

# Policy

<b>POLICY TITLE: FIRST NATION CONSULTATION PROCESS</b>	<b>POLICY NO.: ADM-12-21</b>
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## PURPOSE:

This document defines the First Nation consultation procedure that the Municipal District of Lesser Slave River No. 124 will follow when it is involved in development activities.

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## BACKGROUND:

Under Canadian law, the Municipal District, when it is a proponent of a project (i.e. the entity doing project construction) being developed on Crown land, has a legal and procedural duty to consult with First Nation communities when the proposed project may affect their treaty rights. Several First Nations claim traditional territory that overlap with the Municipal District boundaries.

They include:

- Sawridge First Nation
- Driftpile Cree Nation
- Kapawe'no First Nation
- Sucker Creek First Nation

Road construction, modification, and development projects undertaken by the Municipal District may affect First Nation rights if they are done on Crown land. For example, traditional land use activities of hunting, fishing and trapping undertaken by First Nation communities could be altered.

## PROCEDURE:

1. The Municipal District will undertake to follow the current Alberta Government consultation guidelines in effect at the time of consultation and act in good faith to achieve the spirit of a meaningful consultation
2. The Municipal District will not pay fees or charges beyond those stipulated in the Alberta Government guidelines in effect at the time of consultation manner.

**SPECIAL NOTES/CROSS-REFERENCE: ADM-12-21 Supersedes B25**

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