

**FOOTHILLS COUNTY
COUNCIL AGENDA - REVISED**



Wednesday, December 3, 2025, 9:00 a.m.
Foothills County Administration Office
309 Macleod Trail South – High River

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Postponed from November 26, 2025

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Postponed from November 26, 2025

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- I.6 Adjourn**

DEPARTMENT: Agricultural Services	
	TOPIC: Municipal Reserve Licensing
REPORT PRESENTED BY: Kathleen McHugh	

PURPOSE OF REQUEST

For the Council to discuss adding in a liability waiver for ratepayers who would like to maintain municipal reserves without charge.

BACKGROUND

A few ratepayers have asked why they need to apply and pay for a municipal reserve license to maintain (mow) a municipal reserve. When ratepayers ask about maintaining the municipal reserve, they are directed to municipal reserve licensing, which many find too costly to justify. Small parcels of land often have no production value and are unlikely to be rented out for profit. Allowing ratepayers to maintain these municipal reserves without charge would support weed control, fire prevention and improve aesthetic appeal of the community.

REQUEST OF BOARD

Proposed Motion:

That Council authorize ratepayers to maintain municipal reserves at no charge by signing a liability waiver, provided there are no bids for the municipal reserve and the maintenance is conducted on a non-profit basis.

AND/OR

That Council may provide alternative direction.

APPENDICES

- Appendix A: Draft Mowing a Municipal Reserve Info Sheet
- Appendix B: Draft Mowing Release of Liability Waiver
- Appendix C: 2025 Fee Bylaw Schedule



Mowing A Municipal Reserve Information Sheet

Foothills County values residents who wish to help maintain County-owned land near their property. This program allows residents to perform mowing on approved parcels to aid with:

- Weed control
- Fire prevention
- Maintaining the aesthetics of the community

Process

If there is a small parcel of unused municipal reserve land and you would like to mow it:

1. Contact the Municipal Lands Administrator FCLands@FoothillsCountyab.ca requesting that the County considers allowing resident mowing on the parcel. The applicant must state the legal land description of the Municipal Reserve parcel.
2. A site will be inspected by County staff for:
 - Potential hazards
 - Species of concern
 - Unique or special features
3. County staff will review all information. If the parcel is eligible:
 - A Release of Liability Waiver must be completed and approved.
 - The resident must add Foothills County as an additionally insured party on their insurance
 - Any hazards or restrictions will be listed on the form.

Important: *No mowing should take place before the site inspection and completion of the participation form.*



Resident Responsibilities

Residents participating in the program agree to:

- Use safe, well-maintained equipment
- Wear appropriate protective clothing and footwear
- Mow only within the designated area
- Avoid altering the landscape or removing vegetation beyond mowing without County approval
- Report any safety concerns, hazards, or property damage to the County
- Report large debris or dumped materials to the County
- Report prohibited noxious or noxious weeds to the County

Termination of Agreement

The agreement shall be effective until revoked in writing by either party or a bid is placed on the municipal reserve.

The mowing arrangement does not entitle the Participant to exclusive right to the property for any other purpose not specified in the Waiver. Public access to the parcel(s) will not be denied.

Emergency Contact Information

- Emergency Services: 911
- Foothills County: 403-652-2341



Release of Liability Waiver

Resident Mowing Services on County-Owned Land

This Release of Liability Waiver (“Waiver”) is entered into by the undersigned resident (“Participant”) and Foothills County (“County”) as of the date signed below.

1. Activity Description

The Participant has requested permission to perform mowing services on land owned by Foothills County, located at:

[Insert Legal Land Description or Address] (“County Land”)

2. Acknowledgment of Risk

The Participant acknowledges that mowing activities may involve risks including, but not limited to, physical injury, property damage, equipment malfunction, and exposure to environmental hazards.

3. Release and Waiver

In consideration for being permitted to perform such activities, the Participant hereby voluntarily releases, waives, and discharges Foothills County, its elected officials, employees, agents, and volunteers from any and all liability, claims, demands, actions, or causes of action arising out of or related to any loss, damage, or injury that may be sustained by the Participant or to property belonging to the Participant while performing maintenance or mowing services on County Land.

4. Indemnification

The Participant agrees to indemnify and hold harmless Foothills County from any claims, liabilities, damages, or expenses (including legal fees) arising from the Participant’s actions or omissions while on County Land.

5. No Employment or Agency Relationship

The Participant understands and agrees that they are not an employee, contractor, or agent of Foothills County and will not receive compensation or benefits for the services provided.

6. Compliance with Laws and County Policies

The Participant agrees to comply with all applicable laws, regulations, and County policies while performing services on County Land.

7. Duration

This Waiver is effective as of the date signed and shall remain in effect until revoked in writing by either party or a bid is placed on the municipal reserve.

8. Insurance

The Participant will add Foothills County as an additionally insured party on their insurance.



9. Public Access

Public access to the County Land will not be denied.

10. Notification

The Participant agrees to notify the County immediately of any safety concerns, hazards or property damage involving the County Land.

Participant Information

- Name: _____
- Address: _____
- Phone Number: _____
- Email: _____

Signature of Participant: _____

Date: _____

Foothills County Authorization

Approved by: _____

Title: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Inspection Date: _____ Inspected By: _____

Notes: _____

**FEE BYLAW SCHEDULE E
ROAD ALLOWANCE & MUNICIPAL LANDS
RATES AND FEES**

As contained in Bylaw 56/2024

ROAD ALLOWANCE & MUNICIPAL LANDS RATES AND FEES

Application Fees			
	Filing Fee per Application	Initial application fee	Final application fee
New Licence	\$100	\$350	\$350
Transfer (New Landowner)	\$100	\$160	\$125
Purchase	\$100	\$350	\$350
Municipal Parcel Lease/Licence	\$100	\$250	\$350
Annual Licence Rates			
Grazing	\$15/acre per year		
Cultivation	\$25/acre per year		

MUNICIPAL LANDS LEASING, LICENSING, MINIMUM BID AND RATES

Notes:

1. Municipal parcels are owned by the municipality. Council may authorize the lease or license of municipal lands.
2. Bids submitted must be above the \$250.00 minimum and will be equal to or greater than the rate outlined in the table below.
3. Bids for the grazing of livestock will require the number of animals and type to be grazed on the property at any one time and include a management plan.
4. Bids for the stewardship, haying or cultivating are to include a management plan.
5. The County reserves the right to include additional conditions.

LEASE/LICENCE TYPE	MINIMUM BID	LEASE RATE
Stewardship	\$250	\$30 per acre per year
Hay Land	\$250	\$30 per acre per year
Cultivated Land	\$250	\$45 per acre per year
Grazing (Cow/Calf Pairs)	\$250	\$30 per pair per month
Grazing (Yearlings)	\$250	\$25 per yearling per month
Grazing (Horses)	\$250	\$45 per horse per month

COUNCIL ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Department: Public Works



TITLE: Speed Limit Change – 210 Avenue West at 256 Street West

Author:

Patrick Antle
Engineering Technologist

DATE: December 3, 2025

Presenter:

Patrick Antle
Engineering Technologist

ATTACHMENTS:

Design Drawing – Prior Existing Condition with Design

PURPOSE:

To have Council review the implementation and installation of a new speed limit on 210th Street West, as a final step of the project.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION:

Foothills County completed significant upgrades to the intersection of 210 Avenue West and 256 Street West including the horizontal and vertical profile. Work began in the fall of 2024 and was completed this past summer.

Based on the vertical and horizontal design alignments in accordance with the applicable Alberta Transportation Geometric Design Guide, it has been recommended by the consultant that the speed limit be reduced to 40 km/hour along 210 Avenue West. This would be from the intersection east through the curve.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

The cost will be \$250 per sign location including post, with 2 being required for a total cost of \$500.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council provides 1st reading to bylaw XX/2025 for the implementation and installation of a new 40km/hour speed limit and signage on 210 Avenue W.

- Council may also choose to proceed with 2nd reading & 3rd readings.

COUNCIL ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Department: Public Works



TITLE: Speed Limit Change – 210 Avenue West at 256 Street West



Figure 1 – Design Drawing showing the prior existing condition with overlay of upgrade design

BYLAW XX/2025

**BEING A BYLAW OF FOOTHILLS COUNTY IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA TO
AUTHORIZE THE ERECTION OF TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNS AND
TO AUTHORIZE THE IMPOSITION OF A SPEED ZONE**

WHEREAS the Council of Foothills County in the Province of Alberta deems it expedient to impose a speed limit on a portion of a Municipal Roadway.

AND WHEREAS pursuant to the provisions of the Traffic Safety Act, being Chapter T-6, R.S.A 2000, and amendment thereto, the Council of Foothills County in the Province of Alberta, enacts as follows:

1. That Council authorize a 40 km/h zone on 210 Avenue West and installation of the corresponding 40 km/h speed limit signage (RB-1(40)).
2. This Bylaw shall have effect on the date of its third reading and upon being signed.

FIRST READING:

Reeve

CAO

SECOND READING:

Reeve

CAO


THIRD READING:

Reeve

CAO

PASSED IN OPEN COUNCIL assembled at the Town of High River in the Province of Alberta this ___ day of _____, 2025.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS AND MEETINGS
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT REPORT TO COUNCIL
REDESIGNATION
December 3, 2025
To be heard at: 10:00 am**

APPLICATION INFORMATION		File No. 25R 037
	LEGAL DESCRIPTION: SE 26-21-2 W5M	
	LANDOWNER(S): STEVEN & GAIL STUMPF	
	AREA OF SUBJECT LANDS: 114.53 ACRES	
	CURRENT LAND USE: AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT	
	PROPOSED LAND USE: COUNTRY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT	
NUMBER & SIZE OF PROPOSED NEW PARCELS: 1 x +/- 9.9 ACRES		
PROPOSAL: Application for redesignation of a portion of the parcel from Agricultural District to County Residential District, in order to allow for the future subdivision of one new +/- 9.9 acre Country Residential District parcel, leaving +/- 104.63 acre Agricultural District balance.		
DIVISION NO: 5	COUNCILLOR: Alan Alger	FILE MANAGER: Stacey Kotlar

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Location:

The subject parcel is located:

- Adjacent to and west of 112 St W
- Adjacent to and north of 274 Ave W
- Adjacent to and south of 266 Ave W
- 820 m east of 128 St W

Policy Evaluation:

Reviewed within the terms of the:

- Municipal Development Plan 2010 (MDP2010);
- Growth Management Strategy; and
- Land Use Bylaw 60/2014.

Referral Considerations:

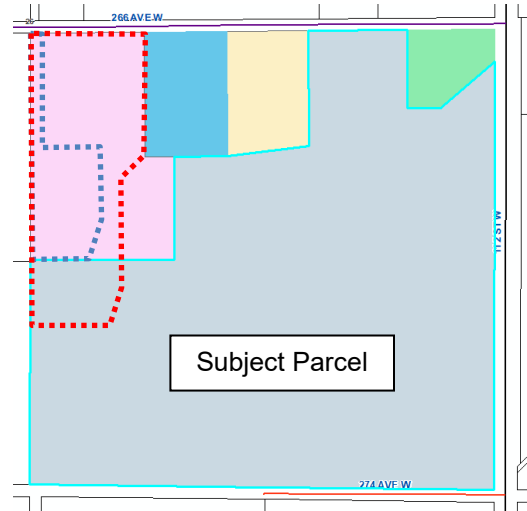
The application submission was referred to required internal departments and external agencies.

PURPOSE OF APPLICATION:

Bylaw XX/2025 – Application to further amend the Land Use Bylaw by authorizing the redesignation of a portion of SE 26-21-2 W5M from Agricultural District to Country Residential District in order to allow the future subdivision of one +/- 9.9 acre Country Residential District parcel, leaving +/- 104.63 acre Agricultural District balance.

HISTORY:

- 1992 Subdivision application was approved allowing the subdivision of one 4.06 acre Country Residential District as the first parcel out, shaded in green.
- 1999 Subdivision application was approved allowing the subdivision of one 7.49 acre Country Residential District parcel, shaded in blue.
- 2000 Subdivision application was approved allowing the subdivision of one 7.00 acre Country Residential District parcel, shaded in yellow.
- 2004 Council refused an application for a 9.15 acre parcel, stating the concern for the condition of Highway 773, history of water shortage in the area, apprehension of fragmentation of agricultural lands, and concern for the overall design. The Appeal Board denied the appeal. The proposal is shown in the NW corner with the blue dotted line.
- 2006 Council refused an application for Land Use Redesignation of a 19.92 acre parcel Country Residential parcel stating preservation of Agricultural lands, not in favour of the overall shape and size of the parcel, and noted the concern that this could be further subdivided in the future. The proposal is shown in the NW corner with the red dotted line.
- 2007 Following the Land Use refusal a Subdivision application was approved by the Municipal Government Board through an appeal process. The application was amended to propose a 20 acre Agricultural parcel rather than Country Residential. The Board approved the subdivision of one 20.93 acre Agricultural District parcel, shaded in pink.



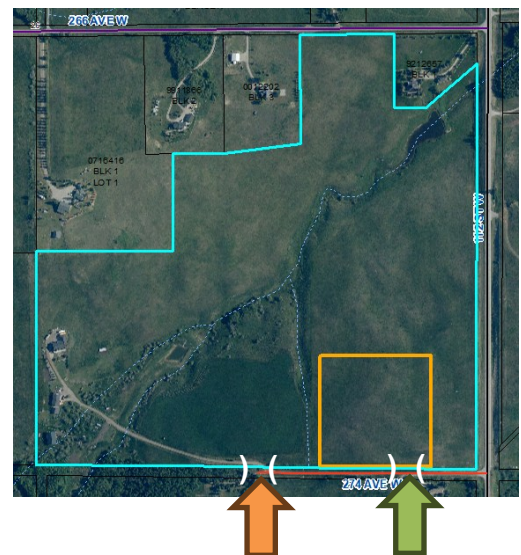
SITE CONSIDERATIONS:

Access:

One existing approach, shown with an orange arrow, currently provides access onto the subject parcel off of the north side of 274 Ave W. This approach is proposed to provide access to the +/- 104.63 acre balance parcel.

Access to the +/- 9.9 acre proposed parcel is to be provided from 274 Ave W, shown with the green arrow by way of a new approach.

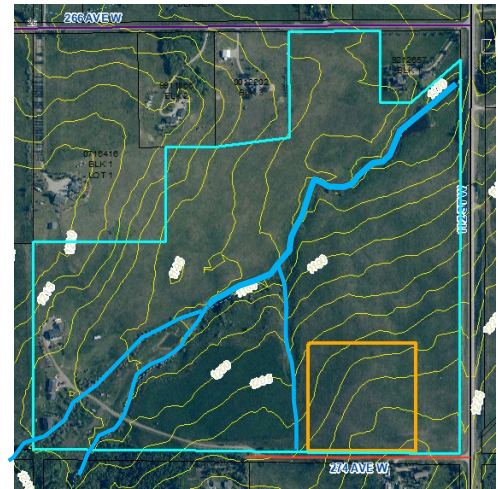
Public Works recommendation for the proposed approach are for sight distance of 90m required to the east. Culvert will be required and 6m setback from any power pole. Approach to be built to meet current standards.



Physiography:

The subject parcel contains gently rolling terrain, gradually descending from the northwest and southeast toward a central lowland, where a minor recurring stream cuts through the parcel which is shown by the blue line.

Public Works has commented that the developable area of the proposed parcel may contain slopes of greater than 15%. A slope stability report and building envelope for the proposed parcel to ensure appropriate setback distances and to maintain slope stability may be requested at the Development Permit stage.



Existing Development:

The Balance parcel contains all of the existing development:

- Dwelling with Attached Garage (red)
- Shop (teal)
- Barn (blue)
- Hay Shed (purple)
- Sea-Can (green)
- Animal Shelters (orange)
- Shed (yellow)



CIRCULATION REFERRALS	
REFEREE	COMMENTS
INTERNAL	
Public Works	<p>The following are recommended for the proposed parcel:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Geotechnical Report for Slope Stability as a condition of subdivision • Septic Disposal Evaluation (PSTS) as a condition of subdivision • Building Envelope as a condition of subdivision • Lot Grading/Overland Drainage Plan as a condition of Development Permit <p>Additional comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposed approach requires a sight distance of 90m to the east. Culvert will be required and 6m setback from any power pole. Approach to be built to meet current standards. • The developable area may include areas with slopes greater than 15% if there is an accompanying Slope Stability Assessment or Slope

CIRCULATION REFERRALS	
	<p>Stability Analysis Report that certifies slope stability prior to, during, and after development to meet the required Factors of Safety of 1.5.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Slope Stability Analysis Report must provide any geotechnical covenants or setback distances to maintain slope stability for such areas. Actual drill test holes required. • Please note that if a suitable building envelope is found that doesn't contain 15% slopes and is 30 m or more away from slopes equal to or exceeding 15%, then a geotechnical/slope stability report won't be required. • Road Widening is required by caveat along 274 Ave W
GIS Mapping	No concerns
EXTERNAL	
Fortis	No issues
Telus	No concerns
PUBLIC	
Western Wheel	Wednesday, November 19 and 26, 2025
Landowners (half mile)	No submissions received prior to submission of this staff report.

POLICY EVALUATION:

Municipal Development Plan (MDP2010):

The application generally meets with the intent of Policies 3 and 9 of the Residential section of the MDP2010, which provides that residential parcels should consider their compatibility with the surrounding area and their impact on the agricultural industry. Further, the development must consider the suitability of the lands for residential uses and the efficient use of land.

Land Use Bylaw 60/2014:

The application meets the density requirements and lot size restrictions as set out in Section 13.1.6.2 of the Country Residential District within the County's Land Use Bylaw.

Growth Management Strategy:

The subject parcel is located within the North West District. The vision for the North West District is supportive of minimal to moderate growth with careful consideration of the potential impacts on wildlife habitat and water shed areas.

SUMMARY

Bylaw XX/2025 – Application to further amend the Land Use Bylaw by authorizing the redesignation of a portion of SE 26-21-2 W5M from Agricultural District to Country Residential District in order to allow the future subdivision of one +/- 9.9 acre Country Residential District parcel, leaving +/- 104.63 acre Agricultural District balance.

OPTIONS FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

Council may choose to grant 1st reading to the application for an amendment to the Agricultural District land rules in order to allow the future subdivision of one +/- 9.9 acre Country Residential District parcel, leaving a +/- 104.63 acre Agricultural District balance from a portion of SE 26-21-2 W5M for the following reasons:

In their consideration of the criteria noted in Residential Policy 3 of the MDP2010, Council is of the opinion that additional densification of the subject lands would be compatible with the surrounding area and existing uses and that the lands are suitable for the intended use. Further, the application falls within the density provisions and lot size restrictions of the County's Land Use Bylaw with respect to Country Residential development.

Staff suggests that proposed +/- 9.9 acre lot be designated as Country Residential Sub-district 'A' to ensure that the recommendations and restrictions as outlined in the Geotechnical Report for Slope Stability, Septic Disposal Evaluation (PSTS), and Building Envelopes (all conditions of subdivision) and Lot Grading/Overland Drainage Plan (as a condition of Development Permit) are complied with, to the satisfaction of the Public Works Department. A completion certificate by a Professional Engineer verifying that all aspects of the noted reports have been met, may be required. Council may also wish to require a \$5000 deposit as a pre-release condition to ensure compliance with all conditions of the development permit.

Recommended Conditions for Option #1:

1. Landowners are to fully execute and comply with all requirements as outlined within the Municipal Development Agreement for the purposes of payment of the community sustainability fee and any other necessary municipal and on-site improvements as required by Council and the Public Works department;
2. Proof of adequate water supply to be provided for the +/- 9.9 acre parcels, in accordance with the Provincial Water Act, to the satisfaction of the County;
3. Final amendment application fees to be submitted;
4. Submission of an executed subdivision application and the necessary fees.

OPTION #2 REFUSE APPLICATION

Council may choose to refuse the application for the redesignation of a portion of SE 26-21-2 W5M from Agricultural District to Country Residential District in order to allow the future subdivision of one +/- 9.9 acre Country Residential District parcel, leaving a +/- 104.63 acre Agricultural District for the following reasons:

In consideration of the criteria noted within the Agricultural section of the MDP2010, Council did not find sufficient merit in the proposal to consider removing the subject lands from the Agricultural District.

APPENDICES

APPENDIX A: MAP SET:

LOCATION MAP

LAND USE - HALF MILE MAP

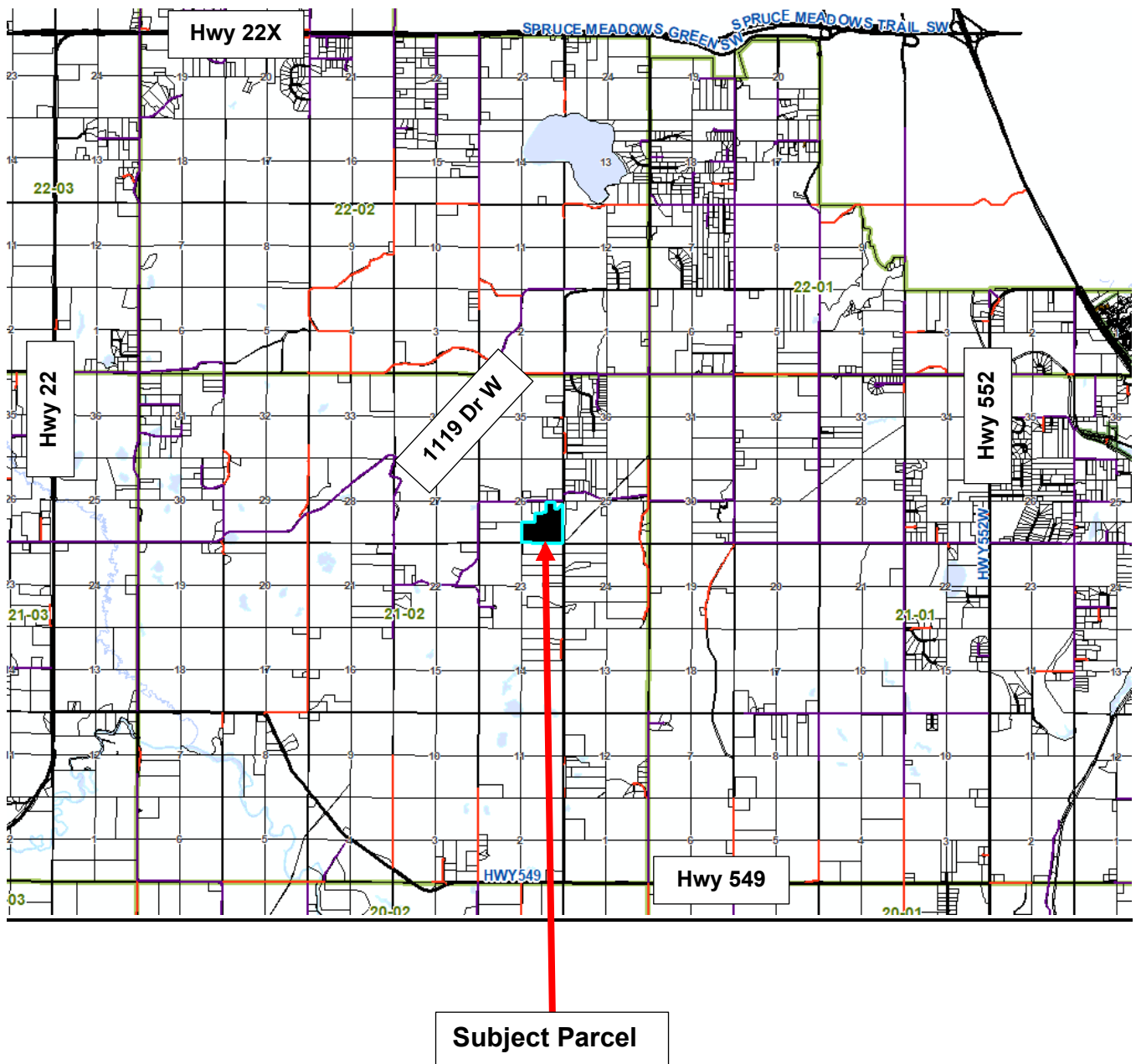
PARCEL SIZES - HALF MILE MAP

SITE PLAN

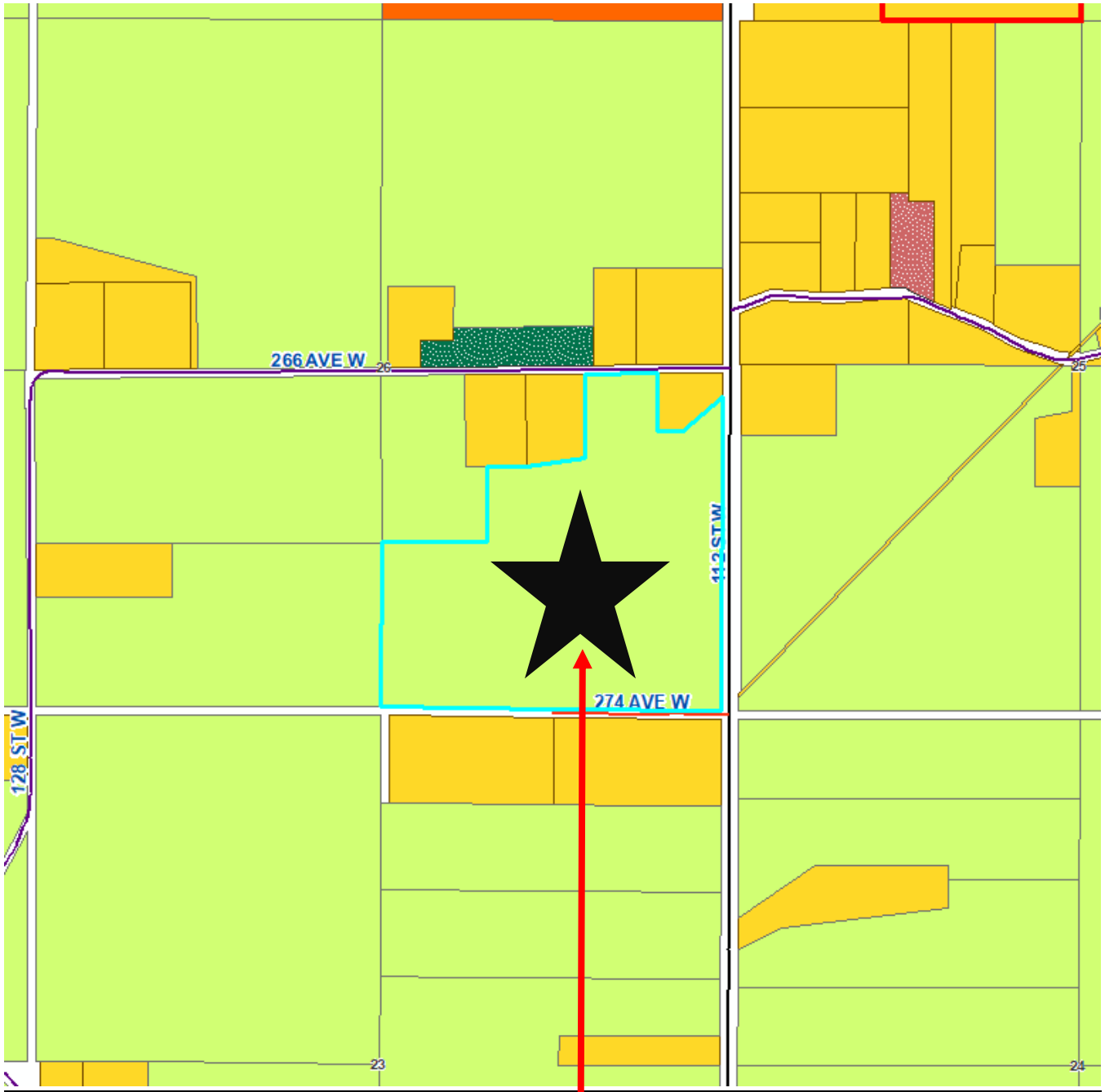
ORTHO PHOTO

APPENDIX B: PROPOSED BYLAW:

APPENDIX A: LOCATION MAP



APPENDIX A: LAND USE

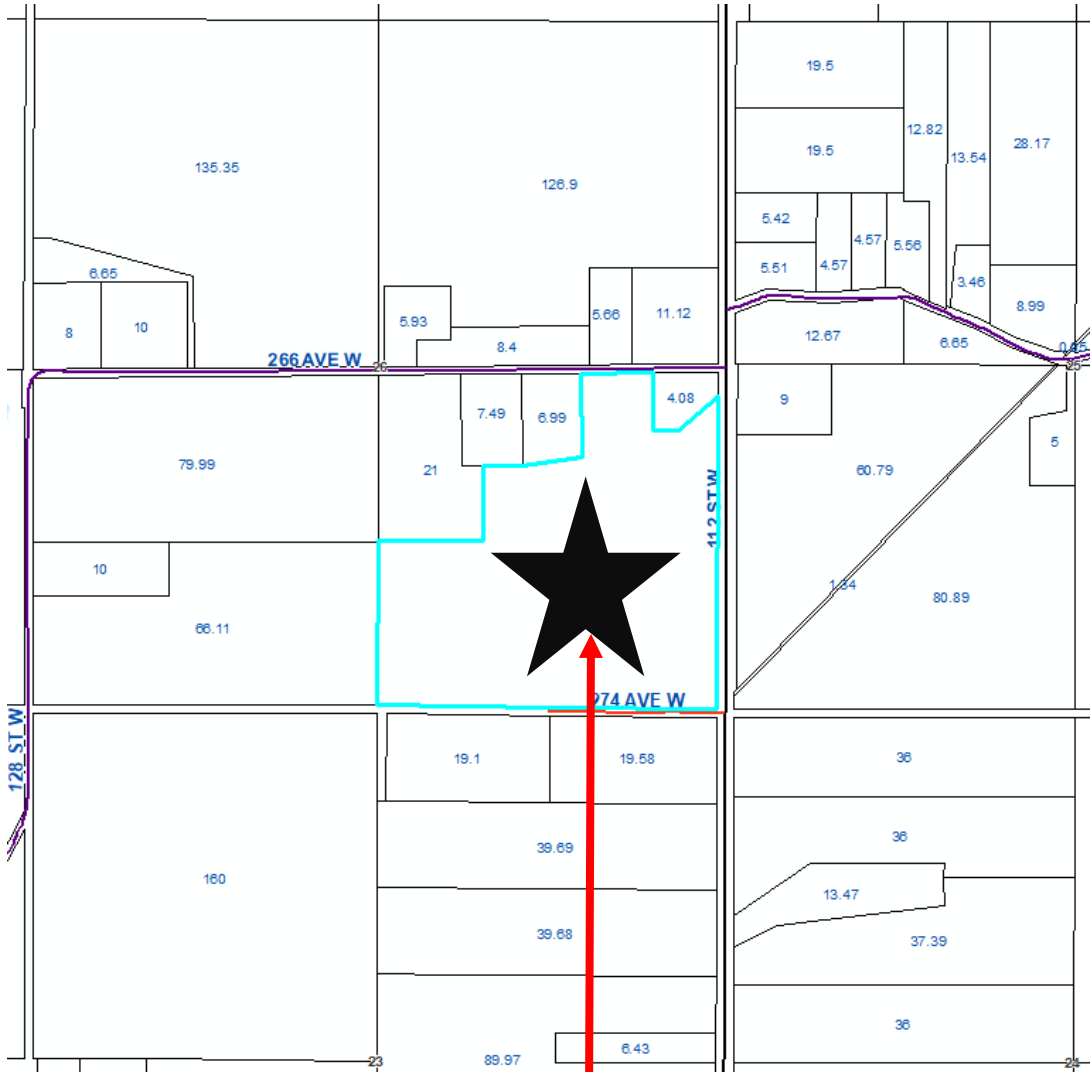


Legend

-  A- Agricultural
-  CR- Country Residential
-  CRA- Country Residential Sub A
-  DC - Direct Control
-  ER- Environmental Reserve
-  MR- Municipal Reserve

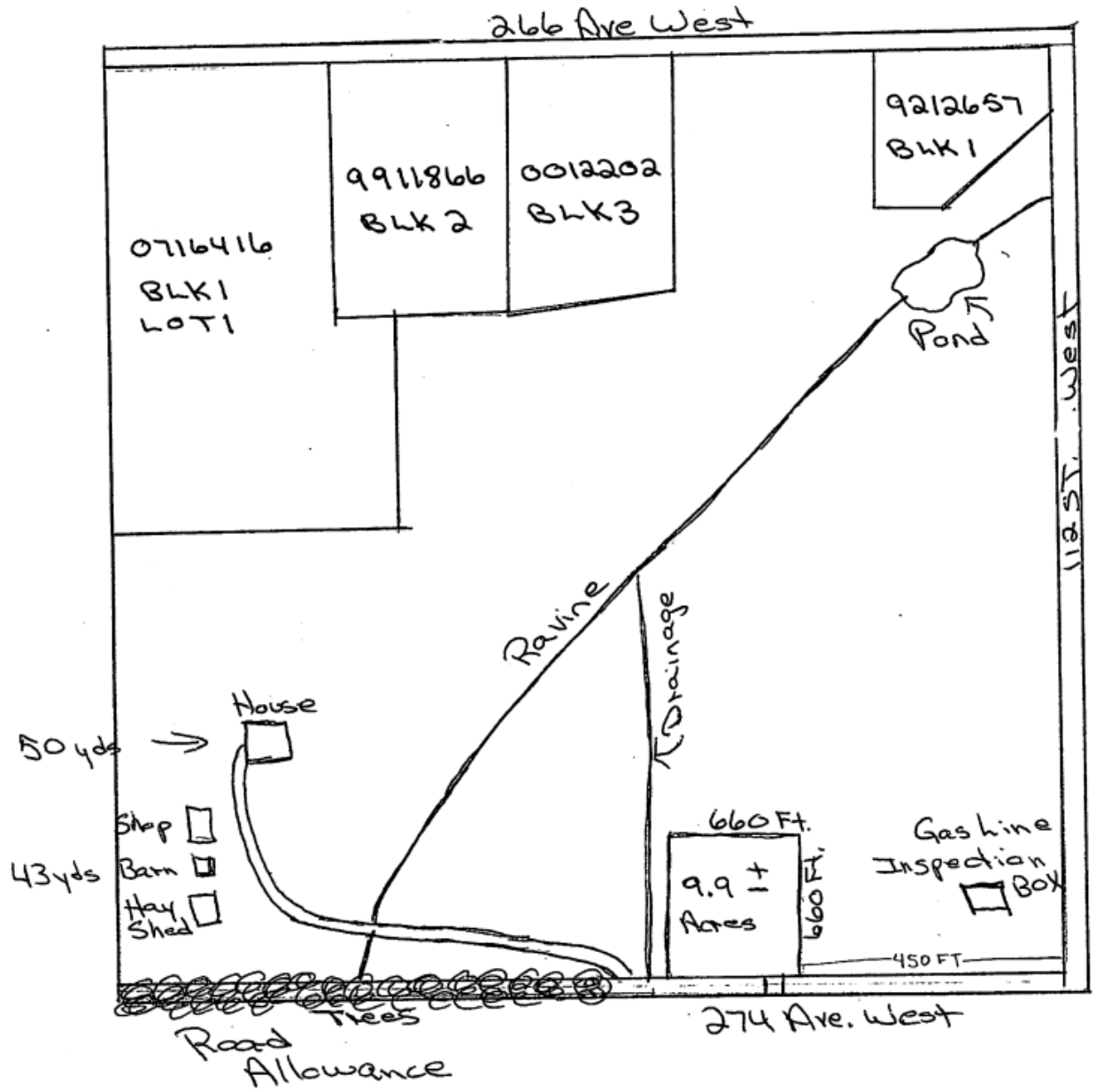
Subject Parcel

APPENDIX A: LOT SIZES (IN ACRES)

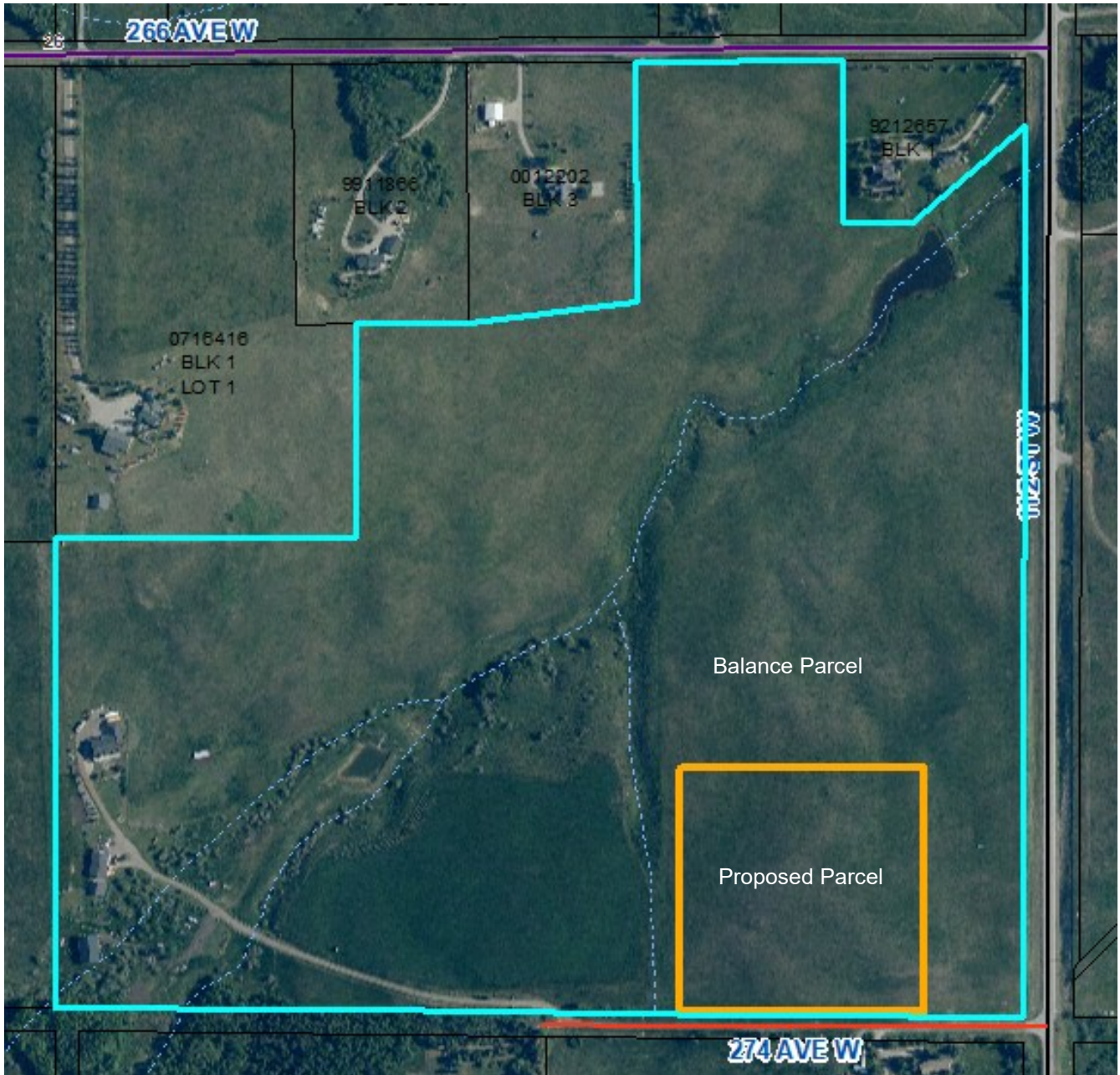


Subject Parcel

APPENDIX A: SITE PLAN



APPENDIX A: ORTHO



BYLAW XX/2025

BEING A BYLAW OF FOOTHILLS COUNTY TO AUTHORIZE AN AMENDMENT TO THE LAND USE BYLAW NO. 60/2014 AS AMENDED.

WHEREAS pursuant to the provisions of the Municipal Government Act, Chapter M-26 Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000, and amendments thereto, the Council of Foothills County in the Province of Alberta, has adopted Land Use Bylaw No. 60/2014 and amendments thereto;

AND WHEREAS the Council has received an application to further amend the Land Use Bylaw by authorizing the redesignation of a 9.9 +/- acre portion on SE 26-21-02 W5M from Agricultural District to Country Residential District, in order to allow for the future subdivision of one new 9.9 +/- acre Country Residential lot with an approximate 104.63 +/- acre Agricultural District balance parcel.

NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

Land Use Map No. 2102 is amended by redesignating a 9.9 +/- acre portion on SE 26-21-02 W5M from Agricultural District to Country Residential District, in order to allow for the future subdivision of one new 9.9 +/- acre Country Residential lot with an approximate 104.63 +/- acre Agricultural District balance parcel.

1. .
2. This Bylaw shall have effect on the date of its third reading and upon being signed.

FIRST READING:

Reeve

CAO

SECOND READING:

Reeve

CAO

THIRD READING:

Reeve

CAO

PASSED IN OPEN COUNCIL assembled at the Town of High River in the Province of Alberta this day of , 20 .

**PUBLIC HEARINGS AND MEETINGS
 PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT REPORT TO COUNCIL
 OUTLINE PLAN (OP) ADOPTION AND CONCURRENT LAND USE
 December 3, 2025
 To be heard at: 1:30 PM**

CONSIDERATION OF: ADOPTION OF WESTERN GATEWAY OUTLINE PLAN AND CONCURRENT LAND USE APPLICATION - REDESIGNATION		
	LEGAL DESCRIPTION: PTN: SE 13-20-29 W4	
	AREA OF SUBJECT LANDS: 82.17 acres	
	CURRENT LAND USES: Agricultural District with 15 acres under a Site Specific Amendment for RV Storage and 10 acres zoned Commercial District for Recreational Vehicle Sales Centre	
	PROPOSED LAND USES: Business Park District, Highway Commercial District, Municipal Reserve and Public Utility Lot	
	LANDOWNERS: 803969 Alberta Ltd.	
	AGENT: Township Planning and Design Inc.	
<p>Consideration of the following:</p> <p>PROPOSALS:</p> <p><u>OUTLINE PLAN</u></p> <p>Adoption of the Western Gateway Outline Plan which is to inform the development of a business park within an 82.17 acre portion of the SE 13-20-29-W4M.</p> <p>The Developer’s vision for this business park is to <i>“create a strategically planned, high-quality business park that maximizes land use, drives economic growth and tourism, caters to highway travelers, supports local communities and industries, integrates diverse commercial and industrial activities and establishes a prominent gateway along the H2A/ASP corridor.”</i></p> <p>AND</p> <p><u>LAND USE REDESIGNATION</u></p> <p>First reading approval to redesignation of a portion of the SE 13-20-29 W4M from Agricultural District to Highway Commercial District (HC), Business Park District (BP), Municipal Reserve (MR) and Public Utility (PUL) to facilitate the future subdivision of forty six (46) Business Park District lots, five (5) Highway Commercial District lots, three (3) Municipal Reserve parcels and one (1) Public Utility lot.</p>		
DIVISION NO: 1	REEVE: Rob Siewert	FILE MANAGER: Theresa Chipchase

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Summary of Proposal

The Outline Plan provides support for development of approximately 82.17 acres of land, proposed as a Business Park (BP) and Highway Commercial (HC) application which contemplates Business Park District and Highway Commercial District development along with a Public Utility lot with a liner Municipal Reserve dedication surrounding the PUL and additional Municipal Reserve dedication at the entrance to the proposal that is split into two pieces on either side of the road access. The lots are proposed to be serviced through connection to the County's potable water infrastructure with interim wastewater to be provided through pump out tanks, prior to expected connection to the County's wastewater infrastructure.

The vision for the Western Gateway Outline Plan (ASP) (Section 2.0 Background, Page 8 of the OP) is described to *“create a strategically planned, high-quality business park that maximizes land use, drives economic growth and tourism, caters to highway travelers, supports local communities and industries, integrates diverse commercial and industrial activities and establishes a prominent gateway along the H2A/ASP.”*

The Outline Plan further includes goals which are to provide: *“Efficient Land Use, Facilitate Economic Development and Tourism, Offer Services to Travelling Public, Support Local Communities and Industries, Accommodate Diverse Industrial Uses, Promote High Quality Built Form, Create a Strategic Gateway Node.”*

Concurrent with the Outline Plan is a request to Council for a Land Use redesignation which proposes to redesignate the parcel from Agricultural District to Business Park District, Highway Commercial District, Municipal Reserve parcels and a Public Utility Lot, to facilitate the future subdivision of forty six (46) Business Park lots between 0.5 to 1.00 acres, five (5) Highway Commercial lots between 1.57 +/- to 10.06 +/- acres, and a Public Utility lot of 5.47 +/- acres with a liner Municipal Reserve dedication surrounding the PUL (3.55 +/- acres) and two small Municipal Reserve parcels at the entrance to the development. The western portion of MR at the entrance is proposed at 0.184 +/- acres and the eastern portion is proposed at 0.978 +/- acres, the proposal also identifies 10.32 +/- acres of internal road development and connection of all lots to the County's water infrastructure with interim pump out tanks for wastewater until piped servicing for wastewater is available to the development.

Location

The subject lands are located approximately twenty one kilometres south of the City of Calgary, 2.5 kilometres east of the Town of Okotoks (outside IDP), it is less than one half kilometre south of the CKPC rail line, directly south and west of Highway 2A, the Highway 2 overpass and south of the Petro Canada Highway Commercial development.

The application was reviewed within the terms of the Highway 2A Industrial Area Structure Plan, and the Foothills County Municipal Development Plan 2010, Land Use Bylaw 60/2014, and the Growth Management Strategy.

NOTE: The proposed Outline Plan somewhat aligns with the policies and guiding principles within the respective documents, however, may require revisions to address recommendations provided by the County's Public Works department, in addition to any grammatical errors.

Referral Considerations

The application was subject to a 30-day circulation period and provided to the required Provincial, Municipal, internal and external bodies as well as landowners within one half mile of

the proposal. Any comments received have been provided within the Circulation Referral section of this staff report.

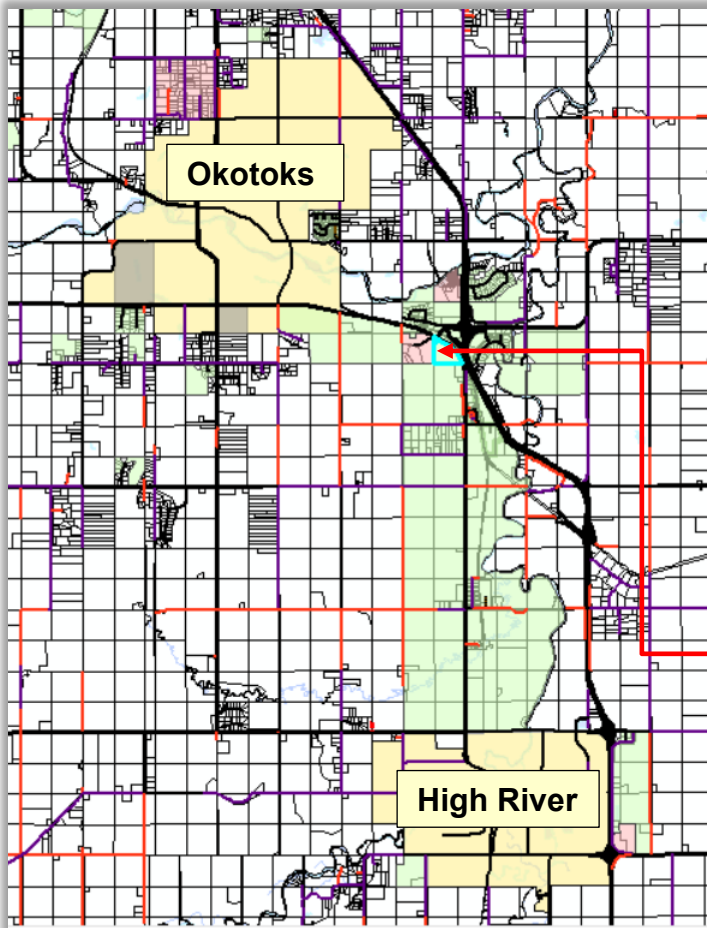
PURPOSE OF APPLICATION

RESOLUTION – to allow adoption of the Western Gateway Outline Plan, which provides a framework for the subsequent land use, subdivision and development of an area of land within the Municipality’s boundaries.

AND


BYLAW XX/2025 – to amend the Land Use Bylaw by authorizing the redesignation of PTN: SE 13-20-29 W4M, from Agricultural District to Highway Commercial District (HC) and Business Park District (BP), with additional lands to be dedicated as Municipal Reserve (MR) and Public Utility Lot (PUL), to allow the future subdivision of five Highway Commercial District lots and forty-six Business Park District lots as per the Western Gateway Outline Plan.

AREA CONTEXT



The Western Gateway Outline Plan (plan area shown outlined in blue on the map to the left) is located within the H2AIASP, adjacent to the Aldersyde Junction Outline Plan in close proximity to the Town of Okotoks, Highways 2 and 7, the Ravencrest and Silvertip Area Structure Plans, the Warner Business Park, Petro Canada commercial development, the Volker Stevin Asphalt Plant and Shop, the CPKC rail line and the Foothills Field House.

-  H2AI Area Structure Plan
-  Aldersyde Junction Outline Plan

 Subject Lands outlined in blue

HISTORY OF PAST PLANNING APPROVALS AND REFUSALS

2007 – Redesignation of 10 acres of the Developer's property from Agricultural District to Commercial District to allow for the development of a 20,183 square foot recreational vehicle sales centre

2008 – Site Specific Amendment approval allowing Recreational Vehicle Storage within 15 acres of the Developer's property

October 14th, 2010 – Bylaw 98/2010 - Third reading granted to the adoption of the Highway 2A Industrial Area Structure Plan.

December 19th, 2012 – Resolution approved by Council for the amended Aldersyde Junction Area Concept Plan, which provides direction for the future subdivision of Eco-Industrial and Commercial District lots within three Phases of Development, on lands located north and east of the Cavalry FC Regional Fieldhouse.

January 15th, 2014 – Council tabled the Western Gateway Outline Plan application along with the application to redesignate the lands from Agricultural District to Commercial Park and Highway Commercial District and Public Utility Lot (PUL) with lands to be further be dedicated as Municipal Reserve (MR) and Internal and Service Road development, under the following motion:

803969 ALBERTA LTD. – SE 13-20-29-W4M – ADOPTION OF THE WESTERN GATEWAY BUSINESS PARK OUTLINE PLAN

K. Beunder, T. Plotnikoff and A. Ryz were in attendance for the public hearing in connection with the proposed Western Gateway Business Park Outline Plan. D. Snider and G. McCowan were also in attendance. The subject lands are located within the H2A IASP, one half mile west of the hamlet of Aldersyde, directly south of Highway 7 and the Highway 547 overpass. Phase one would include a previously approved RV sales center and a RV storage facility. Additional phases propose Commercial (Park) lot development, Commercial (Highway) lot development, a public utilities lot, a portion of service road development, and Municipal Reserve pathway. Wetlands exist on the parcel and were addressed within a Preliminary Ecological Status Report. The proposed access would be directly from the Highway 7 interchange with Highway 547 and Highway 2A and would connect to an internal road system.

K. Beunder submitted a site plan depicting the suggested lot plan and the walking path/Municipal Reserve lot encircling the proposed stormwater plan. Internal roadways are to be coordinated with Aldersyde Junction and will include an internal roundabout. Installation of services is currently required for the approved RV sales center; however, the developer is awaiting final approval of the Western Gateway Business Park Outline Plan in order to ensure services are installed in correlation with the approved site plan.

Council moved to table its decision regarding approval of the Western Gateway Business Park Outline Plan. Council is supportive in principle of the proposed outline plan for 33 1 -6+/- acre Commercial lots and land for Municipal Reserve and Public Utility. Council requires the draft plan to be revised to contain the following wording and policy prior to consideration of approval:

1. Section 5.0 Open Space, Reserve and Pathway - The developer will provide a municipal reserve parcel within the development, and a pathway alignment that appropriately connects to the fieldhouse with a width of 3 metres. The PUL lands will not be included within the Municipal Reserve calculation. All mapping and wording is to be updated within the Outline Plan to reflect the inclusion of the Municipal Reserve parcel and the pathway width.

2. Section 6.0 Transportation – Policy to be included stating that the developer will execute and comply with the Municipal Development Agreement for the construction of required internal and external infrastructure and payment of fees or off-site levies required to serve the development.
3. Section 6.0 Transportation - Policy to be included which indicates that the developer will provide a TIA that addresses the internal transportation of the development to the satisfaction of the Public Works department.
4. Section 6.0 Transportation - Policy to be included that the Developer is responsible for a proportionate share of the cost of the updated Traffic Impact Assessment as required by Alberta Transportation.
5. Grammatical wording changes as suggested by staff as provided in the staff report at the public hearing of January 15th, 2014.
6. Section 3.3 Phasing – Phase strategy whereby the stormwater pond is included within the first phase or policy included in the Outline Plan which indicates the necessary interm or phased stormwater strategy.
7. Section 2.3.2.5 Biophysical Inventory – policy statement added that all regulatory approvals for the displacement of the wetlands on the parcel will be obtained prior to third reading on the land use application being considered.
8. Section 7.1 Potable Water Servicing – policy statement added that payment of a water line connection fee will be required by the Developer with respect to all future lots as proposed.

CARRIED

Council moved to table the application for land use redesignation. Council has determined that 1st reading of the proposal is premature in advance of determining the final alignment of the pathway, the highway, the intersection, and the stacking requirements for access to the fieldhouse site. In addition, Council feels that an off-site levy bylaw to support the necessary infrastructure may be required in advance of further land use approvals on this site. A revised site plan will be required which illustrates the municipal reserve dedication based on the parent parcel in the form of a single developable parcel, a linear pathway of a maximum of 3 metres in width which is connected to the fieldhouse site. The revised plan will be required to illustrate the approved alignment of the highway, the intersection and an internal access network with minimal direct access points into the proposed parcels that can accommodate the necessary stacking requirements of Alberta Transportation.

CARRIED

OUTLINE PLAN (OP) APPLICATION SUMMARY

Planning Staff comments highlighted in orange throughout summary

Public works comments highlighted in tan throughout summary

Section 3.0 Policy Alignment (Page 11-15 of the OP)

Section 3.0 of the Outline Plan illustrates how the Plan is to comply with the South Saskatchewan Regional Plan along with the County’s Municipal Development Plan, the Highway 2A Industrial Area Structure Plan and the Land Use Bylaw along with the guidance of the Growth Management Strategy.

Section 4.0 Pathway to Approvals

4.1 Community Engagement (Page 17 of the OP)

The Developer provides that public engagement was to be carried out with a mailout sent to those properties within one mile of the development culminating in a “What We Heard Report” that will be provided to the County.

Section 5.0 Pre-Development Studies

5.1 Geotechnical Investigation (Page 19 of the OP)

Almor Testing Services Ltd. prepared a Geotechnical Investigation for the property to provide recommendations for site grading, underground services, asphalt and pavement structures.

Policy 5.1.i and **Policy 5.1.ii** provide that the Developer shall comply with the recommendations of the Geotechnical Report and any additional geotechnical studies required to the satisfaction of the County.

Public Works Notes Regarding Geotechnical Investigation:

Recommend updates to the investigation to review any potential changes. To be provided to the satisfaction of the Public Works department as a condition of subdivision. The Developer is to note all reports are noted to be subject to third party review.

5.3 Wetland Impact Assessment Report (WIA) (Page 21 of the OP)

Hab-Tech Environmental prepared a Wetland Inventory and Impact Assessment for the property in 2013. The Plan proposes the displacement or conversion of three wetlands on the property which will require Provincial Regulatory Approvals from Alberta Environment and Protected Areas (AEPA).

Policy 5.3.ii provides the Developer will provide an updated Wetland Impact Assessment that is to outline the appropriate wetland replacement requirements at the subdivision stage to the satisfaction of AEPA and Foothills County.

Public Works Notes Regarding Wetland Impact Assessment Report (WIA):

Policy 5.8.1. suggests that the developer work with AEPA relating to the wetland classifications. Recommend the Developer confirms that there are no significant changes to the conclusions within the past wetland reporting. Confirmation of such is to be provided to the satisfaction of AEPA and the County, as a condition of Land Use.

5.6 Traffic Impact Assessment (TIA) (Page 24 of the OP)

Bunt and Associates Engineering Ltd. provided a Traffic Impact Assessment in 2024 which reviewed the Highway 7 and 64th Street East intersection, and the Highway 2A and Field House Drive intersection.

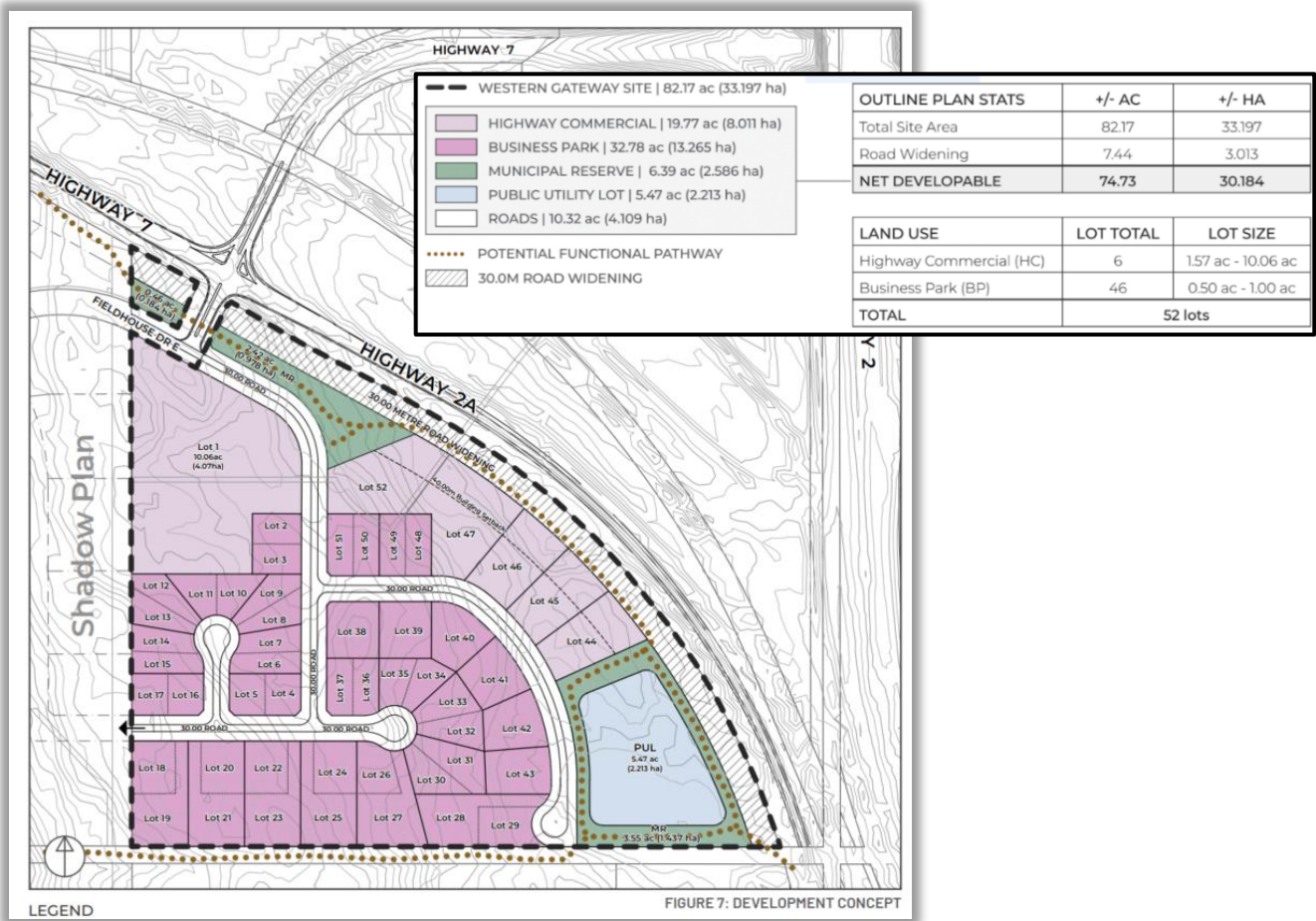
Policy 5.6.i provides the development is to comply with the 2024 TIA for improvements to the external road infrastructure undertaken at the expense of the Developer to the satisfaction of Foothills County and Alberta Transportation and Economic Development (ATEC)

5.6.1 CPKC Rail Right of Way

The CPKC rail line right of way at the Highway 7 and Highway 2A intersection was also included within the TIA provided. The developer explains their site provides a minimum building setback for their development to the rail line, The TIA recommends that railway crossing arms and signage are warranted with the addition of this development.

Policy 5.6.1.i indicates the Developer will request modifications to the rail crossing should they be required to CPKC, ATEC and Foothills County.

Section 6.0 Development Concept (Page 29 of the OP)



Section 6.0 Land Use Overview

6.1 Development Concept (Page 28 of the OP)

The development proposes subdivision of 52 lots in two Phases, including forty six (46) Business Park lots and six (6) Highway Commercial lots, with the existing recreational vehicle storage and sales centre, currently approved under a Site Specific Amendment, to be retained on the largest Highway Commercial District lot (10.06 ac). All future lots proposed are to support standalone businesses. All lots are proposed to be accessed via paved internal road development, designed as part of the subdivision, in accordance with Foothills County’s Road construction standards. Additionally, construction of a Storm Pond under a Public Utility lot and an entrance feature under a Municipal Reserve, with piped water and interim wastewater pump out systems are also proposed for each lot.

Policy 6.1.iii and 6.1.iv provide that development is expected to proceed as per Figure 7 - Development Concept, as shown above and that detailed engineering is to be provided with subdivision.

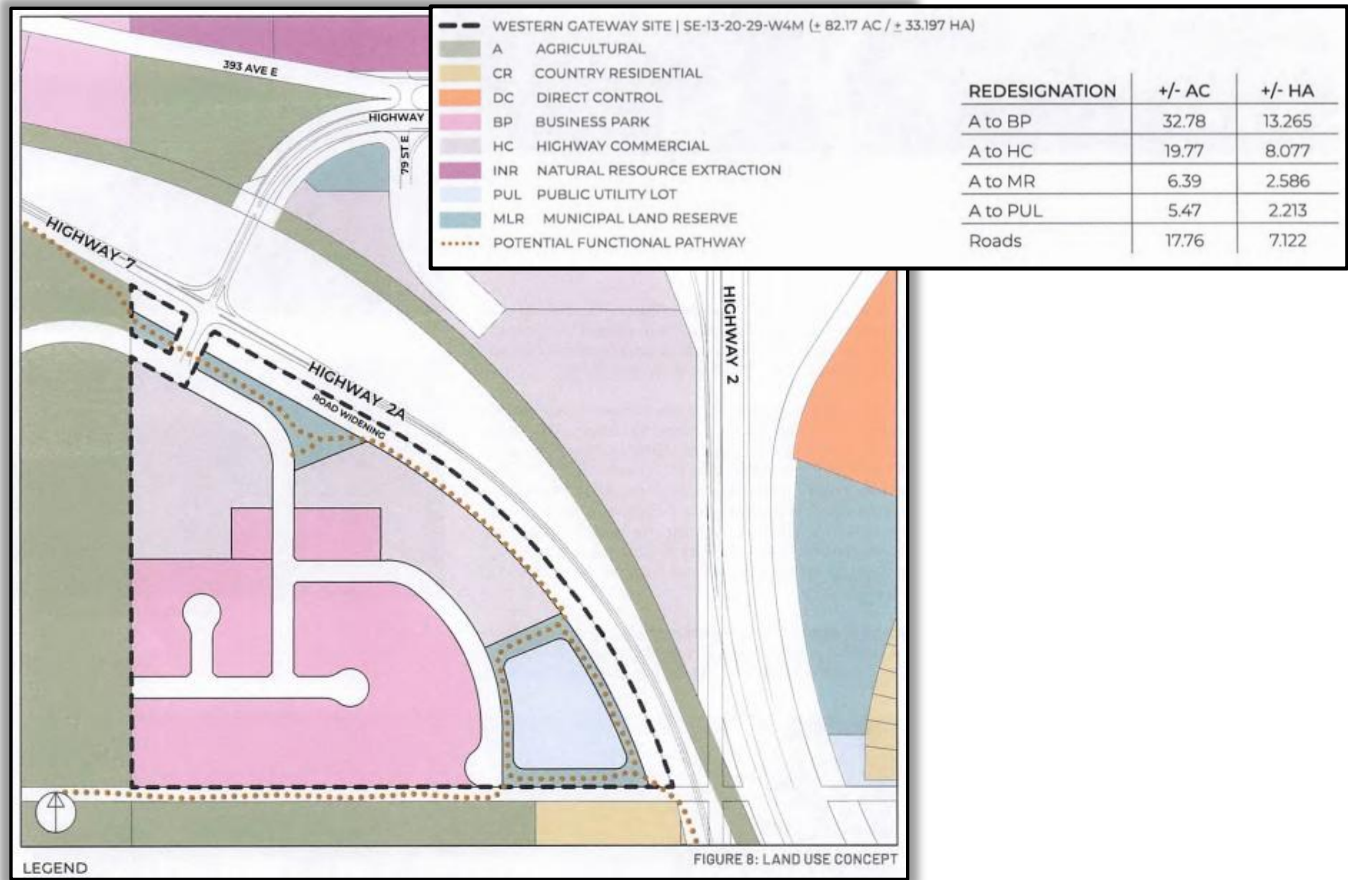
6.3 Business Lot Owner’s Association (Page 30 of the OP)

Policy 6.3.i identifies the Developer will establish a Business Lot Owner’s Association to manage such things as waste management, maintenance, landscaping and architectural controls.

6.4 Development Permit Process (Page 30 of the OP)

The Outline Plan provides that Development permits will be required for the development of all lots in compliance with the design guidelines for the Highway 2A Industrial Area Structure Plan and the County’s Land Use Bylaw.

Section 6.0 Land Use Overview – Land Use Concept (Figure 8, Page 32 of the OP)



6.5 Highway Commercial (HC) and Business Park (BP) Districts (Page 31 of OP)

The Developer proposes development of Highway Commercial and Business Park District lots as per the permitted and discretionary uses under those Districts set out in the County’s Land Use Bylaw. Both the Highway Commercial and Business Park Districts from the County’s Land Use Bylaw have been attached as part of Appendix D to this staff report.

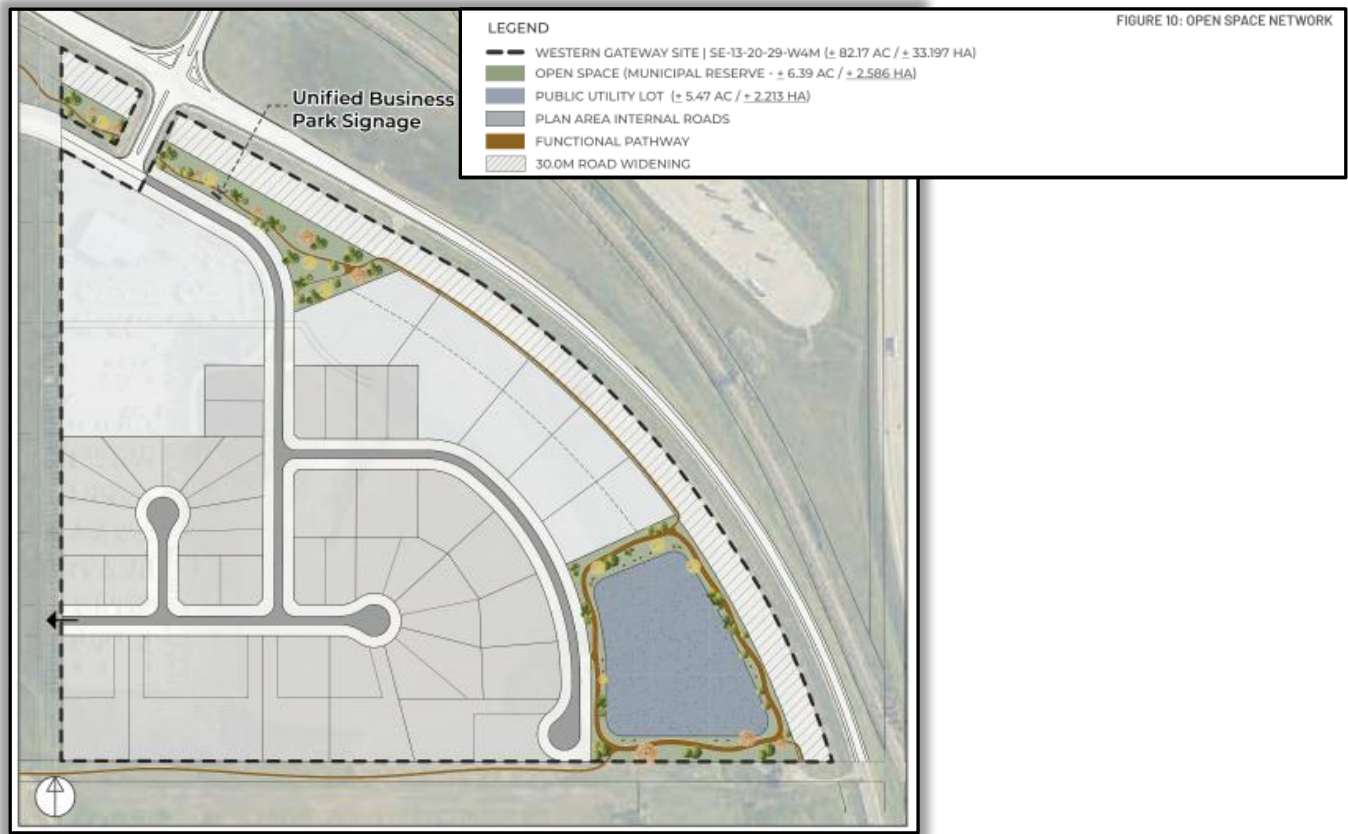
6.6 Architectural Controls (AC) (Page 33 of the OP)

The Developer proposes that architectural controls will be put in place and will comply “as much as possible” with the design guidelines for the H2AISP, at the subdivision stage, to provide for such things as water conservation, landscaping, entrance signage, fencing, lighting, storage, screening, refuse, building form, building aesthetics and consistency, etc. And further that a Business Lot Owners Association will be established in conjunction with the AC.

6.7 Landscaping Considerations (Page 34, 35 of OP)

The Outline Plan proposes to include green buffers and screening, outdoor spaces, landscaping practices, irrigation systems, aesthetic considerations, safety considerations, and landscaping considerations. All described in detail within the Landscape Considerations section.

6.8 Open Space (Page 38 of OP)



The Outline Plan outlines Open Space will be identified as provided in Figure 9 and 10 as shown on the previous page. The Open Space Concept is to include a landscaped entry within a small reserve parcel, with a pathway developed around the PUL which is proposed within the southeast corner of the parcel. The Developer has also included that the existing Booster Station the County has located within the undeveloped road allowance, south of the PUL, could inhibit development of the road allowance on the south boundary of the property, further providing that the road allowance could instead be considered as part of a pathway system connecting the Open Spaces within the Western Gateway development to the lands to the south and west.

6.9 Municipal Reserve (Page 38 of OP)

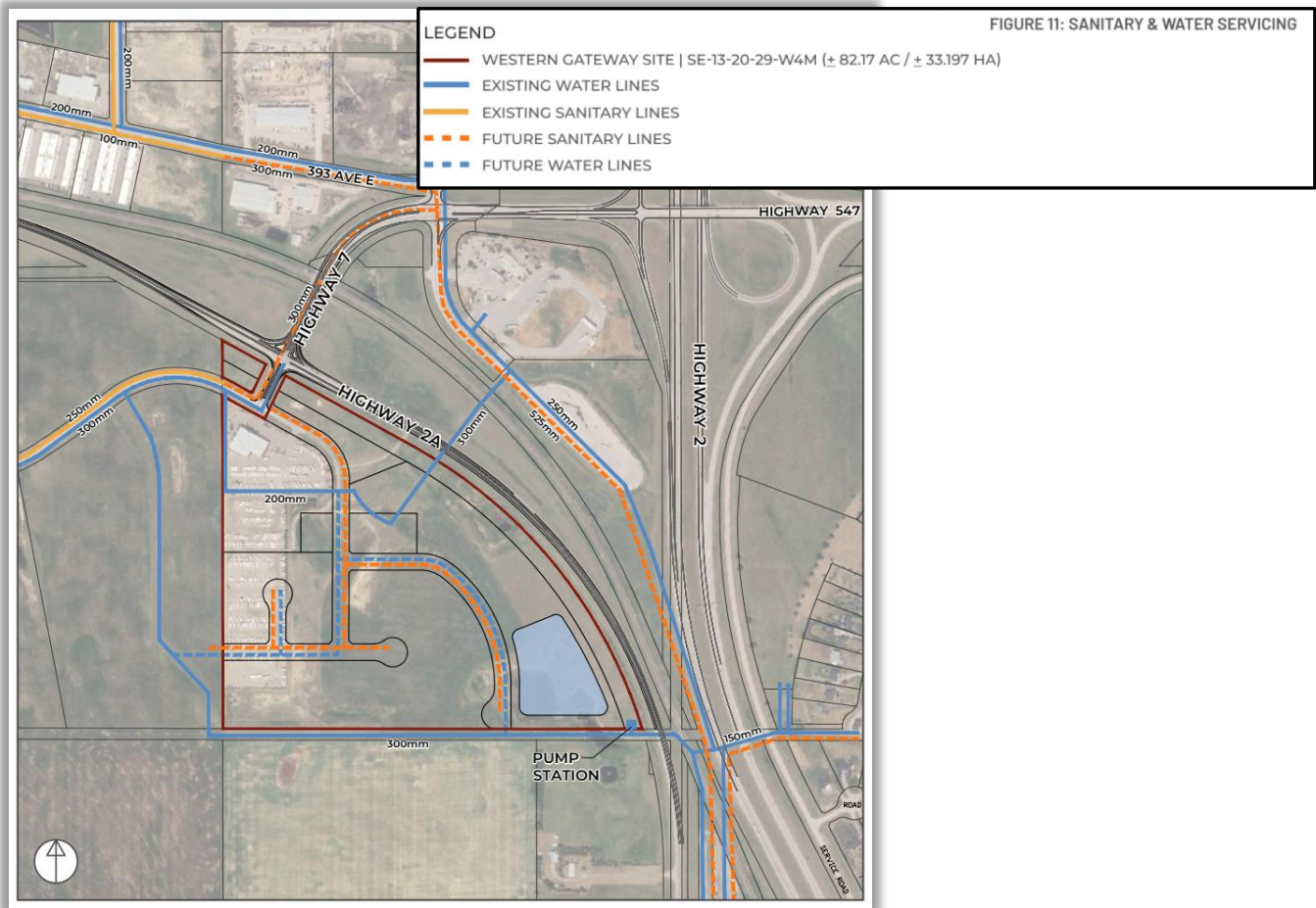
TABLE 2: PROPOSED MUNICIPAL RESERVE DISPOSITION

	AREA (AC)	AREA (HA)	% GDA
Gross Area	82.17	33.197	
Municipal Reserve (Dedicated)	6.39	2.586	8.55
*Reserves Owing	1.82	0.736	1.45

Municipal Reserve is proposed to be provided as a linear pathway surrounding the Public Utility lot, as well as an entrance feature within the Development, as per the Table shown to the left.

Policy 6.9.i and ii, outline outstanding Municipal Reserve is to be provided as cash in lieu of additional land with physical dedication to be provided as per the site plans on the previous pages.

Section 7.0 Infrastructure Servicing (Page 39 of OP)



7.1 Water Servicing

The Outline Plan proposes to connect all lots to the County's water distribution system.

Policies 7.1.i and 7.1.ii provide that the Developer will execute and comply with the County's Municipal Development Agreement and will provide the necessary engineering for the potable water distribution system connecting to and within the Development

Policy 7.1.iii outlines that the Developer will enter into a Servicing Agreement for all utilities, offsite levies and securities, as a condition of subdivision

Policy 7.1.iiii provides that should the County's new water treatment plant not yet be completed with adoption of the Outline Plan, the Developer will provide an analysis of water capacity to determine how many lots in advance of the system's completion could be developed, as a condition of subdivision.

Public Works Notes Regarding Water Servicing:

- Water capacity to be provided as condition of land use.

7.1.1 Fire Flows

The Outline plan provides that an assessment of fire flow capacity and provision of the same are to be provided by the Developer should the County's water treatment plan not be completed prior to adoption of the Outline Plan.

Policy 7.1.1.i provides the assessment described above will be provided as a condition of a Land Use approval.

7.2 Wastewater Servicing

The Outline Plan provides that the Developer will install all deep utilities for future connection to the County's wastewater treatment plant, to be completed in Phases. Interim, all lots proposed are to be serviced by pump out wastewater tanks. Which is currently the case for the recreational vehicle sales and storage facility on the site under the Site Specific Amendment.

Policy 7.2.i and 7.2.ii provide that the Developer will execute and comply with the County's Municipal Development Agreement and will provide the necessary engineering for the wastewater distribution system connecting to and within the Development.

Policy 7.2.iii provides that as a condition of land use, the Developer will provide an analysis of wastewater capacity.

Policy 7.2.iv outlines that the Developer will enter into a Deferred Servicing Agreement for all for all future wastewater infrastructure, as a condition of subdivision

Public Works Notes Regarding Wastewater Servicing:

- Wastewater generation to be provided as condition of land use.

7.3 Stormwater Management

Provides that a Stormwater Management Plan (SWMP) was submitted to the County that may require revision. Stormwater is to be managed on-site with a 5.47 acre storm pond in the southeast corner of the Development area. With development of Phase 2 of the Outline Plan an existing storm pond is to be decommissioned with flows from this pond directed to the new pond, with this Phase an updated SWMP may be required.

Policy 7.3.i provides an updated Stormwater Management Plan will be provided inclusive of the existing pond removal as a condition of Land Use.

Policy 7.3.ii and 7.3.iii further provide that all Stormwater Management is to be completed as part of Phase 1 of the Development of the overall Outline Plan to the satisfaction of the County as a condition of subdivision, and that the Developer will address Stormwater under the County's Municipal Development Agreement signed as a condition of Land Use.

Public Works Notes Regarding Water, Wastewater and Stormwater:

- Policy should be added to require the Developer to pay a contribution/levy for connection to the water and wastewater systems.
- Looped water system required, and offsite upgrades may be required to achieve desired fire flows.
- At detailed design stage, Public Works is to be provided with anticipated water demands and wastewater generation. It is assumed that water licensing is to be obtained through the County's licenses for Hwy 2A.
- With regards to wastewater, draining everything to one point is ideal, with interim pump out system until the Wastewater Treatment Plan and collection system is built out.
- With regards to stormwater, the H2A/IASP has suggested release rates, it is recommended the Developer review what the site-specific pre-development release rate is. The detailed stormwater management design is to the satisfaction of Public Works. This information can also inform the storm pond design.
- Policy 5.0.3 is to be revised to include stormwater quality.

7.4 Shallow Utilities

Outlines the Developer will coordinate with all shallow utilities to the satisfaction of the utility companies and the Count, as a condition of subdivision.

7.5 Waste Management

The Outline Plan provides that waste management will be designed in accordance with the requirements of the H2A/IASP and will include screening with an overall vision to reduce waste.

Policy 7.5.i further provides that a Business Lot Owner's Association will be established to address waste management as well as providing architectural controls for the Development to the satisfaction of the County, as a condition of subdivision.

8.0 Transportation (Page 48 of OP)

NOTE: The transportation section of the Outline Plan does not include an External Roads section to address road connections to the overall Development.

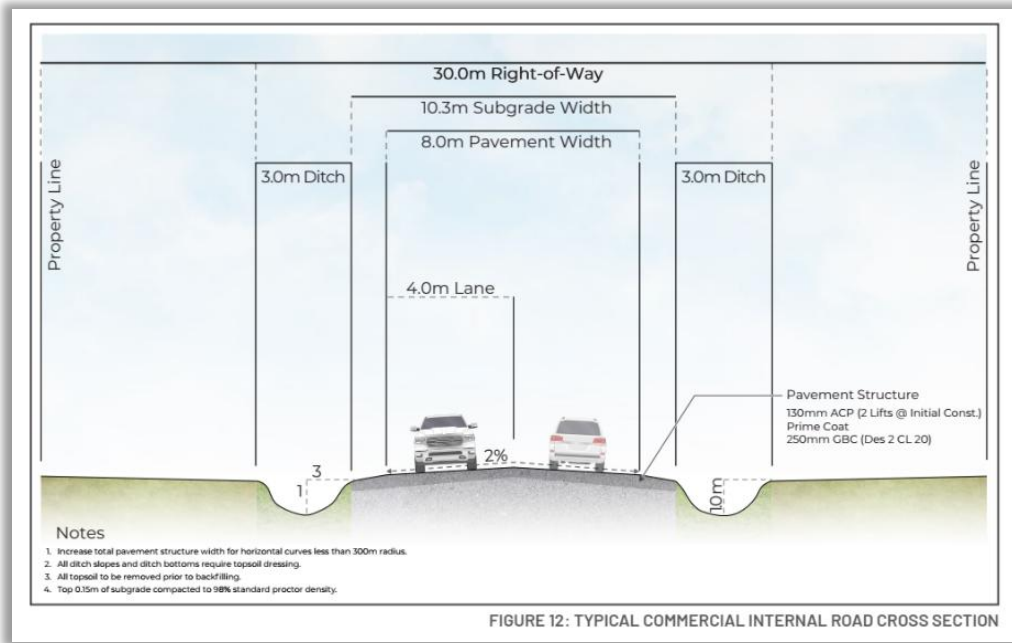
Public Works Notes Regarding External Transportation:

- **64th St./Hwy 7** – As future development may require build out of the 64th St./Hwy access to a permanent upgraded access, Council may wish to consider a contribution toward future upgrades at this connection.
- **Hwy 7/2A and Hwy 7/79th St. (Petro Canada)** – TIA suggests no improvements are necessary, ATEC appears to agree.
- **Site Access/Fieldhouse Dr.** – Delineation illumination is warranted along with a dedicated right turn lane from the site access to Field house Drive. Policy 5.4.2.1 should indicate this offsite work is to be the Developer's responsibility.

8.1 Internal Roads (Page 47 of OP)

Internally the Plan contemplates the construction of a 30 metre wide Commercial standard internal road which was proposed to provide connections to lands to the south and to the west,

for future development on these adjacent lands, with the Developer since removing the road connection to the west.



Staff Notes regarding proposed changes to internal road layout to be presented to Council at public hearing by the Developer’s agent:

- On November 7th, 2025, after circulation of the Outline Plan to agencies and landowners, the Developer revised the internal road layout, removing the connection that was to be provided to the lands to the west.
- The revisions made to the internal road were internally circulated to the County’s public works, community and emergency services, fire department and long range planning department for additional comment. The consensus from this internal circulation does not support the removal of this connection. Please see the Circulation Referral section of this staff report for the details of the concerns from these departments.
- The Developer’s agent has provided that they will speak with Council regarding this change at the public hearing.

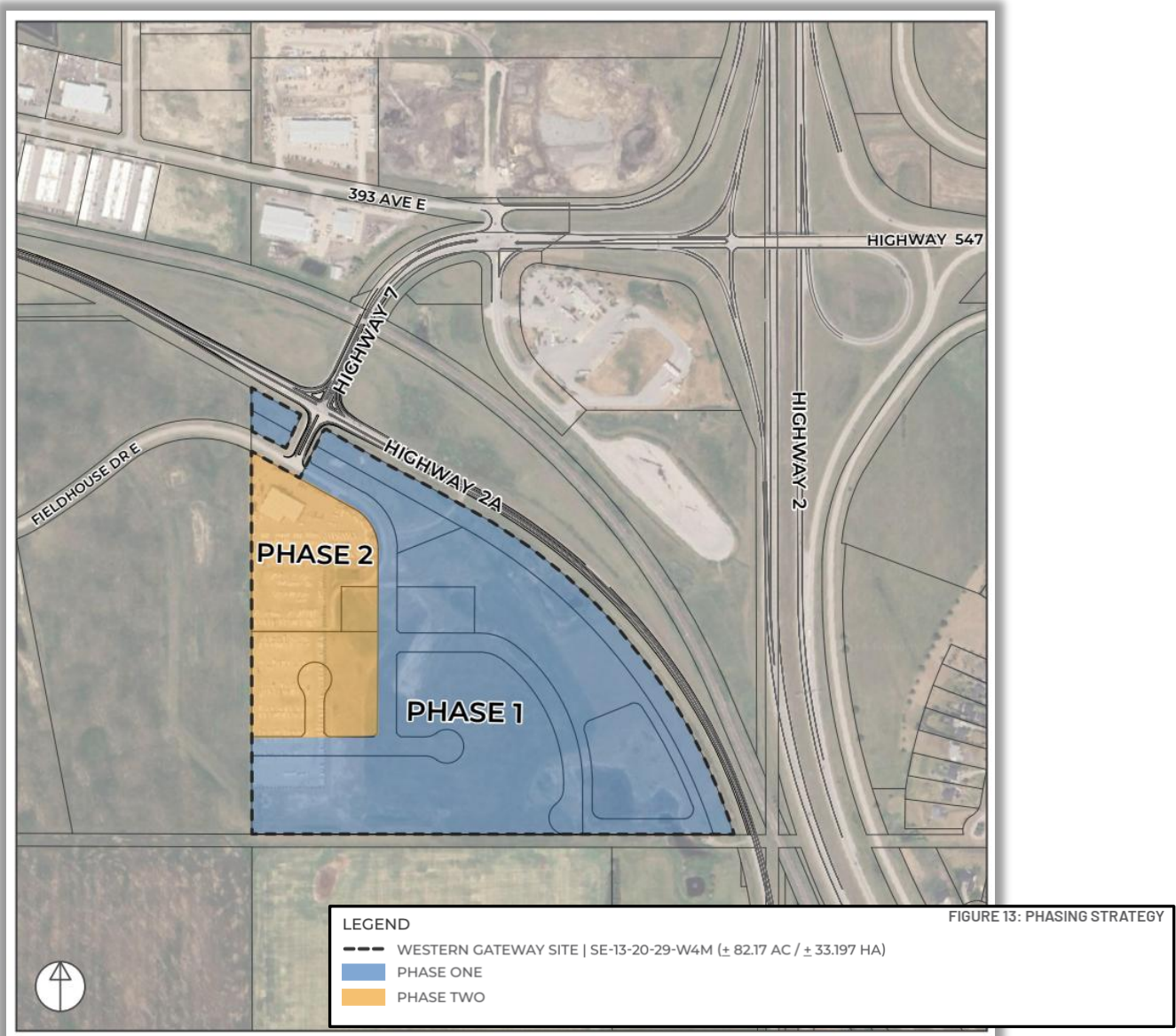
9.0 Emergency Services

The Outline Plan provides that the Developer will ensure appropriate and efficient levels of fire and protective services are available for the Development.

Policy 9.0.i provides the Developer as a condition of subdivision will ensure fire suppression can be provided to all lots to the satisfaction of the County.

Policy 9.0.iii further provides that the Developer shall address fire fighting requirements through consideration of efficient road design, safe and efficient access for emergency response vehicles, emergency egress, and fire control measures.

10.0 Implementation, Review and Phasing

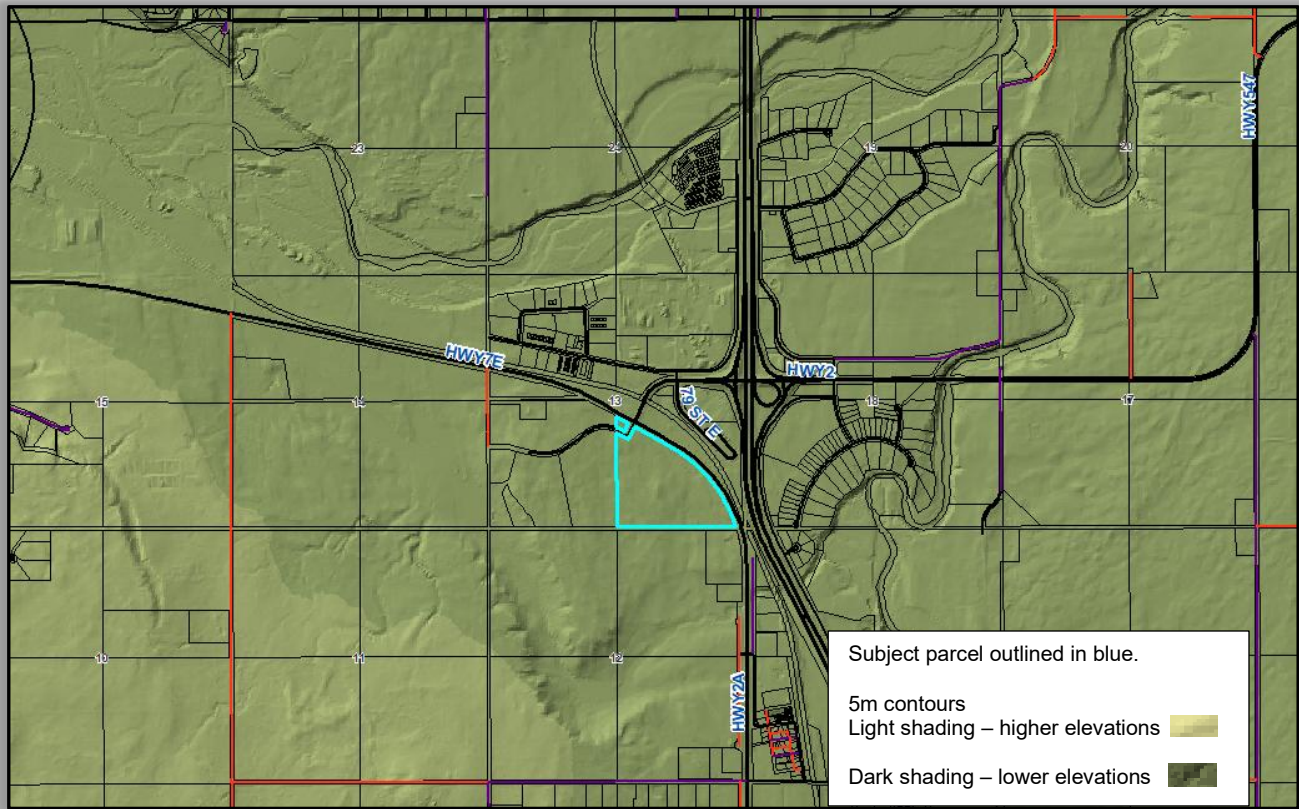


The Plan Area is to be developed in two phases as per the Phasing Strategy shown above. Phase One, as shown in blue, includes all land outside of the RV dealership and storage facility, with Phase 2 reducing the RV storage facility and the development of additional lots within the area in orange.

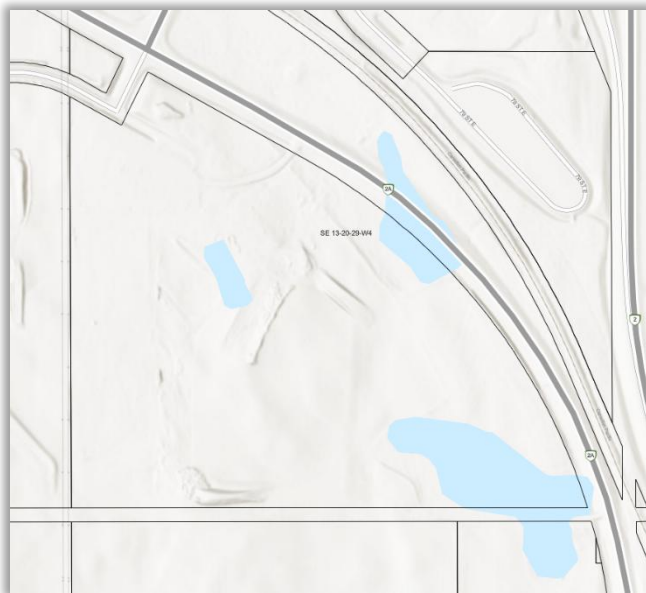
Policy 10.0.ii and 10.0.iii provide that a detailed phasing plan will be provided with the subdivision, to the satisfaction of the County, and may include additional sub phases without further amendment to the Plan.

PHYSIOGRAPHY

County's Contour Map



The geography of the subject parcel, as shown on the County's topography map above, is predominately flat with a small portion of hay land through the center. There are three Provincially identified wetlands on the property which run along the curved east boundary of the development culminating in a larger wetland along the southern boundary, as shown on the map below in blue. The lands along the west boundary have been disturbed, graded and graveled for the location of the recreational vehicle sales centre and the recreational vehicle storage facility, with a storm pond introduced to the east side of the storage facility, to manage stormwater with respect to these developments.



Wetland Identification with Developer's Property. The application proposed displacement of and compensation for the wetlands within the property in accordance with Alberta Environment and Protected Areas requirements.

POLICY EVALUATION

Municipal Development Plan (MDP 2010)

Policy 2 and 4 of the Agricultural section of the MDP2010 provide that subdivision of agricultural lands requires thoughtful consideration of the impact the proposed use will have on the existing agricultural users and the uses surrounding the application and is to consider policy within the MDP and the H2A IASP when considering conversion.

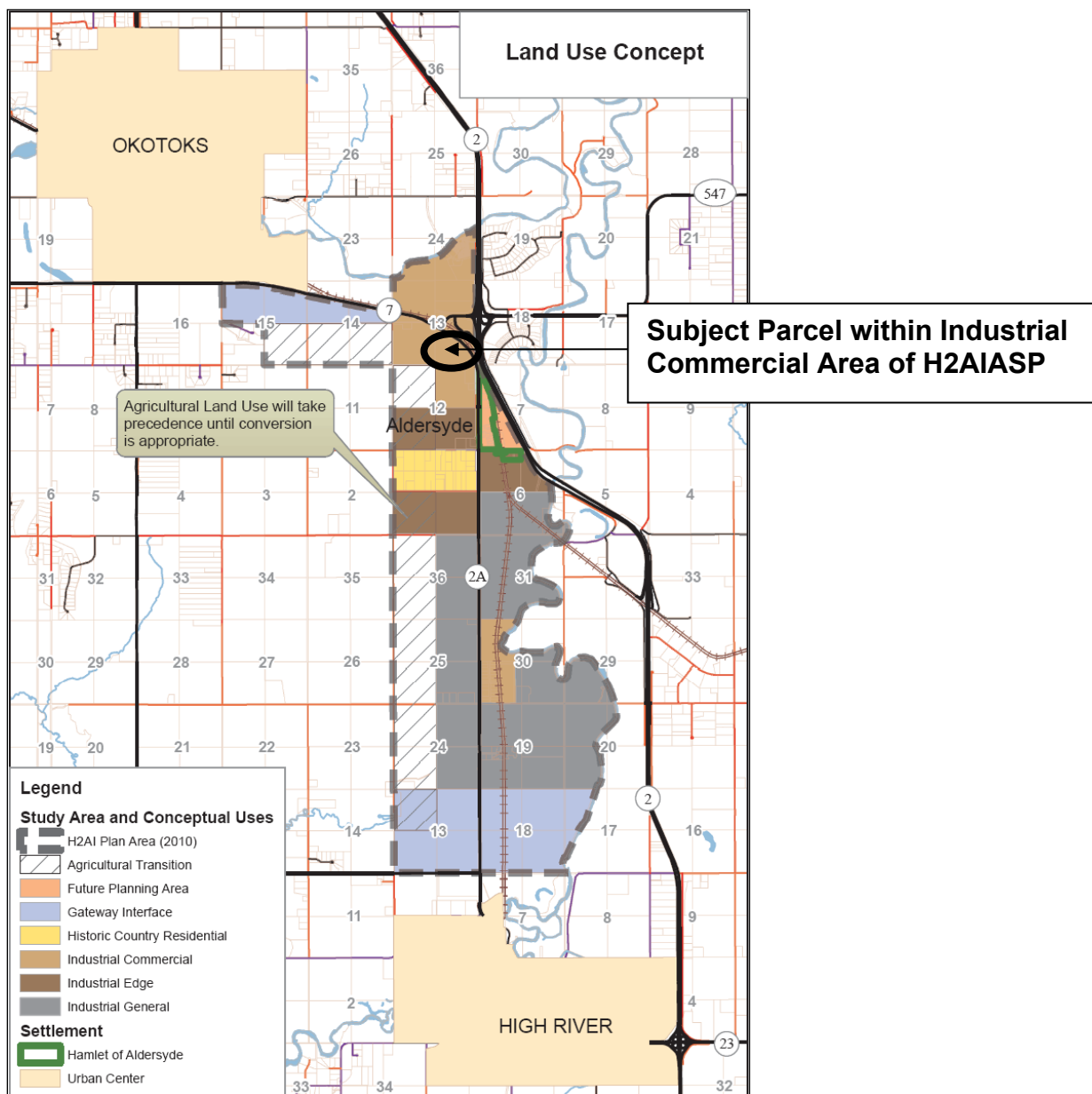
Policies within the Economy section of the MDP further provide that the Highway 2A Industrial Corridor is to accommodate the majority of new business development within the County, and further that proposals are to be compatible with the surrounding area, have appropriate water, wastewater and transportation infrastructure, have compatible land uses, and provide an efficient use of land.

The Western Gateway Outline Plan has been evaluated with respect to the County's MDP 2010 and is generally consistent with the goals and objectives stated within this Plan.

Growth Management Strategy (GMS)

The subject parcel is located within the Central District as noted within Foothills County's Growth Management Strategy. The vision for the Central District identifies this District as the growth engine for the MD with an expectation that this will continue into the future. While significant development and intensification of development is expected in this area, it will need to be undertaken bearing in mind the aspirations of our municipal neighbours and with due consideration to riparian and wetland areas. Opportunities for joint initiatives will play a key role in providing effective, efficient and affordable services for this area.

Highway 2A Industrial Area Structure Plan (H2AISP)



Section 3.4.4 Industrial Commercial:

Intent

The Industrial Commercial (IC) policy area is intended to allow industrial and certain commercial forms of development to take place proximate to one another in a manner that is mutually beneficial and complementary. IC policy areas will adhere to enhanced design and landscaping guidelines.

Section 5.1 Open Space

Intent

Strategically planning the corridor's open space system is intended to ensure connectivity and functionality of such spaces for the benefit and enjoyment of all residents' businesses and visitors to the area.

Section 7.3 Pathways

Intent

To address and plan for existing and future pathway connections within the plan area and

inter-municipally. Connection to the Town of High River pathway system and the Town of Okotoks pathway system is integral to the regional connectivity of the corridor and will benefit residents and employees of the region through the provision of non-vehicular transit options for practical and recreational purposes.

Staff Notes Regarding Pathways:

Alberta Transportation and Economic Corridors is not supportive of locating a pathway within the 30 metre road widening adjacent to Highway 2A as proposed by the Developer, along the frontage of their property.

Council is to determine whether the pathway is to be developed solely within the Developer's parcel and further whether the pathway connection is also to be developed within the undeveloped road allowance along the south boundary of the property.

Section 5.3 Municipal Reserve

Intent

Addressing Municipal Reserve dedication ensures the logical dedication of lands or the value of lands that fall within the guidelines of Section 665 and 666 of the Municipal Government Act. Such lands may be used for the development of community recreational amenities or school sites and will be strategically placed to provide the greatest utility to residents, businesses, and visitors.

The Outline Plan somewhat complies with the policies within the Municipal Reserve section of the H2AASP whereby MR is to be provided, however where dedication requirements are greater than 1.98 acres an MR parcel shall be shown.

Staff Notes Regarding Municipal Reserve:

The municipal reserve as provided within the Outline Plan does not comply with the Municipal Reserve policies within the H2AASP, therefore Council may choose to require an MR parcel be provided for this development, which would require revision to the applicant's site plan.

NOTE: Staff is seeking Council's direction with regards to the dedication of Municipal Reserve which will be needed to inform the Developer's detailed development concept.

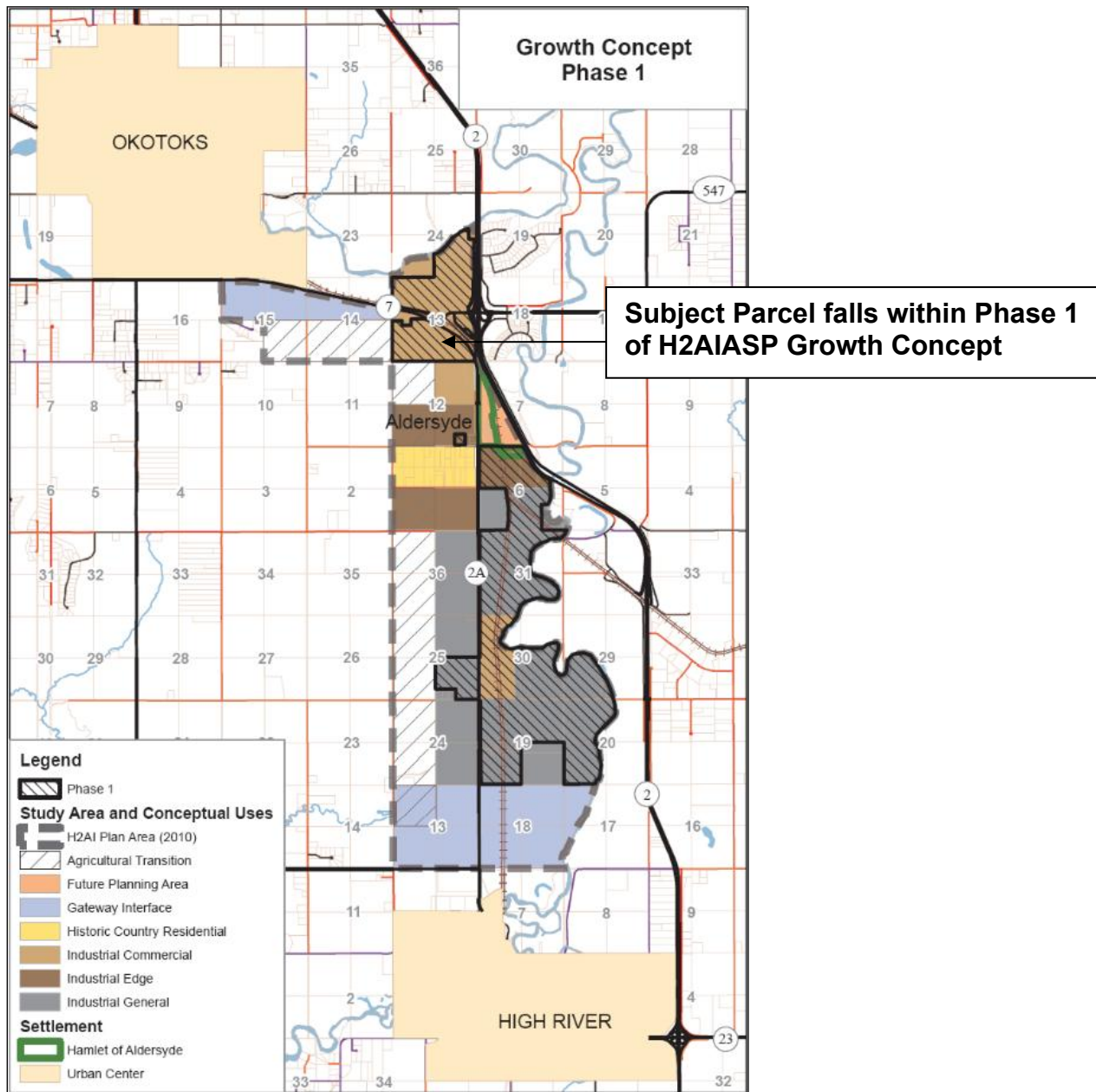
Section 10.1 Phasing

Intent

The purpose of a comprehensive phasing concept is to ensure the most logical and efficient development of the plan area into the future. Consideration for the existing developed areas of the corridor, available water resources, productive agricultural lands, and a need for the extension of servicing and infrastructure will provide a logical growth pattern.

Staff Notes Regarding Phasing:

The Outline Plan complies with the policies within the Phasing section of the H2AASP as the development falls within Phase 1 of the Phasing Concept and further that piped water is available to the Plan through connection of the Development to the County's piped water resource.



Growth Management Strategy (GMS)

The subject parcel is located within the Central District. The vision for the Central District identifies lands which fall within this District are expected to see intensified and significant development. Bearing in mind the aspirations of our municipal neighbors with due consideration to riparian and wetland areas. With joint initiatives playing a key role towards the provision of servicing for this area

Municipal District Of Foothills Land Use Bylaw (LUB)

The Outline Plan and Redesignation propose to provide Business Park and Highway Commercial development. The intent and purpose of both Districts are provided on the next page. The complete Districts as provided within the County’s Land Use Bylaw are attached as part of Appendix D.

14.1 BUSINESS PARK DISTRICT

14.1.1 PURPOSE AND INTENT

To accommodate a combination of business and industrial activities within a comprehensively planned development in accordance with an approved area structure plan or outline plan. Business parks are encouraged to be located within the Highway 2A corridor on lands covered by the Highway 2A Industrial Area Structure Plan in accordance with the Industrial Commercial land use concept. Business park district lands may be approved at the discretion of Council in other areas of the County in comprehensively planned areas in accordance with an approved Area Structure Plan or outline plan. Uses secondary to the business and industrial activity may provide personal services primarily to on-site employees and secondarily to local clientele. Any nuisances associated with such uses should generally not extend beyond the boundaries of the site. Some outside storage may be permitted.

14.3 HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT

14.3.1 PURPOSE AND INTENT

To accommodate a diverse range of commercial uses along highways and major transportation corridors intended to provide services to the travelling public and tourists and include businesses that require a high degree of visibility and/or ease of access to transportation routes.

Staff Notes Regarding Business Park District and Highway Commercial District:

The Outline Plan complies with intent of the Business Park and Highway Commercial Districts within the County's Land Use Bylaw with specific respect to its alliance with the requirements of the Highway 2A Industrial Area Structure Plan and the compatibility of the proposed development with a majority of the allowable permitted and discretionary uses within the County's Land Use Bylaw

TITLE ENCUMBRANCES

SERVICING AND COST CONTRIBUTION AGREEMENT

A servicing and cost contribution is registered on the landowner's title whereby they have agreed to the sharing of costs related to Municipal Improvements specific to the signalized intersection and portion of road of mutual benefit to the Developer and the adjacent lands, with the Municipality and the adjacent lands. The agreement sets out that the Developer's proportionate share of the total costs for the Municipal Improvements is 35.6% and further provides that this proportionate cost contribution is to be provided before construction of any portion of the Subdivision Lands can proceed.

The agreement further provides that should Council approve future subdivision or development of the Developer's lands, the Municipality agrees to provide the developer with access to the municipal water line and associated water license at a capacity not to exceed 0.5 gallons per minute per lot unless otherwise approved by the Municipality.

NOTE: As the Municipal Improvements have been completed by the Municipality, the Developer is required to provide their proportionate share of the costs of those Improvements to the satisfaction of the County.

CIRCULATION REFERRALS

REFEREE	COMMENTS
INTERNAL	
Public Works	<p>**Recommendations and Comments from Public Works regarding potential changes to the Outline Plan have been provided as tan highlighted notes throughout the staff report.</p> <p>**Recommendations and comments regarding first reading to the land use application are as follows:</p> <p>Redesignation recommendations:</p> <p>Wetland Impact Assessment – Developer is to confirm that there are no significant changes to the conclusions within the past report provided by</p> <p>**Recommendations and comments regarding first reading to the land use application are as follows:</p> <p>Subdivision recommended conditions:</p> <p>Development Agreement to be provided for water and wastewater utility servicing, stormwater management, internal/external transportation infrastructure, landscaping and pathway development,</p> <p>Deferred Servicing Agreement to be provided for future wastewater services</p> <p>Contribution/levy provided for connection of the Development to the County’s water and wastewater systems</p> <p>Stormwater Management Plan</p> <p>Geotechnical Report – provision of a letter from the engineer stating they are of the opinion that nothing has changed.</p> <p>Public Works Comments regarding site plan revisions proposed to the internal road design that will be presented to Council by the Developer’s agent at the public hearing:</p> <p>Public works has concern with regards to the revision of the site plan which removes the road connection to the west. This revision would eliminate any opportunity to integrate the road with the adjacent lands as they develop, would leave no options for future alternate emergency access, and would create a poorly functioning transportation network. Resulting in existing limitations of access from Highway 7/2A.</p> <p>If connection to the west is not provided, public works suggest that the central north/south road be extended to the south boundary, to allow a second link to the undeveloped road allowance (402nd Ave. E). This would allow for future looping of these roads, would provide a future east/west connection and would provide additional opportunity for integration with lands to the south.</p>
GIS/Mapping	<p>Please ensure the applicant is aware that approval of the outline plan does not constitute approval of the development name.</p> <p>Due to the curvilinear nature of the development GIS will be requesting a road naming plan as a condition of the subdivision.</p>

CIRCULATION REFERRALS

Long Range Planning	<p>From a long-range planning perspective, I am quite concerned with the revision removing the connection to the west. This is extremely short sighted: it would eliminate any opportunity to integrate with adjacent lands as they develop, no options for future alternate emergency access, and create a poorly functioning transportation network. The existing limitations with access off of Highway 7/2A would only be exacerbated if we start limiting options for future internal connections.</p> <p>I understand that the current neighbour does not have a desire for this road connection; however, there should still be provisions to support and enable that connection both on this property and within the plans for the land to the west. If the connection to the west is not provided, I strongly recommend that the central N/S road be extended to the south (location cloud/outlined in attached site plan) to allow for a second link to the undeveloped road right-of-way directly south (402nd Ave.). This would allow for the future looping of these roads, a future east-west connection, and additional opportunity for integration with lands to the south.</p> <p>I am interested to hear the insight from PW and EM departments.</p> <p>Sincerely,</p> <p>Drew Granson, B.Sc. Deputy Director of Planning Foothills County</p>
Foothills Fire Department	<p>Having reviewed the supporting documentation, it is apparent this application is an Amendment of a current Land Use Bylaw. A National Fire Code review will not be required for this application.</p>
Community and Emergency Services	<p>The removal of the west connection raises significant concerns for emergency operations. A single point of access creates vulnerability during critical incidents such as, multi-vehicle collisions, wildland fires or hazardous material spills. Without a secondary route, emergency responders face delays that can compromise fire suppression, rescue, and evacuation efforts.</p> <p>From a fire service standpoint, redundancy in access is essential for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rapid response to incidents anywhere on site. • Safe egress for occupants and responders during emergencies. • Continuity of operations if the primary route is obstructed. <p>Fire service planning prioritizes looped road networks and multiple ingress/egress points to maintain operational resilience. Removing the west connection eliminates that redundancy and increases risk for both responders and the public.</p> <p>On page 49. Policy 9.0.iii they are aware of this by stating, the developer shall address fire and protection response measures, as well as on-site firefighting requirements through consideration of such factors as efficient road design, safe and efficient access for emergency service vehicles, efficient access for emergency egress, wildland fire protection, and fire control measures to the satisfaction of Foothills County. Their own policy explicitly requires efficient access and egress for emergency services.</p> <p>To ensure life safety and effective emergency response, the west connection should be reinstated or replaced with a dedicated emergency-only access route secured by easement. Anything less introduces unacceptable risk and does not meet best practices for emergency access planning.</p> <p>Thanks Rick.</p>

CIRCULATION REFERRALS	
EXTERNAL	
ATCO Transmission	ATCO Transmission wishes to confirm we have no conflict as we have no high-pressure pipelines in the proposed area. NOTE: ATCO Distribution [Gas] will reply under separate email. Thank you for allowing ATCO to review your proposal and provide feedback.
ATCO Gas	Response attached as part of Appendix D
FortisAlberta	FortisAlberta Inc. has no concerns regarding this land use redesignation application.
Town of High River	Response attached as part of Appendix D
Alberta Transportation and Economic Corridors (ATEC)	Response attached as part of Appendix D
PUBLIC	
Western Wheel	November 19 th and November 26 th , 2025, editions.
Landowners	One letter received prior to submission of the staff report

SUMMARY

Request to Approve the Western Gateway Outline Plan

Consideration of a resolution for the adoption of the Western Gateway Outline Plan which is to inform the future development of a business park within an 82.17 acre portion of PTN: SE 13-20-29 W4M.

Request to Approve Land Use Redesignation

Bylaw XX/2025 – Council is requested to consider granting 1st reading to Bylaw XX/2025 to allow for the redesignation of the subject lands from Agricultural District to Business Park District (HC), Highway Commercial District (HC), and Public Utility Lot (PUL), with additional lands to be dedicated as Municipal Reserve (MR).

OPTIONS FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

RESOLUTION - ADOPTION OF WESTERN GATEWAY OUTLINE PLAN

OPTION #1 – APPROVAL

Should Council agree that the proposed Outline Plan has merit, is consistent with the existing regional and municipal policy frameworks and no significant planning considerations have been brought forward through the public hearing that cannot be resolved through the planning process; Council may wish to grant a resolution, adopting the Western Gateway Outline Plan which is to guide the future development of a business park including Business Park District and Highway Commercial District lots, Municipal Reserve lands, and a Public Utility Lot on the subject lands.

RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS FOR OPTION #1:

- 1) Applicant is to provide textual amendments for the Outline Plan document (as highlighted within the staff report), in addition to any items which may be directed by Council, all to be provided to the satisfaction of Council;
- 2) Council direction to be provided regarding the dedication of Municipal Reserve;
- 3) Final Outline Plan application fees to be submitted.

OPTION #2 - POSTPONE APPLICATION

Should Council feel that they require additional information prior to rendering a decision; Council may wish to postpone the application for consideration of the Western Gateway Outline Plan.

NOTE: Council may wish to provide direction with respect to any amendments to the Outline Plan they deem necessary to address issued brought forward as part of the public hearing process and/or to address alignment with the Highway 2A Industrial Area Structure Plan prior to the Plan approval.

OPTION #3 - REFUSE APPLICATION

Should Council feel that the application does not have sufficient merit, is not consistent with the existing regional and municipal policy framework or significant planning considerations have been brought forward which Council does not feel can be resolved through the planning process, Council may wish to refuse the application for the Western Gateway Outline Plan.

LAND USE REDESIGNATION

OPTION #1 – APPROVAL

Should Council support the accompanying application for the land use redesignation required to enable the implementation of the Western Gateway Outline Plan.

Council may choose to grant first reading to Bylaw ###/2025 to authorize the redesignation of the 82.17 acre parcel, legally described as Ptn: SE 13-20-29-W4M, from Agricultural District to Highway Commercial District (HC) Business Park District (BP). Additional lands are to be dedicated as Municipal Reserve (MR), and Public Utility Lot (PUL).

In their consideration of the criteria within the Municipal Government Act, South Saskatchewan Regional Plan and Foothills County's Municipal Development Plan, Land Use Bylaw, and Growth Management Strategy, Council is of the opinion that the proposed Land Use Redesignation for future subdivision of the subject lands as contemplated in the Western Gateway Outline Plan, would not be detrimental to the agricultural nature of the area, is compatible with the surrounding areas, and will not unduly interfere with neighbouring land uses or materially interfere with or affect the use, enjoyment, or value of neighbouring properties.

Recommended Conditions for Option #1:

1. Final approval granted to the Western Gateway Outline Plan
2. Applicant is to provide the anticipated potable water demands, wastewater generation and water capacity for firefighting purposes necessary to service the development, to the satisfaction of Public Works;
3. Applicant to provide an updated Wetland Impact Assessment, to the satisfaction of the Public Works department;
4. Final Land Use application fees are to be submitted;
5. Submission of an executed subdivision application and the necessary fees.

NOTE: The applicant is advised that additional conditions may be contemplated prior to 2nd reading for the land use redesignation and that any conditions of land use completed prior to adoption of the Outline Plan are at the developer's risk and cost.

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Should Council feel that the application does not have sufficient merit, is not consistent with the existing regional and municipal policy framework or if significant planning considerations have been brought forward which Council does not feel can be resolved through the planning process, Council may wish to refuse the application for redesignation.

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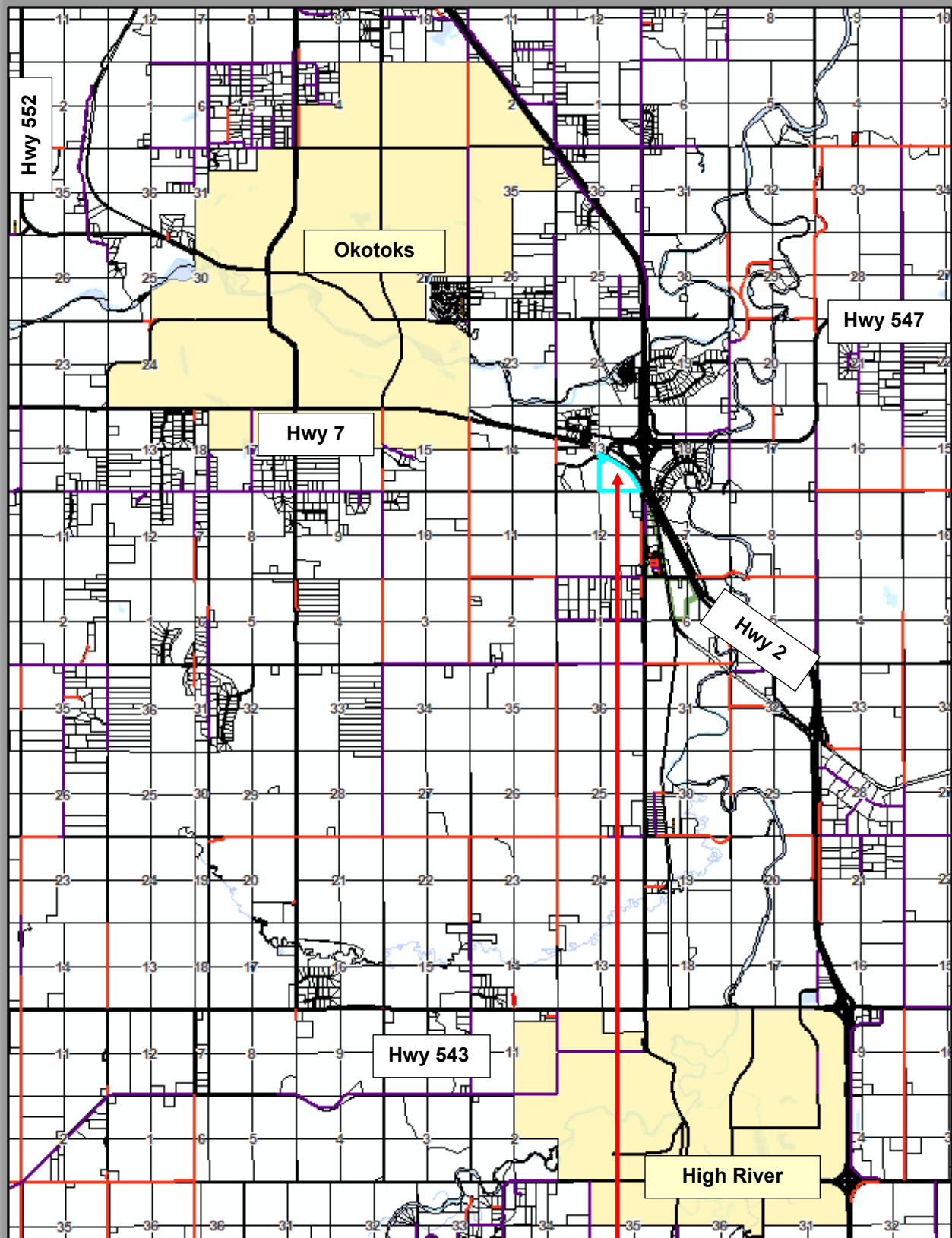
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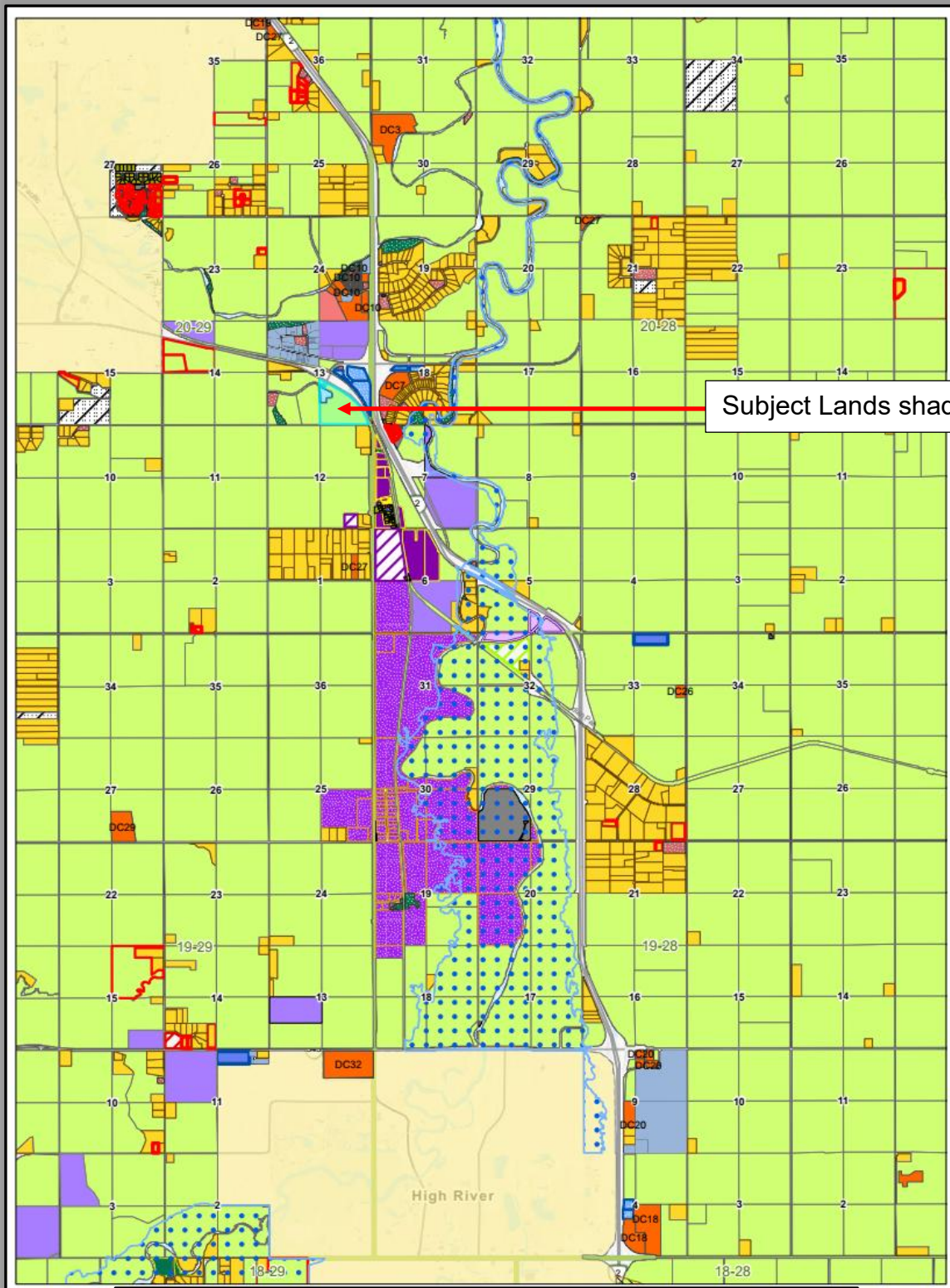
LETTER FROM ADJACENT LANDOWNER

LOCATION MAP



Subject Lands outlined in blue

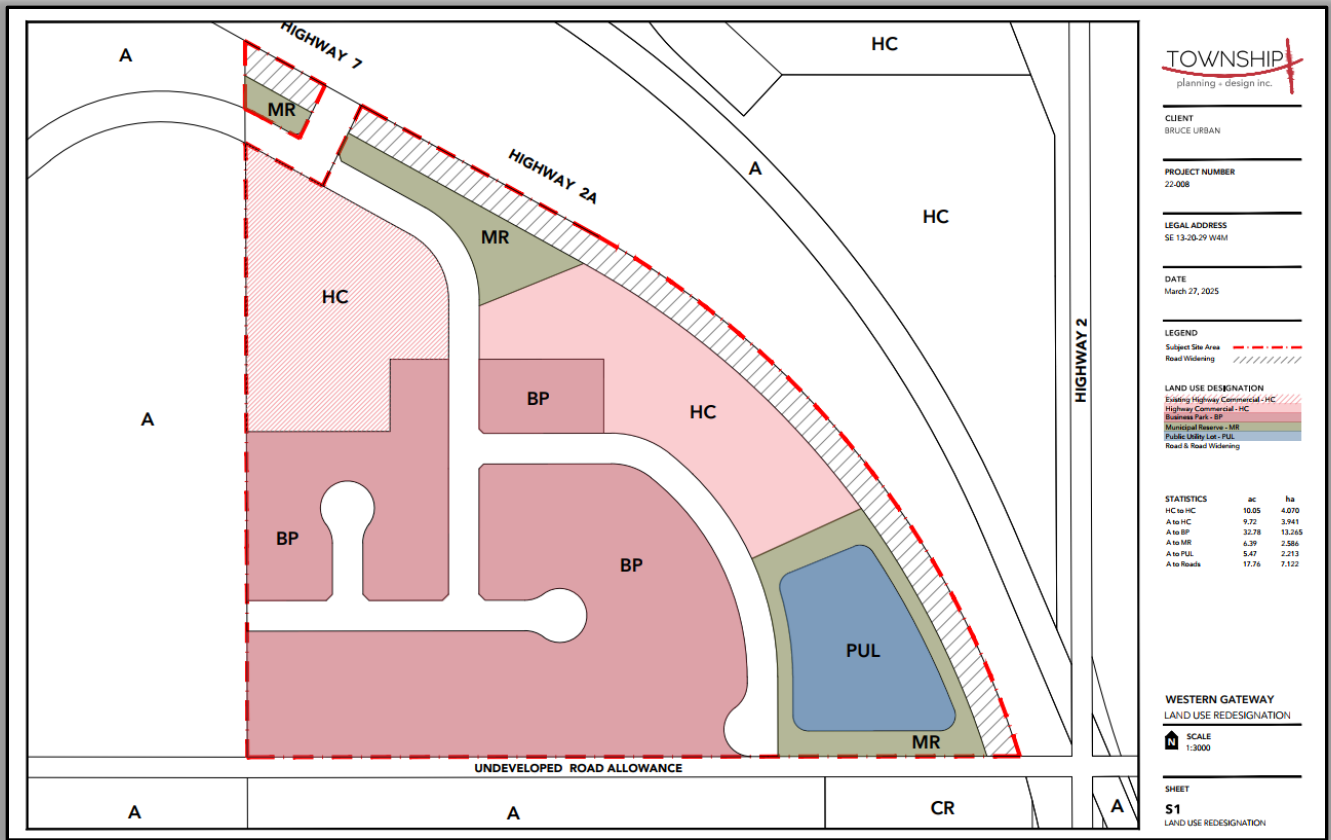
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Subject Lands shaded in blue

Land Use Overlay		Land Use Districts		Settlement	
	Airport Protection Overlay		A - Agricultural		PUL - Public Utility
	Flood Hazard Protection Overlay		AA - Agricultural Sub A		RC - Residential Community District
	LUpartial		AB - Agriculture Business		RCA - Residential Community Sub-district "A"
	A		BP - Business Park		SD - Service District
	DC		CMC - Community Commercial		In Transition
	GI		HC - Highway Commercial		Parcels
	HC		RB - Rural Business		Hamlet
	INR		CR - Country Residential		Town
	PUL		CRA - Country Residential Sub A		Townships
			DC - Direct Control		World_Hillshade
			ER - Environmental Reserve		
			EP - Environmental Protection		
			IE - Industrial Edge		
			INR - Natural Resource Extraction		
			GI - General Industry		
			HMI - Hamlet Industry		
			LIID - Low Intensity Industry District		
			MLR - Municipal Land/Reserve District		
			MR - Municipal Reserve		
			REC - Recreation		

APPENDIX A: SITE PLAN – CONCEPT PLAN



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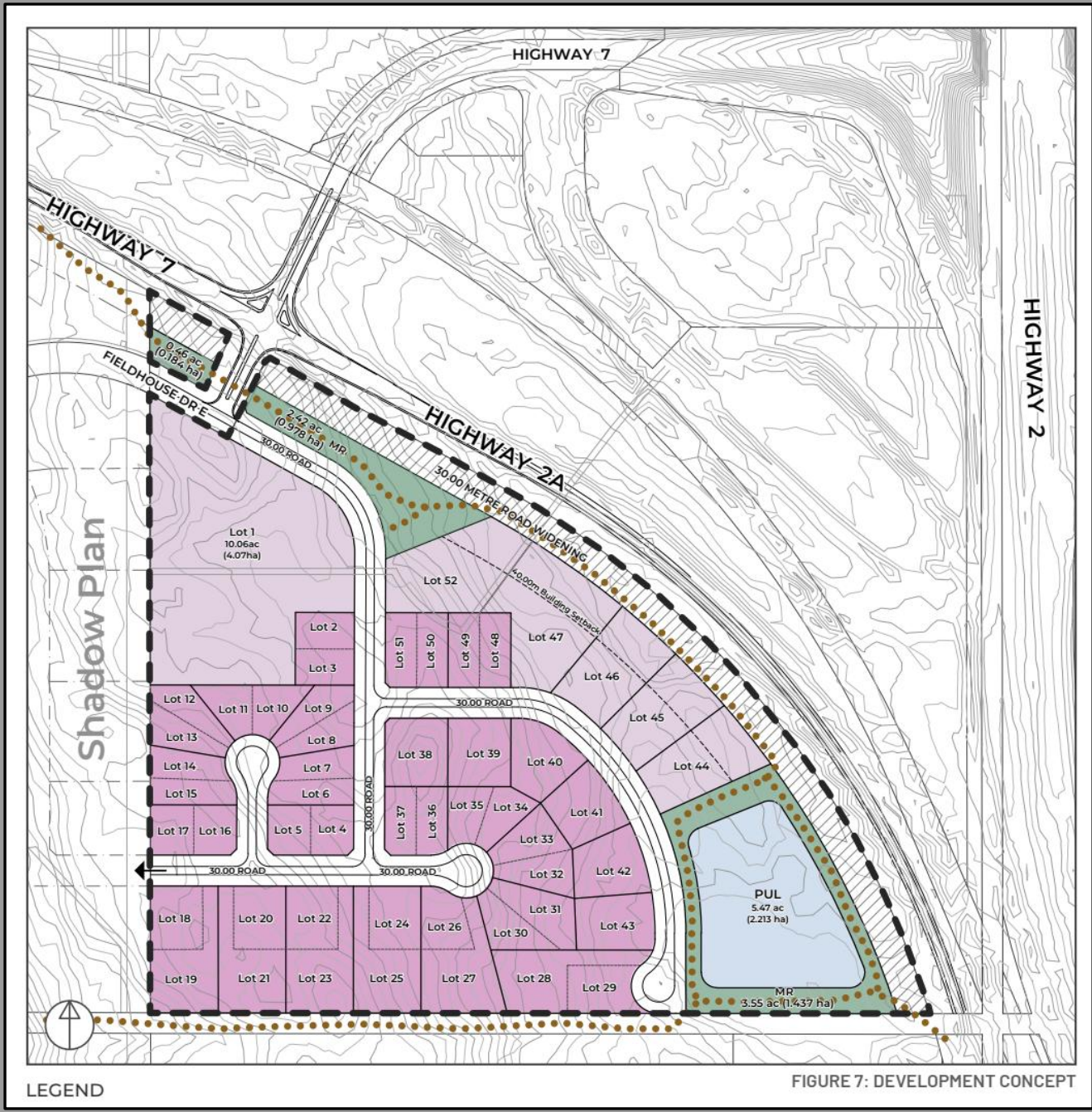


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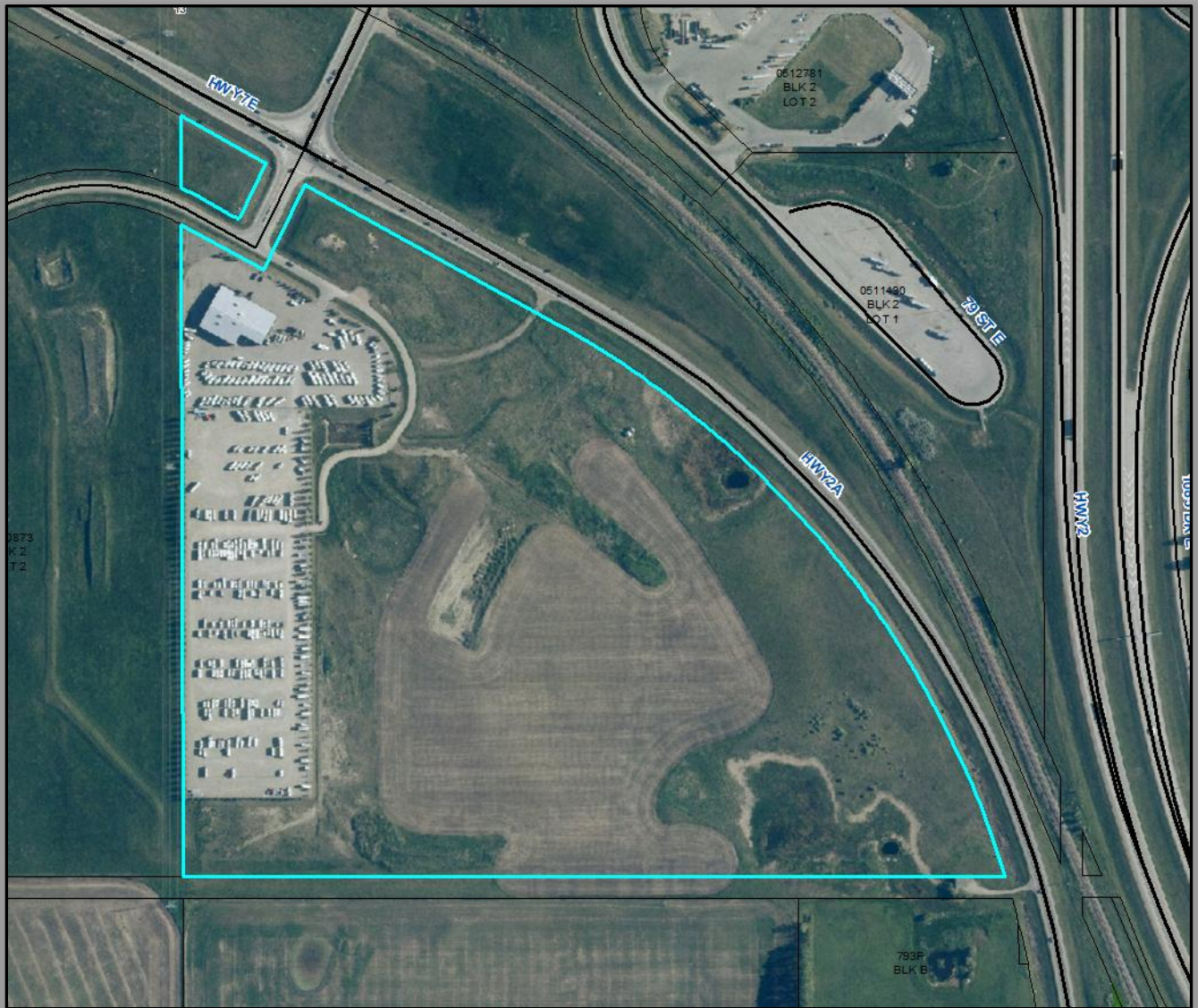
LEGEND

- WESTERN GATEWAY SITE | 82.17 ac (33.197 ha)
- HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL | 19.77 ac (8.011 ha)
 - BUSINESS PARK | 32.78 ac (13.265 ha)
 - MUNICIPAL RESERVE | 6.39 ac (2.586 ha)
 - PUBLIC UTILITY LOT | 5.47 ac (2.213 ha)
 - ROADS | 10.32 ac (4.109 ha)
- POTENTIAL FUNCTIONAL PATHWAY

OUTLINE PLAN STATS	+/- AC	+/- HA
Total Site Area	82.17	33.197
Road Widening	7.44	3.013
NET DEVELOPABLE	74.73	30.184

LAND USE	LOT TOTAL	LOT SIZE
Highway Commercial (HC)	6	1.57 ac - 10.06 ac
Business Park (BP)	46	0.50 ac - 1.00 ac
TOTAL		52 lots

APPENDIX A: COUNTY'S AERIAL IMAGERY (2024)



APPENDIX B: PROPOSED BYLAW (LAND USE REDESIGNATION)

BYLAW XX/2025

BEING A BYLAW OF FOOTHILLS COUNTY TO AUTHORIZE AN AMENDMENT TO THE LAND USE BYLAW NO. 60/2014; AS AMENDED.

WHEREAS pursuant to the provisions of the Municipal Government Act, Chapter M-26 Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000, and amendments thereto, the Council of Foothills County (hereinafter called the “Council”) in the Province of Alberta, has adopted Land Use Bylaw No. 60/2014 and amendments thereto;

AND WHEREAS the Council has received an application to further amend the Land Use Bylaw by authorizing the redesignation of SE 13-20-29 W4M; from Agricultural District to Highway Commercial District (HC) and Business Park District, with additional lands to be dedicated as Municipal Reserve (MR) and Public Utility Lot (PUL), to allow for the future subdivision of five Highway Commercial District lots and forty-six Business Park District lots as per the Western Gateway Outline Plan.

AND WHEREAS Council has held a public hearing as required by section 692 of the Municipal Government Act, R.S.A. 2000, c.M-26, as amended:

NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. Land Use Map 2029 is amended by the redesignation of SE 13-20-29 W4M; from Agricultural District to Highway Commercial District (HC) and Business Park District, with additional lands to be dedicated as Municipal Reserve (MR) and Public Utility Lot (PUL), to allow for the future subdivision of five Highway Commercial District lots and forty-six Business Park District lots as per the Western Gateway Outline Plan.
2. This Bylaw shall have effect on the date of its third reading.

FIRST READING:

Reeve

CAO

SECOND READING:

Reeve

CAO

THIRD READING:

Reeve

CAO

PASSED IN OPEN COUNCIL assembled at the Town of High River in the Province of Alberta this day of , 2025.



WESTERN GATEWAY OUTLINE PLAN



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LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

We acknowledge all those who call this land home, past, present, and future. May we respect one another, find understanding together, and recognize the benefits that this land provides to all living things who share it.

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1.0

INTRODUCTION

1.0 INTRODUCTION

1.1 PURPOSE

The Western Gateway Outline Plan ("OP", or "Outline Plan") is a non-statutory document that aligns with the Highway 2A Industrial ASP (H2AASP) in place and provides land use and servicing framework for the future subdivision and development of the lands legally described as SE 13-20-29-W4M consisting of +/- 82.17 acres (+/- 33.197 hectares) in Foothills County (the Subject Site). The purpose of this document is to provide detail regarding the background and rationale informing the proposed Western Gateway Business Park. The document acknowledges technical analysis, architectural design, and consistency and project alignment with the H2AASP policy. The Western Gateway Plan describes a future shovel ready and fully serviced Business Park for the Subject Site.

The Western Gateway Site is located within a portion of the H2AASP boundary; this Outline Plan delineates a strategic land use and design framework for these lands in order to implement a Highway Commercial and Business Park District development to accommodate a wide variety of commercial, business, industrial, and related services to support surrounding employment and residential communities. The Western Gateway Outline Plan Area lands are outlined in **Figure 1: Regional Context**.

This Outline Plan proposes to redesignate the existing lands on the Subject Site to Highway Commercial (HC) and Business Park (BP) Districts, with associated Municipal Land Reserve (MLR) and Public Utility (PUL) lots as required, in a manner that is consistent with the policies of the H2AASP. This Outline Plan establishes the vision and expectations for the development of the Western Gateway Site. The proposed land use and subdivision concept considers the existing area development, physical site characteristics, relevant Provincial and Municipal policy requirements, and the conclusions and recommendations of supporting technical reports.

The Outline Plan is to align with the H2AASP for policy direction, and as such, policies in this document direct the implementation of development and obligations of the developer and clearly describe how the non-statutory design requirements, in the H2AASP appendices, are expected to be achieved. This document includes details, within **Appendix A**, of the H2AASP Outline Plan Submission requirements consisting of an "**Outline Plan Requirements and Application Checklist Form**". For reference, this completed form can be found in **Appendix A: H2AASP Policy Review & Summary Response** of this document.



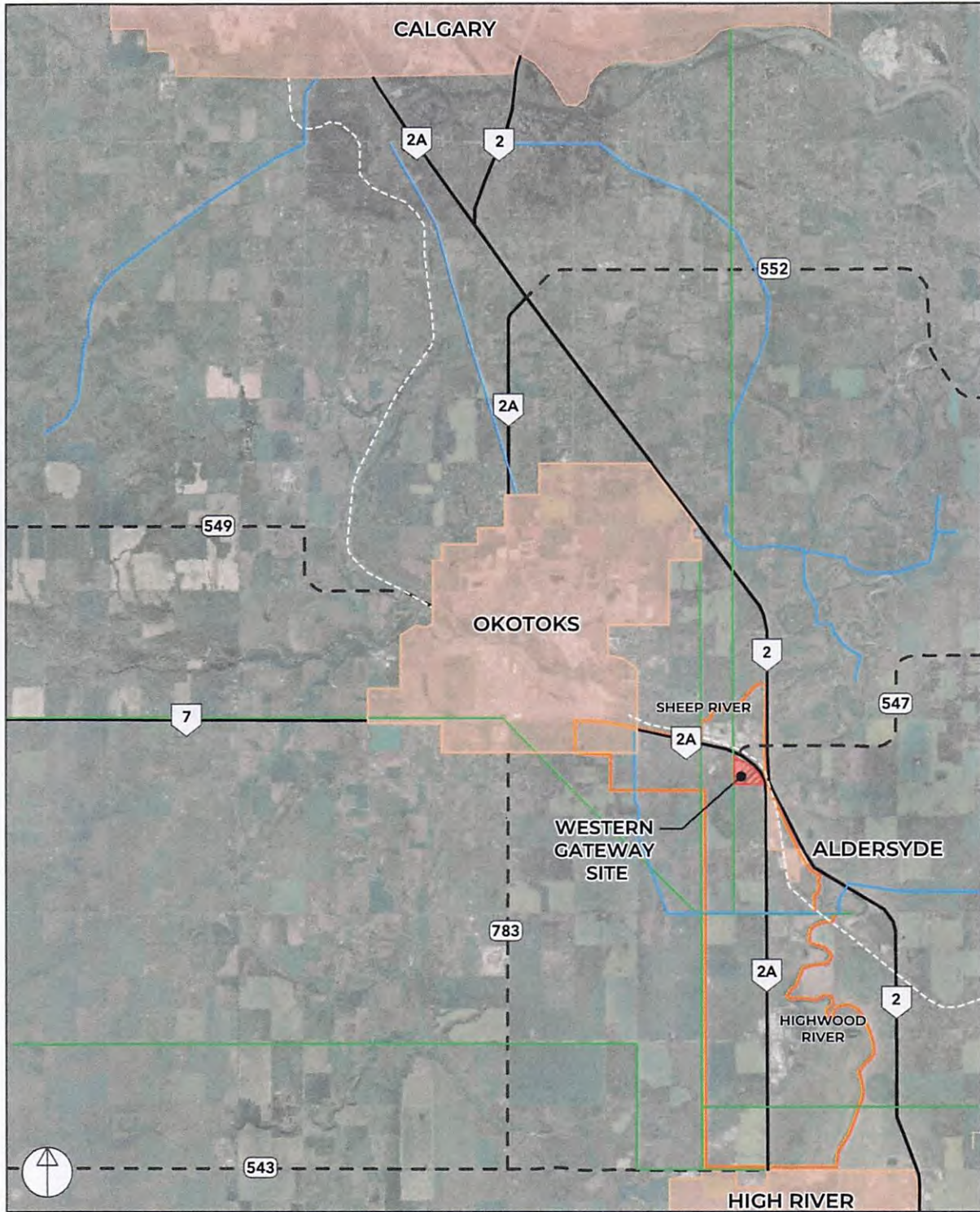


FIGURE 1: REGIONAL CONTEXT

- WESTERN GATEWAY SITE | SE-13-20-29-W4M (+ 82.17 AC / ± 33.197 HA)
- NEIGHBOURING MUNICIPALITY/HAMLET
- PROVINCIAL HIGHWAY
- SECONDARY HIGHWAY
- H2AISP PLAN AREA
- EXISTING ALTALINK TRANSMISSION LINE
- EXISTING ATCO GAS LINE
- EXISTING CPKC RAIL

1.0 INTRODUCTION

1.2 CONTEXT

As identified in *Figure 2: H2AIASP Policy Areas*, the Western Gateway Site is located within the H2AIASP Plan Area boundary. The Subject Site is identified as having an Industrial/Commercial future in the H2AIASP, and policies that support and encourage industrial and commercial forms of development to take place within close proximity to one another in a manner that is mutually beneficial and complementary.

Figure 3: Local Context illustrates the location of the Western Gateway Site within the surrounding area. North of the site, industrial uses are evident with Volker Stevin's Asphalt Plant, Highway and Maintenance facility, the Warner Business Park, along with many other industrial operations along Highway 2A. To the east is the Hamlet of Aldersyde containing a residential community and some light industrial and commercial land uses. The Highway 2A corridor continues south with more industrial uses and a stretch of CPKC Heavy Rail that extends to the Cargill plant and ends there. Restaurant and convenience uses are proximate with the A&W restaurant and Petro-Canada bulk fuel and convenience store directly east.

There is an existing roadway, Fieldhouse Drive East, which extends southerly from the Highway 2A and Highway 547/Highway 7 intersection to the existing Western RV sales and storage facility. The site's location adjacent to the intersection of Highway 2A, Highway 547/Highway 7 and Highway 2 provide it with excellent potential to support Highway Commercial land uses.

There is an approved Area Concept Plan to the west entitled Aldersyde Junction, however, this concept plan has not been implemented since its adoption. The site also benefits from proximity to the Town of Okotoks and the Town of High River which offer support services for Foothills County businesses in the area.



UNDEVELOPED PORTION OF SUBJECT SITE



RV SALES & STORAGE PORTION OF SUBJECT SITE

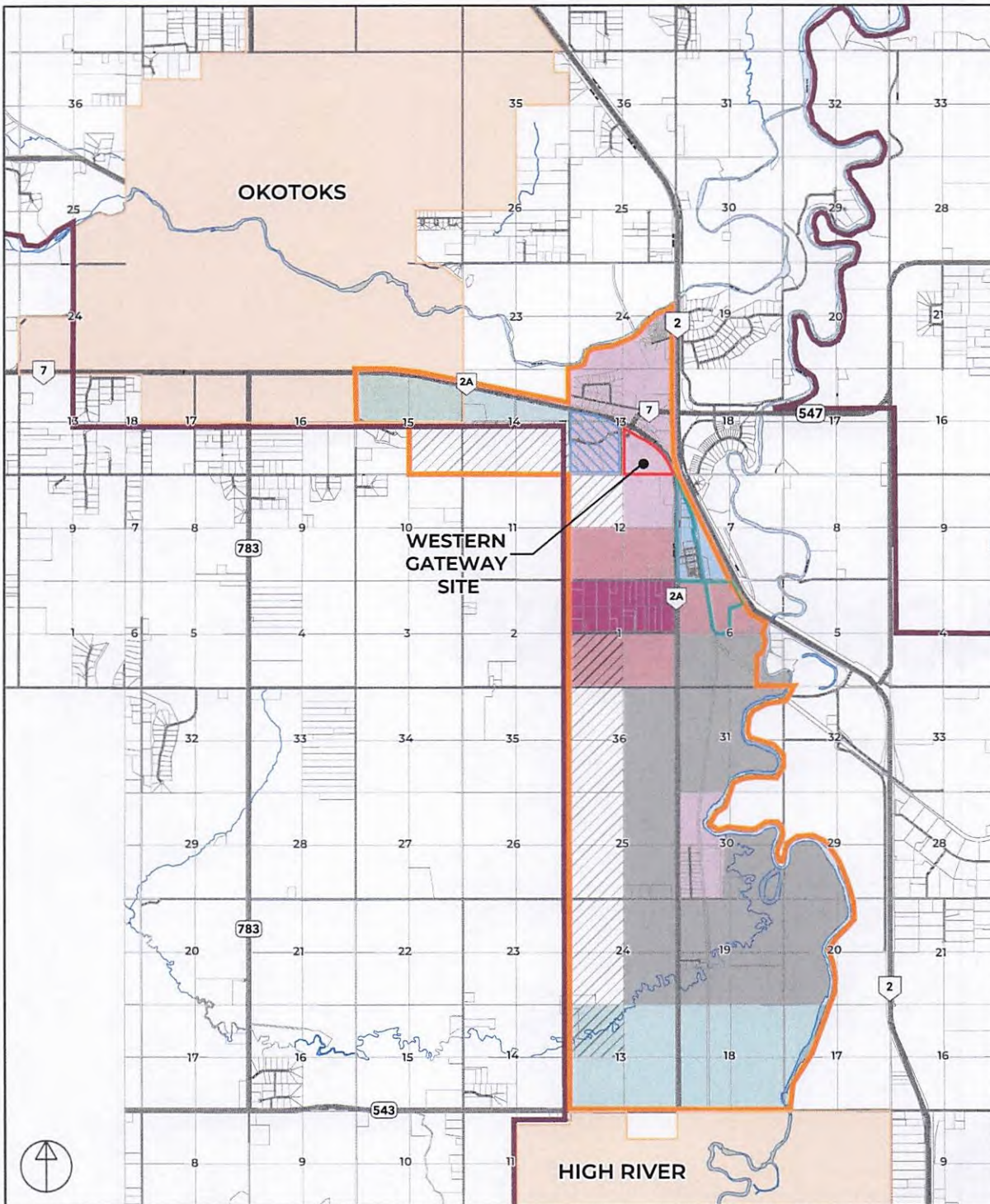


FIGURE 2: H2AIASP POLICY AREAS

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|---|------------------------------|---------------------|
| WESTERN GATEWAY SITE SE-13-20-29-W4M (± 82.17 AC / ± 33.197 HA) | FUTURE PLANNING AREA | INDUSTRIAL EDGE |
| H2AI PLAN AREA | GATEWAY INTERFACE | INDUSTRIAL GENERAL |
| CENTRAL DISTRICT (GMS) | HISTORIC COUNTRY RESIDENTIAL | HAMLET OF ALDERSYDE |
| AGRICULTURAL TRANSITION | INDUSTRIAL COMMERCIAL | URBAN CENTER |
| ALDERSYDE JUNCTION | | |

2.0

BACKGROUND

2.1 LEGAL LAND LOCATION

The Western Gateway Site, consisting of +/- 82.17 ac/ +/- 33.197 ha (as identified on **Table 1: Legal Description & Ownership**), is located within Foothills County, north of the Town of High River and southeast of the Town of Okotoks. It is adjacent to Highway 2A, northwest of the Hamlet of Aldersyde and 700 metres Southwest of the intersection of Highway 2 and Highway 547/Highway 7. Outside the site, the Highway 2A Industrial Corridor has driven the development of the area, becoming a major thoroughfare with Industrial Commercial and Highway Commercial land uses. The site's location adjacent to the intersection of Highway 2A and Highway 547/ Highway 7 provides it with great potential to support Highway Commercial land uses.

The Western Gateway Outline Plan describes the elevated design and development standards of the site and promotes economic development in the area. The Western Gateway Site is predominantly flat with a few gentle slopes at the north and southeast boundaries (**Figure 4: Topography**). Its boundary parallels Highway 2A on its north/northeast/east boundaries. The Western Gateway Site was boundary and topo surveyed by Maidment Land Surveys; the lands generally drain from northwest to southeast. The proposed PUL storm pond included in the design accommodates for post development stormwater management.



HIGHWAY 2A INDUSTRIAL CORRIDOR



INTERSECTION OF HIGHWAY 2A, HIGHWAY 547, & HIGHWAY 2

TABLE 1: LEGAL DESCRIPTION & OWNERSHIP

LEGAL	C of T	LANDOWNER	AC (+/-)	HA (+/-)
SE 13-20-29 W4M	131 235 735	803969 AB Ltd.	82.17	33.197

2.0 BACKGROUND

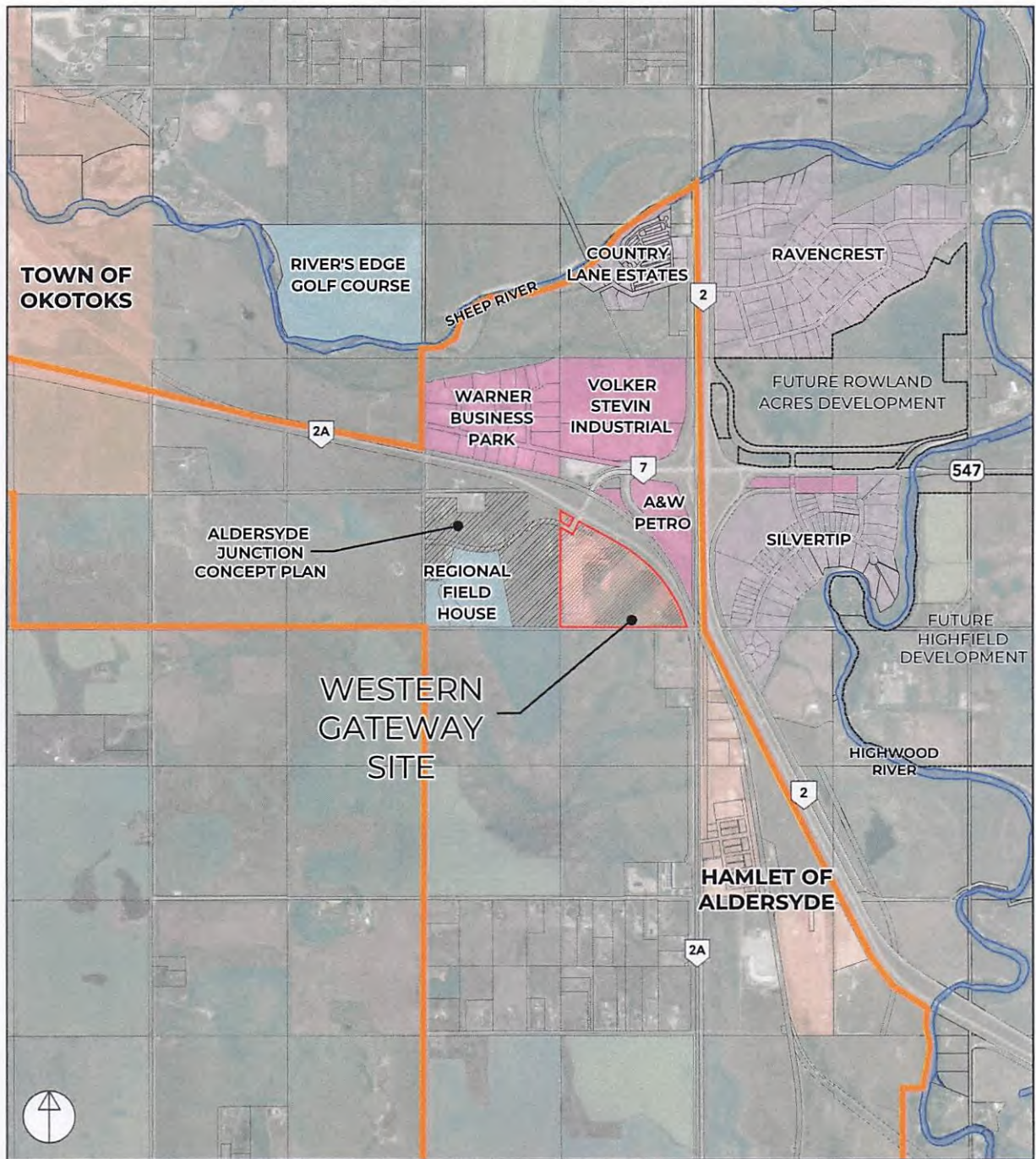


FIGURE 3: LOCAL CONTEXT

LEGEND

- WESTERN GATEWAY SITE | SE-13-20-29-W4M (\pm 82.17 AC / \pm 33.197 HA)
- H2A IASP PLAN AREA
- NEIGHBOURING COMMUNITIES
- RECREATIONAL AMENITIES
- COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL SERVICES
- ADJACENT MUNICIPALITY/HAMLET

2.2 WESTERN GATEWAY VISION

The vision for the Western Gateway Business Park can be described as follows:

To create a strategically planned, high-quality business park that maximizes land use, drives economic growth and tourism, caters to highway travelers, supports local communities and industries, integrates diverse commercial and industrial activities, and establishes a prominent gateway along the H2AISP corridor.

2.3 WESTERN GATEWAY GOALS

In order to achieve the positive, tangible impact of development and to diversify economic development, the Western Gateway Outline Plan includes the following goals:

2.3.1 Efficient Land Use: Maximize the potential of the site through strategic land use planning and adherence to established built-form guidelines.

2.3.2 Facilitate Economic Development & Tourism: Leverage the Highway Commercial and Business Park designation to stimulate County economic growth and attract tourism.

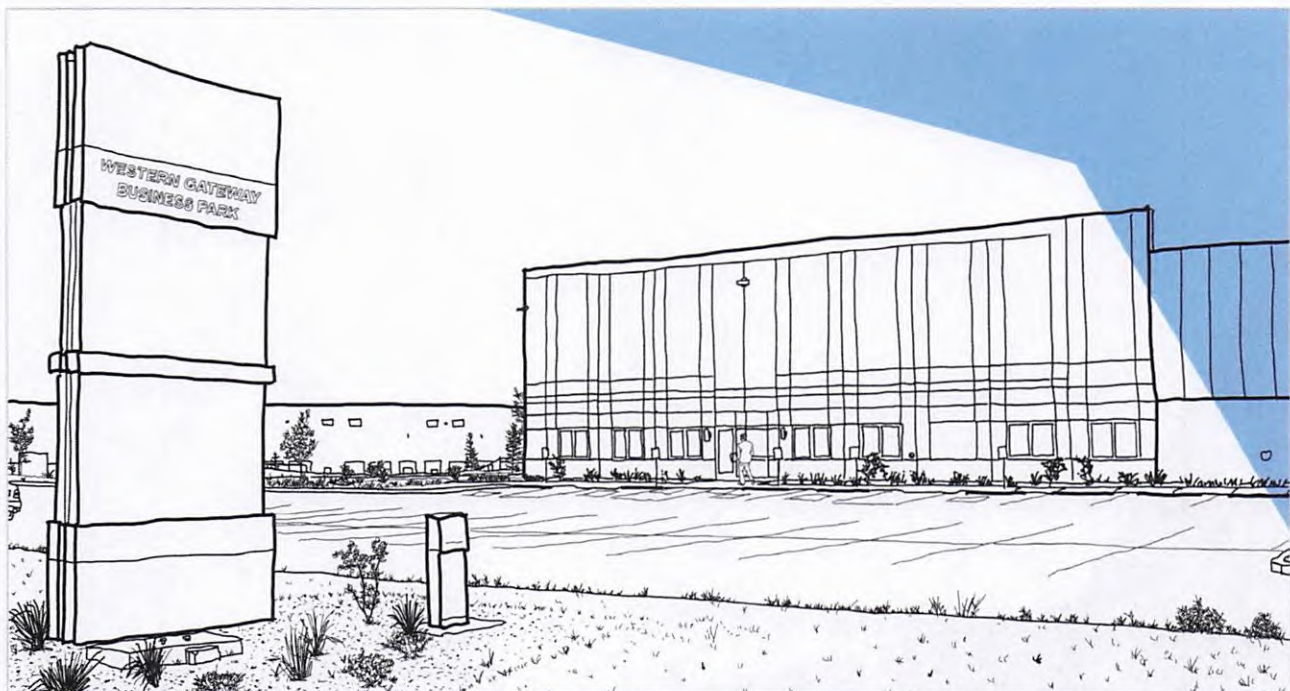
2.3.3 Offer Services to the Traveling Public: Provide services such as drive-through restaurants, auto repair shops, car washes, convenience retail, and other travel-related amenities to serve highway tourists and business commuters.

2.3.4 Support Local Communities & Industries: Offer commercial and business facilities, including office spaces, community services, restaurants, healthcare services, and storage, to meet the needs of surrounding industrial and residential areas.

2.3.5 Accommodate Diverse Industrial Uses: Integrate general/light industrial activities, industrial manufacturing/processing, and warehousing/storage into the development.

2.3.6 Promote High-Quality Built Form: Ensure thoughtful design in materiality, massing, scale, and edge conditions to create an attractive and functional space for users.

2.3.7 Create a Strategic Gateway Node: Establish the site as a prominent, impactful feature along the H2AISP corridor, showcasing a well-designed, strategic layout.



3.0

STATUTORY PLAN ALIGNMENT

Statutory plans inform the Western Gateway Plan and the future of the Western Gateway Site. This includes the following plans and documents: South Saskatchewan Regional Plan, Foothills Municipal Development Plan, Highway 2A Industrial Area Structure Plan, and the Foothills County Land Use Bylaw. These documents are generally overviewed in this section.

3.1 SOUTH SASKATCHEWAN REGIONAL PLAN

The South Saskatchewan Regional Plan (“SSRP”) came into effect in 2014 and was amended in 2018. It outlines the long-term vision for the region and provides guidance to the municipal areas under its influence. This is the highest-level policy in the Region and all plans in the region must conform to its directives. The SSRP promotes efficient use of land, this encourages municipalities to infill and develop properties that can be serviced communally and don’t prematurely fragment agricultural land.

The proposed Outline Plan represents an opportunity to provide commercial, industrial, and related employment uses on a property that is located in an area in close proximity to existing employment and residential communities. Furthermore, regional piped water servicing is currently existing and/or available on the Western Gateway Site. Wastewater connections are not yet available, however, municipal investments are being made in the corridor to make this a reality. The Wastewater deep utility will be pre-installed in a manner such that when the regional wastewater treatment plant is constructed, regional piped wastewater servicing will become available to the Outline Plan Area. As a site identified within an approved H2AIIASP, directing this type of development to the H2AIIASP area enables the preservation of Agricultural lands in other parts of the County. This site is identified in the H2AIIASP as forming part of the first phase, as such, this development is not premature conversion of Agricultural land.



SSRP

3.2 FOOTHILLS COUNTY MUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN

The Foothills County Municipal Development Plan (“MDP”) was adopted by Council in July 2010 and amended in October 2017. The MDP was created with a vision for supporting a diverse rural landscape of agricultural heritage, vibrant communities, a balanced economy, and stewardship for the County’s natural capital for future generations. The MDP supports the continuation of industrial and commercial development in the H2AIIASP corridor. Generally, the MDP directs that the intensification of existing industrial and commercial parks shall be encouraged as a means of promoting the efficient use of land and infrastructure.

“The MD will continue to encourage increased and diverse industrial activity by creating a supportive business environment for industrial users within the Highway 2A corridor. Industrial uses include intensive business activity that usually involves the manufacturing, transforming, storing, transporting, and/or servicing of goods” (pg. 28).

The Western Gateway Plan aligns with the MDP as it supports both commercial and industrial uses in a business park setting and supports this use in its designated location within the H2AIIASP.



FOOTHILLS COUNTY MDP

3.0 STATUTORY PLAN ALIGNMENT

3.3 HIGHWAY 2A INDUSTRIAL AREA STRUCTURE PLAN

The Highway 2A Industrial Area Structure Plan (“H2AIASP”) was adopted by the County in October 2010. The H2AIASP was developed to logically and efficiently direct and manage growth within the ASP Plan Area boundary through the provision of measurable and achievable goals, objectives, and policy (pg. 6). The Western Gateway Plan lands are identified as Industrial Commercial on Map 3: Land Use Concept of the H2AIASP and located within the Phase 1 Growth Area as outlined on Map 8: Growth Concept of the H2AIASP. This has been delineated on **Figure 2: H2AIASP Policy Areas**.

The Western Gateway Plan has been prepared in accordance with the requirements contained within the H2AIASP Design Guidelines describing the required contents of the Western Gateway Outline Plan document. The H2AIASP recognizes the area as a regional business hub that provides necessary services for surrounding residential and employment communities. The 2030 Comprehensive Vision for the Corridor states that:

“The H2AIASP capitalizes on principles of sustainability and eco-industrial ventures, and places mobility and the environment as key priorities. Innovative developments stimulate economic energy in the corridor and continue to benefit surrounding communities” (pg. 14).

Regarding commercial and industrial aspects of the H2AIASP area the plan states:

“Dynamic and innovative forms of commercial and industrial development continue to uphold and enhance the overarching social, environmental, and economic values of the region. Employers and their employees, residents, and visitors to the area benefit from a diverse range of complementary and profitable business options. Integrated eco-industrial principles have made the corridor a lucrative and profitable site choice for prospective operations and all Foothills residents benefit from the ongoing diversification of the MD’s tax base” (pg. 14).

Appendix A: H2AIASP Policy Review & Summary Response of the Western Gateway Outline Plan contains a summary table inclusive of all applicable policy from the H2AIASP and includes a description of how the policy is met, not met, or considered as not applicable. **Appendix A** is further discussed in the Architectural Guidelines **Section 6.6**.



H2AIASP

The Western Gateway Plan addresses the requirements of the H2A IASP by providing the following:



Proposes business, commercial, and industrial land uses that provide a diverse range of uses to support local residential and employment communities and responds to the non-statutory design guidelines;



Located within the Highway 2A Industrial corridor, being a strategic location for regional transportation connections;



Locates and orients development in a manner that maximizes frontage of highway commercial land uses onto Highway 2A while providing other business, industrial, and commercial land uses towards the interior of the site;



Locates industrial and commercial development within lands designated as Industrial Commercial within the H2A IASP;



Concentrates development in a manner that increases efficiency of land use and servicing / transportation infrastructure within the Highway 2A Industrial corridor;



Includes a variety of complementary business, commercial, and industrial land uses are proposed;



Accommodates a range of size and orientation of parcels of land that facilitate a wide range of types and sizes of business, commercial, and industrial land uses throughout the Outline Plan Area with room to grow; and



Assists and supports regional piped water and wastewater servicing extensions. Water servicing is currently available and used within the Outline Plan Area. Piped wastewater servicing will be constructed within the proposed roadways and will connect to the regional piped wastewater servicing system when the regional wastewater treatment plant is constructed and available for connection.

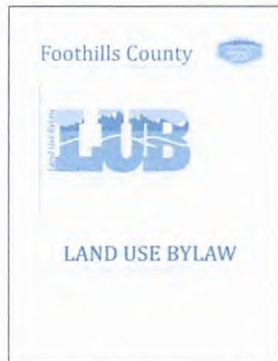
POLICY 3.3.1.i

The developer shall comply with the statutory requirements outlined in the Highway 2A Industrial ASP to the satisfaction of Foothills County.

3.0 STATUTORY PLAN ALIGNMENT

3.4 Foothills County Land Use Bylaw

The Foothills County Land Use Bylaw (“LUB”) divides municipal lands into a variety of land use districts (or zones). These districts determine what the rules and requirements are for development of the land and the document outlines the processes used for redesignation, subdivision and development permit applications within Foothills County.



FOOTHILLS COUNTY LUB

This Outline Plan envisions the site with the following land uses:



Highway Commercial District (HC)

to accommodate an array of uses and service providers such as tourist information and facilities, car wash, food services, restaurant, lodging, service stations, business offices, among others;



Business Park District (BP)

to accommodate a combination of business and industrial activities within a comprehensively planned development in accordance with an approved area structure plan or outline plan. Business parks are encouraged to be located within the Highway 2A corridor on lands covered by the Highway 2A Industrial Area Structure Plan in accordance with the Industrial Commercial land use concept.



Municipal Land Reserve District (MLR)

to allow for open spaces and landscaped edge conditions to be maintained by a lot owners association; and



Public Utility District (PUL)

to provide a stormwater retention pond and manage all overland flows for the Outline Plan Area.

3.5 NON-STATUTORY PLAN ALIGNMENT

3.5.1 Foothills County Growth Management Strategy

The Foothills County Growth Management Strategy ("GMS") was adopted by Foothills County and became effective in April 2013. The GMS is a non-statutory document that provides strategies for managing growth and development that builds upon the vision for the MDP. The GMS separates Foothills County into five (5) distinct districts: Northwest District, Central District, East District, South Central District, and Southwest District; where, each district is unique in each of its own ways and provides for guidance on how and where growth is directed to occur.

The Outline Plan Area is located within the Central District of the GMS. The Central District is intended to be the focus for growth and development within the County.

"The Central District of the MD has been the growth engine for the MD and this trend is expected to continue into the future. While significant development and intensification of development is expected in this area, it will need to be undertaken bearing in mind the aspirations of our municipal neighbours and with due consideration to riparian and wetland areas. Opportunities for joint initiatives will play a key role in providing effective, efficient, and affordable services for this area" (pg. 34).

The GMS suggests that development capitalize on infrastructure investment by providing development to connect to available servicing, and that land use compatibility be a critical consideration within the industrial corridor.

The Western Gateway Outline Plan proposes business, commercial, and industrial land uses, which are supported and encouraged to be located within the Central District, specifically when located within the Highway 2A Industrial corridor.



FOOTHILLS COUNTY GMS

4.0

PATHWAY TO APPROVALS

The Western Gateway Plan guides and directs the future development of the Plan Area and works in harmony with the H2AASP. The land included in the Plan Area will be redesignated and then subdivided, accordingly, in an orderly manner. Both the Town of High River and the Town of Okotoks will be circulated the Western Gateway Outline Plan document as is required under Policy 11.6.1 of the H2AASP. This Outline Plan is a non-statutory document that is to be adopted by resolution of Council.

PATHWAY TO APPROVALS FLOWCHART:



4.1 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The Western Gateway Site is located within an area that is predominantly industrial with a long-standing adopted ASP in place. The closest residential dwelling is located +/- 225 metres southeast of the Western Gateway Plan Area, and the closest residential community is +/- 300 metres northeast of the Plan Area

Engagement in the form of a community mail out to residents within 1-mile of the Plan Area will be provided to area residents describing the objectives of site development and providing opportunities for review and comment. The community mail out provides details and information about the proposed development for the Western Gateway plan and to provide a dedicated team member contact and an opportunity for residents to provide comments and questions to the project team. A "What We Heard Report" will be prepared and provided for the record.

5.0

PRE-DEVELOPMENT STUDIES

The following section outlines the pre-development studies undertaken to inform site development opportunities and constraints. Detailed design engineering is required at the subdivision stage. These studies occurred over the course of time, as this site evolved with the Western RV Store and Regional Fieldhouse uses. Studies may require updating as part of the planning approvals process.

5.1 GEOTECHNICAL INVESTIGATION

A Geotechnical Investigation was prepared by Almor Testing Services Ltd. in August 2011 for the Western Gateway Site. The purpose of the investigation was to advance test holes to evaluate subsurface soil and groundwater conditions within the project boundaries and summarize the results of the field and laboratory tests. The report provides final recommendations for the design and construction of site grading, underground services, concrete foundations, and asphalt concrete pavement structures. The field investigation advanced 13 test holes on site between July 6th and 7th, 2011. Disturbed soil samples were returned to Almor's Calgary laboratory for further classification and testing, meeting applicable ASTM and/or CSA standards. Open-end standpipe piezometers were installed in all test holes, upon completion, to facilitate future shallow groundwater monitoring.

The Geotechnical Investigation provided the following recommendations:

- Development of the Western Gateway Site using balanced cut/fill earth quantities is feasible, depending on local variations in soil stratigraphy and topography;
- Based on the findings of soil and groundwater conditions, generally favourable site grading conditions are anticipated;
- Subsurface conditions are considered to be suitable to foundation support for the development;
- The composition and consistency of the soils encountered at the site indicate excavation with conventional earthmoving equipment, and/or hydraulic excavators, is considered feasible. Final site grades should direct surface water to areas away from proposed structures and promote rapid drainage of surface runoff into local storm water sewers;
- Landscape gradients of at least 1.5% are recommended. Parking lots or landscaping within two metres of a building perimeter should be

graded away from the structure at a minimum gradient of 2%;

- Excavation stability is not a concern for the Western Gateway Site. Groundwater may be encountered in the excavations below 2.5m; however, if seepage is encountered during construction, the flows should be manageable with conventional trenching and sump pumps;
- Continuous and spread footings for the structures, supported on the native undisturbed soils may be designed based on a maximum allowable static bearing pressure of 96 kPa (2,000 psf). General engineered fill and/or the substrate till soils would be suitable for maximum allowable static pressure of 145 kPa (3,000 psf), since the surficial sands and silts will be moisture conditioned;
- Shallow bedrock and/or very stiff till soils indicate a positive flow weeping tile system will be required around foundations;
- For protection against frost action, exterior footings should have at least 1.4m of soil cover for footings supporting heated structures. In the case of an unheated structure, the footings should be provided with a minimum ground cover of 2.1m;
- For structural pavement design, the sub grade soil conditions, within the roadways at the Western Gateway Site, are anticipated to consist of a uniform mixture of clay (till) materials. Dependent on the proposed design grades, a 150mm depth of scarification and recompaction may be required, to moisture condition the soils. All parking lot and collector street structural pavement design sections are to be evaluated, and in accordance with, City of Calgary guidelines;
- Recommendations for subgrade construction should be followed in the preparation of the subgrade beneath the roadways. All materials supplied and placed in subbase, base, and pavement construction must comply with the minimum requirements in the current City of Calgary Standard Specifications, Street construction. Proposed structural pavement designs are to be confirmed, during service utility backfill construction in the roadways and subgrade preparation; and
- For quality control and observations, it is recommended that a qualified and experienced geotechnical firm be engaged to evaluate designs, observe grading and roadway construction, installation of underground utilities and to perform the specified materials engineering and testing services.

5.0 PRE-DEVELOPMENT STUDIES

POLICY 5.1.i

The developer shall comply with the recommendations of the Geotechnical Report to the satisfaction of Foothills County.

POLICY 5.1.ii

Additional Geotechnical study may occur on the site at the subdivision stage and recommendations following from those reports shall also be followed by the developer.

5.2 TOPOGRAPHY

A boundary and topography survey was conducted by Maidment Land Surveys. The boundary and topo survey are delineated on **Figure 4: Topography**.

The site gradually slopes from west to southeast. The slope over the entire site is +/- 1.6%, the site contains 10m of fall from highest to lowest points. There are little constraints presented by the site topography to development. The natural drainage pattern to the southeast corner is respected with the placement of the PUL for storm water in this location. The site naturally drains to the Southeast corner and the PUL will manage added impervious surfaces.

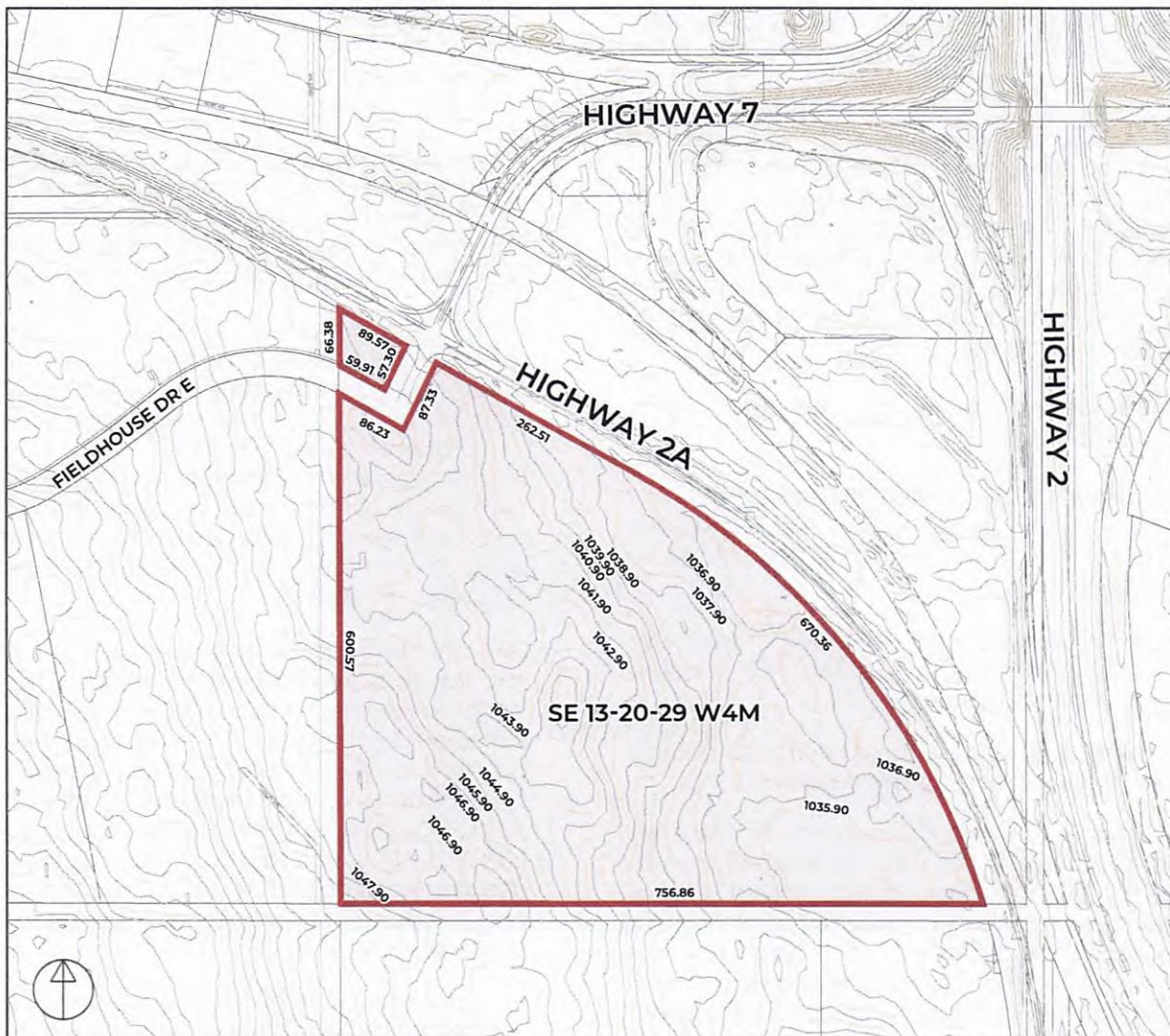


FIGURE 4: TOPOGRAPHY

LEGEND

- WESTERN GATEWAY SITE | SE-13-20-29-W4M (± 82.17 AC / ± 33.197 HA)
- ~ 1.0M CONTOUR INTERVAL

5.3 WETLAND IMPACT ASSESSMENT REPORT

A Wetland Impact Assessment (WIA) was prepared by Hab-Tech Environmental on September 20th, 2013, building off of the Preliminary Ecological Status Report. Field visits were completed to delineate, characterize, and classify the on-site wetlands and other habitats (including songbird, waterfowl, amphibian call, and rare plant surveys), and were completed on June 5th, 14th, 25th, and 26th, July 26th, and September 12th, 2013. The wetlands identified during field visits, and identified on **Figure 5: Wetland Inventory**, will be required to be reviewed through the Provincial Wetland Replacement Program. This will require that the Wetland Impact Assessment Report be updated to reflect the current categorization of wetland values. The WIA is based on ecological characteristics observed during field surveys as well as an historical air photo analysis.

The assessment provided the following findings:

- The property area and its surrounding environments are generally not conducive to high quality burrowing nesting habitat due to high levels of industrial and agricultural disturbance;
- No evidence of hibernacula habitat was found within the Western Gateway Site;
- Development of the Western Gateway Site is expected to have minimal negative impacts on barn swallows. Construction activity is to be limited to times outside of the peak breeding season (May-July);
- Preferred nesting habitat for Swainson's Hawk does not occur within the Western Gateway Site. Construction activity should be limited to times outside of the peak breeding season (May-July). Impacts of development on this species are expected to be minimal;
- Ten (10) bird species were detected during the survey, including: Barn Swallow, Blue-winged Teal, Gadwall, Mallard, Northern Rough-winged Swallow, Northern Shoveler, Red-winged Blackbird, Tree Swallow, Wilson's Phalarope, and Wilson's Snipe. Barn Swallow was the only species with federal and provincial designations;
- Boreal Chorus frogs were the only species of amphibian recorded and were recorded at all four (4) point locations. Calling rates were recorded as Classes 1 to 3. Boreal chorus frog is a common species and is not considered at risk either provincially or federally;
- There were no historical records of rare plants within the area. Rare plant and rare plant community surveys were completed on June 5th and July 26th, 2013. No rare plants or rare plant communities were found during the surveys;
- The 33.6 ha property is dominated (91.6%) by previously disturbed lands including cultivated annual cropland and domestic grassland. Three wetlands comprising 2.6 ha (7.6%) occur on the site. Preliminary classification of these wetlands indicate that they are Seasonal (Class 3) and/or Temporary (Class 2) according to the Stewart and Kantrud (1971) wetland classification system. A small patch of open tall shrub habitat occurs in the southeastern portion of the property. This native plant integrity of this patch is highly disturbed with an understory that consists primarily of domestic grasses.
- The only habitats with any appreciable native ecological integrity on the property are the three wetlands. As the planned development intends to physically disturb, alter, infill or drain a portion of these wetlands, therefore, a regulatory approval must be sought under the Water Act. Alberta Environment and Protected Areas (AEPA) will require a wetland impact assessment (WIA) that will include species at risk and rare plant surveys. Considering compensation required for wetland loss (+/- 2.65-hectares), the developer will be required to enter into a financial compensation agreement with AEPA. It is expected that the proponent will pay compensation to offset the wetland loss that the project is expected to cause.

POLICY 5.3.i

The developer shall work with AEPA to determine wetland impacts and the amount of compensation owing under the Wetland Replacement Program as a condition of subdivision.

POLICY 5.3.ii

The developer shall provide an updated Wetland Impact Assessment reflecting the current classification system and determine the appropriate replacement requirements at the subdivision stage to the satisfaction of AEPA and Foothills County.

5.0 PRE-DEVELOPMENT STUDIES



FIGURE 5: WETLAND INVENTORY

LEGEND

- WESTERN GATEWAY SITE | SE-13-20-29-W4M (+ 82.17 AC / + 33.197 HA)
- CA CULTIVATED ANNUAL
- DG DISTURBED GRASSLAND
- DO DUG OUT
- TS/DG TALL SHRUBS/DISTURBED GRASSLAND
- W2/3 TEMPORARY/SEASONAL WETLAND - CLASS 2/3
- W3 SEASONAL WETLAND - CLASS 3

5.4 ABANDONED WELLS

There are no abandoned oil and gas wells located within the Western Gateway Plan Area. The abandoned well map and abandoned well declaration form have been provided to Foothills County under separate cover. The abandoned well map was prepared using the Alberta Energy Regulator Abandoned Well Map Viewer.

5.5 HISTORIC RESOURCES

On September 29th, 2010, the Historic Resources Management Branch (HRMB) of Alberta Arts, Culture and Status of Women issued historic resource clearance on the Western Gateway Site. HRMB concluded that an Historic Resources Impact Assessment (HRIA) is not required, that there are no further requirements for the Western Gateway Site, and that the Western Gateway Site is granted Historical Resources Act clearance.

POLICY 5.5.i

In accordance with the Historical Resources Act, should any additional archaeological resources, paleontological resources, Aboriginal traditional use sites, and/or historic period sites be encountered during any activities associated with land surface disturbance operations, the developer will report it immediately.

5.6 TRAFFIC IMPACT ASSESSMENT

A Traffic Impact Assessment (TIA) was prepared by Bunt & Associates Engineering Ltd. in March 2024 for the Western Gateway Site. The Western Gateway Site is bound by Highway 2A to the north and east. Highway 7 comprises the north and west legs at the intersection of Highway 2A and Highway 547/Highway 7. Highway traffic from Highway 2 will travel along Highway 7 to Fieldhouse Drive East access the Western Gateway Site. Field House Drive East is the access road to the Western Gateway Site.

The impacted intersections in the TIA study, indicated on **Figure 6: TIA Study Intersections**, include the Highway 7 and 64th Street intersection and the Highway 7 and Highway 2A/Field House Drive intersection. The analysis in the TIA assumes a 4-lane east-west cross section along Highway 7/Highway 2A at the two (2) impacted intersections for the 2045 horizon.

A 30.0 metre road widening setback has been included along the north/east boundary of the Outline Plan Area, from the northwest to the southeast corners of the Subject Site along Highway 2A.

The TIA supports the full development of the Western Gateway Site for its intended Business Park and Highway Commercial land uses. The following conclusions and recommendations were provided in the TIA:

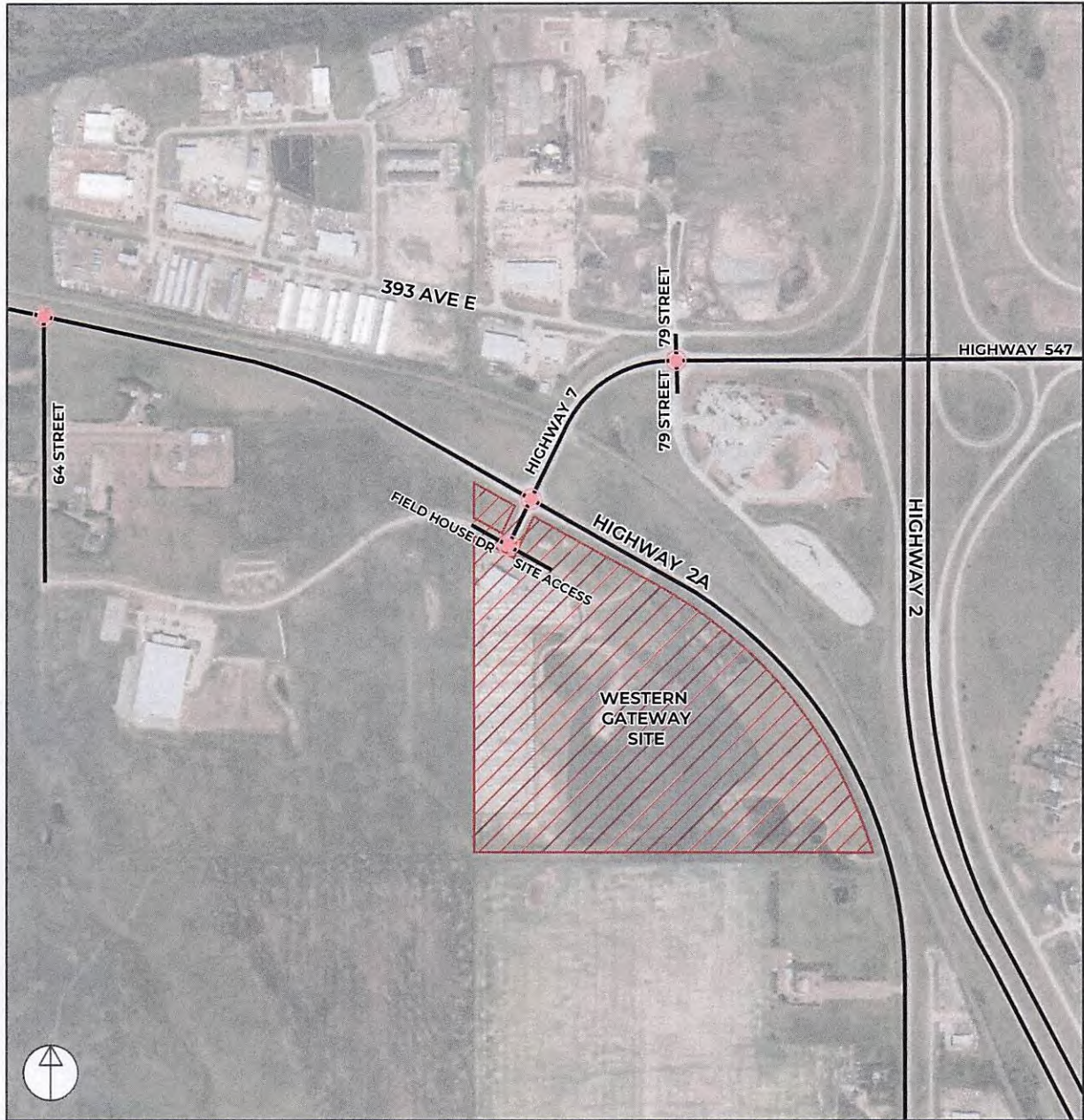
- The existing geometry and sight distances of the Highway 7 and 64th Street intersection and the Highway 7 and Highway 2A/Field House Drive intersections meet the minimum distances required by Transportation Association of Canada (TAC) and Alberta Transportation and Economic Corridors (ATEC);
- Collision rates at the Highway 7 and 64th Street intersection and the Highway 7 and Highway 2A/Field House Drive intersections were found to be less than the ATEC threshold of 64.2 collisions per 100,000,000 entering vehicles;
- The synchro analysis conducted for the after development traffic scenario showed the northbound movement at the Highway 7 and 64th Street intersection achieved an LOS F; however, the movements are low in volume and the analysis conservatively assumed through movements to Field House Drive that may not be probable. Therefore, relaxation on the LOS is recommended;
- There is a gate at Field House Drive prohibiting

public access between the Western Gateway Site and 64th Street; as such, the intersection is not expected to be impacted by the Western Gateway Site development, other than additional through volume on Highway 2A/Highway 7. No other intersection movements exceed a v/c ratio of 0.95 and LOS E;

- Vehicle queues are anticipated to near the CPKC rail crossing in the 2045 after development horizon, safety measures such as railway crossing gate arms and advanced signage are recommended for advanced driver warnings;
- Stop control reconfiguration is recommended at the Field House Drive and Western Gateway Site access intersection from the current eastbound/westbound stop control to a southbound stop control to achieve the proposed performance indexes in the after development scenario. Even with a southbound stop control, vehicle queues between the Field House Drive and Western Gateway Site access intersection and the Highway 7 and Highway 2A/Field House Drive intersections are anticipated to be contained within the provided distance between these two (2) intersections;
- The Highway 7 and 64th Street intersection warrants an upgrade to a Type IVa intersection from the current Type Ia based on existing volumes; however, given the very low volumes on the minor street and the gated access along Field House drive, no improvements are recommended while the gate along Field House Drive continues to prohibit access to the site. An exclusive westbound right-turn lane is also recommended at the Field House Drive and Western Gateway Site access intersection at opening day of the site; and
- Delineation lighting was warranted for the Field House Drive and Western Gateway Site access intersection in the 2029 after development horizon; therefore, streetlights are recommended to be installed along the east and west legs of this intersection.

POLICY 5.6.i

In accordance with the Traffic Impact Assessment, external road improvements, as described, to facilitate the Western Gateway Outline Plan shall be undertaken at the developers expense to the satisfaction of Foothills County and ATEC.



LEGEND

- WESTERN GATEWAY SITE | SE-13-20-29-W4M (± 82.17 AC / ± 33.197 HA)
- TIA STUDY INTERSECTION

FIGURE 6: TIA STUDY INTERSECTIONS

5.0 PRE-DEVELOPMENT STUDIES

5.6.1 CPKC RAIL RIGHT-OF-WAY

As part of the TIA, an examination was undertaken with regard to queuing and proximity to the CPKC rail crossing located north and east of the Western Gateway Site.

According to the 95th percentile queue of 127 metres in the PM Peak Hour, queue lengths on the north leg of the Highway 7 & Highway 2A/Field House Drive intersection are anticipated to intersect with the CPKC rail crossing, spaced approximately 120 metres back from the southbound left turn stop bar. As this is the 95th percentile queue, the probability of such queue length forming remains low. Safety measures such as railway crossing gate arms and signage prohibiting stopping on the tracks are recommended for advanced driver warnings at the existing phase. Alternatively, the signal timing plan could be optimized to provide more time for the southbound left movement.

In the 2045 time horizon, the TIA suggests that according to the 95th percentile queue of 48 metres in the PM Peak Hour, queue lengths on the north leg of the Highway 7 & Highway 2A/Field House Drive intersection are not anticipated to intersect with the CPKC rail crossing.

The Federation of Canadian Municipalities and The Railway Association of Canada have Guidelines for New Development in Proximity to Railway Operations (the Railway Guidelines), prepared in May 2013, to assist municipalities, provincial governments, municipal staff, railways, developers, and property owners when developing lands in proximity to railway operations. These guidelines are meant to assist municipal governments and railways in reviewing and determining general planning policies when developing on lands in proximity to railway facilities, and to establish a process for making site specific recommendations and decisions to reduce land-use incompatibilities for developments in proximity to railway operations.

Railway operations generate concerns, such as blocked crossings, dangers to trespassers, as well as impacts on the quality of life of nearby residents due to the effects of inherent noise, vibration, and railway incidents. As such, the Railway Guidelines guide development within proximity to railways so developments may carefully plan and not interfere with continued railway operations or the potential for future railway expansions and to prevent specific issues related to safety, noise, and vibration.

The Western Gateway is a Business Park and Highway Commercial development with no residential uses proposed. The Western Gateway Site provides a minimum building setback of 150 metres from the CPKC railway corridor. The standard recommended noise influence area is 75 metres for a spur line.

The Western Gateway Site is located +/- 300 metres away from the CPKC railway corridor and does not cause any concerns for off site impact. The nearest existing structure within the business park (Western RV Dealership) structure the to rail line is 300m away

As development continues to grow in proximity to railway corridors, road traffic at existing railway crossings increases and can lead to demands for improvements to such crossings, demands for additional crossings, or demands for grade separations to accommodate the flow of the traffic from the new development to areas on the other side of the railway.

As recommended in the TIA, railway crossing gate arms and advanced signage are suggested for advanced driver warnings.



EXISTING CPKC RAIL CROSSING

POLICY 5.6.1.i

The Western Gateway Site is separated by distance over 30m from the CPKC rail line, as such, there is no mitigation for noise and vibration proposed as there is no proximity. The Highway 7 rail crossing may require gate arms and warnings, as such, the developer will monitor signal timing and request approval and modification of same to CPKC, ATEC and Foothills County should a revision be required to the rail crossing.

6.0

LAND USE OVERVIEW

6.0 LAND USE OVERVIEW

6.1 DEVELOPMENT CONCEPT

The proposed development concept for the Western Gateway Business Park includes the potential subdivision of approximately fifty two (52) lots in two phases. Of the fifty two lots, six (6) support Highway Commercial District parcels and the balance forty six (46) lots will be designated for Business Park uses. A stormwater management facility is to be established within a public utility lot (PUL), and implementation of required transportation and utility servicing infrastructure. It is noted that the specific number and size of industrial lots will be determined at the subdivision stage subject to the availability of supporting infrastructure and evolving market demand. The conceptual lot layout and land use intent is depicted on *Figure 7: Development Concept*.

The existing Western RV lot is the largest lot on the site, currently 10.05 acres (4.07 hectares) in size and will continue under the Highway Commercial District land uses, but may be reduced in lot size after future subdivision and development approvals. The RV storage area will remain in place until the final phase of the development, when it will be reduced in order to accommodate a second phase of business park lots. Within the adjacent Warner Business Park, a number of lots were condominiumized to allow for a large bay portico type of development. It is not the intent of the Western Gateway Business Park to accommodate condominium lots. Each lot is intended to support stand alone businesses.

The lots within the Western Gateway Business Park range from +/- 0.50 ac (0.20 ha) to +/- 1.00 ac (0.40 ha) in size to accommodate an array of future business and service uses. The site plan accommodates for a 30.0m of Highway 2A road widening, and maintains the required 40.0m building setback from the Highway 2A right-of-way. As this is a significant setback with considerable road dedication, the further regional pathway will be either on the back of lot or within the road widening depending upon the direction of ATEC.

Western Gateway Business Park will be accessed via a paved internal commercial subdivision road to be constructed by the developer. The internal subdivision roads and intersections, and the upgrade of existing roads, will be designed at the subdivision stage, in accordance with Foothills County servicing standards.

Potable water and wastewater services will be provided via the County's North Aldersyde Potable Water System and, in future, a wastewater transmission line. The developer will construct an internal network of piped water distribution and wastewater collection infrastructure in accordance with Foothills County servicing standards. The design of the water system will accommodate fire suppression, including pressurized hydrants. Stormwater management will be provided via an overland drainage system that will convey surface flows to a stormwater facility within a Public Utility Lot (PUL) in the southeast corner of the Site. The stormwater facility will be constructed to retain surface drainage from each lot and the road rights-of-way within the Western Gateway Plan Area.

Architectural controls will be established by the developer at the subdivision stage to ensure the exterior facades of all buildings maintain a unified and cohesive architectural style, colour, finish and design. The Architectural Controls will be developed to align with the design guidelines included in *Appendix A: H2A/ASP Policy Review & Summary Response* of this document.

Fee simple ownership is anticipated for each lot. A Business Lot Owner's Association will be established by the developer at the subdivision stage to manage various services within the project such as waste removal, recycling, maintenance of landscaping on private lands, and implementation of the Western Gateway Business Park architectural controls.

The site has been designed in a manner that locates Highway Commercial (HC) Districts directly adjacent to Highway 2A. The HC District is better served by having buildings with visual frontage to higher order transportation networks (Highway 2A), while Business Park (BP) Districts have been located interior to the Plan Area. The orientation and design of the Outline Plan has been undertaken in a way that maximizes the use of the Western Gateway Site and efficiently uses land by minimizing the total amount of internal roadway to be built and maximizing the amount of developable land providing much needed Business Park and Highway Commercial land uses within the H2A/ASP area.

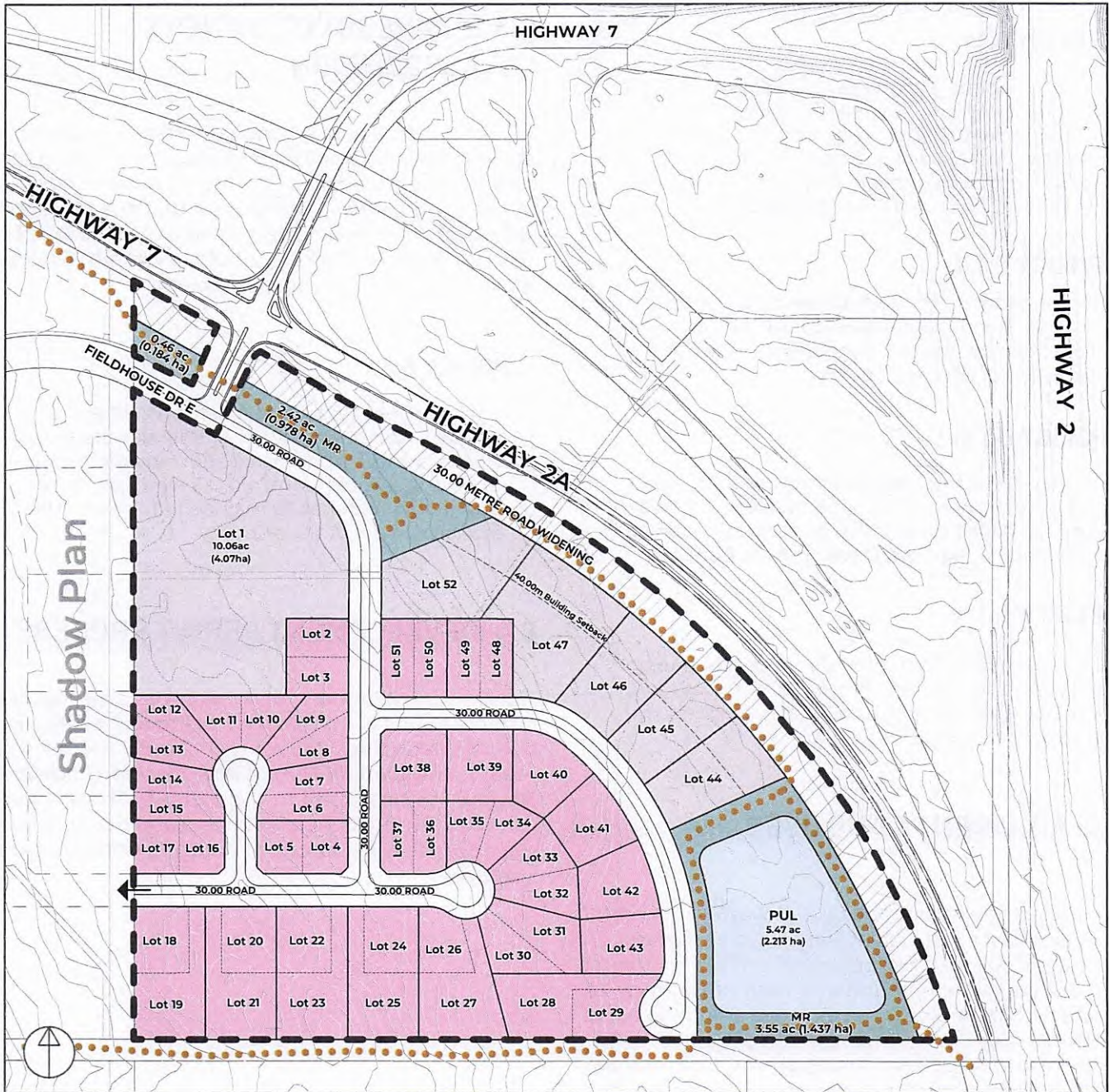


FIGURE 7: DEVELOPMENT CONCEPT

LEGEND

- WESTERN GATEWAY SITE | 82.17 ac (33.197 ha)
- HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL | 19.77 ac (8.011 ha)
- BUSINESS PARK | 32.78 ac (13.265 ha)
- MUNICIPAL RESERVE | 6.39 ac (2.586 ha)
- PUBLIC UTILITY LOT | 5.47 ac (2.213 ha)
- ROADS | 10.32 ac (4.109 ha)
- POTENTIAL FUNCTIONAL PATHWAY
- 30.0M ROAD WIDENING

OUTLINE PLAN STATS	+/- AC	+/- HA
Total Site Area	82.17	33.197
Road Widening	7.44	3.013
NET DEVELOPABLE	74.73	30.184

LAND USE	LOT TOTAL	LOT SIZE
Highway Commercial (HC)	6	1.57 ac - 10.06 ac
Business Park (BP)	46	0.50 ac - 1.00 ac
TOTAL	52 lots	

6.0 LAND USE OVERVIEW

POLICY 6.1.i

The developer recognizes that as development continues on the Western Gateway site, a new Development Permit may be required for the Western RV Dealership location in order to revise its size and configuration. This will be undertaken to the satisfaction of Foothills County.

POLICY 6.1.ii

The developer intendeds for each lot to support a stand alone business, should it be required, individual lots may be condominiumized at the discretion of Foothills County.

POLICY 6.1.iii

The developer intendeds that future subdivision and development within the Western Gateway Business Park is expected to proceed as generally illustrated on **Figure 7: Development Concept**.

POLICY 6.1.iv

The developer will provide detailed design engineering for all required services and infrastructure at the subdivision stage to the satisfaction of Foothills County.

6.2 ADJACENT LAND USES

The Subject Site is bounded by Highway 7 to the north/northeast/east of the Subject Site. Beyond Highway 2A is the CPKC Railway that traverses from the Northwest and follows the orientation and path of Highway 2A southerly. This rail line is not as active as in the past as the tracks have been removed south of Cargill. Further north of the Plan Area are Highway Commercial, Business District, and Natural Resource Extraction land uses. East of the Subject Site is Highway 7, and further east (over 300 metres east) are residential uses. South and southwest of the Subject Site are agricultural land uses that are, by policy, to host future business uses as outlined in the H2AASP. The immediate border with the parcel northwest of the site supports the Cavalry FC Regional Field House.

6.3 BUSINESS LOT OWNER'S ASSOCIATION

A Business Lot Owner's Association shall be established at the subdivision stage for the purposes of managing a contract with a waste management provider and other duties as required. It is expected that the developer will include the new lots developed within the Western Gateway Business Park as part of the Western Gateway Business Park Lot Owner's Association.

POLICY 6.3.i

The developer shall establish a Business Lot Owner's Association at the subdivision stage to address waste management and implementation of Architectural controls, as well as other maintenance duties as may be required, to the satisfaction of Foothills County.

6.4 DEVELOPMENT PERMIT PROCESS

Future construction of buildings and related improvements within each lot shall occur as required by Foothills County's Development Permit Process with regard to **Appendix B: H2AASP Design Guidelines Review** as described in the H2AASP, The Western Gateway Business Park Architectural Controls and the applicable provisions of Foothills County's Land Use Bylaw.

6.5 HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL & BUSINESS PARK DISTRICTS

The Highway Commercial District, as described in the Foothills County Land Use Bylaw, supports a range of commercial uses along major transportation corridors. The range of permitted and discretionary uses within the Highway Commercial district provides for services to the traveling public including convenience, auto, hotel, and retail uses. Highway Commercial Districts have a high potential to define and foster local economic development along the transportation corridor.

This wide array of end users requires a quality and thoroughly designed development project. Precedents for these types of developments exist regionally as part of the corridor (i.e. - Warner Business Park).

The Business Park District, as described in the Foothills County Land Use Bylaw, supports a range of business uses such as light industrial, warehousing, industrial manufacturing, and offices. These districts and developments provide services to accommodate a combination of business, commercial, and industrial activities within a comprehensively planned development. Business Park Districts are supported and encouraged within the Highway 2A corridor in the H2AISP.

Figure 8: Land Use Concept details the existing land use districts within the surrounding area as well as the proposed land use districts for the Outline Plan Area.



HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT (HC)



BUSINESS PARK DISTRICT (BP)



STREETSCAPE CONCEPT (FOR ILLUSTRATIVE PURPOSES ONLY)

6.0 LAND USE OVERVIEW

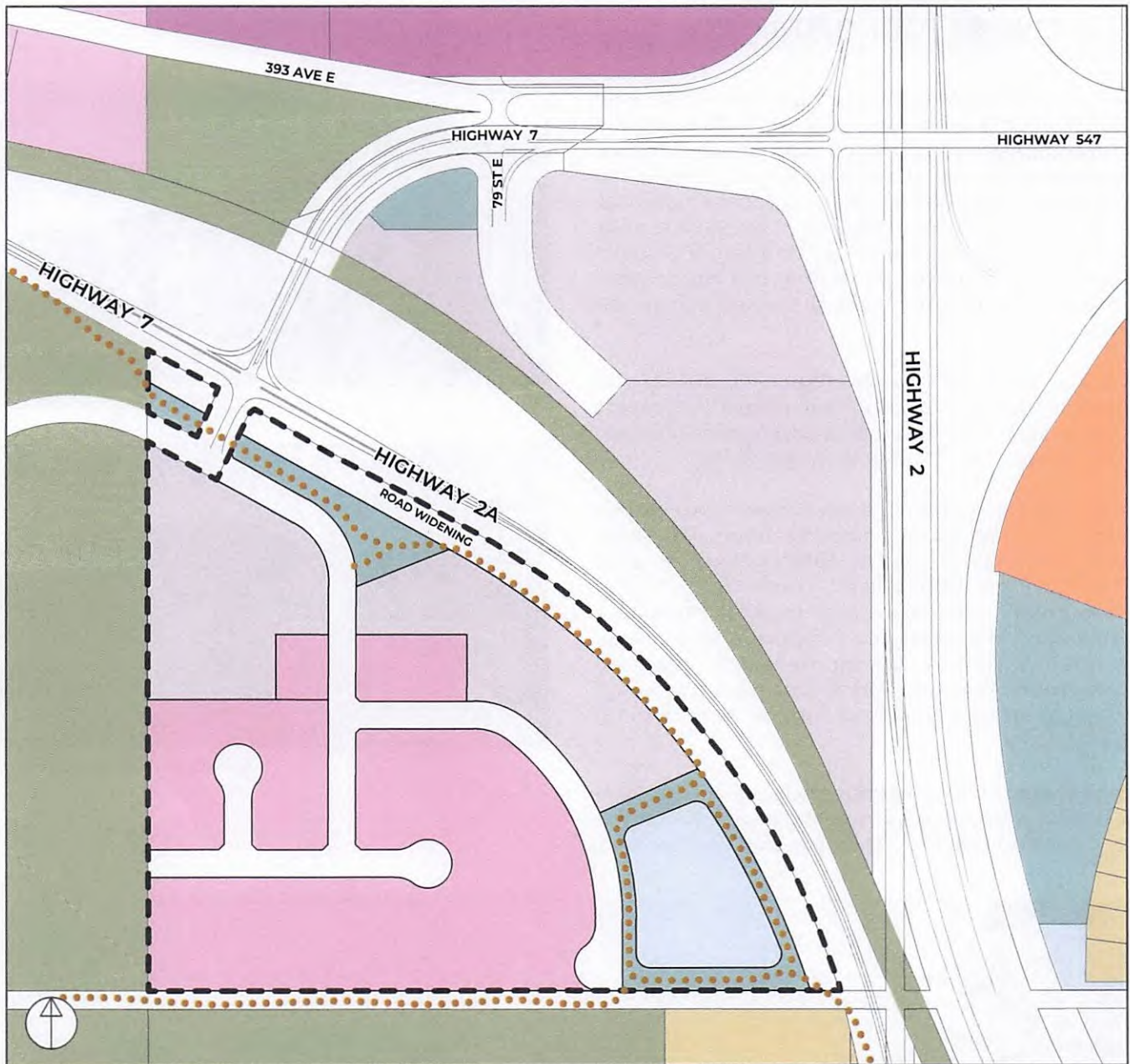


FIGURE 8: LAND USE CONCEPT

LEGEND

- WESTERN GATEWAY SITE | SE-13-20-29-W4M (± 82.17 AC / ± 33.197 HA)
- A AGRICULTURAL
- CR COUNTRY RESIDENTIAL
- DC DIRECT CONTROL
- BP BUSINESS PARK
- HC HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL
- INR NATURAL RESOURCE EXTRACTION
- PUL PUBLIC UTILITY LOT
- MLR MUNICIPAL LAND RESERVE
- POTENTIAL FUNCTIONAL PATHWAY

REDESIGNATION	+/- AC	+/- HA
A to BP	32.78	13.265
A to HC	19.77	8.077
A to MR	6.39	2.586
A to PUL	5.47	2.213
Roads	17.76	7.122

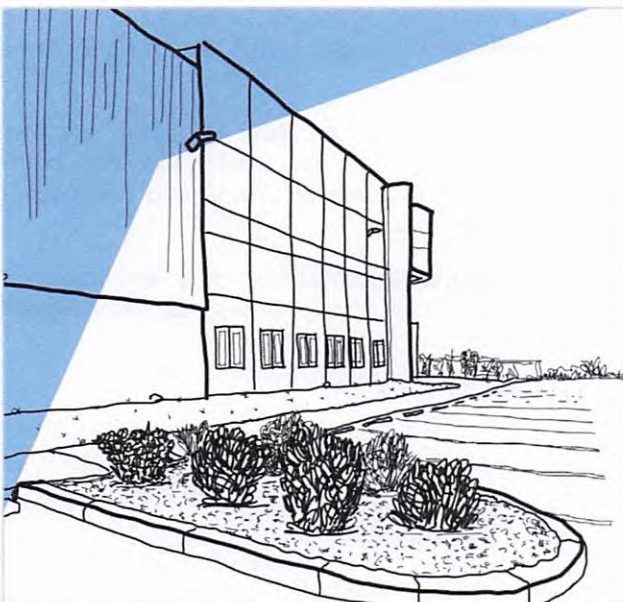
6.6 ARCHITECTURAL CONTROLS

The Western Gateway Business Park includes intentionally designed Highway Commercial lots. These lots require a higher degree of built form articulation, massing consideration, signage, landscaping and street presence. The Highway Commercial lots all front the Highway 2A corridor and are intended to be Highway facing, with rear access from the internal road, to take advantage of the visibility from the highway.

The Business Park lots are interior to the Western Gateway Business Park and, as with all lots, are required to meet the Western Gateway Business Park Architectural Controls which will comply, as much as possible, with **Appendix B: H2AIASP Design Guidelines Review** as described in the H2AIASP.

The Western Gateway Business Park Outline Plan conveys a master-planned industrial park that will be attractively designed, integrate with existing adjacent developments, and respect the H2AIASP Design Guidelines.

The specific type and scale of development anticipated within the Western Gateway Business Park is expected to include buildings with a varying type, scale and intensity. However, in all cases, business development is expected to establish and maintain an attractive development form within the Plan Area. As part of the subdivision application for each phase of development, the developer shall prepare architectural guidelines to ensure the specific form of development within each phase maintains a cohesive built-form.



The architectural guidelines are to be prepared as part of each subdivision phase and will establish specific design criteria to consider matters such as (but not limited to):

- Consistency of public realm design elements;
- Water conservation measures;
- Landscaping requirements;
- Entrance signage/feature requirements;
- Fencing;
- Lighting and Signage;
- Outside Storage and Screening;
- Snow Removal;
- Refuse + Recycling;
- Rooftop Screening (for exposed mechanical and electrical treatments);
- Generalized building form & character (i.e. architectural theming);
- Appropriate articulation of building massing and treatment of facades, material finishing & colour and glazing with the objective on maintaining a coordinated design aesthetic along the public roadway frontages; and
- Consistency with other existing business developments adjacent to the Plan Area.

POLICY 6.6.i

The developer shall prepare and submit Architectural controls in order to implement the H2AIASP Design Guidelines and Landscape considerations as outlined in **Appendix B: H2AIASP Design Guidelines Review** at the subdivision stage to the satisfaction of Foothills County.

POLICY 6.6.ii

The developer shall establish Architectural Controls and Landscape considerations at the subdivision stage to coordinate industrial building design criteria such as massing, material finishing & colour, break of bulk massing, glazing, landscaping, and dark sky compliant exterior illumination. The Architectural Controls are to be implemented and overseen by the Lot Owners Association.

6.7 LANDSCAPING CONSIDERATIONS

Implementing effective landscape design ideas can significantly enhance the appearance and functionality of business parks. These are considerations and are difficult to mandate with a broad brush across the entire business park as a variety of users can be supported within the park. The Landscape considerations will be included in the business parks Architectural Controls and Landscape considerations document and implemented to the degree possible by the Lot Owner's Association based on the end user requirements:

A) GREEN BUFFERS & SCREENING



Green buffers and screening defines lot boundaries and enhance privacy. Green buffers serve as natural barriers that define the boundaries of the business park, separating it from adjacent areas and reducing visual and noise pollution. Aspects of buffering include:

- **Hedges and Shrubs:** Dense hedges and shrubs can effectively screen the industrial park from nearby residential areas or highways, providing privacy and reducing noise;
- **Fencing Integration:** Combine green buffers with fencing for added security and structure, ensuring a cohesive and well-defined perimeter; and
- **Strategic Placement:** Position green buffers along property lines, entrances, and pedestrian pathways to maximize their effectiveness in defining spaces and enhancing privacy

B) FUNCTIONAL OUTDOOR SPACES



Creating Areas for relaxation and socialization with functional outdoor spaces providing employees with areas to relax, socialize, and rejuvenate, contributing to a positive work environment. Aspects of functional outdoor space include:

- **Break Areas and Picnic Tables:** Install shaded break areas with picnic tables where employees can enjoy their lunch breaks or informal meetings; and
- **Gazebos and Pergolas:** Create sheltered gathering spots that offer protection from the elements, making outdoor spaces usable year-round.

C) SUSTAINABLE LANDSCAPING PRACTICES



Adopting sustainable landscaping practices not only benefits the environment it promotes sustainability and also reduces long-term maintenance costs. Aspects to be considered in sustainable landscape practices include:

- **Native and Drought-Tolerant Plants:** Plant species will be utilized that are well-suited to the local climate, requiring less water and maintenance while supporting local biodiversity. This is also termed xeriscaping;
- **Rainwater Harvesting:** Implementing rainwater harvesting systems to collect and reuse rainwater for lot level irrigation, conserving water resources; and
- **Permeable Paving:** Using permeable paving materials in parking lots and walkways to reduce stormwater runoff and promote groundwater recharge.

D) EFFICIENT IRRIGATION SYSTEMS



Ensuring optimal water usage and efficient irrigation systems are essential for maintaining healthy landscapes while conserving water. Considerations for efficient irrigation include:

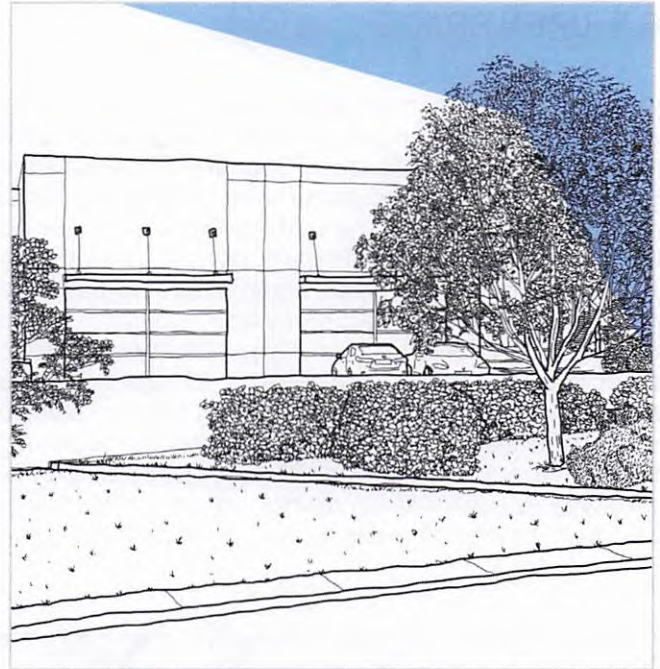
- **Smart Controllers:** Install smart irrigation controllers that adjust watering schedules based on weather data and soil moisture levels, ensuring optimal water usage;
- **Drip Irrigation:** Utilize drip irrigation systems for flower beds, shrubs, and trees, delivering water directly to the plant roots and minimizing evaporation; and
- **Regular Maintenance:** Conduct regular inspections and maintenance of irrigation systems to prevent leaks, clogs, and inefficiencies.

E) AESTHETIC ENHANCEMENTS



Aesthetic enhancements add visual interest and elegance by elevating the visual appeal of the business park, making it more attractive to clients and employees. Aspects of aesthetic enhancements include:

- **Lighting Solutions:** Use landscape lighting to highlight key features, improve safety, and create a welcoming atmosphere during evening hours; and
- **Public Art Installations:** Integrating artistic elements such as sculptures or murals that reflect the lot owner's brand identity and add unique visual interest.

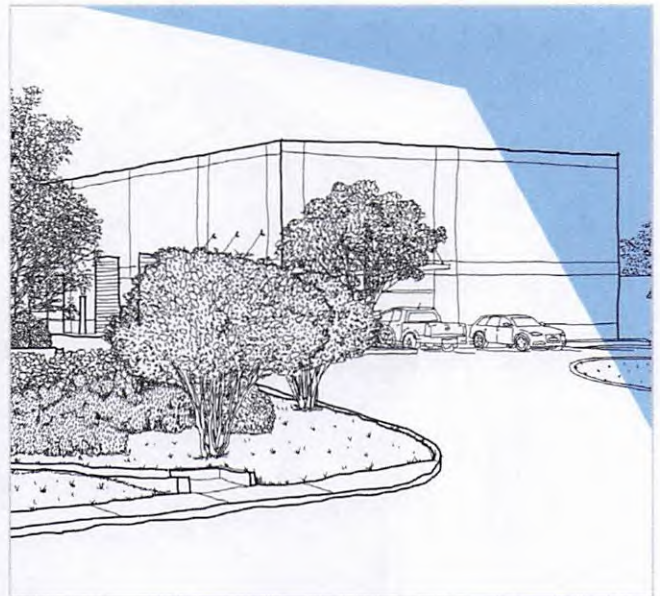


F) SAFETY & ACCESSIBILITY



Ensuring safety and accessibility by creating a secure and inclusive environment is paramount in landscape design, this results in the business park becoming secure and welcoming space for everyone. Aspects of safety in design include:

- **Clear Pathways:** Design of wide, well-marked walkways that are free from obstructions, ensuring easy navigation for pedestrians and vehicles; and
- **Barrier Free Design:** Ensure that all outdoor areas are barrier free, providing accessible routes and features for individuals with disabilities.



G) SEASONAL LANDSCAPING CONSIDERATIONS



Seasonal landscaping ensures that the business park adapts with the seasons and remains attractive and functional throughout the year. Aspects of seasonal landscaping include:

- **Spring and Summer Care:** Focus on planting seasonal flowers, maintaining green spaces, and ensuring irrigation systems are fully operational;
- **Fall Clean-Up:** Remove fallen leaves, prune overgrown plants, and prepare the landscape for the upcoming winter months; and
- **Winter Preparation:** Implement snow removal and ice management strategies to be carried out by the Lot Owners Association to maintain safety and accessibility during colder months.

6.8 OPEN SPACE

The open space system within the Plan Area will be provided as generally illustrated on **Figure 8: Land Use Concept**. The Western Gateway Business Park includes a landscaped entry, with unified pedestal signage, as required in the H2AISP, on the MR parcel and a sitting and circular pathway area around the PUL that connects to the potential functional pathway. The conceptual landscaping design and open space network can be found on **Figure 9: Open Space Conceptual Feature** and **Figure 10: Open Space Network**. Significant planning and design will be undertaken to prepare an enhanced landscaping plan for the MR areas, inclusive of arrival elements, gateway specific landscaping, on-lot landscaping and bench seating areas with pathways around the

PUL. The Western Gateway Business Park Lot Owner's Association will be responsible for maintenance of the MR enhanced landscaping.

Foothills County placed a potable water booster station on the east portion of the road allowance that runs east and west along the south side of the Plan Area. The booster station makes road connection to the Highway system at this location a challenge. The road allowance if remaining undeveloped, could be utilized as an alternative functional pathway to the Calvary FC Regional Fieldhouse. The road allowance is not intended to be developed as part of the Western Gateway Businesses Park but could be crossed in future from Western Gateway to lands south in order to facilitate development of those lands.



FIGURE 9: OPEN SPACE CONCEPTUAL FEATURE

LEGEND

- WESTERN GATEWAY SITE BOUNDARY
- OPEN SPACE (MUNICIPAL RESERVE)
- PUBLIC UTILITY LOT
- FUNCTIONAL PATHWAY
- CONCEPTUAL LANDSCAPING
- CONCEPTUAL SEATING AREAS
- 30.0M ROAD WIDENING



Unified Business
Park Signage

FIGURE 10: OPEN SPACE NETWORK

LEGEND

- WESTERN GATEWAY SITE | SE-13-20-29-W4M (+ 82.17 AC / + 33.197 HA)
- OPEN SPACE (MUNICIPAL RESERVE - + 6.39 AC / + 2.586 HA)
- PUBLIC UTILITY LOT (+ 5.47 AC / + 2.213 HA)
- PLAN AREA INTERNAL ROADS
- FUNCTIONAL PATHWAY
- 30.0M ROAD WIDENING

6.0 LAND USE OVERVIEW

6.9 MUNICIPAL RESERVE

Disposition of outstanding municipal reserve (MR) within the Plan Area shall be provided by the developer at the subdivision stage by a combination of land dedication and cash-in-lieu of land in accordance with the requirements of the Municipal Government Act. There are two principal reasons for cash-in-lieu in this development project, (1) the MR in the area is disconnected by either highway or rail infrastructure and, (2) it is not common for large business parks to support large reserves for public use given the amount of large truck traffic utilizing the roads and the area (i.e. - High Plains Business Park, Wagon Wheel Business Park in Rocky View County). Pedestrians are purposely not enticed to walk on the roadways in Business Park developments and the commercial road cross section standard in Foothills County does not contain any sidewalk in the approved standard. The MR is to be identified as MLR District (Municipal Land Reserve) such that its maintenance can be undertaken by the Lot Owners Association and not the County.

The amount of municipal reserve outstanding and anticipated disposition is summarized in **Table 2: Proposed Municipal Reserve Disposition**.

TABLE 2: PROPOSED MUNICIPAL RESERVE DISPOSITION

	AREA (AC)	AREA (HA)	% GDA
Gross Area	82.17	33.197	
Municipal Reserve (Dedicated)	6.39	2.586	8.55
*Reserves Owing	1.82	0.736	1.45

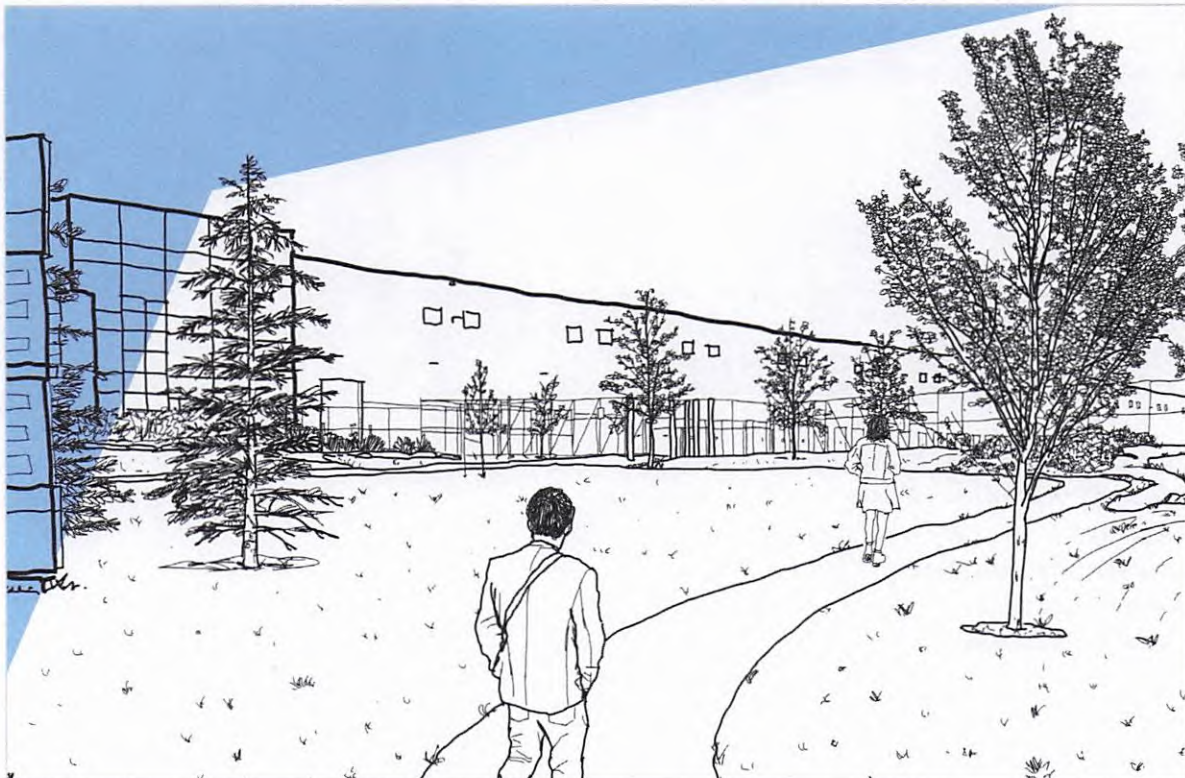
**intended to be provided by way of cash-in-lieu*

POLICY 6.9.i

Outstanding Municipal Reserve (MR) shall be dedicated by the developer at the subdivision stage via "cash-in-lieu" payment of land pursuant to the provisions of the Municipal Government Act to the satisfaction of Foothills County.

POLICY 6.9.ii

Open space within the Plan Area shall be provided as generally illustrated on **Figure 8: Land Use Concept**.



7.0

INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICING

7.0 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICING

Figure 11: Sanitary & Water Servicing illustrates the conceptual servicing strategy for sanitary and water servicing for the Western Gateway Business Park and surrounding area within the H2A/ASP.

7.1 WATER SERVICING

The North Aldersyde Water and Wastewater Feasibility Study, prepared by Urban Systems Ltd. on behalf of Foothills County, dated April 2020, provided the basis and direction for the infrastructure strategy for this Outline Plan.

A Water Treatment Plant (WTP) is proposed to be constructed by Foothills County as part of the North Aldersyde system. The Western Gateway site is serviced by the County's potable water system today from a 300mm PVC watermain from the High River WTP. The North Aldersyde Water and Wastewater Feasibility Study is based on the consumption data from the County, the current users of the water infrastructure from the High River WTP within the analysis area have an average daily demand (ADD) of 154 m³/day (33,810 igal/day). Serviced Development parcels are located within the Silvertip and Warner Business Park developments. These parcels account for an additional 61 m³/day (13,418 igal/day) of water distribution ADD on the North Aldersyde WTP. Combining these two groups of parcels would result in an average daily demand of approximately 215 m³ per day of immediate and imminent water consumption customers to the North Aldersyde WTP.

The existing and serviced developments of the North Aldersyde study area currently connected to the existing County water distribution infrastructure system have total estimate wastewater flows of 43 cubic metres/day, with a full buildout demand of 665 cubic metres/day. The Western Gateway Business Park is located within the Phase 1 servicing area and the potable water capacity is in place to service the number of new lots as outlined in the Western Gateway Outline Plan.

It is important to note that the Fieldhouse Booster Station is located to the southeast of the Western Gateway Plan Area within the undeveloped road allowance that parallels the site. This makes the road allowance undevelopable for road construction and, as such, the road allowance could provide for an informal alternative and open space pathway connection to the Regional Fieldhouse should Foothills County deem it appropriate to consider.

Triple bottom line objectives were followed, and water conservation techniques are incorporated in the Architectural Guidelines as part of the Western Gateway Business Park. The lot plan is intended to work wisely with water connections and ensure that connections, if requested, are actually in use and designed to suit the tenants/lot owner requirements. It is not known if the current water capacity can sustain the entirety of the business park, or, if the new Foothills County WTP needs to be up and running in order to service the entire park.

POLICY 7.1.i

The developer will execute and comply with the Foothills County Municipal Development Agreement for the construction of required internal and external potable water infrastructure and provide payment of fees and/or off-site levies required to serve the development.

POLICY 7.1.ii

The developer will undertake detailed design engineering of the potable water distribution system to the satisfaction of Foothills County at the subdivision stage.

POLICY 7.1.iii

The developer will enter into a Servicing Agreement at the subdivision stage with Foothills County that outlines, among other things, construction of utilities, offsite levies and required securities.

POLICY 7.1.iiii

As the New WTP infrastructure may be completed in a similar timeline as the Western gateway Business Park, an assessment of potable water capacity, and provision of same should the new WTP not be completed will be provided by the developer as a condition of subdivision approval. This report will assist in determining how many lots can be developed in advance of the new WTP construction.

7.1.1 FIRE FLOWS

The Feasibility Study assumes an average daily demand of water for non-residential uses to be 2.72 cubic metres, per day, per hectare (243 igal/d/ac), and fire flow criteria assumes commercial/ industrial requires 166-250 litres/second (2,191-3,963 ipm) for 2-3.5 hours. The stage 1-B improvements proposed by the North Aldersyde Feasibility Study will enhance the LOS to the minimum fire flow guidelines. Minimum fire flows for the Plan Area are 166L/s for 2 hours for commercial and industrial developments, based on the Stage 1-B improvements identified by the North Aldersyde Feasibility Study. The utilization of the stormwater PUL for fire flows will be included in the assessment provided at the land use stage.

The new WTP infrastructure may be completed in a similar timeline as the Western Gateway Business Park, an assessment of Fire Flow capacity, and provision of same should the WTP not be completed, will be provided as a condition of land use approval.

POLICY 7.1.1.i

The developer shall provide updated water demand analysis and fire flow analysis as a condition of land use approval to the satisfaction of Foothills County.

7.0 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICING

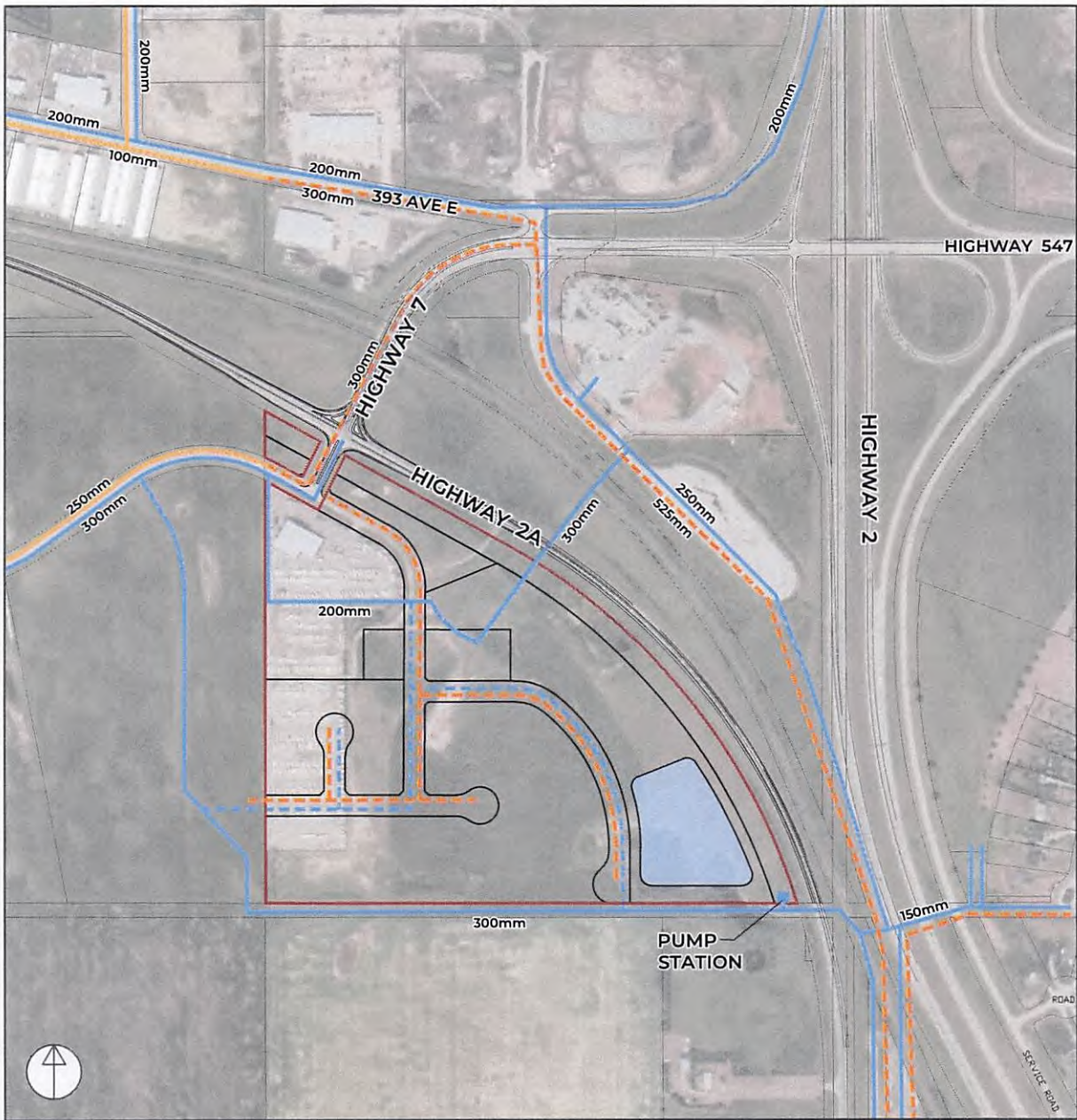


FIGURE 11: SANITARY & WATER SERVICING

LEGEND

- WESTERN GATEWAY SITE | SE-13-20-29-W4M (± 82.17 AC / ± 33.197 HA)
- EXISTING WATER LINES
- EXISTING SANITARY LINES
- - - FUTURE SANITARY LINES
- - - FUTURE WATER LINES

7.2 WASTEWATER SERVICING

Foothills County is undertaking a Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) in the Hamlet of Aldersyde that will eventually service the Highway 2A corridor. Currently the WWTP is in the design/tender stage. Many developments in the area, such as Warner Business Park, have pre-installed deep utility servicing to allow for seamless future connections to the wastewater treatment plant when the WWTP is in place. The North Aldersyde Feasibility Study indicates for wastewater, that in advance of the WWTP's construction completion, utilization of on-site wastewater storage tanks will be allowed. In this instance, wastewater would be collected centrally to a communal tank and will be hauled off-site in the interim.

At the subdivision stage, the developer will pre-install the deep utility for Western Gateway Business Park such that it drains by gravity to the future feeder main connection point. The wastewater will be hauled out until such time as the feedermain connection can be made and the site transitions to a fully serviced deep utility system.

The WWTP is sized based on the area baseline sanitary flows (ADWF) plus a peaking factor and inflow and infiltration of the contributing areas. The WWTP approval is for 1,530 m³/d (336,553 igal/d) (850 m³/d (186,974 igal/d) ADWF), inflow and infiltration (15%) must be subtracted in order to determine what flows are reserved for development (652 m³/d (143,420 igal/d) ADWF). It must also include capacity for the WTP waste flows (100 m³/day (21,997 igal/day)), as this is a regular contributor of flows to the WWTP.

Wastewater servicing is assumed to generally follow existing and future water mains, as outlined on **Figure 11: Sanitary & Water Servicing**, and will need to consider design limitations based on topography. As no sanitary infrastructure currently exists, it will be most effective to build sanitary infrastructure in areas where users can connect immediately and in areas close to the WWTP to minimize the length of trunk main required. Infrastructure requirements for Phase 1-A wastewater servicing include a 525mm effluent return line to the Western RV store location and a 250mm wastewater effluent collection line throughout the business park. The current Western RV Dealership will be converted from a pump out system to the wastewater deep utility at a time when the infrastructure is available. The detailed design engineering will be undertaken at the subdivision stage.

POLICY 7.2.i

The developer will execute and comply with the Foothills County Municipal Development Agreement for the construction of required internal and external wastewater infrastructure and provide payment of fees and/or off-site levies required to serve the development.

POLICY 7.2.ii

The developer will undertake detailed design engineering of the wastewater distribution system to the satisfaction of Foothills County at the subdivision stage.

POLICY 7.2.iii

The developer shall provide updated water demand analysis as a condition of land use approval to the satisfaction of Foothills County.

POLICY 7.2.iv

The developer shall enter into a Deferred Servicing Agreement should the wastewater infrastructure not be available at the subdivision stage to the satisfaction Foothills County.

7.0 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICING

7.3 STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

In May 2014, the developer submitted a Stormwater Management Plan, which was reviewed and accepted by the County's Public Works department. As there has been a revision to the Plan Area since 2014, Foothills County may request an updated Stormwater Management Report as a condition of land use.

The previous Stormwater Management Report directed post-development drainage of the Western Gateway Plan Area be best managed by matching existing grades and drainage patterns as closely as possible and providing roadside ditches as conveyance system ultimately discharging into a stormwater retention system at the southeast corner. Pre-development release rate of this site is established at 5 L/s/ha (MD of Foothills No. 31 Water, Wastewater and Stormwater Servicing Strategy Highway 2A Area Structure Plan, MPE Engineering, March 2010).

Stormwater for the proposed Outline Plan will be managed entirely on-site. A 5.47-acre (2.21-hectare) stormwater management pond is proposed on the southeast corner of the Western Gateway Plan Area. The proposed stormwater management pond is sized appropriately and has been engineered to accommodate overland drainage for the entire Western Gateway Plan catchment area.

The development of the Plan Area is phased such that an interim storm pond, developed for the RV storage site, is decommissioned and added overland flows directed to the larger and permanent storm facility in the PUL. The removal of this interim storm pond will occur as part of Phase 2 and updated storm plan may be required to be submitted to Foothills County to accommodate the removal of the interim pond.

POLICY 7.3.i

The developer shall provide an updated Stormwater Management Plan, inclusive of the phased removal of the interim pond on the site, to the satisfaction of Foothills County as a condition of land use approval.

POLICY 7.3.ii

As the site development plan has a minor second phase, the storm water infrastructure will be completed in phase one to accommodate for all future development and only staged to allow transition away from the existing interim holding pond. The developer will undertake the stormwater infrastructure to the satisfaction of Foothills County as a condition of subdivision approval.

POLICY 7.3.iii

The developer shall enter into a Development Agreement for the Storm Pond to the satisfaction of Foothills County as a condition of land use approval.

7.4 SHALLOW UTILITIES

Electrical service for Western Gateway Plan Area shall be provided by Fortis Alberta. Electrical upgrades will require a three phase power connection to the north south line running along the western side of the Plan Area. A future underground three phase line will service the Western Gateway Plan Area. A three-phase transformer may be required.

Natural gas service for the Western Gateway Plan Area will be west of the Highwood River will be provided by ATCO Gas. A gas feeder connection will provide the Western Gateway Plan Area with access to natural gas service via a gas feeder from Aldersyde across Highway 2.

Communications and cable are expected to be required for the Western Gateway Plan Area. These shallow utilities will be provided by an extension of existing infrastructure in the area.

Utility providers in the area should be engaged during subsequent planning and design to determine specific utility requirements on-site, as well as potential upgrades to off-site infrastructure that may be required to support the development.

POLICY 7.4.i

The developer shall coordinate shallow utilities at the subdivision stage, as may be required, to the satisfaction of the utility providers and Foothills County.

7.5 WASTE MANAGEMENT

The H2A IASP contains significant direction with regard to waste management and recycling. The county does not utilize molok, or central and diversified, garbage collection systems, as such, business will need to rely on the Lot Owners Association to organize and coordinate waste management and recycling within the business park.

Waste management handling locations will be designed in accordance with the requirements of the H2A IASP which includes aspect such as screening, diversion from landfill and reuse, with an overall vision toward waste reduction.

POLICY 7.5.i

The developer shall establish a Business Lot Owner's Association at the subdivision stage to address waste management and implementation of Architectural Controls, as well, recycling initiatives may be required, to the satisfaction of Foothills County.

8.0

TRANSPORTATION

A detailed Traffic Impact Assessment was prepared and is outlined in **Section 5.6** of this outline plan document. It is important to describe both external road improvements (as outlined in **Section 5.6**) and internal road standards and construction obligations.

Area proceed with development where this road would then provide connections westerly and improve overall vehicular traffic within this part of the H2A/ASP Plan Area. A cross-section of the internal road design is provided in **Figure 12: Typical Commercial Internal Road Cross Section**.

8.1 INTERNAL ROADS

The site plan contemplates a new 30.0-metre wide, two-pronged access road branching off from Fieldhouse Drive East from Highway 2A towards Lot 1, which currently houses the Western RV Sales building and RV Storage lot, which has a leg that will remain existing under the proposed Western Gateway Outline Plan.

The internal road extends southeast to allow for easy flow of vehicles ranging from passenger and light-duty cars and trucks to heavy-duty and large-scale trucks and trailers, allowing access to the southeast lots on the site. This east leg ends in a temporary cul-de-sac (surveyed as an access ROW) until the lands south of the Plan Area proceed with development. The second leg access road extends southerly along the central-west part of the site and then turns westerly. The end of this internal road will be a cul-de-sac until the lands west of the Western Gateway Outline Plan

POLICY 8.1.i

The developer shall enter into a Development Agreement which outlines the developers responsibility to construct the internal roads. The internal roads will be constructed and maintained by the developer until completion of the CCC/FAC period, at which time they will be turned over to Foothills County. Upon issuance of the Final Acceptance Certificate, the County shall assume ownership and responsibility for maintenance of the internal roads

POLICY 8.1.ii

The internal roads will be designed to a Commercial Road standard, as described in the Foothills County Road Construction Standards. The placement of utilities within or outside the road right of way will be determined at the subdivision stage to the satisfaction of Foothills County

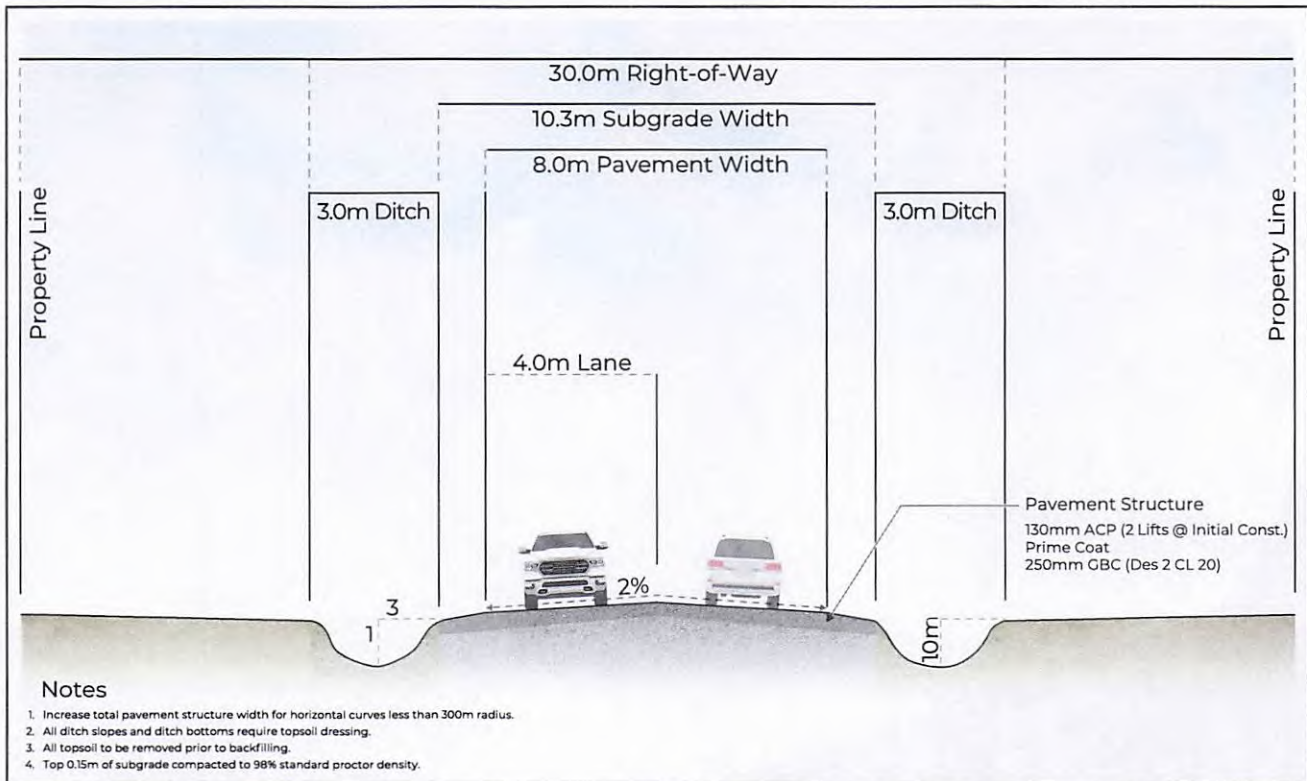


FIGURE 12: TYPICAL COMMERCIAL INTERNAL ROAD CROSS SECTION

9.0

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Emergency services within the Western Gateway Plan Area include fire, EMS, and protective service needs. Fire services will be provided by Foothills County. Minimum fire flows for the Plan Area are 166L/s for 2 hours for commercial and industrial developments, based on the Stage 1-B improvements identified by the North Aldersyde Water and Wastewater Feasibility Study.

Police services will be provided from the local Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) detachments, being the Okotoks Detachment.

The Developer will ensure an appropriate and efficient level of fire and protective service is made available for current and future business owners in order to provide a safe community to work in.



POLICY 9.0.i

The developer shall be responsible for ensuring fire suppression is available to each lot in the Western Gateway Business Park at the subdivision stage to the satisfaction of Foothills County.

POLICY 9.0.ii

Policing will be provided by the RCMP as per the Provincial Police Service Agreement, until such time as another policing solution is required or sought out.

POLICY 9.0.iii

At the subdivision stage the developer shall address fire and protection response measures, as well as on-site firefighting requirements through consideration of such factors as efficient road design, safe and efficient access for emergency service vehicles, efficient access for emergency egress, wildland fire protection, and fire control measures to the satisfaction of Foothills County.

10.0

IMPLEMENTATION, REVIEW, & PHASING

The Western Gateway Business Park will be developed largely in two phases. The initial phase includes all land outside of the current Western RV business, inclusive of the storage area. Phase 2 involves reduction of the storage area associated with the Western RV dealership. The timing of Phase 2 will be based on market demand and available flexibility of the RV storage area.

The developer may phase the Western Gateway Business Park in the manner outlined on **Figure 13: Phasing Strategy**. Revised phasing may be considered, without amendment to this plan, to the satisfaction of Foothills County.

POLICY 10.0.i

The developer may phase the Western Gateway Business Park in the manner outlined on **Figure 13: Phasing Strategy**. Revised phasing may be considered, without amendment to this plan, to the satisfaction of Foothills County.

POLICY 10.0.ii

The developer shall detail the phasing strategy at the subdivision stage to the satisfaction of Foothills County.

POLICY 10.0.iii

The subdivision, for any stage, may include breaking phases down further or, conversely, simultaneous development of phases based on current economic and market conditions. This may occur without further amendment to the Western Gateway Outline plan to the satisfaction of Foothills County.

10.0 IMPLEMENTATION, REVIEW, & PHASING

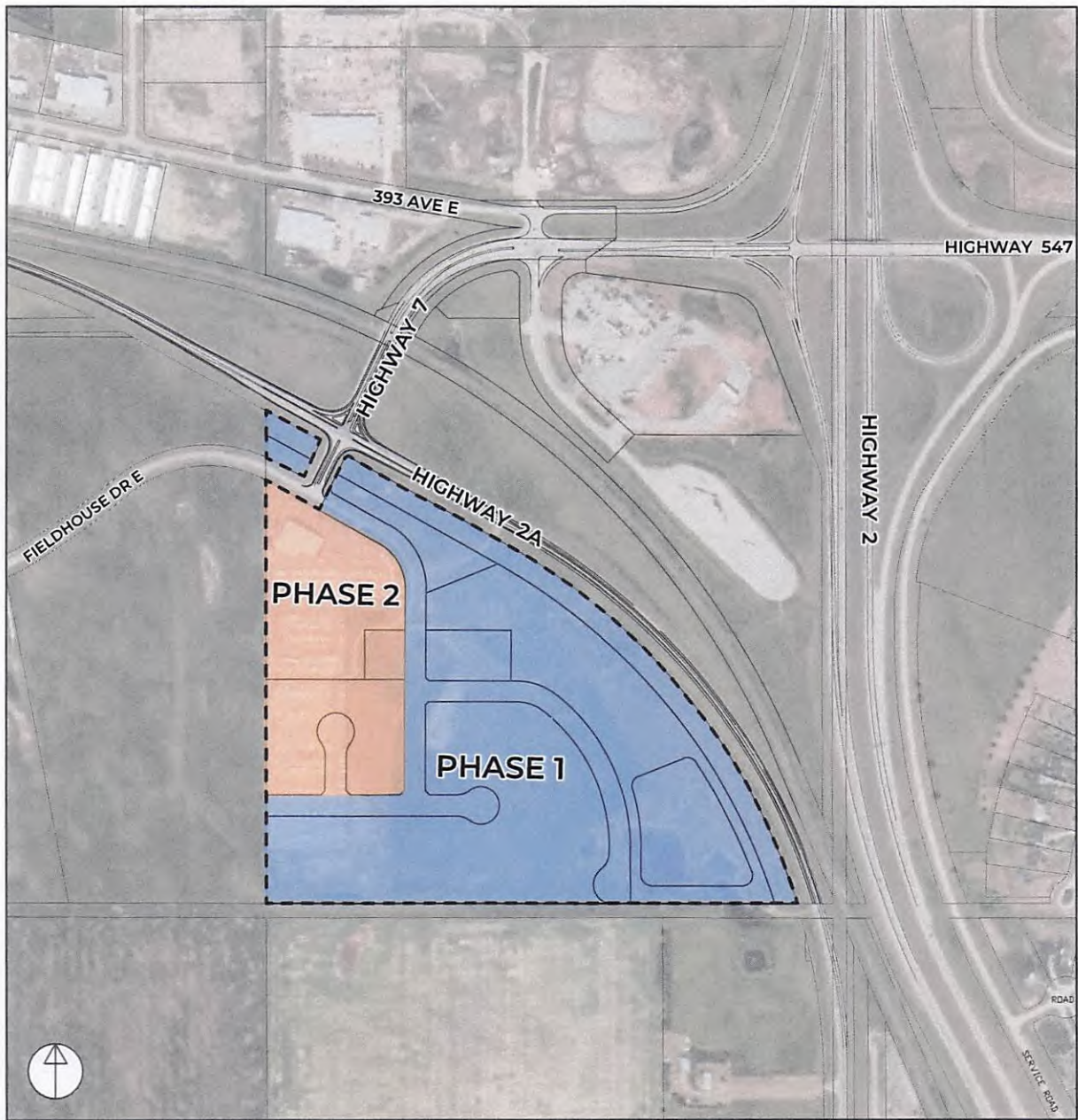





FIGURE 13: PHASING STRATEGY

- LEGEND**
-  WESTERN GATEWAY SITE | SE-13-20-29-W4M (± 82.17 AC / ± 33.197 HA)
 -  PHASE ONE
 -  PHASE TWO

APPENDIX A:

H2A IASP POLICY REVIEW & SUMMARY RESPONSE

Please note: The following are existing Objectives and Policies in the H2AASP. As such, these are not reported in the Outline Plan. They are included in the Appendix to outline applicability and how the objective/policy alignment is achieved.

SECTION	OBJECTIVE	OUTLINE PLAN ALIGNMENT
2.2 Guiding Principles	Overarching Plan Objectives:	
	1. Encourage community engagement and stakeholder collaboration	Stakeholder engagement and collaboration occurred early 2015.
	2. Support and encourage sustainable, lasting development	Triple bottom line objectives were followed, water conservation techniques are incorporated where possible (See Section 6.7 Landscaping Considerations).
	3. Use existing and future infrastructure efficiently and to the fullest extent	Existing infrastructure is utilized and interim to long term servicing solutions are incorporated (See Section 7.0 Infrastructure Servicing).
	4. Connect with other development and/or integrate into existing and planned growth areas	The WG Plan provides connections to adjacent lands for efficient growth and development over time (See Figure 7: Development Concept).
	5. Provide a variety of mobility options and promote the sharing of transportation infrastructure	The WG Plan contains opportunities for pedestrian and multi-modal connections, including transit should it become available.
	6. Provide a flexible range of land uses that allow for timely, predictable, fair, and cost effective development decisions	The WG Plan supports a phased development approach over time and offers a range of land use choices (See Figure 13: Phasing Strategy and Figure 8: Land Use Concept).
	7. Provide for a wide range of business opportunities while minimizing potential land use conflicts	The WG Plan offers a wide range of complimentary land uses that compliment neighbouring land uses (See Figure 8: Land Use Concept).
	8. Foster a distinctive and attractive business community with a strong sense of place	The WG Plan is detailed and demonstrates a vision for the built form outcome that is unified and offers a sense of place (See Section 6.6 Architectural Controls).
9. Recognize the importance of environmental quality and promote, preserve and protect air quality, water, soil and natural capital, open spaces, farmland and critical natural environments	The WG Plan does not negatively impact agricultural land uses adjacent and the site does not contain any significant environmental features.	
3.0 Land Use	Goals and Objectives:	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide adequate transitional buffers of appropriate uses adjacent to each urban municipality. 	Not applicable. The WG Plan Area does not interface with an urban municipality.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To ensure the rural character of the MD of Foothills is maintained by providing adequate transitions nearing the edges of the Plan Area. 	Edge conditions are considered on all sides with appropriate transitions where warranted. The Subject Site is bordered by Highway 2A and an adjacent business park.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To ensure the appropriate intensity of land uses throughout the Plan Area based on site location and adjacent conditions. 	The land use choices and parcel sizes in the WG Plan are based on market conditions and future use as identified in the H2AASP.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To minimize land use conflict through the provision of consistent and logical zoning options. To maintain productive agricultural lands, especially along the western edge of the corridor, until such time that all other lands in the corridor have been developed. 	The site supports land uses compatible with the H2AASP. Not applicable. These lands are in Phase 1 of the H2AASP.

SECTION	OBJECTIVE	OUTLINE PLAN ALIGNMENT
3.0 Land Use (continued)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To site land uses which provide the greatest benefit to residents, businesses, and employees in and around the Plan Area. 	The WG Site is designed to provide employment to Foothills County residents.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide potential businesses with surety of use through simple, efficient, and flexible zoning options. 	The Business Park and Highway Commercial districts provide a great deal of flexibility to business owners in the Highway 2A Industrial corridor.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To ensure preservation of the corridor's natural capital and significant environmental features. 	The WG Business Park consolidates drainage across the site to a singular storm pond. All wetlands have been reviewed and none are highly rated. The developer will be following AEPA's Wetland Replacement program.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To support eco-industrial principles through flexible land use options. 	Not applicable. It has been shown over time that eco-industrial business parks do not thrive in our climate.
3.3 Agriculture and Agricultural Transition	Goals and Objectives: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To actively mitigate the premature fragmentation of productive agricultural lands in the Plan Area. 	Not applicable.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To support a phasing strategy that avoids the premature conversion of agricultural lands to other uses. 	Not applicable.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To ensure agricultural lands along the western edge of the Plan Area are maintained until all other developable lands have been exhausted. 	Not applicable.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To utilize agricultural lands as a transitional buffer between the corridor and the outlying rural areas. 	Not applicable.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To encourage developers, business owners, and agricultural producers to interact in a mutually beneficial way. 	Not applicable.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To ensure the agricultural lands with the highest production potential are converted to other uses as far into the future as is possible. 	Not applicable.
3.4 Industrial and Commercial	Goals and Objectives: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To establish an area within the M.D. of Foothills suitable for a concentrated pattern of industrial and commercial development. 	The WG Plan outlines orderly and economic development on the site.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To ensure that industrial and commercial development is compatible with corridor transportation infrastructure. 	In March 2024, a Traffic Impact Assessment was prepared by Bunt & Associates and provided under separate cover. ATEC will be circulated as part of the RSDP process.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To ensure that commercial and industrial development is compatible with existing adjacent land uses. 	A range of compatible land uses, inclusive of commercial and industrial land uses, are proposed and elements of urban design will be introduced to promote harmony in the built form (See Section 6.6 Architectural Controls).
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To allow for a variety of complementary commercial and industrial uses. 	The Foothills Land Use Bylaw provides for a wide range of complimentary uses in the Business Park and Highway Commercial districts.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To promote the implementation of eco-industrial development principles. 	Not applicable. It has been shown over time that eco-industrial business parks do not work in our climate.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To ensure planning and development flexibility as it relates to parcel size, land use, and servicing availability. 	A variety of parcel sizes are offered to provide flexibility and options for end users. This project connects to municipal piped services.

SECTION	OBJECTIVE	OUTLINE PLAN ALIGNMENT
3.4 Industrial and Commercial (continued)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To ensure proposed developments are sensitive to the natural elements of the Plan Area. 	Wetlands on the site have been evaluated and they are not environmentally significant and the developer will follow AEPA's Wetland Replacement program.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To promote the corridor as a suitable location for a variety of relevant institutional facilities. 	Not applicable. As we understand, FSD is looking for a school site in the area and this has been provided in the Hamlet of Highfield.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To support an economic development strategy for the corridor. 	The WG Plan is intended to support the economic development objectives of AFICA and the region as a whole.
3.5 Residential	Goals and Objectives: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To encourage intensification, infill, and redevelopment within the Plan Area where communal servicing and infrastructure exists. 	Not applicable.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To create a range of housing opportunities and choices. 	Not applicable.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To foster a balance of social, environmental, and economic sustainability. 	Not applicable.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To ensure that residential development is located proximate to local and regional transportation options. 	Not applicable.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To apply innovative land use planning and conservation concepts that improves municipal efficiencies and reduces rural sprawl. 	Not applicable.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To encourage an attractive residential environment. 	Not applicable.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To ensure adequate buffers to all types of industrial development. 	Not applicable.
3.6 Recreation	Goals and Objectives: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To integrate a diversity of recreational opportunities into the Plan Area. 	Not applicable.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide residents, employees, and businesses of the area with efficient and viable transit options. 	Not applicable.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To promote the use of parks and pathways as recreational amenities and transit alternatives. 	Not applicable.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To ensure the integration of natural areas, active park spaces and linked recreation corridors with residential, commercial, institutional and industrial development. 	Not applicable.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To incorporate green space within environmentally significant features into the Plan Area. 	Not applicable.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To transition from regional open spaces and pathways networks to urban contexts efficiently and in an aesthetically pleasing manner. 	Not applicable.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To protect existing natural vegetation within the corridor, especially within the Plan Area's riparian zones. 	Not applicable.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To respect and account for a variety of adjacent land uses when considering recreational amenities and open space location and design. 	Not applicable.

SECTION	OBJECTIVE	OUTLINE PLAN ALIGNMENT
4.0 Regional Context	Goals and Objectives: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To ensure cooperative and mutually beneficial development of lands proximate to urban centres. 	The WG Plan is located outside of one mile from the Okotoks boundary and includes consideration in design.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide the Town of High River and the Town of Okotoks opportunities for productive dialogue with regards to development in Gateway Interface areas. 	Not applicable. The WG Plan Area is not located within an Okotoks or High River Gateway Interface area.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To ensure appropriate and adequate transitions in development between urban and industrial development. 	Not applicable. There is no urban development proximate to the WG Plan Area.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To ensure Inter-municipal Development Plans for both towns align with the intent of this ASP and vice versa. 	Not applicable. The WG Plan Area is not located within an IDP.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To cooperatively address all aspects of development within the interface planning areas; stormwater management, access management, recreational amenities, open space, and environmentally significant lands. 	The WG Plan supports connections with pathways and open space for employees. The storm pond is designed to service the site. Given topography in the area, it is difficult for the pond to service adjacent lands.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To cooperatively address r-o-w dedications required for the corridor's future development. 	A 30 metre right-of-way dedication along the Highway 2A corridor has been provided for the corridor's future growth and development.
	5.0 Open Spaces and Reserves	Goals and Objectives: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To plan for the contiguous dedication of reserve lands.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To ensure dedicated lands may be used for a variety of recreational purposes. 		The reserve dedication allows for pedestrian activity and passive recreation at the storm pond location.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To enhance the corridor's recreational functionality. 		We have provided pedestrian linkages to the regional fieldhouse and included passive recreation areas in our plan.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To work with adjacent urban municipalities to promote connectivity to their open space systems where possible. 		Not applicable. There are no adjacent municipalities.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To ensure the corridor's natural capital is protected and enhanced. 		Not applicable. The WG Plan Area contains no environmentally significant areas.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To promote the connectivity of recreational lands to environmentally significant lands. 		Not applicable. The WG Plan Area contains no environmentally significant areas.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To retain and protect the flood-way and flood-fringe of the Highwood River, Sheep River, and Tongue Creek. 		Not applicable.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To conserve and maintain the integrity of perennial and seasonal streams, rivers, and other water bodies. 		Not applicable.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To promote the use of native vegetation and xeriscaping where appropriate to enhance air quality, provide natural land use buffers, and minimize water use. 		Section 6.7 Landscaping Considerations addresses this requirement.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To minimize adverse environmental impacts through implementation of zero net waste practices. 		Zero net waste practices are encouraged to be used by end-users within the WG Plan Area. This is a Development Permit consideration.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To ensure all new and existing developments within the Plan Area respect surface and sub-surface resources. 		There are no abandoned wells located within the WG Plan Area, or other surface or subsurface resources within the WG Plan Area boundary.

SECTION	OBJECTIVE	OUTLINE PLAN ALIGNMENT
5.0 Open Spaces and Reserves (continued)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To ensure developmental impact on the landscape is minimized by requiring Biophysical and Environmental Impact Assessments where necessary. 	A Preliminary Ecological Status Report and Wetland Impact Assessment was prepared for the WG Plan. The AEPA Wetland Replacement program will be followed.
6.0 Servicing Infrastructure	Goals and Objectives: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To support planning, construction and maintenance of efficient, safe and sustainable utilities in the Plan Area. 	Municipal water will service the WG Plan Area. Interim sanitary servicing will be used until the waste water treatment plant is readily available to be connected to in a manner similar to Warner Business Park. This is identified in Section 7.0 Infrastructure Servicing .
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To establish a utility system that supports existing and future development of the area. 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To plan and manage the utilities infrastructure system in co-operation with the Province, neighboring municipalities and other partnerships, including private industry. 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To manage stormwater in an environmentally conscious manner that enhances the quality and minimizes the quantity of water being released into rivers and streams within the Plan Area. 	Stormwater will be managed via overland flow to a proposed stormwater management pond that will service the WG Plan Area.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To ensure that utilities infrastructure does not encroach upon environmentally significant areas. 	Not applicable. There are no environmentally significant areas within the WG Plan Area.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To actively implement water conservation and integrated waste management systems within the Plan Area. 	Water conservation practices and integrated waste management systems policies are included in Section 6.6 Architectural Controls and 6.7 Landscaping Considerations .
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To promote water conservation measures for existing residents and businesses within the corridor. 	Water conservation measures are outlined in Section 6.6 Architectural Controls and 6.7 Landscaping Considerations .
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To promote focused and compact development phases where cost recovery and efficiencies in utilities infrastructure may be achieved. 	The WG Plan Area proposes compact Highway Commercial and Business Park district land uses that will be compact in nature and utilize utilities infrastructure efficiently.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To design and promote integrated utility corridors that minimizes unnecessary consumption of lands in the corridor. 	Utilities will be located within the proposed Municipal right-of-ways, interior to the Subject Site, and connection opportunities have been provided to extend to the lands west and south of the WG Plan Area.
7.0 Transportation Infrastructure	Goals and Objectives: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To plan, construct and maintain efficient, safe and sustainable transportation infrastructure in the corridor. 	The WG Plan Area provides vehicular connections to existing transportation infrastructure in the corridor.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To establish a hierarchy of transportation infrastructure. 	The WG Plan follows the hierarchy of transportation infrastructure.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To plan and manage multi-modal transportation systems in cooperation with Alberta Transportation, neighboring municipalities and other partnerships, including private industry. 	No multi-modal transportation options available are currently to the WG Plan Area; however, should they become available, the proposed internal pathway connections can be upgraded to provide multi-modal transportation options.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide appropriate setbacks from highways to enhance visual quality and to protect future right-of-way requirements. 	The appropriate 40 metre setback is provided for all buildings from the Highway 2A right-of-way corridor.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To allow for the orderly development of controlled access to Highway 2A in conjunction with the plans of Alberta Transportation. 	The TIA prepared supports the use of the intersection and outlines potential improvements (See Section 5.6 Traffic Impact Assessment).

SECTION	OBJECTIVE	OUTLINE PLAN ALIGNMENT
7.0 Transportation Infrastructure (continued)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To ensure that land use is supported by appropriate transportation infrastructure. 	The TIA outlines that the WG Plan Area is supported by infrastructure in place.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To promote focused and compact development where appropriate in order to achieve full cost recovery and efficiencies in maintenance. 	The WG Plan Area is designed in a way that promotes compact development to maximize land use efficiency.
8.0 Eco-Industrial Framework	<p>Goals and Objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide public education opportunities regarding eco-industrial development To support the connection of individual firms into a local industrial ecosystem. To minimize waste generation and maximize efficiency of alternative waste use and disposal practices. To maximize efficiency of material and energy use and minimize dissipative uses. To promote the use of renewable resources as energy inputs. To promote the creation of a corridor-wide reuse and recycling program. To ensure that development remains within the carrying capacity of and is sensitive to the natural environment (air, water, soil). To encourage inter-firm sharing of information systems, infrastructure, utilities, and services where possible. To offset emissions by supporting development of green infrastructure (i.e. one tree per parking stall, green roofs, landscaping with native foliage). To encourage an integrated approach to land use through co-location of complementary industry. To support the optimization of energy and water conservation. To ensure eco-industrial principles are considered and implemented through planning and development processes. 	Not applicable. It has been our experience that eco-industrial business parks are not suitable in our climate. Water conservation measures, landscaping considerations, and fibre back bones included in the WG Plan in order to improve the projects overall sustainability.
9.0 The Environment	<p>Goals and Objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To retain and protect the flood-way and flood-fringe of the Highwood River, Sheep River, and Tongue Creek. 	Not applicable.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To conserve and enhance the integrity of perennial and seasonal streams, rivers, and other waterbodies and waterways. 	Not applicable.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To promote the use of native vegetation and xeriscaping where appropriate to enhance air quality, provide natural land use buffers, and minimize water use. 	This is outline in Section 6.7 Landscaping Considerations .
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To minimize adverse environmental impacts through implementation of zero net waste practices. 	This is encouraged in our waste management section.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To ensure all new and existing developments within the Plan Area respect surface and sub-surface resources. 	The proposed development does not negatively include or impact surface and sub-surface resources.

SECTION	OBJECTIVE	OUTLINE PLAN ALIGNMENT
9.0 The Environment (continued)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To ensure developmental impact on the landscape is minimized by requiring Biophysical and Environmental Impact Assessments where necessary. 	A Preliminary Ecological Status Report and Wetland Impact Assessment was prepared in support of the proposed development.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To promote the reclamation of previously contaminated sites through innovative and effective remediation processes. 	Not applicable. There are no pre-existing contaminated sites on the site.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To enhance the natural capital of the corridor through sound development practices. 	Not applicable. There are no environmentally significant features on the site.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To enforce the use of non-polluting exterior lighting for the protection and enhancement of the nocturnal environment. 	Section 6.6 Architectural Controls speaks to the required use of Dark Sky compliant fixtures.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To uphold the environmental stewardship of the region's water resources through the development and implementation of low impact stormwater infrastructure. 	Section 7.3 Stormwater Management discusses stormwater management principles.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To encourage the construction of energy efficient buildings. 	This is to be included in the Architectural Controls.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To promote the use of alternative energies. 	Not applicable. End users are unknown at this time and if alternative energy systems will work for their needs.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To ensure water conservation measures are implemented throughout the corridor. 	Section 6.6 Architectural Controls and 6.7 Landscaping Considerations discuss the implementation of water conservation measures.
10.0 Managing Development	<p>Goals and Objectives:</p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To encourage the orderly and efficient development of the Plan Area in a logically sequenced and sustainable manner. 	A phasing strategy is included in Section 10.0 Implementation, Review, & Phasing .
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To ensure the available water resources within the corridor are not overallocated prior to additional water resources being secured. 	The Subject Site is located within Phase 1, identified on H2AASP Map 8 - in an area that is pre-dedicated for the current piped servicing availability.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To ensure that utility, servicing, and transportation infrastructure is accessible and extended logically and efficiently. 	The Subject Site is located within Phase 1, identified on H2AASP Map 8 - in an area that utility, servicing, and transportation infrastructure is readily available.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To coincide with an integrated land use strategy that provides planning flexibility while minimizing land use conflict and maximizing efficiencies. 	The subject site is surrounded by areas that are designated as Industrial Commercial conceptual uses. The WG Plan Area proposes compact Highway Commercial and Business Park district land uses that have a wide range of permitted and discretionary uses.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To connect and integrate with existing and future development around planned growth nodes. 	The WG Plan provides connections to adjacent lands for efficient growth and development over time (See Figure 7: Development Concept).
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To promote infill and redevelopment where opportunities exist. 	Not applicable.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To ensure the extraction of aggregate resources takes place prior to those lands with known deposits being developed. 	Not applicable.

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3.1.1 CP Rail Lines and Rights-of-Way	3.1.1.1 Development proximate to the CPKC rail line and associated r-o-w shall adhere to the guidelines and policies of Canadian Pacific Railway and the Railway Act of Alberta.	Not applicable. The WG Plan Area is not adjacent to the rail line.
	3.1.1.2 Abandoned rail r-o-w and lands associated with rail operations will be developed for alternative uses only when those lands have been reclaimed in accordance with the Province of Alberta's Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act.	Not applicable. There are no abandoned rail right-of-way lands associated with rail operations to be developed within the WG Plan Area.
3.1.2 Power Transmission Lines	3.1.2.1 Development proximate to existing and future power transmission lines and associated r-o-w's shall adhere to the guidelines and policies of the body responsible for such lines and r-o-w's.	A power transmission line runs north-south to the west of the WG Plan Area. The requirements of the associated URW are respected by the Plan.
	3.1.2.2 Applications made on lands where future power transmission line alignments may be located shall identify those lands required for the installation and setback of such lines at the WG Plan or subdivision stage,	Not applicable. No further power transmission lines are required in this area.
	3.1.2.3 Adjustments to power transmission line alignments are conceptual in nature and may be altered without need for amendment to this ASP.	The power lines have been realigned since the adoption of the Highway 2A/ASP, there should be no further necessity to revise these lines again in the future.
3.1.3 Environmental Features	3.1.3.1 The Highwood River, associated floodway, and associated riparian areas as identified by the municipality's RSMM shall be protected and preserved.	Not applicable.
	3.1.3.2 The Sheep River, associated floodway, and associated riparian areas as identified by the municipality's RSMM shall be protected and preserved.	Not applicable.
	3.1.3.3 Tongue Creek, associated floodway, and associated riparian areas as identified by the municipality's RSMM shall be protected and preserved.	Not applicable.
	3.1.3.4 Any other waterbody or waterway within the Plan Area along with associated riparian areas as identified by the municipality's RSMM shall be protected and preserved.	There are no drainage courses located on the property. Wetlands are not environmentally significant and AEP's Wetland Replacement policy will be followed.
	3.1.3.5 Development proposed within identified flood fringe areas shall be required to adhere to enhanced development requirements as determined by the municipality.	Not applicable.
3.1.4 Town of High River Wastewater Facilities	3.1.4.1 Development shall adhere to the setback distances as determined by Section 12 the Province of Alberta Subdivision and Development Regulation and any amendments made henceforth.	Not applicable.
	3.1.4.2 Development proposals that have the potential to create conflict between the proposed use and the wastewater treatment facilities shall be directed elsewhere in the Plan Area.	Not applicable.

SECTION	POLICY	OUTLINE PLAN ALIGNMENT
3.1.5 Aggregate Resources	3.1.5.1 Known aggregate resource deposits should be extracted and the lands reclaimed in accordance with the Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act prior to subdivision and/or development occurring.	Not applicable.
	3.1.5.2 Potential aggregate resource deposits should be investigated and the viability of the resource being extracted determined prior to applications for subdivision and/or development being made on the lands in question.	Not applicable.
	3.1.5.3 Should potential aggregate resources be proven to not be viably extractable, subdivision and/or development may occur on-site if deemed appropriate by the Approving Authority	Not applicable.
3.3 Agriculture and Agricultural Transition	3.3.1 Existing agricultural uses shall be encouraged throughout the Plan Area until such time that there is a demonstrated need for further industrial and/or commercial development.	Not applicable.
	3.3.2 Premature fragmentation of agricultural land shall be discouraged by promoting sequential and contiguous development throughout the Plan Area.	Not applicable.
	3.3.3 Agricultural lands identified as being within the Agricultural Transition policy area shall be developed last.	Not applicable.
	3.3.4 Agricultural lands west of Highway 2A should be converted to nonagricultural uses only after build-out of the lands within the Plan Area that lie east of the highway.	Not applicable.
	3.3.5 Agricultural by-product is encouraged for use in appropriate industrial processes throughout the corridor.	Not applicable.
3.4.1 Overall Corridor Development	3.4.1.1 The MD shall direct industrial and commercial development to the areas within the corridor considered suitable for such land uses.	The WG Plan contains land identified in the H2A/IASP as a future industrial and highway commercial area.
	3.4.1.2 All redesignation/subdivision proposals shall be accompanied by a Outline Plan submitted in accordance with the Outline Plan Requirements found in Appendix A.	The WG Plan is intended to be the Outline Plan that satisfies the policy.
	3.4.1.3 All development shall meet the requirements of the corridor's Design Guidelines (Appendix B).	The WG Plan has been prepared in accordance with the Guidelines found in Appendix B. The execution of this requirement is at the Development Permit stage.
	3.4.1.4 In existing built-up areas, complementary uses are encouraged to locate in adjacent undeveloped or re-developable sites.	Not applicable. This area is not "built-up".
	3.4.1.5 Impact on and the relationship of new development to adjoining lands shall be considered by the Approving Authority throughout the Plan Area.	The adjoining lands to the west have an approved Outline Plan that has been reviewed. However, the Outline Plan has not been proceeded with.
	3.4.1.6 Low Impact Development is encouraged on all sites within the Plan Area.	Low Impact Development strategies are outlined in Section 6.7 Landscaping Considerations .

SECTION	POLICY	OUTLINE PLAN ALIGNMENT
3.4.1 Overall Corridor Development (continued)	3.4.1.7 Concentrated patterns of subdivision and development should be considered, to increase efficiency of land use and servicing/infrastructure as the corridor is developed.	The WG Plan proposes a compact, efficient, and sustainable (piped servicing) Business Park.
	3.4.1.8 All development in the Plan Area should implement initiatives that achieve environmental stewardship.	Section 6.6 Architectural Controls and Section 6.7 Landscaping Considerations outline low water uses and stewardship.
	3.4.1.9 Low water use (equal to or less than 330 imperial gallons/acre/day) development is encouraged throughout the corridor.	Section 6.6 Architectural Controls and Section 6.7 Landscaping Considerations outline low water uses and stewardship.
3.4.2 Industrial General	3.4.2.1 Industrial development shall be the predominate land use in General Industrial areas, as identified on the land use concept map.	Not applicable.
	3.4.2.2 Some forms of Commercial development within Industrial General areas may be considered as accessory uses based on compatibility with surrounding land uses.	Not applicable.
	3.4.2.3 Interim uses as defined by the Municipality may be considered for parcels that do not currently have feasible access to adequate water and wastewater servicing.	Not applicable.
	3.4.2.4 Office uses should be accessory to the primary use on sites within the Industrial General areas, unless office use as a primary use is deemed appropriate by the Approving Authority.	Not applicable.
3.4.3 Industrial Edge	3.4.3.1 Lower intensity industrial development such as but not limited to office complexes shall be the predominate land use in the areas identified as Industrial Edge.	Not applicable.
	3.4.3.2 Commercial development may be permitted as accessory to industrial development within Industrial Edge areas should it be deemed appropriate by the Approving Authority.	Not applicable.
	3.4.3.3 Outdoor processing or manufacturing of materials is discouraged in Industrial Edge areas.	Not applicable.
	3.4.3.4 All industrial activity shall be contained indoors within the Industrial Edge areas unless outdoor activity is deemed appropriate by the Approving Authority.	Not applicable.
	3.4.3.5 Outdoor storage in Industrial Edge areas is not permitted unless screened in accordance with the Enhanced Design Guidelines found within the corridor's Design Guidelines (Appendix B).	Not applicable.
3.4.4 Industrial Commercial	3.4.4.1 Industrial Commercial development shall be the predominate development type in Industrial Commercial areas.	A variety of industrial commercial land uses are outlined within the proposed Business Park.

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3.4.4 Industrial Commercial (continued)	3.4.4.2 All industrial activity shall be contained indoors within the Industrial Commercial areas, unless outdoor activity is deemed appropriate by the Approving Authority.	Use and operation of each lot will be provided at the Development Permit stage. We cannot anticipate all end users at this time.
	3.4.4.3 Industrial activity should be accessory to commercial activity in Industrial Commercial areas, unless deemed appropriate as a primary use by the Approving Authority.	The Business Park presents a Highway Commercial face along its edges. Industrial uses are proposed on parcels interior to the site as indicated on <i>Figure 8: Land Use Concept</i> .
	3.4.4.4 Outside storage in Industrial Commercial areas is not permitted unless screened in accordance with the Enhanced Design Guidelines found within the Designed Guidelines (Appendix B).	This is applicable at the Development Permit stage and we will follow the guidelines in place.
3.4.5 Gateway Interface (Town of High River)	3.4.5.1 Given the timing of development and availability of servicing, specific land uses for the GI area between High River and the MD should be contemplated as a part of the upcoming Intermunicipal Development Plan review, or by other means as agreed upon by both municipalities and should consider the following:	Not applicable.
	3.4.5.1.1 Collaboration between High River and the M.D. should occur at the Intermunicipal Committee (IMC) and staff level when determining land uses and built form, and servicing and infrastructure considerations in the GI area.	Not applicable.
	3.4.5.1.2 Land uses and development forms within the GI policy area should be sensitive to the urban/rural transition between the Town of High River and the MD of Foothills.	Not applicable.
	3.4.5.1.3 Road and pathway alignments connecting potential corridor alignments with the Town of High River systems should be identified prior to development occurring.	Not applicable.
	3.4.5.1.4 A comprehensive development scheme for lands within 800 metres of the south boundary of the Plan Area should be prepared collaboratively prior to development occurring in this area.	Not applicable.
	3.4.5.1.5 The preparation of the comprehensive development scheme should benefit from consultation with the landowners within the GI policy area.	Not applicable.
3.4.5 Gateway Interface (Town of Okotoks)	3.4.5.2 Given the timing of development and availability of servicing, specific land uses for the GI area between Okotoks and the MD should be contemplated as a part of the upcoming Intermunicipal Development Plan review and informed the Joint Planning Agreement currently in process, or by other means as agreed upon by both municipalities and should consider the following:	Not applicable.

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3.4.5 Gateway Interface (Town of Okotoks) (continued)	3.4.5.2.1 Collaboration between Okotoks and the M.D. should occur at the IMC and staff level when determining land uses, built form, and servicing and infrastructure considerations in the GI area.	Not applicable.
	3.4.5.2.2 Land uses and development forms within the GI policy area should be sensitive to the urban/rural transition between the Town of Okotoks and the MD of Foothills.	Not applicable.
	3.4.5.2.3 Road and pathway alignments connecting potential corridor alignments with the Town of Okotoks systems should be identified prior to development occurring.	Not applicable.
	3.4.5.2.4 A comprehensive development scheme for lands within the GI area bordering Okotoks should be prepared collaboratively prior to development occurring within this area.	Not applicable.
	3.4.5.2.5 The preparation of the comprehensive development scheme should benefit from consultation with the landowners within the GI policy area.	Not applicable.
3.5.1 Historic Country Residential	3.5.1.1 Further Country Residential subdivision within the Plan Area should only be considered within the North half of Section 1, Township 20, Range 29, West of the 4th Meridian (N ½ 1-20-29 W4).	Not applicable.
	3.5.1.2 Country Residential subdivision and development outside of the N ½ 1- 20- 29 W4 and Residential subdivision and development outside the Hamlet of Aldersyde should not occur.	Not applicable.
	3.5.1.3 The subdivision of new Country Residential parcels within the N ½ 1-20-29 W4 shall align with the density provisions set forth in the Land Use Bylaw, unless an increase in density is deemed appropriate by the Approving Authority.	Not applicable.
	3.5.1.4 When adequate servicing is available, home based businesses may be permitted for properties within the N ½ 1-20-29 W4, if deemed appropriate by the Approving Authority.	Not applicable.
	3.5.1.5 Home based businesses in the Plan Area shall be required to adhere to the Enhanced Design Guidelines found within the Design Guidelines (Appendix B).	Not applicable.
3.5.2 Hamlet Residential-Future Planning Area	3.5.2.1 Subdivision and development in the Hamlet of Aldersyde shall continue only when adequate piped water and wastewater servicing becomes available.	Not applicable.

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3.5.2 Hamlet Residential-Future Planning Area (continued)	3.5.2.2 Strategic planning for the growth within the Hamlet of Aldersyde shall take place at such time that adequate piped servicing is available or is known to become available in the foreseeable future.	Not applicable.
	3.5.2.3 At such time that the Municipality deems it appropriate, the Hamlet of Aldersyde should benefit from the preparation of a municipally produced Area Redevelopment Plan.	Not applicable.
3.6 Recreation	3.6.1 Recreational amenities may be incorporated into development of the corridor.	Not applicable.
	3.6.2 Recreational amenities shall be required to adhere to the corridor's Enhanced Design Guidelines found in the Design Guidelines (Appendix B).	Not applicable.
	3.6.3 Developers may be required to contribute to a recreational levy, for upkeep and improvement of the public recreational amenities throughout the Plan Area.	Not applicable.
	3.6.4 Public recreational amenities may be provided in the form of parks and pathways, sports fields, and other recreational activities as deemed appropriate by the Approving Authority.	Not applicable.
	3.6.5 Private and semi-public recreational amenities may be provided in the form of open spaces incorporated into building design, site design, and in more intensive recreational uses such as but not limited to general and sport-specific complexes, as deemed appropriate by the Approving Authority.	Not applicable.
4.1 Joint Planning (High River)	4.1.1 The Town of High River and the MD of Foothills should cooperatively develop a policy document which coordinates the following aspects of the Gateway Interface policy area: a) Land Use b) Transportation c) Stormwater Management d) Parks, Open Space, and Pathways e) Environmentally Significant areas f) Utilities and Infrastructure g) Other matters deemed necessary by the MD of Foothills Approving Authority	Not applicable.
	4.1.2 Applications on lands within the H2A/ASP area shall be referred for comment to the Town of High River.	Not applicable.

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4.1 Joint Planning (Okotoks)	4.1.3 The Town of Okotoks and the MD of Foothills should cooperatively develop a policy document which coordinates the following aspects of the Gateway Interface policy area: a) Land Use b) Transportation c) Stormwater Management d) Parks, Open Space, and Pathways e) Environmentally Significant areas f) Utilities and Infrastructure g) Other matters deemed necessary by the MD of Foothills Approving Authority	Not applicable.
	4.1.4 Applications on lands within the H2A/IASP area shall be referred for comment to the Town of Okotoks.	Not applicable.
	4.1.5 Applications on lands that fall within the Gateway Interface policy area that are encompassed by the MD/Town of Okotoks Joint Planning Agreement (JPA) should align with the policies set forth in the JPA.	Not applicable.
5.1 Open Spaces	5.1.1 Open spaces shall be dedicated as per Sections 664 – 666 of the Municipal Government Act.	The subject site considers both dedication and cash-in-lieu for MR.
	5.1.2 Open space dedications should be provided based on logical connectivity to existing public lands, including environmental and Municipal reserves.	The MR has been dedicated to facilitate a regional pathway network.
	5.1.3 Open space connections throughout and between comprehensive developments should be maintained.	A functional pathway has been accommodated within the plan.
	5.1.4 Linear and curvilinear open space dedications shall adhere to policies within Section 7.3 (Pathways).	The pathways comply and this will be confirmed at the subdivision stage.
5.2 Environmental Reserve	5.2.1 Lands meeting the requirements of Section 664 of the Municipal Government Act shall be dedicated to the Municipality at the time of Subdivision approval.	Not applicable. No ER is required or proposed.
	5.2.2 Lands to be considered for Environmental Reserve dedication shall be shown on site plans at the application submission stage as per the WG Plan Requirements (Appendix A).	Not applicable. No ER is required or proposed.
	5.2.3 Setbacks as per the results of the Riparian Setback Matrix Model shall be considered for dedication by way of Environmental Reserve or Environmental Reserve Easement or a combination of both.	Not applicable. No environmentally significant features exist on the site.
	5.2.4 Lands that do not align with the specific characteristics outlined in Section 664 of the MGA may be voluntarily provided by landowners if deemed appropriate by the Municipality.	Not applicable.
5.3 Municipal Reserve	5.3.1 Municipal Reserve or the payment of monies in place of reserve or deferring reserve or any combination of these shall be determined by the Approving Authority, as per the Municipality's Public Reserve Policy.	Municipal Reserves have been provided within the WG Plan Area. The balance of MR land owing will be paid via cash-in-lieu.

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5.3 Municipal Reserve (continued)	5.3.2 When dedication is to be greater than 1.98 acres in total, a Municipal Reserve parcel shall be shown on submitted site plans, as per the Public Reserve Policy.	A total of 6.39 acres of MR land is proposed. This has been reflected on the Site Plan.
	5.3.3 When dedication is to be provided by way of land, the Municipal Reserve parcel should be developable as per the Land Use Bylaw, and should be adjacent to or have some form of connection to other proximate Municipal and Environmental Reserve parcels.	The proposed Municipal Reserve parcels of land are located allow for connections to the regional fieldhouse.
	5.3.4 If deemed appropriate by the Approving Authority, Municipal Reserve may be designed to provide a combination of developable land and linear and curvilinear pathways connecting the MR parcel to other dedicated lands, and other parcels in the development.	Municipal Reserve land is provided in the manner described in this policy.
	5.3.5 Reserve dedication in excess of the MGA's guidelines may be provided by landowners voluntarily, if deemed appropriate by the Approving Authority.	Not applicable.
	5.3.6 Municipal Reserve lands, when required, should be connected to open space networks within the Plan Area where possible.	MR lands connect the site to a functional regional pathway.
6.1 Water Servicing and Distribution	6.1.1 Other than Country Residential development that meets the density provisions set forth in the LUB and Interim development as deemed appropriate by the Approving Authority, ALL new development within the Plan Area shall be serviced by piped water.	The WG Plan Area will be serviced with Foothills County piped water.
	6.1.2 Water Servicing Levies and connection fees shall be required as per the Development Area Offsite Levy Bylaw.	To date, no Development Area Offsite Levy Bylaw has been prepared by the County.
	6.1.3 Water system easements and r-o-w alignments shall be shown on applications as per the requirements of the Outline Plan Requirements (Appendix A).	All water system easements and right-of-way alignments have been detailed on Figure 11: Sanitary & Water Servicing and adhere to the requirements of the WG Plan Requirements (Appendix A).
	6.1.4 Piped water may be provided based on the options outlined in the Servicing Study (Appendix E).	Piped water is proposed for the WG Plan Area as outlined in the North Aldersyde Feasibility Assessment.
	6.1.5 The option(s) chosen to service the corridor with piped water shall be to the sole discretion of the Municipality.	Not applicable. There are no options available.
	6.1.6 Piped water should be supported by adequate water license provided by the Municipality or the developer.	Adequate water licensing for the North Aldersyde WTP have been acquired by the County and will be cost recovered.
	6.1.7 It is to the Municipality's sole discretion as to whether the Municipality or the developer or a combination of the two provides the water license.	Adequate water licensing for the North Aldersyde WTP have been acquired by the County and will be cost recovered.

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6.1 Water Servicing and Distribution (continued)	6.1.8 Redesignation/Subdivision/Development approval other than for appropriate interim uses as defined by the Municipality should be considered ONLY when adequate piped water is proven to be available in accordance with policies 6.1.6 and 6.1.7.	Not applicable. No interim uses are proposed for the WG Plan Area.
	6.1.9 The alignment and capacity of water servicing infrastructure and associated easement and r-o-w locations shall be to the satisfaction of the Municipality.	The proposed piped water servicing strategy for the WG Plan Area provides the best case option for the development of the area and allows future connection opportunities south and west of the WG Plan Area and aligns with the North Aldersyde Feasibility Assessment.
	6.1.10 All new development within the Plan Area shall provide a comprehensive water conservation plan as per the Outline Plan Requirements.	These are outlined in the WG Plan Architectural Controls and Landscaping policies.
	6.1.11 While low water-use or no water-use interim development (as defined by the Municipality) in some parts of the Plan Area may be considered prior to piped water servicing being available, associated easements and r-o-w alignments necessary for future water connections may be required prior to the development of such interim uses.	Not applicable. The WG Plan is not proposing interim development.
6.1 Wastewater Collection and Sanitary Treatment	6.2.1 Wastewater Servicing Levies and connection fees shall be required as per the Development Area Offsite Levy Bylaw.	Not applicable. To date, the County has not prepared a Development Area Offsite Levy Bylaw.
	6.2.2 Development shall connect to communal wastewater systems, unless on-site servicing is deemed appropriate by the Municipality.	The site will connect to the municipal sanitary system either by pump out tank or pipe when the system is completed.
	6.2.3 Easements and r-o-w alignments associated with wastewater systems shall be shown on applications as per the Outline Plan Requirements (Appendix A).	All wastewater system easements and right-of-way alignments have been detailed on the site plan and adhere to the requirements of the H2IASP.
	6.2.4 The alignment and capacity of wastewater servicing infrastructure and associated easement and r-o-w locations shall be to the satisfaction of the Municipality.	Confirmation of this occurs at the subdivision stage when detailed design engineering occurs. Capacity will be determined at the land use or subdivision stage.
	6.2.5 Wastewater conveyance and collection systems should be included within water conservation plans, as prepared in accordance with the Outline Plan Requirements (Appendix).	Not applicable.
	6.2.6 While low water-use or no water-use interim uses (as defined by the Municipality) in some parts of the Plan Area may be considered prior to piped wastewater servicing being available, associated easements and r-o-w alignments necessary for future wastewater connections may be required prior to the development of such interim uses.	Not applicable. No interim uses are proposed.
6.3 Stormwater Management	6.3.1 Stormwater levies may be required as per the Development Area Offsite Levy Bylaw.	Not applicable. To date, the County has not prepared a Development Area Offsite Levy Bylaw.

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6.3 Stormwater Management (continued)	6.3.2 Stormwater management may be dealt with through the option(s) provided in the Servicing Study (Appendix E), at the sole discretion of the Municipality.	Stormwater management has been provided in a stormwater management pond.
	6.3.3 Stormwater management plans should be required as a condition of all subdivision/development approvals, unless otherwise deemed appropriate by the Approving Authority.	A full Stormwater Management Plan will be provided at the subdivision stage, as outlined in Section 7.3 Stormwater Management .
	6.3.4 Stormwater system design should incorporate Low Impact Development solutions such as but not limited to rain gardens, bioswales, and naturalized storm ponds.	Not applicable. It is out experience that these features do not work in this climate or in Business Parks.
	6.3.5 Site design should maintain as much vegetated surface as possible.	Where possible, vegetation on site will be maintained.
	6.3.6 Living roofs may be utilized to minimize impermeable surfaces, subject to approval by the Municipality.	Not applicable. These do not work in our climate.
6.4 Shallow Utility Servicing	6.4.1 Development in the Plan Area shall be serviced by shallow utilities.	Development will be serviced by shallow utilities and located within the proposed internal roadway (refer to Section 7.4 Shallow Utilities).
	6.4.2 The extension and upgrading of existing shallow utilities shall be at the expense of the developer.	The developer acknowledges that upgrading of existing shallow utilities is at their expense, as outlined in the municipal Development Agreement.
	6.4.3 Easement and r-o-w alignments for shallow utilities shall be to the satisfaction of the appropriate utility company.	All shallow utility easements and right-of-way alignments will be to the satisfaction of the appropriate utility company as outlined in Section 7.4 Shallow Utilities .
	6.4.4 Easements and r-o-w's for shallow utilities shall be provided within a site as is determined necessary by utility companies and/or the Municipality.	All shallow utility easements and right-of-way alignments have been provided interior to the WG Plan Area.
	6.4.5 Where necessary, utility r-o-w's and easements across one site for the benefit of providing servicing to adjacent sites shall be required, as determined by utility companies and/or the Municipality.	Shallow utilities are located within the proposed municipal right-of-way road and provides potential connections west and south of the Subject Site.
7.1 Road Network	7.1.1 Subdivision and Development plans shall recognize that Alberta Transportation requires additional land for widening of Highway 2A.	A 30 metre road widening has been provided for the Highway 2A corridor. The TIA will be required by ATEC.
	7.1.2 Development shall be compliant with the Highways Development and Protection Regulation (Alberta Regulation 326/2009).	ATEC will issue this compliance upon review of the Roadside Development Permit application.
	7.1.3 Stormwater management plans shall ensure that highway ditching is not used to collect stormwater from development.	The stormwater management pond provides the required attenuation.
	7.1.4 The functional and visual integrity of Highways 2A, 7 and 543 shall be maintained.	This is outlined in Section 6.6 Architectural Controls .

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7.1 Road Network (continued)	7.1.5 Alberta Transportation may require Traffic Impact Assessments (TIA) at the time of redesignation or subdivision. The TIA shall be prepared by a qualified transportation engineer at the sole expense of the developer and should include but is not limited to an analysis and evaluation of: a. The potential impact of a proposed subdivision and/or development on the existing transportation network.	A Traffic Impact Assessment has been prepared by Bunt & Associates, being qualified transportation engineers, and provided under separate cover. Mitigation measures, and other recommendations from the TIA, will be implemented to mitigate negative impacts on the existing transportation network (refer to Section 5.6 Traffic Impact Assessment).
	b. A program of future expansion and/or improvement of the transportation network to accommodate the proposed growth and to preserve the function and integrity of the transportation network.	A Traffic Impact Assessment has been prepared by Bunt & Associates, qualified transportation engineers, and provided under separate cover. The proposed growth can be accommodated (refer to Section 5.6 Traffic Impact Assessment).
	7.1.6 External and Internal road levies shall be required, unless otherwise stated by the Municipality.	External and internal road levies will be paid by the developer, as may be required by the Municipality.
	7.1.7 Roads shall be upgraded and constructed in accordance with the municipality's Road Standards or as determined by the municipality.	The proposed municipal roadways internal to the WG Plan Area will be constructed in accordance with Foothills County's commercial road standards (refer to Section 8.1 Internal Roads).
	7.1.8 Known and potential access issues should be addressed through collaboration with affected landowners and/or the Municipality/Alberta Transportation/Canadian Pacific Railway through the WG Plan and subdivision and development processes.	Not applicable. There are no known access issues.
	7.1.9 No development including but not limited to berming or grading of the lands within the Highway 2A r-o-w may be undertaken without the consent of Alberta Transportation.	A Roadside Development Permit will be obtained from ATEC to meet this policy.
	7.1.10 As per the requirements of Alberta Transportation, direct access off of Highway 2A shall be permitted at one mile intervals only (see Map 6).	There is an existing access off of the Highway 2A and Highway 547/Highway 7 intersection that will be utilized by the WG Plan Area.
	7.1.11 Internal roadway design shall consider: c. Direct connection to the corridor's major points of ingress and egress.	The proposed internal roadway connects to an existing local road that connects to the Highway 2A and Highway 547/Highway 7 intersection (refer to Section 8.1 Internal Roads).
	d. Safe and efficient routing in the local and regional context.	The WG Plan Area satisfies a safe and efficient routing in the local and regional context (refer to Section 8.1 Internal Roads).
	e. Accommodation for pedestrian and bicycle movement.	Pathways will be implemented within the Plan Area as outlined in Section 6.8 Open Space. The County's commercial road cross section does not indicate sidewalks.
	f. Accommodation for future public transit networks.	Not applicable. Should public transit be implemented in the future, the proposed transit network can be accommodated.
g. Minimal impacts to natural features and natural capital.	There are no environmentally significant features to be protected or maintained within the WG Plan Area.	

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7.2 Rail Line	7.2.1 No connection to or alteration of existing connection to the rail line shall be undertaken without the consent of Canadian Pacific Railway.	Not applicable.
	7.2.2 Development proposals adjacent to the rail line r-o-w shall be considered based upon their ability to benefit from direct access to the rail line.	Not applicable.
	7.2.3 Development adjacent to the rail line r-o-w shall meet all safety requirements of Canadian Pacific Railway and the Railway Act of Alberta.	Not applicable.
	7.2.4 Roads required to cross rail line r-o-w shall meet all design and safety requirements of Canadian Pacific Railway and the Railway Act of Alberta.	There is an existing railway crossing northwest of the WG Plan Area that may require crossing arms to the satisfaction of CPKC.
	7.2.5 Known and potential rail access issues should be addressed through collaboration with affected landowners, Canadian Pacific Railway, and the Municipality.	Not applicable. There are no known or potential rail access issues caused as a result of the WG Plan.
7.3 Pathways	7.3.1 Applications shall show pathway connections on-site and to the regional pathway system, where appropriate.	The location of the potential functional pathway from the County's open space concept is inconclusive; regardless, it can be accommodated within the ATEC right-of-way at the front of the site, as it is significantly wide enough (refer to Section 6.8 Open Space).
	7.3.2 Pathway r-o-w shall be required where deemed appropriate by the Approving Authority.	
	7.3.3 Pathway dedication shall be required to meet the pathway alignments shown on Map 6.	
	7.3.4 Pathway development and/or provision of a pathway levy shall be the responsibility of the developer and shall be determined by the Approving Authority.	
	7.3.5 The connection of corridor pathways to pathways in High River and Okotoks should be determined prior to development occurring.	
	7.3.6 Pathway alignment, dedication, construction, and maintenance may be coordinated between Foothills County and the Towns of High River and Okotoks where appropriate.	
	7.3.7 The connection of internal pathways to local and regional systems should be determined at the WG Plan stage.	
	7.3.8 Pathway development shall meet the requirements set out in the corridor's Design Guidelines (Appendix B).	
7.4 Transit	7.4.1 Where directed by the Municipality, subdivision and development proposals should account for future transit connections through road and r-o-w design.	Not applicable. There is no public transit currently available.

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7.4 Transit (continued)	7.4.2 Development should take place such that distance from buildings to potential key transit stop locations is minimal.	Not applicable. There is no public transit currently available; however, should a public transit stop be required, the proposed County right-of-way could be upgraded to accommodate public transit.
	7.4.3 The planning and implementation of transit throughout the corridor shall be coordinated with the Town of High River and Town of Okotoks, Alberta Transportation and the Canadian Pacific Railway.	
8.1 Land Use	8.1.1 Complementary developments should locate adjacent to or proximate to one another where possible.	Highway Commercial and Business Park districts have been located/grouped in close proximity to one another, as they are complementary land uses, within the WG Plan Area.
	8.1.2 Development that may benefit from one or a combination of any of the following concepts should locate adjacent or proximate to one another where possible:	Not applicable. We cannot anticipate the range of end users. Should these opportunities become available they will be supported in the Business Park.
	a. Energy Cascading	
	b. District Energy	
	c. By-product Exchange	
	d. Technology and Information Systems Sharing	
	e. Cogeneration	
	f. Raw materials, servicing, and infrastructure sharing	
8.1.3 Development shall minimize water use through conservation measures.	Section 6.6 Architectural Controls and Section 6.7 Landscaping Considerations outline water conservation measures.	
8.1.4 Development should utilize alternative energies including but not limited to wind and active and passive solar systems where feasible.	Not applicable. We cannot anticipate the end users and these techniques may or may not be utilized.	
8.2 Regional Context	8.2.1 Development within the corridor is encouraged to explore opportunities for by-product exchange with businesses outside the Plan Area.	Not applicable. We cannot anticipate the end users and these techniques may or may not be utilized.
	8.2.2 Development within the corridor is encouraged to explore opportunities for energy cascading with businesses outside the Plan Area.	Not applicable. We cannot anticipate the end users and these techniques may or may not be utilized.
	8.2.3 Development within the corridor is encouraged to practice net zero waste practices and lifecycle management in order that dependency on the Foothills Regional Landfill is minimized.	We have had discussions with local waste haulers as to efficient re-use, recycling, and waste management tactics. This will be implemented by the developer at the subdivision stage and taken over by the Lot Owners Association.
8.3 Servicing and Transportation Infrastructure	8.3.1 Transportation networks and associated r-o-w should be designed and constructed to produce the least possible impact on natural features within the Plan Area.	Not applicable. There are no environmentally significant features in the Plan Area.
	8.3.2 Development should ensure the integration of servicing alignments into existing and future transport network r-o-w's.	The servicing alignments comply with direction in the North Aldersyde Feasibility Assessment.

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8.3 Servicing and Transportation Infrastructure (continued)	8.3.3 Parking should be shared where possible.	All parking for future uses will be on individual lots and be in accordance with the LUB, detailed at the Development Permit stage.
	8.3.4 Internal road and parking surfaces should make use of permeable surfacing materials where feasible.	Not applicable. Permeable pavers are not appropriate in Business Parks utilizing heavy equipment.
	8.3.5 Internal and external transportation networks should incorporate loop and through roads when feasible.	The proposed internal roadways provides a future connection southerly to encourage extension of the road.
	8.3.6 Cul-de-sac should be avoided within the Plan Area unless deemed necessary by the Municipality.	Cul-de-sacs are required due to the unusual shape of this parcel.
	8.3.7 Transportation network design should consider future public transit connections.	Not applicable. The proposed internal road network can accommodate future public transit, however there is no transit service planned.
	8.3.8 Transportation network and site design should maximize the use of the rail line within the Plan Area.	Not applicable. No rail line touches this site.
	8.3.9 Development throughout the corridor should implement grey-water reuse should it be permitted in the future.	Not applicable. This is currently not permitted by AEPA.
	8.3.10 Subdivision and development design should minimize stormwater runoff.	The appropriately-sized stormwater management pond will capture all post-development flow in the Plan Area.
	8.3.11 Stormwater systems design should include rain-gardens and bioswales as alternatives or supplementary to traditional systems.	Not applicable. It is our experience that these techniques do not work in our climate or the industrial context.
	8.4 Subdivision and Development Design	8.4.1 Subdivision design should minimize negative impacts on natural features throughout the Plan Area.
8.4.2 Subdivision and development design shall follow the corridor's Design Guidelines (Appendix B).		The proposed design follows the corridor's Design Guidelines (Appendix B). This is a Development Permit consideration.
8.4.3 Development should maximize material flows and minimize the creation of waste where possible.		The waste management strategy reflects this consideration.
8.4.4 Net zero waste should be a goal of all existing and new development.		Not applicable. Architectural Controls will include this consideration but we cannot predict end users at this stage.
8.4.5 Life cycle management should be considered in processes occurring or that shall occur in the future within the Plan Area.		Not applicable. Architectural Controls will include this consideration but we cannot predict end users at this stage.
8.4.6 Manufacturing facilities should engage in lean manufacturing practices when possible.		Not applicable. End users cannot be predicted at this stage.
8.4.7 Existing and future developments should practice source waste reduction when possible.		Architectural Controls and waste management policies speak to this consideration.
8.4.8 Subdivision design should maximize the efficacy and function of open spaces, reserve lands, transport networks, and servicing and utility systems throughout the Plan Area, and with those systems connecting to the Plan Area.		The proposed development connects to the existing transportation and water servicing systems, and provides opportunity for future connection to a regional piped wastewater servicing system outside and inside the project.

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8.4 Subdivision and Development Design (continued)	8.4.9 Physical infrastructure such as but not limited to storage areas, shipping and receiving facilities, and parking should be shared between businesses when feasible.	Not applicable. We cannot predict end users at this stage. However, synergies will be encouraged.
	8.4.10 Development may include living roofs to minimize impermeable surfaces.	Not applicable. There are not natural roofs considered, These are not practical for our climate.
9.1 Natural Capital	9.1.1 Development shall not adversely affect natural capital within the Plan Area.	Not applicable. There are no environmentally significant features in the WG Plan Area.
	9.1.2 Development should enhance the natural capital within the Plan Area.	Not applicable. There are no environmentally significant features in the WG Plan Area.
	9.1.3 Stormwater run-off shall be minimized through innovative stormwater systems design, including but not limited to rain gardens, bio-swales, and naturalized storm ponds.	Not applicable. These features do not work in our climate.
	9.1.4 Development occurring proximate to the corridor's waterbodies and watercourses shall make use of the municipality's Riparian Setback Matrix Model and adhere to the setbacks determined by the model.	Not applicable. The Subject Site does not contain wetlands that are considered significant.
	9.1.5 Development shall be phased in such a way as to preserve those agricultural lands to the west of Highway 2A until all other developable lands have been developed.	Not applicable. West of the site is an approved Outline Plan.
	9.1.6 Subdivision and Development design shall protect and preserve natural capital.	Not applicable. Th site does not contain any significant natural features.
	9.1.7 Emissions as a result of industrial activity should be minimized.	Not applicable. We cannot anticipate end users or their potential emissions at this stage.
9.2 Environmentally Significant Areas	9.2.1 Subdivision and development shall protect and preserve ESAs within and adjacent to the Plan Area.	Not applicable. No ESA's are located within, or adjacent to, the Plan Area.
	9.2.2 Stormwater system design shall include measures to improve the quality of run-off water prior to the run-off entering back into the watershed.	The appropriately-sized stormwater management pond is in the project area to retain pre-development flows.
	9.2.3 Subdivision and development shall preserve the functional integrity of ESAs within and adjacent to the Plan Area.	Not applicable. No ESA's are located within, or adjacent to, the Plan Area.
	9.2.4 Subdivision and development shall address cumulative effects within the Plan Area.	Not applicable. No ESA's are located within, or adjacent to, the Plan Area.
	9.2.5 Biophysical Assessments including Environmental Impact Assessments (EIAs) shall be required on lands proximate to significant natural features and natural capital within and adjacent to the Plan Area or as determined by the municipality.	An ESR and WIA was prepared in support of the proposed development. The developer will enter into the Wetland Replacement program with AEPA.
	9.2.6 Environmental Site Assessments shall be required on lands known to have been contaminated or lands that are suspected to have been subject to contamination.	Not applicable. The Subject Site has not had any contaminated activity on the lands, or suspected to have been subjected to contamination.
	9.2.7 Remediation of contaminated lands shall be required in accordance with the Province of Alberta Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act.	Not applicable. The Subject Site has not had any evidence of post contamination on the lands, or suspected to have been subjected to contamination.

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9.2 Environmentally Significant Areas (continued)	9.2.8 Subdivision and development shall minimize impacts on surface and groundwater resources.	Not applicable. The site will need grading to ensure stormwater, water, and wastewater infrastructure and roads are in place for use.
	9.2.9 Those lands within flood way as identified by Alberta Environment and/or independent surveying to the satisfaction of the Municipality shall not be developed.	Not applicable. The Subject Site is not located within a flood way.
	9.2.10 Those lands within flood fringe as identified by Alberta Environment and/or independent surveying to the satisfaction of the Municipality should not be developed unless deemed appropriate by the Approving Authority.	Not applicable. The Subject Site is not located within a flood fringe area.
9.3 Riparian Areas	9.3.1 Subdivision and development shall be subject to the requirements of the MD's Riparian Setback Matrix Model (RSMM) policy and shall adhere to the setbacks recommended resultant to RSMM testing or as determined by the Approving Authority.	Not applicable. There is no environmentally significant areas and the Wetland Replacement program will be used.
9.4 Dark Skies	9.4.1 Development shall adhere to the Dark Sky Bylaw.	Compliance with the Dark Sky Bylaw can be found in Section 6.6 Architectural Controls .
	9.4.2 ALL exterior lighting NOT encompassed within the Dark Sky Bylaw shall be required to be compliant with the intent of the bylaw.	This is outline in Section 6.6 Architectural Controls .
10.1 Phasing	10.1.1 Subdivision and Development should follow the phasing concept as presented in Map 8.	The Subject Site is located within Phase 1, identified on H2AASP Map 8.
	10.1.2 Subdivision and Development should occur first on those lands with Direct Control, Industrial (excluding Industrial Natural Resource), and Commercial zonings that were in place prior to 1st reading of this ASP (Bylaw XX/2010), as shown on Map 8 (Phase 1).	The Subject Site is located within Phase 1, identified on H2AASP Map 8.
	10.1.3 Subdivision and Development applications within Phase 1 should be considered based on a combination of available piped water resources and other relevant attributes as determined by the Approving Authority.	Piped water is available to the Subject Site, and piped sanitary servicing will be constructed and provide connections to the future construction of regional piped wastewater servicing when it becomes available (outline in Section 7.0 Infrastructure Servicing).
	10.1.4 Subsequent phases of land use redesignation, subdivision and development on those lands outside of Phase 1 shall be considered only when additional piped water resources are secured to the satisfaction of the Approving Authority.	Not applicable. The Subject Site is located within Phase 1, identified on H2AASP Map 8.
	10.1.5 Should additional piped water resources become available, the planning and development of subsequent phases should be subject to amendment of this plan.	Not applicable. The Subject Site is located within Phase 1, identified on H2AASP Map 8, and has regional piped water available to be connected to at this time.
	10.1.6 Lands with known and potential aggregate resources should be developed only after extraction of such resources and appropriate reclamation of those lands.	Not applicable. The Subject Site is not located within any potential known aggregate resource areas.

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10.1 Phasing (continued)	10.1.7 Lands identified as being within the Agricultural Transition policy area should be developed for industrial and/or commercial uses last.	Not applicable. The Subject Site is located outside of the Agricultural Transition policy area.
10.2 Servicing and Infrastructure Considerations	10.2.1 Development other than low or no water-use Interim development, as defined by the Municipality, shall occur only when adequate water/wastewater servicing is available.	Not applicable, There is no interim development proposed.
	10.2.2 Should a developer or the Municipality finance the upgrading and/or extension of services or infrastructure that would normally be financed by an adjacent developer, cost recovery requirements shall apply to the benefiting developer.	Endeavours to assist are not expected as neighbouring sites are not developing.
	10.2.3 Servicing and infrastructure levies shall be informed by the Servicing and Network studies (see Appendices D and E) and required as deemed appropriate by the Approving Authority.	Servicing and infrastructure levies will be paid for by the developer, as required.
10.3 Coordination of Development	10.3.1 The Municipality may require levy contributions for the upgrading, extension and associated construction of servicing and infrastructure that is required to take place before, during, or after development occurs.	Where required, levy contributions for the upgrading, extension, and associated construction of servicing and infrastructure may be made by the developer.
	10.3.2 Levy contributions shall be informed by the Servicing and Network studies (see Appendices D and E) and required as deemed appropriate by the Approving Authority.	Levy contributions will be made by the developer at a time the Approving Authority deems appropriate.
10.4 Decisions of Development	10.4.1 Developers shall meet with the municipality prior to application being made in order that comments can be provided regarding the timing and appropriateness of the subdivision and/or development concept.	Preliminary discussions were held with municipal staff regarding the proposed development, and comments received on same. This plan has been underway for a considerable time.
	10.4.2 Developers shall provide an analysis of how their application(s) adhere to and uphold the policies contained within this ASP, as per the Outline Plan Requirements (Appendix A).	An analysis has been provided herein to address how the application adheres to, and upholds, the policies within the H2A/ASP.
	10.4.3 Subdivision and Development applications should not be accepted for submission until deemed complete as per the Outline Plan Requirements and the Municipality.	A future subdivision application will be made once this WG Plan and Land Use Redesignation have been approved by the Municipality.

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11.1 Implementation Strategy	11.1.1 The Municipality shall ensure implementation of this ASP based on the information contained within the associated Implementation Strategy (see Appendix C).	The WG Plan conforms with and supports implementation of the ASP in this area. This Outline Plan aligns with the H2AASP and this policy checklist is intended to demonstrate compliance.
	11.1.2 Future amendments to this plan should be informed by the information and process provided by the Implementation Strategy (Appendix C).	
	11.1.3 Bylaws, plans, goals, objectives, and policies contained in other documents that may affect the implementation of this ASP should be amended to align with the intent of the ASP goals, objectives, and policies.	
11.2 New Approvals Process	11.2.1 The timing and extent of development shall be determined by Section 10 of this plan and Outline Plan and Land Use redesignation/subdivision processes.	The Subject Site is located within Phase 1, identified on H2AASP Map 8 and meets the intent of the policies of Section 10 of the H2AASP.
	11.2.2 The Outline Plan and Land Use and Subdivision and Development approvals processes shall work to achieve the policies within this ASP.	This WG Plan meets the intent of the policies of the H2AASP.
	11.2.3 Land use redesignation and subdivision and development applications should only be accepted if accompanied by an Outline Plan that is determined to be complete by the Municipality.	Once this WG Plan is approved by the Approving Authority, future subdivision applications will be submitted to the Municipality for approval.
	11.2.4 All subdivision, development, and land use applications received on or after the date of third reading of the bylaw for this ASP shall be evaluated using the goals, objectives and policies of the H2AASP Bylaw XX/2010.	This WG Plan meets the intent of the goals, objectives, and policies of the H2AASP.
11.3 Existing Planning Approvals	11.3.1 All subdivision, development, and land use applications received before the date of the third reading of Bylaw XX/XX shall be evaluated using the goals, objectives and policies of the Highway 2A ASP Bylaw 128/95.	As this is a new application, Section 11.3 is not applicable.
11.4 Current Land Use Districts	11.4.1 Revisions and/or amendments to the LUB necessary to align with the intent of this ASP should be completed immediately following third reading of the Bylaw for the adoption of this ASP.	As this is a new application, Section 11.4 is not applicable.
11.5 Supporting Information	11.5.1 Developers may be required to provide information considered above and beyond the normal Outline Plan requirements, should it be determined that such information is necessary for the Approving Authority to establish if a proposal achieves the intent of this ASP.	Should it be determined by the Approving Authority that additional information is necessary. The information will be provided by the developer.
	11.5.2 The Approving Authority may require information considered above and beyond the normal Outline Plan requirements, after an approval is granted, should it be determined that such information is necessary to inform subdivision and development design.	Should it be determined by the Approving Authority that additional information is required. The information will be provided by the developer.

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11.5 Supporting Information (continued)	11.5.3 Additional costs resultant of further information being required by the Approving Authority shall be borne by the developer.	Agreed.
11.6 Inter-municipal Coordination	11.6.1 Applications received within the Plan Area shall be circulated to the Town of High River and the Town of Okotoks for review and comment, prior to a decision being made by the MD of Foothills Approving Authority.	Circulation is the responsibility of the County.
	11.6.2 Proposed changes to the H2A/ASP (Bylaw XX/2010) that may affect lands within the associated IDP and GI areas shall be referred to the respective Town of High River/MD of Foothills Intermunicipal Committee (IMC) or Town of Okotoks/MD IMC for review and comment prior to a decision being made by the MD of Foothills Approving Authority.	Not applicable. The Subject Site is located outside of the IDP and GI areas; therefore, this policy does not apply.
	11.6.3 Should planning, transportation, or servicing matters affecting the Town of High River and/or Town of Okotoks arise as a result of the goals, objectives, and policy of the H2A/ASP (Bylaw XX/2010), the issue shall be referred to the IMC for review and comment prior to a decision being made by the MD of Foothills Approving Authority.	Not applicable. This proposed development does not impact planning, transportation, or servicing matters that affect the Town of High River and/or Town of Okotoks.
11.7 Interim Uses	11.7.1 Interim uses may be considered on parcels that do not have adequate services available for their ultimate intended use as determined by the Municipality.	Not applicable. There are not interim uses proposed.
	11.7.2 Interim uses may be allowed only if they do not compromise future subdivision or development of the land and do not compromise water/wastewater availability for those properties that were zoned Industrial, Commercial, or Direct Control prior to 1st reading of this ASP (Bylaw XX/2010).	Not applicable. There are not interim uses proposed.
	11.7.3 Proposals for interim uses shall indicate the estimated amount of time the use shall take place, and any potential impact the use may have.	Not applicable. There are not interim uses proposed.
	11.7.4 Interim uses may include but are not limited to agricultural operations, outdoor and indoor storage, distribution of materials and goods, and resource extraction.	Not applicable. There are not interim uses proposed.
	11.7.5 The suitability of proposed interim uses shall be determined by the Approving Authority.	Not applicable. There are not interim uses proposed.

APPENDIX B:

H2A IASP DESIGN GUIDELINES REVIEW

GUIDELINE SECTION	APP-LICATION	ITEM / CONSIDERATION	COMMENTS
Site Planning & Environment	Throughout Corridor	Site coverage does not exceed 60% or is supported by stormwater management plan prepared by a qualified professional.	Site coverage will comply with the Land Use Bylaw.
		Siting considers the preservation/enhancement of natural features.	Not applicable. There are no retained natural features. The Storm Pond is man made.
		All setbacks comply with land-use by-law.	The site design will comply with all setbacks identified within the Land Use Bylaw at the DP stage.
		Site access and internal roadways meet Foothills County standards and Fire / Emergency access requirements.	Site access and all internal roadways have been designed to meet fire/emergency access requirements of Foothills County.
		Clear access and orientation provided for vehicles and pedestrians.	Clear access and orientation has been provided for vehicles throughout the WG Plan Area. Pedestrians may utilize the potential functional pathway.
		Principal Building entrance oriented towards main entry to site.	This is a DP issue given gateway context and orientation will be important.
		Loading bays or drive-through lanes do not impede the efficient flow of vehicular or pedestrian movements.	Not applicable. This is a DP issues should we attract end users with these requirements.
		Outdoor storage located at side or behind main building or adequately screened.	Any outdoor storage proposed by an end user will be located at the side or behind the main building, or adequately screened from view. Considered at the DP stage.
		Pedestrian/bicycle/vehicle conflicts are minimized.	The site design minimizes pedestrian/bicycle/vehicle conflicts.
		Snow removal and storage considered in design of parking and circulation.	Snow removal and snow storage locations are DP considerations. Snow removal will be included in the Architectural Controls and managed by the Lot Owners Association.
		Water conservation is considered.	Refer to Section 6.6 Architectural Controls and Section 6.7 Landscaping Considerations .
		Construction Waste Reduction Plan provided.	A Construction Waste Reduction Plan will be provided in the future at the Development Permit stage (refer to Section 7.5 Waste Management). Managed by the Developer until Lot Owners Association take over.
Accommodation of recycling in site design.	Recycling will be accommodated in site design at the DP stage. Managed by the Developer until Lot Owners Association take over.		

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Site Planning & Environment	Enhanced Areas	Service, delivery and storage areas and loading docks located in areas of low visibility and screened if deemed necessary by the Approving Authority.	Not applicable. This is a DP consideration.
		Garbage / waste management containers hidden from public view either by a freestanding enclosure or within the principle building.	All garbage/waste management containers will be hidden from public view via freestanding enclosure or within the principle building according to Section 7.5 Waste Management.
		Fencing along street facing property lines incorporates clusters of landscaping or other means create visual interest.	This is detailed in s 6.6., and this is a DP consideration.
Site Planning & Environment	Enhanced Areas	Commercial lands within the 2A corridor that are adjacent to residential development have a landscaped buffer of a minimum of 6.0 m (19.7 ft) wide along the property line abutting the residential lands.	Not applicable. The closest residential dwelling is located +/- 225 metres southeast of the WG Plan Area and has vegetative screening on those residential lands.
		Industrial parcels that are adjacent to residential development have a minimum of 10.0m (32.8ft) landscaped buffer along the property line.	Not applicable. The closest residential dwelling is located +/- 225 metres southeast of the Outline Plan Area and has vegetative screening on those residential lands.
Site Planning & Environment	Optional	Provision for alternate modes of transportation.	No cycling lanes are provided within the existing or proposed transportation network; however, this does not preclude the construction of alternate modes of transportation in the future.
		Use of permeable pavement and other low impact stormwater management practices.	Not applicable. These do not work in our climate and do not support heavy industrial vehicles.
		Convenient, safe and visually attractive pedestrian access is provided to all destinations on the site.	Not applicable, The site is a Business park and does not contain destinations.
		Provision of landscaped outdoor spaces which can serve as plazas, patios or pedestrian gathering places with appropriate site furniture and lighting.	Not applicable. This is a DP consideration affecting an end user.
		Outdoor gathering spaces are shaded and include amenities such as street furniture, and adequate lighting for visibility and safety.	Not applicable. This is a DP consideration affecting an end user.
Parking	Throughout Corridor	Adequate parking is provided as per land-use by-law.	Not applicable. The proposed development will meet the minimum requirements for parking in the land use bylaw at the DP stage.
		If more than 50 parking stalls, at least 60% located at the side and/or the rear of the building, unless otherwise accepted by the Approving Authority.	Not applicable, This will be evaluated at the DP stage based on requirements of end users.

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Parking	Enhanced Area	Parking lots containing more than 50 spaces are broken up into smaller units with landscaped islands or are dispersed around the site.	Not applicable. There is no definition or identification of an "Enhanced Area" in the statutory portions of the H2A/ASP. Therefore, compliance is subject to understanding where and how this applies to each use.
		Where parking lots with more than 35 spaces are located adjacent to roadways, they are visually buffered with screening between the road and the parking area.	Not applicable. There is no definition or identification of an "Enhanced Area" in the statutory portions of the H2A/ASP. Therefore, compliance is subject to understanding where and how this applies to each use.
Parking	Optional	Parking areas surfaced with permeable materials.	These are optional and may or may not be included depending on end users.
		Stormwater runoff from parking areas drains into landscaped areas.	These are optional and may or may not be included depending on end users.
Parking	Optional	Landscape islands in parking areas contain shade trees to reduce "heat island effect".	These are optional and may or may not be included depending on end users.
Building Design	Throughout Corridor	Buildings comply with Alberta Safety Codes, particularly with respect to occupancy, safety, fire codes and building standards.	All buildings will be constructed and finished with durable materials as is mandatory at the BP stage.
		Buildings constructed and finished with durable materials designed to maintain their initial appearance throughout the life of the project.	All buildings will be constructed and finished with durable materials as is mandatory at the BP stage.
		Principal building entrance is easily identifiable	Not applicable. This is a DP consideration.
		Principal building entrance is safely accessible from main parking area.	Not applicable. This is a DP consideration.
		Front elevation of principal building is visually interesting.	Not applicable. This is a DP consideration.
		All appliances and fixtures are energy smart and water smart.	This will be identified within the Architectural Controls.
		All plumbing fixtures are low-flow or no-flow.	This will be identified within the Architectural Controls.
		Use of daylight to reduce lighting requirements but also considering heat gain.	Not applicable. This is difficult to provide assurance on as the site contains many lots of different orientation to the sun.
		Water conservation measures are implemented.	Refer to Section 6.6 Architectural Controls and Section 6.7 Landscaping Considerations .
Provided construction waste reduction plan.	This is anticipated as a condition of Development Permit.		

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Building Design	Enhanced Areas	Exterior materials and colours are aesthetically pleasing, of high quality, and compatible with materials and colors of nearby structures.	Nearby is a stark white building i nthe regional fieldhouse and the Western RV dealership which includes a rural design aesthetic that will be encourage throughout the Business Park.
		Design of buildings incorporates the breaking-up of large masses into smaller ones.	Not applicable. End users are unknown at this time.
		Design of building façades avoids large stretches of blank uninterrupted walls.	The fieldhouse adjacent to the WG Plan Area has large blank walls in the Enhanced Area. Our end users will not be that large.
		Each building has a pedestrian scale base that clearly delineates its entrance or entrances.	Not applicable. This is a DP consideration.
		Roof mounted service equipment located away from roof edges and screened from view.	This is an end user design and is a DP consideration.
		Screening is an integral part of the design and follows the overall design strategy with respect to form, materials and colour.	The WG Plan includes a nicely landscaped entrance with unified signage.
Building Design	Optional	Energy efficient buildings incorporating green energy for heat and /or light.	These are optional considerations to be evaluated at the DP stage by the end user.
Building Design	Optional	Use of recycled materials.	These are optional considerations to be evaluated at the DP stage by the end user.
		Building incorporates measures to reduce solar gain.	These are optional considerations to be evaluated at the DP stage by the end user.
		Buildings feature patterns and detail which provide visual interest at the scale of the pedestrian.	These are optional considerations to be evaluated at the DP stage by the end user.

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Landscaping	Throughout Corridor	Landscaping and Landscape Maintenance Plans submitted and accepted by the Approving Authority.	This is a standard condition of Subdivision.
		Landscaping is provided at site entrance and focal points of the site.	This is shown on Figure 8: Open Space Network .
		Landscaped buffers are provided if site is adjacent to residential properties.	Not applicable. The Subject Site is not adjacent to any residential properties.
		Landscape Maintenance Plan does not utilize potable water for irrigation.	Potable water will not be utilized for irrigation by end users as identified in Section 6.6 Architectural Controls .
		Landscaping vegetation is drought resistant and makes use of native species.	Refer to Section 6.7 Landscaping Considerations .
		Landscaping is predominantly located in areas that provide for water retention (rather than on the top of a berm).	Not applicable. On lot landscaping will be detailed at the DP stage.
		Provision for year-round colour and interest in landscaping.	Not applicable. The landscaping is proposed as drought resistant. This will be a priority over colour as some of these species are not drought tolerant.
		Non-native grasses limited to areas where they serve a functional purpose.	Not applicable. Very few native grasses are retained in Business Park developments.
Landscaping	Enhanced Areas	Visually unattractive site functions such as parking, loading and storage areas are screened with landscaping or a combination of landscaping and screening.	Not applicable. This is a DP consideration for end users.
		Landscaping is used to enhance the appearance of the site from nearby roads and to provide on-site amenities.	Landscaped entrance is shown on our project plans (Figure 8: Open Space Network).
Landscaping	Optional	Foundation planting used to create interest along building faces.	Not applicable. FOundation planting has to be undertaken in unison with screening. This is a DP consideration.
		Pedestrian friendly environments created by providing shade and shelter	Not applicable. These are details that will either be included in the Architectural Controls, not apply given locations of the use within the Business Park, or are required to be compliant with the Land Use Bylaw.
		Use of sculpture, architectural elements or hard-scaping to augment landscaping	

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Landscaping	Optional	Landscaping is used to re-enforce the site entry sequence	Not applicable. These are details that will either be included in the Architectural Controls, not apply given locations of the use within the Business Park, or are required to be compliant with the Land Use Bylaw.
		Landscaping is used to enhance front elevations of buildings	
		Landscaping is used to provide climate moderation for pedestrian spaces	
		Use of landscaping to filter stormwater run-off	
		Locating landscaping in vegetated drainage swales or bio-retention areas	
		Incorporates landscape design features that reduce irrigation requirements	
Outbuildings, Lighting, Fencing and Site Furniture	Throughout Corridor	Outbuildings comply with Municipal setbacks	Not applicable. These are details that will either be included in the Architectural Controls, not apply given locations of the use within the Business Park, or are required to be compliant with the Land Use Bylaw.
		Outbuildings do not hamper site access or circulation	
		Outbuildings do not hamper emergency access or staging for fire-fighting	
		Outbuildings are of similar material and character to the principal building on the site	
		Exterior lighting provides security and safety of on-site areas	
		Lighting complies with Municipal Dark Sky Bylaw	
		Fencing/screening, if required, incorporates pillars or articulation for visual interest.	
		The height of any fences or freestanding walls does not exceed 3.05 m.	
Security toppers are angled wire or as accepted by the Approving Authority.			
Outbuildings, Lighting, Fencing, and Site Furniture	Enhanced Areas	Ancillary enclosures and out-buildings constructed of materials similar to the principle building and are incorporated into the overall plan in an appropriate manner	Not applicable. This is a DP consideration should an ancillary structure be required on the lot
		Light standards and exterior light fixtures are in a style that suits the architectural theme of the site	Not applicable. This is a DP consideration.
		Fences or walls are designed as an integral element of the site plan and are of appropriate material and scale to complement the architecture on the site.	Not applicable. This is a DP consideration.

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Outbuildings, Lighting, Fencing, and Site Furniture	Enhanced Areas	Where significant lengths of walls or fences are required, articulation is provided.	Not applicable. This is a DP consideration.
		Landscaping pockets are used to provide visual interest along uninterrupted fence lines.	Not applicable. This is a DP consideration.
		No fence extends past or is in front of the front face of the principal building.	Not applicable. This is a DP consideration.
Outbuildings, Lighting, Fencing, and Site Furniture	Optional	Use of energy efficient or solar powered light fixtures.	Not applicable. These are optional considerations are end user specific and are DP discussion items.
		Use of lighting equipped with timers, motion sensors or light sensors.	Not applicable. These are optional considerations are end user specific and are DP discussion items.
Signage	Throughout Corridor	Signage complies with the Land Use Bylaw, the Dark Sky Bylaw and the Community Standards bylaw.	All signage will comply with the Land Use Bylaw, the Dark Sky Bylaw, and the Community Standards Bylaw.
		Building or site address is clearly identified as per municipal standards.	It is hard to understand how this is not possible with the current blue address signs.
		Signage is located where it will not interfere with pedestrian or traffic safety.	Unified signage is proposed for the entire Business Park.
		All signage is designed to be similar in material and style to buildings and other site features.	Unified signage is proposed for the entire Business Park.
		Free standing signage is permanently attached to the ground, meets required setbacks, does not incorporate any blinking, flashing, strobe lights or running lights.	Not applicable. Signage in the Business Park is under the jurisdiction of ATEC due to roadside proximity. Signs will meet the expectations of the Land Use Bylaw.
		Freestanding signage does not exceed 4.5 square metres or 2 metres in height (sign portion).	
		Freestanding signage when mounted does not exceed 8 metres in height.	
		Facia Signs do not exceed 20% of the building face or bay.	
		Roof Signs are permanently affixed to the building with structural support approved by an engineer.	
		Roof signs do not project beyond any building face.	
Roof signs are not illuminated.			

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Signage	Throughout Corridor	Projecting signage does not exceed 3 square metres and provides at least 2.5 metres of clearance from the bottom of the sign to the ground, unless otherwise accepted by the Approving Authority.	Signage in the Business Park is under the jurisdiction of ATEC due to roadside proximity. Signs will meet the expectations of the Land Use Bylaw.
		Canopy signage provides a minimum 2.5 metres of clearance from the bottom of the sign to the ground.	
		Awning signage projects no further than 1.83 metres from the face of the building and provides a minimum 2.5 metres of clearance from the bottom of the sign to the ground, unless otherwise accepted by the Approving Authority.	
Signage	Enhanced Areas	Signage, including corporate, tenant and traffic signage, is coordinated in material and style.	Signage in the Business Park is under the jurisdiction of ATEC due to roadside proximity. Signs will meet the expectations of the Land Use Bylaw.
Utilities, Mechanical and Tele-communications Equipment	Throughout Corridor	Power lines, transformers mechanical and telecommunications equipment are located away from main pedestrian pathways unless included within an approved integrated utility greenway.	The power provider designs and determines pedestal locations, developers are not consulted as designs are required to be prepared by contractors of the shallow utility providers choice.
		Power lines, transformers mechanical and telecommunications equipment are located away from main vehicular carriage ways.	
Utilities, Mechanical and Tele-communications Equipment	Enhanced Areas	All permanent utility lines are installed underground.	Not applicable. This comes at an expense that is five to ten times higher than overhead power. Power to these structures will be determined at the Subdivision design stage and may include three phase power in Highway commercial area.
Utilities, Mechanical and Tele-communications Equipment	Optional	Transformers, mechanical equipment, telecommunications devices, equipment switching boxes and other utility cabinets are located away from streets, pedestrian areas and outdoor seating areas, unless incorporated into an approved integrated utility greenway.	Not applicable. This comes at an expense that is five to ten times higher than overhead power. Power to these structures will be determined at the Subdivision design stage and may include three phase power in Highway commercial area.
		Transformers, mechanical equipment, telecommunications devices, equipment switching boxes and other utility cabinets are located such that they are not visible from the street, or screening is provided in the form of fencing or landscaping.	Not applicable. This comes at an expense that is five to ten times higher than overhead power. Power to these structures will be determined at the Subdivision design stage and may include three phase power in Highway commercial area.
Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design	Optional	Includes design elements that support strategies for Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design.	Given the nature and location of the Business park, security will be of paramount importance.



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The Distribution Engineering Growth Department of ATCO Gas Distribution has reviewed the above named plan and approves the work provided the following conditions are met:

There are existing ATCO facilities in the area. If it should be necessary to lower, relocate or make any alterations to the existing facilities and/or appurtenances due to this project, please contact ATCO Gas Distribution at calgaryregiongasdesign@atcogas.com with a minimum of one (1) year notice to enable an adequate and timely response. Note that all alteration costs will be borne by the developer / owner. "If working around existing gas mains, please contact our Land Group at email address Crossings@atco.com to obtain a crossing/proximity agreement.

There are abandoned ATCO facilities in the work area. Please contact ATCO South Operations Dispatch at 403-245-7220 to confirm status of the gas lines at least 48 hours prior to excavation.

There are high pressure gas transmission facilities in the work area. Please contact Vicki Porter at 780-420-8012 for more information.

If gas service is required, to avoid delays, the owner / developer should follow the steps listed on the ATCO website ([New Natural Gas Service Line or Changes](#)) or contact ATCO Customer Assistance Centre at 310-5678, or their local ATCO Gas Distribution agency office at their earliest convenience to discuss the service contract, gas load requirements, timing details and any associated costs. To avoid delays a minimum notice of 6 months is recommended. Note, each lot / unit is to have a separate service line.

For further information and requirements for natural gas servicing, please refer to the "Guide to Natural Gas Servicing" found on the ATCO website. Applications for new services residential or commercial please view our [ATCO Quick Connect Guide](#).

There is an existing ATCO service in the area. If it should be necessary to lower, relocate, or make any alteration to our existing service due to this proposal, please view our , please view our [ATCO Quick Connect Guide](#) and apply through [Quick Connect](#). Note that all alteration costs will be borne by the developer / owner. If the existing service line requires demolition or cutback please submit a request through [Quick Connect](#) or email GasApplicationsCalgary@atco.com for more information.

There is an existing service line in the area. The developer must determine the exact location of the existing service line by arranging for an in-field location with Alberta One-Call at 1-800-242-3447, or

albertaonecall.com. Subsequent to this subdivision, if any portion of the existing service line is not located within the parcel it serves, it will have to be relocated at the developer's expense. Alternatively, an easement of a size and specification satisfactory to ATCO may be registered to protect that portion of the service line in trespass. All costs associated with the acquisition and registration of such easements are the responsibility of the developer. Please contact our Land Department at 403-245-7845 regarding easement requirements.

Due to the expansion/addition, the existing service size, meter space, and main size will need to be reviewed by ATCO. It is recommended that the owner contact **ATCO Customer Assistance Centre at 310-5678** at their earliest convenience with their existing and future gas load and pressure requirements to enable adequate lead time to review if a service or main upgrade is required, the associated costs, and if necessary proceed with design and installation process.

This development may benefit from ATCO's Construction Energy Services. Contact NaturalgasSales@atco.com or visit our [Construction Energy Webpage](#) for more information.

It will always remain the responsibility of the proponent to verify the exact location and depths of nearby facilities by arranging for an in-field location with Utility Safety Partners at 1-800-242-3447 or utility-safety.ca. Please contact Utility Safety Partners prior to any surface construction.

- (1) Utility Safety Partners (1-800-242-3447) for locates to verify the alignment of the existing gas facilities.
- (2) Contact ATCO South Operations Dispatch at 403-245-7220 for an inspection of the exposed lines (including hydrovac holes) prior to backfill. Inspection services are available Monday to Friday, 8am – 4pm.
- (3) Hydrovac or hand expose facilities to verify horizontal and vertical alignment of all gas mains in conflict areas. This should be done as soon as possible to determine if the main will need to be relocated.
- (4) If existing gas mains require lowering or relocation due to the proponent's project, notification must be given to our ATCO Gas Distribution Engineering Department with a minimum of one (1) year notice. Forward plans and requirements to the ATCO Gas Distribution Engineering Department at 909 – 11th Ave. SW Calgary, AB, T2R 1L8.

Please refer to the "[Working Around Natural Gas](#)" Safety Handbook found on our website.

These conditions are not meant to contradict any applicable existing law (ie. franchise agreement, bylaw, etc.), and therefore the existing applicable law shall prevail. Should any condition(s) be null or void due to the superseding applicable law, all other conditions shall prevail

If you have any **questions or concerns regarding this reply**, please contact our engineer: **Shaggy Asomugha**, shaggy.asomugha@atco.com.

Transportation and Economic Corridors Notice of Referral Decision

Land Use Bylaw Amendment in Proximity of a Provincial Highway

Municipality File Number:	25R053	Highway(s):	2A, 7, 547, 25305
Legal Land Location:	QS-SE SEC-13 TWP-020 RGE-29 MER-4	Municipality:	Foothills County
Decision By:	Gerry Benoit	Issuing Office:	Southern Region / Calgary
Issued Date:	September 26, 2025	AT Reference #:	RPATH0060209
Description of Development:	Adoption of the Western Gateway Outline Plan and concurrent redesignation. The redesignation application proposes to rezone the portion of the subject 82.17 acre parcel that is zoned Agricultural to Highway Commercial District (HC) and Business Park District (BP) to allow for the development and future subdivision of 46 BP lots and 5 HC lots. The application also proposes 3 Municipal Reserve parcels and 1 Public Utility lot. The balance parcel that contains the existing Western RV Sales and Storage Facility is intended to remain zoned as Highway Commercial District.		



This will acknowledge receipt of your circulation regarding the above noted proposal. Transportation and Economic Corridors primary concern is protecting the safe and effective operation of provincial highway infrastructure, and planning for the future needs of the highway network in proximity to the proposed Outline Plan and land use amendments.

Transportation and Economic Corridors offers the following comments and observations with respect to the proposed Outline Plan and land use amendments:

1. After review, Alberta Transportation and Economic Corridors has no concerns, or objections with the proposed Outline Plan and land use redesignation. However, the department does provide the following comment with regards to the Outline Plan.
2. Transportation and Economic Corridors has no plans to accommodate a pathway in the highway right-of-way, as indicated in Figure 7. The pathway should be linked via municipal reserves and/or on local roads. The consultant was advised of this concern.
3. Pursuant to Section 618.3(1) of the Municipal Government Act (MGA), the department expects that the municipality will comply with any applicable items related to provincial highways in an ALSA plan if applicable.
4. Pursuant to 618.4(1) of the Municipal Government Act, the department expects that the Municipality will mitigate the impacts of traffic generated by developments approved on the local road connections to the highway system, in accordance with Policy 7 of the Provincial Land Use Policies.

This will acknowledge receipt of your circulation regarding the above noted proposal. The subsequent subdivision applications would be subject to the requirements of Sections 18 and 19 of the Matters Related to Subdivision and Development Regulation (The Regulation), due to the proximity of Highway(s) 2A, 7, 547.

Transportation and Economic Corridors offers the following comments with respect to this application:

The requirements of Section 18 of the Regulation are not met. The department anticipates minimal impact on the highway from this proposal. Pursuant to Section 20(1) of the Regulation, Transportation and Economic Corridors is prepared to grant approval for the subdivision authority to vary the requirements of Section 18 of the Regulation, at the time of future subdivision.

The requirements of Section 19 are met; therefore, no variance of Section 19 of the Regulation would be required, at the time of future subdivision.

If there are any changes to the proposed subdivision that was submitted with this land use referral, a separate referral pursuant to Section 7(6)(d) of the Matters Related to Subdivision and Development Regulation is required and the comments in respect of Sections 18 and 19 of the Regulation contained in this decision are no longer valid.

Please contact Transportation and Economic Corridors through the [RPATH Portal](#) if you have any questions, or require additional information



Issued by **Gerry Benoit, Development & Planning Tech**, on September 26, 2025, on behalf of the Minister of Transportation and Economic Corridors



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October 7, 2025

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Theresa.Chipchase@foothillscountyab.ca

Attention: Theresa Chipchase

RE: Comments for Foothills County Referral – Western Gateway Outline Plan, July 2025

Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback on the Western Gateway Outline Plan (July 2025). The proposed plan area lies within the Gateway Interface designation of the Highway 2A Industrial Area Structure Plan (H2AASP).

It is noted that the proposed Water Treatment Plant will not be immediately available to support the development, and that Phase 1 will rely on water supplied by the Town of High River.

Given that the development is situated within the Highway 2A ASP area, we would like to highlight Policy 3.4.1.9, which encourages low water use development (defined as 330 imperial gallons per acre per day or less) throughout the corridor. Could you please confirm whether the Outline Plan is designed to meet this target?

Should you have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully,

Khalid Mohammed, RPP, MCIP
Manager, Planning & Development Services Division
Phone: 403.603.3408 | Email: kmohammed@highriver.ca

SECTION 14 COMMERCIAL DISTRICTS

14.1 BUSINESS PARK DISTRICT

BP

14.1.1 PURPOSE AND INTENT

To accommodate a combination of business and industrial activities within a comprehensively planned development in accordance with an approved area structure plan or outline plan. Business parks are encouraged to be located within the Highway 2A corridor on lands covered by the Highway 2A Industrial Area Structure Plan in accordance with the Industrial Commercial land use concept. Business park district lands may be approved at the discretion of Council in other areas of the County in comprehensively planned areas in accordance with an approved Area Structure Plan or outline plan.

Uses secondary to the business and industrial activity may provide personal services primarily to on-site employees and secondarily to local clientele. Any nuisances associated with such uses should generally not extend beyond the boundaries of the site. Some outside storage may be permitted.

14.1.2 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:

- 14.1.2.1 Refer to Section 4.2 "No Development Permit Required" in the Land Use Bylaw for uses not requiring a development permit.
- 14.1.2.2 Refer to Section 9 and Section 10 respectively for the general and specific land use regulations and provisions that apply to this District.

14.1.3 PERMITTED USES	14.1.4 DISCRETIONARY USES
Amenity spaces for pedestrian use Public works Signs not requiring a development permit Solar Power System, Private (Not requiring a Development Permit) Utility services, minor	Accessory uses Agricultural processing and Distribution Agricultural support services Amusement and entertainment services Animal care services Auto body Auto repair Auto sales Business office Car/ truck wash Commercial school or college Commercial storage Contractor, general Contractor, limited Convenience store Drinking Establishment Dwelling, temporary (accessory to principal use) Farm equipment sales and service Financial services Food service, drive in

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14.1.3 PERMITTED USES	14.1.4 DISCRETIONARY USES
	Government Services Health care services Industry, General Industry, Light Industrial, Manufacturing/Processing Industrial, Storage and Warehousing Intensive vegetation operation Manufacturing, light Lot grading Outdoor storage Personal service establishments Protective and emergency services Public and quasi-public installation and facilities Public market Recreation, indoor Recreation, outdoor Recreational Vehicle Sales Recreation vehicle storage Recycling collection point Restaurant Retail garden centre Retail store Service station Signs requiring a development permit Solar Power System, Private (Requiring a Development Permit) Storage compound (accessory to principal use) Warehousing and storage

14.1.5 LAND USE REQUIREMENTS

- 14.1.5.1 A person who wishes to subdivide land in this district into additional lots must first apply for and be granted approval of a land use bylaw amendment.
- 14.1.5.2 In order to facilitate the purpose and intent of this district and ensure the sustainable development of business park uses within the District, the following applies to applications for subdivision:
- a. Parcel Density:
 - i. Parcel density requirements shall be determined by the Approving Authority, and if applicable, in accordance with an approved area structure plan or outline plan.
 - b. Minimum Parcel Size:
 - i. 929.0 m² (10,000 ft²) for lots serviced by a municipal or communal piped sewer and water system.
 - ii. 1,858 m² (20,000 ft²) for lots serviced by a piped water system, and an advanced package sewage treatment system; or

- iii. The area in title at the time of passage of this Bylaw, whichever is greater; or
 - iv. The minimum parcel size may be amended by the Approving Authority in accordance with an approved area structure plan or outline plan.
- c. Maximum Parcel size:
- i. As determined by the Approving Authority in accordance with an approved area structure plan or outline plan; or
 - ii. The area on title at the time of passage of this Bylaw, whichever is lesser.

14.1.5.3 Utility Servicing Criteria

- a. Municipal or communal water and wastewater disposal systems.
- b. Municipal or communal water system, and an advanced package sewage treatment system; or
- c. On site water storage system on site and/or wastewater pump out tanks if deemed appropriate by the Approving Authority in accordance with an approved area structure plan or outline plan.

14.1.6 DEVELOPMENT REQUIREMENTS

14.1.6.1 Maximum Lot Coverage

- a. No building or group of buildings including their accessory buildings and impervious surfaces shall cover more than sixty (60) percent of the lot area.

14.1.6.2 Minimum Yard Setbacks Requirements

- a. Front Yard Setbacks:
 - i. 6 m (19.69 ft) from the property line from an internal road or municipal road.
 - ii. 40m (131.23 ft.) from the ultimate right of way or 70 meters from the centreline of a Provincial highway, whichever is greater.
 - iii. 64m (209.97 ft.) from the centreline of a Municipal Road, Major.
- b. Side Yard Setbacks:
 - i. 1.5m (4.92 ft) from the property line.
 - ii. Where the side yard abuts a residential district, the setback shall be increased by 50%.
- c. Rear Yard Setbacks:
 - i. 6m (19.69 ft) from the property line.
- d. If the title to a lot is subject to a caveat in respect of a land dedication or an agreement for the acquisition of land for road widening purposes, the dedicated area or area of future road widening shall be considered the future property boundary for which setback distances set out shall apply.

14.1.6.3 Corner Parcel Restrictions:

- a. In accordance with Section 9.27.9 - 9.27.12.

14.1.6.4 Other Minimum Setback Requirements:

- a. The Approving Authority may require a greater building setback for any use which, in the opinion of an Approving Authority, may interfere with the amenity of adjacent uses.
- b. See Section 9.27 "Special Setback Requirements" of this bylaw for additional setback requirements that may apply.

14.1.6.5 Maximum Height of Structure:

- a. 12m (39.37 ft)

14.1.7 SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

14.1.7.1 Landscaping and Screening:

- a. Landscaping shall be completed in accordance with the Municipal Screening Standards.
- b. Levels and methods of screening of the site shall be completed in accordance with the Municipal Screening Standards.

14.1.7.2 Lighting:

- a. All lighting must be in accordance Section 9.15 of the Land use bylaw and with the Municipal Dark Sky Bylaw.

14.1.7.3 Lot Drainage:

- a. A Development agreement shall be entered into for lot grading to the satisfaction of the Director, Public Works and Engineering.
- b. Lot grading and drainage shall be in accordance with Section 9.17 of the Land use bylaw.

14.1.7.4 Other:

- a. The Approving Authority may allow a building to be occupied by a combination of one or more of the above mentioned uses listed for this district and each use shall be considered as a separate use, and each use shall obtain a separate development permit.

14.1.8 EXCEPTIONS:

14.1.8.1 For the lands described as Ptn. NE 09-19-28-W4 containing 129.51 +/- acres and Ptn. SE 09-19-28-W4 containing 149.99 +/- acres the following exceptions apply:

- a. Data Center Campus is a Discretionary use on these lands;
- b. The maximum site coverage, including all buildings and impermeable surfaces, is 60% of the total lot area or as supported by a stormwater management plan prepared by an accredited professional.
- c. The maximum height of structures shall be 18 metres.
- d. Parking must be provided at a rate of 1.5 parking stalls or units per permanent employee. This excludes Handicap Parking which shall be determined by the Development Authority.
- e. A complete development permit application for a Data Centre Campus must include a noise mitigation and monitoring plan for those areas not subject to the AUC Rule

12, a fire prevention program and dynamic emergency response plan to the satisfaction of Foothills County.

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14.3 HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT

HC

14.3.1 PURPOSE AND INTENT

To accommodate a diverse range of commercial uses along highways and major transportation corridors intended to provide services to the travelling public and tourists and include businesses that require a high degree of visibility and/or ease of access to transportation routes.

14.3.2 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:

- 14.3.2.1 Refer to Section 4.2 "No Development Permit Required" in the Land Use Bylaw for uses not requiring a development permit.
- 14.3.2.2 Refer to Section 9 and Section 10 respectively for the general and specific land use regulations and provisions that apply to this District.

14.3.3 PERMITTED USES	14.3.4 DISCRETIONARY USES
Community services Government services Public works Signs not requiring a development permit Solar Power System, Private (Not requiring a Development Permit) Tourist information services and facilities Utility services, minor	Accessory buildings requiring a development permit Accessory uses Agricultural support services Animal care services Arena, commercial Auctioneering services Auto sales and repair Business office Car/truck wash Convenience store Drinking establishment Financial services Food service, drive in Grocery store Health services Hotel Liquor sales Lot grading Motel Recreation, indoor Recreational vehicle sales Restaurant Retail garden centre Retail Store Service station Signs requiring a development permit Solar Power System, Private (Requiring a Development Permit) Special event Truck stop

14.3.5 LAND USE REQUIREMENTS

- 14.3.5.1 A person who wishes to subdivide land in this district into additional lots must first apply for and be granted approval of a land use bylaw amendment.
- 14.3.5.2 In order to facilitate the purpose and intent of this district and ensure the sustainable development of highway commercial uses within the District, the following applies to applications for subdivision:
 - a. Parcel Density:
 - i. Parcel density requirements shall be determined by the Approving Authority, in accordance with an approved area structure plan or outline plan, if applicable.
 - b. Minimum Parcel Size:
 - i. 1.0 ac (4,047 m²).
 - ii. The area on title at the time of passage of this Bylaw, whichever is greater; or
 - iii. As determined by the Approving Authority, and if applicable, in accordance with an approved area structure plan or outline plan.
 - c. Maximum Parcel size:
 - i. As determined by the Approving Authority, and in accordance with an approved area structure plan or outline plan, if applicable; or
 - ii. The area on title at the time of passage of this Bylaw, whichever is lesser.
- 14.3.5.3 Utility Servicing Criteria
 - a. Municipal or communal water and wastewater disposal systems.
 - b. Municipal or communal water system, and an advanced package sewage treatment system; or
 - c. On site water storage system on site and/or wastewater pump out tanks if deemed appropriate by the Approving Authority in accordance with an approved area structure plan or outline plan.

14.3.6 DEVELOPMENT REQUIREMENTS

- 14.3.6.1 Maximum Lot Coverage
 - a. No building or group of buildings including their accessory buildings and impervious surfaces shall cover more than (60) sixty percent of the lot area.
- 14.3.6.2 Minimum Yard Setbacks Requirements
 - a. Front Yard Setbacks:
 - i. 15m (49.21 ft) from the right of way of an internal subdivision road.
 - ii. 48m (157.48 ft) from the centreline of a Municipal Road.
 - iii. 64m (209.97 ft.) from the centreline of a Municipal Road, Major.
 - iv. 40m (131.23 ft.) from the ultimate right of way or 70 meters from the centreline of a Provincial highway, whichever is greater.
 - b. Side Yard Setbacks:
 - i. 1.5 (4.92 ft) from the property line.

14.4 RURAL BUSINESS DISTRICT

RB

14.4.1 PURPOSE AND INTENT

To provide for limited commercial and industrial uses, businesses and services that provide for the needs of the local community and are consistent with the character of the rural neighborhood as described in the Municipal Development Plan.

14.4.2 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:

- 14.4.2.1 Refer to Section 4.2 "No Development Permit Required" in the Land Use Bylaw for uses not requiring a development permit.
- 14.4.2.2 Refer to Section 9 and Section 10 respectively for the general and specific land use regulations and provisions that apply to this District.

14.4.3 PERMITTED USES	14.4.4 DISCRETIONARY USES
Accessory buildings not requiring a development permit Accessory uses Agricultural, general Contractor, limited Dwelling, single family Home based business, Type I Home based business Type II Home office Public works Signs not requiring a development permit Solar Power System, Private (Not requiring a Development Permit) Utility services, minor	Abattoir, minor Accessory buildings requiring a development permit Agricultural, intensive use Agricultural processing & distribution Agricultural support services Animal care services Auctioneering services Business office Commercial school or college Commercial storage Dugout Dwelling, moved on Dwelling, temporary Family Day Home Farm equipment sales and service Guest ranch Home based business Type III Industry, light Intensive agricultural operation Lot grading Manufacturing, light Personal care establishment Public market Restaurant (accessory to principal use) Retail garden centre Secondary suite, detached Secondary suite, principal Signs requiring a development permit Solar Power System, Private (Requiring a Development Permit) Special event Storage compound

- c. Rear Yard Setbacks:
 - i. Principal Building – 6m (19.69 ft) from the property line.
 - ii. Accessory Building – 1.5 (4.92 ft) from the property line.
- d. If the title to a lot is subject to a caveat in respect of a land dedication or an agreement for the acquisition of land for road widening purposes, the dedicated area or area of future road widening shall be considered the future property boundary for which setback distances set out shall apply.

14.3.6.3 Corner Parcel Restrictions:

- a. In accordance with Section 9.27.9 - 9.27.12.

14.3.6.4 Other Minimum Setback Requirements:

- a. See Section 9.27 "Special Setback Requirements" of this bylaw for additional setback requirements that may apply.
- b. The Approving Authority may require a greater building setback for a use which, in the opinion of the Approving Authority, may interfere with the amenity of adjacent uses.

14.3.6.5 Maximum Height of Structures:

- a. 12m (39.37 ft).

14.3.7 SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

14.3.7.1 Landscaping and Screening:

- a. Landscaping shall be completed in accordance with the Municipal Screening Standards.
- b. Levels and methods of screening of the site shall be completed in accordance with the Municipal Screening Standards.

14.3.7.2 Lighting:

- a. All lighting must be in accordance with Section 9.15 of the Land use bylaw and with the Municipal Dark Sky Bylaw.

14.3.7.3 Lot Drainage:

- a. A Development agreement shall be entered into for lot grading to the satisfaction of the Director, Public Works and Engineering.
- b. Lot grading and drainage shall be in accordance with Section 9.17 of the Land use bylaw.

14.3.7.4 Other:

- a. The Approving Authority may allow a building to be occupied by a combination of one or more of the above mentioned uses listed for this district and each use shall be considered as a separate use, and each use shall obtain a separate development permit.

14.3.8 EXCEPTIONS:

14.4.5 LAND USE REQUIREMENTS

- 14.4.5.1 A person who wishes to subdivide land in this district into additional lots must first apply for and be granted approval of a land use bylaw amendment.
- 14.4.5.2 In order to facilitate the purpose and intent of this district and ensure the sustainable development of rural business uses within the District, the following applies to applications for subdivision:
- a. Parcel Density:
 - i. Parcel density requirements shall be determined by the Approving Authority, in accordance with an approved area structure plan or outline plan, if applicable.
 - b. Minimum Parcel Size:
 - i. 2.02 ha (5 acre).
 - ii. The area in title at the time of passage of this Bylaw, whichever is greater; or
 - iii. As determined by the Approving Authority, and if applicable, in accordance with an approved area structure plan or outline plan.
 - c. Maximum Parcel size:
 - i. As determined by the Approving Authority in accordance with an approved area structure plan or outline plan; or
 - ii. The area in title at the time of passage of this Bylaw, whichever is lesser.
- 14.4.5.3 Utility Servicing criteria
- a. Municipal or communal water and wastewater disposal systems.
 - b. Municipal or communal water system, and an advanced package sewage treatment system; or
 - c. On site water storage system on site and/or wastewater pump out tanks if deemed appropriate by the Approving Authority in accordance with an approved area structure plan or outline plan.

14.4.6 DEVELOPMENT REQUIREMENTS

- 14.4.6.1 Maximum Lot Coverage
- a. No building or group of buildings including their accessory buildings and impervious surfaces shall cover more than (60) sixty percent of the lot area.
- 14.4.6.2 Minimum Yard Setbacks Requirements:
- a. Front Yard Setbacks:
 - i. 15m (49.21 ft) from the right of way of an internal subdivision road.
 - ii. 48m (157.48 ft) from the centreline of a Municipal Road.
 - iii. 64m (209.97 ft.) from the centreline of a Municipal Road, Major.
 - iv. 40m (131.23 ft.) from the ultimate right of way or 70 meters from the centreline of a Provincial highway, whichever is greater.
 - b. Side Yard Setbacks:
 - i. 15m (49.21 ft) from the property line.

- c. Rear Yard Setbacks:
 - i. 15m (49.21 ft) from the property line
- d. If the title to a lot is subject to a caveat in respect of a land dedication or an agreement for the acquisition of land for road widening purposes, the dedicated area or area of future road widening shall be considered the future property boundary for which setback distances set out shall apply.

14.4.6.3 Corner Parcel Restrictions:

- a. In accordance with Section 9.27.9 - 9.27.12.

14.4.6.4 Other Minimum Setback Requirements:

- a. See Section 9.27 "Special Setback Requirements" of this bylaw for additional setback requirements that may apply.

14.4.6.5 Maximum Height of Structures:

- a. 12m (39.37 ft).

14.4.6.6 Minimum habitable area per dwelling:

- a. 84 sq. m. (904.20 sq. ft).

14.4.7 SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

14.4.7.1 Landscaping and Screening:

- a. Landscaping shall be completed in accordance with the Municipal Screening Standards.
- b. Levels and methods of screening of the site shall be completed in accordance with the Municipal Screening Standards.

14.4.7.2 Lighting:

- a. All lighting must be in accordance with Section 9.15 of the Land use bylaw and with the Municipal Dark Sky Bylaw.

14.4.7.3 Lot Drainage:

- a. A Development agreement shall be entered into for lot grading to the satisfaction of the Director, Public Works and Engineering.
- b. Lot grading and drainage shall be in accordance with Section 9.17 of the Land use bylaw.

14.4.7.4 Other:

- a. The Approving Authority may allow a building to be occupied by a combination of one or more of the above mentioned uses listed for this district and each use shall be considered as a separate use, and each use shall obtain a separate development permit.

14.4.8 EXCEPTIONS:

710716 ALBERTA INC.

County of Foothills
309 Macleod Trail
High River, Alberta
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Attention: Council

RE: Western Gateway Outline Plan and Land Use Redesignation Application
Lands SE 13-20-29 W4M

Dear Honourable Members of Council

We own the lands immediately adjacent to the subject lands of the Western Gateway application and thereby have standing with regards to this application. Our lands are legally known as Plan 1210873, Block 2, Lot 2, SW 13-20-29 W4M.

Our lands have been contemplated primarily for Industrial and commercial usage as set out in the Aldersyde Junction ACP which was approved by council in April of 2013. Furthermore, these lands are currently the subject of a land use application and a subdivision application currently in circulation.

While generally we have no issues with the Western Gateway plan, we have some specific concerns as set out below.

Firstly, the Western Gateway Development Concept plan indicates a transportation linkage into our lands, and water and sewer lines to be located within that road right of way. Our approved ACP does not contemplate such a connection, nor does our current land use and subdivision applications. Most of the lands to the south of Field House Drive are being subdivided, with the intent of them being owned and operated by one private industrial user. Therefore, those lands will have no public roads, and it is certainly my understanding that council can not mandate public access to private lands. Water and sewer connections will be made to the lines on Field House Drive.

The shadow plan shown in the plans circulated for Western Gateway do not reflect any plans that have been submitted by us at any time.

Secondly, although the landowner is certainly entitled to parcel their lands in whatever manner they see fit, it is our experience that the parcel sizes set out in their concept are not achievable. Marketing efforts to date in this area certainly have not reflected the need for lot sizes this small. Sizing of what we view as a more realistic size would provide a much better perspective of the related infrastructure requirements of the area.

710716 ALBERTA INC.


We thank you for your attention to this matter and should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Glenn McCowan at [REDACTED]

Sincerely



Glenn McCowan
Chief Financial Officer
710716 Alberta Inc.
cc.Township Planning for Western Gateway

**MISCELLANEOUS PLANNING ITEM
 PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT REPORT TO COUNCIL
 2ND AND 3RD READING TO BYLAW 31/2025
 December 3, 2025**

APPLICATION INFORMATION		FILE NO. 25R023
The following Councillors can vote on this item: Reeve Siewert, Deputy Reeve Oel, Councillor McHugh and Councillor Alger.		
	LEGAL DESC.: NW 10-21-02 W5M	
	LANDOWNERS: Kenneth & Linda Miklos	
	AGENT: Kristi Beunder of Township Planning + Design Inc.	
	AREA OF SUBJECT LANDS: 159.88 Acres	
	CURRENT LAND USE: Agricultural District	
	PROPOSED LAND USE: Country Residential District	
PROPOSAL: Redesignation of 9.0 +/- acre portion of the subject 159.88-acre Agricultural District parcel to Country Residential District to allow for the future subdivision of 1 x +/- 9.0 acre Country Residential District first parcel out, leaving a 150.88 +/- acre Agricultural District balance parcel.		
NUMBER & SIZE OF PROPOSED NEW PARCELS: 1 x +/- 9.0 acre		
DIVISION NO: 5	COUNCILLOR: Alan Alger	
FILE MANAGER: Elliott Salmon		

PURPOSE OF REQUEST

Request to Council to provide 2nd and 3rd reading to Bylaw 31/2025.

BACKGROUND

May 14, 2025: Council granted 1st reading to Bylaw 31/2025 authorizing the redesignation of a 9.0 +/- acre portion of NW 10-21-02 W5M from Agricultural District to Country Residential District, in order to allow for the future subdivision of one new 9.0 +/- acre Country Residential District first parcel out, with an approximate 150.88 +/- acre Agricultural District balance parcel.

CONDITIONS TO BE MET AT REDESIGNATION

All conditions of 1st reading of the Bylaw have been met.

COUNCIL ACTION REQUESTED

Council is requested to consider granting 2nd and 3rd reading to Bylaw 31/2025 authorizing the redesignation of a 9.0 +/- acre portion of NW 10-21-02 W5M from Agricultural District to Country Residential District, in order to allow for the future subdivision of one new 9.0 +/- acre Country Residential District first parcel out, with an approximate 150.88 +/- acre Agricultural District balance parcel.

APPENDICES

APPENDIX A: MAP SET

LOCATION MAP

SITE PLAN – WITHOUT AERIAL IMAGERY

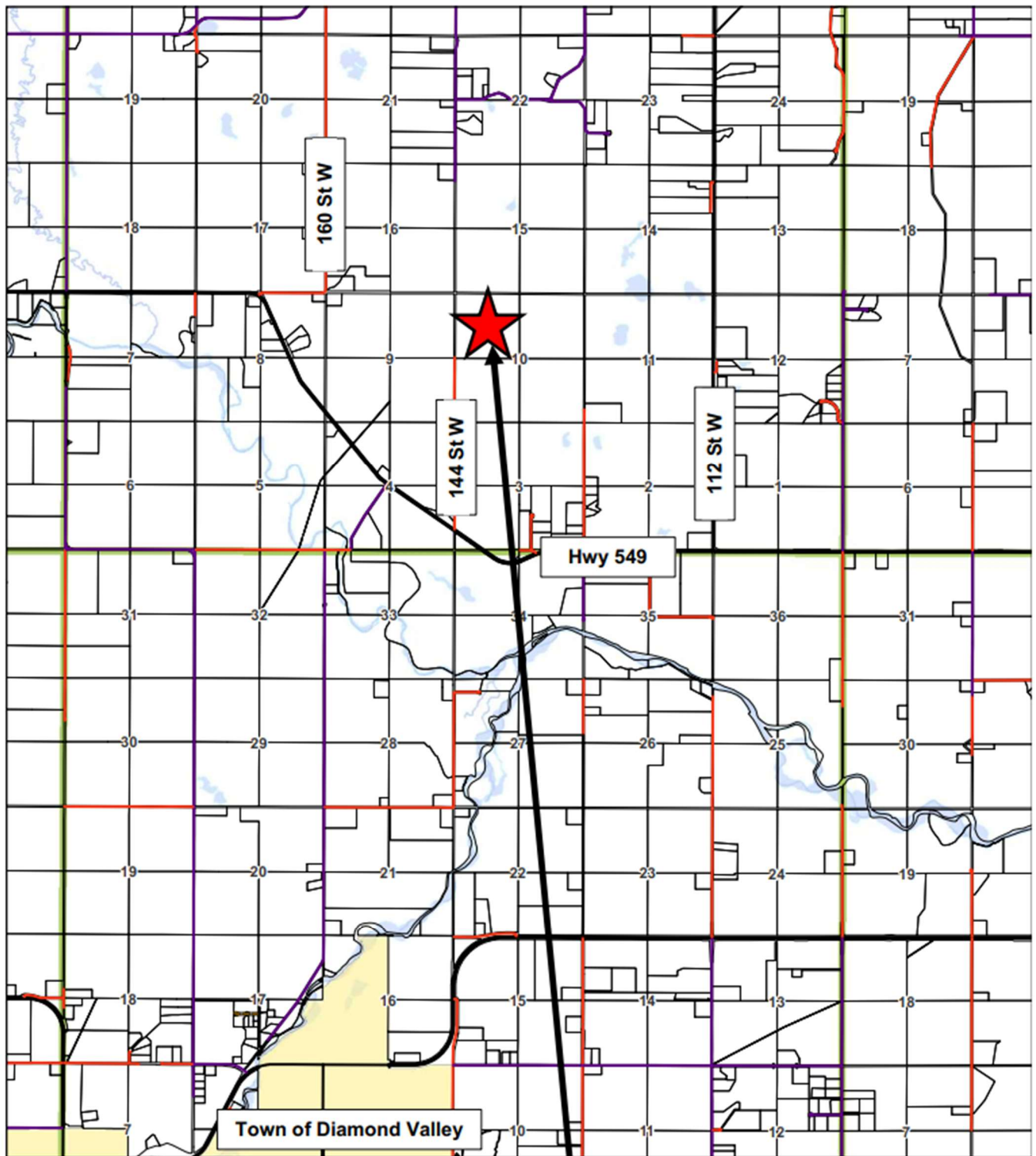
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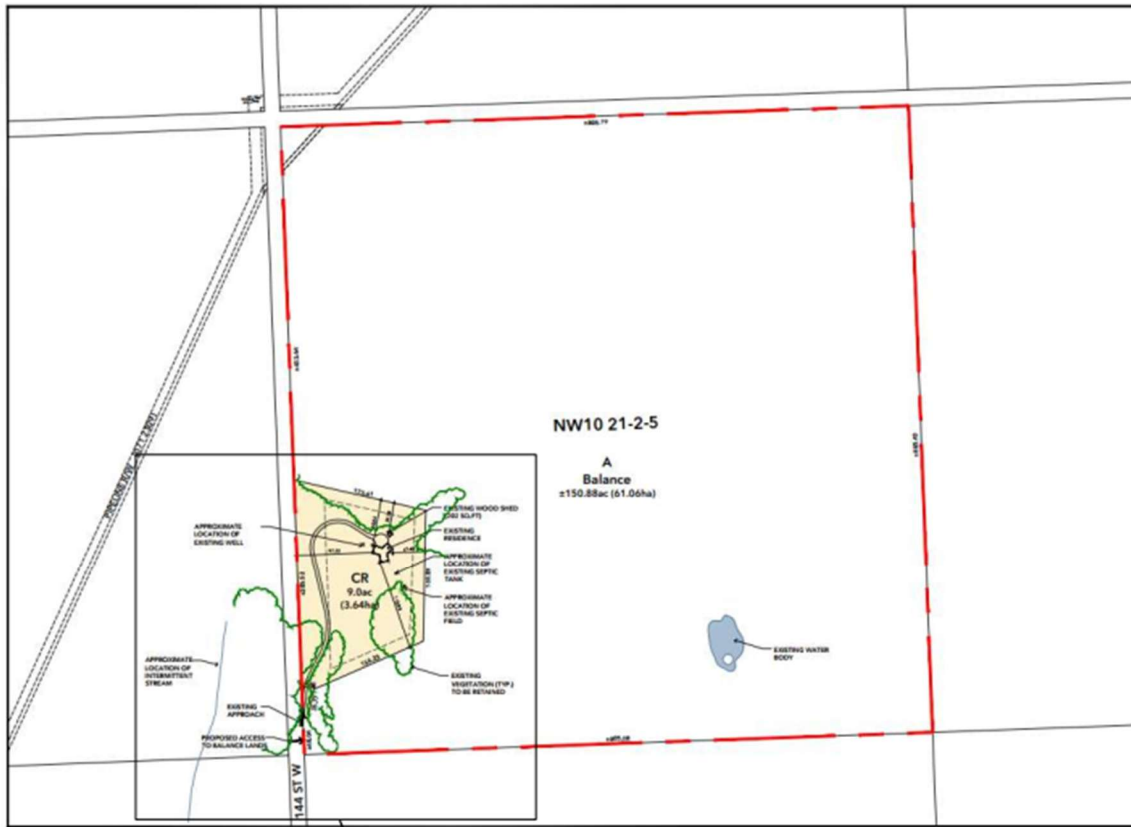


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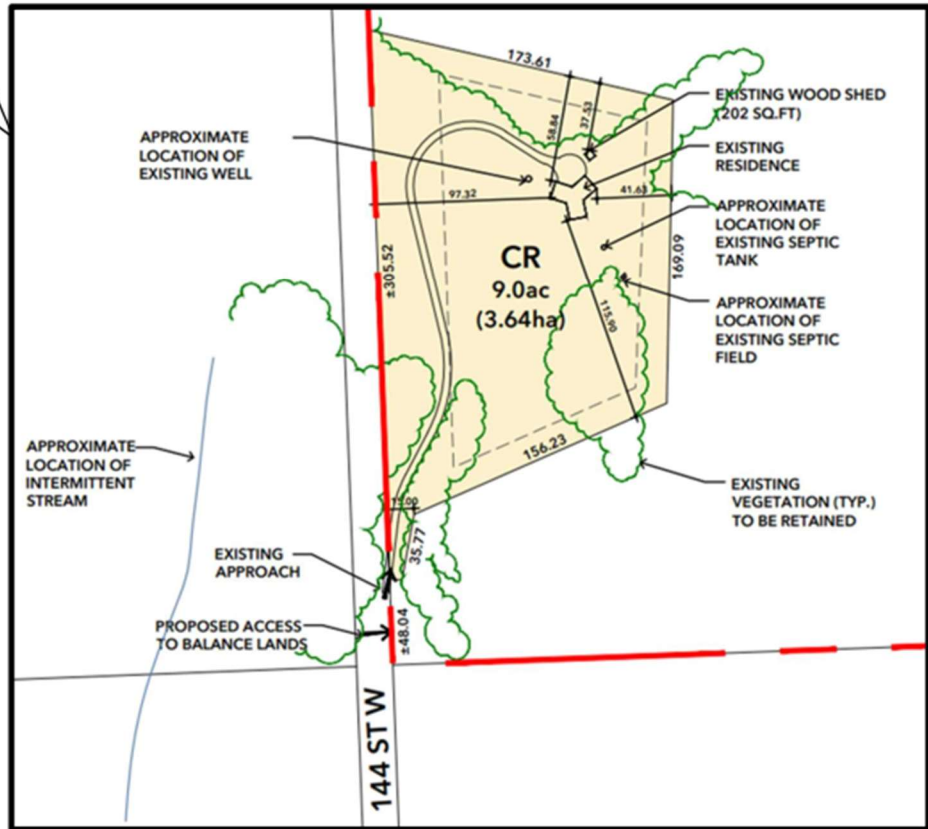
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Land Use Re-designation & Subdivision
Country Residential - First Parcel Out

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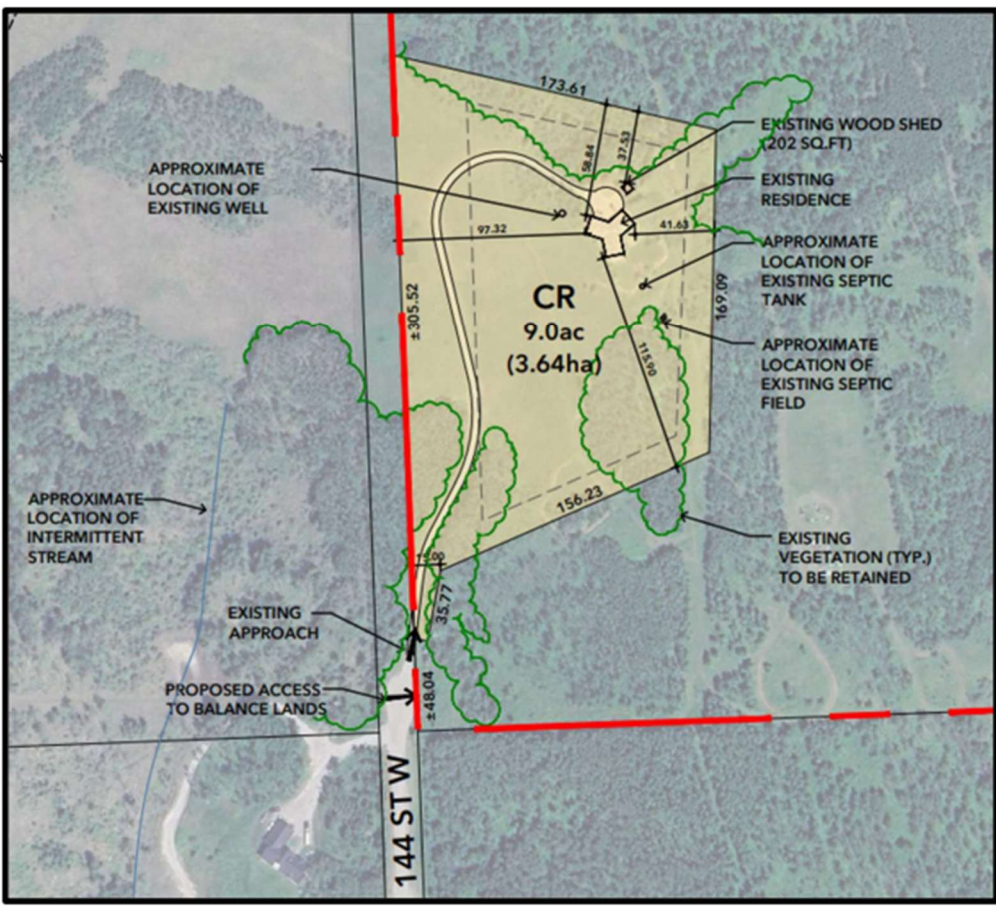
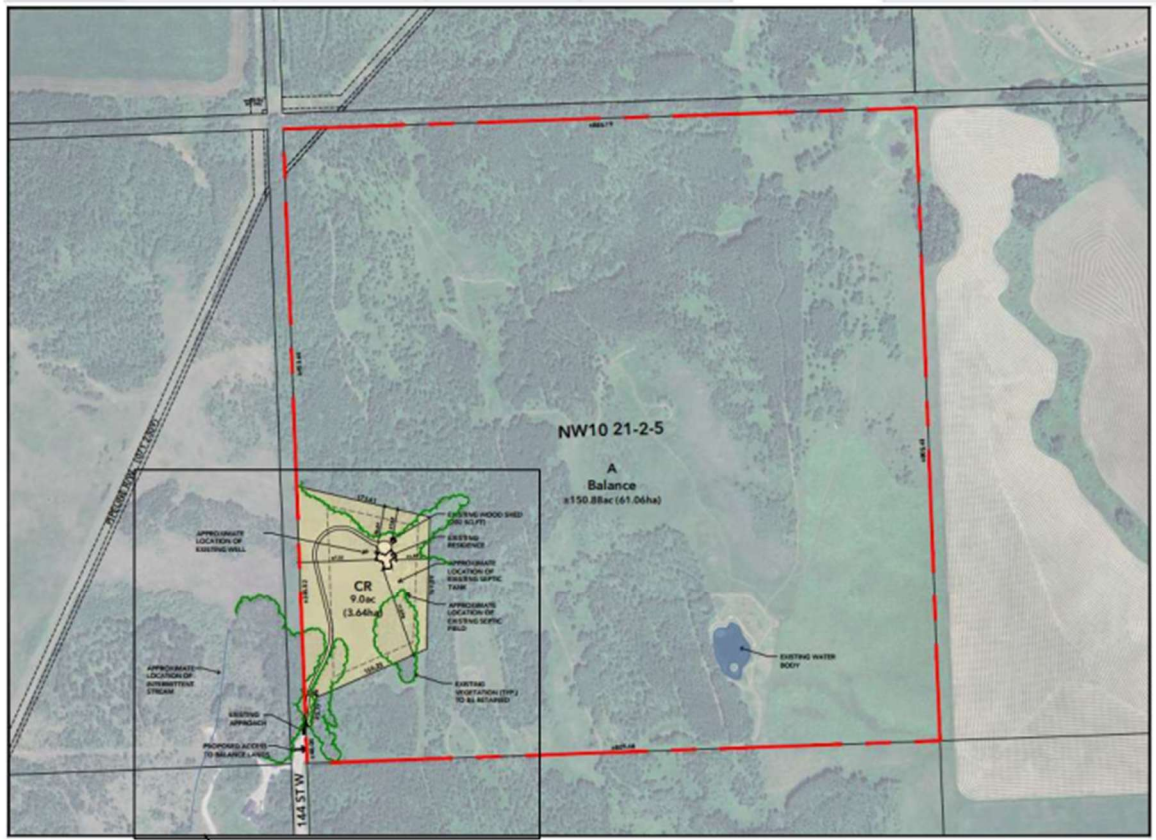
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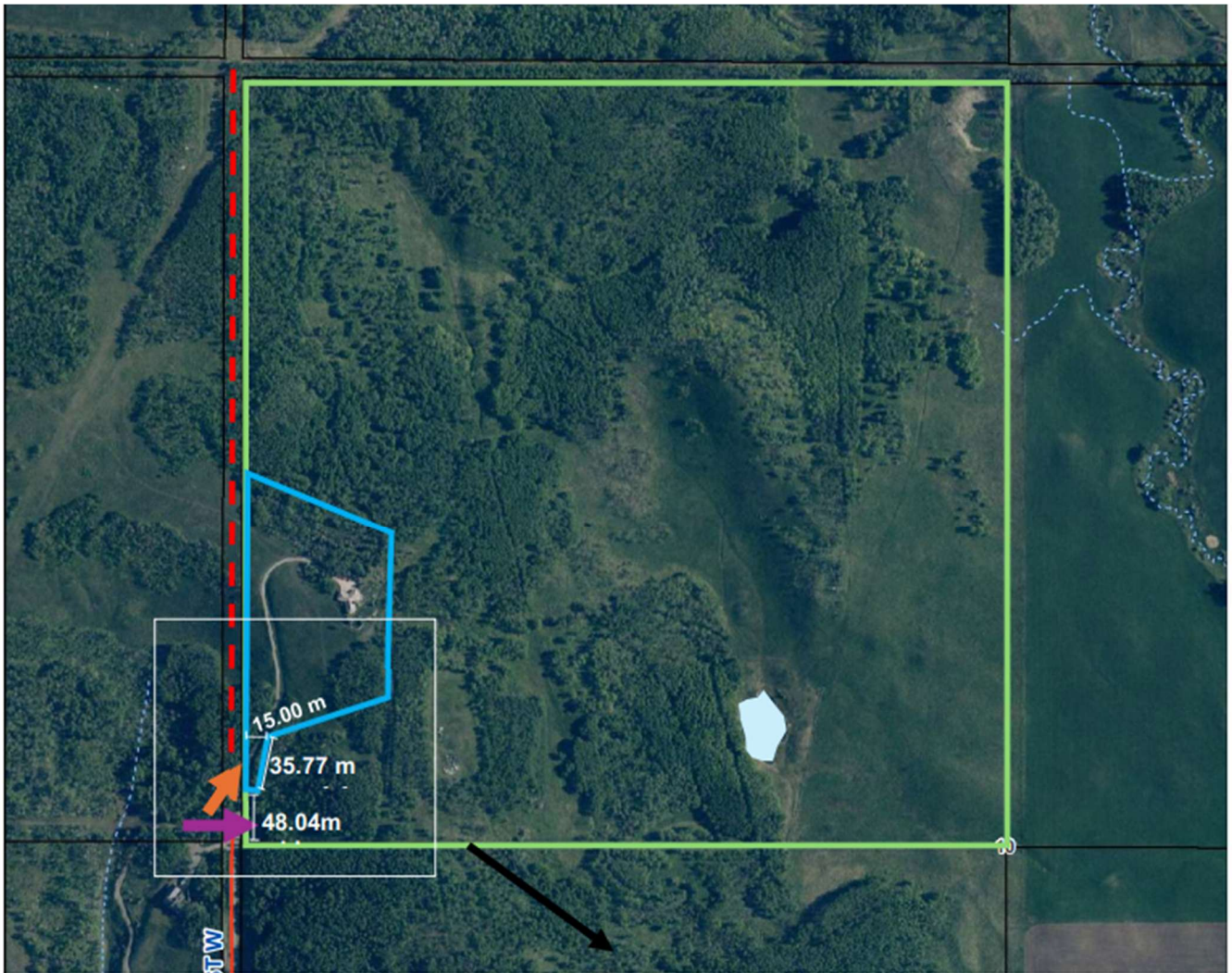
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BYLAW 31/2025

BEING A BYLAW OF FOOTHILLS COUNTY TO AUTHORIZE AN AMENDMENT TO THE LAND USE BYLAW NO. 60/2014 AS AMENDED.

WHEREAS pursuant to the provisions of the Municipal Government Act, Chapter M-26 Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000, and amendments thereto, the Council of Foothills County in the Province of Alberta, has adopted Land Use Bylaw No. 60/2014 and amendments thereto;

AND WHEREAS the Council has received an application to further amend the Land Use Bylaw by authorizing the redesignation of a 9.0 +/- acre portion on NW 10-21-02 W5M from Agricultural District to Country Residential District, in order to allow for the future subdivision of one new 9.0 +/- acre Country Residential lot, with an approximate 150.88 +/- acre Agricultural District balance parcel.

NOW THEREFORE THE COUNCIL ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. Land Use Map No. 2204 is amended for the redesignation of a 9.0 +/- acre portion on NW 10-21-02 W5M from Agricultural District to Country Residential District, in order to allow for the future subdivision of one new 9.0 +/- acre Country Residential lot, with an approximate 150.88 +/- acre Agricultural District balance parcel.
2. This Bylaw shall have effect on the date of its third reading and upon being signed.

FIRST READING: May 14, 2025

Reeve

CAO

SECOND READING:

Reeve

CAO

THIRD READING:

Reeve

CAO

PASSED IN OPEN COUNCIL assembled at the Town of High River in the Province of Alberta this day of , 20 .

C. PUBLIC HEARINGS & MEETINGS

C.1 10:00 a.m. - Miklos - NW 10-21-02 W5M - Redesignation (A to CR)

K. and L. Miklos and Agent K. Beunder were in attendance for the public hearing in connection to the proposed redesignation of a 9.0 +/- acre portion on NW 10-21-02 W5M from Agricultural District to Country Residential District, in order to allow for the future subdivision of one new 9.0 +/- acre Country Residential District first parcel out, with an approximate 150.88 +/- acre Agricultural District balance parcel.

The public hearing was closed.

C.1.1 Miklos - NW 10-21-02 W5M - Decision

Bylaw 31/2025

Bylaw 31/2025 was introduced into the meeting to authorize the redesignation of a 9.0 +/- acre portion on NW 10-21-02 W5M from Agricultural District to Country Residential District, in order to allow for the future subdivision of one new 9.0 +/- acre Country Residential District first parcel out, with an approximate 150.88 +/- acre Agricultural District balance parcel.

In consideration of the criteria noted in the Agriculture section of the MDP2010, Council is of the opinion that allowing the first parcel out of the subject lands would not be detrimental to the agricultural nature of the area. Further, the application falls within the density provisions and lot size restrictions of the County's Land Use Bylaw.

Prior to further consideration of the Bylaw, the following will be required:

1. Landowners are to fully execute and comply with all requirements as outlined within the Municipal Development Agreement for the purposes of payment of the community sustainability fee and any other necessary municipal and on-site improvements as required by Council and the Public Works department;
2. The landowners will be required to execute an Agreement for Acquisition of Land for the purposes of road widening in the amount of 5 meters along the east side of 144th street to be registered by way of Caveat concurrently with the plan of subdivision as a condition of subdivision;
3. The landowners will be required to provide consent for the registration of a survey of the constructed portion of the cul-de-sac in the SW corner of the quarter completed at the cost of the County as a condition of subdivision. The survey is to include the minimal amount of land necessary for the constructed cul-de-sac;
4. Final redesignation application fees to be submitted; and
5. Submission of an executed subdivision application and the necessary fees.


Resolution 447

Moved by: Councillor Alger

That Bylaw 31/2025 be given first reading.

THE BYLAW WAS PASSED FOR ONE READING

**SUBDIVISION APPROVING AUTHORITY ITEM
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT REPORT TO COUNCIL
SUBDIVISION APPROVAL
December 3, 2025**

APPLICATION INFORMATION		FILE NO. F2102-10NW
	LEGAL DESC.: NW 10-21-02 W5M	
	LANDOWNERS: Kenneth & Linda Miklos	
	AGENT: Kristi Beunder of Township Planning + Design Inc.	
	AREA OF SUBJECT LANDS: 159.88 Acres	
	LAND USES: Country Residential District / Agricultural District	
PROPOSAL: Subdivision proposing the creation of 1 x +/- 9.0 acre Country Residential District first parcel out from a portion of NW 10-21-02 W5M, leaving a +/- 150.88 acre Agricultural District balance parcel.		
NUMBER & SIZE OF PROPOSED NEW PARCELS: 1 x +/- 9.0 acre		
DIVISION NO: 5	COUNCILLOR: Alan Alger	
FILE MANAGER: Elliott Salmon		

PURPOSE OF REQUEST

Request of the Subdivision Approving Authority to approve the subdivision application which proposes the creation of 1 x +/- 9.0 acre Country Residential District first parcel out from a portion of NW 10-21-02 W5M, leaving a +/- 150.88 acre Agricultural District balance parcel.

BACKGROUND

December 3, 2025: Council granted 3rd and final reading to Bylaw 31/2025 authorizing the redesignation of a 9.0 +/- acre portion of NW 10-21-02 W5M from Agricultural District to Country Residential District, in order to allow for the future subdivision of one new 9.0 +/- acre Country Residential District first parcel out, with an approximate 150.88 +/- acre Agricultural District balance parcel.

MUNICIPAL RESERVE

To date, no municipal reserves have been provided for the subject parcel.

Municipal Reserve dedication is generally not required for first parcels out of a quarter section or for large agricultural parcels greater than 16.0 hectares (39.5 acres) in size, pursuant to sections 663(a)-(b) and 666(1) of the Municipal Government Act and the County’s Municipal Reserve Policy adopted April 18/96.

REFERRAL CIRCULATION

CIRCULATION REFERRALS	
REFEREE	COMMENTS
INTERNAL	
Public Works	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are 25% grades 150 m north of the current cul-de-sac on 144 St W.

CIRCULATION REFERRALS	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The remainder of the undeveloped 144 St W road allowance to the north could be developed in the future if needed by extending 144 St W from the north. • 5 m road widening by caveat is required along 144 St W. • Survey out road widening to accommodate the cul-de-sac in the SW corner of the quarter section.
EXTERNAL	
Fortis	Easements are required for this development.
PUBLIC	
Landowners (adjacent)	No submissions.

REQUEST OF THE SUBDIVISION APPROVING AUTHORITY

Should Council as the Subdivision Approving Authority be supportive of the subdivision application, Council may wish to consider the following motion:

The subdivision application proposing the creation of 1 x +/- 9.0 acre Country Residential District first parcel out from a portion of NW 10-21-02 W5M, leaving a +/- 150.88 acre Agricultural District balance parcel has been evaluated in terms of Section 654 of the Municipal Government Act and Section 9 of the Matters Related to Subdivision and Development Regulation, and the application is approved as per the tentative plan for the following reasons:

- The application is consistent with Section 9 of the Regulation; and
- The subject lands have the appropriate land use designation.

Further, in accordance with Sections 654 and 655 of the Municipal Government Act, the application is approved subject to the following conditions:

Recommended Conditions of Approval

1. Subdivision to be effected by Plan of Survey, pursuant to Section 657 of the Municipal Government Act, or such other means satisfactory to the Registrar of the South Alberta Land Titles District;
2. The landowners shall provide consent for the registration of a survey of the constructed portion of the cul-de-sac in the southwest corner of the subject parcel, to be completed at the cost of the County. The survey is to include the minimal amount of land necessary for the constructed cul-de-sac;
3. It is the applicant's responsibility to provide a Real Property Report or an 'as built' drawing signed and sealed by an Alberta Land Surveyor, certifying the locations of the adjacent municipal road(s), water well(s) within the boundaries of the appropriate parcels and that the site plan is surveyed according to municipal setback requirements;
4. Completion of all pre-release conditions as noted in the executed Municipal Development Agreement to the satisfaction of the Municipality and where applicable the appropriate external agencies. These conditions include:
 - a. Payment of the \$11,300.00 per new lot Community Sustainability Fee.

5. The landowners shall execute a Road Acquisition Agreement for the purposes of road widening in the amount of 5 metres along the full west boundary of the subject parcel (east of 144 Street W) to be registered by way of Caveat concurrently with the plan of subdivision.
6. All accesses to be located and culverts and approaches to be installed to current Municipal subdivision road construction standards, to the satisfaction of the Public Works Department;
7. Landowner is to provide all utility easements and agreements to the satisfaction of the County and the utility companies;
8. Landowners are to pay all arrears of taxes on the existing parcel prior to finalization of the subdivision; and
9. Submission of subdivision endorsement fees.

APPENDICES

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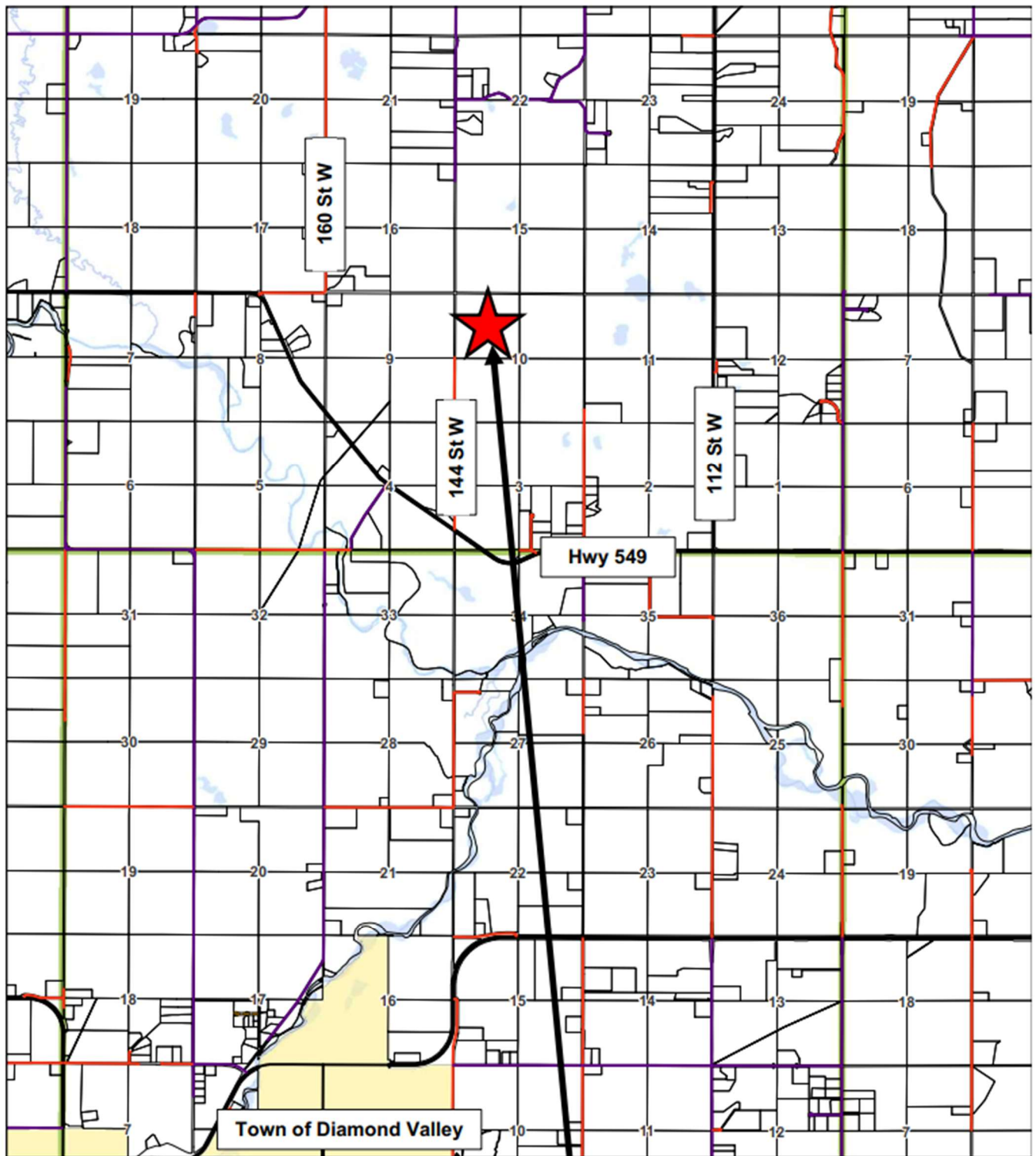
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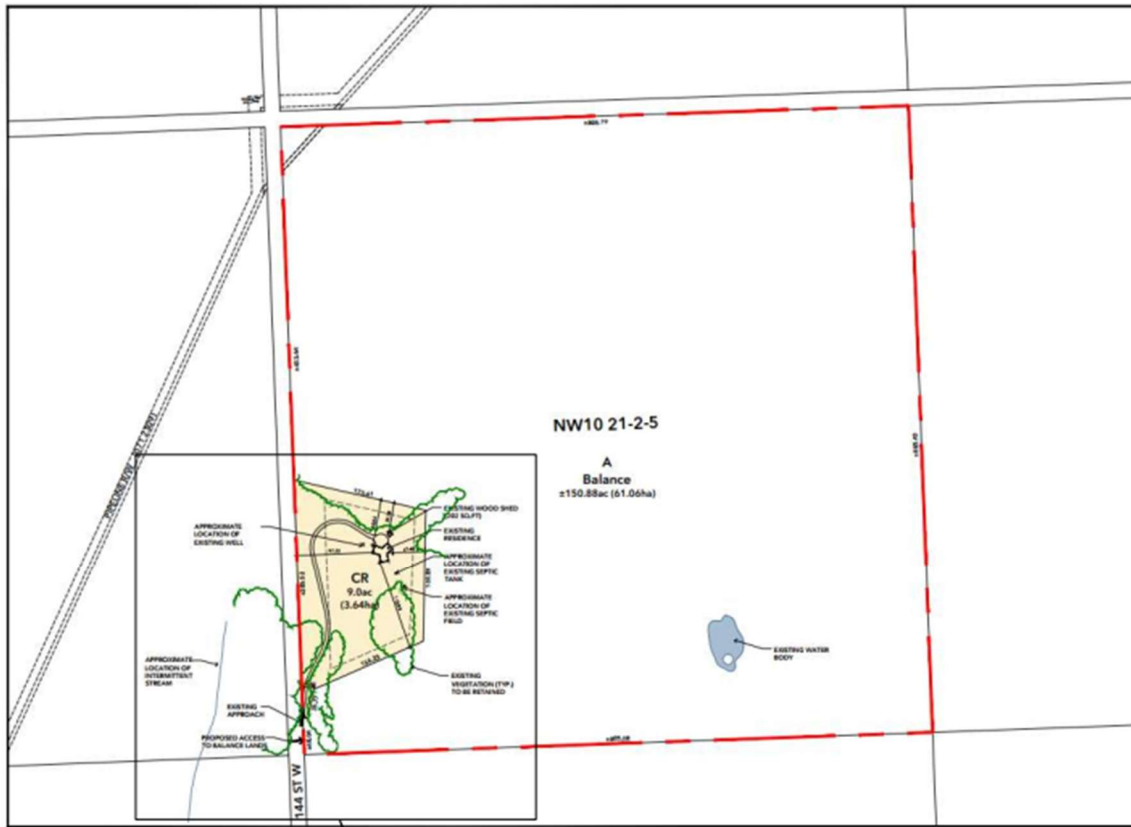


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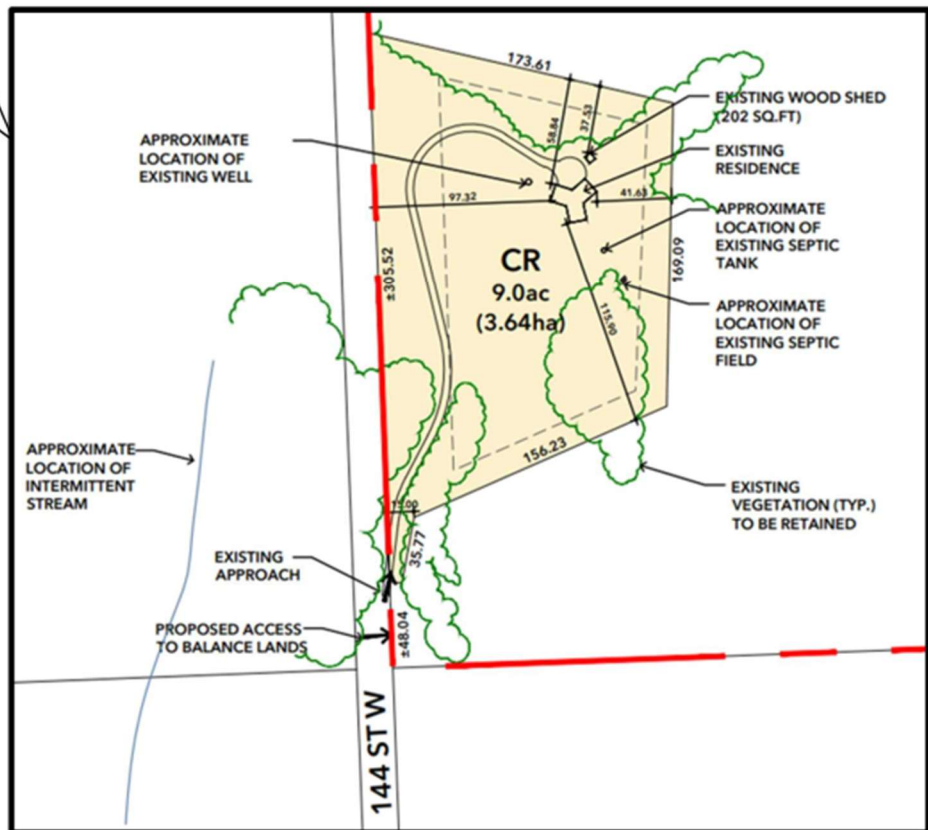
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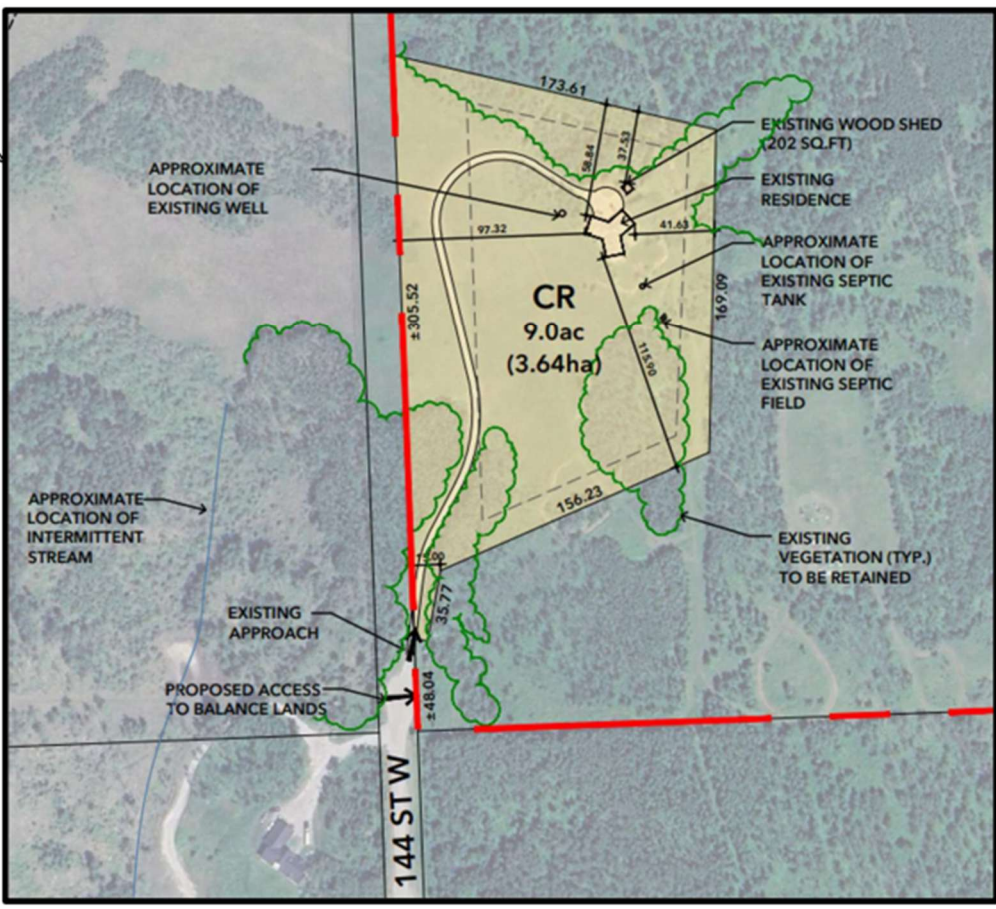
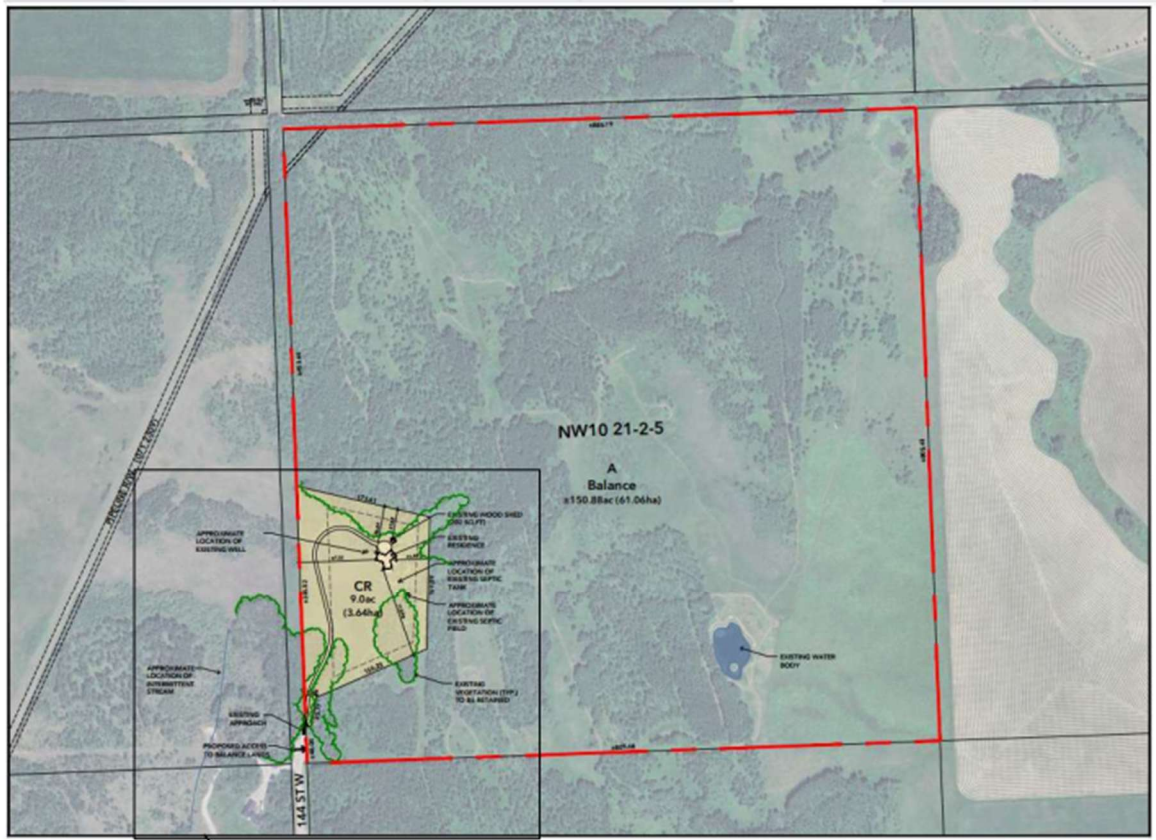
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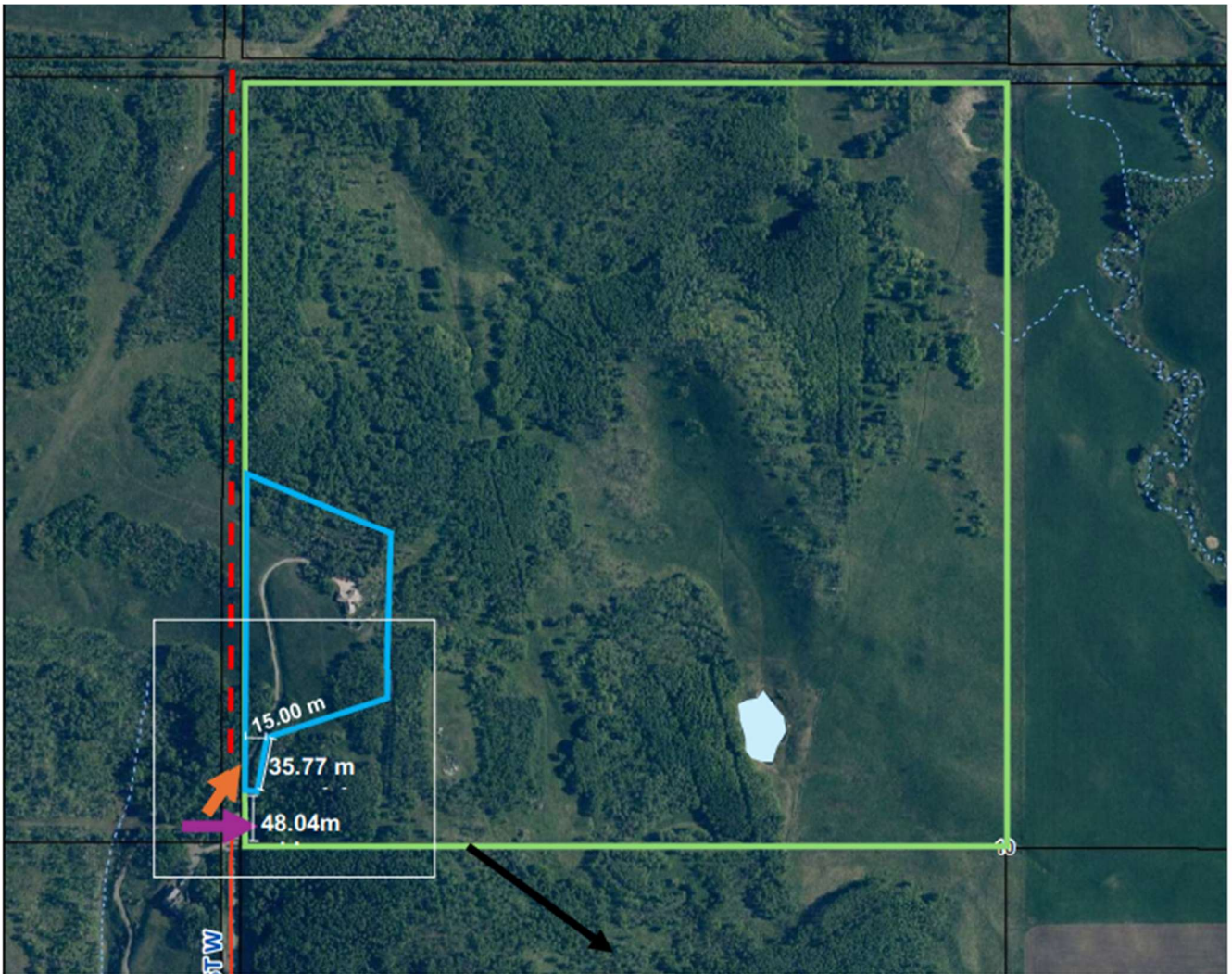
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







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DEPARTMENT: Legislative Services	
	TOPIC: Request for a Dog Park in Blackie
REPORT PRESENTED BY: Reeve Rob Siewert	

PURPOSE OF REQUEST

To consider the request for a dog park to be created in Blackie, east of Lions Park.

BACKGROUND

See the attached letter.

REQUEST OF COUNCIL

Proposed Motions:

That Council direct administration to investigate options to create a dog park in Blackie and bring back the information to a future Council meeting for consideration.

APPENDICES

Appendix A: Letter of Request



IF YOU WOULD LIKE A DOG PARK IN BLACKIE
(east of Lions Park in the open field) M.D. Land
Please print your name

Shelaine Gamble

KENT SCHALL

Melissa Gagne

Kelly Brown

Ralph Gross

STEVE Humby

Dan Brauff

Lisa Burgess

Ryan Field

Janece Jones

Nora Ricci

Luisa Vasquez Trujillo

TALFORD OWENS

Kathleen Brown

Brandy Reddaway


Melissa Hill

Lynn Starozuk

Paul Warrnet

Jerry Ellce

D. Vanstone

DEPARTMENT: Legislative Services	
	TOPIC: Blackie Events Society - Blackie Community Hall Potential Purchase - Request to Attend a Council Meeting
REPORT PRESENTED BY: CAO Ryan Payne	

PURPOSE OF REQUEST

To consider the having a representative from the Blackie Event Society attend a future Council meeting to discuss the ongoing vision for the potential purchase of the Blackie Community Hall.

BACKGROUND

See the attached letter.

REQUEST OF COUNCIL

Proposed Motions:

That Council direct administration to coordinate with the Blackie Event Society to attend a future meeting of Council to discuss the ongoing vision for the potential purchase of the Blackie Community Hall.

APPENDICES

- Appendix A: Email of Request
- Appendix B: Letter of Request
- Appendix C: Purchase/Selling Agreement
- Appendix D: Blackie Community Hall Assessment Letter - Alstran Corp.

From: Margaret Speelman [REDACTED]
Date: November 24, 2025 at 7:45:58 PM MST
To: Ryan Payne <Ryan.Payne@foothillscountyab.ca>
Subject: Request to attend Council

Hello Ryan

Thank you again for your assistance and guidance throughout this process. I have searched on the website for the appropriate steps, and I truly appreciate your help in navigating the next actions.

I have updated the letter requesting an invitation to attend a future council meeting to discuss our proposal to purchase the Blackie Community Hall.

Because we will be referencing several supporting resources during that meeting, I am including the following documents for your review:

1. Revised Letter Requesting an Invitation
2. Purchase/Selling Agreement (#1)
3. Blackie Foundation Assessment (#3)

The Blackie Hall Report (#2) is too large to attach due to embedded images. It can be accessed through the following link on the Foothills County website:

Blackie.Community.Hall.Project – <https://www.foothillscountyab.ca/development/current-projects/blackie-community-hall-project>

If you have any questions or require additional information, please feel free to email me or call at [REDACTED]

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
Margaret Speelman

Blackie Events Society

% Margaret Speelman
Box 135
Blackie, Alberta
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blackieeventssociety@gmail.com

November 24, 2025

Foothills Country Council

Box 5605
High River, AB
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Dear Council,

On behalf of the Blackie Events Society, I would like to formally request an invitation to attend an upcoming Council meeting to discuss our ongoing vision for the potential purchase of the Blackie Community Hall.

We appreciate and have thoroughly reviewed your recent follow-up email, including the attached *Purchase/Selling Agreement*. Our organization remains committed to moving forward with this process. However, before proceeding, we believe it is important to revisit certain elements of the proposed agreement and engage in further discussion with the current Council.

After thoroughly reviewing the "Purchase/Selling Agreement" and the minutes from the May 21, 2025, Council meeting (Foothills County Council Meeting - 05/21/2025), we have identified several items we believe require further attention. Below are some key points for discussion:

1. Engineering Reports

As suggested during the council meeting (59:44), we feel that it may be "premature" to move forward at this stage, given the significant discrepancies between the two engineering reports. The differences and misunderstandings within the reports need to be addressed before proceeding. For example, Report One cites the building's capacity as 560, while the Fire Code limits the upstairs occupancy to 175. Additionally, there were concerns raised regarding asbestos. However, Appendix B of Report One indicates that of the 22 areas tested, only three spots showed very small traces of Chrysotile (1% in floor tiles, 2% in the

Gypsum board joint compound in the Furnace Room).

2. **Safety and Legal Concerns**

Given these discrepancies, we question whether the council can ethically or legally proceed with the sale of the property, especially if there are unresolved safety code issues, as noted during the meeting (25:00). It would be ideal if we could collaborate with the council to explore potential solutions and pursue grants to address the necessary improvements to meet safety standards.

3. **Suitability of the School for Community Events**

While the improvements to the local school have been important for the community, it is unclear whether the school can truly meet the needs of the community for events. There are several limitations, such as availability, restricted hours, lack of space, inadequate facilities for hosting events (tables, alcohol service, and considerations for gym floor protection), and limited decoration options. These challenges reinforce the importance of maintaining the Blackie Community Hall as the central hub for community activities.

4. **Utility Responsibilities**

It was mentioned in the meeting (21:29) that the county currently pays the Hall's water and utilities. However, Blackie Hall has always paid its own electricity and gas bills. As we move forward, we request that the county continue to cover water, sewer, and garbage services, as these are essential for the Hall's continued operation.

5. **Commitment to the Hall's Future**

During the council meeting (47:54), it was stated that while we are a keen group, we lack a track record, and there are concerns that we might walk away from the Hall, ultimately passing the responsibility back to the county. While it is impossible to guarantee the future, we can certainly stand by our strong and proud past. The Blackie Community Hall has been the heart of our community for over sixty years, fostering connection and unity, and we are dedicated to preserving this legacy.

To help ensure we are all on the same page, we have attached the following supporting documents for your reference:

1. **Purchase/Selling Agreement**
2. **Blackie Hall Report**
3. **Blackie Foundation Assessment**
4. **Link to Council Meeting - [Foothills County Council Meeting - 05/21/2025](#)**

To ensure a meaningful and productive discussion, we respectfully request that a minimum of thirty minutes be allotted on the meeting agenda.

As previously stated, our society is excited to move forward with the necessary upgrades to maintain and enhance the Blackie Community Hall. We look forward to collaborating with Foothills County on the transfer of ownership so that we may preserve our community's history while planning for a sustainable and vibrant future.

Sincerely,

Margaret Speelman
President

PURCHASE/SELLING AGREEMENT

This Purchase Agreement (the "Agreement") dated effective the ___ day of _____, 2025.

BETWEEN:

FOOTHILLS COUNTY
(the "Seller" or the "County")

AND:

BLACKIE EVENTS SOCIETY
(the "Buyer" or the "Society")

WHEREAS:

- A. The Seller wishes to sell the Property; and
- B. The Buyer wishes to purchase the Property in accordance with the following terms and conditions.

NOW THEREFORE that in consideration of the payment of the Purchase Price by the Buyer, and in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements contained herein, the sufficiency of which is wholly acknowledged, the parties hereby covenant and agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1 DEFINITIONS

1.1 In this Agreement, the following words shall be defined as follows:

- (a) "**Attached Goods**" means all improvements, fixtures and chattels affixed to the Land, except any Exempt Items.
- (b) "**Buildings**" means all buildings and structures on the Land.
- (c) "**Business Day**" means every day but Saturday, Sunday and statutory holidays in the province of Alberta.
- (d) "**Completion Day**" means, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the parties, the later of the following to occur:
 - a. the date that is four weeks subsequent to the date that the Buyer is in receipt of the fully executed closing documents contemplated herein, or, should said date fall on a non-Business Day, the next Business Day; and
 - b. the ___ day of _____, 2025.
- (e) "**Engineering Reports**" means the following items:
 - a. any engineering reports received by the Seller with respect to the lands; and
 - b. any reports, studies, surveys, plans, documents, records, test results, inspections, maintenance reports/logs, options and agreements in the possession or control of the Seller that relate to the Property or other documents relating to the Property.

- (f) "**Exempt Items**" means the primary refrigerator, wall oven, microwave, wine fridge, bar fridge and pellet stove located in the Buildings.
- (g) "**Land**" means the lands legally described in Schedule "A" attached hereto.
- (h) "**Property**" means the Land together with all Buildings and Attached Goods.
- (i) "**Purchase Price**" the Purchase Price shall be \$1.00 inclusive of GST, and the Seller acknowledges that it has received the full Purchase Price, and shall hold and not release the Purchase Price until closing of the transaction.

ARTICLE 2 AGREEMENT OF PURCHASE AND SALE

- 2.1 The Buyer hereby agrees to purchase, acquire and assume the Property, and the Seller agrees to sell, transfer, assign, set over and convey the Property to the Buyer at the Purchase Price on and subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement.
- 2.2 The Buyer and the Seller agree to act cooperatively, reasonably and in good faith with respect to their obligations under this Agreement
- 2.3 The Buyer shall pay the Purchase Price by lawyer's trust cheque, bank draft or other agreed value.

ARTICLE 3 THE PROPERTY

- 3.1 The Property means the Land and all Buildings and Attached Goods.
- 3.2 Unless otherwise agreed in writing, title will be free and clear of all encumbrances, registrations and obligations except the following:
 - a. those implied by law;
 - b. non-financial obligations now on title such as easements, utility rights-of-way, covenants and conditions that are normally found registered against property of this nature and which do not affect the saleability of the Property;
 - c. homeowner association caveats, encumbrances and similar registrations; and
 - d. those items which the Buyer agreed to assume in this Agreement.

ARTICLE 4 CLOSING

- 4.1 Unless otherwise agreed in writing, this Agreement will be completed, the Purchase Price will be fully paid, subject to any adjustments and holdbacks, and shall be in effect by 12:00 p.m. on the Completion Day.
- 4.2 On the Completion Day, the Property, shall be in substantially the same conditions as it was on the date of execution of this Agreement, reasonable wear and tear excepted.
- 4.3 Adjustments to the Purchase Price shall be made as of 11:59 p.m. on the Completion Day. The adjustments shall include but are not limited to all taxes, including local improvement charges, utilities, damage/security deposits, pre-paid rent and interest, fuel, and all other incomings and

outgoings with respect to the Property (but not as to unpaid rentals or unpaid expenses), as applicable. The adjustments shall be for the Seller's account as to both revenue and expenses up to 11:59 p.m. on the Completion Day, and thereafter for the Buyer. These provisions relating to adjustments shall not merge but shall survive the closing of this purchase and sale.

- 4.4 The Seller or the Seller's lawyer will deliver normal closing documents, including:
- (a) any conveyances and the transfer of land applicable to the Property in prescribed registrable form to transfer title to the Property;
 - (b) any real property report and letter of compliance in the Seller's possession, to the Buyer or the Buyer's lawyer upon reasonable conditions consistent with the terms of this Agreement.

The Buyer's lawyer must have a reasonable amount of time before the Completion Day to review the closing documents and arrange and confirm registration of documents at the Land Titles Office.

- 4.5 Within a reasonable period of time after the Completion Day, the Seller's lawyer will provide the Buyer's lawyer with evidence of all discharges including, where required, a certified copy of the certificate of title.
- 4.6 The Seller will pay the costs to prepare the closing documents; to prepare, register and discharge any Seller's caveat based on this Agreement and to provide the normal closing documents.
- 4.7 The Seller will pay the costs to prepare, register and discharge any Buyer's caveat based on this Agreement and to register the transfer of land.
- 4.8 The Seller will be responsible for the legal costs in relation to this transaction.
- 4.9 Notwithstanding the closing provisions in this Agreement, the parties instruct their lawyers to follow, if appropriate, the Law Society of Alberta Conveyancing Protocol in the closing of this transaction.

ARTICLE 5 WARRANTIES AND REPRESENTATIONS

- 5.1 The Seller and Buyer hereby represent, covenant and agree that no real estate agent was involved in the sale of the Property or creation of this Agreement, and consequently there shall be no real estate commissions which may be payable to any licensed real estate agent in respect of the sale of the Property or if payable such commissions shall be the responsibility of the Buyer.
- 5.2 Upon execution of this Agreement, the Seller shall deliver any of the Engineering Reports not already provided to the Buyer. The Buyer and the Seller hereby represent, warrant, covenant and agree as follows:
- (a) the Seller has the legal right to sell the Property;
 - (b) the Buildings and Attached Goods are free and clear of all encumbrances;
 - (c) the Seller is not a non-resident of Canada for purposes of the *Income Tax Act* (Canada);
 - (d) the Seller has not provided any representations, warranties, promises or collateral agreements whatsoever respecting the condition or quality of the Property and any structures or

improvements located thereon (including, without restriction, the presence or absence of hazardous substances or contamination, the area of the Property, or the compliance of any structures or improvements with municipal bylaws or any other laws);

- (e) the Buyer is purchasing the Property "as is, where is" basis, without recourse to the Seller, its trustees, officers, employees, contractors, insurers, administrators, agents or representatives, in reliance upon its own due diligence investigations, and shall assume responsibility for all environmental obligations and liabilities and all abandonment, reclamation, remediation and restoration costs attributable to the Property;
- (f) the Buyer shall be solely liable for and indemnify the Seller, its trustees, officers, employees, contractors, insurers, administrators, agents or representatives, against any claims, demands, actions, causes of action, damages, losses, costs (including legal costs on a solicitor and his own client full indemnity basis), liabilities, fines, penalties or expenses suffered by or claimed against the Seller or which it may sustain, pay or incur as a result of any act, omission, matter or thing for which a claim is made on or after the Completion Day in connection with all environmental obligations and liabilities and all abandonment, reclamation, remediation and restoration costs relating to the Property whether they arise as a result of the creation of a condition within or upon the Property before or after the Completion Day;
- (g) the Buyer's assumption of responsibility for the future abandonment, reclamation, remediation and restoration costs, and environmental liabilities or responsibilities associated with the Property generally, and Seller's release of responsibility therefor or therefrom, was accounted for in determining the Purchase Price;
- (h) the Buyer acknowledges that the Buyer is fully aware of the current state, quality and condition of the Property, has had access to the lands for the purposes of confirming environmental or any other quality or condition relating to the Property, and that the Purchase Price fully reflects the condition and quality of the Property;
- (i) the Buyer further acknowledges that it has been given the opportunity to review, and has obtained copies of the Engineering Reports from the Seller, together with such reports and opinions obtained by the Buyer from its own due diligence;
- (j) the Buyer hereby waives any and all rights, remedies, claims and/or causes of action which the Buyer may have or ever had in contract, tort, or pursuant to any statute, as against the Seller, its trustees, officers, employees, contractors, insurers, administrators, agents or representatives, in respect to the quality or condition of all or any portion of the Property, as well as all or any portion of the conditions or issues impacting the Property which are revealed by or otherwise contemplated within any of the foregoing, and forever discharges and releases the Seller, its trustees, officers, employees, contractors, insurers, administrators, agents or representatives, from any and all liabilities, obligations and responsibilities in relation thereto; and
- (k) notwithstanding anything contained within this Agreement, the Seller shall be entitled to remove all Exempt Items, if any, from the Property prior to the Completion Day.

5.4 All of the warranties contained in this Agreement and any attached Schedules are made as of and will be true at the Completion Day, unless otherwise agreed in writing.

- 5.5 The representations and warranties in this Agreement may be enforced after the Completion Day, provided that any legal action is commenced within the time limits prescribed by the *Limitations Act* (Alberta).
- 5.6 The Seller and the Buyer each acknowledge that, except as otherwise described in this Agreement, there are no other warranties, representations or collateral agreements made by or with the other party about the Property, any neighboring lands, and this transaction, including any warranty, representation or collateral agreement relating to the size/measurements of the Land and Buildings or the existence or non-existence of any environmental condition or problem.

ARTICLE 6 INSURANCE, LIABILITY AND INDEMNITY

- 6.1 The risk of loss or damage to the Property shall lie with the Seller until the Purchase Price is paid according to the terms of this Agreement. If loss or damage to the Property occurs before the Seller is paid the Purchase Price, then any insurance proceeds shall be held in trust for the Buyer and the Seller according to their interests in the Property. Subsequent to Closing, the risk of loss or damage to the Property shall lie with the Buyer.
- 6.2 The Society will indemnify, defend and hold harmless the County, its elected officials, employees, representatives, officers, agents, volunteers and insurers (collectively the "**County Parties**") of and from all loss, fines, suits, claims, demands and actions, damages, costs, liability or expense of any kind or nature to which the County Parties shall or may become liable for or suffer by reason of any breach, violation or non-performance by the County of any covenant, term or provision hereof, or by reason of any injury occasioned to or suffered by any person or persons, or damage to any property, by reason of wrongful act, neglect or default on the part of the County or any of its agents, contractors, servants, employees, members, licensees or invitees..
- 6.3 The Society acknowledges that they have received and reviewed all relevant documentation, including but not limited to, Engineering Reports, site surveys, and any other documents related to the Blackie Community Hall. The Society understands and accepts all existing deficiencies, conditions, and recommendations identified in these documents as they relate to the scope of work under this Agreement. The Society will incorporate these understandings into their work plan and budget and will not make any claims for additional costs or time as a result of these pre-existing conditions.
- 6.4 The Society acknowledges they are subject to and shall comply with all applicable federal, provincial/municipal laws, rules, and regulations in the performance of their obligations under this Agreement. No failure to enforce any provision of this Agreement or any delay in doing so, nor any partial or single exercise of any right or remedy hereunder, shall be construed as a waiver of, or a variation of, any requirement or right under this Agreement, or as a bar to any further enforcement of such provision or right, unless expressly agreed to in writing by the both the County and the Society.

ARTICLE 7 FIRST RIGHT OF REFUSAL

- 7.1 In the event that the Society receives a bona fide offer from a third party to purchase the Property, the County shall have the first right of refusal to purchase the Property on the same terms and conditions as are contained in this Agreement. The Society shall provide the County with written notice of the third-party offer, including all details of the offer. The County shall have seven (7) days from the date of receiving such notice to notify the Society in writing of their decision to exercise their right of first refusal. If the County fails to notify the Society within the specified time

period, the Society shall be free to accept the third-party offer and sell the Property to the third party.

ARTICLE 8 CONDITIONS

8.1 The Buyer's Conditions are:

Nil

8.2 The Seller's Conditions are:

Nil

ARTICLE 9 REMEDIES/DISPUTES

9.1 If either of the Buyer or Seller fail or refuse to complete this Agreement according to its terms, then the other party may pursue all available remedies available in law and equity. Both the Seller and the Buyer can claim reasonable costs, including legal fees and disbursements on a solicitor-client full indemnity basis.

9.2 If the Seller must restore title to the Property, enforce a lien against the Property or regain possession of the Property due to the Buyer's default, then the Buyer will pay the Seller's reasonable costs including legal fees and disbursements on a solicitor-client full indemnity basis.

9.3 The Seller and the Buyer agree that the Property is unique and that, in the event of a default by the Seller, the Buyer is entitled, without limiting any other remedies available in Article 9.1, to claim the remedy of specific performance and shall be entitled to all reasonable costs, including legal fees and disbursements on a solicitor-client full indemnity basis.

ARTICLE 10 ADVICE/DISCLOSURE

10.1 This Agreement is intended to create binding legal obligations. The Seller and the Buyer should read this Agreement carefully and are encouraged to obtain independent legal advice before signing. The Seller acknowledges and agrees that it has been given an opportunity to obtain independent legal advice, or such other advice as the Seller may desire, concerning the interpretation and effect of this Agreement.

10.2 The Buyer and Seller agree that the sale and other related information regarding this transaction may be retained and disclosed by the brokerage and/or the real estate board(s), as required for closing and for reporting, appraisal and statistical purposes.

ARTICLE 11 NOTICE

11.1 Any notice, demand, approval, consent, information, agreement, offer, payment, request or other communication (hereinafter referred to as a "Notice") to be given under or in connection with this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be given by personal delivery or by other electronic communication which results in a written or printed notice being given, addressed or sent as set out below or to such other address or electronic number as may from time to time be the subject of a Notice:

(a) Seller:

Foothills County
309 Macleod Trail, PO Box 5605
High River, AB T1V 1M7
Phone: (403) 652-2341

Email/Fax: _____

(b) Buyer:

Blackie Events Society

Any Notice, if (i) personally delivered or (ii) prior to 5:00 p.m. on a given day sent by electronic communication, shall be deemed to have been validly and effectively given and received on the date of such delivery and if sent by electronic communication with confirmation of transmission after 5:00 p.m. on a given day, shall be deemed to have been validly and effectively given and received on the day next following the day it was received.

Any Notice, if mailed, shall be deemed to have been given and received on the third (3rd) Business day following the date of mailing.

ARTICLE 12 GENERAL

- 12.1 All normal conveyancing and other documents shall be prepared at the Seller's expense. The Buyer shall be responsible for the cost of any new mortgage and for all land titles registration fees with respect to the registration of the transfer of land and mortgage, if any.
- 12.2 All time periods, deadlines and dates in this Agreement shall be strictly followed and enforced. All times will be Alberta time unless otherwise stated.
- 12.3 This Agreement is for the benefit of and shall be binding upon the heirs, executors, administrators and assigns of the individual parties hereto and the successors and assigns of corporate parties.
- 12.4 All changes of number and gender shall be made where required.
- 12.5 This Agreement will be governed by the laws of the Province of Alberta. The parties hereto submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Courts in the Province of Alberta regarding any dispute that may arise out of this transaction.
- 12.6 The Seller acknowledges and agrees that the Buyer is permitted to disclose any information related to this transaction, including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Purchase Price and the Seller's details. The Seller further acknowledges and confirms that any information disclosed by the Buyer may be further disclosed and may eventually become public knowledge.

12.7 This Agreement shall constitute the entire agreement between the parties and the parties acknowledge that there are no other representations, conditions or warranties with respect to the Agreement other than these which are contained herein. The following schedule shall form a part of this Agreement:

(a) **Schedule "A"** - The Land

12.8 This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, including facsimile and electronic (pdf) transmission thereof, each of which shall be deemed an original and when so executed all such counterparts taken together shall form one agreement and shall be valid and binding on all parties to this Agreement.

[Signature page follows]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the Parties have executed this Agreement effective the date first above written.

BLACKIE EVENTS SOCIETY

Per: _____

Name:

Title:

c/s

Per: _____

Name:

Title:

FOOTHILLS COUNTY

Per: _____

Name:

Title:

c/s

Per: _____

Name:

Title:

SCHEDULE "A"

The Land

Legal Description:

PLAN 6980AG
BLOCK 3
LOT PTN LOT 6, ALL OF 7,8

Alstran Corp.

PO Box 5321
Station A
Calgary, Alberta
T2H 1X6



January 23, 2025

Blackie Events Society,
Box 122
1205 Railway Ave
Blackie AB, T0L 0J0

Re: Blackie Community Hall Foundation Assessment

Alstran Corp has been engaged by the Blackie Events Society to conduct a foundation review on the Blackie Community Hall Foundation and provide a scope of repair opinion. Alstran Corp did a field investigation visit on January 7, 2025. The hall is a 40'x90' wood arch rib structure that is build on a poured concrete foundation. The building was originally built in 1960's. Our observations were that the building and foundation look to be structurally sound with exterior foundation spalling and foundation cracks that would be typical of a building of this age. Further maintenance should be conducted to prevent the progression of these cracks & spalling.



Photo 1. Blackie Hall Entrance

A visual inspection was conducted on both the visible interior and exterior portions of the concrete foundation. The purpose of the assessment is to determine the extent of the repairs required to the foundation as well as an order of magnitude cost estimate.

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Calgary, Alberta,
T2H 1X6

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ph: 403.477.3971

Below are photos of the interior cracking:



Photo 2. Interior View of Foundation Crack



Photo 3. Interior View of Foundation Crack

The following photos are from the exterior foundation of the hall. Sections of the foundation wall have previously been repaired with parging. These parging repairs were estimated to have been completed more than 5 years ago. There is concrete erosion or spalling at the grade level due to a lack of historic water management. The eaves troughs were added in recent history.



Photo 4. Exterior foundation erosion – East side

The foundation wall was originally poured with two cold joints down each side of the length of the foundation. The photo below is a picture of the cold joint (discount the cracked parging above). These cold joints show no sign of water seepage on the inside.



Photo 5. Foundation Cold Joints. – East side



Photo 6. Foundation Cold Joints & erosion – East side

The foundation walls on the North, West, and South Side have less erosion than the east wall. However, the parging on these walls should be repaired. Below are photos of the North, West, and South foundation walls.



Photo 7. Foundation– North side



Photo 8. Foundation– West side



Photo 9. Foundation– South side

Recommendations & Repairs

Interior and Exterior Foundation cracks should be repaired with an injectable epoxy repair and hydraulic motor for concrete walls. Prior to the repairs the interior paneling should be removed to identify all interior cracks in the basement. One such repair product is: SikaFix Manufactured by Sika

<https://can.sika.com/en/do-it-yourself/sika-products/concrete-masonryrepairproducts/crack-repairs/sikafix-kit-ca.html>



For the exterior foundation wall areas where there is visible erosion and spalling the recommended repair is to use a polymer modified topping compound with fiber reinforcement. Prior to the repair the foundation shall be prepped as per the manufacturer's recommendations. All loose spalling and delaminated parging shall be removed prior to the repair. One such repair product is: Sika MonoTop -410F

<https://can.sika.com/en/do-it-yourself/sika-products/concrete-masonryrepairproducts/concrete-repair-products/sika-monotop-410f.html>

If the extent of the cracking is visibly different from what is currently visible in the basement after the paneling is removed; the general contractor shall seek professional advice on additional repair procedures.

Once the exterior areas have been repaired the foundation shall be re-parged for an added layer of protection. General period inspections and maintenance shall be conducted to identify and repair new cracks or new areas of erosion or spalling. Site water shed management shall continue to be monitored and care shall be taken to ensure that water does not pool against the foundation or leak from the eave troughs onto the parging.

It is our estimate that the repairs prescribed based on the site conditions observed should be conducted (material and labor) for between \$10,000 and \$30,000. If there are any questions or further engineering services requirements, please feel free to contact us.

Regards,

Ryan M. Bailey, P.Eng
Alstran Corp.



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ph: 403.477.3971

COUNCIL ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT
Department: Community Services – Energy Services



TITLE: To seek Council authorization to enter into funding agreement with ERA (Emissions Reduction Alberta) for energy analysis of select county facilities.

Author: Adeniyi Adeaga, Manager of Municipal Energy Services.

DATE: December 03, 2025

PURPOSE: Present energy study and analysis funding agreement document from ERA (Emissions Reduction Alberta) and receive Council:

- 1) Authorization for the CAO to sign the agreement with ERA on behalf of Foothills County.
- 2) Authorization for Administration to engage an engineering/energy consulting firm to carry out the energy analysis of the facilities according to scope defined in the agreement.

Background: The Strategic Energy Management for Industry (SEMI) program of ERA awarded funding to Foothills County in November 2025 to carry out energy analysis for three facilities. The funding is estimated to cover 100% of the total costs (except GST) and must be used only for energy analysis and energy modeling, not for capital projects. The goal is to use the recommendations from the studies to apply for funding for capital projects from ERA, which they typically cover at 100% for non-profit organizations.

Funding Summary:

	<u>Facility Name</u>	<u>Funding Confirmed (Yes/No)</u>
1.	Priddis Greens Water Treatment Plant	Yes
2.	Priddis Greens Wastewater Treatment Plant	Yes
3.	Hawk's 9 Wastewater Treatment Plant	Yes
4.	Aldersyde Public Works Shop	No (Pending)

Next Step:

- Return to Council with quotations from qualified consultants for decision to select preferred consultant and proceed with (or otherwise) the studies.



**MISCELLANEOUS MUNICIPAL ITEM
REPORT TO COUNCIL
HERITAGE CROSSING SIGNAGE REQUEST
December 3, 2025**

Application information	File: Heritage Crossing
PROPOSAL: Heritage Crossing Development Request for Signage	
LOCATION: Proposed MR within Heritage Crossing Development 1530LK Blk 1; Ptn NW 32-21-29 W4M	
APPLICANT: Partners Development Group Ltd.	
DIVISION COUNCILLOR: Division 6 – John Callister	
FILE MANAGER: Donna Fowler, Municipal Lands Administrator	

PURPOSE

To review the request to install temporary signage on a proposed Municipal Reserve parcel within the Heritage Crossing Development.

BACKGROUND

The Heritage Crossing Development received Council approval on August 28, 2024 Bylaw 34/2023 and Phase 1 was approved by Council March 26, 2025. The subdivision is not yet registered at Land Titles.

The developer has requested permission to install one temporary entry sign feature at the subdivision entrance off Dunbow Road, within the proposed Municipal Reserve parcel for a period of 36 months. The design structure will be constructed out of a steel frame and skid-mounted with concrete jersey barriers at the base to help with stabilization. The structure will also be illuminated via solar powered downlights.

County Public Works and Infrastructure were circulated and provided the following comments:

*As per the **Temporary Signs on Highways Bylaw 18/2006**, the following provisions are applicable to the current proposal:*

- **Section 3(2)(f):** *Except as provided in this bylaw, a person shall not place a sign on a highway which is within 30 meters of an intersection.*

The proposed location does not meet this requirement. To comply, the sign could be shifted eastward.

- **Section 9(8):** *A community association sign shall be no larger than 3.0 square meters.*

The proposed sign is approximately 41 square meters in size. While Council has previously approved signs larger than the bylaw stipulates, those approvals applied to signs located entirely within municipal reserve lands. In this case, the proposed

sign will be positioned partially within the road right of way and partially on municipal reserve land.

As the sign encroaches into the road right of way, the bylaw does apply. Council has the authority to approve the sign size and location as proposed, or they can request that the sign be moved entirely onto the municipal reserve, or that the sign size be reduced to comply with the bylaw.

Public Works recommends that the proposed sign be shifted east and located entirely within the municipal reserve, rather than within the road right of way. This adjustment will avoid conflicts with upcoming utility work and the potential future roundabout at the proposed location. In addition, it is recommended that the sign be positioned a minimum of 8 metres south of the projected stop line, as illustrated in Appendix B.

We shared the comments with the applicant, and they have modified their design location to meet Public Works recommendations. We have included their modified drawing as Appendix D.

REQUEST OF COUNCIL

After reviewing the information provided, that Council grants permission for the installation of one temporary entry sign, for a period of 36 months, to be located within the proposed Municipal Reserve Plan 1530LK, Blk 1; Ptn NW 32-21-29 W4M, subject to the following terms:

1. Design and installation are subject to review and approval by County staff. The proposed sign must be located wholly within the boundaries of the Municipal Reserve and be a minimum of 8 metres south of the projected stop line.
2. All future maintenance of the signage shall be the responsibility of the applicant, and any future changes or upgrades shall first be approved in writing by Foothills County.
3. The applicant shall enter into a letter agreement with the County.
4. A \$5000.00 security deposit to be paid by the applicant, refundable upon signage removal at the end of the term.

APPENDICES

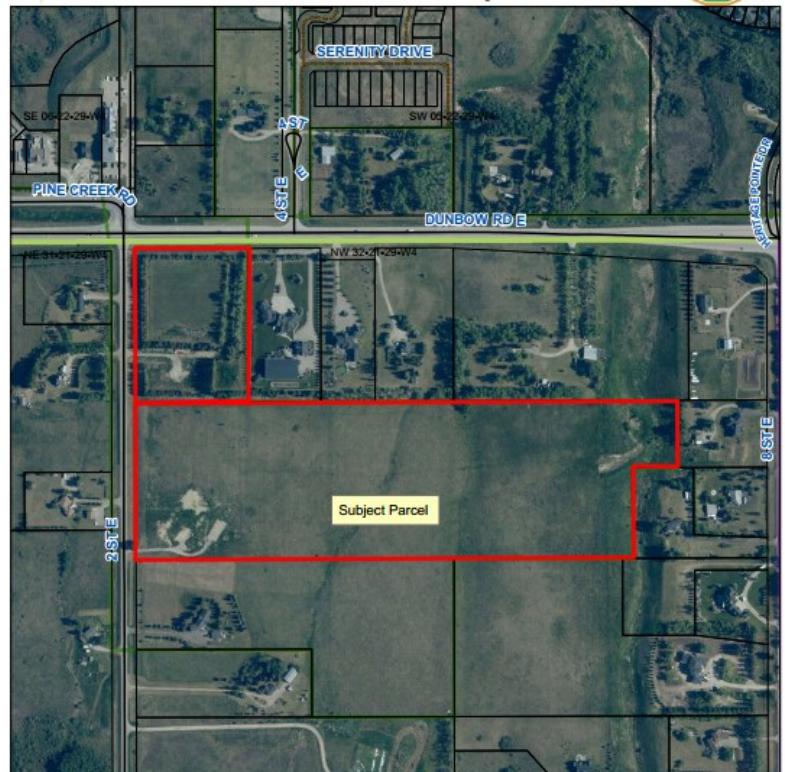
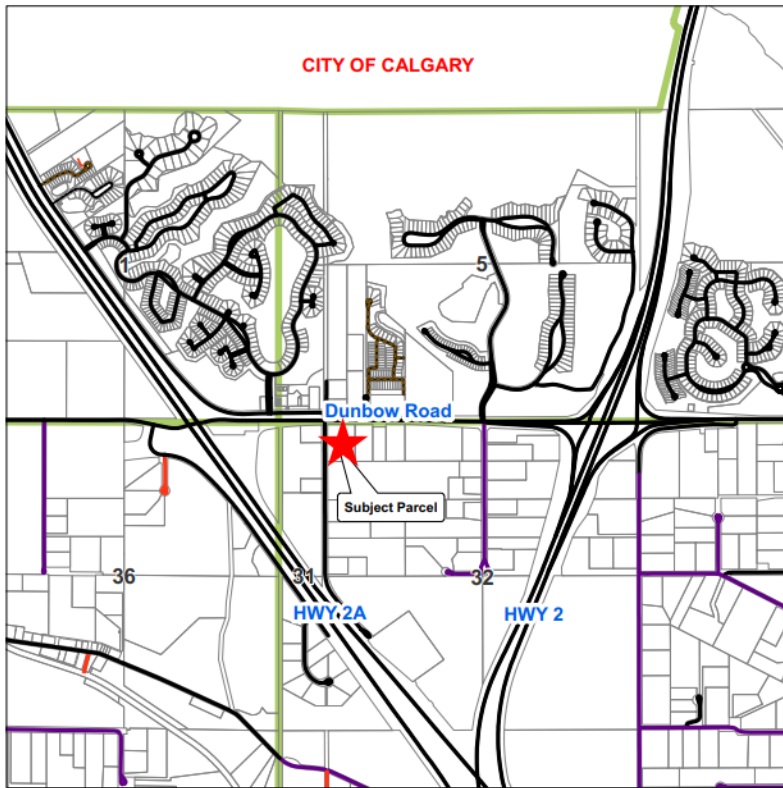
APPENDIX A – Location Maps

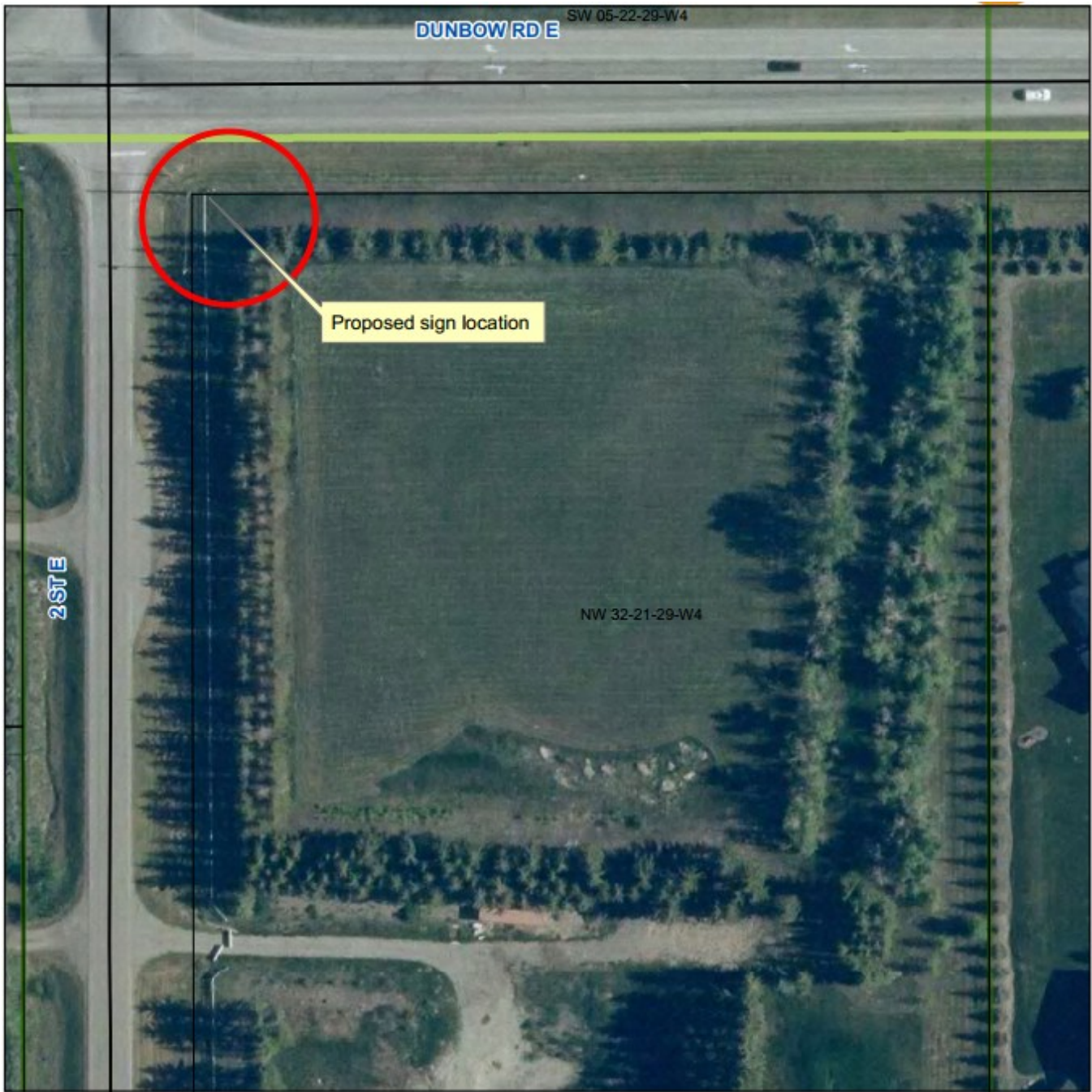
APPENDIX B – Public Works Proposed Sign Location & Inspection Photo

APPENDIX C – Applicant’s Request Letter and Supporting Documentation

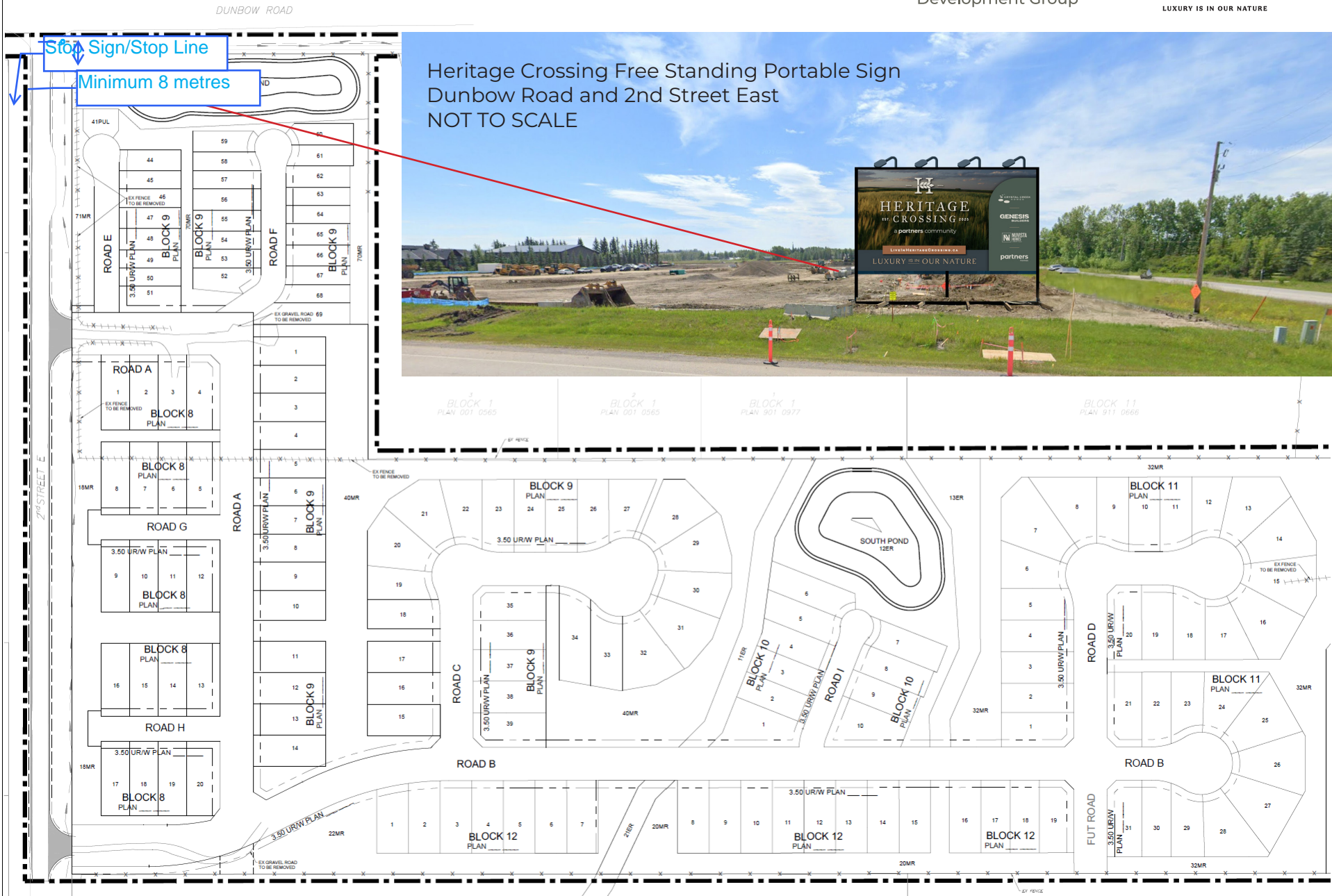
APPENDIX D – Applicant’s Revised Location Drawings as of Nov 25/25

**APPENDIX A:
LOCATION MAP**





**APPENDIX B:
PUBLIC WORKS PROPOSED SIGN LOCATION AND INSPECTION PHOTO**



Heritage Crossing Free Standing Portable Sign
Dunbow Road and 2nd Street East
NOT TO SCALE



Current Sign at intersection (looking east at 2 St E and Dunbow Road)

October 28, 2025

Foothills County - Planning & Development

PO Box 2100, Station M (#8117)
Calgary, Alberta, Canada T2P 2M5

ATTN: **Donna Fowler, Municipal Lands Administrator**

RE: **Temporary Marketing Signage – 36 Months**
Site Civic Address: 242078 2ND ST E, DEWINTON ALBERTA
Phase 1 Legal Description: Plan: 2211669, Block: 7, Lot: 5
Phase 2 Legal Description: Plan: 1530LK, Block: 1,
Landowners: HERITAGE CROSSING Ltd.

Dear Donna Fowler,

Please find enclosed the following in support of the above-mentioned Development Permit application:

- The formal application of the Development Permit to allow for a temporary sign (36 Months);
- The Letter of Authorization allowing Partners Development Group (Residential) Ltd to Act as the agent for the landowner;
- A Credit Card Authorization for processing of the applicable development permit fee and filling fee;
- A copy of the Abandoned Well Map and Statement, showing no abandoned wells in the immediate vicinity.
- A copy of a key map indicating the placement of the sign;

To assist Planning and Development with the evaluation of this application we offer the following additional information:

The sign is intended to advertise the Heritage Crossing residential development for a period of Thirty-six (36) months. The dimensions of the sign panel are 28' long x 16' high with a total height of 19'. The sign is professionally constructed out of a steel frame and professionally printed with dimensional elements. It is skid-mounted with concrete jersey barriers installed at the base to stabilize from movement.

The preferred location is within our property boundary on MR Land, where it can serve as a visible community identifier throughout construction and the pre-sales phase, with optimal visibility from Dunbow Road.

The sign will be illuminated with up to 4 solar-powered downlights, aimed at the sign panel. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,



Richard Marsters
Director of Development
Partners Development Group Ltd.



APPLICATION FORM SIGNS WITHIN A MUNICIPAL RIGHT OF WAY OR ON MUNICIPAL LANDS

Foothills County

309 Macleod Tr. S, High River, AB T1V 1M7 Tel: 403-652-2341 Email: Planning@FoothillsCountyAB.ca

www.foothillscountyab.ca

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Fee Submitted: _____

Receipt No.: _____

Date Received: _____

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Applicant's Name: Richard Marsters

Mailing Address: Suite 202, 802 Drake Landing Wynd Okotoks, Alberta Postal Code: T1S 5R1

Phone: [REDACTED]

I consent to receive documents by email: Yes No Email Address: richard@partnershomes.ca

SITE LOCATION DESCRIPTION (e.g. road right of way)

The proposed sign is located in the MR area within the project boundary property lines

LEGAL LAND DESCRIPTION (IF APPLICABLE)

All/part of the NW 1/4 Sec. 32 Twp. 21 Range 29 West of 4 Meridian

Being all/parts of Lot _____ Block 1 Reg. Plan No. 1530LK

PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY THE SIGN(S) CANNOT BE LOCATED ON PRIVATE LAND(S)

Please refer to the proposed sign location map. The entire north boundary fronting Dunbow Road is MR and storm pond.

If we were to relocate the sign to the south side of the pond, approximately 48m away from Dunbow Road, it would still be located with the MR however, it would greatly hinder the signs visibility.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS (PLEASE ATTACH)

- Payment of the Review Fee as per the County's current Fee Bylaw
- Requirements of Land Use Bylaw Section 9.24.7
- Dimensioned Site Plan illustrating the proposed location for the sign(s)
- Copy of the approved Roadside Development Permit from Alberta Transportation (if applicable - see Land Use Bylaw Section 9.24.8.)

Last updated May 14, 2024

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT/DECLARATION

I/we certify that the information given on this form and attached hereto are full and complete and to the best of my/our knowledge a true statement of the facts concerning this application and that I/we have reviewed the County's Land Use Bylaw provisions regarding signage (attached).

October 28, 2025

Date

Signature(s) and Seal (if applicable)

Richard Marsters

Print Name(s)

Director of Development

Title(s) (if applicable)

Land Use Bylaw Section 9.24.7 Checklist:

- The name and address of the sign company responsible for the sign;
- Name(s) of the owner of the sign and Name(s) of the person(s) responsible for ongoing maintenance;
- Two copies of a rendering / illustration of the proposed sign with dimensions and total sign area, height of top and bottom of the sign above average ground level and thickness of the sign;
- Materials, finishes, colours, size of lettering and graphics;
- Mounting or installation details; the Approving Authority may require that a structural drawing be prepared and sealed by a Professional Engineer;
- Mounting height or clearance to grade;

Common Conditions of approval (should approval be granted) include but are not limited to the following:

- approval for signs is generally granted for a maximum of ten (10) years; however, this is determined by Council;
- signs are to comply with Foothill County Dark Sky Bylaw at all times;
- applicant/owner of the sign(s) and/or person(s) responsible for ongoing maintenance of the sign(s) will be required to execute a Letter of Agreement with the County;
- A security may be required to be paid for temporary sign(s) to ensure their removal;
- all costs associated with regard to locating, fabricating, installing and maintaining signs will be the responsibility of the applicant;
- the applicant shall follow recommended practices and general provisions for signs that are provided by Alberta Transportation and Economic Corridors;
- the applicant will be responsible for any subsequent replacement of the signs and supporting structure, as well as any sign repairs;
- the County reserves the right to request that a sign owner remove an unmaintained or obsolete sign;
- the County reserves the right to request that the sign owner remove or relocate signs which prevent a vehicle from having a clear and unobstructed view of the roadway;
- the applicant indemnifies the County against any claim(s) with regard to damage and/or removal/re-installation due to road maintenance and any other Municipal activity;
- the applicant shall be responsible for payment of any professional costs including legal fees that may be incurred by Foothills County with respect to the approved signs.

Owner Authorization for Permit Applications

Site Civic Address: **242078 2ND ST E, DEWINTON ALBERTA**
Phase 1 Legal Description: **Plan: 2211669, Block: 7, Lots: 5**
Phase 2 Legal Description: **Plan:1530LK , Block: 1,**

owner(s) HERITAGE CROSSING GP Ltd.
contact name Greg Gutek
contact address 202 – 802 Drake Landing Wynd, Okotoks Alberta T1S 5R1
contact phone 403-982-2088
contact email Greg@partnershomes.ca

Foothills County
Planning and Development
309 Macleod Trail
High River, Alberta, Canada T1V 1M7

RE: Project - Heritage Crossing Villas and Townhouses

To whom this may concern,

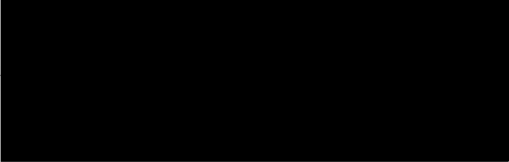
This document shall serve to notify Foothills County that I am/we are the legal owner(s) of the property described above and do authorize the “Developer” **Partners Development Group (Residential) Ltd.** to act on my/our behalf on all matters pertaining to any and all Permit Application(s) for the above specified project and referenced property. In addition, I/we understand the application requirements and authorize the “Developer” to sign the Permit Application(s) on my/our behalf. I/we further agree to immediately notify Foothills County, in writing, of any changes regarding the above information.

Name of Developer: **Partners Development Group (Residential) Ltd.**

contact name Richard Marsters
contact address 202-802 Drake Landing Wynd, Okotoks Alberta T1S 5R1
contact phone 403-982-2088
contact email richard@partnershomes.ca

Signature of Property Owner: 

Date: 2025-10-14

Signature of Developer: 

Date: October 14, 2025



ABANDONED WELL SITES

Foothills County

309 Macleod Trail, Box 5605, High River, AB T1V 1M7 Tel: 403-652-2341 Fax: 403-652-7880

The location of oil and gas wells that are being drilled or are actively producing is evident, both from the surface and through a notation on the land title. Abandonment of an oil and gas well occurs by rendering the well incapable of flow and placing a cap over the casing approximately one meter below the surface. After surface reclamation is complete and a certificate is issued by Alberta Environment, the well site lease notation may be removed from the title. At this point, there is nothing visible on the surface or on the title to indicate the presence of an abandoned well.

Council and staff give serious consideration to information pertaining to abandoned well sites when evaluating applications for subdivision, land use amendment or redesignation, development permits, and building permits.



The Alberta government has recently introduced new requirements for developers and property owners relating to abandoned wells.

Effective November 1st 2012, subdivision and development applications must be accompanied by documentation from the Alberta Energy Regulator (AER) indicating the presence or absence of abandoned wells on-site. If abandoned wells do exist on-site, subdivision and development applications must show exactly where the wells exist, what the setback distances are (if setbacks are required) and how they have been taken into account. To assist applicants in collecting the required information, the AER has released an 'Abandoned Well Map Viewer' that provides the location, name of the licensee, and status of abandoned wells across Alberta. The viewer is available at:

<https://extmapviewer.aer.ca/AERAbandonedWells/Index.html>

Through use of the viewer, subdivision and development applications must now contain the following:

1. A map of the search area from the viewer and a statement that there are no wells in the project area or;
2. A list and map identifying the locations of abandoned wells within the search area, including the surface coordinates, as provided by the viewer or Information Services;
3. Written confirmation from the applicant that the licensee responsible for each well has been contacted and the exact well location confirmed;
4. A sketch of the proposed development incorporating the necessary setback area for each well;
5. If the development will result in construction activity within the setback area, a statement confirming that the abandoned wells will be temporarily marked with on-site identification to prevent contact during construction.

The AER Calgary Office can be contacted at:

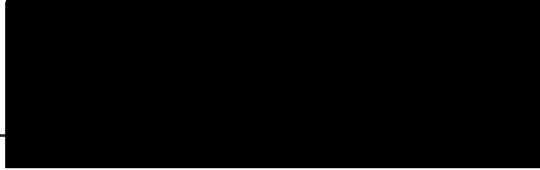
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Calgary, AB T2P 0R4
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Toll Free: 1-855-297-8377
Fax: (403) 297-7336
Email: inquiries@aer.ca

This form shall accompany all applications for Land use, Subdivisions, Development Permits and Building Permits.

If no wells are listed on-site:

I, Partners Development Group (Residential) Ltd being the registered
Owner(s) or agent acting on behalf of the registered owner(s)
of Plan: 1530 LK, Block: 1
(Legal Description)

Do hereby confirm that I have done my due diligence as required by Alberta Municipal Affairs, Foothills County, and the AER by obtaining required information from the 'Abandoned Well Map Viewer" and/or through the AER Information Services, and hereby attach "Schedule A" containing a map of the search area from the viewer and a statement identifying that no abandoned well sites were noted on the above legal description.



Owner/Agent

DATED: this 14 day of October, 2025.

OR

If wells are listed on-site:

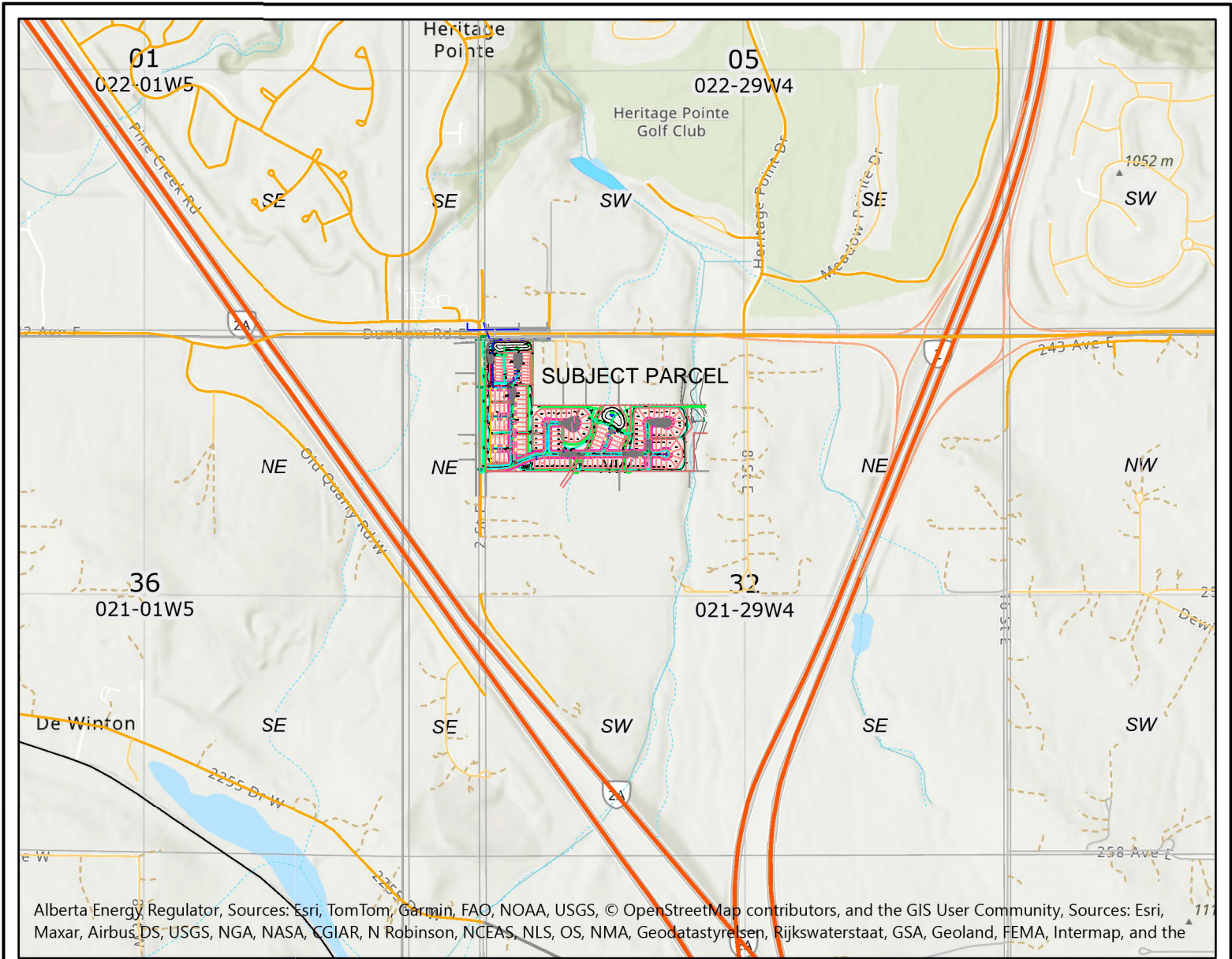
I, _____ being the registered
Owner(s) or agents acting on behalf of the registered owner(s)
of _____
(Legal Description)

Do hereby confirm that I have done my due diligence as required by Alberta Municipal Affairs, Foothills County, and the AER, by obtaining required information from the 'Abandoned Well Map Viewer" and/or through the AER Information Services, and hereby attach "Schedule A" containing a list and map identifying the locations of abandoned wells within the search area including the surface coordinates, written confirmation that I have contacted the licensee for each well and that the exact location of each well has been confirmed, a sketch of the proposed development incorporating the necessary setback area for each well, and a statement confirming that abandoned wells will be temporarily marked with on-site identification to prevent contact during construction, if the development will result in construction activity within the setback area.

Owner/Agent

DATED: this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

**This form shall accompany all applications for Land use,
Subdivisions, Development Permits and Building Permits.**



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Base Data provided by: Government of Alberta

Author:

YYY

Print Date:

8/27/2025

Legend

- Abandoned Wells
- Revised Location
- Revised Location Pointer
- Paved Road (20K)**
 - Primary Divided
 - Primary Divided
 - Primary Undivided 4L
 - Primary Undivided 4L
 - Primary Undivided 2L
 - Primary Undivided 1L
 - Primary Undivided 1L
 - Interchange Ramp
 - Interchange Ramp
 - Secondary Divided
 - Secondary Undivided
 - Secondary Undivided 4L
 - Secondary Undivided 4L
 - Secondary Undivided 2L
 - Secondary Undivided 2L
 - Secondary Undivided 2L
 - Secondary Undivided 1L
 - Secondary Undivided 1L
- Gravel Road (20K)**
 - Primary Undivided 2L
 - Primary Undivided 1L
 - Primary Undivided 1L
 - Secondary Undivided 2L
 - Secondary Undivided 1L
 - Secondary Undivided 1L
- Railway (20K Large Scale)**
 - Single Line
 - Double Line
 - Multiple Line
 - Spur Line
 - Abandoned
 - ATS Quarter Section label
- Roads - Other**
 - Unimproved
 - Unclassified
 - Truck Trail
 - Winter
 - Ford Winter Crossing
 - Ferry Route
- Lake/River (20K)**
 - Lake or River
 - Lake or River
 - Reservoir
 - Icefield
 - Major Canal
 - Oxbow
 - Quarry
 - Dugout
- Intermittent Lake**
 - Intermittent Lake
 - Intermittent Oxbow
- Sandbar / Wetland /**
 - Sandbar
 - Sandbar
 - Sandbar
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- ATS Section with Road
- ATS Township (large scale)
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- Lake Label (20K)
- River Label (20K)

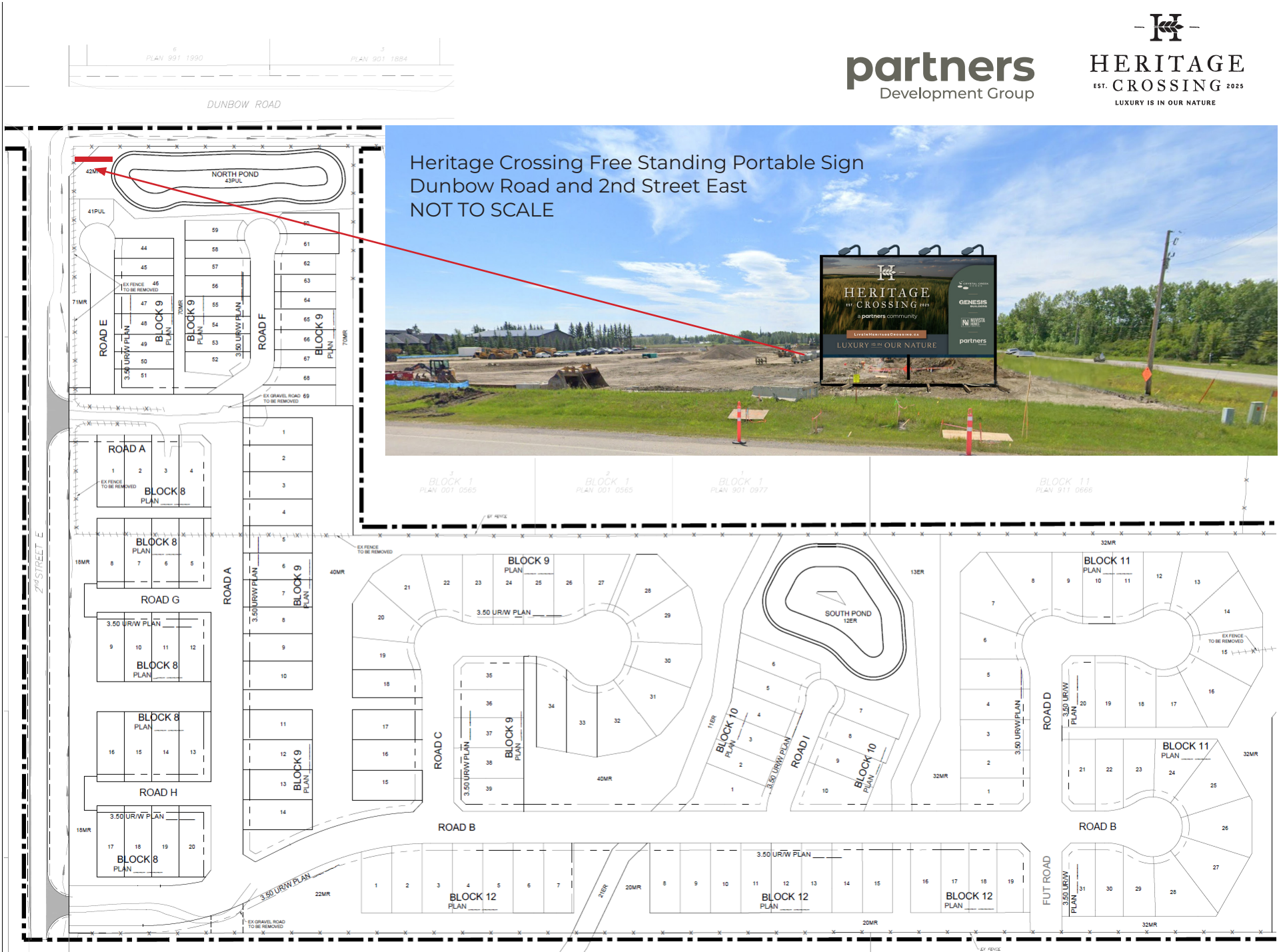
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Scale 1:29,244

Heritage Crossing Free Standing Portable Sign
Dunbow Road and 2nd Street East
NOT TO SCALE

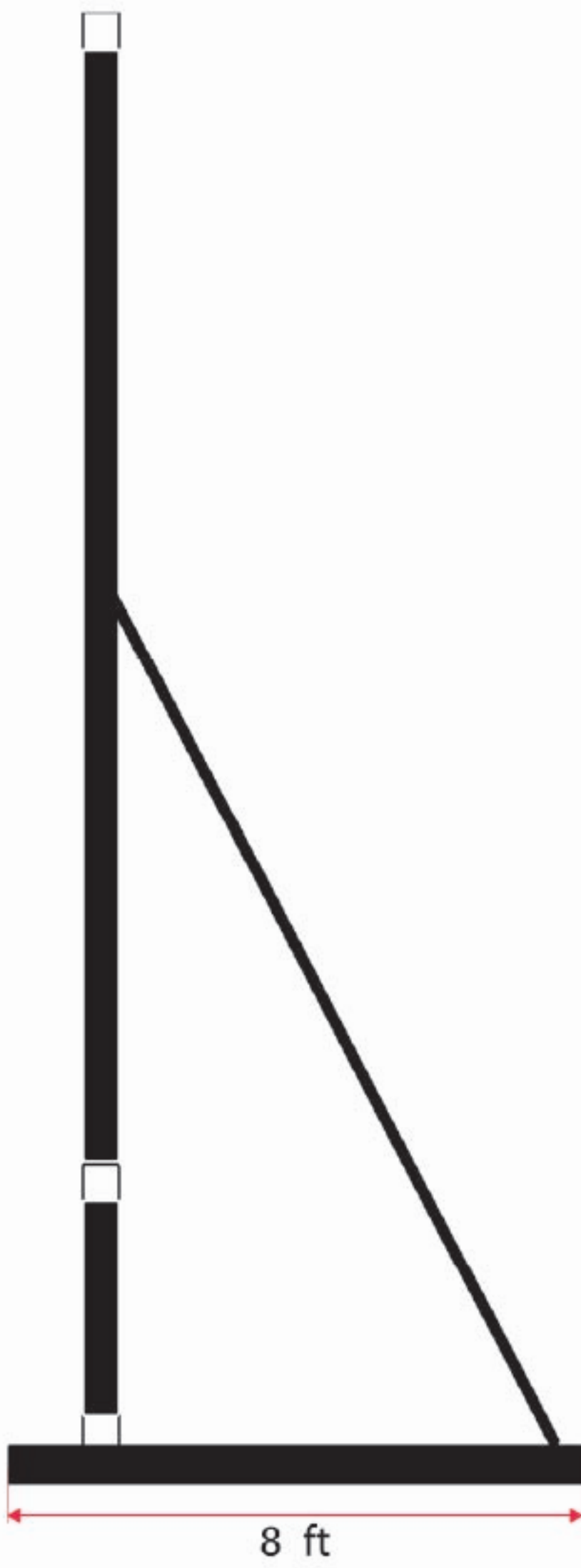


Front View

28 ft



Side View



Client:	Partners
Project:	Heritage Crossing Billboard
Size:	28' x 16'
Date:	October 27, 2025
Revisions:	0

Comments:
To be laminated with gloss
H icon, website bar & builder logos on separate panels
to be 3D

Client Approval:

APPENDIX D Applicant's Revised Location Drawings as of Nov 25/25

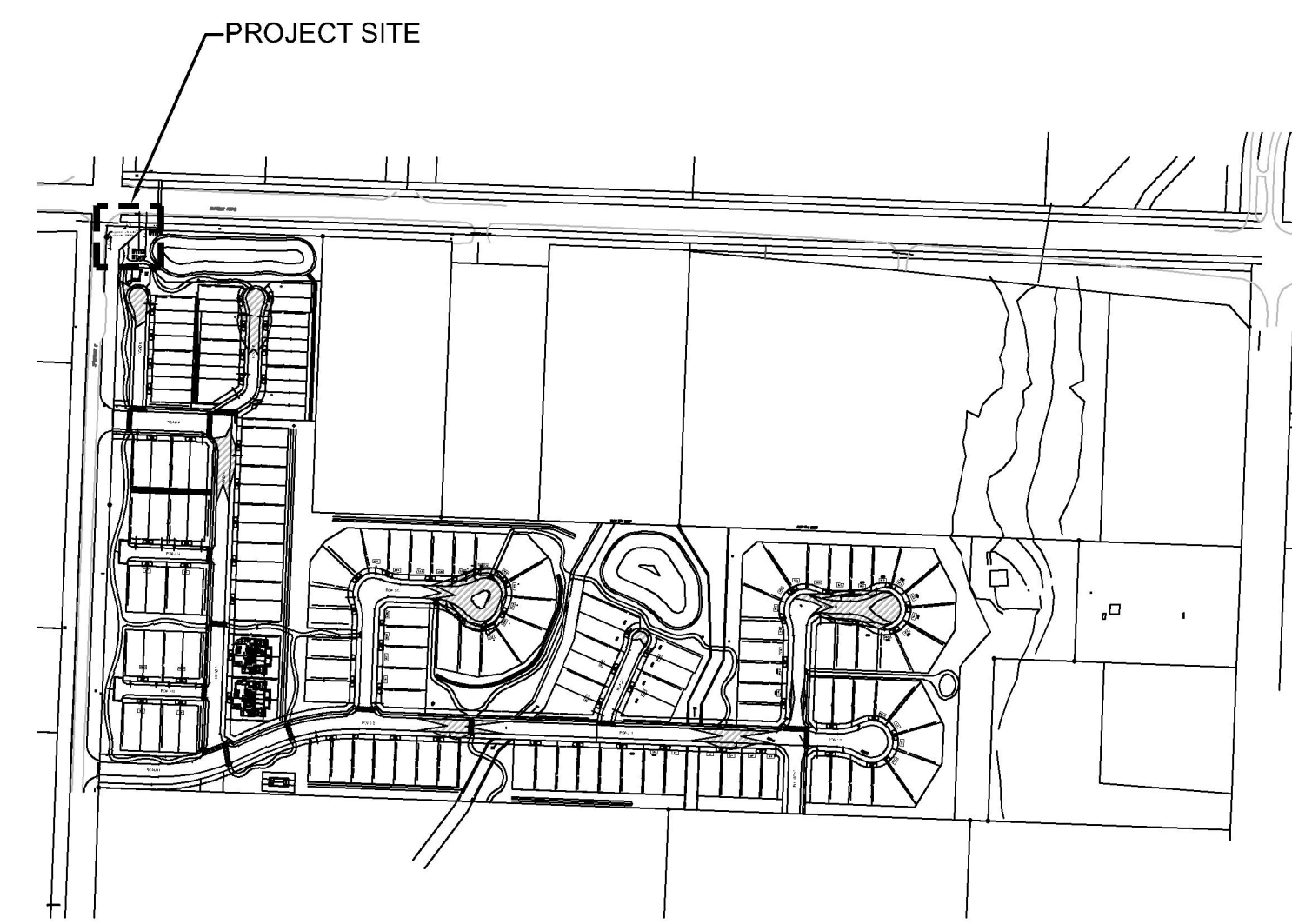
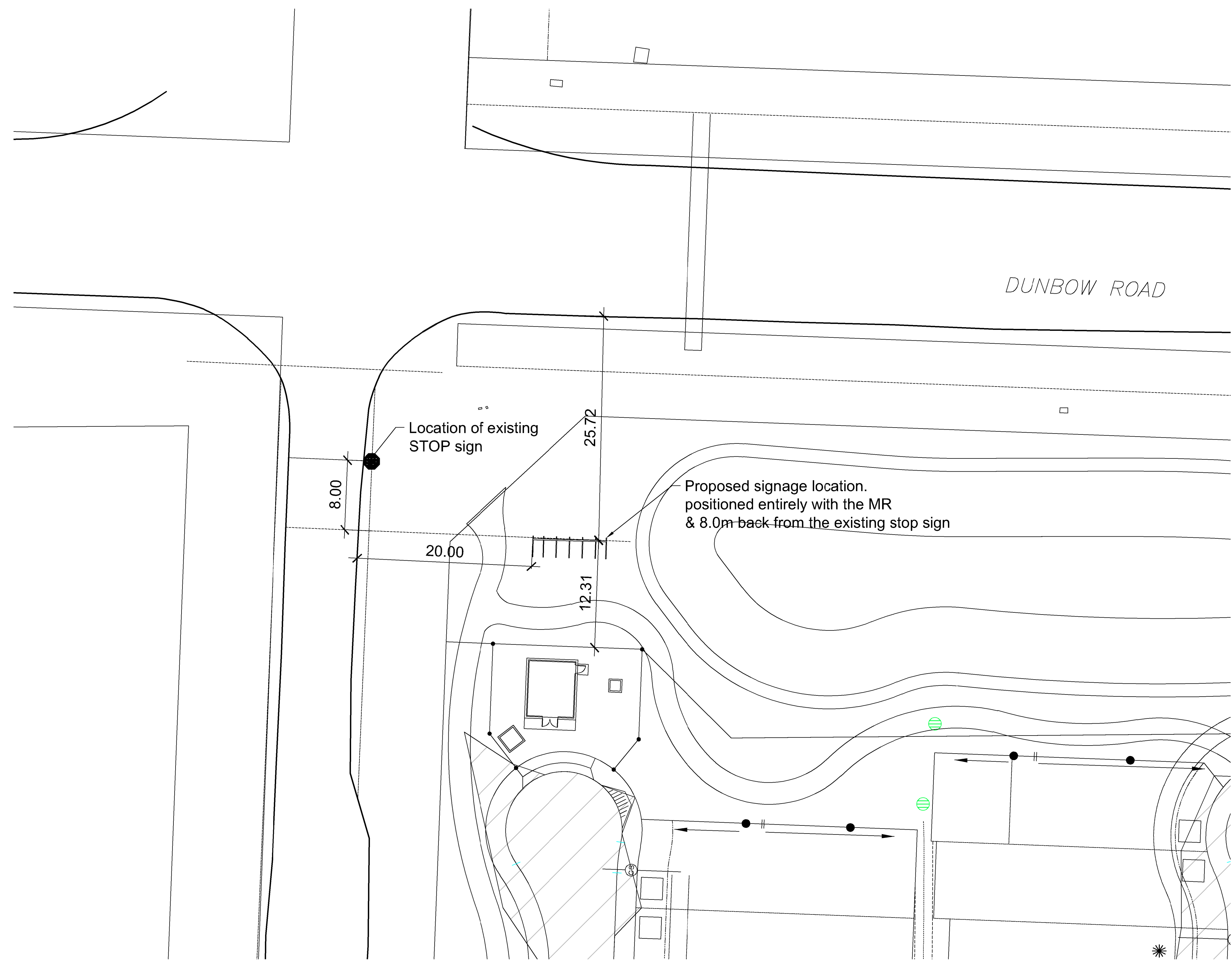
DESIGNER
partners
Development Group

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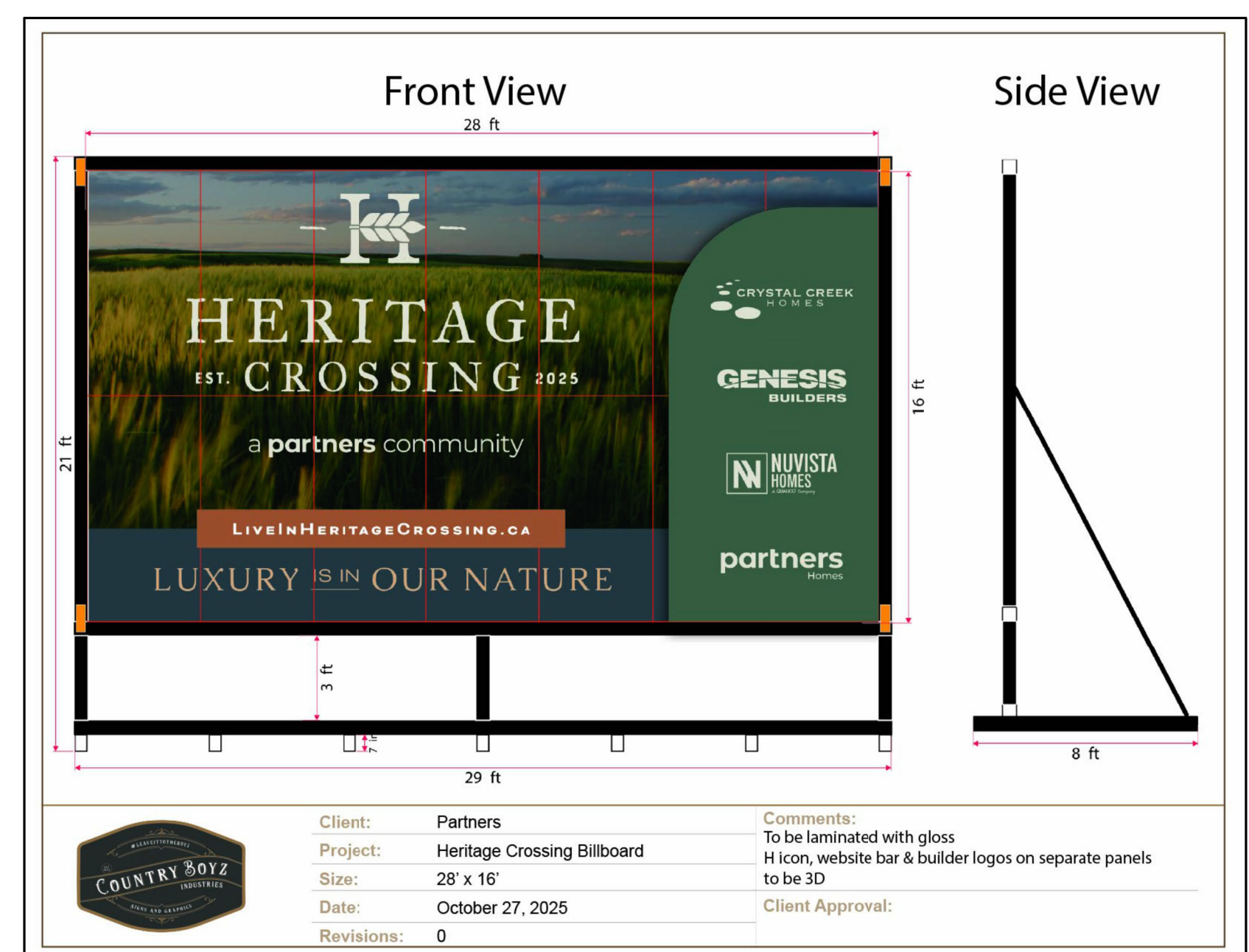
ARCHITECT

SEAL

CONSULTANT



2 VICINITY PLAN
A1.1 SCALE: N.T.S.



3 PROPOSED SIGNAGE DETAILS
A1.1 SCALE: N.T.S.

1 PROPOSED TEMPORARY SIGN LOCATION
A1.1 SCALE: N.T.S.

1	DEVELOPMENT PERMIT REV #1	2025.11.25
NO.	ISSUED FOR DESCRIPTION	YYMMDD

PROJECT


HERITAGE CROSSING
ADDRESS:
XXX, ALBERTA
PLAN: BLOCK: LOT

DRAWING

PROPOSED TEMPORARY SIGN LOCATION

SCALE	N.T.S.	DATE	2025-11-25
DESIGN	RTM	CHECKED	-
DRAWN	RTM	PROJ. NO.	-
DRAWING NO.		A1.1	

ARCH. D SIZE SHEET (24" X 36")

DEPARTMENT: Legislative Services	
	TOPIC: MLA - Proposed Electoral Boundaries
REPORT PRESENTED BY: CAO Ryan Payne	

PURPOSE OF REQUEST

For Council to discuss the proposed Alberta Electoral Division Boundary Changes.

BACKGROUND

A discussion was held at the Town of Okotoks/Foothills County Intermunicipal Committee meeting on Tuesday, December 2, 2025 regarding the proposed electoral division boundary changes.

The Committee suggested that a draft of the proposed letter be sent to the Councils of the three municipalities for their consideration.”

REQUEST OF COUNCIL

Proposed Motion:

That Council authorize administration to send a joint letter to the Province on behalf of the Town of Okotoks, Town of Diamond Valley and Foothills Counting requesting boundary changes to the proposed electoral division of Calgary-Okotoks.

OR

That Council direct administration to accept the Proposed Electoral Boundaries report for information and/or direct administration to draft an individual letter of behalf of Foothills County.

APPENDICES

Appendix A: Proposed Joint Response Letter

Appendix B: Maps



December 5th, 2025

Alberta Electoral Boundaries Commission
#100 – 11510 Kingsway Avenue
Edmonton, Alberta T5G 2Y5

Provided via email: info@abebc.ca

To Whom It May Concern,

Re: Calgary-Okotoks (Map #24), Okotoks-Diamond Valley (Map #24B), High River-Vulcan (Map #65) – Existing Highwood Electoral Division

Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback on the proposed electoral division boundary changes as outlined in the Interim Electoral Division Boundary report for the Town of Okotoks, Town of Diamond Valley and a portion of Foothills County. As the undersigned Mayors and Reeve for these municipalities, we wish to outline, on behalf of our Council's, significant concern with the proposed changes to the existing Highwood Electoral Division.

While the Councils of our municipalities appreciate the analysis and background work that went into the Interim Report's recommendations, we would like to provide local knowledge and understanding of the region impacted by these electoral division changes. The report notes that "the Commission is proposing Calgary-Okotoks despite a lack of explicit advocacy, given the myriad considerations this Commission must balance" (Page 28, Commission Report). Given the impactful nature of the changes on our three municipalities, we are hopeful that our advocacy at this point in the process will result in a proposed electoral division that reflects the unique community connections, shared services, infrastructure and investment considerations of our region. This will not only benefit the residents of our communities and region as a whole, but result in overall improved cohesiveness, efficiencies and discussion between different levels of government that benefit the entire province of Alberta and the intergovernmental relationships that currently exist.

The existing Highwood riding encompasses the Town of Diamond Valley, portions of Foothills County and the Town of Okotoks. Together, our three municipalities have a



long, shared history of working together on major projects, ranging from provincial advocacy efforts on the necessity of major highway interchanges to regional infrastructure such as a waterline as well as on shared social programs, recreational services and facilities and community events.

The report notes:

“Accordingly, the Commission is recommending an additional 0.3 of a seat for Calgary: The Commission notes: “Calgary-Okotoks, consisting of the far southwest corner of Calgary, the Town of Okotoks, and the areas of Foothills County in between them. This enables the other four electoral divisions in the south of Calgary to have smaller populations and clearer borders. Unlike the three other hybrid electoral divisions involving Calgary and Edmonton that the Commission is proposing, we acknowledge that Calgary-Okotoks will be controversial based on feedback we received. We are presenting it to the public with humility and a desire for thoughtful feedback. The Commission is of the view that this map of Calgary:

- keeps communities of interest in common;
- has clear boundaries; and
- has reasonably equal population”

We wish to provide the Commission with further information from our local perspective on the report’s proposed recommendations in the hopes of facilitating alterations to the proposed electoral divisions to address our concerns.

1. Communities of Interest in Common

While it may appear that south Calgary is relatively similar to areas such as a growing municipality like Okotoks, Diamond Valley or the “rurban” (as named in the report) areas of Foothills County, the reality is that there are generally far stronger connections between residents who fall just outside of those City boundaries and within the surrounding communities that may have a greater geographical distance between them, but other ways that they are integrated beyond simple spatial distance.

Communities are bound by a number of factors – catchment areas for recreational programs, school divisions, places of worship and the other non-defined boundaries that shape our day-to-day lives. A larger city like Calgary is more typically self-containing, offering most of these programs and institutions within itself and therefore allowing most Calgarians to live their day-to-day life without leaving city limits, if



desired. Individuals utilize services within Calgary boundaries and have less need to traverse between different municipalities for the variety of services and programs that fill their day-to-day life.

In smaller municipalities, while spatially the distances are greater, the connections between residents are no less and tied in these core areas of life - just across multiple municipalities. Students in Okotoks may attend schools in Foothills County, residents of Diamond Valley may utilize Okotoks recreational facilities, and Foothills County residents may attend seasonal events in Diamond Valley or Okotoks and vice versa. Key provincial highways connect these municipalities and are most frequently used by the various residents spread across the foothills region. From a servicing perspective, the daily services they rely on also do not have clear-cut boundaries but are intermunicipally connected. In comparison, most catchment areas for regional services typically end at the City of Calgary boundaries and thus, families and individuals are more integrated throughout our three municipalities than they would typically be with the City of Calgary.

A key driver of the recommendations in the report is the concept of ensuring "effective representation". It notes that effective representation is the key consideration in determining electoral divisions at a provincial level as compared to the one-person, one-vote approach that is common in other jurisdictions. When considering the role of the MLA, and as the report notes, the incredibly busy schedule they have managing the variety of events that their constituents expect them to attend, it is challenging to see how effective representation would be achieved by an MLA involved in not only two major urban centers (Calgary and Okotoks), but the extensive schedule of events and activities that the County would entail. Page 22 of the Commissions Interim Report speaks to noting rural Albertans "underscored that technology is not a substitute for having an MLA physically present at a community event, whether it be a summer barbeque, local rodeo, or high school graduation"

When you add these rural challenges in with the concerns of urban MLA's, there is a concern that representation will decline. Urban communities, such as the City of Calgary typically have increased diversity of various demographics that further increases the variety of events and community groups that an MLA will be expected to pay attention too. On Pages 22 and 23 of the report, the increase in multilingual requirements, variety of cultural events and other varied demographic impacts on an MLA's workload and total office budget for an urban community is described. Coupling this with the unique challenges of being a rural MLA and then adding in a growing community such as Okotoks will have an impact on the ability of the region to have an effective MLA.



2. Clear Boundaries

Calgary-Okotoks

From an infrastructure and servicing perspective, our municipalities work together on major infrastructure projects that require provincial advocacy and funding. As an example, Okotoks provides waste collection services to Diamond Valley as well as operates their outdoor swimming pool and provides assistance to Diamond Valley residents through the Okotoks Family Resource Center. Foothills County and Okotoks have collaborated on provincial advocacy for an interchange at 338th and Highway 2, obtained joint provincial grant funding to build a regional waterline and work together on fire and recreation services as well as jointly operating a regional fieldhouse within Foothills County. These projects benefit from building a relationship with an MLA who represents all of the municipalities pursuing these joint projects. Furthermore, these joint projects are in alignment with aspects of good governance, effective use of limited taxpayer funds and done in the spirit of intermunicipal collaboration as promoted by the provincial government.

It may be more challenging for all three municipalities to be successful at building a strong relationship with our MLA and advocating for future funding when a large portion of the riding is the City of Calgary, which has much less incentive to partner on major projects, given different financial realities and a population that is less integrated into the use of infrastructure to its south.

High River-Vulcan

In the proposed changes, the Town of Diamond Valley is relocated to the High River-Vulcan riding. The report goes on to note that "High River-Vulcan brings together rural parts of three neighbouring counties with many more common interests" (Page 34, Interim Commission Report). Our municipalities would respectfully disagree with this statement. This riding, with the exception of High River, is significantly more rural in nature than Diamond Valley. The report notes that growth rates are a consideration in bringing together electoral divisions and Diamond Valley's projected 2.5% growth rate exceeds much of the riding it is being relocated. As outlined earlier in this letter, the majority of its intermunicipal relationships also fall within the Okotoks and Foothills County areas that are part of the existing Highwood riding. From an advocacy, shared community connection and growth perspective, maintaining Diamond Valley in a riding



with the Town of Okotoks and the more northern portions of Foothills County makes sense in alignment with the effective representation criteria outlined in the Commission's report.

Reasonably Equal Population

A key consideration outlined in the Commission's report is the focus on ensuring balanced population distribution and analyzing the population growth rates of the various regions. When considering the proposed electoral division, the Calgary portion has approved plans in place for at least 60,000 people. With current growth rates, this will likely occur in the next ten years.

Diamond Valley is also contemplating continued growth as outlined in its Municipal Development Plan (MDP) and recent applications that have been brought forward to the Town. Foothills County identifies portions of the area within the electoral district as an area where growth is contemplated and which has seen significant growth in the past decades to date. Finally, the Town of Okotoks will likely see increased growth with the completion of a regional waterline with Foothills County in 2026 which will further accelerate the population of this riding. When looking at this holistically, it seems that adding in the City of Calgary to the overall riding will result in the Calgary-Okotoks riding (with portions of Foothills County) not remaining around the provincial averages of 54, 929 identified in the report. The City of Calgary portion alone will likely facilitate the need for its own electoral division at the time of the next Commission.

This brings into question the longevity of this proposal and the impacts that it may have on the ability to work long-term with an established electoral division office and MLA. The undersigned municipalities appreciate that while they are fast-growing municipalities onto themselves, the proportional growth rates are significantly smaller than a growth area within the City of Calgary. This provides more opportunity for a longer-term electoral division solution that encompasses these three municipalities.

Summary

In summary, our Council's appreciate the opportunity to provide feedback on the proposed electoral division boundaries that do have an impact on our ability to advocate effectively for our residents in terms of securing provincial funding for major projects that positively impact their lives on a daily basis. Furthermore, we want to underscore our interests in providing a stronger understanding of this region and the interconnectedness of relationships that should play a role in devising electoral



boundaries that provide “effective representation” and the opportunity for our citizens concerns to be heard at the provincial level.

To further illustrate our perspective, we have provided an attached map that generally incorporates the areas that we feel would make the most sense for a provincial electoral division that meets the legal requirements outlined in Pages 6 and 7 of the Electoral Commission’s Interim Report.

Sincerely,

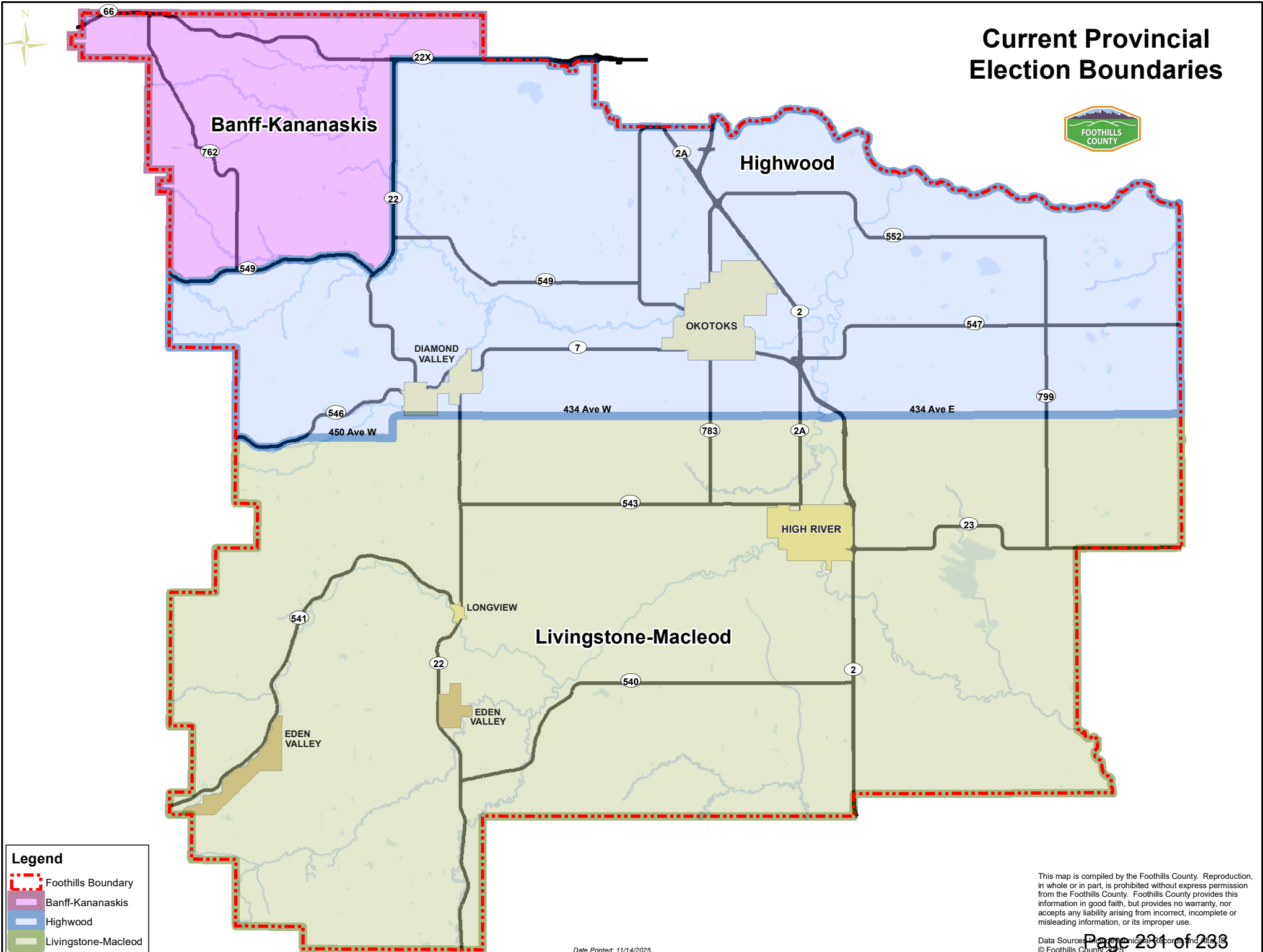
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Current Provincial Election Boundaries

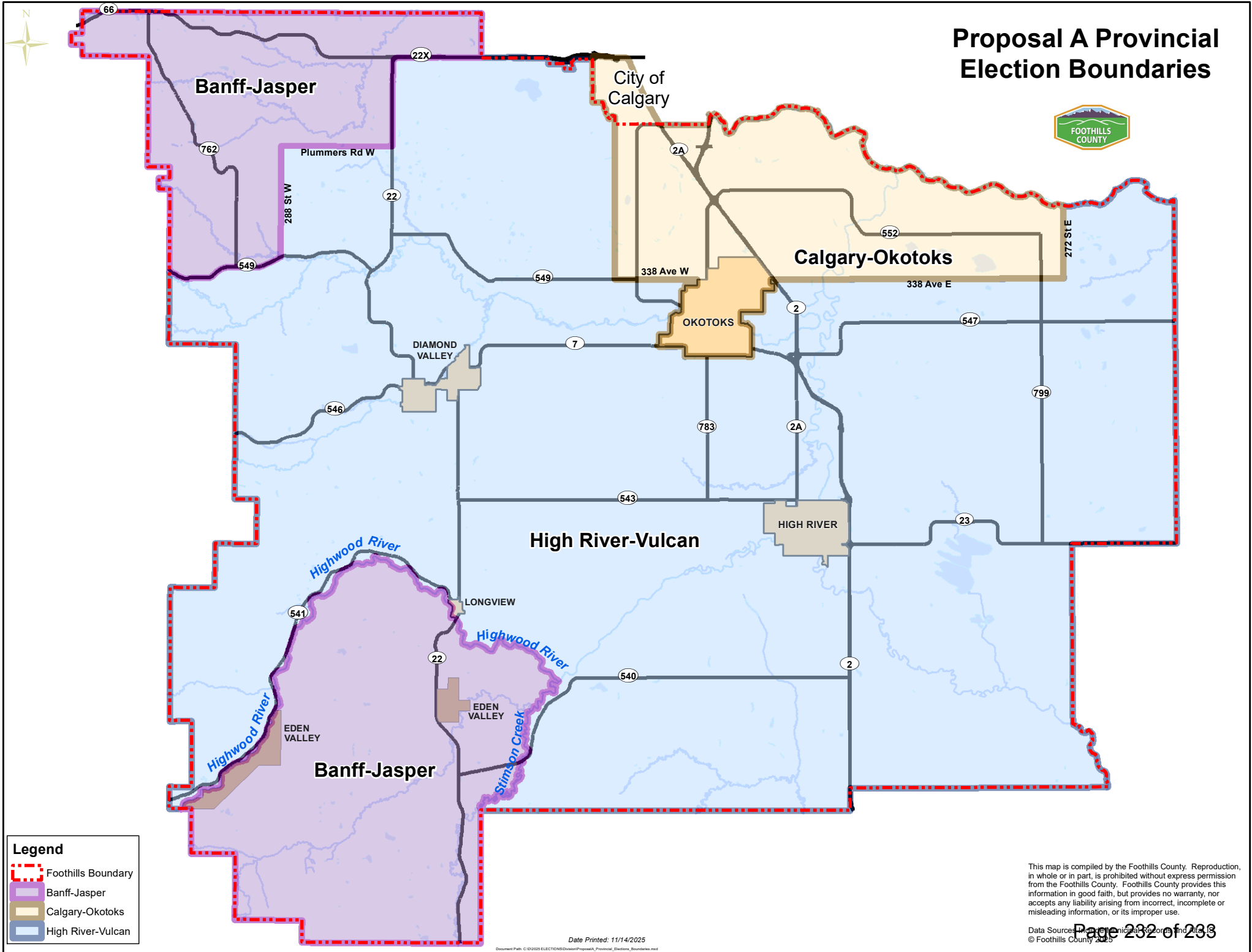


Legend

- Foothills Boundary
- Banff-Kananaskis
- Highwood
- Livingstone-MacLeod

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Proposal A Provincial Election Boundaries



Legend

- Foothills Boundary
- Banff-Jasper
- Calgary-Okotoks
- High River-Vulcan

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