## Exhibit "A"

## COUNTY OF WARNER NO. 5 DEVELOPMENT PERMIT

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**FORM D** 

LAND USE BYLAW NO. 790-98
Development Permit Application No.: 98-25
Development Permit No. 98-25

This development is hereby issued to:
NAME: F.A. NELSON RANCHES LTD.
ADDRESS: Box 128, Stirling, AB TOK 2EO
In respect of works consisting of: increase in intensive livestock operation from
3.000 to 7.000
On land located at: <u>NE ½ 7-6-19-W4</u> and as described on plans submitted by the applicant.
This permit refers only to works outlined in Development Application No98-25
and is subject to the conditions contained herein:
This permit becomes effective the day of October, 1998 unless an appeal pursuant to section 686(1) of the Municipal Government Act is lodged within (14) days of the following date:  DATE: October 6, 1998 SIGNED:
Allan K. Romeril, Development Officer

## THIS IS NOT A BUILDING PERMIT

The development outlined is subject to the following conditions:

- a. This permit indicates that only the development to which it relates is authorized in accordance with the provisions of the land use bylaw and in no way relieves or excuses the applicant from complying with the land use bylaw or any other bylaws, laws, order and/or regulations affecting such development.
- b. This permit, issued in accordance with the notice of decision, is valid for a period of twelve (12) months from the date of issue. If, at the expiry of this period, the development has not been commenced or carried out with reasonable diligence, this permit shall be null and void.
- c. If this development permit is issued for construction of a building, the exterior of the building, including painting, shall be completed within twelve (12) months from the date of issue of this development permit.

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## COUNTY WARNER NO. 5 NOTICE OF DECISION

SCHEDULE 11 FORM C LAND USE BYLAW NO. 790-98
DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATION NO.98-25

NAME:		F.A. Nelson Ranches Ltd.
ADDRESS:		Box 128, Stirling, AB TOK 2E0
In the	matte	r of development of property located at: NE ½ 7-6-19-W4
The de	evelop	ment as specified in Application No. <u>98-25</u> has been:
	APPR	OVED
X	The de outline govern comme of con	OVED subject to the following conditions: eveloper must adhere to the following comments, recommendations and regulations as d by the County Municipal Planning Commission, other regulatory bodies and provincial ment departments. Each regulatory body shall be responsible to enforce their own ents, recommendations and regulations except where there appears to be mutual areas icern or interest. Mutual areas of concern or interest may be jointly enforced by the ed bodies. The comments, recommendations and regulations are as follows:
	Code minim distand place, any tin deem i	of Warner. The County waives the minimum distance setback as recommended by the of Practise from 2378 feet to 1575 from the nearest residence. It also waives the sum distance from Primary Highway 52 from one half mile to one quarter mile. The ce from the irrigation canal is approved at 100 feet south of it, if proper barriers are in otherwise the distance shall be 200 feet. No runoff can be allowed to enter the canal at ne. Manure shall be worked into the ground within 24 hours of spreading if neighbours to a problem, otherwise the manure needs to be incorporated into the soil within 48 hours. It control program within the feedlot will be implemented. A fly control program will be
	Albert for the Septer Albert a pern Chinosexcep	nented.  a Agriculture - The recommendations of Alberta Agriculture shall be adhered to except one waived by the County of Warner and the information is enclosed in the letter dated on the respective services. The recommendation is enclosed in the letter dated on the respective services. The results as Appendix A.  a Transportation - Due to the feedlot being within 300 metres of Primary Highway 52, not it is required to be obtained from Alberta Transportation.  by Health Region - The recommendations of Chinook Health Region shall be adhered to the total transportation of the recommendation of the recommendation of the recommendation is enclosed in a letter September 30, 1998 and it is attached as Appendix B.
	REFU	SED for the following reasons:
X		lopment Permit to be issued on the <u>20</u> day of <u>October</u> , 1998 <i>(if no appeals ceived)</i>
	not b	velopment permit has been issued in accordance with this notice but shall be valid until fourteen (14) days after the date of issue in accordance with on 686 of the Municipal Government Act
DATE	: Octo	ober 6, 1998 SIGNED: Allan K. Romeril, Development Officer

THIS DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A DEVELOPMENT PERMIT

This decision is appealable to the Development Appeal Board of the County of Warner No. 5 within fourteen (14) days of the date of this notice by any party considering themselves to be adversely affected.



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September 30, 1998

Mr. Allan Romeril County Administrator County of Warner #5 Box 90 WARNER, Alberta TOK 2LO

FAX Recal SUJT 30/98

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Dear Allan:

Re: Development Application 98-25, NE 7-6-19-W4

From the information provided and our on-site inspection, this office has the following comments:

- 1. The development should meet the distance requirements of the County of Warner #5 Land Use Bylaw and the Alberta Agriculture Code of Practice.
- 2. All surface drainage should be properly contained on lands owned by the owner/operator. This should include properly designed catch basins for the proposed and existing feedlot areas.
- 3. The irrigation canal should be protected from drainage and/or pollution from this operation.
- 4. There should be written proof of sufficient land base for manure spreading as required by the Code of Practice and/or the Land Use Bylaw.
- 5. Manure should be incorporated within 48 hours after application.
- 6. There should be containment area for deads, and provision for removal or burial within 48 hours.
- 7. A fly control program is required.

Yours truly,

John Byrne, C.P.H.I.(C) Public Health Inspector

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#### APPENDIX A



Agriculture Centre, Jali Road, Lethbridge, Alberta T1J 4C7 Telephone: 403-381-5131; Fax Number: 403-381-5808

September 25th, 1998

County of Warner No. 5 P.O. Box 90 Warner, Alberta TOK 2L0

Attention:

Mr. Allan Romeril

Administrator

Dear Sir:

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A review of the proposed development site was carried out on September 25th, 1998, with Mr. G. Nelson. The Code of Practice for the Safe and Economic Handling of Animal Manures forms the basis for these comments.

It is understood that the proposed development will be an expansion of 20 pens, approximately 152' by 200' in size, onto the existing beef feedlot. The capacity of the existing feedlot, based upon information supplied by Mr. Nelson, is approximately 3,000 head at the present with the proposed expansion adding 4,000 animals. The proposed expansion is stated for the feeding of weaner calves through to full staughter weight.

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## a) Minimum Distance Separation (MDS)

The minimum separation distance from the nearest part of the feedlot to the nearest neighboring residence should be at least 2,378 feet (725 m) for a category 1, single residence or low sensitivity neighbour. The information supplied with the application, as well as air photo interpretation, shows the actual distance to be approximately 1575 feet to the nearest neighbouring residence from the closest point on the proposed expansion. This does not meet the separation distance criteria as set out in the Code,

In addition, a minimum separation of 150 feet must be provided from any irrigation canal/drainage ditch and adequate measures taken to ensure no contamination of these areas.

### b) Soils Testing

It is recommended that proper testing of the soils in the area where the proposed pens are to be constructed be undertaken to ensure that the soils contain an adequate clay percentage to ensure that the pen floor permeability will allow no contamination of ground water. No soils information was available at the time of the site inspection.

## c) Storage of Manure

The storage of manure can be accommodated within the pens. The manure should be cleaned from the pens as proposed on a six month basis.

## d) Land for Manure Nutrient Utilization

In accordance with the Code of Practice, approximately 2,083 acres of cultivated dryland or 1,042 acres of cultivated irrigated land are required for adequate manure nutrient utilization from the entire feedlot (existing area and proposed expansion). These figures are based upon nitrogen utilization. Additional area may be required when phosphorus utilization is considered.

Manure should be incorporated within 48 hours of application, weather permitting. Due care and consideration should be exercised when spreading manure on lands near neighboring residences by maintaining an adequate separation distance.

Manure should not be spread on frozen or snow covered ground.

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All waterways on lands utilized for manure spreading must be protected from contamination by manure and/or run-off from manure.

### e) Containment of Run-off

All surface run-off from the proposed facility should be contained and prevented from contaminating surface or groundwater. In order to achieve this, it is recommended that

- 1) Berms be constructed to divert surface run-off water away from the facility and contain run-off originating at the facility.
- 2) Runoff storage ponds be constructed to contain excess runoff from the feedlot area. The storage volume for the proposed expansion should be 5,360 m<sup>3</sup> (1.164 million gals) with a minimum of 0.5 m freeboard on the ponds.
- The storage ponds are to be properly engineered and constructed so as to achieve a hydraulic conductivity of less than 1°10.7 cm/sec. The floor of the pond must also be at least one meter above the ground water table. Information on the ground water table, as well as soils, was not available at the time of the site inspection.

The proposal for expansion makes provision for landscaping the expansion to allow for adequate drainage and diverting surface runoff away from the feedlot.

#### f) Water Provision

The provision of drinking water for the animals, with the appropriate permits, as detailed in the development application should be adequate for the feedlot and expansion. It is estimated that the peak water demand will be approximately 375 m<sup>3</sup> / day (75,000 gal / day) for the entire feedlot.

### g) Dead Animal Disposal

Dead animals are to be disposed of in a prompt and acceptable manner in accordance with the Livestock Diseases Act and Public Health Act. Dead animals should be properly handled, stored and/or disposed of within 48 hours of death to minimize odors, files, transmission of disease and threat of pollution. The existing feedlot utilizes a

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rendering service for dead animal disposal which is an acceptable method of disposal.

With consideration of the above mentioned siting aspects of this proposed development, the proposed location is **not** considered satisfactory for such development in terms of the Code of Practice as it does not meet the recommended separation distance.

No soils information or information regarding the depth of ground water, was available at the time of the site inspection.

Yours truly,

**Andy Cumming** 

Intensive Livestock and

Environmental Management Engineer

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# COUNTY OF WARNER NO. 5 APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT PERMIT

SCHEDULE 11	LAND USE BY-LAW No. 681
FORM A	DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION NO. 98-25
GENERAL INFO	RMATION
APPLICANT'S NAME: F. A. Nelson	Ranches Ltd (Grant Nels
ADDRESS AND PHONE NO.: BOX 128	
	son Ranches 12td
ADDRESS AND PHONE NO.: BOX 128	· Stirling (756-3584
APPLICANT'S INTEREST IF NOT THE REGISTERED	OWNER (Option - Lease - Other)
LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF LAND: LOT(s)	BLOCK PLAN
COURTER NET SECTION 7	TOWNSHIP RANGE /9
STREET ADDRESS (if applicable)	
SPECIFIC INFO	RMATION
IN ORDER TO PROPERLY EVALUATE AN APPLICATION COMMISSION MUST BE PROVIDED WITH A COMPLETE A WHICH IS PRESENTLY BUILT ON THE LAND, AND EVERYT	FOR DEVELOPMENT, THE MUNCIPAL PLANNING UND CLEAR PICTURE OF THE LAND, EVERYTHING
Therefore, the following information is required:	
Details of DEVELOPMENT SITE:     Describe the lot/parcel dimensions     Indicate data on a PLOT PLAN scaled as follows: 0-4 as	and lot area/parcel acreage 320  cres at 1"= 20"; 5-9 acres at 1"= 10"; 10 or more acres 1" = 200".
2. Details of EXISTING DEVELOPMENT:	
Describe below and indicate clearly on the scaled PLO located on the lot; noting the use(s) / type(s), dimer be removed, relocated and/or renovated.  3:000 He Capacity	of PLAN how many buildings/structures are presently insions, floor area(s) and which one(s) [if any] are to be appearation of Frednyll
Indicate clearly on the scaled PLOT PLAN the sett yard lot boundaries, as well as distances between	packs of all buildings from the front, rear, and side all buildings/structures.
3. Details of PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT:	
Describe below and indicate clearly on the scaled P structures are to be constructed on the lot, noting the each. Describe below any proposed interior renovation of the construction of t	PLOT PLAN how many new buildings, additions and le use(s), type(s), dimensions and floor area(s) of ns, changes in use, or home occupations (fapplicable).
Indicate clearly on the scaled PLOT PLAN the setba front, rear and side yard lot boundaries, as well as di ments.	acks of all new buildings, additions or structures from istances between all existing and proposed develop-

L Details of LANDSCAPING:	.5
Describe generally the type of landscaping features and fencing proposed, and a scaled LANDSCAPE PLAN.	i indicate locations on
Details of VEHICLE PARKING and ACCESS:	
Describe the number and dimensions of all existing and proposed parking spa and driveways on site.	ces, foading spaces,
Indicate locations of same on the scaled LANDSCAPE PLAN.	
. Details of EXTERIOR BUILDING FINISH:	
Describe the type(s) and colour(s) of all material used to finish the existing a	nd proposed structure
exteriors. additional pen space pipe	
Choices The Property of the Party of the Par	
Indicate same on SKETCHES of all new structure elevations (not necessarily scale	drawings).
. Details of SERVICES:	
Indicate as follows: A = available; R = required.	
water (A) sewer (1)	septicfield ( )
η natural gas (Α) electricity (Δ)	telephone (A)
Estimate Commencement date:	
stimated Completion date: Not Gody lat 1999	
I have read and understand the provisions noted below and hereby apply for permis	sion to camy out
the development described above and on the attached plans and specifications. I fur the registered owner of the land described above is aware of and in agreement with the	ther certify that
Signature of Applicant: Joseph C Nelson	
Signature of Registered Owner: Start C Melson	
DI SASS NOTE:	

- Subject to the provisions of the land use by-law of the County of Warner, No. 5, the term "development" includes the making of any change in the use of buildings or land.
- 2. Although the development officer is in a position to advise on the principle or details of any proposals. such advice must not be taken in any way as official consent, and is without prejudice to the decision in connection with the formal application. It must be clearly understood that any action taken by the applicant before a development permit is received, is at his own risk.
- 3. Plans and drawings, in sufficient detail to enable adequate consideration of the application, must be submitted in duplicate with this application, together with a plan sufficient to identify the land. It is desirable that the plans and drawings should be on a scale appropriate to the development. However, unless otherwise slipulated, it is not necessary for plans and drawings to be professionally prepared.
- If a decision is not made within 40 days from the date of the receipt of the application in its complete and final form, or within such longer period as the applicant may approve in writing, the application shall be deemed to be refused and the applicant may exercise his right of appeal as though he had been malled a refusal at the end of the 40-day period.
- 5. Construction undertaken subsequent to approval of this development permit application may be regulated by the Alberta Uniform Building Standards Act. The applicant/owner/developer assumes all responsibilities pertaining to construction plan submissions, approvals and inspections as may be required by the Alberta Department of Labour-Building Standards Branch.

## INTENSIVE LIVESTOCK OPERATION MANAGEMENT PLAN

An Intensive Livestock Operation Management Plan is required to be provided with a completed application form when applying to develop or expand an intensive livestock operation. This form is intended to assist in the preparation of a plan and may be completed and submitted with an application as a management plan or the applicant may have a plan prepared by a qualified professional. An applicant is encouraged to contact Alberta Agriculture, Food and Rural Development, Alberta Environmental Protection, and the Chinook Regional Health Authority and discuss the proposed development before preparing the management plan.

	1	LAND OWNER INFORMATION	ON
1.1	Land owner: Name: Address Phone:	s: Stirling A	Runches
1.2	Facility operator: Na (if not owner) Ac	dress:	elson (ocones
1.3	Land location: 14	E' sec. 6_ Twp	S Rge
1.4	Size of parcel under title:	ha (920 acres)	
1.5	Total land holdings owne	d:ha <b>Q</b> , 00(acres)	
	Total land leased:	ha (hacres)	
		2. ANIMAL INFORMATION	
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2.1	Type of animals to be fed:	_	Existing Proposed
	(check appropriate boxes)	Cattle	ASI ZI
		Hogs	
		Poultry Sheep	
		Horses	
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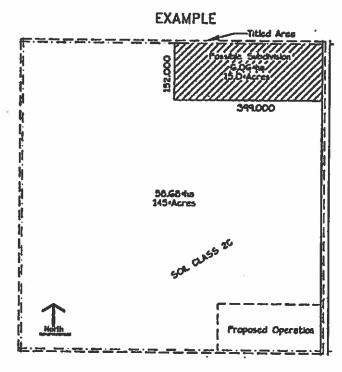
## 2.2 Specific numbers of animals to be fed:

CATTLE: Bulls Calves	50 3,000	50 	Cows	500 1000	Proposed  Soo 1000
DAIRY CATTLE:	Existing	Proposed		Existing	Proposed
Cows Wet		<del></del>	Cows Dry		
Calves	<del></del>		Bulls		
HOGS:	Existing	Proposed		Existing	Proposed
Sows			Boars		
Feeders	·		Wieners		
POULTRY:	Existing	Proposed		Existing	Proposed
Hens			Chicks		
Turkey Hens			Turkey Toms		-
Turkey Broilers					
SHEEP:	Existing	Proposed		Existing	Proposed
Rams			Ewes		
Lambs		<del></del>			
HORSES:	Existing	Proposed			
Total Horses					
MINK:	Existing	Proposed			
Total Mink					
RABBITS:	Existing	Proposed			
Total Rabbits	<del></del>				
2.3 Total Animal	<b>Units</b> (to be	2.3 Total Animal Units (to be filled in by designated officer) — AUs			

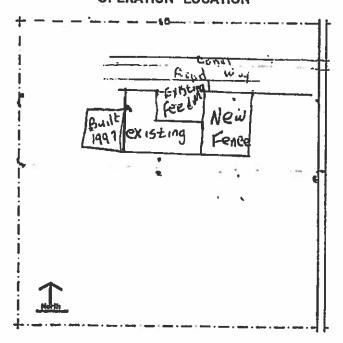
### 3. SITE DATA

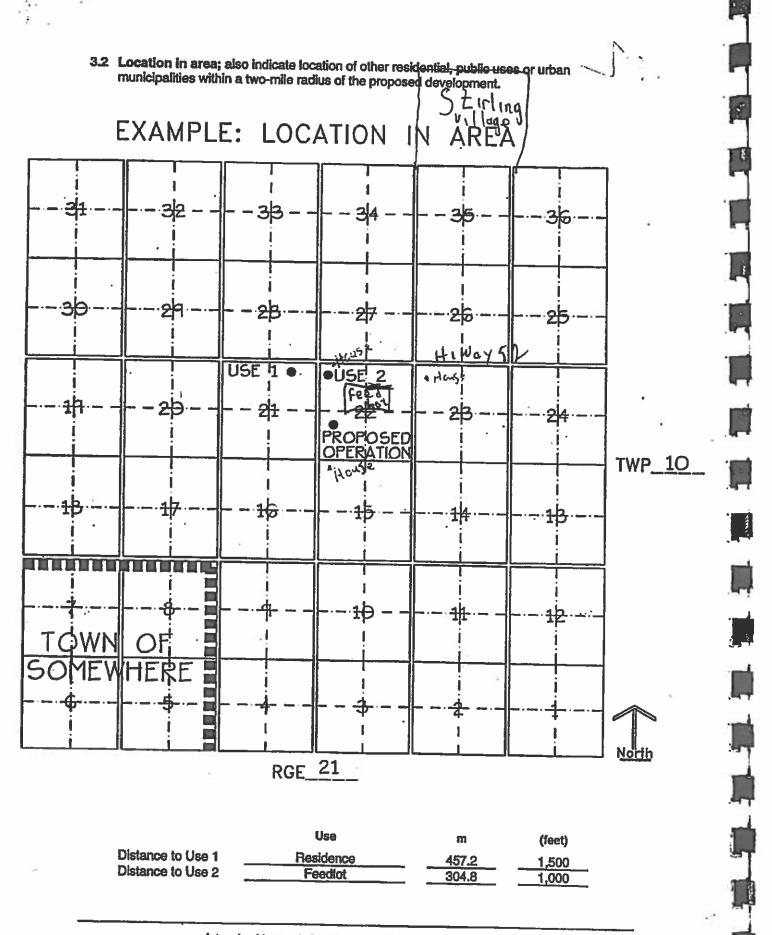
Refer to the example diagrams and prepare diagrams with accurate measurements of your proposed developments.

3.1 Location on the quarter section; also indicate titled area if not the full quarter section.



**OPERATION LOCATION** 





Please use this graph paper to show to scale the location of structures on the site, including the location of manure storage.

	4. MANAGEMENT METHODS
4.1	State source of water for operation: (i.e. river, well, irrigation system) Uniquien Dugo
4.2	Type of Bedding: (i.e. straw, other, none)
	Existing:
	Proposed: SKIGIN
	Proposed:
4.3	Type of Manure Storage: (i.e. dry, wet, including any proposed structures)
	Existing: Wet in Pens houled out & put on
	tora in spring + fall
	Proposed: Wet in serio - houled out in
	spring + fall and sut on land
4.4	Amount of Manure Storage: (state number of weeks, months)
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	Existing:
-	Proposed:
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	5. METHODS OF DISPOSAL
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5.1	How will manure be disposed? Sarlad on land with
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5.2	If spread on the land how will it be spread? (i.e. spread on surface, injected, shanked, etc.)
	Surface spread and discord under
	X urface spring off own render

	How often will the manure be spread on each area listed below (times per year)?
5.3	How often will the manure be spread on each area listed below (times per year)?
	Area 1 Area 2
5.4	If the entire amount of manure can't be spread on your land, where will the manure be spread? It is the responsibility of the operator/applicant to have authorization from two owners of land that will permit manure to be spread. Each area listed below should have sufficient land area to accommodate all manure.
	Area 1
	Legal description: Sec. 7 Twp. 8 Rge. 19 W 4
	Land area available: ha (COC) acres) Time of year land available:
	Owner:
	Authorization:(Owner's Signature).
	(Owners Signature)
	Area 2  Legal description:
	Land area available: ha (acres) Time of year land available:
	Owner:
	Authorization:
	(Owner's Signature)
5.5	Length of time for incorporation into soil: (i.e. immediate, shanked, other - number of days after spreading)
	Weekly unless it is cousing a
	Weekly unless it is cousing a problem for someone
5.6	If land drainage is toward road side, ditch, canal or other land, describe method to control runoff: (i.e. dirt berms around portions of manure storage areas)  Nord Average from the feeblot is devoted toward lagbons which well be seen sed out on a yearly basis over often as needed

		6. FLY CONTROL MEASURES
6.1	Outline the fly cont	rol measures to be taken:
		7. OTHER INFORMATION
7.1	Provide any other livestock operation	Information that will assist in the description of the intensive such as methods of limiting impact:
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	SIGNATURES:	Junt C Milson  Yeart & Milson
		Operator  Country  Co