#### BYLAW NO. 19-05 OF THE VILLAGE OF GIROUXVILLE IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

# A BYLAW OF THE VILLAGE OF GIROUXVILLE, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA, TO ADOPT AN INTERMUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN

WHEREAS A Bylaw of the Village of Girouxville, in the Province of Alberta, for the purpose of adopting the Intermunicipal Development Plan of the Village of Girouxville and the Municipal District of Smoky River No. 130, pursuant to the Municipal Government Act, being Chapter M-26 of the Statutes of Alberta 2000, and amendments thereto.

WHEREAS The Councils of the Village of Girouxville and the Municipal District of Smoky River No. 130 have recognized the need to cooperate in the planning of future land use and development along the shared common municipal boundary;

**AND WHEREAS** Section 631 of the Municipal Government Act provides for two or more municipalities to jointly prepare an intermunicipal development plan for an area of common interest or concern.

**NOW THEREFORE** the Council of the Village of Girouxville in the Province of Alberta, duly assembled, enacts as follows:

- 1. This Bylaw may be cited as the "IDP Bylaw".
- 2. The Intermunicipal Development Plan of the Village of Girouxville and the Municipal District of Smoky River No. 130, attached to this bylaw as Schedule "A", is hereby adopted.
- 3. This Bylaw may be amended by Bylaw in accordance with the Municipal Government Act, as amended.
- 4. This Bylaw shall come into effect on the date of the third and final reading.

READ a First time this 14 th day of August, 2019.

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer

READ a Second time this 11 th day of September, 2019.

READ a Third time and finally passed thist th day of September, 2019.

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer

# Intermunicipal Development Plan

Village of Girouxville / Municipal District of Smoky River No. 130





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#### A. INTRODUCTION

- The Village of Girouxville (Village) and Municipal District of Smoky River No. 130 (Municipal District) have agreed to undertake the process for preparing and adopting an Intermunicipal Development Plan (IDP).
- 2) The Village and the Municipal District recognize that all municipalities are equals and have the right to growth and development.
- 3) The purpose of the IDP is to accomplish the following within the Plan Area:
  - a) Ensure orderly development, while protecting the area surrounding the Village for future expansion;
  - b) Establish a framework for attracting economic opportunities;
  - c) Improve opportunities to secure a long-term economic base for the region;
  - d) Ensure that the municipalities are development-ready and future-oriented in their efforts to attract economic activity;
  - e) Ensure that the municipalities are developed in a manner that is equitable and fair to the residents of the municipalities; and
  - f) Identify areas for Municipal District growth and development.

#### **B. MUNICIPAL PROFILES**

Village of Girouxville

The Village covers an area of approximately 53 hectares (130 acres), with a population of 289 (Federal Census, 2016). Girouxville is a village located in Northern Alberta 3 km north of Highway 49. Girouxville is located 13.5 km west of the Town of Falher, 18.5 km west of the Village of Donnelly and 30.5 km west of the Town of McLennan. Girouxville is a francophone community and home to the Musée Girouxville Museum. Agriculture is one of the main employers in the Town.



Municipal District of Smoky River No. 130

Municipal District of Smoky River No. 130 covers an area of approximately 288,279 hectares (712,353 acres), with a population of 2,023 (Federal Census, 2016). The Municipal District surrounds four urban municipalities – the Towns of Falher and McLennan and the Villages of Donnelly and Girouxville. The Municipal District also contains the Hamlets of Guy and Jean Cote, and is bordered by four rural municipalities. The economy of the Municipal District of Smoky River No. 130 has traditionally centered on agriculture, with some oil and gas developments, and recreation developments.



#### C. LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS

- 1) The Municipal Government Act (MGA) identifies the following as matters to be addressed for lands within the boundary of the IDP:
  - a) Future land use;
  - b) Proposals for and the manner of future development;
  - c) Conflict resolution procedures;
  - d) Procedures to amend or repeal the plan; and
  - e) Provisions relating to the administration of the plan.

#### D. PLAN AREA

 The Intermunicipal Development Plan Area (the Plan Area) are the lands located within the Municipal District of Smoky River No. 130 surrounding the Village of Girouxville, as shown on Map 1 in Section S.

#### E. GOALS

- 1) The following are goals that have been identified by the Village and the Municipal District for the Plan Area. Some of the goals are of an on-going nature, while some may be seen as time specific.
  - a) Identification of the Future Land Uses in the referral area. This is the IDP Plan Area in the Municipal District, within approximately two miles of the Village, where the Municipal District will refer proposed subdivisions, land use bylaw redesignations, and statutory documents to the Village for review and comment.
  - b) Development of land use policies to provide for and in support of economic development that will benefit the two municipalities economically and socially.
  - c) Development of land use polices to protect agricultural lands from premature redesignation, subdivision and non-farm development.
  - d) Development of a Plan for the provision of utility corridors within the Plan Area to provide for future growth and development of the IDP area, and to ensure oil and gas development/pipelines do not inhibit or restrict the future development of the region.
  - Effective coordination of transportation systems and the protection of required land for future road and trail network development.

- f) Development of land use policies to ensure that future sites for schools and recreation areas are protected.
- g) Identification and protection of physical features and environmentally sensitive areas.
- h) Effective referral mechanisms and dispute resolution mechanisms.
- i) Plan administration and implementation.

#### F. FUTURE GROWTH & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- 1) The Village and Municipal District have agreed to work together to promote and support economic development that benefits both municipalities.
- 2) The Village and Municipal District shall continue to encourage agricultural activity in the local area.
- 3) The Village and Municipal District will work together to promote the establishment of a diversified and sustainable assessment base within the Plan Area.
- 4) To encourage a diversified assessment base, the municipalities shall promote a land use pattern within the Plan Area which provides a range of parcel sizes and servicing options for commercial and industrial development.
- 5) The Village and Municipal District agree to encourage the development of businesses that support the needs of local residents and visitors to the region.
- 6) The Village and Municipal District shall explore options and where possible, implement costsharing arrangements in accordance with a mutually agreed upon Intermunicipal Collaborative Framework.
- 7) The Village and Municipal District support the efforts of the Smoky River Regional Economic Development Board.

#### G. REFERRAL AREA

- 1) The Referral Area is the same as the Plan Area, as identified on Map 1 Plan Area. These lands are intended to be developed in a manner that is compatible with the growth of the Village, while still permitting agricultural and residential development in the Municipal District.
- 2) All Municipal Development Plan amendments, subdivision applications, Land Use Bylaw redesignations, Area Structure Plans and development permit applications for discretionary uses within the Referral Area will be referred to the Village for comment. All development permit applications approved by the Municipal District of Smoky River's Development Authority shall be

in accordance with the provisions of this Plan. Any disputes shall be dealt with through the procedure outlined in Section Q of this document.

#### H. LAND USE POLICIES

- 1) The Village of Girouxville and Municipal District of Smoky River No. 130 agree that the long term land use planning concept for the Plan Area is consistent with the future land use designations depicted on Map 2. For up-to-date Land Use Designations please see Municipal District of Smoky River No. 130's Land Use Bylaw.
  - a) The predominant land use shall remain agricultural as permitted by Municipal District of Smoky River No. 130's Land Use Bylaw. Additional Commercial developments shall be encouraged to locate in close proximity to existing Municipal District Commercial developments as outlined on Map 2.
  - b) First Parcel out farmstead/residential development may be allowed throughout the Plan Area in accordance with the requirements of the Municipal District's Municipal Development Plan and Land Use Bylaw.
  - c) No amendments to this IDP are required for land use bylaw amendments or first parcel out farmstead/residential developments which meet the criteria of Section H(1)(a) and Section H(1)(b), that both municipalities agree are consistent with the provisions contained within the IDP, as amended from time to time.
- 2) The Municipal District's Land Use Bylaw governs existing land uses until such time that lands are annexed into the Village of Girouxville as per Section P.
- 3) Interim uses may be accommodated within the Referral Area on an interim basis provided they will not obstruct the eventual conversion to urban use.
- 4) In considering subdivision and development proposals within the Plan Area, the Municipal District's Subdivision and Development Authorities will ensure that the proposed subdivision and/or development conforms to the intent of the Map 2 Future Land Use Concept and the land use policies contained herein.
- 5) All development permit applications approved by the Municipal District's Development Authority shall be in accordance with the Municipal District of Smoky River No. 130 Municipal Development Plan and the Municipal District of Smoky River No. 130 Land Use Bylaw and applicable Area Structure Plans. Any disputes shall be dealt with through the procedure outlined within Section Q of this document.
- 6) An Area Structure Plan will be required for any multi-lot subdivisions in the Referral Area. Multi-lot subdivisions shall be considered to be any subdivision which will create five or more country residential parcels on a quarter section, excluding quarter sections containing both a farmstead/undeveloped country residential site and fragmented parcel.

- 7) Multi-lot subdivisions located within 1.6km of the centre line of a provincial highway must be developed in accordance with Section 14, 15 and 16 of the Subdivision and Development Regulation. As such, Area Structure Plans may be required by Alberta Transportation for multi-lot subdivisions within this area.
- 8) Buffers or similar mechanisms to mitigate potential conflict between commercial, industrial and other uses shall be required by the Municipal District where appropriate.
- 9) The Village and Municipal District agree to jointly discuss ways to cooperate with Provincial and Federal agencies and utility providers to help facilitate the efficient delivery of infrastructure and services that are of a mutual benefit.
- 10) Both municipalities agree that development of lands that are within the Plan Area may contain a historically significant site. Should an area be deemed to have some historical significance, the developer may be required to conduct a Historical Resource Impact Assessment (HRIA) and should contact the appropriate Provincial Government Department regarding the development.
- 11) Existing developments that were approved through a subdivision or development process prior to the approval of this Intermunicipal Development Plan shall remain in place.
- 12) No new or expanding Confined Feeding Operations within the Plan Area requiring registrations or approvals, or manure storage facilities requiring authorization under the Agricultural Operations Practices Act shall be permitted within the Plan Area as per the Municipal District of Smoky River Municipal Development Plan and the Municipal District of Smoky River Land Use Bylaw.
- 13) The following land use provisions will apply to all new development within the Plan Area:
  - a) Future residential, commercial and industrial development will be permitted without urban servicing within the Plan Area.
  - b) An Area Structure Plan will be required for any multi-lot subdivisions in the Plan Area. Multi-lot subdivisions shall be considered to be any subdivision which will create five or more lots in addition to the remnant parcel, on a quarter section, excluding quarter sections containing both a farmstead/undeveloped country residential site and fragmented parcel. Area Structure Plans shall meet the requirements as outlined by Alberta Transportation including, but not limited to:
    - i) Impacts on the transportation system.
    - ii) Pedestrian accommodation.
    - iii) Access management requirements for the provincial highways.
    - iv) Future road right-of-way requirements.
  - c) All subdivision applications, Land Use Bylaw amendments, Area Structure Plans and development permit applications for discretionary uses within the Plan Area will be referred to the Village for comment. All development permit applications approved by the Municipal District Development Authority shall be in accordance with the provisions of this Plan. Any disputes shall be dealt with through the procedure outlined within Section Q of this document.

- d) In considering subdivision and development permit applications in the Plan Area, the Municipal District's Subdivision Authority and Development Authority will ensure the proposed development is compatible with adjacent uses.
- 14) The following land use provisions will apply to all new reserve/public service developments within the Plan Area:
  - a) Future reserves are intended to be either:
    - i) part of the long term open space, park and trail system,
    - ii) future school sites, or
    - iii) future community/institutional developments which may include recreation centers and/or medical centers.
  - b) Unless the Village requests otherwise in writing, Municipal Reserves due as a result of subdivision close to Village will be deferred so that they can be taken later, at the time of resubdivision into urban size lots. A deferred reserve caveat shall be registered on the Land Title at the time of initial subdivision.
  - c) Decisions on environmental reserves will be made in consultation with the Village.
  - d) Within the Plan Area, Environmental Reserve shall be dedicated when lands along water bodies and water courses are subdivided in accordance with the appropriate environmental impact assessment or alternate study prepared by a qualified professional.
  - e) Should future large Municipal Reserve sites be proposed, they shall be proposed as part of a comprehensive Area Structure Plan and should be determined based on consultation with the Village of Girouxville and the local school boards.
  - f) All future Area Structure Plans should contemplate:
    - i) a regional trail network, connecting points of interest within the Village and Municipal District
    - ii) Environmental Reserve locations along water bodies and water courses
    - iii) Municipal Reserve locations to ensure future provision of schools and community amenities.
  - g) Essential public and private utility services may be allowed throughout the Plan Area to provide the desired level of service in the Plan Area. An Area Structure Plan is not required for the development of essential public service or private utility services.
  - h) Development standards will be applied by the Municipal District to ensure that orderly development of the Referral Area occurs.

#### I. ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

- All agricultural operators and other users are encouraged to continue best practices to maintain high standards of water quality.
  - 2) Land use and development in flood prone areas are generally discouraged, but where it is considered by the host municipality, it shall be carefully regulated such that there is no negative effect on the adjacent municipality.
  - 3) Landowners and residents are encouraged to follow water conservation practices, as established by their respective municipality.
  - 4) Both municipalities will endeavour to ensure that all sources of potable water supply within their respective jurisdictions are protected and meet provincial guidelines for water quality.
  - 5) The Village and the Municipal District agree that development of lands within the Plan Area may impact environmentally significant sites. Development proposals in these areas may be required to:
    - a) conduct an environmental impact assessment (EIA); and,
    - b) contact Alberta Environment and Parks regarding the development.
  - 6) Within Municipal District of Smoky River No. 130, development setbacks from waterbodies and watercourses shall be enforced as per the Land Use Bylaw.

#### J. WATER AND WASTEWATER SERVICES

- 1) Lands required for future utility and servicing right-of-way, as identified through the mutual agreement of the Village and Municipal District shall be protected at the time of subdivision and development. To this end, utility corridors shall be identified in future Area Structure Plans.
- 2) Natural and man-made drainage courses that support the overall management of storm water within the Plan Area shall be protected at the time of subdivision or development. To this end, storm water drainage courses shall be identified within future Area Structure Plans.
- 3) The Village, subject to available capacity, payment of the user fees and Alberta Environment and Parks approval, agrees to continue to accept, from Municipal District residents and developments, wastewater from holding tanks that complies with the standards set by the Village.
- 4) Should the Village require land located within the Municipal District for future utility expansion, the Municipal District will endeavour to protect the lands for that purpose.
- 5) For developments located within the Referral Area requiring or proposed to require water and wastewater services from the Village, the Municipal District will submit the relevant portions of the

- development agreement, including full details on the water and wastewater servicing standards and anticipated volumes, for the Village's approval.
- 6) For developments requiring water and wastewater services in the Referral Area, the Village and Municipal District agree to enter into a joint servicing agreement for said services.

#### K. TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS

- 1) The Village and Municipal District will work together to ensure that a safe and efficient transportation network is developed and maintained to service residents and businesses within the IDP area. The Village and Municipal District will also cooperate on the development of all future Transportation Master Plans.
- 2) When subdivisions are approved in the Plan Area, all right-of-way requirements will be secured to ensure that long-term transportation and road plans can be implemented when warranted.
- As a condition of subdivision or development approval in the Referral Area, all internal roads within residential and commercial subdivisions shall be developed to Municipal District standards.
- 4) In order to create more efficiently planned communities with less highway impacts, a Transportation Master Plan for the Plan Area may be developed in coordination with the Village of Donnelly, Municipal District of Smoky River and Alberta Transportation.
- 5) Prior to subdivision and/or development Alberta Transportation may require the preparation of an Area Structure Plan and/or Traffic Impact Assessment for developments located 1.6 km of the centre line of a highway and within the Plan Area.
- 6) Where a road or bridge has recently been built at Municipal District cost, and the land is later annexed into the Village, the Village will reimburse the Municipal District of the depreciated cost of construction based on a 20 year amortization.

# L. RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT & UTILITY CORRIDORS

- The municipalities will work with representatives from industry including, but not limited to oil and gas and telecommunication industries to promote resource infrastructure development which does not negatively impact existing and/or future development within the Plan Area.
- 2) Both municipalities agree to refer all oil and gas infrastructure and telecommunication infrastructure related applications in the Plan Area to the other municipality for review and comment.
- 3) The municipalities support the development of broadband and communications infrastructure in the Plan Area and region. As such, the municipalities will work collaboratively to promote and encourage broadband and communications infrastructure.

# M. INTERMUNICIPAL SUBDIVISION AND DEVELOPMENT APPEAL BOARD

All appeals of developments and subdivisions within the Plan Area will be considered by the Municipal District of Smoky River No. 130's Subdivision and Development Appeal Board.

# N. COMMUNICATION AND REFERRAL PROCESS

1) The Village of Girouxville & the Municipal District of Smoky River No. 130 agree to refer and respond to the following planning proposals within the Plan Area as per the following chart:

Planning Proposal Type	Maximum Response Period
a) Municipal Development Plan and Municipal Development Plan	30 calendar days
amendments	
b) Area Structure Plans, Area Redevelopment Plans and	30 calendar days
amendments	
c) Land Use Redesignations	30 calendar days
d) Subdivisions	30 calendar days
e) Discretionary Development Permits	30 calendar days
f) Road Access/Use	30 calendar days

- The response period indicated in Section N(1), may be extended upon notification in writing by the responding municipality.
- 3) Notwithstanding Section N(1), either municipality may elect to circulate additional items to the neighbouring municipality for comment.
- 4) The Village of Girouxville shall offer comments from the perspective of specific implications that have a high likelihood of impacting their own efforts around land use planning and provisions of municipal services and infrastructure. General observations on issues that have no bearing on the planning or service delivery efforts of the Village of Girouxville shall be avoided.
- 5) Both municipalities shall strive, to the best of their ability and knowledge, to refer all notices of government projects within the Plan Area to the other municipality.
- 6) Within the Plan Area, both municipalities are encouraged to share with the other the results of all publicly available technical analysis, submitted as part of development applications.

# O. PLAN ADMINISTRATION AND IMPLEMENTATION

#### 1) Adoption Process:

- a) This IDP and any amendments shall be adopted by bylaw by the Village and the Municipal District in accordance with the Municipal Government Act, R.S.A., c M-26, as amended.
- b) Any amendments to the Municipal Development Plans and Land Use Bylaws of the Village and Municipal District required to implement the policies of the Intermunicipal Development Plan should occur as soon as practicable following adoption of this IDP.

#### 2) Approving Authorities:

- a) In the hierarchy of statutory plans, the Intermunicipal Development Plan shall take precedence over the other municipal statutory plans.
- b) Each Municipality shall be responsible for the administration and decisions on all statutory plans, land use bylaws, and amendments thereto within their boundaries.

#### 3) Plan Amendments & Repeal:

- a) An amendment to this Plan may be proposed by either municipality. An amendment to the Plan proposed by a landowner shall be made to the municipality in which the subject land is located.
- b) An amendment to this Plan has no effect, unless adopted by both municipalities by bylaw in accordance with the Municipal Government Act, R.S.A., c M-26, as amended.
- c) In the event that either the Village or the Municipal District determines this Plan is no longer acceptable, either municipality may initiate the process to repeal this Plan. The following shall be followed to repeal the Plan:
  - i) The Village or Municipal District may give the other municipality written notice of its intention to repeal the plan.
  - ii) Within thirty days of the written notice, an Intermunicipal Committee meeting shall be convened.
  - iii) Following the Intermunicipal Committee meeting, the municipality initiating the repeal procedure may either withdraw its intention to repeal the Plan by giving written notice to the other municipality or proceed to consider a bylaw in accordance with the Municipal Government Act to repeal the plan.
  - iv) Once one municipality has passed a bylaw to repeal the Plan the other municipality shall also proceed to pass a bylaw repealing the plan.
- d) In accordance with the Municipal Government Act, should this Plan be repealed, the Village and the Municipal District shall initiate the development of a subsequent Intermunicipal Development Plan.

#### 4) Intermunicipal Cooperation:

- a) The Village and Municipal District agree to create a recommending body known as the Intermunicipal Committee (hereinafter referred to as the Committee).
- b) The Committee will meet on an as required basis and will develop recommendations to the Village and Municipal District Councils on all matters of strategic direction and cooperation affecting residents, except matters where other current operating structures and mechanisms are operating successfully. The topics to be discussed will include:
  - i) Long-term strategic growth plans for the Municipalities, as may be reflected in the Intermunicipal Development Plan, Municipal Development Plans, Area Structure Plans and other strategic studies.

ii) Intermunicipal and regional transportation issues including the transportation and utility corridors and truck routes.

iii) Prompt circulation of major land use, subdivision and development proposals in either municipality which may impact the other municipality; and

iv) The discussion of intermunicipal or multi-jurisdictional issues in lieu of a regional planning system.

- c) The Committee shall consist of four members, being two Councillors from each municipality.
- d) The Chief Administrative Officers, or designate(s), will be advisory staff to the Committee, responsible to develop agendas and recommendations on all matters, and for forwarding all recommendations from the Committee to their respective Councils.

#### 5) Plan Review:

- a) Annually, the Municipal District CAO and Village CAO, or designates, shall determine the advisability of any amendments to the Plan. If an amendment is deemed necessary by both municipalities, then the results of the review shall be presented to the Committee, within one month of the anniversary of the adoption of this Plan. The Committee shall determine if any amendments are to be proceeded with and direct municipal administration to commence with a public plan amendment process. If the Committee does not agree that a particular amendment shall proceed, then neither municipality shall proceed with that amendment.
- b) Once every five years, commencing no later than 2024, the IDP will be formally reviewed by the Committee in conjunction with the Intermunicipal Collaboration Framework in order to confirm or recommend amendment of any particular policy contained herein. The Committee will prepare recommendations for consideration by the municipal Councils.

#### P. ANNEXATION

- 1) The Municipal District recognizes and agrees that the Village will need additional land to grow and will support future annexations that will provide for 20 years of projected growth within the boundaries of the Village.
  - 2) The annexation process may be initiated by the Village through the preparation of a Growth Study and in accordance with the Municipal Government Act.
  - 3) The Village will not initiate annexation of lands until the subject lands are ready for urban development, or require urban services from the Village.
  - 4) In contemplating future annexations, land should remain in whichever municipality is best able to provide services to it and its owners. As a general rule, farm land should be in the Municipal District, and land which is subdivided to urban densities, or which requires municipal water and/or sewer, should be in the Village.
  - 5) The Village and Municipal District will endeavour to reach an intermunicipal agreement on the annexation prior to submitting the annexation application to the Municipal Government Board.

# Q. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

- 1) The Village and Municipal District agree that the following process shall be used to resolve or attempt to resolve disputes between the Municipalities arising from the following:
  - a) Lack of agreement on proposed amendments to the Plan;
  - b) Lack of agreement on any proposed statutory plan, land use bylaw or amendment thereto for lands located within or affecting the Plan Area; or
  - c) Lack of agreement on an interpretation of this Plan.
- 2) Lack of agreement pursuant to Section Q(1)(a) or (b) is defined as a statutory plan, land use bylaw or amendment to either which is given first reading by a Council which the other Council deems to be inconsistent with the policies of this Plan or detrimental to their planning interests as a municipality.
- A dispute shall be limited to the decisions on the matters listed in Section Q(1). Any other appeal shall be made to the appropriate approving authority or appeal board that deals with that issue.
- 4) The dispute resolution process may only be initiated by Village or Municipal District Councils.
- 5) Identification of a dispute and the desire to go through the dispute resolution process may occur at any time regarding a Section Q(1)(c) dispute matter and may only occur within 30 calendar days of a decision made pursuant to Section P(2). Once either municipality has received written notice of a dispute, the dispute resolution process must be started within 15 calendar days of the date the written notice was received, unless both Chief Administrative Officers agree otherwise.
- 6) In the event that the dispute resolution process is initiated, the municipality having authority over the matter shall not give any further approval in any way until the dispute has been resolved or the mediation process has been concluded.
- 7) In the event that mediation does not resolve the dispute, the Municipality may proceed to adopt the bylaw and, in accordance with the Municipal Government Act, the other municipality will have the right to appeal to the Municipal Government Board.
- 8) The Intermunicipal Committee will be the forum used in relation to any disputes.

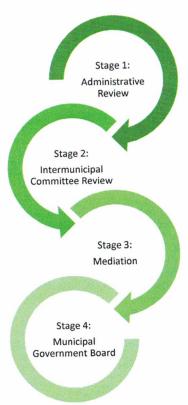
#### **Dispute Resolution Process**

Stage 1 Administrative Review - The Chief Administrative Officers of both municipalities will meet in an attempt to resolve the issue first within 30 days. Failing resolution, the dispute will then be referred to the Intermunicipal Committee. In the event that a resolution is not achieved by the 30<sup>th</sup> day following the first meeting of the Chief Administrative Officer of both Municipalities, either municipality may refer the dispute to the Intermunicipal Committee.

Stage 2 Intermunicipal Committee Review – The Committee will convene to consider and attempt to resolve the dispute within 30 days. In the event that a resolution is not achieved by the 30<sup>th</sup> day following the first meeting of the Intermunicipal Committee, either municipality may refer the dispute to mediation.

Stage 3 Mediation – The services of an independent mediator will be retained, with the mediator required to present a written recommendation to both Councils. The costs of mediation shall be paid on a proportional basis by the municipalities. Each municipality's proportion of the costs must be determined by dividing the amount of that municipality's equalized assessment by the sum of the equalized assessments of all of the municipalities' equalized assessments as set out in the most recent equalized assessment.

Stage 4 Municipal Government Board – In the event that the mediation process does not resolve the dispute, the Municipality may proceed to adopt the bylaw and, in accordance with the Municipal Government Act, the other municipality will have the right to appeal to the Municipal Government Board.



#### R. CORRESPONDENCE

- 1) Written notice under this Plan shall be addressed as follows:
  - a. In the case of the Municipal District of Smoky River No. 130 to:

Municipal District of Smoky River No. 130 c/o Chief Administrative Officer P.O. Box 210 Falher, Alberta T0H 1M0

b. In the case of the Village of Girouxville to:

Village of Girouxville c/o Chief Administrative Officer P.O. Box 276 Girouxville, Alberta T0H 1S0

2) In addition to Section R(1), notices may be sent by electronic mail to the Chief Administrative Officer of each municipality.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties have affixed their corporate seals as attested by the duly authorized signing officers of the parties as of the date the Intermunicipal Development Plan bylaw is passed.

MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF SMOKY RIVER NO. 130

VILLAGE OF GIROUXVILLE

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Bylaw No: 19-922

Mayor

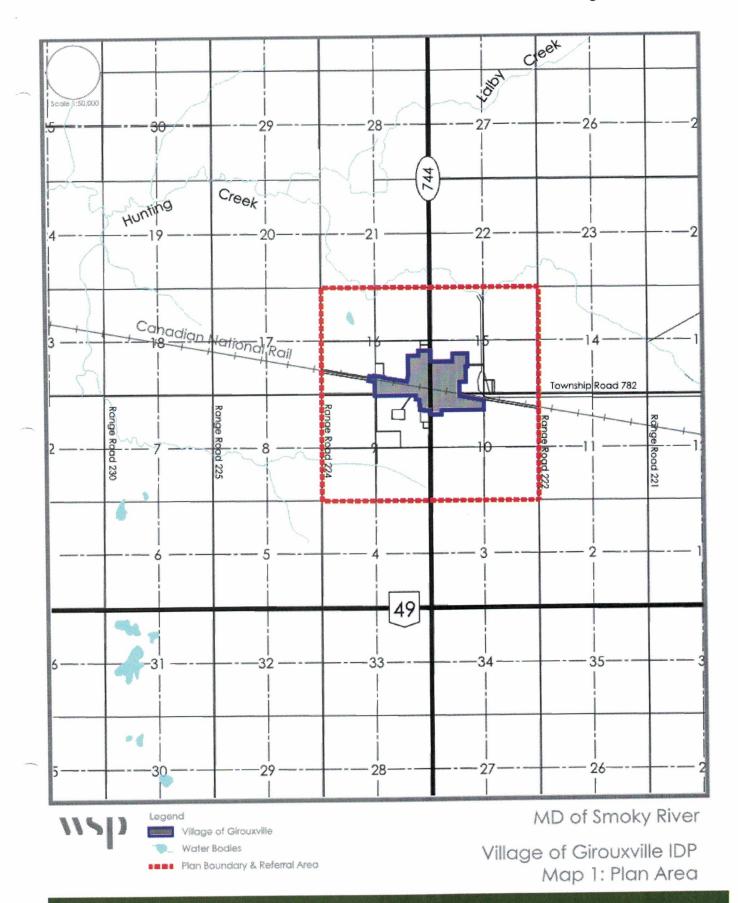
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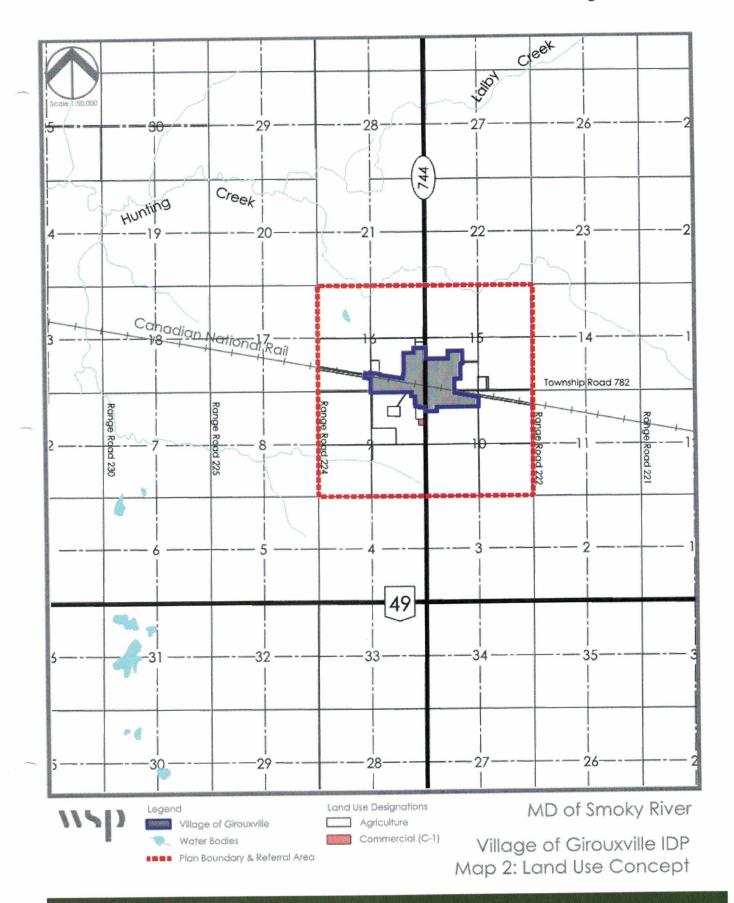
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# S. MAPS

Map 1: Plan Area Map

Map 2: Future Land Use Concept (for up-to-date Land Use Designations please see Municipal District of Smoky River No. 130's Land Use Bylaw)







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Title of the study:

Municipal Planning and Wildfire Mitigation in Alberta Survey

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#### Invitation:

You are invited to participate in this research study about municipal land use planning and development, and wildfire hazard and risk mitigation in Alberta. This information will be used by researchers and policy makers to improve community protection from wildfires in Alberta.

#### Participation:

The survey should take you approximately 20 minutes to complete. You do not have to answer any questions that you do not want to answer. Unless you opt out or complete the survey, a follow-up reminder will be sent to the individual who received the original email invitation in 1 week for up to 3 weeks, followed by a phone call 1 week after that.

#### Benefits and Compensation:

There is no compensation for participating in this study. However, you may find the content professionally relevant.

#### Risks:

There are no known risks to participating in this study.

#### Confidentiality:

The information that you will share will remain strictly confidential and will be used solely for the purposes of this research. The only people who will have access to the research data are Drs. Gatti and McGee. Municipalities

participating in the study will not be identified. We will not collect identifying information about the person who completes the survey. Your answers to open-ended questions may be used verbatim ("quoted") in presentations and publications but your municipality will not be associated with the text. Results will be published in pooled (aggregate) format only.

#### Data Storage:

Electronic copies of the survey will be encrypted and stored on a password protected computer in the department of Drs. Gatti and McGee at the University of Alberta.

#### Voluntary Participation:

You are under no obligation to participate and if you choose to participate, you may refuse to answer questions that you do not want to answer. Should you choose to withdraw midway through the electronic survey simply close the link and no responses will be included. You may withdraw your survey answers from the study up to two weeks after you have submitted your answers. To do this, please contact Elise Gatti with a written request that includes your municipality's name (<a href="mailto:qatti@ualberta.ca">qatti@ualberta.ca</a>). Your data will then be deleted from our database.

#### Information about the Study Results:

Study research findings will be available to the participants and members of the public via our website. They will also be published in scholarly and/or professional journals, and at scholarly and/or professional meetings.

#### Contact Information:

If you have any questions or require more information about the study itself, you may contact Elise Gatti at the email or number mentioned herein.

The plan for this study has been reviewed by a Research Ethics Board at the University of Alberta (#Pro00097278). If you have any questions regarding your rights as a research participant or how the research is being conducted you may contact the Research Ethics Office at 780-492-2615.

Please keep this form for your records.

Completion and submission of the survey means your consent to participate.

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