SCHEDULE A

INTERMUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN

1.1 Purpose of the Intermunicipal Development Plan

The intent of this Intermunicipal Development Plan (IDP) is to outline a cooperative framework for the coordination of planning and development that is of joint interest between the Town of Slave Lake (the Town) and the Municipal District of Lesser Slave River No. 124 (the M.D.).

This IDP is a statutory document prepared in accordance with the Municipal Government Act (MGA). Generally speaking the IDP addresses land uses that occur in proximity to two different municipalities and sets forth criteria for how future growth and disputes should be managed.

1.2 Reference Documents

Documents that comprise the Regional Growth Plan include:

Part A of Growth Plan Policies and Agreements: Tri-Council Regional Growth Plan Policies

Appendix A: *Tri-Council Regional Growth Plan – Background Report,* which provides research benchmarking and recommendations on specific Regional Growth topics.
Appendix B: *Tri-Council Regional Growth Plan – Map Atlas,* which provides large format maps to support the Regional Growth Plan

1.3 Document Precedence

The Tri-Council and CAO Secretariat Governance Protocol (found in Appendix C) is the authority for regional governance and shall take precedence over the Regional Growth Plan and will inform the Intermunicipal Development Plan.

The Intermunicipal Development Plan shall take precedence over the Regional Growth Plan Agreement within the IDP Area.

1.4 IDP Area

In recognizing the mutual benefits of enabling growth for both municipalities, the IDP Area identifies areas that provide opportunities for the Town's long-term growth without compromising future M.D. growth objectives.

While this area is substantially larger than what could be considered required to accommodate the projected growth, the Plan Area preserves long term urban growth capacity consistent with the principles of Intermunicipal cooperation.

The Town and the M.D. agree that developing a Plan Area is critical to the preservation of their long-term interests. The boundaries identify the area in which the Plan policies will apply and work towards the coordination of land uses between the Town and the M.D.

With the development of the Plan policy, a framework is established to enable each municipality to achieve its goals and economic prospects. The communication process will allow each municipality the opportunity to provide input into development decisions in areas that each have identified as important to coordinate their growth.

While there are regional interests that have been identified, it is recognized that the M.D. has the final jurisdiction in matters of approving statutory plans, LUB amendments, subdivisions and developments outside the Town boundary. The purpose and intent of the IDP is to minimize, if not eliminate, the need for appeals under Section 690 of the Act between the two municipalities. Similarly, the M.D. recognizes the inherent right of the Town to make land use decisions within its boundaries.

The IDP Area is illustrated in Figure 4 of Part A- Tri-Council Regional Growth Plan Policies.

1.5 Definitions

"Local Government". The term "*Local Government*" means a municipality or a First Nation.

"Tri-Council". The term "*Tri-Council*" refers to the combined Councils of the Town of Slave Lake, the Municipal District of Lesser Slave River No. 124 and the Sawridge First Nation.

"CAO Secretariat". The term *"CAO Secretariat"* refers to the Chief Administrative Officers (CAOs), or their designates, of the Town and M.D. and the Executive Director of the Sawridge First Nation acting collectively.

"Regional Growth Plan". The term "Regional Growth Plan" ("RGP") refers to the set of documents comprising the regional growth Plan, including Tri-Council Regional Growth Policies, Background Document, and Map Atlas, which together provide planning and policy direction for Tri-Council.

"Regional Growth Plan Agreement". The term "Regional Growth Plan Agreement" ("RGPA") refers to the Tri-Council Agreement establishing Regional Growth Plan, as the planning and policy direction for Tri-Council.

"Intermunicipal Development Plan". The term "Intermunicipal Development Plan" refers to a statutory plan conforming to the Municipal Government Act (RSA 2000, C. M-26) containing policies that are prepared by two or more neighbouring municipalities. The main purpose of an IDP is to ensure that future growth reflects the mutual and individual interests of the municipalities involved.

1.6 Regional Growth Plan Policies

Policies of the Regional Growth Plan Agreement are applicable to the lands included in the Intermunicipal Development Plan Area. RGP policies are outlined in Part A of this document: *Tri-Council Regional Growth Plan Policies*:

Section 1 - Introduction
Section 2 - Inter-Jurisdictional Collaboration
Section 3 - Environmental Stewardship
Section 4 - Social Responsibility
Section 5 - Economic Prosperity
Section 6 - Managing Growth

1.7 Intermunicipal Development Plan Policies

Policies of the Intermunicipal Development Plan are described in Part A of this document: *Tri-Council Regional Growth Plan Policies*: Section 7: Intermunicipal Planning.

1.8 Plan Administration

Land use matters, referral procedures, plan amendment, dispute resolution, and annexation related to the Intermunicipal Development Plan are described in Part A of this document: *Tri-Council Regional Growth Plan Policies*: Section 7: Intermunicipal Planning.