipality:

3.2.1 in carrying out the functions, duties and powers of the municipality under any act relating to agriculture; and

3.2.2 in implementing projects, respecting agriculture agreed on between the Council and the Minister.

3.3 The Agricultural Fieldman is:

3.3.1 a Municipal Inspector under the *Weed Control Act*;

3.3.2 an Inspector of the Municipality under the *Agricultural Pests Act*;

3.3.3 a Soil Conservation Officer of the Municipality under the *Soil Conservation Act*;

3.3.4 an Expenditure Officer as set by the Chief Administrative Officer and Council.

_____"Original Signed"_____
Chief Administrative Officer

_____September 28, 2022_____
Date

_____"Original Signed"_____
Reeve

SPECIAL NOTES/CROSS-REFERENCE: AG-63-01 – Previous Version J.1
AMENDMENT DATE: -



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Request for Decision

Title:	Muskeg Creek Temporary Oilfield Bridge Update
Date:	May 20, 2026
Presented By:	Shari Spencer, Director of Field Services
Attachments:	N/A

Proposed Motion	<i>Move to accept the Muskeg Creek Bridge Temporary Oilfield Bridge Update as information.</i>
Administration's Recommendation(s)	As Proposed

BACKGROUND:

In 2024 the Muskeg Creek Bridge (BF06603) was closed due to severe failing of the timber piles. A Strategic Transportation and Infrastructure (STIP) Grant was submitted in 2024 and 2025 for the replacement of the bridge. The 2024 grant was unsuccessful and the 2025 grant is unknown at this time. In order to expediate the opening of the bridge, given its importance to emergency egress, Council approved the purchase and installation of a temporary oilfield bridge in the 2026 capital budget.

True North Engineering was engaged to develop the scope and design the installation of the new bridge. A Request for Proposal was advertised from February 5 – 26, 2026. Unfortunately, there was only one acceptable bid received at closing, and this bid did not adequately meet the RFQ requirements. Administration decided to readvertise the RFQ from March 26 – April 30, 2026.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS:

Upon closing, eight bids were received this time. The low bid of \$234,450 for a 100-foot steel pre-fabricated bridge was chosen. The bridge will have a weight limit of 100 tonnes and be sourced from Northern Mat and Bridge.

Administration is now working with the supplier to finalize the design and arrange installation of the bridge. Installation is expected to be completed in the second quarter of 2026, provided that site and weather conditions are favorable.

BENEFIT/RISKS:

Re-opening this crossing will increase the number of emergency egress routes from the Town of Slave Lake, Old Smith Highway and Mitsue Industrial Park. It will also lessen the risk of someone illegally using the closed bridge.

There is a risk of further damage to the existing bridge underneath the temporary bridge. However, the bridge would be very expensive to remove entirely, and the deck is in okay shape. Removing it would eliminate any chances of rehabilitation in the future. Rehabilitation would be an unlikely option, as it is almost as expensive as a full replacement strategy.

There will be an increased industrial traffic trying to avoid Alberta Transportations weigh scale station on Highway 2, the MD plans to monitor this location on a regular basis to attempt to deter this.

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT:

This aligns with the Municipalities mandate to provide a safe, reliable transportation network, and to ensure the safety of its residents and industry users.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATION:

The approved budget for this project is \$700,000 and is funded by Local Government Fiscal Framework proceeds. The bridge will cost \$234,450; Engineering will cost \$19,845 and installation is estimated to be between \$50,000 and \$100,000. This will put the entire project total approximately 50% under budget.

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:

N/A

COMMUNICATION STRATEGY:

The bridge re-opening will be advertised on the website and social media.

Prepared By: Shari Spencer, Director of Field Services
Reviewed By: Cody Borris, Transportation Manager
Approved By: Kevin Gannon, Chief Administrative Officer



Lesser Slave River

Request for Decision

Title:	SL Regional Library 2026 Budget & Contributions
Date:	May 20, 2026
Presented By:	Kristen Schalin, Director of Finance
Attachments:	Slave Lake Regional Library Board 2026 Budget Slave Lake Library 2026 Contribution invoice

Proposed Motion:	<i>Move that Council accept the update on the 2026 Slave Lake Regional Library Budget and 2026 contribution invoice for information.</i>
Administrations Recommendations	As proposed.

BACKGROUND:

The MD of Lesser Slave River is a member of the Peace Library System and the Slave Lake Regional Library Board. While contributing a monetary requisition each year, the MD also provides council and public member representation for the boards.

Lesser Slave River is home to two libraries in Smith and Flatbush of which the MD funds 100% and provides 21.4% of cost share for the Rotary Club of Slave Lake Public Library with the Town of Slave Lake. The 21.4% split is based on per capita allocation between the Town and the MD.

At the January 28, 2026 Council session, Council approve payment in the amount of \$204,583 based on the 2026 draft budget provide by the Slave Lake Regional Library Board through motion 046-26. In May 2026 the library manager advised Administration that an amended invoice would be coming as the Town of Slave Lake did not agree to provide the requested amount as presented in the 2026 draft budget.

Upon receipt of the approved 2026 budget and the amended invoice the Library manager advised there was no change to the MD portion invoiced. The approved budget indicated no change to the MD's portion of the annual contribution but a reduction to the Town's portion subsidized by previous years' accumulated surplus

FINANCIAL IMPLICATION:

As per the Agreement Section 8. The financing of the Board shall be arranged as follows:

- a) The annual budget and estimate of funding for the upcoming year shall be prepared and approved by the Board prior to November 1 of the current year and transmitted to each participating council for the funding approval.
 - i. The Town shall contribute a per capita amount
 - ii. The MD shall contribute a per capita amount based on population in the communities of Canyon Creek, Widewater, Wagner, Slave Lake Adjacent, Poplar Lane and Marten Beach.
 - iii. The MD shall further contribute an amount based on the estimated revenue/expense deficits to the libraries operating within the MD.

Town of Slave Lake Contribution – 78.6 % on Population of 6651
MD of Lesser Slave River Contribution – 21.4 % on Population of 1810

As reflected in the approved budget, the MD's annual contribution has increased by \$12,102 representing a 12.94% increase over the 2025 contribution amount. In contrast, the Town's contribution has decreased by \$18,599, representing a 5.41% decrease from the 2025 contribution amount.

The reduction in the Town's contribution is being offset through the application of prior years' surplus funds, which were generated through contributions from both the MD and the Town.

As this agreement is currently written, it would be reasonably interpreted that any increases or decreases in contribution amounts should be applied proportionally and consistently between both parties. For example, where there is a percentage increase in contributions, both parties would experience the same proportional increase. Similarly, where prior years' surplus is utilized to offset contributions, the resulting reduction should be reflected equitably for both parties.

The amended invoice is for a total of \$202,423 consisting of the following contributions: \$105,595 for the Slave Lake Library, \$52,558 for the Smith Library, and \$44,270 for the Flatbush Library. This amount differs from what was previously approved by Council in January by \$2,160 which is related to the capital contribution allocation for the Slave Lake Library which was subsequently removed from the 2026 budget.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS:

- Council may request Slave Lake Library Manager attend a future Council meeting to present on the approved 2026 budget amendments and provide clarification regarding contribution calculations.
- Council may accept the revised 2026 Slave Lake Regional Library budget and the corresponding contribution invoice as attached.
- Council may accept the revised budget and current requisition for budget stability purposes, while reviewing the Regional Library agreement with participating municipalities and the Regional library Board at a future Intermunicipal meeting.

BENEFITS/RISKS:

- Libraries are an integral part of our communities allowing MD residents to access resources, promote literacy and education, and provide a hub for social connectivity.
- Increased cost of libraries operating and the digital age has questioned the benefits of structured facilities and hard copy resources.
- Increased pressure on the reliance on municipal funding

COMMUNICATIONS STRATEGY:

The Slave Lake Regional Library Board will be notified of Council's decision.

Prepared By: Kristen Schalin, Director of Finance
Reviewed By:
Approved By: Kevin Gannon, Chief Administrative Officer

Slave Lake Regional Library Board
2026 Budget

G/L	REVENUE	Line Item Description	2024 Budget	2024 Actuals	2025 Budget	2025 Actuals	2026 Budget	2025 Actuals are to November 30
4010	Admin Fee - Smith and Flatbush	Revenue from Smith and Flatbush Admin Fee	\$ 12,112	\$ 12,112	\$ 13,834	\$ 13,834	\$ 13,536	
4025	Donations	Cash donations from the public	\$ 600	\$ 2,035	\$ 600	\$ 475	\$ 500	
4027	Programming	Donation of \$1971.66 remaining	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	
4030	Fundraising Revenue	Annual booksale as well as any other event that raises funds for the library	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,329	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,995	\$ 2,000	
4040	Printing/Photocopies/Laminating/Fax	Revenue from printing/photocopying/laminating/faxing services for the public.	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,335	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,606	\$ 2,500	
4050	Membership Fees (Patrons)	Library patron memberships sold.	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,343	\$ 6,000	\$ 5,547	\$ -	
4310	Provincial Grant	Annual Grant from GOA	\$ 54,053	\$ 54,053	\$ 54,053	\$ 54,053	\$ 54,053	
4340	Other Grants	Grants from sources other than TOSL, MD or GOA.	\$ 6,500	\$ 7,092	\$ 7,000	\$ 6,965	\$ 7,000	
4450	Library Contribution	Money from previous years surplus to offset TOSL and MD Contributions	\$ 99,010	\$ 99,010	\$ 63,850	\$ 63,850	\$ 42,409	Decrease of \$21,441
4420	Town of SL Contribution	2018 Population -78.6%	6651 \$ 295,409	\$ 295,409	\$ 342,134	\$ 343,549	\$ 324,950	Decrease of \$18,599 or 5.41% from 2025 Contribution Amount
4440	MD of LSR Contribution - SL	2018 Population - 21.4%	1810 \$ 80,392	\$ 80,392	\$ 93,108	\$ 93,493	\$ 105,595	Increase of \$12,102 or 12.94% from 2025 Contribution Amount
4610	Bank Interest	Interest earned on accounts and/or investments	\$ 8,500	\$ 13,450	\$ 10,000	\$ 17,683	\$ 8,000	
4630	Fines	Patron Fines for overdue library material borrowed	\$ 2,500	\$ 3,282	\$ 2,500	\$ 3,013	\$ 3,000	
Total Revenue - Slave Lake			\$ 570,076	\$ 577,842	\$ 598,079	\$ 608,061	\$ 564,543	
4028	Donations - Smith	Any cash donation made to Smith Library including snow flags	\$ 200	\$ 40	\$ 100	\$ 2,255	\$ 300	
4041	Photocopying/Fax - Smith	Money raised from photocopying/printing	\$ 100	\$ 14	\$ 100	\$ 27	\$ 100	
4316	Other Grants - Smith	Money raised through applying for grants other than GOA & Municipality	\$ -	\$ 683	\$ 100	\$ -	\$ 100	
4051	Membership Fees - Smith	Library patron memberships sold	\$ 450	\$ 345	\$ 450	\$ 480	\$ -	
4635	Fines - Smith	Patron fines for overdue library material borrowed	\$ 100	\$ 100	\$ 100	\$ 57	\$ 100	
4311	Provincial Grant - Smith	GOA Grant Funds	\$ 5,021	\$ 5,021	\$ 5,021	\$ 5,021	\$ 5,021	
4455	Library Contribution	Money from previous years surplus to offset MD Contribution	\$ 8,510	\$ 8,510	\$ 6,526	\$ 6,526	\$ -	
4441	MD of LSR Contribution - Smith		\$ 39,058	\$ 39,058	\$ 46,905	\$ 46,905	\$ 52,558	Increase of \$5,653 or 12.05% from 2025 Contribution Amount
Total Revenue - Smith			\$ 53,439	\$ 53,770	\$ 59,302	\$ 61,270	\$ 58,179	
4029	Donations - Flatbush	Any monetary donation made to Flatbush Library	\$ -	\$ 278	\$ 100	\$ -	\$ 100	
4042	Photocopy/Printing - Flatbush	Money from photocopying and printing	\$ 20	\$ 50	\$ 20	\$ 2	\$ 50	
4052	Membership Fees - Flatbush	Library patron memberships sold	\$ 200	\$ 160	\$ 200	\$ 30	\$ -	
4636	Fines - Flatbush	Patron fines for overdue library materials borrowed	\$ 25	\$ 138	\$ 100	\$ 93	\$ 100	
4312	Provincial Grant - Flatbush	GoA Grant Funds	\$ 2,913	\$ 2,913	\$ 2,913	\$ 2,913	\$ 2,913	
4460	Library Contribution	Money from previous years surplus to offset MD Contribution	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
4442	MD of LSR Contribution - Flat		\$ 36,264	\$ 36,264	\$ 43,427	\$ 43,427	\$ 44,270	Increase of \$843 or 1.94% from 2025 Contribution
Total Revenue - Flatbush			\$ 39,422	\$ 39,802	\$ 46,760	\$ 46,465	\$ 47,433	
TOTAL REVENUE			\$ 662,937	\$ 671,415	\$ 704,141	\$ 715,797	\$ 670,155	
EXPENSE								
5410	Wages & Salaries - Full-time	Budgeted amount for full-time staff only (from projected payroll)	\$ 214,289	\$ 204,884	\$ 223,890	\$ 197,776	\$ 226,866	
5411	Wages & Salaries - Part-time	Budgeted amount for part-time staff only (from projected payroll)	\$ 87,728	\$ 74,521	\$ 95,797	\$ 104,102	\$ 87,656	June 1 - Close at 5 on Mondays and 3 on Saturdays
5415	Wages - Vacation Paid	As per the projected payroll sheet	\$ 15,792	\$ 14,410	\$ 16,664	\$ 15,627	\$ 16,481	
5418	EI Expense		\$ 6,846	\$ 6,350	\$ 7,224	\$ 6,774	\$ 7,094	

5425	CPP Expense		\$ 17,822	\$ 13,990	\$ 18,925	\$ 15,327	\$ 18,453	
5440	WCB Expense	Covers Workers Compensation Insurance.	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,336	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,538	\$ 1,500	
5445	Employee Benefit Expense	Health and Retirement benefits offered to full-time staff only	\$ 17,013	\$ 16,997	\$ 19,223	\$ 19,271	\$ 19,392	
2255	Archives	Items for the archive collection/archive expenses. Will use donated funds until funds are exhausted	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
5610	Audit	Services for auditing of financial statements.	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,025	\$ 7,025	\$ 7,075	\$ 7,100	
5613	Art Wall	Rotating art exhibits at the SL library	\$ 500	\$ 375	\$ 500	\$ 300	\$ 500	
5615	Advertising & Promotions	Used to promote the library & its programming and events	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,063	\$ 1,000	\$ 999	\$ 1,000	
5618	Boys and Girls Club (Programming)	Expenditure of the Boys and Girls Club donation - to be used for children's programming	\$ 1,000	\$ 851	\$ 1,000	\$ 756	\$ -	
5619	Board Honorariums	TOSL Members at Large (6 members x \$150 per reg mtg)	\$ 6,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 9,000	\$ 8,550	\$ 9,000	
5621	Board Development	This is for conferences/courses and related costs for board trustees.	\$ 2,500	\$ 3,171	\$ 4,000	\$ 3,706	\$ 2,000	
5625	Bookkeeper	Financial bookkeeping services.	\$ 7,500	\$ 6,271	\$ 7,500	\$ 6,102	\$ 7,525	
5630	Computers - Office	Staff computers - based on technology plan replacement schedule	\$ 5,350	\$ 2,241	\$ 1,100	\$ 1,274	\$ 2,400	As per 2026 Technology Plan
5631	Computers - Public	Public computers - based on technology plan replacement schedule	\$ 2,600	\$ 1,645	\$ 3,900	\$ 2,281	\$ 3,400	As per 2026 Technology Plan
5640	Courier & Postage	Postage not reimbursed by PLS (ie. boxes).	\$ 500	-\$ 1,472	\$ 500	\$ 68	\$ 200	
5655	Special Events	ie. Riverboat Days, Haunted House, Community events	\$ 1,000	\$ 990	\$ 1,000	\$ 910	\$ 1,000	
5661	Furniture & Equipment	Furniture or equipment purchased for the Slave Lake library.	\$ 3,000	\$ 35,780	\$ 3,000	\$ 2,371	\$ 2,000	
5663	Fines Transfer - Slave Lake	Paid to other libraries when our patrons lose books.	\$ 300	\$ 117	\$ 300	\$ 111	\$ 300	
5666	Hospitality	Used toward entertaining guests, including lunch and coffee.	\$ 500	\$ 494	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ 500	
5685	Insurance	Contents insurance to cover the library collection, furniture and liability.	\$ 5,800	\$ 5,998	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,342	\$ 6,600	
5690	Interest, Bank and Interac Charges	Service fees paid to the bank.	\$ 1,000	\$ 2,101	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,419	\$ 2,000	
5692	LicenseFeesCopyright/ServiceProvide	CanCopy-allows us license to copy portion of printed material. Also includes PLS software licensing.	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,366	\$ 4,100	\$ 2,181	\$ 1,000	
5694	Magazines/Periodicals	For purchase of magazine subscriptions	\$ 800	\$ 556	\$ 600	\$ 614	\$ 800	
5696	Membership Expense	Used to purchase institutional memberships for the library.	\$ 600	\$ 565	\$ 600	\$ 399	\$ 600	
5700	Office Supplies	Office supplies, coffee, any consumables.	\$ 4,000	\$ 3,860	\$ 4,000	\$ 3,759	\$ 4,000	
5720	Library Materials	Book Covers, Materials for processing, materials used by the public	\$ 4,000	\$ 3,906	\$ 4,500	\$ 4,607	\$ 4,500	
5740	Miscellaneous	Any unexpected expenses that do not fall into another category and in & outs	\$ -	-\$ 219	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
5742	Photocopying/Printing	Per page photocopying paid to Xerox. Does not include paper.	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,461	\$ 1,500	\$ 2,251	\$ 1,500	
5743	Photocopier Lease/Maint Agreement	Photocopier lease expenses-which includes ink, and maintenance.	\$ 4,000	\$ 2,941	\$ 3,200	\$ 2,941	\$ 3,200	
5744	PLS Allotment Fees	Used to cover book purchases, courier postage and PLS service fees.	\$ 21,637	\$ 18,682	\$ 19,000	\$ 20,398	\$ 21,000	
5745	PLS Technology Fees	Fees from PLS outside of the regular allotment amount. PLS sends notice before end of previous year	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,927	\$ 5,830	\$ 6,564	\$ 5,450	As per Letter received from PLS
5746	Staff Professional Development	For development of staff including the manager. Includes travel and accommodations.	\$ 5,000	\$ 4,342	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,256	\$ 7,000	
5748	Program Expenses	To deliver library programming	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,322	\$ 5,000	\$ 4,999	\$ 5,000	
5760	Rent		\$ 1	\$ -	\$ 1	\$ -	\$ 10	
5761	Security	Security Guard at library Mon-Thurs 4-8PM, Saturdays 10AM-5PM	\$ 36,000	\$ 33,863	\$ 36,000	\$ 30,390	\$ 14,000	End Security June 1, 2026
5765	Repair, Maintenance & Utilities	Yearly invoice from the TOSL. Based on a square foot percentage as per the lease agreement.	\$ 62,000	\$ 55,512	\$ 62,000	\$ 63,000	\$ 62,000	
5777	Staff Appreciation	Purchase of gifts, food, event supplies to show appreciation for library staff.	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,130	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,657	\$ 2,350	
5768	Other Grants	Expenses to match amount of revenue received	\$ 6,500	\$ 14,326	\$ 7,000	\$ 7,052	\$ 7,000	
5778	Staff Recruitment	Job postings, interviewing	\$ 500	\$ -	\$ 200	\$ -	\$ 200	
5780	Telephone/Fax Slave Lake		\$ 3,500	\$ 2,704	\$ 3,500	\$ 2,981	\$ 2,800	
5784	Staff Travel	For the manager or staff to travel between libraries or to supplement PD travel if necessary.	\$ 1,500	\$ 749	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,153	\$ 1,000	
Total Expenses - Slave Lake			\$ 570,078	\$ 560,130	\$ 598,079	\$ 565,380	\$ 566,377	Decrease of \$31,702 or 5.3% from 2025
Smith Expenses								
5412	Wages - Smith	Budgeted amount for Rural Librarian (from projected payroll) - Includes vacation pay	\$ 25,570	\$ 24,936	\$ 26,440	\$ 23,652	\$ 26,837	
5421	EI Expense - Smith		\$ 594	\$ 579	\$ 607	\$ 555	\$ 612	

5431	CPP Expense - Smith		\$ 1,521	\$ 1,285	\$ 1,573	\$ 1,158	\$ 1,597	
5616	Advertising & Promotions Smith	Promotion of Smith Library programs/events.	\$ 400	\$ 359	\$ 400	\$ 228	\$ 400	
5636	Computer Supp/Service - Smith	Includes technology plan replacement and funds for computer maintenance	\$ 2,430	\$ 2,453	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,666	\$ 1,000	As per 2026 technology plan (0)
5641	Courier/Postage - Smith	Postage not reimbursed by PLS	\$ 100	\$ 627	\$ 700	\$ -	\$ 600	
5662	Fines Transfer - Smith	Paid to other libraries for books lost by Smith patrons.	\$ 100	\$ -	\$ 100	\$ -	\$ 100	
5674	Smith PLS Allotment Fees	Used to cover book purchases and PLS service fees	\$ 3,653	\$ 3,736	\$ 3,736	\$ 4,080	\$ 4,500	
5787	Honorariums	For Community Volunteers	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,498	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,300	\$ 1,500	
5686	Insurance - Smith	Content insurance to cover Smith Library - MD invoices us.	\$ 1,550	\$ -	\$ 1,800	\$ 2,431	\$ 2,000	
5691	Janitorial Supplies - Smith	Regular cleaning supplies	\$ 200	\$ 184	\$ 200	\$ 175	\$ 200	
5695	Magazines & Periodicals Smith	For purchase of magazines that are not reimbursed by PLS.	\$ 250	\$ 288	\$ 300	\$ 336	\$ 300	
5698	Smith License Fees	CanCopy-allows us license to copy portion of printed material. Also includes PLS software licensing.	\$ 350	\$ 400	\$ 650	\$ 726	\$ 500	
5701	Office Supplies - Smith	Office supplies, coffee, consumables for Smith	\$ 500	\$ 523	\$ 600	\$ 564	\$ 600	
5715	PLS Technology Fees - Smith	Fees from PLS outside of the regular allotment amount. PLS sends notice before end of previous year	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,758	\$ 3,310	\$ 3,099	\$ 995	As per letter from PLS
5749	Program Expenses - Smith	Covers Smith library program offerings	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,450	\$ 3,000	\$ 2,913	\$ 3,000	
5766	Repairs & Maintenance Smith	Most repairs/maintenance covered by the MD	\$ 50	\$ 18	\$ 50	\$ 13	\$ 50	
5770	Smith - Donations/Grant Expense	Expenses for which donated money was used includes snow flags	\$ 100	\$ 650	\$ 100	\$ -	\$ 300	
5773	Smith Equipment & Furniture	Purchase of new furniture or equipment for Smith Library	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,067	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,624	\$ 1,000	
5775	Smith Professional Development	For development of staff. Includes travel and accomodations.	\$ 1,300	\$ 892	\$ 1,500	\$ 897	\$ 2,000	
5781	Telephone - Smith		\$ 1,000	\$ 856	\$ 1,000	\$ 942	\$ 1,000	
5785	Travel - Smith	Smith Librarian travel to Slave Lake	\$ 800	\$ 1,115	\$ 800	\$ 762	\$ 1,000	
5794	Smith Admin Fee	Admin. - 15% of Smith's exp. before admin as per the Intermunicipal Library Agreement	\$ 6,970	\$ 6,970	\$ 7,735	\$ 7,735	\$ 7,514	
Total Expenses - Smith			\$ 53,438	\$ 52,644	\$ 59,301	\$ 54,856	\$ 57,605	Decrease of \$1,696 or 2.86% from 2025

Flatbush Expenses

5413	Wages - Flatbush	Budgeted amount for Rural Librarian (from projected payroll) - Includes vacation pay	\$ 18,093	\$ 18,085	\$ 20,325	\$ 18,509	\$ 23,058	
5422	EI Expense - Flatbush		\$ 420	\$ 420	\$ 467	\$ 439	\$ 526	
5432	CPP Expense - Flatbush		\$ 1,077	\$ 698	\$ 1,209	\$ 904	\$ 1,372	
5617	Advertising & Promotion Flatbush	Promotion of Flatbush library programs/events	\$ 100	\$ 76	\$ 100	\$ 91	\$ 100	
5637	Computer Supp/Service Flatbush	Includes technology plan replacement, and funds for computer maintenance	\$ 2,430	\$ 1,073	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,778	\$ 500	
	Fines Transfer Flatbush	Paid to other libraries for books lost by Flatbush patrons	\$ 100	\$ -	\$ 100	\$ -	\$ 100	
5673	Flatbush PLS Allotment Fees	Used to cover book purchases and PLS service fees	\$ 2,810	\$ 2,491	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,720	\$ 3,000	
5788	Flatbush Honorariums		\$ 500	\$ 459	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ 500	
5687	Insurance - Flatbush	Insurance to cover Flatbush library - covered under Slave Lake Insurance	\$ 1,600	\$ 1,798	\$ 1,800	\$ 2,342	\$ 2,500	
5693	Flatbush License Fees	CanCopy-allows us license to copy portion of printed material. Also includes PLS software licensing.	\$ 350	\$ 400	\$ 650	\$ 343	\$ 400	
5697	Magazines & Periodicals Flatbush	For purchase of magazines that are not reimbursed by PLS.	\$ 200	\$ 176	\$ 200	\$ 106	\$ 200	
5702	Office Supplies - Flatbush	Office supplies, coffee, consumables for Flatbush	\$ 400	\$ 425	\$ 600	\$ 539	\$ 500	
5710	PLS Technology Fees - Flatbush	Fees from PLS outside of the regular allotment amount. PLS sends notice before end of previous year	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,787	\$ 3,310	\$ 3,099	\$ 995	As per letter from PLS
5750	Program Expenses - Flatbush	Covers Flatbush library program offerings	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,535	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,310	\$ 1,500	
5767	Repairs & Maintenance Flatbush	Most repairs/maintenance covered by the MD	\$ 100	\$ 185	\$ 100	\$ 48	\$ 100	
5774	Flatbush Equipment & Furniture	Purchase of new furniture or equipment for Flatbush Library	\$ 500	\$ 1,941	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,004	\$ 1,000	
5776	Flatbush Professional Development	For development of staff. Includes travel and accomodations.	\$ 1,300	\$ 732	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,457	\$ 2,000	
5782	Telephone - Flatbush		\$ 1,000	\$ 942	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,118	\$ 1,000	
5786	Travel - Flatbush	Flatbush Librarian travel to Slave Lake.	\$ 800	\$ 750	\$ 800	\$ 834	\$ 800	
5795	Flatbush Admin Fee	Admin. - 15% of FB's expenses before admin as per the Intermunicipal Library Agreement	\$ 5,142	\$ 5,142	\$ 6,099	\$ 6,099	\$ 6,023	

Total Expenses - Flatbush	\$ 39,422	\$ 39,114	\$ 46,760	\$ 44,241	\$ 46,173	Decrease of \$587 or 1.26% from 2025
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$ 662,938	\$ 651,888	\$ 704,140	\$ 664,477	\$ 670,155	Overall Budget Decrease of \$33,985 or 4.83% from 2025
NET INCOME	-\$ 1	\$ 19,527	\$ 1	\$ 51,320	-\$ 0	



**Rotary Club of Slave Lake
Public Library**

Invoice

April 28, 2026
Invoice # 2026-02

PO Box 540, Slave Lake, AB
TOG 2A0
780-849-5250
librarian@slavelakelibrary.ab.ca

Bill To:
MD of Lesser Slave River #124
3000 15 Ave, SE
Slave Lake, AB
TOG 2A0
780-849-4888

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
2026 Slave Lake Library Annual Contribution	\$ 105,595.00
2026 Smith Library Annual Contribution	\$ 52,558.00
2026 FlatBush Library Annual Contribution	\$ 44,270.00
Total	\$ 202,423.00

**Please make cheque payable to Slave Lake Regional Library Board or
deposit via EFT**



Lesser Slave River

Request for Decision

Title:	Liberty Five-year Extended Warranty
Date:	May 20, 2026
Presented By:	Jeremy Dumaresque
Attachments:	5 Year Liberty Warranty, SEW-42-02 Residential Sewer Grinder Pump policy

Proposed Motion	<i>Move that Council received the Liberty Five-year Extended Warranty report for information.</i>
Administration's Recommendation(s)	As proposed

BACKGROUND:

In 2022 The MD with the support of council changed the model of grinder pumps being installed in the Southshore low pressure system from E-one to Liberty. While there were a number of reasons for this, one of the big items was the limited 5-year warranty being offered by Liberty. Some questions have arisen lately surrounding the warranty and how it is implemented.

Administration has developed a straightforward process for claiming a warranty replacement. The MD requests the property owner to have an MD approved contractor verify that the pump has failed. Once this has been completed, the property owner can pick up a new pump at the Widewater Lift Station. The MD then sends proof of purchase date, serial number of pump and date of failure. Emco (pump distributor) then ships a new replacement to replenish inventory. Typically added to our next order to save on shipping fees.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS:

Allow property owners to manage the warranty independent of the MD and go directly through the pump distributor as it comes with the pump.

BENEFIT/RISKS:

- Current procedures allow for a bypass of the 30-day registration requirement. Also allowing for a timely replacement pump.
- The only real risk would be if Liberty decided to drop the warranty program.

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT:

This project aligns with the current approved Utility Services Strategic Plan as amended from time to time.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATION:

Minimal financial implications.

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:

- Prior to 2022, pumps were offered with a one-year warranty, while having a much higher failure rate.
- Failed pumps were sent back to the supplier to be repaired/refurbished.
- The current 5-year warranty program provides a new pump for replacement.

COMMUNICATION STRATEGY:

N/A

Prepared By: *Heather DeAlexandra, Administrative Assistant*
Reviewed By: *Jeremy Dumaresque, Director of Environmental Services*
Approved By: *Kevin Gannon, Chief Administrative Officer*

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Policy



Title: RESIDENTIAL SEWER GRINDER PUMP MAINTENANCE
Policy Number: SEW-42-02
Effective Date: October 11, 2023
Resolution: 402-23
Department Responsible: Utilities & Operational Services
Supersedes Policy No: F6 Residential Grinder Pumps
Next Review Date: October 11, 2026

POLICY STATEMENT:

The Municipal District of Lesser Slave River No. 124 is responsible for municipally owned water and wastewater services for communities within the Municipality. Municipal wastewater collection systems have typically consisted of gravity sewers connected to a local wastewater. However, in some locations, topography and other servicing challenges has required the installation of low-pressure sewer systems which require grinder pump packages to service certain properties.

This policy is intended to deal with ownership, and responsibility of the Municipal District of Lesser Slave River and the property owners in relation to the residential sewer grinder pumps.

DEFINITIONS:

“MDLSR” means the Municipal District of Lesser Slave River.

“Grinder pump” means a sewage grinder pump that is equipped with a grinder system in the pump inlet, which cuts and grinds material that enters the sewer tank prior to pumping into the municipal owned low pressure sewer system.

“MSS” mean the Municipal Servicing Standards: manual that is designed to provide an information guide to set standards governing design, preparation and submission of plans and specifications for the construction of municipal improvements in the municipality.

“Property Owner” means the person registered as the owner of the property pursuant to the provision of the *Land Title Act* and shall include the person who is purchasing a property under an Agreement sale.

“Property” means a parcel of as defined in the *Municipal Government Act*. (Alberta).

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PRINCIPLE:

1. The property owner will assume ownership of the sewer grinder pump, including all responsibility for inspection, maintenance, repairs, and replacement; including any costs occurred in respects to the grinder pumps.
2. The property owner is responsible for all costs incurred to purchase, install, and commission the pump and or sewer package and accessories on private property up to the sanitary curbstop at the property line. This includes retention of a MDLSR approved contractor to complete the installation as per manufacturer specifications.
3. The warranty period applies only to the mechanical aspects of the sewer pump. The warranty is honored by the pump distributor and not that of the MDLSR.
4. The warranty will remain with the pump regardless of any changes in property ownership.
5. That any pump repairs incurred due to negligence, deliberate abuse or damages caused by the flushing of products not recommended by the MDLSR or the manufacturer may void the warranty period. This can include but not be limited to the flushing of fats, oils and greases, powdered detergents, hair, hydrocarbons, feminine hygiene products, diapers, cat litter, abrasives, etc.
6. Damages due to the settling of the tank or other conditions not related to the pump itself will be the responsibility of the property owner or their installation contractor and not that of the MDLSR.
7. Any repairs due to freezing or lack of use due to prolonged absence will be the responsibility of the property owner and not that of the MDLSR.
8. The MDLSR is responsible to provide the design specifications set forth in the MSS pertaining to the sewer pump, sewer package, and any appurtenances required for the installation of a private sewer system.
9. The MDLSR is not responsible for any property damage, or any claims, costs, or damages, associated with the improper use or negligence by the property owner or occupant related to the pump package and its policies or any related infrastructure installed on the property of the owner. Further, the MDLSR is not responsible in any way for investigations, clean-up, or property damage related to the failure of the pump.
10. That the MDLSR will not provide any maintenance such as the removal or installation of any pumps installed in any tank not supplied by the Municipal District. In this case, the MDLSR will exchange or provide a new pump as requested by the homeowner with all costs being the responsibility of the homeowner.



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11. All call outs to investigate an alarm or other costs incurred (such as MDLSR employee time, electrical, excavation, plumbing, etc.) the costs will be added to the MDLSR invoice to the property owner as specified in the rate bylaw.
12. All accounts must be up to date and in good standing prior to an MDLSR representative responding to a call out and/or the purchasing of a new sewer grinder pump.
13. A signed 5-year agreement or an invoice that proves the pump has been paid in full must be proven prior to the MDLSR employee or designated representative will complete a pump installation.
14. If a property equipped with a sewer system connected to the MDLSR collection is rented, it is recommended the homeowner should provide signing authority to the tenant allowing engagement by the MDLSR in the event of an emergency and the homeowner cannot be contacted.

"Original Signed"
Chief Administrative Officer
Barry Kolenosky

October 23, 2023
Date

"Original Signed"
Reeve
Murray Kerik

October 23, 2023
Date

SPECIAL NOTES/CROSS REFERENCE: SEW-42-02.01 Residential Sewer Grinder Pump Maintenance, *Municipal Government Act, Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000, Chapter M-26, Alberta Land Titles Act, RSA 2000, CH L-4*
AMENDMENT DATE: October 11, 2023



5YR-LSG



Five-Year Warranty Registration Form

Warranty ID [REDACTED]

5YR-LSG: Applies to LSG and LSGX sewage grinder pumps only.

Form Issue Date: [REDACTED]

Warranty Registration Checklist

- Copy of Bill of Sale - return with this form
- Record Serial Number
- Submit Warranty Registration to Liberty Pumps

Distributor Information
 Liberty Cust ID: 4514*765

EMCO - EDMONTON #765
 15740 - 118 AVENUE
 EDMONTON, AB T5V 1C4

Phone: 780-447-4800
 Fax: 780-447-5512

Customer Name: EMCO CORPORATION - EPS95265

Phone Number: _____

Model Number: LSG202-REP-2

Serial Number: [REDACTED] Date Code: [REDACTED]

Date of Sale: [REDACTED] Date of Registration: [REDACTED]

Bill Of Sale #: [REDACTED]

NOTE: This 5 year warranty applies only to LSG- and LSGX-series grinder pumps. All other components of a system - i.e. panels, basins and internal fabrication - are covered by Liberty's standard 3 year warranty.

5YR-LSG Warranty Information & Instructions:

- Completed Registration Form must be returned to Liberty Pumps within 30 days of distributor's original bill of sale.
- To redeem warranty, distributor must contact Liberty Pumps with the serial number of the original pump. A *Warranty Transfer* Form will need to be completed prior to awarding replacement in order to record the serial number of the replacement unit. Transfer Form must be returned to Liberty Pumps in order to ensure future warranty claims are granted against the replacement.
- Warranty does not renew on replacement. This warranty covers 5 years after original sale.
- Contact information: Liberty Pumps may need to contact the distributor when registering this warranty to verify any of the information on this form. If the original bill of sale does not have the distributor's contact information please include such information on this form.
- To complete this registration the completed form may be faxed to 585-494-1839 or emailed to Liberty@LibertyPumps.com
- Unused Warranty Registration Forms expire 5 years from the issued date at the top of this form.
- Questions? - Call Liberty Pumps at 1-800-543-2550.



5 Year Limited Warranty Option for LSG and LSGX Pumps

5YR-LSG

When purchased and properly registered, the "5YR-LSG" option extends the standard limited 3 year warranty to 5 years on Omnivore® series grinder pumps. This warranty applies only to the LSG or LSGX-series pump. Other components of a complete system, such as basin, control panel and internal piping are excluded from this extension and are covered under Liberty's standard 3 year limited warranty.

Liberty Pumps, Inc. warrants that LSG and LSGX-Series pumps of its manufacture are free from all factory defects in material and workmanship for a period of 5 years from the date of purchase. The date of purchase shall be determined by a dated sales receipt from the distributor noting the model and serial number of the pump. A warranty registration form must be completed in full at the time of sale by the distributor and returned to Liberty within 30 days from the date of sale.

The manufacturer's obligation under this Warranty shall be limited to the repair or replacement of any parts found by the manufacturer to be defective for a total period of 5 years. Any repair performed or replacement sent during the warranty period will carry the original expiration date of the 5 year warranty. To redeem warranty, the pump must be returned freight prepaid to the manufacturer or its authorized center with no warranty-voiding characteristics evident as listed below:

The manufacturer shall not be liable under this Warranty if the product has not been properly installed; if it has been disassembled, modified, abused or tampered with; if the electrical cord has been cut or spliced by a non-qualified electrician; if the pump discharge has been reduced in size; if the pump has been used in water containing sand, lime, cement, gravel or other abrasives; if the product has been used to pump chemicals or hydrocarbons; if the pump was used in applications exceeding the rated fluid temperatures; or if the label bearing the serial and code number has been removed.

Liberty Pumps, Inc. shall not be liable for any loss, damage or expenses resulting from installation or use of its products, or for consequential damages, including costs of removal, reinstallation or transportation.

There is no other express warranty. All implied warranties, including those of merchantability and fitness for a particular purpose, are limited to two years from the date of purchase. This Warranty contains the exclusive remedy of the purchaser, and, where permitted, liability for consequential or incidental damages under any and all warranties are excluded.

Liberty Pumps, Inc.

7000 Apple Tree Ave. Bergen, NY 14416
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Lesser Slave River

Request for Decision

Title:	National Police Federation – May 27, 2026, Delegate
Date:	May 20, 2026
Prepared By:	Kevin Gannon, Chief Administrative Officer
Attachments:	NPF to Municipal District of Lesser Slave River No. 124 NPF–Alberta-Wave-8-August 2025-Public-Research

Proposed Motion	<i>Move that Council direct Administration to compile and forward Council’s questions to the National Police Federation in advance of the May 27, 2026 Council meeting, and that the correspondence and attached materials be accepted as information.</i>
Administration’s Recommendation(s)	Administration recommends that Council identify key questions and priority topics for the National Police Federation delegate meeting so that the discussion can be focused on municipal policing impacts, rural service levels, funding, and local concerns.

BACKGROUND:

On November 27, 2025, the Reeve received correspondence from the National Police Federation, which is attached to this report. The correspondence offered to attend a Council meeting as a delegation to discuss policing matters affecting Alberta municipalities. A virtual meeting with the National Police Federation has since been scheduled for May 27, 2026. Council is being asked to identify questions and areas of interest in advance of the meeting so that Administration can provide them to the delegate and support a focused discussion.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS:

1. Council may provide questions in advance and proceed with the delegate meeting as scheduled.
2. Council may receive the materials as information only and choose not to provide advance questions.
3. Council may request additional background information from Administration and defer discussion until a future meeting.

BENEFIT/RISKS:

Providing questions in advance may help ensure the delegation addresses Council’s priorities, including rural policing service levels, visibility, staffing, response times, and the municipal impacts of policing policy and funding changes. Current Alberta policing discussions continue to include concerns about service levels, municipal cost pressures, and public confidence in policing models. A risk of proceeding without advance questions is that the discussion may be less focused and may not fully address Council’s local concerns. A risk of deferring the matter is the loss of a timely opportunity to gather information directly from the delegation.

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT:

This item supports Council’s role in advocacy, informed decision-making, and intergovernmental relations. It also aligns with Council’s interest in community safety and in understanding external policy changes that may affect local service delivery and municipal finances.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATION:

There is no direct financial implication associated with receiving the delegation and providing questions in advance. However, information obtained through the meeting may assist Council in understanding potential future policing cost pressures, service expectations, and advocacy considerations affecting the municipality.

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:

Council may wish to ask about rural detachment staffing, response times, member retention, contract policing beyond 2032, the provincial police funding model, and how municipal concerns are being represented in broader policing discussions in Alberta.

COMMUNICATION STRATEGY:

Administration will provide Council's approved questions to the National Police Federation in advance of the scheduled delegate meeting. No additional public communication is recommended at this time unless Council provides further direction following the presentation.

Prepared By: Marilyn Gladue, Executive Assistant
Reviewed By: Lana McCann, Municipal Clerk
Approved By: Kevin Gannon, Chief Administrative Officer



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November 27, 2025

Reeve Murray Kerik
Municipal District of Lesser Slave River No. 124
via email: info@mdlsr.ca

Dear Reeve Kerik,

On behalf of the National Police Federation (NPF) and its Members, I want to congratulate you on starting your term as Reeve of The Municipal District of Lesser Slave River No. 124. We further congratulate your Council members on their successful election or acclimation as well.

As you may know, the NPF is the sole certified bargaining agent representing close to 20,000 Members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) across Canada and internationally, including over 3,100 serving in Alberta. The NPF's mission is to provide strong, fair, and progressive representation, that promotes and enhances the rights of RCMP Members while advancing public safety outcomes across Canada.

Our Members are proud to deliver policing services through 113 detachments across Alberta, serving more than 1.5 million residents and covering 99% of the province's geography. Given recent developments, we would like to share important updates with you and your councils regarding the state of RCMP policing in Alberta. In July 2025, the RCMP Commissioner reaffirmed to Premier Smith the RCMP's ongoing commitment to serving Albertans now and well into the future. Likewise, in [October 2025](#) the federal Minister of Public Safety confirmed that early negotiations with contracting partners for policing agreements beyond 2032 will begin in the coming months. Provinces such as [British Columbia](#) and [Nova Scotia](#) have already announced their intent to renew and strengthen their RCMP contracts, reinforcing the long-term stability of the RCMP policing model.

Alberta is also seeing positive momentum. The first all-Alberta troop began training at Depot in September 2025, demonstrating strong interest from new recruits who have chosen Alberta as their preferred posting. As of late 2025, the Alberta RCMP's vacancy rate sits at approximately 16%—including 152 hard vacancies (8.6%) and 133 soft vacancies (7.5%)—rates that are comparable to other police services when accounting for medical, parental, and other approved leaves. In addition, the Government of Canada is [hiring 1,000 new RCMP personnel](#) nationally, further underscoring a clear message: the Alberta RCMP is here to stay.

We invite you to consider the attached polling which demonstrates public support for the Alberta RCMP. Five years of polling conducted by Pollara Strategic Insights show Albertans support their RCMP, with 81% agreeing that there are more important priorities for Alberta than changing who polices communities. To this end, 76% of Albertans in RCMP-served areas are satisfied with their policing. These results echo the findings made by many recent municipal police services reviews, which found low public support for wholesale changes in policing, alongside quantifiable cost impacts. We further invite you to consider the findings of recent police service model reviews:

- [Red Deer's \(2020\) review](#): Found transition costs of \$13.5M and 16% higher annual operating costs (~\$7M). Chose to retain the Alberta RCMP.
- [Airdrie's \(2024\) review](#): No change; public safety concerns raised were not unique to the RCMP.

- [Grande Prairie's \(2023\) review](#): Transition approved, despite projected one-time costs of \$19M and \$2-\$4M more in annual operating costs.
 - [As of May 2025](#), an additional \$7m in provincial funding has been granted to Grande Prairie in addition to the previously committed \$9.7m from the GoA, demonstrating the immense increase in financial support required to push the service toward a feasible launch.
- [Beaumont's \(2024\) review](#): Recommended efficiencies to improve the existing RCMP model.
- [Olds' \(2024\) review](#): Found municipal policing cost 57% more in Year 1, increasing to 84% by Year 3; chose to retain the RCMP.
- [Rocky Mountain House \(2025\) review](#): Found increased costs were ineffective and the current contract could be better optimized rather than considering a new regional service, an APPS, or a new municipal service.

Prior to the 2025 Municipal Election, the Government had announced the formation of the Alberta Sheriffs Police Service (ASPS) unilaterally without consultation with communities, Albertans, or organizations such as Alberta Municipalities or the Rural Municipalities of Alberta. Despite there being no costing, plan, or open-door consultation, Government is proceeding with the creation of this service. The only fact we can rely on is that another duplicate service will cost all Albertans more, risking increased property taxes for your community or reduced services for municipalities to fund this experiment. In 2021, the government's own report estimated **\$372 million in start-up costs** and **\$164 million more in annual operating costs** for a provincial police service. Today, there are no updated cost estimates, despite inflation and a major shift in the province's fiscal reality.

These developments require a cohesive approach to effectively address in the best interests of communities. If you would like us to present to your Council on Alberta's public safety landscape, or to further discuss public safety concerns, please contact Maryanne King, Government Relations Advisor, at mking@npf-fpn.com.

Once again, we congratulate you and we look forward to connecting with you at your convenience.

Sincerely,



Brian Sauvé
President and CEO

Attachments: Polling 2025



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National Police Federation Alberta

Wave 8

August 2025

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Methodology

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Field Window	Wave 8 – August 6 to 20, 2025
Sampling	Online survey of randomly-selected sample of 1,200 Adult (18+) Alberta Residents
Reliability	As a guideline, a probability sample of this size carries a margin of error of ± 2.8% , 19 times out of 20. The margin of error is larger for sub-segments.
Weighting	Data has been weighted using the most current age, gender & region Census data, to ensure the sample reflects the actual population of adult Albertans.

REGIONAL DISTRIBUTION		
REGION	UNWEIGHTED Counts	Margin of Error
Calgary	200	±6.9%
Edmonton	200	±6.9%
Calgary Suburbs	101	±9.8%
Edmonton Suburbs	104	±9.6%
Rural North	184	±7.2%
Rural Central	204	±6.9%
Rural South	207	±6.8%
TOTAL ALBERTA	1,200	± 2.8%

WAVE	DATES IN FIELD	TOTAL RESPONDENTS
W1	Oct 21 – 28, 2020	1,300
W2	Apr 30 – May 7, 2021	1,228
W3	Oct 21 – Nov 4, 2021	1,221
W4	Jul 6 – 19,, 2022	1,206
W5	Sept 15 – Oct 4, 2023	1,202
W6	Jun 14 – Jun 24, 2024	1,200
W7	April 17 to 28, 2025	1,201
W8	Aug 6 to Aug 20, 2025	1,200

Leader Impressions & Priorities

Affordability & Cost-of-Living tops list of priority issues for Albertans

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- Policing & Public Safety is top priority issue for 1% of Albertans. It ranks last on a list of seven priorities provided to respondents.

	TOTAL			REGION								GENDER		AGE		
	W8	W7	W6	Cal	Edm	Cal Subs	Edm Subs	Rural North	Rural Cent	Rural South	All Rural	M	F	18-34	35-54	55+
Affordability and Cost-of-Living	43	41	48	43	43	38	47	43	45	43	44	41	45	49	46	36
Health Care	20	27	24	19	22	18	20	19	20	24	21	18	23	8	16	32
Alberta's Economy	19	16	14	22	15	25	17	19	20	12	18	23	15	21	19	17
Education	4	3	3	3	5	3	2	5	3	3	4	2	5	3	5	3
Climate Change & Environment	3	4	4	3	5	1	3	3	3	4	3	3	3	4	3	3
Indigenous Reconciliation	2	1	0	2	1	5	2	2	-	2	2	2	2	3	1	1
Policing and Public Safety	1	2	1	-	2	4	-	2	4	-	2	2	1	2	1	1

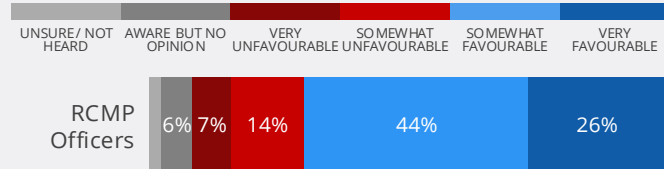


2. When it comes to the following issues facing Alberta today, which is your top priority that you would like the Premier Danielle Smith and the Alberta government address? Base: TOTAL W8 (N=1,200); W7 (N=1,201); W6 (N=1,200). *Some other issue (5%); None of the above (1%); Not sure (2%)*

Over two-thirds of Albertans have favourable impression of RCMP Officers

- Increase in favourable impressions of RCMP Officers (70%) to higher end of range (65% to 71%) over 8 waves.
- Favourable impressions of RCMP Officers range from 62% to 74% across the regions, with highest level in Edmonton (74%).

Impression of Organizations



% FAVOURABLE (Very/Somewhat)																	
WAVE - TOTAL									REGION						RCMP SERVED		
W8	W7	W6	W5	W4	W3	W2	W1		Cal	Edm	Cal Subs	Edm Subs	Rural North	Rural Cent	Rural South	Yes	No/ Unsure
70	66	67	69	66	71	65	70		69	74	62	66	73	69	71	72	69

4. Do you have a favourable or unfavourable impression of the following people or organizations? If you are unaware of any, please click that response option. Base: TOTAL W8 (N=1,200); W7 (N=1,201); W6 (N=1,200); W5 (N=1,202); W4 (N=1,206); W3 (N=1,221); W2 (N=1,228); W1 (N=1,300).

Police and Sheriff services in Alberta have net-favourable impressions

- Over half (52%) have favourable impression of Alberta Sheriffs compared to 22% with unfavourable impression.
- Two-thirds (68%) of City of Calgary and Calgary suburbs residents have favourable impression of Calgary Police Service; 65% of City of Edmonton and Edmonton suburbs residents have favourable impression of Edmonton Police Service.
- Favourable impressions for smaller police services (note: smaller samples) range from 40%/33% (favourable/unfavourable) for Grande Prairie Police Service to 54%/35% for Lethbridge Police Service, and 75%/25% for Medicine Hat Police Service.

Impression of Police Services

							% FAVOURABLE (Very/Somewhat)							
							WAVE - TOTAL							
	UNSURE/ NOT HEARD	AWARE BUT NO OPINION	VERY UNFAVOURABLE	SO MEWHAT UNFAVOURABLE	SO MEWHAT FAVOURABLE	VERY FAVOURABLE	W8	W7	W6	W5	W4	W3	W2	W1
Medicine Hat Police Service (n=55)	10%	15%		53%		22%	75	75	78	79	79	80	88	85
Calgary Police Service (n=301)	7%	7%	16%	46%		22%	68	67	66	73	65	71	70	68
Edmonton Police Service (n=304)	9%	7%	17%	44%		21%	65	61	66	69	70	63	66	72
Lethbridge Police Service (n=107)	3%	9%	14%	21%	39%	15%	54	67	53	63	60	50	45	57
Alberta Sheriffs (n=1200)	9%	17%	7%	15%	41%	11%	52	49	46	49	-	-	-	-
Grande Prairie Police Service (n=87)	5%	22%	10%	23%	30%	10%	40	31	34	-	-	-	-	-

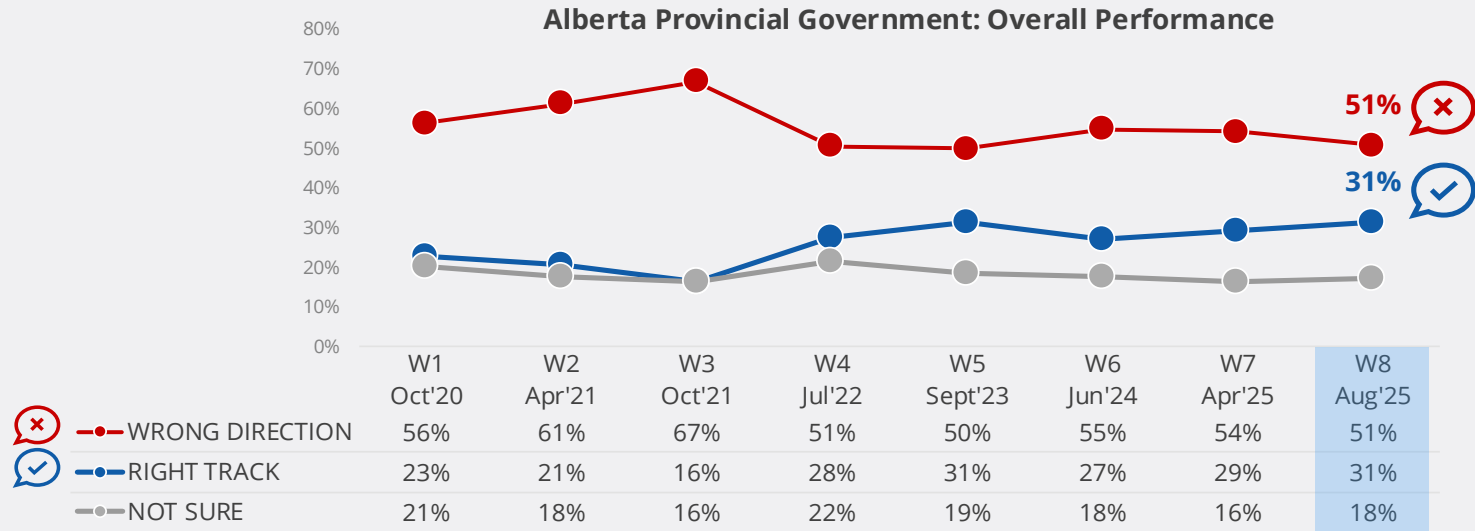


3. Do you have a favourable or unfavourable impression of the following people or organizations? If you are unaware of any, please click that response option.
Base: TOTAL W8 (N=Varies).

Alberta Politics and AB NEXT Panel

Majority of Albertans say provincial government heading off in wrong direction

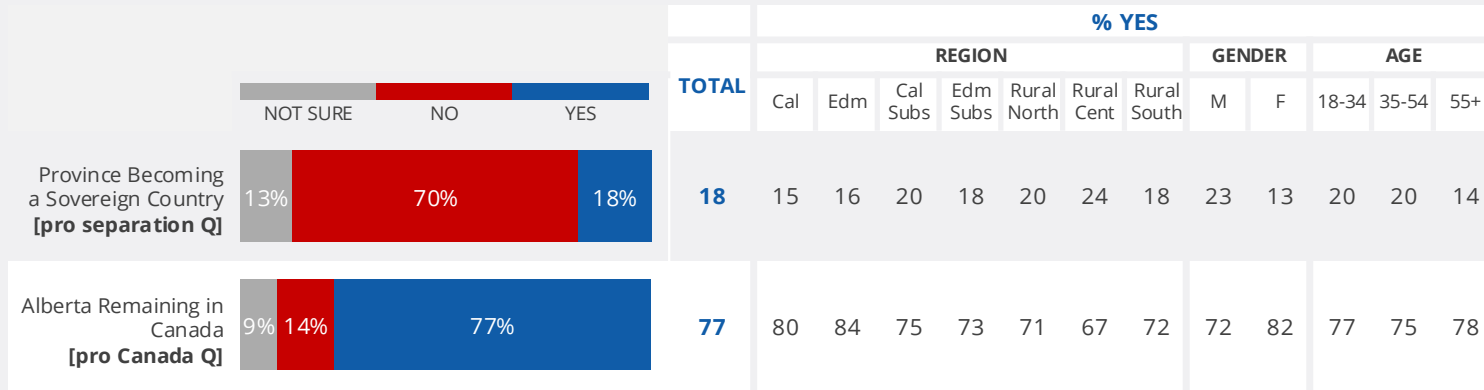
- Those saying provincial government is on “right track” increased marginally (+4%) since wave 6.



Q 1. In Alberta today, do you think the provincial government is on the right track, or do you think it is heading off in the wrong direction?
Base: TOTAL W8 (N=1,200); W7 (N=1,201); W6 (N=1,200); W5 (N=1,202); W4 (N=1,206); W3 (N=1,221); W2 (N=1,228); W1 (N=1,300).

Less than 1-in-5 support separation option in competing questions

- Two questions were asked of respondents, one from 'pro Canada' advocates and one from 'pro Alberta separation' advocates.
- In the pro separation question, 18% said they agreed that "the province shall become a sovereign country and cease to be a province of Canada" while 70% did not agree (13% not sure).
- In the pro Canada question, 14% disagreed that "Alberta should remain in Canada" while 77% agreed ("yes").

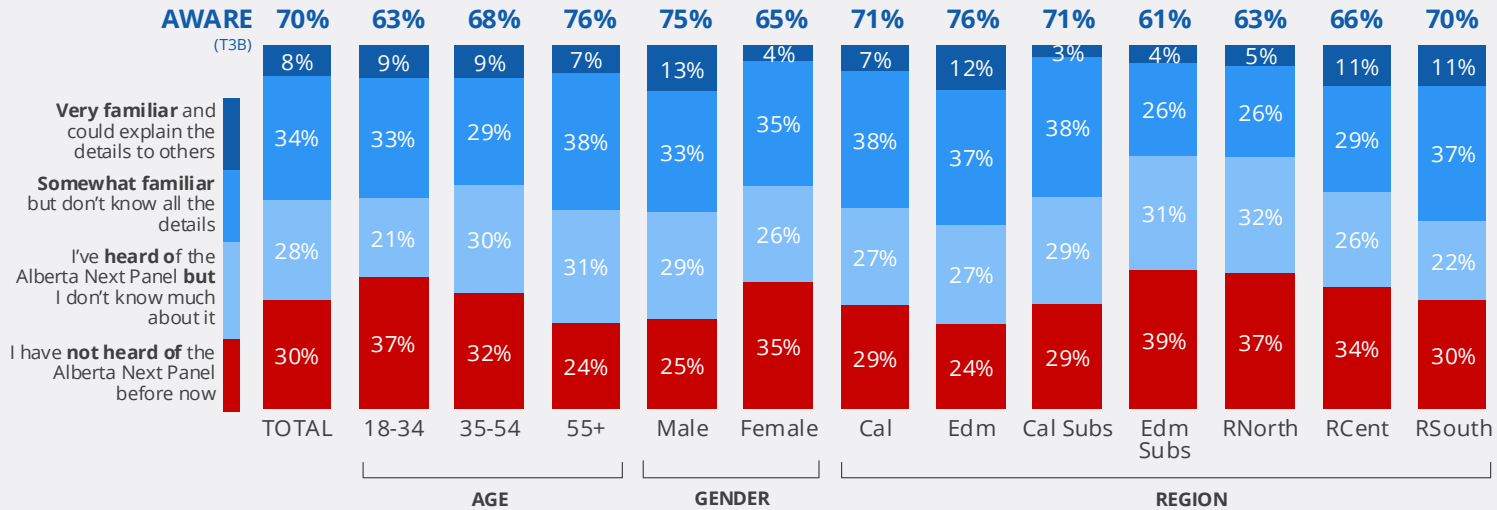


Q Base: TOTAL W8 (N=1,200)
 3A - Do you agree that the province shall become a sovereign country and cease to be a province of Canada? [pro separation Q]
 3B - Do you agree that Alberta should remain in Canada? [pro Canada Q]

Over two-thirds say they are familiar with Alberta Next Panel

- Familiarity ranges from 63% among 18-34 age group to 76% among 55+ age group.
- Men are more likely to say “very familiar” (13%) compared to women (4%).

Familiarity with the Alberta Next Panel



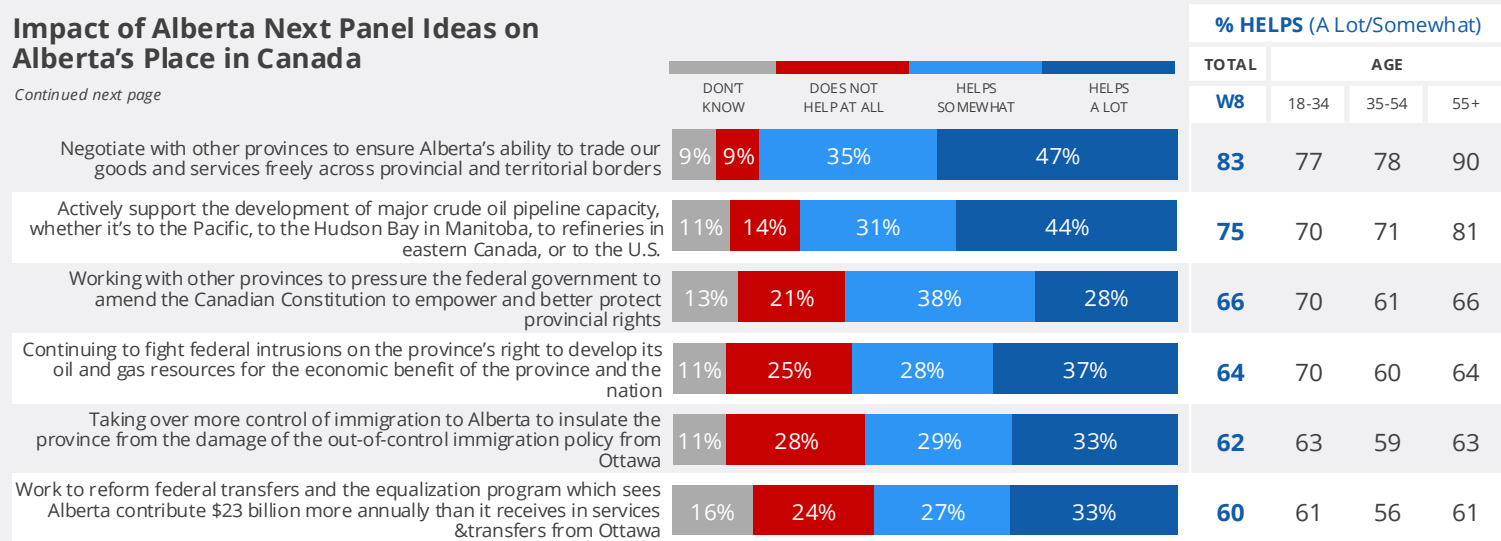
Q 7. Premier Danielle Smith and her government launched the Alberta Next Panel which has been touring the province of Alberta convening community town hall meetings. How familiar are you with the Alberta Next Panel? Base: TOTAL W8 (N=1,200).

Improving Alberta's place in Canada: economic priorities and provincial rights among Albertans' top priorities in improving place in Canada

- Trading freely across provincial and territorial borders and supporting the development of major crude oil pipeline capacity are top two priorities overall that help improve Alberta's place in Canada.
- Of the 12 items tested, other top 6 priorities include: amend the Constitution to better protect provincial rights, fight federal intrusions on oil and gas, taking more control over immigration, and reforming federal transfers and equalization

Impact of Alberta Next Panel Ideas on Alberta's Place in Canada

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Q 8. The Alberta Next Panel, chaired by Premier Danielle Smith, states that it is exploring ideas and policies to assert Alberta's sovereignty and constitutional rights within a united Canada. To what extent do each of the following ideas help Alberta improve its place in Canada?
 Base: TOTAL W8 (N=1,200).

Improving Alberta's place in Canada: majority say ending RCMP contract/ establishing Alberta Provincial Police Service "does not help at all"

- Half (50%) say ending Alberta's contract with the RCMP ... and establishing an Alberta Provincial Police Service "does not help at all" while 31% say it helps (a lot/somewhat).
- Of 12 items tested, ending the RCMP contract/establishing provincial police service ranks 11th in terms of helping improve Alberta's place in Canada, at about the same level as "hold a referendum on separation from the rest of Canada" (30%)

Impact of Alberta Next Panel Ideas on Alberta's Place in Canada

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	% HELPS (A Lot/Somewhat)							
	DONT KNOW	DOES NOT HELP AT ALL	HELPS SO MEWHAT	HELPS A LOT	TOTAL	AGE		
					W8	18-34	35-54	55+
Require provincial entities to obtain prior approval from Alberta's government before entering into, amending, extending/renewing an agreement with federal government	21%	29%	31%	19%	50	53	49	50
Alberta strengthening bilateral trade ties with the United States	14%	36%	32%	18%	50	50	53	48
Withdrawing from the joint tax collection agreement with the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) and having Albertans instead file their income taxes with the province of Alberta	19%	45%	18%	18%	36	45	40	26
Withdrawing from the Canada Pension Plan (CPP) and establishing a new Alberta Pension Plan where Albertans would save and collect benefits from	17%	50%	18%	15%	33	46	36	21
Ending Alberta's contract with the RCMP for provincial policing in communities and establishing an Alberta Provincial Police Service	19%	50%	20%	11%	31	39	36	22
Hold a referendum on separation from the rest of Canada	12%	58%	14%	15%	30	35	30	26

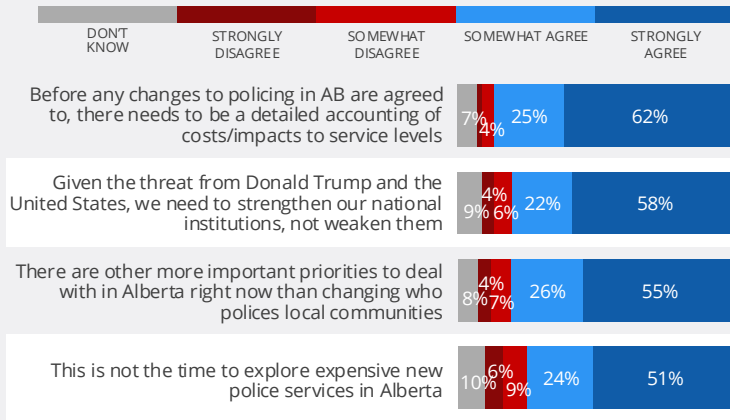


8. The Alberta Next Panel, chaired by Premier Danielle Smith, states that it is exploring ideas and policies to assert Alberta's sovereignty and constitutional rights within a united Canada. To what extent do each of the following ideas help Alberta improve its place in Canada?
 Base: TOTAL W8 (N=1,200); W7 (N=1,201); W4 (N=1,2060); W3 (N=1,221); W2 (N=1,228); W1 (N=1,300).

3-in-4 agree "This is not the time explore expensive new police services in Alberta"

- Majority (56%) agree "if the federal government approves an oil pipeline, the Alberta government should drop its plan to replace RCMP".
- Almost 9-in-10 (87%) Albertans continue to agree that there needs to be a detailed accounting of costs/impacts to service levels.
- Over 4-in-5 (81%) agree that "given the threat from Donald Trump... we need to strengthen our national institutions, not weaken them".

Agreement With Key Statements



TOTAL	% AGREE (Strongly/Somewhat)														TOTAL	
	GENDER		AGE			REGION						TOTAL				
	W8	M	F	18-34	35-54	55+	Cal	Edm	Cal Subs	Edm Subs	Rural North	Rural Cent	Rural South	W7	W6	
87	87	87	83	84	92	84	89	82	83	92	90	90	89	87		
81	79	83	78	79	85	82	83	71	79	80	80	85	80	-		
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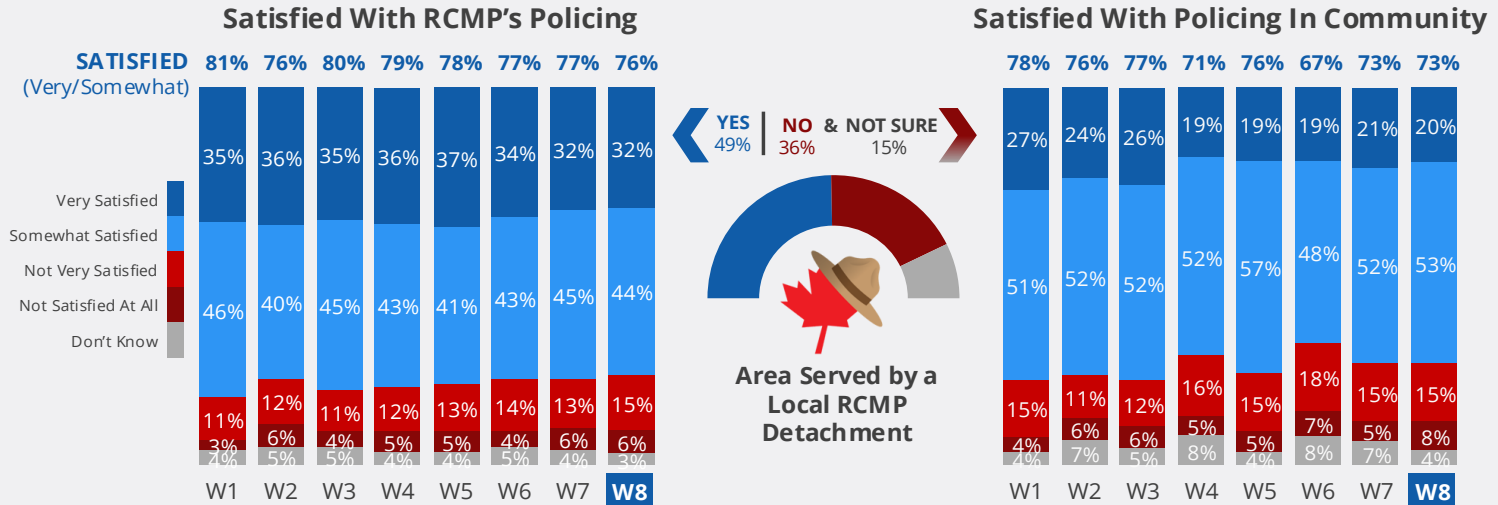
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Q 25. Please indicate to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements:
 Base: TOTAL W8 (N=1,200); W7 (N=1,201)

RCMP Satisfaction

Over three-quarters satisfied with RCMP's policing

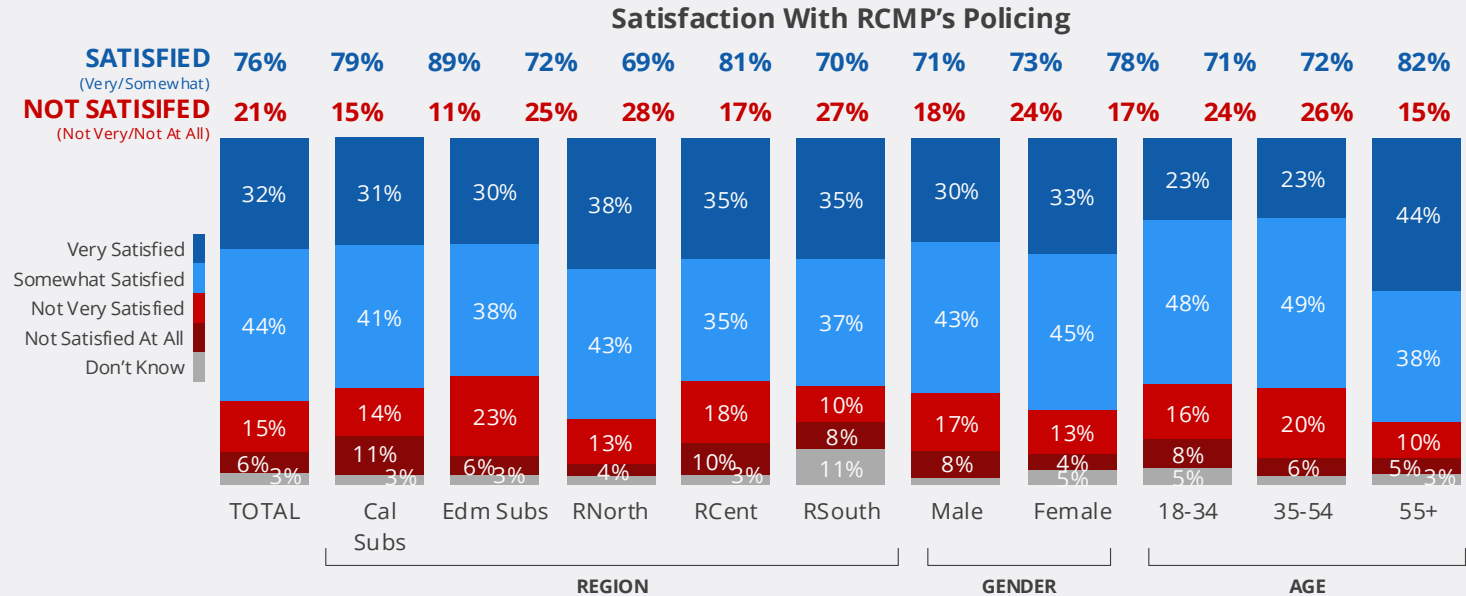
- Satisfaction with RCMP's policing of their community (76%).
- Almost three-in-four satisfied with policing in non-RCMP served communities (73%).



Now, here are some questions about policing in Alberta. | 9. Is your municipality or local area served by a local RCMP detachment? Base: TOTAL. W8 (N=1,200); W7 (N=1,201) | 10. How satisfied are you with the RCMP's policing of your community? Base: Yes, at Q4: W8 (N=729); W7 (N=718); W6 (N=678); W5 (N=699); W4 (N=696); W3 (N=727); W2 (N=733); W1 (N=809) | 11. How satisfied are you with the policing in your community? Base: No or Not Sure at Q4: W8 (N=471); W7 (N=483); W6 (N=522); W5 (N=503); W4 (N=510); W3 (N=494); W2 (N=495); W1 (N=491).

Satisfaction with RCMP's policing:

- Regionally, satisfaction ranges from 70% in Rural Central to 84% in Calgary suburbs.
- Women more likely to be satisfied with RCMP's policing (82%); 55+ age group most satisfied with RCMP's policing (83%).



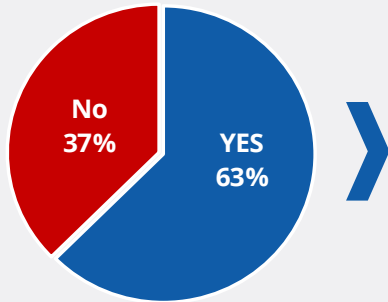
10. How satisfied are you with the RCMP's policing of your community?
 Base: Local Area Served by RCMP: W8 (N=729).

Alberta Provincial Police Service [APPS]

Majority aware of Alberta's plan to replace RCMP with Alberta Provincial Police Service

- Read, seen, heard comments about Alberta Provincial Police Service (APPS) include government plan to have own police force, defunding the RCMP, criticism of government, broadening role of sheriffs, and comments related to Alberta separation.

Awareness of Alberta's Plan to Replace RCMP with Alberta Provincial Police Service



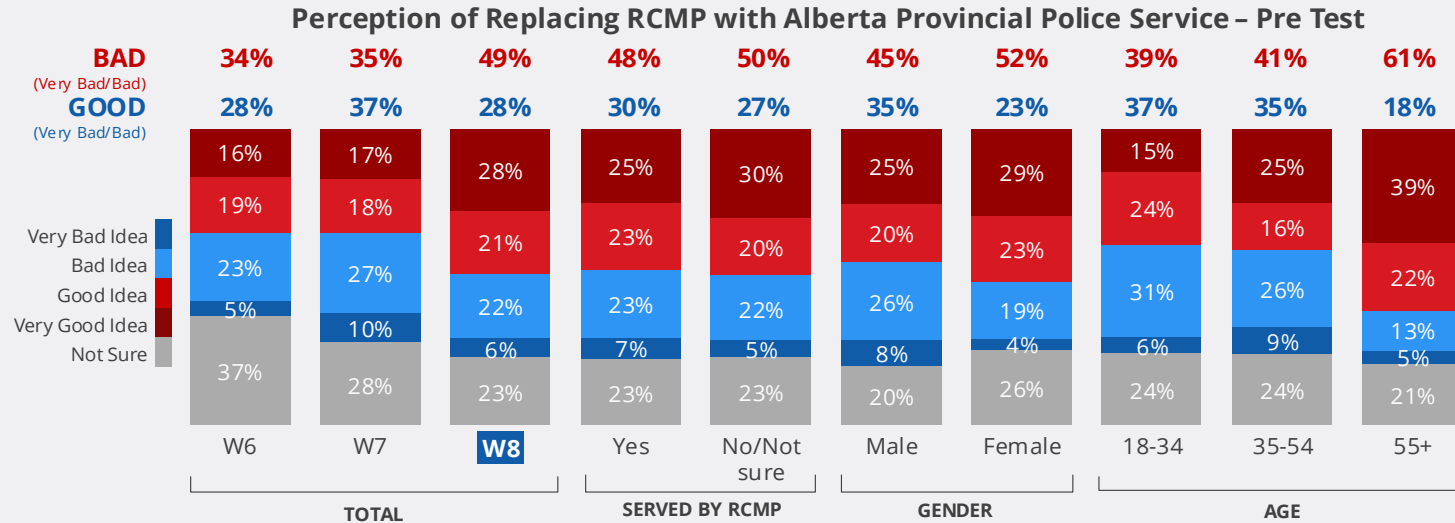
Read, Seen or Heard



Q 13. Before responding to this survey, had you read, seen, or heard anything the Alberta government's plan to replace the RCMP with a new Alberta Provincial Police Service? Base: TOTAL W8 (N=1,200) | 14. And what have you read, seen or heard? BASE: Yes, at Q13 (N=804).

Almost half say replacing RCMP with Alberta Provincial Police Service is a “bad idea”

- Those saying APPS is a bad idea (49%) includes majority of women (52%), 55+ age group (61%).
- Those saying APPS is a good idea (28%) is higher among men (35%), 18-34 age group (37%).

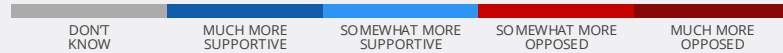


15. Based on what you have read, seen, or heard, do you think replacing the RCMP with a new Alberta Provincial Police Service is a good idea or a bad idea? Note: The name of the agency has changed from IAPS to APPS. Base: TOTAL W8 (N=1,200); W7 (N=1,201).

Using lesser trained police officers to replace fully-trained RCMP officers is top among messages driving opposition to replacing RCMP with APPS

- Over 7-in-10 (71%) are more opposed to replacing RCMP with APPS based on using lesser trained officers to replace fully-trained RCMP officers, including over half (51%) that are much more opposed.
- A range of 63-64% are more opposed to replacing RCMP with APPS based on increased costs and potential impact on rural areas.

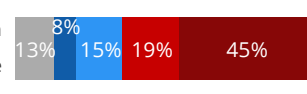
Support/Opposition For APPS*



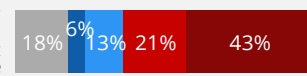
The provincial government has proposed using lesser trained police officers to replace the fully-trained RCMP officers



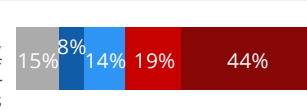
The federal government pays 30% of the cost of RCMP service in Alberta, which amounts to about \$188 million each year. If Alberta replaces the RCMP with a provincial police service, the current federal contribution will have to be absorbed by provincial and municipal taxpayers



Ending the RCMP contract and moving to a new provincial police service model will put more attention on Edmonton and Calgary; and rural communities won't receive the attention they deserve



The province has not released detailed costing of the plan to create a new provincial police service, but a 2021 report commissioned by the government said a new provincial police service would have start-up costs of \$372 million plus and additional \$164 million each year in operating costs



% OPPOSED (Much More/Somewhat More)													
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64	60	67	54	61	73	65	62	54	61	67	67	67	65
63	58	69	55	58	74	62	60	63	64	67	70	68	61
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16. Here are some general statements about policing in Alberta. Please indicate whether they make you more supportive or more opposed to replacing the RCMP with a new Alberta Provincial Police Service (APPS). Base: TOTAL W8 (N=1,200); TOTAL Sample Split W7 (600-601). Note: The name of the agency has changed from IAPS to APPS.

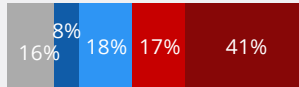
Majority more opposed to replacing RCMP with APPS based on local government concerns

- Majority (58%) more opposed to replacing RCMP with APPS based on local governments voicing concerns regarding increased costs, including 61% of women, 66% of 55+ age group and 66% of Rural Central.
- “Ending the contract with the RCMP will give Albertans more control over policing...” made 37% more supportive of plan to replace RCMP with APPS.

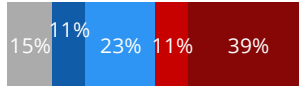
Support/Opposition For APPS*



Local governments across Alberta have voiced concerns regarding increased costs and other impacts of a transition away from RCMP local policing



Several Alberta municipalities – including Red Deer, Airdrie, Beaumont, and Olds – have conducted policing reviews in the past five years &, after careful analysis of policing costs, chose to retain RCMP



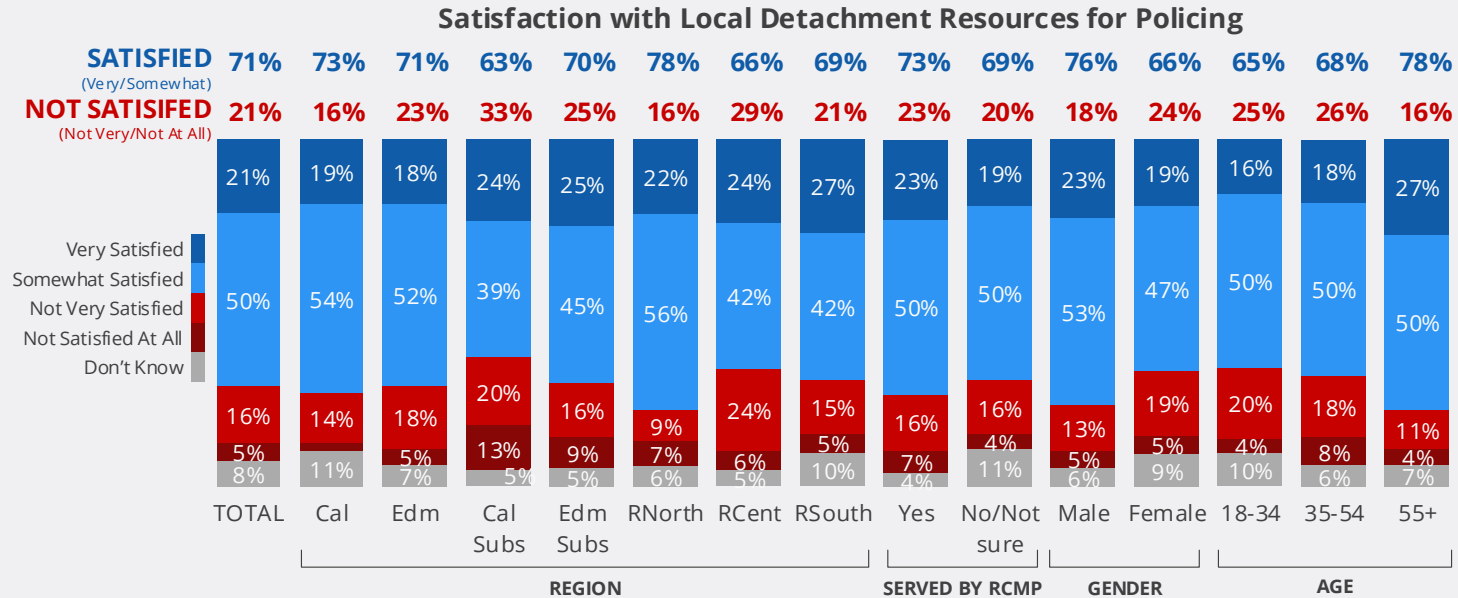
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16. Here are some general statements about policing in Alberta. Please indicate whether they make you more supportive or more opposed to replacing the RCMP with a new Alberta Provincial Police Service (APPS). Base: TOTAL W8 (N=1,200); TOTAL Sample Split W7 (600-601). Note: comparing APPS (W8) to previously proposed IAPS (W6/W7)

Over 7-in-10 satisfied that their local detachment has adequate resources to police their community

- Across rural areas, satisfaction ranges from 66% in Rural Central to 69% in Rural South and 78% in Rural North.

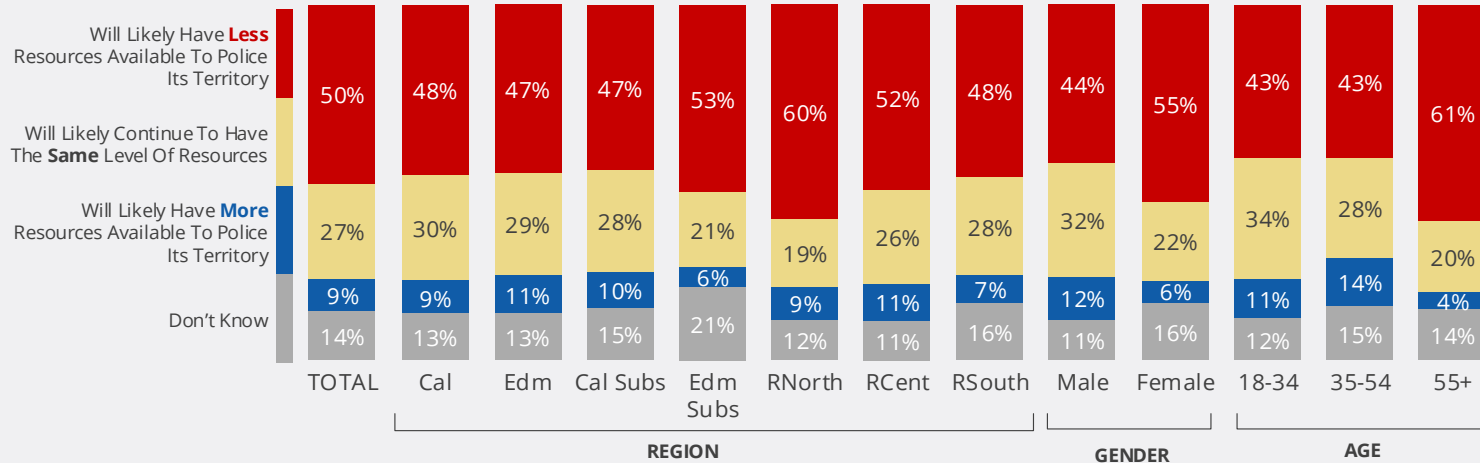


17. Thinking about policing in your community, how satisfied are you with your local detachment having adequate resources to police your community?
 Base: TOTAL W8 (N=1,200).

Majority say their community's police service will have less resources available to police its territory if RCMP replaced with APPS

- While half (50%) say their community will likely have less resources for policing, 9% said it is likely there would be more resources available, and 27% said it is likely their community will have the same level of resources for policing.

Expected Resource Levels if RCMP is Replaced with Alberta Provincial Police Service

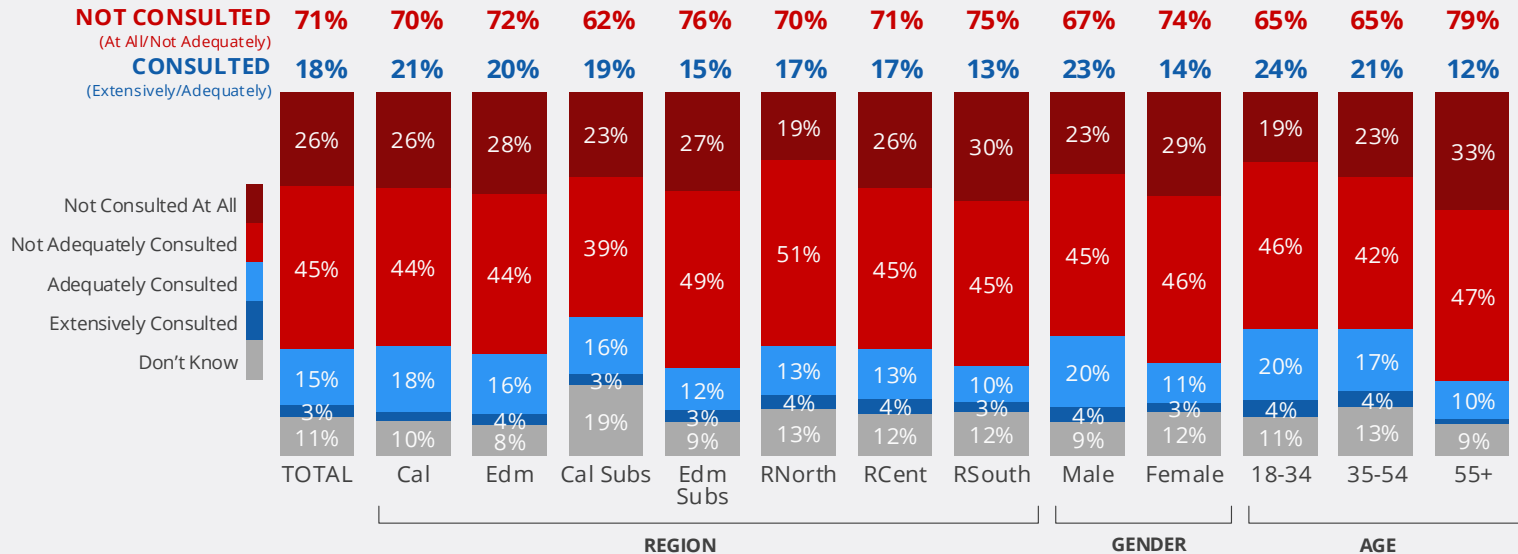


18. The community police service in each municipality in Alberta is funded by the local government. RCMP-served communities receive additional funding from the federal government. If Alberta replaces the RCMP with a new Alberta Provincial Police Service, the current federal contribution would have to be absorbed by provincial and municipal taxpayers. Thinking about this, do you feel that your community's police service will have more, less, or the same level of resources available to police its territory? Base: TOTAL W8 (N=1,200).

Over 7-in-10 say public has not been adequately consulted on idea of replacing the RCMP with a new Alberta Provincial Police Service

- Over 1-in-4 (26%) say the public has “not been consulted at all” including 33% of 55+ age group.

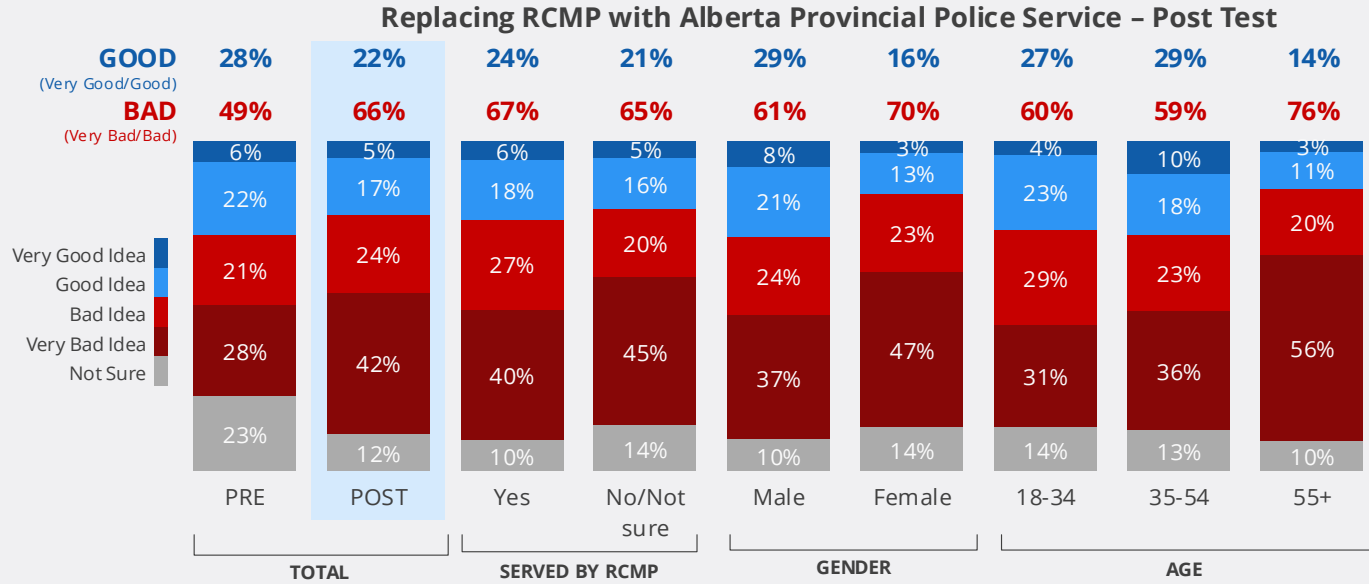
Perceived Public Consultation on Replacing RCMP with Alberta Provincial Police Service



19. To what extent do you think the public has been consulted about the idea of replacing the RCMP with a new Alberta Provincial Police Service? Base: TOTAL W8 (N=1,200).

Post-test: Those saying replacing RCMP with Alberta Provincial Police is a bad idea increases significantly

- Those saying replacing the RCMP with APPS is a bad idea moves from 49% (pre-test) to 66% (post-test), including an increase among those saying it's a "very bad idea" from 28% to 42%.



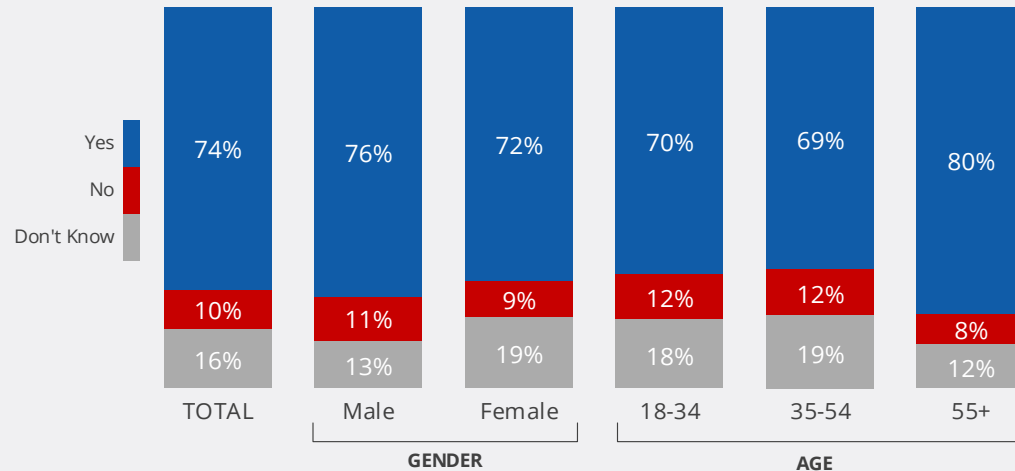
Q 20. Now that you reviewed additional information, do you think replacing the RCMP with a new Alberta Provincial Police Service is a good idea or a bad idea?
 PRE: 15. Based on what you have read, seen, or heard, do you think replacing the RCMP with a new Alberta Provincial Police Service is a good idea or a bad idea?
 Note: The name of the agency has changed. Base: TOTAL W8 (N=1,200).

About 3-in-4 say a decision to replace the RCMP with a new Alberta Provincial Police Service should require approval by referendum

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- If provincial government moves to replace the RCMP with a new APPS, those saying it should require approval by referendum, and broad support among gender and age groups.

Approval by Referendum for Replacing RCMP with Alberta Provincial Police Service

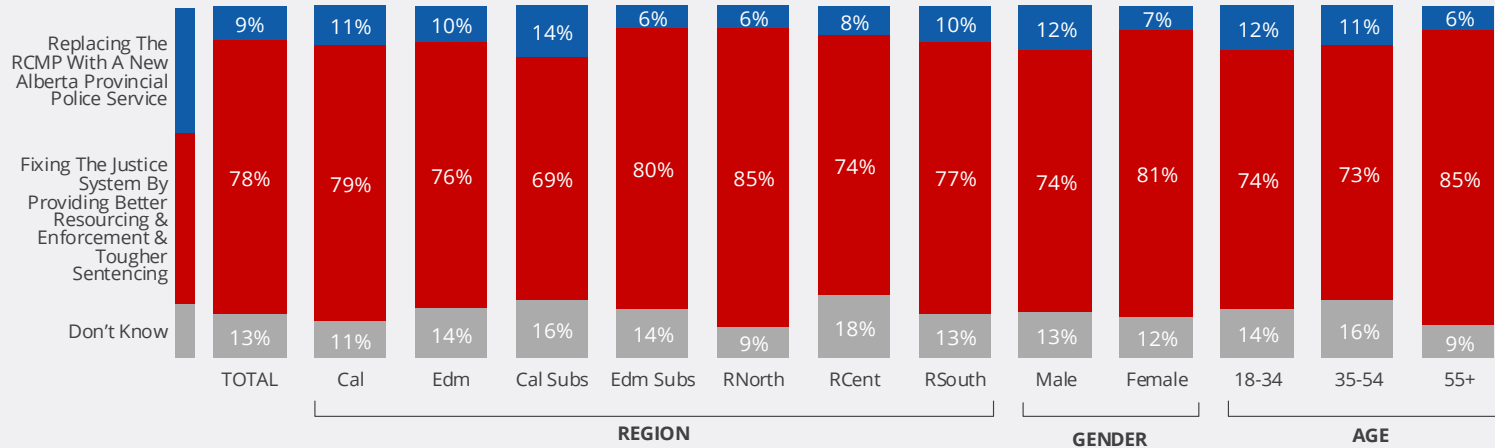


22. The provincial government recently held a province-wide referendum on equalization measures. If a decision is made by the provincial government to replace the RCMP with a new Alberta Provincial Police Service, should that decision also require approval by referendum? Base: TOTAL W8 (N=1,200).

Vast majority want government's focus on fixing the justice system rather than replacing the RCMP with a new Alberta Provincial Police Service

- Almost 4-in-5 (78%) prefer "fixing the justice system by providing better resourcing and enforcement, and tougher sentencing" over "replacing the RCMP with a new Alberta Provincial Police Service" (9%).

Premier Danielle Smith and Government's Focus on Public Safety in Alberta

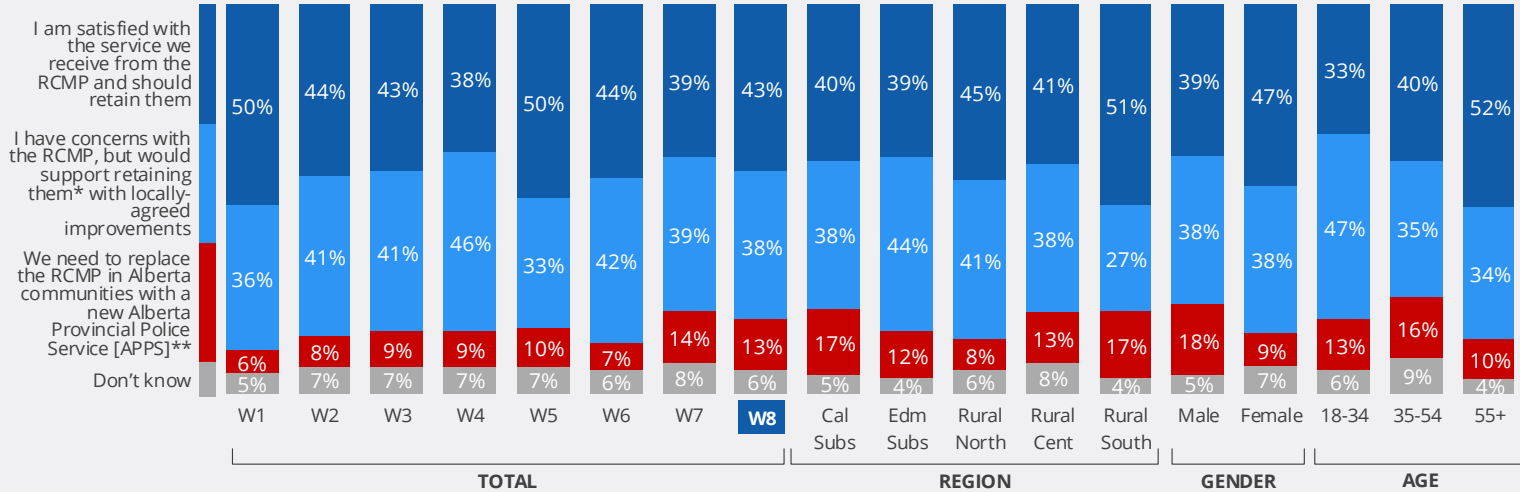


Q 23. When it comes to public safety in Alberta, do you think Premier Danielle Smith and the UCP government's focus should be on...
 Base: TOTAL W8 (N=1,200).

Post-test among RCMP Communities: Tracking across 8 waves

- Among those in RCMP-served communities, 81% would retain RCMP which is within the range (78% to 86) over 8 waves.
- Those saying the RCMP needs to be replaced is at 13%, marginally lower than wave 7, but higher than levels in waves 1-6.

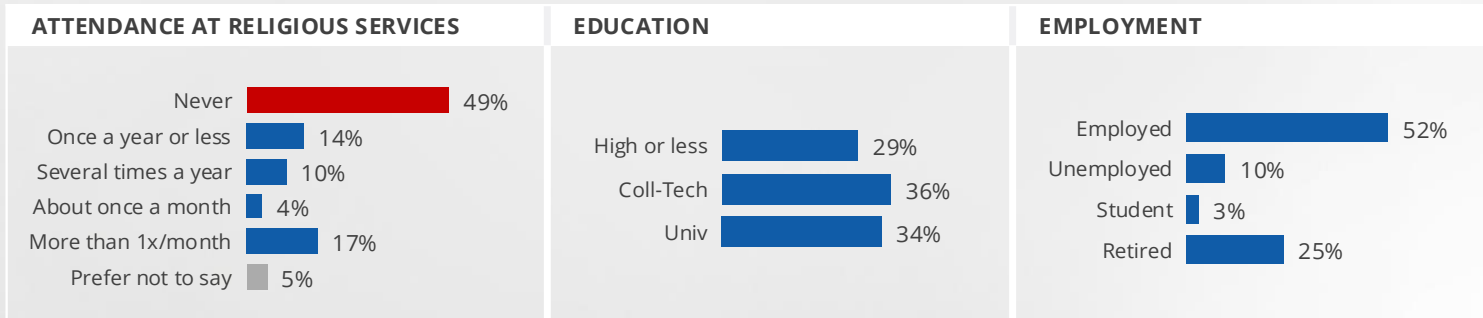
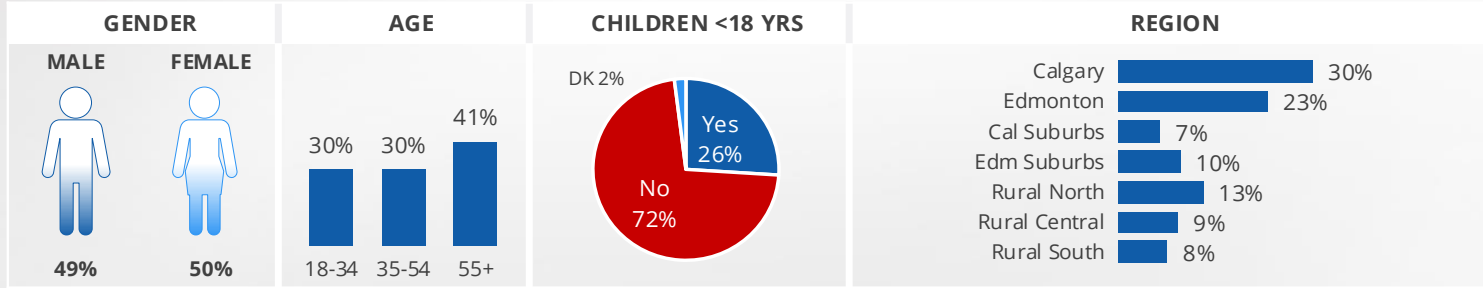
Viewpoint of RCMP Served Communities On Key Issues



26. Which of the following statements best reflects your viewpoint? Base: Rural / RCMP Communities: W8 (N=729); W7 (N=718); W6 (N=678); W5 (N=699); W4 (N=695); W3 (N=727); W2 (N=733); W1 (N=809). *W1 Read: "...if there were significant improvements". **Note: The name of the agency has changed from IAPS to APPS..

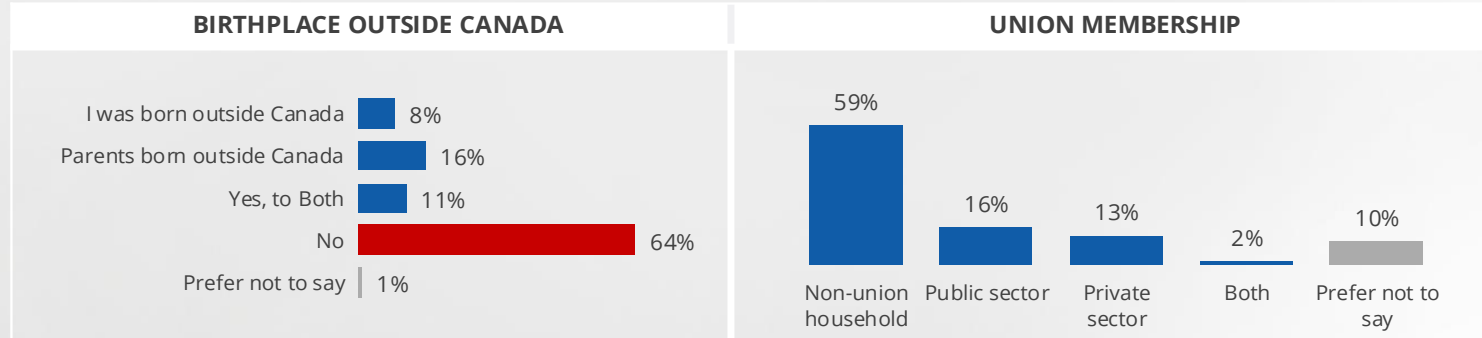
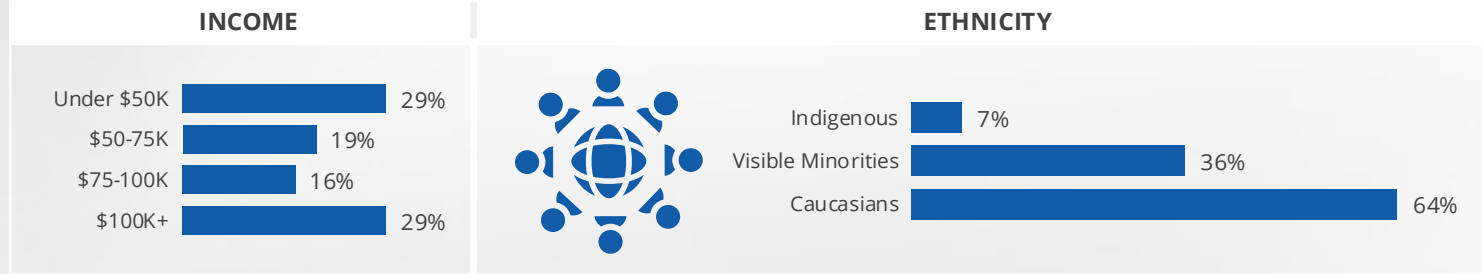
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