



Municipal District of Willow Creek

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RE: NRCB APPLICATION NO. LA21037
A&D Cattle Ltd
NE 27-08-26-W4M
Roll No. 2034.000

In reference to the above, at the January 12, 2022, meeting, the Municipal Planning Commission (MPC) of the Municipal District of Willow Creek (MDWC) reviewed the application for:

‘a new 2,000 beef finisher confined feeding operation with the construction of 12 pens (40m x 50m each), four pens (20m x 30m each), and a catch basin (61m x 38m x 1.6m).’

The Municipal Planning Commission would like to inform you that the Town of Fort Macleod and the Municipal District of Willow Creek No. 26 are currently in the process of developing an Intermunicipal Development Plan. The proposed CFO exclusion zone is currently on the table for discussion along with other matters. The subject lands, NE 27-08-26-W4M, for the proposed CFO may be within the proposed CFO exclusion zone. We are hopeful both municipalities will have a public hearing by the end of February, and both Councils making a decision. If the municipalities do not come to an agreement, the proposed IMDP will go before the Land and Property Right Tribunal (LPRT) for an appeal hearing on April 4, 2022.

The MPC is seeking verification on the following:

- Water source to be utilized for the proposed CFO,
- Projected yearly water usage for the CFO,
- Is a Water licence approval from AEP being attained, for compliance with all applicable legislation

It is in the opinion of Council that confined feeding operations must demonstrate that they have both sufficient water supply and have met all the requirements of environmental legislation pertaining to water licensing before a project can build and/or populate.

The current land zoning for NE 27-08-26-W4M is Rural General (RG). The lands within the 1.5 mile radius is predominantly zoned Rural General (RG) (See attached Schedule 2)

Upon NRCB approval of the application, the proposed construction of the pens and catch basin shall comply with the Municipal District minimum setback requirements (see LUB 1826, Schedule 2 Rural General, Section 3 Minimum Setback Requirements – see attached).

The Municipal District wish to thank you for the referral and the opportunity to comment. If you require additional information or have any questions, please call (403) 625-3351, extension 235 or via email at chisholm@mdwillowcreek.com.

Thank you

(VIA EMAIL ONLY)

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