AGENDA

CLEAR HILLS COUNTY

AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD MEETING

September 17, 2025

The Agricultural Service Board meeting of Clear Hills County will be held on Wednesday, September 17, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers of the County Administration Office, 313 Alberta Avenue, Worsley, Alberta.

| 1. | CALL TO ORDER | |
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| 2. | AGENDA | |
| 3. | ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES August 21, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes | 2 |
| 4. | BUSINESS ARISING | |
| 5. | OLD BUSINESS a. Activity Reportb. Board Reports | 4 7 |
| 6. | NEW BUSINESS a. Election Year – Member At Large Positions b. 2025 ASBPC Report Card c. Proposed Provincial Resolutions Process Changes d. Drone School e. Events | 15 73 91 |
| 7,. | REPORTS a. Agricultural Fieldman Report | 106 |
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| 9. | ADJOURNMENT | |

MINUTES OF CLEAR HILLS COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD MEETING COUNCIL CHAMBERS, WORSLEY, AB WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21, 2025

| PRESENT | David Janzen Chairman Jason Ruecker Deputy Chair Julie Watchorn Member Baldur Ruecker Member |
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| <u>ABSENT</u> | Stacy Johnson Member |
| ATTENDING | Greg Coon Agricultural Fieldman Craig Donnelly Community & Agricultural Extension Service Clerk |
| CALL TO ORDER | Chairman Janzen called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m. |
| AGENDA AG56-25 (08/21/25) | RESOLUTION by Member Jensen that this Agricultural Service Board adopts the agenda governing the August 21, 2025, Agricultural Service Board meeting. CARRIED. |
| MINUTES Previous Meeting Minutes | Agricultural Service Board is presented with previous meeting minutes. |
| AG57-25 (08/21/25) | RESOLUTION by Member Watchorn that this Agricultural Service Board adopts the minutes of the July 16, 2025, Agricultural Service Board Meeting, as presented. CARRIED. |
| OLD BUSINESS Activity Report | The Board is presented with the Agricultural Service Board Activity Report. |
| AG58-25 (08/21/25) | RESOLUTION by Chairman Janzen that this Agricultural Service Board accepts the August 21, 2025 Agricultural Service Board Activity Report, as presented. |
| Board Reports | At this time the Board members will have an opportunity to present their reports on meetings attended and other agricultural related topics. |
| AG59-25 (08/21/25) | RESOLUTION by Member Ruecker that this Agricultural Service Board accepts the Board members verbal reports of August 21, 2025, as presented. CARRIED. |
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Chairman Janzen recessed the meeting at 10:42 a.m. Chairman Janzen reconvened the meeting at 10:51 a.m

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| NEW BUSINESS | | |
| ACIS Weather Station Draft Letter | Council is presented with a draft lette Alberta Climate Information Service. | er to Trevor Wallace with |
| AG60-25 (08/21/25) | RESOLUTION by Chairman Janzen to approve the draft letter and have administration send it to Mr. Wallace with ACIS. CARRIED. | |
| Events | The Board is presented with a list of up events for their information. | coming agricultural related |
| AG61-25 (08/21/25) | RESOLUTION by Member Ruecker to of all Agricultural Service Board member Cattle Market Evening in Rycroft, AB o | ers to the PCBFA Annual |
| AG62-25 (08/21/25) | RESOLUTION by Chairman Janzen to of all Agricultural Service Board med County Local Farm Diversification T September 11, 2025. | mbers to the Clear Hills |
| AG63-25 (08/21/25) | RESOLUTION by Member Watchorn to authorize the attendance of all Agricultural Service Board members to the Clear Hills County Riparian Areas Information Session at David Thompson Hall in Hines Creek, AB on September 29, 2025. CARRIED. | |
| REPORTS Agricultural Fieldman Report | At this time the Agricultural Fieldman w present his report. | vill have an opportunity to |
| AG64-25 (08/21/25) | RESOLUTION by Member Jensen that Board accepts the August 21, 2025 report, for information. | this Agricultural Service 5, Agricultural Fieldman CARRIED. |
| INFORMATION & CORRESPONDENCE | The Board is presented with corresponde | ence for review. |
| AG65-25 (08/21/25) | RESOLUTION by Member Watchorn that this Agricultural Service Board receives the information & correspondence of August 21, 2025, as presented. CARRIED. | |
| ROUND TABLE: | Members had a chance to have a round topics of interest. | table discussion regarding |
| ADJOURNMENT | Chairman Janzen adjourned the meeting | at 11:34 a.m. |
| | DATE | CHAIR |
| | DATE 3 | AGRICULTURAL FIELDMAN |

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Request For Decision (RFD)

Meeting:

Agricultural Service Board

Meeting Date:

September 17, 2025

Originated By:

Greg Coon, Agricultural Fieldman

Title:

ACTIVITY REPORT

File:

63-10-02

DESCRIPTION:

The Board is presented with the Agricultural Service Board Activity Report.

BACKGROUND:

The Activity report is helpful to administration and the board for tracking the status of resolutions and directions from the board. Items will stay on the report until they are completed. Items that are shaded indicate that they are completed and will be removed from the list once presented at the current Agricultural Service Board meeting.

ATTACHMENTS:

Agricultural Service Board Activity Report

Initials show support - Reviewed by: Manager:

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

RESOLUTION by.. that this Agricultural Service Board accepts the September 17, 2025, Activity Report, as presented.

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Activity Report for September 17, 2025

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| Budget Items: | Completed Items: | 0007000 |
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| CAO = Chief Administrative Officer | AF = Ag. Fieldman | |
| ESC = Community & Agricultural Extension | Services Clerk | |

MOTION DATE DESCRIPTION DEPT STATUS

| | | June 18, 2025 | | |
|---------|------------|---|----|---------------------------|
| AG39-25 | (06/18/25) | RESOLUTION by Member Ruecker to authorize the attendance of all Agricultural Service Board members to one of the PRFA of BC August Grazing Series held on August 5, 12, 19, & 26, 2025. CARRIED. | | August 5, 12, 19, & 26 |
| | | July 16, 2025 | | |
| AG48-25 | (07/16/25) | RESOLUTION by Chairman Janzen to recommend administration draft a letter to Alberta Climate Information Service (ACIS) regarding a forthcoming proposal for increased coverage for weather stations within our county. CARRIED. | AF | August 20 Meeting |
| AG50-25 | (07/16/25) | RESOLUTION by Chairman Janzen to authorize the attendance of all Agricultural Service Board members to the Bio-Agtive overview & field walk at the Worsley Community Centre on August 6, 2025. | | August 6 |
| AG51-25 | (07/16/25) | RESOLUTION by Member Ruecker to authorize the attendance of all Agricultural Service Board members to the Saddle Hills County Research Projects Tour in Saddle Hills County on August 7, 2025. | | August 7 |
| AG52-25 | (07/16/25) | RESOLUTION by Chairman Janzen to authorize the attendance of all Agricultural Service Board members to the fourth annual cattle seminar at Saskatoon Lake Hall on October 15, 2025. CARRIED. | | October 15 |
| | | August 21, 2025 | | |
| AG60-25 | (08/21/25) | RESOLUTION by Chairman Janzen to approve the draft letter and have administration send it to Mr. Wallace with ACIS. 5 CARRIED. | AF | August 21 |

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| Budget Items: | Completed Items: | |
|--|-------------------|--|
| CAO = Chief Administrative Officer | AF = Ag. Fieldman | |
| ESC = Community & Agricultural Extension | Services Clerk | |

| MOTION | DATE | DESCRIPTION DE | EPT | STATUS |
|---------|------------|---|-----|--------------|
| AG61-25 | (08/21/25) | RESOLUTION by Member Ruecker to authorize the attendance of all Agricultural Service Board members to the PCBFA Annual Cattle Market Evening in Rycroft, AB on September 5, 2025. CARRIED. | | September 5 |
| AG62-25 | | RESOLUTION by Chairman Janzen to authorize the attendance of all Agricultural Service Board members to the Clear Hills County Local Farm Diversification Tour in Worsley, AB on September 11, 2025. CARRIED. | | September 11 |
| AG63-25 | | RESOLUTION by Member Watchorn to authorize the attendance of all Agricultural Service Board members to the Clear Hills County Riparian Areas Information Session at David Thompson Hall in Hines Creek, AB on September 29, 2025. CARRIED. | | September 29 |

Clear Hills County

Request For Decision (RFD)

Meeting:

Agricultural Service Board Meeting

Meeting Date:

September 17, 2025

Originated By:

Greg Coon, Agricultural Fieldman

Title:

BOARD REPORTS

File No:

63-10-02

DESCRIPTION:

At this time the Board members will have an opportunity to present their reports on meetings attended and other agricultural related topics.

BACKGROUND:

ATTACHMENTS:

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

RESOLUTION by.. that this Agricultural Service Board accepts the Board members' verbal reports of September 17, 2025, for information.

Initials show support - Reviewed by: Manager: AgFieldman:

Clear Hills County Request For Decision (RFD)

Meeting: Agricultural Service Board

Meeting Date: September 17, 2025

Originated By: Greg Coon, Agricultural Fieldman

Title: ELECTION YEAR – MEMBER AT LARGE POSITIONS

File: 63-10-02

DESCRIPTION:

2025 is a municipal election year and the Agricultural Service Board members at large positions will reach end of term in October, the same as Council. The Board is provided with Member at Large Appointments Policy 1108, that includes the application form for applying to represent the County as a member at large on various boards, including the ASB. Application deadline is October 24, 2025.

BACKGROUND:

Agricultural Service Board (ASB) – seeking 5 members of the public to join this board as Members-at-large. Appointment is for 4 years, coinciding with the municipal election cycle (October 2025-October 2029). The ASB is formed under the Agricultural Service Board Act, and is an advisory board to Council in the development and promotion of agricultural polices that meets the needs of the municipality. ASB's are also responsible to administer and enforce the provincial agricultural related Acts, such as the *Weed Control Act, Agricultural Pest Act* and *Soil Conservation Act*.

Applications are now being accepted for the vacancy on the Hines Creek & District Recreation Board. Application deadline for the ASB member at large positions is **Friday October 24**, **2025**.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Policy 1108 Member at Large Appointments
- Members-at-Large Advertisement

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

RESOLUTION by... that this Agricultural Service Board accepts for information Policy 1108 Member at Large Appointments and Members-at-Large advertisement as presented.

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| Effective Date: February 9, 2021 | IK. | Policy Number: 1108 |
|-------------------------------------|-----|---------------------|
| Title: MEMBER AT LARGE APPOINTMENTS | | |

1 Policy Statement

1.1 Clear Hills County will establish eligibility criteria for Board and Committee members and procedures for the appointments of members at large to boards and committees.

2. Guidelines

Board and Committee members shall:

- a. be 18 years of age at the time of appointment;
- b. be a current resident of the County for at least the six months immediately preceding the date of appointment;
- c. not be in arrears or otherwise owing to the County;
- d. not be in litigation with the County;
- e. not have any current or outstanding compliance order issued by the County against them;
- f. not have been found by a court to be mentally incompetent or of unsound mind;
- g. not have been convicted of an indictable offence or a criminal offence involving fraud;
- h. be removed from the board or committee if the member ceases to be a Clear Hills County resident; and
- i. be eligible if appointed by a municipality whereby there is an intermunicipal agreement for a reciprocal use of a board or committee member.

3. Role of the Chief Administrative Officer

- 2.1 The Chief Administrative Officer shall advertise for members at large for the following:
 - Agricultural Service Board;
 - Assessment Review Board;
 - Development Appeal Board;
 - Intermunicipal Subdivision & Development Appeal Board.
 - Hines Creek & District Recreation Board;
- 2.2 Advertisement shall provide a brief description of the duties and the number of members needed.
- 2.3 Advertising shall commence in the year of a county election or as required, due to vacancy.

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2.4 The Chief Administrative Officer will provide the applications to Council, in confidence.

2.5 Regional Assessment Appeal Board Members at large will be appointed as per Bylaw 136-10 (a bylaw for the purpose of establishing Regional Assessment Review Boards).

4. Role of the Council

- 3.1 Council will review the list of candidates at their organizational meeting.
- In the event that the number of candidates does not meet the number required to fill the positions or Council does not choose to appoint the prospective candidates, Administration must re-advertise the position(s) in the local newspaper for two (2) consecutive weeks, following the resolution by Council.
- 3.3 All Council appointments shall become effective on the date the resolution of appointment is made.

5. Attachments:

Schedule 1 – Application for Member at Large Position

6. End of Policy

ADOPTED Resolution #C186-03 Date: March 25, 2003

AMENDED Resolution #C876-03 Date: November 25, 2003
Resolution #C689(09/28/10) Date: September 28, 2010

Resolution #C689(09/28/10) Date: September 28, 2010 Particle Parti

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Schedule 1

Application for Member-at-Large Position

The personal information on this form is being collected for the purpose of determining eligibility of an applicant to serve as a member of a Board or Committee of Clear Hills County and will be shared with Council and Administration. The information is collected under the authority of Section 146 of the Municipal Government Act and Section 33 of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

Clear Hills County has the following Boards and Committees that require public members (members-at-large), please check the board/committee you are interested in serving on: ☐ Agricultural Service Board ☐ Assessment Review Board □ Development Appeal Board ☐ Intermunicipal Subdivision & Development Appeal Board *An application must be submitted for each board/committee position Personal Information: Applicant Name:______ Mailing Address: Municipal Address (your primary residence):______ Phone (cell):_____Phone (residence):______ Email address: _____ Eligibility: To be eligible for this position, you must meet the following eligibility criteria. Please check below to indicate you meet the eligibility criteria: ☐ I am at least 18 years old. ☐ I am a current resident of the County and have been for at least the past six months. ☐ I am not be in arrears or otherwise owing to the County. ☐ I am not be in litigation with the County. ☐ I do not have any current or outstanding compliance orders issued by the County against me. ☐ I have not have been found by a court to be mentally incompetent or of unsound mind. ☐ I have not have been convicted of an indictable offence or a criminal offence involving

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| Please explain your interest in applyin | ng for a position on a Clear Hills County Board/Committee. |
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| What strengths would you bring to the experience and qualifications. | Board/Committee? Please highlight any relevant |
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| Please detail any experience you have organizations. | e serving on Boards, Committees, or in any relevant |
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| | |
| When are you able to attend meetings | 5? |
| ☐ Weeknights☐ Weekdays | |
| Comments to clarify availability: | |
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Should you be chosen as a member of Clear Hills County Board/Committee, your name and contact information may be released to the general public. Please authorize the release of this information and specify what information (phone number, email address) can be made public:

| l autho | rize the release of the following identifying and contact information: |
|---------|--|
| | My name |
| | My email address |
| | My phone number (please specify which phone number(s)): |
| Apr | olicant signature: |
| Dat | te of application: |
| | Return by mail, email or in person to: |
| Ch | nief Administrative Officer, Allan Rowe |
| Ma | ail: Clear Hills County Box 240 Worsley, AB T0H 3W0 |
| En | nail: bonnie@clearhillscounty.ab.ca |

In person: Clear Hills County Administration Building, 313 Alberta Avenue, Worsley, AB

Deadline For Applications Is October 24, 2025, At 4:30 P.M.

Clear Hills County Invites Applications (Term 2025-2029) – Members-at-Large for the Agricultural Service Board (ASB)

Deadline to Apply will be October 24, 2025

Clear Hills County is seeking **5 Members-at-Large** to serve on the **Agricultural Service Board (ASB)**.

The ASB is a special committee established under the *Agricultural Service Board Act* to address agricultural concerns, promote sustainable farming and ranching, and support the economic viability of producers in our municipality. The Board advises Council, develops and evaluates agricultural policies and programs, and helps administer key provincial Acts such as the **Weed Control Act**, **Agricultural Pests Act**, and the **Soil Conservation Act**.

What Members Do:

- Advise Council and the Minister on agricultural matters of mutual concern.
- Help direct weed and pest control, soil and water conservation programs.
- Promote and protect sustainable, viable agriculture.
- Attend monthly board meetings, with the option to participate in Regional and Provincial ASB Conferences, as well as other ASB-related committees and events.

Eligibility Requirements:

Applicants must:

- Be 18 years of age or older at the time of appointment.
- Have been a resident of Clear Hills County for at least six months prior to appointment.
- Candidates must be agricultural producers residing within the boundaries of Clear Hills County at the time of selection and for the duration of their appointment, unless otherwise authorized by a resolution of Council.
- Not be in arrears or indebted to the County.
- Not be involved in litigation with the County.
- Not have outstanding compliance orders issued by the County.
- Not have been found by a court to be mentally incompetent or of unsound mind.
- Not have been convicted of an indictable offence or one involving fraud.
- Remain a resident of Clear Hills County throughout the term of appointment.

Membership Details:

- Appointments are for a four-year term, with eligibility for reappointment.
- The Board consists of two Advisory Councillors and up to five Members-at-Large.
- Clear Hills County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all applications, with consideration for balanced geographical representation.

Interested?

If you meet the requirements and are passionate about supporting agriculture in Clear Hills County, please submit to: bonnie@clearhillscounty.ab.ca

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Request For Decision (RFD)

Meeting:

Agricultural Service Board Meeting

Meeting Date:

September 17, 2025

Originated By:

Greg Coon, Agricultural Fieldman

Title:

2025 ASBPC Report Card

File:

63-02-02

DESCRIPTION:

The Board is presented with the 2025 ASBPC (Agricultural Service Board Provincial Committee) Report Card along with the Provincial Agricultural Service Board Conference Resolutions Rules of Procedure.

BACKGROUND:

ATTACHMENT:

2025 ASB Report Card

2023 January 18 Provincial Agricultural Service Board Conference Resolution Rules of Procedure

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

RESOLUTION by...to accept the 2025 ASBPC (Agricultural Service Board Provincial Committee) Report Card along with the Provincial Agricultural Service Board Conference Resolutions Rules of Procedure for information.

AgFieldman:

Report Card on the Resolutions

2025

Agricultural Service Board Provincial Committee



Agricultural Service Board Provincial Committee



Fellow Agricultural Service Board Members and Partners,

It is my privilege to present the 2025 Report on the Resolutions on behalf of the Agricultural Service Board Provincial Committee (ASBPC). This report is more than a record of government responses—it is a testament to the enduring grassroots collaboration that defines our collective voice as 68 rural municipalities working together across Alberta.

Agriculture Services Boards (ASB) are uniquely positioned to understand the challenges and opportunities facing Alberta's agriculture sector. Whether the issue is drought recovery, rural veterinary shortages, weed management, wildlife conflict, farm mental health services farm families, or the preservation of our agricultural lands—this year's resolutions clearly demonstrate the leadership and foresight of ASBs. Each resolution passed reflects the boots-on-the-ground knowledge of our members valuable insight in shaping provincial and federal policy.

In 2025, the Committee reviewed and graded 13 new resolutions and continued to advocate on unresolved matters from previous years. Our regular meetings and engagements with Ministers, Deputy Ministers, policy advisors and subject matter experts have been productive and increasingly collaborative.

The creation of the cross-ministry triage document for invasive species, ongoing vetting of rural mental health funding models, the Province addressing the wild boar concern, the efforts to re-register strychnine, and formal conversations around agriculture education and charitable gaming reform demonstrate that our voices are being heard—although there is still much work ahead.

Importantly, the Committee is evolving. While we remain a volunteer-led body, the complexity of our work has grown, and so too has our responsibility.

Over the past year, we have reviewed our Terms of Reference and Rules of Procedure, strengthened internal processes, and supported new governance structures that will help the Committee better serve our members into the future. These changes are not just bureaucratic—they reflect our commitment to transparency, continuity, and sustainability of rural advocacy.

To our ASB members: thank you for your thoughtful submissions, your commentary during the grading process, and your ongoing support. This year's record level of feedback assists in our ongoing advocacy and strengthens our credibility in meetings with government officials. We encourage all municipalities to engage directly with your regional representatives and continue providing input on current advocacy priorities.

In closing, I wish to thank my fellow Committee members and our Executive Assistant for their dedication, diplomacy, and diligence. Together, we reaffirm the role of ASBs as foundational partners in protecting Alberta's agricultural future.

With appreciation and commitment,

Brenda Fright

Brenda Knight

Chair, Agricultural Service Board Provincial Committee Councillor, Lacombe County

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INTRODUCTION

The Provincial Agricultural Service Board Committee is pleased to provide Agricultural Service Board (ASB) members and staff with the 2025 Report Card on the Resolutions. This report contains the government and non-government responses to resolutions passed at the 2025 Provincial ASB Conference. The Report Card on the Resolutions includes the *Whereas* and *Therefore Be It Resolved* sections from the resolutions, response, response grade and comments from the Committee and ASBs for each resolution. The resolutions and responses are also posted on the Agricultural Service Board website at agriculturalserviceboards.com. Actions taken by the Committee on current and prior resolutions are also included in this report.

| 2025 COMMITTEE MEMBERS | | | | |
|------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|----------------|--|
| Position | Member | Alternates | Representation | |
| Chair, Region Rep. | Brenda Knight | Tietsia Huyzer | Central | |
| Vice, Region Rep. | Rob Siewert | John Van Driesten | South | |
| Region Rep | Walter Preugschas | Ross Bohnet | Northwest | |
| Region Rep | Sebastien Dutrisac | Gene Hrabec | Northeast | |
| Region Rep | Bob Chrenek | Corinna Williams | Peace | |
| Secretary | Dawn Fortin | | AAAF | |
| Executive Assistant | Linda Hunt | | ASBPC | |
| RMA Rep. | Kevin Wrista | Jason Schneider | RMA | |
| AAAF President | Stephen Bevans | | AAAF | |
| ASB Program Manager | Kerrianne Koehler- Munro | | AGI | |
| Recording Secretary | Stephanie Cerny | | AGI | |

| 2025 COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS | | | | |
|--|--------------------|--------------------|--|--|
| COMMITTEE | APPOINTMENT | ALTERNATE | | |
| Agriculture Plastics Recycling Group | Walter Preugschas | Brenda Knight | | |
| Alberta Game Policy Advisory Committee | Gene Hrabec | Rob Siewert | | |
| Alberta Endangered Species Conservation Committee (ESCC) | Rob Siewert | Brenda Knight | | |
| Clubroot Action Committee | Brenda Knight | Sebastien Durtisac | | |
| Fusarium Action Committee | Sebastien Dutrisac | Walter Preugschas | | |
| Wildlife Predator Compensation Committee | Corinna Williams | Tietsia Huyzer | | |
| Alberta Environmental Farm Plan Stakeholder Advisory | Corinna Williams | Sebastien Dutrisac | | |
| Weed Issues on Oil and Gas Sites in Rural Alberta working group | Rob Siewert | Brenda Knight | | |
| ASB Extension Committee | Walter Preugschas | Brenda Knight | | |
| AgKnow Industry Advisory Committee | Bob Chrenek | Gene Hrabec | | |

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The ASB Provincial Committee has assigned the following grades to responses by government and non-government organizations for resolutions passed at the 2025 Provincial ASB Conference.

Resolution Table

| RESOLUTION NUMBER | RESOLUTION | GRADE |
|--------------------|---|-------------------|
| 1-25 | DROUGHT AND LIVESTOCK AGRISTABILITY | RESPONDED IN PART |
| 2-25 | LANDOWNERS' RIGHTS FOR RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS | DEFEATED |
| 3-25 | PROTECTION OF CLASS 3 SOILS IN ALBERTA FROM RENEWABLE DEVELOPMENT | WITHDRAWN |
| 4-25 | WEED CONTROL IN DRAINAGE CANALS (REGISTERED DRAINAGE DITCHES) | RESPONDED |
| 5-25 | CENTRAL CONTACT FOR THE WEED CONTROL AND AGRICULTURAL PEST ACTS | RESPONDED |
| 6-25 | RURAL VETERINARY STUDENT SUPPORT | RESPONDED IN PART |
| 7-25 | ROADKILL CARCASS DISPOSAL | RESPONDED IN PART |
| 8-25 | COYOTES ELIGIBLE FOR COMPENSATION | DEFEATED |
| 9-25 | NON-MATCHING FUNDING FOR AGKNOW | RESPONDED |
| 10-25 | FARM FAMILY AWARDS | DEFEATED |
| 11-25 | AGRICULTURE EDUCATION FUNDING | RESPONDED |
| 12-25 | CHARITABLE GAMING POLICIES HANDBOOK | NO RESPONSE |
| 13-25 | RESOLUTION LOBBYING INCLUSION | DEFEATED |
| PC1-25 | INFLATIONARY INCREASE FOR ASB GRANTS | RESPONDED |

The Committee reviewed the responses and assigned one of four grades: Accept the Response, Accept in Principle, Incomplete and Unsatisfactory. The Committee considers the quality of each response and the grading and comments submitted by ASBs when determining the final grades for the report card.

RESPONSE SUMMARY

Number of ASBs that Responded

| Region | #ASBs Responding | % of Region 2025 | % of Region 2024 | % of Region 2023 | % of Region 2022 |
|-----------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| South | 5 | 28 | 39 | 22 | 33 |
| Central | 14 | 100 | 93 | 100 | 93 |
| Northeast | 4 | 36 | 27 | 82 | 82 |
| Northwest | 6 | 46 | 54 | 15 | 38 |
| Peace | 7 | 52 | 38 | 38 | 38 |
| Overall | 36 | 53% | 51% | 49% | 55% |

Summary of Grading Responses Submitted

| Resolution No. | Responded | Responded in Part | Does Not Address the Resolution | No Response |
|----------------|-----------|-------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------|
| 1-25 | 3 | 32 | 1 | 0 |
| 4-25 | 35 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| 5-25 | 33 | 2 | 0 | 1 |
| 6-25 | 4 | 31 | 1 | 0 |
| 7-25 | 5 | 30 | 1 | 0 * |
| 9-25 | 32 | 3 | 1 | 0 |
| 11-25 | 34 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| 12-25 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 29 |
| PC1-25 | 34 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| | | | | |

2025 ACTIVITIES OF THE ASBPC

ASBPC Regular Meetings

| Date | Delegations or Activates | |
|---------------|---|--|
| 2024 09 13 | Regular Meeting – Regional Conference Prep | |
| 2023 11 04 | Organizational Meeting | |
| 2023 11 04 | Resolution Review and recommendations, | |
| 2023 11 19 | Conference package and resolution review | |
| 2025 01, 06 | Conference planning | |
| 2025 01, 20 | Preconference meetings | |
| 2025 01 21-23 | Provincial ASB Conference | |
| 2025 03, 17 | In person, with delegations ADM/DM and RDAR | |
| 2025 04, 17 | Resolution response review | |
| 2025 05, 23 | Resolution Grading | |
| 2025 08, 07 | TOR and PRP committee report | |
| 2025 08, 14 | Report card review | |

Engagements

| Date | Event | |
|--------------------|--|--|
| September 13, 2024 | Dutch Elm disease | |
| October 17, 2024 | Water Act Engagement | |
| November 4, 2024 | Minister meeting at the Legislature | |
| November 13, 2024 | ADM Townhall | |
| January 20, 2025 | ADM Townhall | |
| April 15, 2025 | ADM update Wild Boar | |
| April 22, 2025 | SARM – Strychnine discussion | |
| July 6, 2025 | Minister Dreeshen Reception – Stampede | |
| July ?, 2025 | Team Alberta Crops | |
| July ?, 2025 | Livestock Conference at Stampede (name?) | |

Activities on Appointed Committees:

| Date | Committee | Member Attending |
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| Oct 31, 2024 | Weeds on Wellsites | Sebastien D/Brenda K |
| Nov 19, 2024 | EFP | Sebastien Dutrisac |
| March 26, 2025 | Weeds on Wellsites | Rob S, Sebastien D, Brenda K, |
| April 7-8 | CWD in person | Gene H |
| April 24 | CWD online | Gene H |
| May 20, 2025 | EFP meeting | Sebastien and Kevin |
| May 26, 2025 | AG Plastics | Kevin Wrista |
| June 11-12 | CWD in Person | Gene H/Linda Hunt |
| June 26 | CWD online | Gene H |
| August 27-28 | CWD in Person | Gene H |

DEFINITION OF TERMS

The Provincial ASB Committee has chosen four indicators to grade resolution responses from government and non-government organizations.

Responded

The response addresses the request in the resolution. ASBs are encouraged to comment with their opinion about the response in the "comments" section of the grading sheet.

Responded in Part

The response addresses some of the resolution, but does not address the full request. ASBs are encouraged to comment about their opinion on the response in the "comments" section of the grading sheet.

Did Not Address the Resolution

The response does not address the request, and requires further engagement to clarify the request. Follow up is required to solicit information for the Provincial ASB Committee to make an informed decision on how to proceed.

No Response

The resolution did not receive a response.

2025 RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION 1-25: DROUGHT AND LIVESTOCK AGRISTABILITY

- **WHEREAS** in the last decade, Alberta has seen four of Canada's top ten extreme and costly weatherrelated disasters, and federal modeling for Western Canada predicts more extreme weather;
- WHEREAS the current federal drought monitoring system aggregates weather data, including precipitation on forested crown land. This data is not available to privately held agricultural lands in its assessment, and it was the deciding criteria for the Canada-Alberta Drought Livestock Assistance program and the 2023 Livestock Tax Deferral;
- WHEREAS the Canadian government has forecast continued extreme weather impacts on the agricultural industry. Programs like AgriStability are in place to safeguard producers' financial resilience; and
- WHEREAS the Office of Audit and Evaluation of Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada (AAFC) evaluated AgriStability and found that while it helps protect Canada's agriculture sector from income losses due to various risks, it is not fully effective.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT ALBERTA'S AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARDS REQUEST

AAFC re-evaluate the current weather mapping program and the Drought Monitoring System to include and more heavily weigh data from weather stations and available soil moisture mapping within agricultural lands, better acknowledging municipalities straddling the transition from agricultural white zone into forested Crown green zone, coupled with making efforts to capture in these maps the extreme weather events that are now a reality.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT

THAT ALBERTA'S AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARDS REQUEST

AAFC report back to the Agricultural Service Board Provincial Committee that the recommended improvements to AgriStability as identified and released October 22, 2022, by the Office of Audit and Evaluation of AAFC were put in place, by April of 2024:

- 1. Identify ways to simplify AgriStability to reduce producer administrative burden;
- 2. Find ways to make interim and final payments more predictable and to improve the timeliness of final payments; and
- 3. Develop and implement a means to increase access to AgriStability by underrepresented populations.

| SPONSORED BY: | Yellowhead County & MD of Greenview No. 16 |
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| STATUS: | Provincial |
| DEPARTMENT: | Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada (AAFC) |

RESPONSE:

- 1. Response AAFC March 11, 2025
- 2. Further Response AAFC June 10, 2025

The responses outline the Canadian government's efforts to strengthen agricultural support programs, primarily focusing on improvements to drought monitoring and the AgriStability program. A key concern is that the current Canadian Drought Monitor (CDM) can inaccurately assess drought conditions on agricultural lands due to the aggregation of data from surrounding forested areas, leading to the underdesignation of areas for crucial support. To address this, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada (AAFC) is enhancing the CDM by incorporating more detailed data and increasing input from farmers, as well as improving the Livestock Tax Deferral (LTD) program by implementing buffer zones and an earlier identification process.

Additionally, the responses highlight an audit of the AgriStability program, which found it to be complex and less effective for smaller operations and underrepresented populations, prompting recommendations and an action plan to simplify the program, improve payment predictability, and increase accessibility for all farmers.

GRADE: Responded in Part

GRADE and COMMENTS from ASBs:

| ASB | GRADE | ACTION | COMMENTS |
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| | Did Not | | |
| Newell | Address | | |
| | | Follow up and | |
| Minburn | Responded | provide updates | |
| | | Issues Resolved, | |
| Wheatland | Responded | no actions | |
| Yellowhead | | | ASB would like more information on what changes |
| County | Responded | | will be made in regards to data collection. |
| | Responded | | |
| Barrhead | in Part | | |
| | Responded | | |
| Thorhild | in Part | No opinion | |
| | Responded | | |
| Smoky River | in Part | No opinion | |
| | Responded | Follow up and | |
| Smoky Lake | in Part | provide updates | |
| Grande | Responded | Follow up and | |
| Prairie | in Part | provide updates | Agree with ASBPC comments |
| | Responded | | |
| Cypress | in Part | | |

| | Responded | | |
|--------------|-----------|-----------------|---|
| Bonnyville | in Part | | |
| | Responded | Follow up and | |
| Saddle Hills | in Part | provide updates | Increase weather stations in the Peace country |
| | | | Advocate for the installation of more weather |
| | | | stations in the North. Compared to the South, we |
| | | | have significantly fewer stations, making it difficult |
| | | | to accurately monitor drought conditions. Even |
| | | | within Northern Sunrise, the large geographic area |
| | | | leads to substantial variation in weather patterns— |
| Northern | Responded | Follow up and | further highlighting the need for more localized data |
| Sunrise | in Part | provide updates | through additional weather stations. |
| Region - | Responded | Follow up and | |
| Central | in Part | provide updates | |
| | Responded | | |
| Lamont | in Part | | wait for additional information |
| | Responded | Follow up and | |
| Flagstaff | in Part | provide updates | Need more clarification from AAFC. |
| | | | We would like more information and further |
| | | | comment as to if they will be increasing the amount |
| | Responded | Follow up and | of weather stations, particularly on agricultural lands |
| Big Lakes | in Part | provide updates | for better representation of the conditions |
| | Responded | Follow up and | |
| Warner | in Part | provide updates | |
| | Responded | Follow up and | |
| Brazeau | in Part | provide updates | |
| | Responded | | |
| Birch Hills | in Part | | |
| | Responded | Follow up and | |
| Woodlands | in Part | provide updates | |
| Willow | Responded | Follow up and | Are there deficiencies on the number of Weather |
| Creek | in Part | provide updates | Reporting stations? |
| | Responded | | |
| Greenview | in Part | | |
| | Responded | | |
| Leduc | in Part | | |

COMMENTS from the **COMMITTEE**:

Responses from AAFC were prompt and complete and did address the concerns in the resolution and explained in the letters sent to them. The 2025 Agriculture Disaster response has shown that buffer zones are being used so time will tell if they are effective. The responses make it clear that they are interested and motivated to respond to the concerns and needs, and there is ongoing engagement to

increase the use of data to determine who qualifies for the programs offered. The Committee agrees with the grade of "Responded in Part" and encourages continued engagement on this topic.

It is clear that if data will be used to determine eligibility, then the availability of data in the north needs to be visited, with consideration given to ensure that the cost of increasing weather stations doesn't get downloaded onto municipalities. It was suggested to RMA that AFSC should be encouraged to invest in more detailed data collection. AFSC currently has an MOU with the province for the data on current weather stations.

RESOLUTION 4-25: WEED CONTROL IN DRAINAGE CANALS (REGISTERED DRAINAGE DITCHES)

WHEREAS under the Weed Control Act of Alberta, Municipalities are tasked to Monitor and

Enforce control of Prohibited Noxious and Noxious weeds;

WHEREAS the Environmental Code of Practice for Pesticides severely restricts the application of

herbicides within 30 metres of a "drainage canal" and the amount of area that can be

treated in a calendar year;

WHEREAS under a Special Use Approval to apply herbicides within 30 metres of an open body of

water, the area allowed to be treated is still restricted; and

WHEREAS a Notice to Remedy Weed Problem in a "drainage canal" cannot be fully acted upon

due to the limitations of the area allowed to be treated under the Code of Practice

allowing for the proliferation of the weeds.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT ALBERTA'S AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARDS REQUEST

The Government of Alberta - Environment and Protected Areas remove "drainage canal" from the definition of "open body of water" under the Pesticide Sales, Handling, Use and Application Regulation.

FURTHER THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT ALBERTA'S AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARDS REQUEST

To allow municipalities that have control over maintenance of drainage canals to treat invasive species listed in the Weed Control Act or those species elevated in the respective municipality, as they would control the same species in roadside ditches or under Notice to Remedy Weed Problem.

| SPONSORED BY: | Municipal District of Smoky River #130 |
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DEPARTMENT: Department of Environment and Protected Areas

RESPONSE:

1. Environment and Protected Areas – April 1, 2025

The response from the Alberta Minister of Environment and Protected Areas regarding concerns about weed control in Drainage Canals was to emphasize the Government of Alberta's commitment to balancing effective weed management with environmental protection. They explained that special use permits for pesticide application in or near water bodies are available for circumstances where noxious weed control is needed. They further explained the rationale behind regulations protecting aquatic environments and defining drainage canals as open water.

GRADE: RESPONDED

GRADE and COMMENTS from ASBs:

| ASB | GRADE | ACTION | COMMENTS |
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| Birch Hills | Did Not Address | | The response does not address the limitations of the Special Use Approval Process brought up in the "Where As" Statements and its impact on adequate control. It only reiterated the procedure already in place. |
| Minburn | Responded | Issues Resolved, | |
| Newell | Responded | no uctions | |
| Barrhead | Responded | | |
| Thorhild | Responded | | Team Alberta Study, Funded By RDAR |
| | Responded | Follow up and | ream Alberta Stady, Fanded by North |
| Smoky River | Responded | provide updates | Perhaps can be addressed during water act review |
| Smoky Lake | Responded | Issues Resolved, no actions | |
| Grande Prairie | Responded | Issues Resolved, no actions | Agree with ASBPC comments |
| Cypress | Responded | | |
| Bonnyvill e | Responded | | |
| Saddle Hills | Responded | Issues Resolved, no actions | |
| Northern Sunrise | Responded | Issues Resolved, no actions | The response is sufficient, as the rules and regulations offer a clear explanation, and special approvals remain possible on a case-by-case basis. |
| Region - Central | Responded | Issues Resolved, no actions | |
| Lamont | Responded | | |
| Flagstaff | Responded | Issues Resolved, no actions | Special Use Approval is sufficient. |
| Big Lakes | Responded | No opinion | |
| Warner | Responded | Issues Resolved, no actions | |
| Brazeau | Responded | Issues Resolved, no actions | |
| Woodlan | | Issues Resolved, | |
| ds | Responded | no actions | |
| Willow | | Issues Resolved, | |
| Creek | Responded | no actions | |
| Wheatla nd | Responded | Issues Resolved, no actions | |

| Yellowhe | | ASB would like to see more staff applied to this |
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| ad | | division so that special use approvals are happening |
| County | Responded | in a more timely manner |
| Greenvie | | |
| w | Responded | |
| Leduc | Responded | |

COMMENTS from the COMMITTEE:

The Committee felt that the response contained clear rules and reasons for the regulations and stated that there was allowances for exceptions on a case-by-case basis.

RESOLUTION 5-25: CENTRAL CONTACT FOR THE WEED CONTROL AND AGRICULTURAL PEST ACTS

RESOLUTION 6-25: RURAL VETERINARY STUDENT SUPPORT

WHEREAS veterinary services are a critical component of rural sustainability through the industry's contributions to agriculture, food safety and animal welfare;
 WHEREAS the Government of Alberta currently provides a Veterinary Student Bursary to veterinary students living and working in Northern Alberta via the Northern Alberta Development Bursary Program;
 WHEREAS veterinary student temporary employment subsidies exist in other jurisdictions struggling to attract and retain rural veterinarians;
 WHEREAS costs associated with completing the necessary educational requirements to become a veterinarian continue to increase; and
 WHEREAS rural Alberta is experiencing a continued decline in veterinarian availability.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT ALBERTA'S AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARDS REQUEST

That the Ministry of Jobs, Economy, and Trade and Ministry of Advanced Education create a complimentary program to the Northern Alberta Development Program Veterinary Student Bursary, to make bursary funds accessible to veterinary students working in mixed and large animal veterinary clinics throughout rural Alberta.

FURTHER THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT ALBERTA'S AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARDS REQUEST

That the Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation and Ministry of Jobs, Economy and Trade institute a veterinarian student temporary employment program for rural mixed and large animal veterinary clinics to support the attraction and retention of veterinary students throughout rural Alberta.

| SPONSORED BY: | Lacombe County | |
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RESPONSE:

- 1. RESPONSE Agriculture and Irrigation March 25, 2025
- 2. RESPONSE Advanced Education April 17, 2025

The Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation's response did not address the resolution directly. Their response primarily focuses on their collaborations, significant investments in veterinary education and infrastructure, and initiatives to enhance rural practice and diagnostic services to address the shortage of veterinarians in rural Alberta. The Ministry along with Advanced Education and Jobs, Economy and Trade, are working in partnership with stakeholders to address the shortage of veterinarians and veterinary technologists in rural Alberta. They did however mention that the Chief Provincial Veterinarian has "commenced work on a program within the Sustainable Canadian Agricultural Partnership to provide funding for summer student hiring, housing assistance, community appreciation programs, and similar initiatives".

The Ministry of Advanced Education's response also did not directly address the resolution but instead acknowledges the importance of veterinary services and the existence of the Northern Alberta Development Program Veterinary Student Bursary and the availability of the Bursary Partnership Program for Northern veterinary practices.

GRADE: RESPONDED IN PART

GRADE and COMMENTS from ASBs

| ASB | GRADE | ACTION | COMMENTS |
|----------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|---|
| Lamont | | not completed | |
| Brazeau | Did Not Address | Bring to a | provide incentives for rural and large animal |
| | | Minister Meeting | practices |
| Minburn | Responded | Follow up and provide updates | |
| Cypress | Responded | | |
| Wheatland | Responded | Issues Resolved, no actions | |
| Yellowhead County | Responded | | ASB still feels more needs to be done. Refer to RES 1-23 |
| Newell | Responded in Part | | |
| Barrhead | Responded in Part | | Increase encouragement on large animal enrollment and practice. |
| Thorhild | Responded in | Follow up and provide updates | |
| Smoky | Responded in | Follow up and | |
| River | Part | provide updates | |
| Smoky Lake | Responded in | Follow up and | |
| | Part | provide updates | |
| Grande | Responded in | Follow up and | Agree with ASBPC comments |
| Prairie | Part | provide updates | |

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| Bonnyville | Responded in | | |
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| • | Part | | |
| Saddle Hills | Responded in | Bring to a | Clarification on who should be responsible for |
| | Part | Minister | administering bursary program |
| | | Meeting | |
| Northern | Responded in | Follow up and | The response does not suggest the bursary will |
| Sunrise | Part | provide updates | be across the whole province or targeted for rural veterarians as was requested. |
| Region - | Responded in | Follow up and | |
| Central | Part | provide updates | |
| Flagstaff | Responded in | Follow up and | |
| | Part | provide updates | |
| Big Lakes | Responded in | No opinion | |
| | Part | | |
| Warner | Responded in | Follow up and | |
| | Part | provide updates | |
| Birch Hills | Responded in | | |
| | Part | | |
| Woodlands | Responded in | Follow up and | |
| | Part | provide updates | |
| Willow | Responded in | Follow up and | Need to continue to look at admission |
| Creek | Part | provide updates | requirements as well |
| Greenview | Responded in | | |
| | Part | | |
| Leduc | Responded in | | |
| | Part | | |

There are some inaccuracies in the response from Alberta Advanced Education: "Administration of these initiatives was proposed to the Agricultural Service Board Provincial Committee and the Rural Municipalities of Alberta, but they did not pursue the opportunity.". The Committee did meet with the Chief Provincial Vet and agreed with the creation of a program in the Sustainable Canadian Agricultural Partnership, but was not asked, nor are they legally able to administer a program. The RMA does not have a mandate to administer initiatives like this. The response clearly re states the situation and work that has been done and is in progress but does not talk about expanding the bursary program to be across the province so is not a complete response.

The Committee sent letters in April to Advanced Education and Jobs Economy and Trade reiterating the request for a bursary program expansion to the whole province and has not yet received a further response.

This is an on-going concern that requires a multi-year attention. The new seats at UCVM and diagnostics lab are steps in the right direction, but the impact of these decisions will not be known for many years. More should be done to encourage investment in rural veterinary practices.

RESOLUTION 7-25: ROADKILL CARCASS DISPOSAL

WHEREAS

the Alberta Minister of Transportation and Economic Corridors stated in a letter received on September 12, 2024, that Alberta Environment and Protected Areas (EPA) and Alberta Forestry and Parks (FP), the administrators of the Wildlife Act, do not currently "have formal guidance for the disposal of wildlife animal carcasses. However, both departments strongly recommend minimizing handling and transport of carcasses due to.... disease transmission," further stating that any departure from these current disposal methods would require EPA and FP to issue permits under the Act for each carcass transported;

WHEREAS

Highway Maintenance Contractors frequently transport carcasses to disposal and stockpiling sites that are easily accessible to the public and become utilized for the disposal of dead livestock and roadkill, through scavenger disposal;

WHEREAS

the proximity of these disposal sites to active livestock production increases the impact of predators on livestock by providing a plentiful and easily accessible food source during winter scarcity; and

WHEREAS

this disposal method comes with a high probability of disease spread through the landscape, including but not limited to foot-and-mouth disease, which infects deer and would cost billions of dollars in lost markets to the province and the country, and chronic wasting disease, a prion disease that is resistant to environmental degradation.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT ALBERTA'S AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARDS REQUEST

Alberta Environment and Protected Areas and Alberta Forestry and Parks to develop formal guidance on the disposal of wildlife carcasses hit by vehicles to minimize disease transmission vectors that may pose a serious economic threat to the livestock industry, such as foot-and-mouth disease.

THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THE AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARDS REQUEST

That Alberta Transportation amend the Standard Specification for Highway Maintenance to require contractors to maintain controlled access to carcass disposal sites, the composting of roadkill carcasses.

SPONSORED BY: Municipal District of Greenview #16

STATUS: Provincial

DEPARTMENT: Alberta Transportation and Economic Corridors

Alberta Agriculture and Irrigation
Alberta Forestry and Parks

Alberta Environment and Protected Areas

RESPONSE:

- 1. RESPONSE Transportation and Ec. Corridors March 31, 2025
- 2. RESPONSE Agriculture and Irrigation March 25, 2025
- 3. RESPONSE Environment and Protected areas April 1, 2025
- 4. FURTHER RESPONSE TEC May 13, 2025
- 5. REPONSE Forestry and Parks May 15, 2025

Both responses from Ministry of Transportation and Economic Corridors (TEC) confirm that the Ministries of Environment and Protected Areas (EPA) and Forestry and Parks (FP), who administer the Alberta Wildlife Act, currently have no formal guidance for the disposal of wildlife carcasses, which aligns with the "WHEREAS" statement in the resolution and recommends pursuing the matter with them.

TEC states it currently **follows guidance published by the Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation for the disposal of deceased livestock** to reduce disease transmission and predator conflicts. The guidelines being used assume that the disease status of the dead animal is known.

TEC's responses state that its highway maintenance contracts follow principles to reduce disease and predator risks by "limiting the distance the carcass is moved, avoiding the reuse of natural disposal sites, and not centralizing disposal at single locations such as gravel pits".

The resolution specifically requested that TEC "amend the Standard Specification for Highway Maintenance to require contractors to maintain controlled access to carcass disposal sites, [and] the composting of roadkill carcasses" Neither response from TEC explicitly commits to amending these specifications. Instead, their statements imply that the problematic practices (uncontrolled access, centralized sites, stockpiling) are either already not permitted by TEC's policies or that current practices (following Agriculture and Irrigation's livestock mortality guidance) are sufficient to mitigate risks.

Environment and Protected areas deferred to Transportation and Economic Corridors (TEC) stating "as it falls under the purview of his ministry". EPA's response does not provide any information or commitment regarding the development of formal guidance for wildlife carcass disposal as requested by the Agricultural Service Boards.

The Ministry of Forestry and Parks (FP) response addresses Resolution 7-25 by **deferring the primary responsibility for developing roadkill disposal policy and guidelines** to the Ministry of Transportation and Economic Corridors (TEC).

GRADE: RESPONDED IN PART

GRADE and COMMENTS from ASBs:

| ASB | GRADE | ACTION | COMMENTS |
|------------|--------------------|------------|-------------------------------------|
| Lamont | Did Not Address | | request to develop carcass disposal |
| Minburn | Responded | No opinion | |
| Newell | Responded | | |
| Bonnyville | Responded | | |
| Wheatland | Responded | no actions | |

| Yellowhead | | | ASB feels that a BMP needs to be created for |
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| County | Responded | | non producers ex. Alberta Transportation. |
| | Responded in | | |
| Barrhead | Part | | Continue awareness around issues of disease |
| | | Follow up and | |
| | Responded in | provide | |
| Thorhild | Part | updates | |
| | | Follow up and | |
| | Responded in | provide | |
| Smoky River | Part | updates | |
| · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | Responded in | | |
| Smoky Lake | Part | No opinion | |
| , | | Follow up and | |
| Grande | Responded in | provide | |
| Prairie | Part | updates | Agree with ASBPC comments |
| | Responded in | | |
| Cypress | Part | | |
| | | Follow up and | |
| | Responded in | provide | |
| Saddle Hills | Part | updates | Address the intent of the resolution |
| | | | The responses do not clearly outline the |
| | | | guidelines or procedures for disposing of roadkill |
| | | | carcasses to prevent the spread of disease to farm animals. It is recommended to follow |
| | | | Minister Devin Dreeshen's suggestion to pursue |
| | | Follow up and | the matter further by contacting Minister of |
| Northern | Responded in | provide | Environment and Protected Areas, Rebecca |
| Sunrise | Part | updates | Schulz |
| Region - | Responded in | | Various Municipal /TEC Contractors with |
| Central | Part | Town Hall topic | differing practices. |
| | | Follow up and | |
| | Responded in | provide | |
| Flagstaff | Part | updates | |
| | | | We would like to know tha actual on the ground |
| | | Follow up and | management of the current practices on how |
| | Responded in | provide | the roadkill is being disposed of and would like |
| Big Lakes | Part | updates | input from conservation officers. |
| | | Bring to a | |
| | Responded in | Minister | |
| Warner | Part | Meeting | |
| | | Follow up and | the 2 ministries need to come up with a plan for |
| | Responded in | provide | disposal without affecting agricultural |
| Brazeau | Part | updates | community |
| | Responded in | | |
| Birch Hills | Part | | |

| | | Follow up and | |
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| | Responded in | provide | |
| Woodlands | Part | updates | |
| | | Follow up and | |
| | Responded in | provide | There should be a clear standard of disposal |
| Willow Creek | Part | updates | provincially |
| | Responded in | | |
| Greenview | Part | | |
| | Responded in | | |
| Leduc | Part | | |

The ASB Provincial Committee acknowledges the responses received from Transportation and Economic Corridors (TEC), Environment and Protected Areas (EPA), and Forestry and Parks (FP) regarding wildlife carcass disposal. TEC accurately identified the lack of formal guidance from EPA and FP and redirected ASBs to those ministries for further action. However, TEC did not directly address the resolution's request to amend maintenance specifications for controlled access or composting of carcasses. Instead, their response outlined existing contractor policies that appear to contradict the operational concerns raised by ASBs.

The Committee remains concerned that current guidelines are tailored for agricultural producers disposing of owned animals, and do not adequately address wildlife killed in collisions—especially when disease status is unknown. There is no evidence that carcasses are being tested or disposed of in ways that prevent disease transmission to livestock or wildlife. Diseases such as Chronic Wasting Disease, Tuberculosis, Avian Influenza, and Foot-and-Mouth Disease remain serious threats.

While TEC is not pursuing new guidelines, they have encouraged ASBs to report problematic sites and contact local district offices. The Committee views this as a first step and will continue to advocate for improved practices. ASBs are urged to engage their district TEC office and ask critical questions about carcass disposal procedures and proximity to livestock operations, and share their responses with the ASBPC.

RESOLUTION 9-25: NON-MATCHING FUNDING FOR AGKNOW

WHEREAS the farming population is at a high risk of mental illness when compared to the general

population;

WHEREAS studies and surveys have shown that farmers are less likely to seek mental health care

due to associated costs, lack of time during the day, and counselors lacking an

understanding of agriculture;

WHEREAS the AgKnow, Alberta Farm Mental Health Initiative was established in 2022 with the

intent to provide Alberta's farming population with agriculturally-informed mental

health supports;

WHEREAS AgKnow, Alberta Farm Mental Health Network has received grants for project-based

services through the Sustainable Canadian Agricultural Partnership, which has 50%

matching funds requirement; and

WHEREAS AgKnow, Alberta Farm Mental Health Network faces funding gaps and restricted

operating funds, leading to jeopardization of high-demand mental health programing and support services currently being delivered to Alberta's farming population.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT ALBERTA'S AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARDS REQUEST

That the Minister of Agriculture and Irrigation waive the matching funding requirement through Sustainable Canadian Agricultural Partnership to support AgKnow, Alberta Farm Mental Health Network to ensure that the Farm-Informed Therapy Program for agricultural producers continues to grow and is free of charge in Alberta.

| SPONSORED BY: | Municipal District of Fairview No.136 |
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| MOVED BY: | |
| SECONDED BY: | <u> </u> |
| CARRIED: | |
| DEFEATED: | |
| STATUS: | Provincial |
| DEPARTMENT: | Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation |

RESPONSE:

1. RESPONSE Agriculture and Irrigation – March 25, 2025

AGI's response directly addresses this by explaining why the matching requirement through SCAP cannot be waived (due to the program's structure for cost-sharing and project-based nature, not ongoing operations). Therefore, it doesn't fulfill the exact request but provides a clear rationale for the inability to do so. AGI did connect AgKnow/ARECA to the Mental Health and Addictions for a funding request that does not require matching, offering alternative pathway for AgKnow to potentially secure funding that would allow the Farm-Informed Therapy Program to remain free of charge, addressing a key barrier identified in the resolution's background.

GRADE: RESPONDED

GRADE and COMMENTS from ASBs:

| ASB | GRADE | ACTION | COMMENTS |
|--------------|-----------|-----------------------------|--|
| | Did Not | | the request was for specifically trained |
| Brazeau | Address | Town Hall topic | individuals rather than AHS referral |
| | | Issues Resolved, no | |
| Minburn | Responded | actions | |
| Barrhead | Responded | | |
| Thorhild | Responded | No opinion | |
| Smoky River | Responded | No opinion | |
| | | Follow up and | Given the response provided by the ASBPC, Smoky Lake County agrees it is a full response on this resolution. However, there seems to be a disconnect of having agricultural/farmer specific mental health resources as compared to MHA resources for everyone. AgKnow is tailored for specific challenges our producers face year-round that other agencies lack. We want to assist our provinces producers as best as we can. |
| Smoky Lake | Responded | provide updates | This best way is AgKnow. |
| Grande | · | | |
| Prairie | Responded | No opinion | Agree with ASBPC comments |
| Cypress | Responded | | |
| Bonnyville | Responded | | |
| Saddle Hills | Responded | Issues Resolved, no actions | |
| Region - | | Issues Resolved, no | |
| Central | Responded | actions | Consequent for the fireway of Acknowle |
| El . (C | | Issues Resolved, no actions | Concerned for the future of AgKnow. Services still available through AHS. |
| Flagstaff | Responded | | Services still available till ough Alis. |
| Big Lakes | Responded | No opinion | |
| Warner | Responded | No opinion | |
| Birch Hills | Responded | | |
| | | Issues Resolved, no | |
| Woodlands | Responded | actions | The transfer of the state of th |
| | | F-11 | This is a very important issue that should fall under the umbrella of Mental Health |
| Willow | | Follow up and | |
| Creek | Responded | provide updates | with a focus on agriculture |

| | | | ACI states that programs must be industry |
|------------|--------------|-----------------|---|
| | | | AGI states that programs must be industry |
| | | Follow up and | driven. Has AgKnow solicited funds from |
| Wheatland | Responded | provide updates | fertilizer, chemical, seed companies? |
| | | | The ASB feels the question was answered |
| | | | but that doesn't solve the problem. If |
| | | | match funding is required SCAP then why |
| | | | can't AGKNOW apply for funding under the |
| | | | Mental Health Network. They realize the |
| | | | province is spending money on mental |
| | | | health in AB but we also know that ag |
| | | | producers have unique lifestyles that may |
| | | | not be well served by the current resources. |
| | | | For example farmers live where they work, |
| | | | creating a separation is difficult, farmers are |
| | | | paid yearly, farmers can't control the |
| | | | circumstances that cause them stress, |
| Yellowhead | | | |
| County | Responded | | weather for example. |
| Greenview | Responded | | |
| Leduc | Responded | | |
| | Responded in | | |
| Newell | Part | | |
| | | | Ongoing advocacy is needed to eliminate |
| Northern | Responded in | Follow up and | the 50% matching funds requirement for |
| Sunrise | Part | provide updates | AgKnow. |
| | Responded in | | |
| Lamont | Part | | pushed off |

The response shows that the mandate of farm informed therapy program is with the ministry of Mental Health and Addictions and that AGI has aided AgKnow in achieving engagement with MHA to create an agriculture counselling program for the province and that MHA does not require matching funds for their grant programs. AGI is unwilling to wave the matching funds required for the SCAP grant programs for AgKnow.

RESOLUTION 11-25: AGRICULTURE EDUCATION FUNDING

WHEREAS agricultural production in Alberta has historically been, and remains, a

significant economic driver and source of employment;

WHEREAS generations ago, many Albertans were raised on family farms, gaining firsthand

knowledge of livestock, crops, and other agricultural practices;

WHEREAS today, most Albertans reside in urban areas and lack the same level of

understanding about how livestock, crops, and agricultural products are

cultivated;

WHEREAS the public has traditionally held agriculture and farmers in high esteem for

their role in providing food for Albertans, Canadians, and people worldwide, leading to an increasing consumer interest in agricultural production and food

sourcing;

WHEREAS misunderstandings regarding agricultural practices and food production are

becoming more common, and without proper education, these misconceptions are

likely to grow within the expanding population;

WHEREAS educating our children and youth about agriculture is crucial for fostering a

deeper understanding of food production, sustainability, and the vital role

agriculture plays in our economy and environment; and

WHEREAS stable funding would empower educators and childcare providers to access

essential agricultural education materials and programs, allowing ASBs across Alberta to effectively enhance agricultural knowledge among the younger

generation.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT ALBERTA'S AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARDS REQUEST

That the Ministry of Education work collaboratively with the Agricultural Services Boards, Rural Municipalities of Alberta, and Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation to establish a dedicated funding stream aimed for agriculture education.

SPONSORED BY: Lac La Biche County

STATUS: Provincial

DEPARTMENT: Ministry of Education

Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation

Rural Municipalities of Alberta

RESPONSE:

- 1. RESPONSE Agriculture and Irrigation March 25, 2025
- 2. RESPONSE Education April 11, 2025
- 3. RESPONSE Rural Municipalities of Alberta April 14, 2025

The Ministry of Education's (MoE) response acknowledged the importance of agriculture and highlighted existing initiatives such as the Alberta Dual Credit Framework (supported by \$4.8 million this school year and \$43 million for new collegiate schools) and the Green Certificate Program, a collaboration with Agriculture and Irrigation designed for students interested in agricultural careers. However, the Ministry did not commit to establishing a new, dedicated funding stream as requested by the resolution. Instead, it emphasized that over 98 percent of its budget flows to school boards, granting them autonomy and accountability to prioritize local needs and make decisions in the best interest of their communities.

The Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation (AGI) affirmed the importance of agriculture education for industry capacity and resiliency. While it did not commit to creating a *new dedicated funding stream* with the Ministry of Education, it pointed to existing funding opportunities available through the Sustainable Canadian Agricultural Partnership (Sustainable CAP). Specifically, AGI noted that Alberta's Sustainable CAP Resiliency and Public Trust Program already includes a youth agriculture education priority area, providing funding for K-12 agriculture education field trips, learning activities, and teacher training.

The Rural Municipalities of Alberta (RMA) unequivocally expressed strong support for Resolution 11-25, which requests a dedicated funding stream for agriculture education. The RMA emphasized the growing disconnect between urban populations and agricultural practices, leading to misinformation and reduced public trust, and highlighted that a dedicated and stable funding stream is crucial to provide educators and childcare providers with the necessary support for curriculum-linked agricultural resources. The RMA also recalled its own previous resolution in 2019 calling for mandatory agriculture education, noting that past government efforts lacked coordinated or consistent embedding of agriculture education.

GRADE: RESPONDED

GRADE and COMMENTS from ASBs:

| ASB | GRADE | ACTION | COMMENTS |
|--------------|-----------|---------------------|--|
| | | Follow up and | |
| Minburn | Responded | provide updates | |
| Newell | Responded | | |
| | | | Need for Resolution clarity and targeted |
| Barrhead | Responded | | requests |
| | | Issues Resolved, no | |
| Thorhild | Responded | actions | |
| Smoky River | Responded | No opinion | |
| | | Issues Resolved, no | |
| Smoky Lake | Responded | actions | |
| Grande | | | |
| Prairie | Responded | No opinion | Agree with ASBPC comments |
| Cypress | Responded | | |
| Bonnyville | Responded | | |
| | | Issues Resolved, no | |
| Saddle Hills | Responded | actions | |
| Northern | | Issues Resolved, | |
| Sunrise | Responded | no actions | |

| Region - | | Issues Resolved, no | |
|--------------|-----------|---------------------|--|
| Central | Responded | actions | |
| | | Issues Resolved, no | |
| Flagstaff | Responded | actions | |
| | | | Can we receive more information on the |
| | | Follow up and | funding and support for programming in post |
| Big Lakes | Responded | provide updates | secondary that relates to agriculture |
| | | Issues Resolved, no | |
| Warner | Responded | actions | |
| | | Issues Resolved, no | |
| Brazeau | Responded | actions | |
| Birch Hills | Responded | | |
| | | Issues Resolved, no | |
| Woodlands | Responded | actions | |
| | | | We agree we need to promote the use of the |
| | | Follow up and | program, as well as encourage commodity |
| Willow Creek | Responded | provide updates | groups to assist with Ag in the classroom. |
| Yellowhead | | | |
| County | Responded | | |
| Greenview | Responded | | |
| Leduc | Responded | | |
| | Responded | | |
| Lamont | in Part | | |
| | | | I believe this isn't a funding issue, it is an issue |
| | | | that Alberta Education should make |
| | | | agriculture education a part of every |
| | Responded | Bring to a Minister | elementary curriculum, regardless of urban or |
| Wheatland | in Part | Meeting | rural schools |

The response indicates that a funding stream already exists and encourages ASBs and municipalities to engage at the school board level and put in joining applications for funding to do agriculture themed events for their local schools.

RESOLUTION 12-25: CHARITABLE GAMING POLICIES HANDBOOK

WHEREAS rural municipalities have been encouraging non-profit organizations to increase

activities that generates revenue and build reserve funds for future projects and capital replacements to use as matching funds when applying for provincial and

federal grants;

WHEREAS the 2020 Charitable Gaming Policies Handbook (CGPH) section 4.4 indicated clear use

of proceeds was consistent to the supportive intent of gaming funds as earned

evenue;

WHEREAS the updated 2022 CGPH section 4.4 now states charitable programs expenses for that

generate or receive revenue must be managed on a cost recovery;

WHEREAS the updated 2022 CGPH section 4.4 also states the purchase of any equipment,

supplies, or services used in any activity or operation intended to generate profit is

forbidden; and

WHEREAS the updated 2022 CGPH section 4.4. states that only when program revenues are not

sufficient to cover program expenses, gaming proceeds may be used to pay the shortfall for approved expenses and therefore forcing the depletion of the

organizational reserves.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT ALBERTA'S AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARDS REQUEST

That the Service Alberta and Red Tape Reduction and the Alberta Gaming, Liquor and Cannabis Commission to amend the Charitable Gaming Policies Handbook so rural non profit organizations are allowed to build reserves and generate revenues once again without affecting the ability to use the gaming proceeds.

FURTHER THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT ALBERTA'S AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARDS REQUEST

That the Service Alberta and Red Tape Reduction and the Alberta Gaming, Liquor and Cannabis Commission suspend any audits until stakeholder engagements are completed and the amendments to the Charitable Gaming Policies Handbook are adopted.

SPONSORED BY: County of Two Hills

STATUS: Provincial

DEPARTMENT: Service Alberta and Red Tape Reduction

Alberta Gaming, Liquor and Cannabis Commission

RESPONSES:

1. RESPONSE Government press release March 10, 2025

The press release from the government partially but significantly addresses the core concern of Resolution 12-25 by providing more flexibility for charities to retain and manage their gaming proceeds, particularly through the increased retention limit without AGLC approval. This action helps to alleviate the pressure on depleting reserves. However, the press release does not specifically address the prohibition on purchasing equipment for profit-generating activities or the request to suspend audits.

It does not however address or reverse the decision to not allow the purchase of equipment or supplies that could be used to turn a profit, or suspending audits until stakeholders engagements and amendments can be made to the Charitable Gaming Policies Handbook.

GRADE: NO RESPONSE

GRADE and COMMENTS from ASBs:

| ASB | GRADE | ACTION | COMMENTS |
|--------------|----------|------------------|--|
| | No | | |
| Newell | Response | | |
| | No | | |
| Barrhead | Response | | Disparity between Rural and Urban access a concern |
| | No | | |
| Thorhild | Response | No opinion | 9 |
| | No | | |
| Smoky River | Response | No opinion | |
| | No | Issues Resolved, | |
| Smoky Lake | Response | no actions | |
| Grande | No | Issues Resolved, | |
| Prairie | Response | no actions | Agree with ASBPC comments |
| | No | | |
| Cypress | Response | | |
| | No | | |
| Bonnyville | Response | | |
| | No | Issues Resolved, | |
| Saddle Hills | Response | no actions | |
| | No | | |
| Lamont | Response | | |
| | No | Follow up and | |
| Flagstaff | Response | provide updates | |
| | No | Issues Resolved, | |
| Big Lakes | Response | no actions | |
| | No | | |
| Birch Hills | Response | | The press release covered the topic. |
| | No | Issues Resolved, | |
| Woodlands | Response | no actions | Press Release that addressed the issue |
| Willow | No | Issues Resolved, | |
| Creek | Response | no actions | |
| | No | | |
| Greenview | Response | | |
| | No | | |
| Leduc | Response | | |

| | | Issues Resolved, | |
|---------------------|-----------|-----------------------------|--|
| Minburn | Responded | no actions | |
| Northern Sunrise | Responded | Issues Resolved, no actions | News release confirms the request of the resolution. |
| Region - | | Follow up and | |
| Central | Responded | provide updates | |
| | | Issues Resolved, | |
| Warner | Responded | no actions | |
| | | Issues Resolved, | |
| Brazeau | Responded | no actions | |
| | | Issues Resolved, | |
| Wheatland | Responded | no actions | |
| Yellowhead | | | |
| County | Responded | | |

Shortly after the resolution request for response was delivered, the Province released the following press release that addressed the concerns in the resolution, however no response was received from Red Tape Reduction or Service Alberta. the underlying issues for rural non-profit organizations regarding charitable gaming policies persist.

The current AGLC policies contradict rural municipalities who continue to encourage non-profits to develop sustainable revenue streams and build reserves for future projects and capital replacements, which are essential for leveraging matching funds. Specifically, the definition of "cost recovery" is a problem for rural not for profits that don't have the support of a large tax base. Much of the social infrastructure in rural Alberta is held up by fundraising and donations, and these funds need to be able to cover the total costs associated including future buildings and expansions. The Current policies still prevent organizations from reinvesting in equipment or services that could enhance programs and long-term sustainability.

Further letters were sent to the AGLC and Red Tape Reduction and we are still waiting on a response.

RESOLUTION PC01-25: INFLATIONARY INCREASE FOR ASB GRANTS

WHEREAS the province of Alberta has included inflationary increases in multi year grants made to ASB stakeholders;

WHEREAS the ASBs continue to be important partners with the province on food and agriculture products assurance systems providing 1:7 return on investment with the ASB grant program;

WHEREAS the ASB grants have not received an increase beyond 2014 levels so grant amounts have not kept up with inflation;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT ALBERTA'S AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARDS REQUEST

That the Minister of Agriculture and Irrigation approve a 3%/year inflationary increase for the ASBs grant program.

SPONSORED BY:

ASBPC

STATUS:

Provincial

DEPARTMENT:

Agriculture and Irrigation

RESPONSE:

1. RESPONSE Agriculture and Irrigation – March 25, 2025

The Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation (AGI) acknowledges the **critical partnership** it shares with Agricultural Service Boards (ASBs) and their vital role in administering various acts (like the Agricultural Service Board Act, Weed Control Act, Agricultural Pest Act, and Soil Conservation Act) and assisting with animal disease control. AGI also recognizes ASBs' crucial contribution to protecting Alberta's access to markets through pest surveillance and control, as well as the strong relationship with municipalities.

The Minister of Agriculture and Irrigation, RJ Sigurdson, communicated that the **budget planning process for 2025-26 was already complete** at the time the request (and resolution) was received, making it impossible to consider the increase for that budget year.

- Despite this, the Minister approved the renewal of the ASB Grant for the next five years at the 2023-24 funding level.
- AGI is **open to discussions for future budget years**, specifically stating that the request for an inflationary increase "will be discussed for the 2026-27 budget

GRADE: RESPONDED

GRADE and COMMENTS from ASBs:

| ASB | GRADE | ACTION | COMMENTS |
|----------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| Thorhild | No Response | No opinion | |
| Minburn | Responded | Issues Resolved, no actions | |
| Barrhead | Responded | | ASB PC follow up letter |
| | | Follow up and | |
| Smoky River | Responded | provide updates | |
| | | Follow up and | |
| Smoky Lake | Responded | provide updates | |
| | | Follow up and | |
| Grande Prairie | Responded | provide updates | Agree with ASBPC comments |
| Cypress | Responded | | |
| Bonnyville | Responded | | |
| | | Follow up and | |
| Saddle Hills | Responded | provide updates | |
| Northern | | Follow up and | Ongoing advocacy needed for an increase of the |
| Sunrise | Responded | provide updates | grant in the next budget cycle, to align with inflation. |
| Region - | | Follow up and | |
| Central | Responded | provide updates | |
| Lamont | Responded | | ASBPC follow-up 2025-2029 |
| Flagstaff | Responded | No opinion | |
| | | Issues Resolved, | |
| Big Lakes | Responded | no actions | |
| | | Follow up and | |
| Warner | Responded | provide updates | |
| | | Issues Resolved, | |
| Brazeau | Responded | no actions | |
| Birch Hills | Responded | | |
| | | Issues Resolved, | |
| Woodlands | Responded | no actions | |
| | | Follow up and | |
| Willow Creek | Responded | provide updates | |
| | | Follow up and | E C |
| Wheatland | Responded | provide updates | |
| V - II II I | | | ASB would like to thank the Province for |
| Yellowhead | Dosmouded. | | considering this resolution in the 2026/2027 budget deliberations. |
| County | Responded | | deliberations. |
| Greenview | Responded | | |
| Leduc | Responded | | |
| Newell | Responded in Part | | |

AGI expressed gratitude and reaffirmed its commitment to ASBs but was unable to implement the requested inflationary increase immediately due to the budget cycle, promising to consider it for the subsequent budget year while renewing the grant at its current level for five years

The Committee was pleased that the Province indicated that inflationary increases were reasonable and encouraged a letter of request during the 2025 fall budget process. A letter of request was sent in on August 8, and an email response was received on August 26. (see below)

"Dear Brenda Knight:

Thank you for your letter regarding an inflationary funding increase request for the Agricultural Service Boards (ASB) grant program.

ASBs are critical partners with the Government of Alberta and have been for the past 80 years. I remain committed to supporting the important work done to govern, administer, implement, and enforce the Agricultural Service Board Act, Weed Control Act, Agricultural Pest Act, Soil Conservation Act, and for assisting with the Animal Health Act. The Government of Alberta recognizes the vital role ASBs have in protecting Alberta's access to markets through the surveillance and control of weeds and pests.

Municipalities and the province continue to have a strong working relationship and that is why I have secured the ASB Grant Funding Program for 68 ASBs for the next five-years (2025-29). The grant provides ASBs with long-term support in the administration of legislative requirements and delivery of rat control and resource management programs.

As previously communicated, the budget planning process for 2025-26 was already complete at the time we received your three per cent inflationary increase request in November 2024 and through Resolution PC01-25. While I am unable to commit additional funds at this time, I will ensure that your request is brought forward for consideration during the 2026-27 budget planning process.

The growth and success of Alberta's agriculture industry remains at the heart of the Government of Alberta's economic strategy. ASB's will continue to be an important partner in that success.

Thank you again for writing.

Sincerely,

Honourable RJ Sigurdson Minister, Agriculture and Irrigation AR88198"

UPDATE ON PREVIOUS YEARS' RESOLUTIONS

2024 Resolutions

| RESOLUTION NUMBER | Resolution | GRADE | UPDATE |
|-------------------|---|---------------------|------------|
| 1-24 | AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT HIGHWAY SIGNS - The response from Transportation and Economic Corridors (TEC) stated that department staff will contact the ASB Provincial Committee directly to discuss potential options for addressing the safety of farm equipment on provincial highways. - This discussion will also encompass actions the department could take to increase driver awareness and improve safety for both operators and motorists | Incomplete | INCOMPLETE |
| 2-24 | The ASBPC was not contacted. COMPENSATING PRODUCERS FOR ECOSYSTEM SERVICES | Accept in Principle | |
| 3-24 | CREATION OF LIVESTOCK PRODUCTION INSURANCE | Accept in Principle | |
| 4-24 | SUPPORTING A COMPENSATION MULTIPLIER | Accept in Principle | |
| | PEST ACT - March 24, wild boar producers and farmers who have worked with Agriculture and Irrigation in the past, or who have indicated they have wild boar through the Premise Identification System were informed through emails and phone calls that the government is considering changes to the farmed wild boar industry - April 15, 2025 AGI AGM met with the ASBPC to tell them about consultations with Wild boar Farms and industry groups around the possibility of shutting down farms. Blog was posted for the rest of the ASBs and a deadline of May 15 set for one on one consultations with Ministry staff on concerns. | | |
| | ASB Provincial Committee is expecting a letter from Minister Sigurdson providing an updated response to the 2024 Agricultural Service Board's Resolution 5-24: Wild Boar and the Alberta Agricultural Pest Act. Letter not yet received. | | |

| 6-24a | IMPROVING THE SUSTAINABILITY OF CANADIAN Accept the Response |
|-------|--|
| | APICULTURE THROUGH BEE PACKAGE |
| | IMPORTS Incomplete (CFIA) |
| | - RESPONSE: CFIA embarked on a re |
| | assessment of the risks of imports from the |
| | US given that both sides of the border now |
| | have Varroa mites |
| | - Oct 10, 2024 ASBPC sends follow up request |
| | for update to CFIA |
| | - Nov 4, 2024 CFIA response is "unable to |
| | provide a response" |
| | - Nov 5, 2024 Risk Management Framework |
| | created by CFIA |
| | - Nov 7, 2024 statement on the CFIA website |
| | "Currently, the importation of honey bee |
| | packages from the U.S. is not permitted. The |
| | import status remains unchanged until all |
| | activities associated with the risk analysis |
| | are completed and the outcome of the risk |
| | analysis is communicated." |
| | - Nov 20, 2024 USDA report on CFIA process |
| | - Jan 31, 2025 CFIA consultation closed. "The |
| | risk analysis is being conducted based on |
| | guidelines provided by the World |
| | Organisation for Animal Health (WOAH) and |
| | the World Trade Organization Sanitary and |
| | Phytosanitary Measures agreement, and |
| | includes hazard identification, risk |
| | assessment for the identified hazards and |
| | risk management." |
| | - Aug 6, 2025: CFIA Notice to Industry |
| | published "After careful evaluation of all |
| | input received, the CFIA concluded that no |
| | feasible, scientifically-supported mitigation |
| | measures are currently available to bring all |
| | identified risks within acceptable levels. |
| | As a result, Canada will maintain its current |
| | import restrictions and will not permit the |
| | importation of honey bee packages from the |
| | United States at this time." |
| | - Aug 8, 2025 CFIA published a statement |
| | with a bit more detail "Altogether, the risk |
| | assessment concluded that the probability |
| | of entry, exposure and establishment of any |
| | of the 4 hazards of concern on at least one |
| | receiving hive in Canada over a period of |
| | one year was 100%. The overall, national- |

| scale impact of projected importations would be moderate, with immediate and significant impacts within importing provinces and potential dissemination of all hazards within the Canadian honey bee industry. The risks identified in the risk assessment are above Canada's acceptable level of risk. Therefore, risk mitigation measures are required in order to determine if honey bee packages can be imported from the US." - since there are no | | |
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| risk mitigation strategies no bee imports. | | |
| APICULTURE THROUGH THE CONTROL OF | | |
| | Accept the Response | |
| SUPPORT FOR THE EXPORT OF LIVE HORSES FOR SLAUGHTER | Accept in Principle | |
| FINANCIAL STABILITY FOR FIELD CROP DEVELOPMENT CENTRE (FCDC) | Accept the Response | |
| | would be moderate, with immediate and significant impacts within importing provinces and potential dissemination of all hazards within the Canadian honey bee industry. The risks identified in the risk assessment are above Canada's acceptable level of risk. Therefore, risk mitigation measures are required in order to determine if honey bee packages can be imported from the US." - since there are no risk mitigation strategies no bee imports. IMPROVING THE SUSTAINABILITY OF CANADIAN APICULTURE THROUGH THE CONTROL OF VARROA MITES RE-REGISTRATION OF 2% LIQUID STRYCHNINE FOR CERTIFIED APPLICATORS SUPPORT FOR THE EXPORT OF LIVE HORSES FOR SLAUGHTER FINANCIAL STABILITY FOR FIELD CROP | would be moderate, with immediate and significant impacts within importing provinces and potential dissemination of all hazards within the Canadian honey bee industry. The risks identified in the risk assessment are above Canada's acceptable level of risk. Therefore, risk mitigation measures are required in order to determine if honey bee packages can be imported from the US." - since there are no risk mitigation strategies no bee imports. IMPROVING THE SUSTAINABILITY OF CANADIAN Accept the Response APICULTURE THROUGH THE CONTROL OF VARROA MITES Incomplete (CFIA) RE-REGISTRATION OF 2% LIQUID STRYCHNINE FOR CERTIFIED APPLICATORS SUPPORT FOR THE EXPORT OF LIVE HORSES FOR Accept in Principle SLAUGHTER FINANCIAL STABILITY FOR FIELD CROP Accept the Response |

EXPIRING RESOLUTIONS

The January 2023 Provincial Rules of Procedure state in section 3(d) that the ASB Provincial Committee will actively advocate for resolutions for a period of three years. Any expiring resolutions that an ASB wishes to remain actively advocated for must be brought forward for approval at the next Provincial ASB Conference.

The following resolutions are set to expire December 31, 2025

2023 Resolutions

| Resolution Number | RESOLUTION | GRADE | UPDATED |
|----------------------|---|---------------------|---------|
| 1-23 | CREATION OF A MID-LEVEL ALBERTA VETERINARY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION (ABVMA) PROFESSIONAL DESIGNATION | Accept in Principle | |
| 2-23 | RURAL VETERINARY STUDENTS It was discussed at length that the need for students with lived experience and coming from rural areas should be considered along with the academic standards when the Committee met with the ABVMA delegation in 2023. The | Incomplete | |

| | veterinarian community continues to invest in expanding the criteria that qualifies students for vet school, and look for ways to encourage rural livestock vets. | | |
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| | In August of 2024, the Chief Provincial Vet met with the ASBPC to propose a program that would provide support for rural vet practices to hire intern vets to increase the opportunities for students to experience rural livestock vet practices. They offered some suggestions including engagement with the Vet Services Cooperation, RhPAP and the SCAP secretariat. Looking forward to updates over the next while. | | |
| 3-23 | APPLIED RESEARCH ASSOCIATIONS FUNDING | Accept in Principle | |
| | The ARAs and Forage associations continue to engage with RDAR and expand engagement in key projects that include post secondary institutions and ag tech and regenerative ag projects. They continue to receive base funding from RDAR | | |
| 4-23 | GRIZZLY BEAR POPULATION IMPACT ON AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION | Incomplete | |
| | The ASBPC has not received a response to this resolution and will continue to follow up. In August the Province provided a media release entitled "Protection of Life and Property from Problem Wildlife". | | |
| | ""Alberta's government is announcing a multi- pronged approach to solving the issue of problem and dangerous wildlife by offering a range of management tools to address challenges and keep Albertans safe. | | |
| | Alberta's government is creating a new network of wildlife management responders to help stop dangerous and deadly grizzly bear attacks on people and livestock. When a problem animal like a grizzly or elk is identified, members of the approved network will help provide rapid conflict response times across all regions of Alberta. This response could include tracking and euthanizing | | |

| | a problem animal, while still following all rules and regulations already in place. This is not a bear hunt; this is a measure to ensure the safety of humans and livestock." | | |
|------|---|---------------------|------------------------|
| | These measures do not respond to any of the ASB resolutions. There has been no engagement from the province on issues around elk or grizzlies. No mention of regional or provincial planning or more frequent counts. Aren't "fish and wildlife officers" already "wildlife management responders"? | | |
| 5-23 | LANDOWNER SPECIAL LICENSE | Accept in Principle | |
| | In 2024 more elk licenses became quietly available in regions that had high elk numbers. | | |
| 6-23 | ENFORCEMENT OF WATER MANAGEMENT ALBERTA WATER ACT Delegation from Environment and Protected Areas addressed the ASBPC in April 2024 to explain the enforcement of the Water Act and answer questions about the level of enforcement and engagement. They were assured that while some areas have had open positions there are still a mandate to investigate and follow up with every complaint. 2024 the Water Act was opened up for review and engagement and is ongoing. ASBPC invited to the table 2025 Alberta Launches Regulatory Dialogue Portal for Water Management (see ASB blog post from July 17, 2025 | Incomplete | Accept in Principle |
| 7-23 | CAMPAIGN TO RAISE AWARENESS ON THE DISPARITY BETWEEN CONSUMER PRICING AND PRODUCER REVENUE | DEFEATED | |
| 8-23 | CONSIDERATION OF MUNICIPAL ENVIRONMENTAL AND AGRICULTURAL POLICIES FOR LARGE SCALE SOLAR AND RELATED ENERGY DEVELOPMENTS ON AGRICULTURAL LANDS | Incomplete | |

| | RMA taking the lead, continues to advocate for rural municipalities Gaps in regulations and oversite as well as ability to keep developers accountable to environmental laws and consider the loss of ag lands continues. Landowners are cautioned to review any contracts submitted to them with a lawyer as they are not regulated and many of them have significant holes and restrictions on the use of the land during and after the development. 2025 ongoing, New regulation prevents renewable projects on Class 1 and 2 agricultural lands unless it can be demonstrated that 80% of the agriculture use can be maintained. The same restrictions apply to Class 3 soils in municipalities that do not have Class 1 or 2 soils. See ASB Blog post June 24, 2025 ADM Townhall summary. | | |
|-------|--|---------------------|--|
| 9-23 | SYNTHETIC FERTILIZER EMISSIONS | Incomplete | |
| 10-23 | ORGANIC PRODUCTION CERTIFICATION STANDARDS AND PROVINCIALLY REGULATED WEEDS | Incomplete | |
| 11-23 | LOSS OF 2% LIQUID STRYCHNINE 2024 ASB Position on Richardson's Ground Squirrel Control published and distributed 2024 Met with the Minister twice and brought it up. Individual ASBPC reps also mentioned it whenever the opportunity arose 2025 Met with SARM to discuss and compare notes 2025 met with RDAR, Lakeland Collage and connected with the SK pest specialist to look for opportunities to test IPM strategies and products for usefulness to farmers in different regions — ongoing discussion. 2025 MP Lowen asks ASB to provide information about the extent of the damage | Accept the Response | |

| | 2025 ASBPC launches a survey to gather stories, data and pictures to support the efforts. Continued advocacy. PMRA (the regulator) cannot legally respond to the concerns from Canadian citizens and has not responsibility to ensuring that the products they register are effective and practical on farm. Provincial and Federal Ministers of Agriculture have no influence over the Federal Ministry of Health which is responsible for PMRA. See the ASB website and pages for details. | | |
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| 12-23 | REVIEW OF THE LAND AND PROPERTY RIGHTS TRIBUNAL (LPRT) Feb – June 2025 an online review and engagement was conducted. See March 5, 2025 blog post on the ASB website August 30, 2025 There is no update on the website as to the status. LPRT Business Process Review and Engagement Alberta.ca | Incomplete | Accept in Prinicple |
| E1-23 | STABLE REGIONAL AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION FUNDING The province engaged with numerous industry partners to work out what a cooperative extension system might look like, and went so far as to encourage the development of a pilot project. However the funding proposal was declined and the committee was disbanded in August of 2024. | Incomplete | |
| E2-23 | STABLE FUNDING FOR FARM MENTAL HEALTH This resolution asked for 5 year funding for the AgKnow initiative to support operational costs to continue the supports and services offered. While there has been as positive and encouraging engagement at the ministry level for this project and the Ministry of Mental Health and Addictions continues to be engaged, the funding commitment has shifted to project and | Incomplete | |

| | operational costs are not covered. RDAR has extended some grant funds to help fill gaps however a stable funding model is still not yet established for 2024. In June of 2024 the AgKnow initiative reached out to its closest stakeholders for bridge funding support between grants. ASBs, ag business, commodity boards and individual farmers have responded and the initiative managed to make payroll one month at a time. The need for a stable funding model remains as the initiative has uncovered significant gaps and has made excellent progress to connect and be useful to the agriculture industry. | | |
|-------|---|------------|-----|
| E3-23 | SUPPORTING A VIBRANT CERVID INDUSTRY IN ALBERTA While their has been few changes to the CWD program and approach by CFIA, advocacy by the Alberta government, industry and ASBs continues to push back and ask questions about the approach being taken and its impact on the industry and the health and welfare of the farmers involved. | Incomplete | |
| | 2025 – ASBPC member asked to represent agriculture producers at a CWD model development with the UofA. President of the Whitetail association reported that CWD is not an issue, vaccines are in development. President of the Elk Commission is encouraged by the CFIA leaving the issue to the province, and the current engagement with the Ministry. The situation is not resolved but some movement in a positive direction is indicated. | | |
| | CFIA is governed under the World Animal Health Organization mandate and is unresponsive to farmers. They continue to be the number one killer of Cervids in Canada. | | 161 |

CURRENT ADVOCACY

- Weeds on Wellsites working group.
- Richardson's Ground Squirrel Control
- Ag Plastic Circular Responsibility
- Chronic Wasting Disease
- Rural Veterinary shortage

Mental Health and farmer wellbeing:

- E-19: ACCESS TO AG SPECIFIC MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES
- E2-23 STABLE FUNDING FOR FARM MENTAL HEALTH
- 9-25: NON-MATCHING FUNDING FOR AGKNOW

Managing wildlife:

- 4-22: PROPERLY MANAGING UNGULATE POPULATIONS and
- E3-23: SUPPORTING A VIBRANT CERVID INDUSTRY IN ALBERTA
- 4-23: GRIZZLY BEAR POPULATION IMPACT ON AGRICULTURE PRODUCTION
- 5-23: LANDOWER SPECIAL LICENSE
- 7-25: ROADKILL CARCASS DISPOSAL

Provincial Agricultural Service Board Conference

Resolutions Rules of Procedure

Purpose: The purpose of this procedure is to formalize the parameters involved for the resolution process used by the Provincial Resolution Committee (PRC). It includes aspects of the resolution process including oversight, guidelines, resolution types, writing and submission guidelines, the resolution session and the handling of endorsed resolutions.

Scope: As a method of deriving member direction, the resolution process is fundamental to informing the Agricultural Service Board's advocacy priorities. As such, this policy formalizes all aspects of the resolution process to provide clarity and consistency.

1) Provincial Resolution Committee (PRC)

- a) Shall consist of members of the Agricultural Service Board Provincial Committee (ASBPC) Specifically:
 - i) Five Regional Committee
 - ii) Director or executive member of Rural Municipalities of Alberta (RMA)
 - iii) First Vice President of the Association of Alberta Agricultural Fieldmen (AAAF) as Secretary
 - iv) Manager of the ASB Grant Program representing Alberta Agriculture and Forestry (AF)
 - v) ASBPC Executive Assistant

2) Responsibilities of Provincial Resolution Committee Members

- a) Chairman
 - i) Chairman of the ASBPC shall chair the presentation of Resolutions at the Provincial Conference
 - ii) Present a report card on previous years' resolutions
- b) Secretary
 - i) Receive resolutions from Regional Conferences within five working days of each conference
 - ii) Provide copies of draft Provincial resolutions to ASBPC
 - iii) Provide copies of approved Provincial resolutions to each ASB by December 1 of each year
 - iv) Record proceedings of Provincial ASB Conference Resolution Session(s)
 - v) Maintain minutes from Provincial ASB Conference
- c) Manager ASB Grant Program
 - i) Time speakers to ensure each ASB member has adequate time to speak to the resolution

- ii) Provide support to the Chair, Secretary and Executive Assistant
- d) Executive Assistant
 - i) Provide support to the Chair and Secretary
 - ii) Ensure resolutions are in appropriate format
- e) All other members shall:
 - i) Assist with presentation of resolutions at the Provincial Conference
- f) All costs incurred by the members of the committee for attending meetings will be reimbursed by each individual member's employer

3) Authority

- a) The PRC, in its' entirety, has authority to review Provincial resolutions
- b) The PRC's authority include:
 - i) Request clarification on resolution(s) from the sponsoring ASB(s)
 - ii) Modify resolution(s) from the sponsoring ASB(s) in terms of wording etc. to:
 - (1) Amend the title, grammar, wording or format of the resolution provided it does not change the intent.
 - (2) Provide comments on each resolution with regards to the background.
 - iii) Amalgamate two or more resolutions between jurisdictions if several resolutions are of similar topic and content after consultation of the sponsoring ASB(s).
 - iv) Divide a resolution with multiple proposal of action into separate resolutions
 - v) Request withdrawal of a resolution if the resolution:
 - (1) Has no bearing whatsoever with the agriculture industry
 - (2) Has been resolved prior to the resolution screening meeting, or
 - (3) Has been covered by another resolution
 - vi) Inform the sponsoring ASB(s) when the resolution will be changed by amalgamation or division, or how it materially changes or contradicts a current ASB position.
 - vii) Inform the membership, at the conference resolution session, when the resolution was amalgamated or divided or how it will materially change or contradict a current ASB position.
 - viii) Notify the sponsoring ASB(s) of any deficiencies in meeting the guidelines of resolutions as outlined in this policy.
- c) Determine order that resolutions will be presented
 - i) In the event of receipt by the Committee of two or more contradictory resolutions, the Committee will order the resolutions in such fashion that the contradictory resolutions are presented consecutively
 - ii) If the first of the resolutions is passed, the contradicting resolution(s) will be deemed defeated, and will not subsequently be brought to the floor

- iii) If the first resolution is defeated, the contradictory resolution(s) will be brought to the floor of the conference for consideration
- d) Resolutions passed at an ASB Provincial Conference will be advocated on for a period of three years from the date of approval. A list of expiring resolutions will be placed in the report card annually.
 - i) If an ASB wishes the resolution to remain active, the resolution must be brought forward for approval again at the next ASB Provincial Conference
 - ii) Only resolutions from the previous two years will be reported on in the annual Report Card on the Resolutions
- e) The ASBPC may provide annual training on the resolutions policy for all committee members.
- f) A parliamentarian may be engaged to support the chair during the Resolutions Session. The parliamentarian shall be appointed by the ASBPC.
- g) The ASBPC shall have power to rank the resolutions per their relative importance thus determining the order paper.

4) Resolutions

- a) Provincial Resolutions
 - i) Resolutions Provincial in scope and having been passed by simple majority at a Regional Conference shall be submitted to the Secretary of the ASBPC within five working days of the Regional Conference. Each resolution submitted for consideration must be accompanied by background information consisting of the history of the issue and potential impacts for the sponsoring municipality and province-wide impacts for municipalities.
 - ii) After resolutions Provincial in scope are received by the ASBPC Secretary, the PRC will meet to review them.
 - iii) The PRC shall forward resolutions to each ASB by December 1 each year. Each ASB shall provide sufficient copies for their delegates and staff. Hard copies and/or digital copies of Provincial resolutions will be included in the Provincial Conference package available at registration.
- b) ASBPC Endorsed Resolutions
 - i) Board endorsed resolutions are those submitted by the ASBPC. These resolutions may be brought forth to allow the conference delegates to amend or endorse a position or an action proposed by the ASBPC in a timely fashion. Board endorsed resolutions shall follow the provincial resolution timeline.
- c) Regional Resolutions
 - i) Resolutions that are Regional in nature and that have been passed by a Regional Conference shall be sent by the Secretary of the Regional Resolutions Committee to whomever they are directed to for reply and a copy of the resolution and resolution response sent to the ASBPC for information only.
- d) Emergent Resolutions

- i) A resolution received by the ASBPC that was not presented and voted on at a Regional ASB Conference may be considered by the Committee as a potential Emergent Resolution. It may be recommended for acceptance by the PRC if the resolution is deemed an emergency issue of provincial significance regarding Agricultural Legislation or Agriculture Policy that has arisen since the Regional ASB Conferences, or if the sponsoring ASB can justify to the Committee why the resolution did not come to the floor of a Regional Conference.
- ii) If a resolution is denied Emergent status by the PRC, the sponsoring ASB may appeal this ruling through the Chair to the floor of the Provincial ASB Conference Resolution Session, where it may be reconsidered as Emergent at the pleasure of the Voting ASB Conference Delegates. The vote for acceptance of an appealed Emergent Resolution must be carried by a 3/5 majority of voting Provincial ASB Conference delegates.
- iii) Sufficient copies of resolutions accepted as Emergent must be made available by the sponsoring ASB to all conference delegates.
- iv) Emergent Resolutions must be submitted to the Secretary of the ASBPC 24 hours prior to the start of the Provincial Conference.

5) Procedures

- a) Approved Provincial Resolutions
 - Resolutions approved for debate at the Provincial Conference by the PRC shall be handled in numerical order as recommended by the committee unless 3/5 of the voting delegates on the convention floor agree to accept a resolution out of that numerical order.
 - ii) Each resolution must have a Mover and a Seconder
 - iii) Only the "Therefore Be It Resolved" section will be read
 - iv) The Chairman shall call on the Mover and Seconder to speak to the resolution and then immediately call for anyone wishing to speak in opposition.
 - (1) If there is no one to speak in opposition, the question shall be called
 - (2) If there are speakers in opposition, the Chairman shall at his discretion call for anyone other than the Mover or Seconder to speak to the resolution before the debate is closed
 - v) Anyone wishing to amend a resolution must then speak to the resolution as written, or anyone wishing clarification must speak up. All amendments must have a Mover and a Seconder. The Committee requests the submission of proposed amendments prior to the resolution session for administrative ease
 - vi) Only one amendment will be accepted at a time, and only one amendment to the amendment is permitted at a time.
 - vii) The Chairman has the discretion to request a written amendment.
 - viii) The Mover and Seconder are allowed five minutes in total to speak to the resolution or amendment. The Seconder may waive his right to speak and the Mover would be allowed the full five minutes.

- ix) The Mover and Seconder have the right to close the debate and a maximum of two minutes each will be allowed for this.
- x) All other speakers, for or against the resolution, are allowed a maximum of two minutes.
- b) Emergent Resolutions
 - i) Resolutions approved as Emergent according to Section 4 shall be dealt with last.
 - ii) Chair will advise delegates of the ASB Committee comments with respect to recommending the resolution as emergent.
 - iii) Chair will ask delegates is they wish to accept the resolution for debate.
 - (1) A mover and seconder are required to put a motion on the floor to accept the resolution for debate as emergent.
 - (2) Delegates have the right to speak to the motion regarding whether to accept the emergent resolution for debate.
 - iv) A mover has the right to close debate.
 - v) Chair will call the question.
 - vi) 3/5 majority required for acceptance of the resolution as emergent
 - vii) If accepted as an emergent resolution, follow procedure for Provincial Resolutions (Section 5a)

6) Voting and Speaking

- a) Two delegates from each municipality's ASB at the conference shall be recognized voters on any resolution.
- b) An Agricultural Service Board member may have any person speak to a resolution by their request.
- c) All Resolutions are passed or defeated by simple majority except where a change to legislation is asked for or acceptance of an emergent resolutions for debate, when a 3/5 majority is required.

7) Procedures for Approved Resolutions

- a) Secretary of the ASBPC shall submit approved resolutions to the PRC members.
- b) Executive Assistant and Secretary of the ASBPC will submit resolutions to appropriate agencies and organizations for response.
 - i) Responses will be compiled, returned to the Secretary for distribution to the ASBPC and individual ASBs, and posted electronically.
- c) Chairman of the ASBPC shall:
 - i) Hold a committee meeting to review and discuss responses to resolutions.
 - ii) Request a committee meeting with RMA Executive.
 - iii) Request a committee meeting with the Resource Stewardship Committee to discuss or clarify resolution responses if deemed necessary.
 - iv) Request a committee meeting with the Ministers of appropriate ministries to discuss resolution responses if deemed necessary.

v) Direct the ASBPC to prepare and circulate a Resolutions Report Card itemizing actions that have been undertaken by the Committee in response to resolutions passed at previous conference.

8) Roberts Rules of Order

a) The rules contained in the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall govern the procedure of the Resolutions Committee in all cases for which they are applicable, except if the rules are not consistent with the Provincial ASB Conference Rules of Procedure. The Provincial ASB Conference Rules of Procedure will take precedence. Attached are example excerpts from Robert's Rules of Order that apply directly to the Resolution Process.

9) Amendments to Provincial Rules of Procedure

- a) An amendment to these Rules of Procedure may be made by a simple motion from:
 - i) The ASBPC, or,
 - ii) Any voting delegate at the conference
- b) Amendments must be accepted by a simple majority of all voting delegates at the Provincial ASB Conference
- c) Amendments that are "Carried" will take effect at the next Provincial ASB Conference

10) ASB Provincial Committee Fees

- a) The Association of Alberta Agricultural Fieldmen will collect approved fees on behalf of the Agricultural Service Board (ASB) Provincial Committee to supports the costs of the Committee.
- b) The recommended fee will be based on financial need and will be approved at the Provincial ASB Conference. Billing to all municipalities with Agricultural Service Boards the following year.
- c) Voting on the value of the fee will take place at the Provincial ASB Conference. The two municipal delegates at the conference from each municipality will vote on the value of the fees and must be accepted by a simple majority.

ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER - EXCERPTS & CLARIFICATION OF PROCESSES

The ASBPC offers the following excerpts from Robert's Rules of Order as well as a few other suggestions for clarification of the resolution process. The intent is for the entire assembly to have a clearer understanding of the rules of procedure for each member to participate to the fullest extent.

MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS

- A motion is a proposal that the assembly take certain action, or that it expresses itself as holding certain views.
- It is made by a member obtaining the floor and saying, "I move that," and then stating the action he proposes to have taken.
- Thus, a member "moves" that a resolution be adopted, or amended, or referred to a committee, or that a vote of thanks be extended, etc.

HANDLING OF A MOTION

What precedes a debate?

- Before any subject is open to debate it is necessary for the following 3 actions to occur.
 - 1. A motion is made by a member who has obtained the floor.
 - 2. The motion is seconded (with certain exceptions).
 - 3. The question is stated by the chair.
- The chair must either rule the motion out of order or state the question on it so that the assembly may know what is before them for consideration and action, that is, what is the immediately pending question.

Stating of the question by the chair:

- When the motion that is in order has been made and seconded, it is the duty of the chair to formally place it before the assembly by "stating the question"; that is, he states the exact question that is before the assembly for its consideration and action.
 - For example, in the case of a resolution, the chair may state the question by saying,
 "It is moved and seconded to adopt the following resolution".
- Until the chair states the question,
 - o the mover has the right to modify his motion/resolution as he pleases, or to withdraw it entirely.
 - o when the mover modifies his motion, the seconder has a right to withdraw his
- After the question has been stated by the chair, the motion becomes the property of the assembly,
 - the maker can not modify or withdraw his motion/resolution without the assembly's consent.
- While the motion is pending or being debated,
 - o the assembly can change the wording of the motion by the process of amendment.

Debate

- After the chair states a question, it is before the assembly for consideration, debate, and action.
- No member should speak twice to the same issue until everyone else wishing to speak has spoken to it once.
- Any member who wished to force an end to debate (prior to the chair) must first obtain the floor by being recognized to speak by the chair. Once the member has obtained the floor he must then move to "Call or put the Question (before the assembly)". This motion must be seconded and adopted by unanimous consent.
- All resolutions, reports of committees, communications to the assembly, and all amendments proposed to them, and all other before final action is taken on them (unless by a two-thirds vote the assembly decides to dispose of them without debate). debatable motions may be debated

Modifying a Motion

- A motion can be modified or amended after the chair states the question.
- Friendly amendments will only be considered for punctuation or spelling corrections.
 - As the chair would already have stated the motion, it is now the property of the assembly and therefore the chair will ask the assembly if there are any objections.
 - o If no objection is made, the chair will declare the amendment adopted.
 - o If even one member objects (which includes the mover and seconder), the amendment is subject to debate and votes like any other amendment.
- The chair will determine if an amendment is germane.
 - o An amendment must be germane to be in order.
 - To be germane, an amendment must in some way involve the same question raised by the motion to which it is applied.
 - o An amendment cannot introduce an independent question.
 - o An amendment can be hostile to, or even defeat the spirit of the original motion and still be germane.

Putting the Question and Announcing the Vote:

- When the debate appears to have closed, the chair asks,
 - "Are you ready for the question?" If no one rises he proceeds to *put the question*or to take the vote on the question.
- In putting the question, the chair should make perfectly clear what the question is that the assembly is to decide.
 - o For example, "The question is on amending the resolution by [insert amendment]. Those in favor of the amendment, etc. The question is now on the resolution as amended, which is as follows [read resolution as amended]. Are you ready for the question?"

- The vote should always be announced, as it is a necessary part of putting the question. The vote does not go into effect until announced.
- If a vote is too close to call, a standing vote will be required. Voting delegates are to remain standing while the count is taken. The Chair will indicate when to sit once the vote is counted.

REQUEST FOR PERMISSION TO WITHDRAW OR MODIFY A MOTION

- Conditions for withdrawing or modifying a motion depend upon how soon the mover states his wish to withdraw or modify it.
 - Before a motion has been stated by the chair, it is the property of its mover, who can withdraw it or modify it without asking the consent of anyone. Thus, in the brief interval between the making of a motion and the time when the chair places it before the assembly by stating it, the maker can withdraw it.
 - o <u>After a motion has been stated by the chair</u>, the mover requires permission from the assembly to withdraw or modify a motion.

SECONDING A MOTION

- A motion is seconded by a member saying, "I second the motion," or "I second it."
 - Members seconding a motion are also required to stand and identify themselves.
 This is especially important in large assemblies where non-members are scattered throughout the assembly.

"The assembly rules – they have the final say on everything!" (Robert's Rules of Order)
"Silence means consent!" (Robert's Rules of Order)

Note: Content is taken from Robert's Rules of Order as well as clarification of processes suggested by the ASBPC.

Appendix A

Resolution Writing Guidelines

- 1. Resolutions must address a topic of concern that is relevant to municipalities on a provincial or federal basis.
- 2. The title must provide a clear indication of the resolution's intent.
- 3. The preamble must provide clear, brief, factual context for the operative clause.
- 4. The operative clause must clearly set out what the resolution is meant to achieve and indicate a proposal for action. The wording should be straightforward and brief so that the intent of the resolution is clear. Resolutions requesting legislative changes must clearly identify the legislation that the resolution is directing changes to.
- 5. Resolutions must be accompanied by background information outlining the following where appropriate:
 - a. The history of the issue,
 - b. Issue impacts, noting the provincial and/or federal impacts of the issue, where applicable.
 - c. Past or current advocacy efforts by the ASB or other organizations,
 - d. Recent incidents or developments,
 - e. Specific legislation linkages, and
 - f. Other stakeholders with a vested interest.
- 6. Resolutions must include a title, preamble (whereas), operative clause (therefore be it resolved) and member background and shall be in the form:

RESOLUTION XX

TITLE

| WHEREAS insert your words | here |
|---------------------------|------|
| WHEREAS insert your words | here |
| WHEREAS insert your words | here |

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT ALBERTA'S AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARDS REQUEST

(Insert your words here. Be concise and specific. Outline clearly WHO you want to do WHAT specifically. Think about the letters that will be written to address this resolution, who do they need to be written to and what is your request. What is the intended result that you hope to achieve.)

| SPONSORED BY | :(name of sponsoring municipality) |
|--------------|---|
| MOVED BY: | |
| SECONDED BY: | |
| CARRIED: | |
| DEFEATED: | |
| STATUS: | (Local, Regional or Provincial?) |
| DEPARTMENT: | (which government ministries, programs or departments will be |
| | contacted to address this resolution?) |

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

(Your words here. Background information should include the history of the issue, potential impacts for the sponsoring municipality and the province wide impacts for the municipalities. Previous related resolutions can help with the background information. It is always good to align and build on past resolutions. Be sure to list any attached supporting documents)

Clear Hills County

Request For Decision (RFD)

Meeting: Agricultural Service Board Meeting

Meeting Date: September 17, 2025

Originated By: Greg Coon, Agricultural Fieldman

Title: Proposed Provincial Resolutions Process Changes

File: 63-02-02

DESCRIPTION:

The Board is presented with the Proposed Provincial Resolution Process September 1, 2025 along with the Letter of Invite – Webinar on PRP (Provincial Resolutions Process).

BACKGROUND:

ATTACHMENT:

Proposed Provincial Resolutions Process
Letter of Invite – Webinar on PRP (Provincial Resolutions Process)

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

RESOLUTION by...to accept the Proposed Provincial Resolution Process September 1, 2025 along with the Letter of Invite – Webinar on PRP (Provincial Resolutions Process) for information.

Initials show support - Reviewed by: Manager: AgFieldman:

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Proposed Provincial Resolutions Process

Sept 1, 2025

Agricultural Service Board Provincial Committee

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Message from your ASBPC

Dear Agricultural Service Board Members,

Enclosed you will find important materials on the proposed Provincial Resolutions Process (PRP), which is a full revision of the current Rules of Procedure. These changes are the direct result of your feedback following the 2025 Conference, and the Committee's work with Parliamentarian Todd Brand to strengthen clarity, fairness, and professionalism in our resolution sessions.

Todd Brand, M.A., CP-T, PRP is the registered parliamentarian, and current school board trustee that has been coaching the Committee and staff and supporting the resolution session. Todd's background and training in organizational leadership span over thirty years. His education and wide experience cover many unique organizations and come together in his ability to coach, lead and train others for organizational effectiveness. As an expert in meeting rules, Todd provides parliamentary support for both the ASBPC and RMA resolution sessions.

It has been a pleasure to work with Todd, and we are pleased to provide you with what we feel is a solid framework to move forward. With Todd's expert advice we were able to simplify and clarify the resolutions process to address your concerns and feedback.

Please join us on September 16, 3-5pm for an online information session where we will present the proposed full revision of the Rules of Procedure (to be renamed the Provincial Resolutions Process).

This session will cover the key changes, the reasons behind the updates, and what members can expect moving forward. Attendees will receive supporting documents, including the original and proposed new rules, as well as a summary of major changes.

There will be an opportunity to ask questions and clarify any points ahead of the upcoming vote at the Provincial ASB Conference in January 2026. This is your chance to understand the process, the rationale for the changes, and how these updates will impact future ASB resolution sessions.

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To further support these efforts the ASBPC is pleased to provide a short orientation session at the 2026 Chair and Fieldman meeting, and to open the meeting to all ASB members. The agenda of the meeting we feel responds to the feedback from the 2025 Chair and Fieldman meeting survey and supports our ongoing efforts to improve our resolution process.

The Committee is confident that these improvements will enhance transparency, increase accountability, and provide a stronger foundation for engagement at the Provincial Conference.

With thanks for your continued support,

The Agricultural Service Board Provincial Committee

Message from the Executive Assistant

Dear Agricultural Service Board Members,

Over the past year, alongside ongoing advocacy efforts, the ASBPC has responded to your feedback on the Provincial Resolution Session and the desired purpose of the annual Chair and Fieldman meeting. I am pleased with the work done to review and streamline the resolution process.

Thank you for your continued engagement in our surveys. Your feedback is vital to ensuring the work of the ASBPC reflects both the diversity and commonalities of ASBs as we elevate their significance, as stated in the Terms of Reference.

Each year, the Chair and Fieldman meeting provides a valuable opportunity for dialogue, collaboration, and direction-setting. Following the 2025 meeting, we gathered feedback from participants to better understand what was most useful and where improvements could be made.

From the survey of participants, several key themes emerged:

- Guidance and Orientation clearer context on the purpose and role of the ASBPC, especially for new members.
- Opportunities for Discussion more time for open exchange, not just presentations.
- Prioritization of Issues strong support for identifying top issues.
- Improved Communication and Updates more clarity on how priorities and resolutions influence advocacy.

At its August 2025 meeting, the ASBPC considered several options for the 2026 Chair and Fieldman meeting, recognizing that 2026 is an election year. Attendance will be open to all ASB members and include:

- A comprehensive orientation on the purpose, terms of reference, and processes of the ASBPC;
- Ways to participate as members in the resolution process and advocacy;
- Open roundtable discussion, to allow for sharing regional issues and priorities.

This approach ensures new members are well-prepared, returning members are refreshed on process and purpose, and everyone has a chance to contribute to shaping our shared advocacy.

Thank you for your ongoing engagement with our surveys and for holding this process to a high standard. Together, we are building a resolution process that reflects the professionalism and influence of Alberta's Agricultural Service Boards.

Sincerely,

Linda Hunt
Executive Assistant
Agricultural Service Board Provincial Committee

List of Proposed Changes to Resolutions Rules of Procedure

LIST OF MAJOR AMENDMENTS - GENERAL

| AMENDMENT | RATIONALE | | |
|--|---|--|--|
| Retitled the document. | The new titles better reflect the purpose of this | | |
| | document. | | |
| Reordered and reorganized the document | Makes it easier to follow and understand. | | |
| for better flow and simplicity. | | | |
| Removed all reference to the PRC to now | These appear to be one and the same. Having two | | |
| only reference the ASBPC. | terms is confusing. | | |
| Removed sections 1 (Provincial Resolution | These areas are better placed in the ASBPC TOR or | | |
| Committee) and 2 (Responsibilities of PRC | in policy & procedures. | | |
| Members). | | | |
| Amending the Rules -revised this section for | Provides clarity. | | |
| clarity of wording. | | | |
| Changed amendments to become effective | This allows the wishes of the majority to be | | |
| immediately. | actioned immediately making the work of the | | |
| | ASBPC more responsive to the current situation. | | |

LIST OF MAJOR AMENDMENTS - PROCESS

| AMENDMENT | RATIONALE |
|--|---|
| Numerous changes to clarify/simplify the process of submitting resolutions. | Simplify and clarify the process. |
| Removed the following clause. "Inform the membership, at the conference resolution session, when the resolution was amalgamated or divided or how it will materially change or contradict a current ASB position." | Not clear as to why the Membership needs this information. |
| Added specific date deadlines at some points of the process. | Provides more clarity for deadlines. Please note the dates I selected may not be best and the Committee may wish to propose alternatives. |
| Removed the following clause: "Each ASB shall provide sufficient copies for their delegates and staff. Hard copies and/or digital copies of Provincial resolutions will be included in the Provincial Conference package available at registration." | Alines with current practice. Not required if all have received an electronic version by the deadline. |
| Removed note about Members changing the order of the resolutions as this is | Unnecessary to include as this is part of the Call to Order process outlined. |

| automatically allowed. (at the adoption of | |
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| the agenda stage) | |
| All resolutions are adopted by 2/3 majority | Felt that 2/3 is a stronger provincial voice than the |
| vote including those requiring changes to | 50+1 in the current ROP. |
| legislation. | |
| All emergent resolutions accepted by the | Deters skipping the regional conference process |
| ASBPC require 2/3 majority | |
| Emergent not accepted by the ASBPC can | |
| be added to the order paper at the session | |
| with 2/3 majority vote. | |
| Simplified (for this document) the handling | Reduced this to key details that should be owned |
| of endorsed resolutions. | by the ASBs and removed those that should be |
| | decided and owned by the ASBPC. |
| Simplified the fees section. | Made this more clear and less repetitive, and |
| | annually discussed. |
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LIST OF MAJOR AMENDMENTS - RULES

| Removed the section on Robert's Rules of | Much of the outlined process does not apply to the | | | |
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| Order. | ASBPC Resolution Session and some of the | | | |
| | information is inaccurate. This level of information | | | |
| | is not needed in this type of document. | | | |
| Major revision and integration of Sections 5 | Numerous changes in wording and practice. Major | | | |
| (Procedures) and 6 (Voting and Speaking). | changes are outlined in this chart below. | | | |
| Removed all moving and seconding of | There is no need for this since the agenda is | | | |
| resolutions. | adopted at the beginning of the session; all items | | | |
| | listed in the agenda become orders for the | | | |
| | meeting. The sponsoring ASB may speak to their | | | |
| | resolution. | | | |
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| Removed speaking by the seconder. | Seconding does not typically include a right to | | | |
| | special speaking status; also see the note above. | | | |
| Speaking time for sponsor reduced from | This is ample time to review the highlights of the | | | |
| five to three minutes and reduced to one | information that all Members have had a chance | | | |
| minute for closing. | to review in advance. | | | |
| Added rule that resolutions may not be | Neither of these parliamentary options are helpful | | | |
| postponed or referred. | for a Resolutions Session and they are typically | | | |
| | very time consuming. | | | |
| Added ability for the parliamentarian to | Allows more option for chairing. | | | |
| preside for the meeting. | | | | |
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| Removed ranking of the motions in order. | Ranking does not provide value for the amount of work required and the potential for raising unnecessary contention. | | |
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| Added an order of Business (agenda) for the Resolution Session. | This will help Members understand the purpose, order and scope of the meeting. | | |
| Simplified amendment wording. | More clarity. | | |
| Removed Chair speaking to the reasons why a resolution was deemed emergent. | Not a bad idea but not necessary and is time consuming. If the practice is retained it should be another Member of the ASBPC and not the Chair providing this information. | | |
| Addition of Minutes Approval (4) | By authorizing the Alternates to review the resolution session minutes within 30 days, there will be an officially approved minutes of the AGM a few weeks after the AGM. Proposed amendments to the minutes can still be made at the following AGM or any future AGM. | | |

DRAFT Agricultural Service Board Provincial Committee Provincial Resolutions Process

Purpose: The purpose of this Provincial Resolutions Process is to formalize the resolution process used by the Agricultural Service Board Provincial Committee (ASBPC). It includes all aspects of the resolution process including oversight, resolution types, writing and submission guidelines, the resolution session order and rules of procedure and the handling of endorsed resolutions.

Scope: As a method of deriving member direction, the resolution process is fundamental to informing the Agricultural Service Board's advocacy priorities. As such, this document formalizes all aspects of the resolution process to provide clarity and consistency.

1) Resolution Types & Process

- a) Regional Conference Endorsed Provincial Resolutions
 - i) Resolutions that are provincial in scope and having been passed by majority vote at a Regional Conference shall be submitted to the Secretary of the ASBPC by November 15. Each resolution submitted for consideration must be accompanied by background information consisting of the history of the issue and potential impacts for the sponsoring municipality and province-wide impacts for municipalities.
 - ii) The ASBPC will review all submitted resolutions.
 - iii) The ASBPC will forward properly submitted and in-order resolutions electronically to each ASB by December 1. These resolutions will be considered at the Provincial ASB Conference.
- b) ASBPC Endorsed Provincial Resolutions
 - i) The ASBPC may develop resolutions that are provincial in scope. These will be forwarded electronically to each ASB by January 7. These resolutions will be considered at the Provincial ASB Conference.
- c) Emergent Resolutions
 - i) A resolution received by the ASBPC that was not presented and voted on at a Regional ASB Conference may be considered by the Committee as a potential Emergent Resolution. It may be recommended for consideration by the ASBPC if:
 - (1) the resolution is deemed an emergent issue of provincial significance regarding Agricultural Legislation or Agriculture policy that has arisen since the Regional ASB Conferences, or
 - (2) if the sponsoring ASB can justify to the Committee why the resolution did not come to the floor of a Regional Conference.

- ii) All Emergent Resolutions need to be moved and seconded by different ASBs.
- iii) Emergent Resolutions must be submitted to the Secretary of the ASBPC by December 31 prior to the Provincial Conference.
- iv) If the ASBPC deems the resolution to be emergent it will be sent electronically to all ASB(s) by January 7.
 - (1) Before adopting the Provincial Resolutions Session order paper, ASB(s) will decide whether to add proposed emergent resolutions that were deemed emergent by the ASBPC to the order paper. A 2/3 majority vote is required for addition.
- v) If the ASBPC does not deem the resolution to be emergent the resolution will not be sent to the ASB(s).
 - (1) The sponsoring ASB may appeal this ruling at the designated time during the Provincial Resolution Session. A 2/3 majority vote is required for an appealed emergent resolution to be added to the order paper. In order for an appeal to be considered, sufficient paper copies of resolutions that are intended to be appealed as emergent must be made available by the sponsoring ASB to all conference delegates at registration.

** Please note this document covers Provincial Resolutions. Resolutions that are Regional in nature and that have been passed by a Regional Conference shall be sent by the Secretary of the Regional Resolutions Committee to whomever they are directed to for reply and a copy of the resolution and resolution response sent to the ASBPC for information only.

2) Resolution Authority of the ASBPC

- a) The ASBPC has authority to review Provincial resolutions. This authority includes the ability to:
 - i) request clarification on resolution(s) from the sponsoring ASB(s).
 - ii) modify resolution(s) from the sponsoring ASB(s) in terms of wording etc. to:
 - (1) Amend the title, grammar, wording or format of the resolution provided it does not change the intent.
 - (2) Provide comments on each resolution with regards to the background.
 - iii) Amalgamate two or more resolutions between jurisdictions if several resolutions are of similar topic and content.
 - iv) Divide a resolution with multiple proposals of action into separate resolutions
 - v) Request withdrawal of a resolution if the resolution:
 - (1) Has no bearing whatsoever with the agriculture industry
 - (2) Has been resolved prior to the resolution screening meeting, or
 - (3) Has been covered by another resolution
 - vi) Inform the sponsoring ASB(s) when the resolution will be changed by amalgamation or division, or how it materially changes or contradicts a current ASB position.

- vii) Notify the sponsoring ASB(s) of any deficiencies in meeting the guidelines of resolutions as outlined in the ASBPC Provincial Resolutions Process.
- b) Determine the order that resolutions will be presented with the following guidelines:
 - i) In the event of receipt by the Committee of two or more contradictory resolutions, the Committee will order the resolutions in such fashion that the contradictory resolutions are presented consecutively
 - ii) If the first of the resolutions is passed, the contradicting resolution(s) will be deemed defeated, and will not subsequently be brought to the floor
 - iii) If the first resolution is defeated, the contradictory resolution(s) will be brought to the floor of the conference for consideration
- c) The ASBPC may provide training on the ASBPC Provincial Resolutions Process for members.

3) Resolution Session

A. Order of Business

The following is the normal Provincial Resolutions Session Order of Business (Agenda):

Call to Order

Welcome and Introductions

Activity Report of the ASBPC

Proposed Amendments to the ASBPC Provincial Resolutions Process

Consideration of Adding Emergent Resolutions to the Order Paper

- 1. Emergent Resolutions considered emergent by the ASBPC
- 2. Emergent Resolutions not considered emergent by the ASBPC (if Sponsor appeals)

Approval of Agenda

Approved Minutes of the Previous AGM minutes (opportunity for amendments)

Approval of Committee Fees

Consideration of Resolutions including emergent approved by ASBPC

- (list of the resolution in the ASBPC order)

Consideration of Resolutions added to the Order Paper as Emergent

- (list of the emergent resolutions in order)

Adjournment

B. Consideration of Resolutions - Process

- a) The Title, name of Sponsoring ASB and "Therefore Be It Resolved" clause(s) will be read to the Members by the ASBPC.
- b) One Member of the Sponsoring ASB may speak for up to three minutes on the resolution.
- c) The floor will be open to all Members. The Chair will call for anyone wishing to speak in opposition, ask a question for clarification, or propose an amendment. If no one seeks

- recognition for any of these purposes or if only questions for clarification are brought forward, the resolution proceeds immediately to a vote. The mover does not speak in closing.
- d) If any Member speaks in opposition or if an amendment is proposed, the resolution will become fully debatable. The mover may speak in closing for up to one minute.
- e) All other speakers, for or against the resolution, or speaking to an amendment or other motion are allowed a maximum of two minutes.
- f) No Member (other than the Sponsor who may open and close) may speak more than once to any resolution, amendment or other motion per resolution.

C. Consideration of Resolutions - Other Rules of Procedure

- a) Resolutions may not be postponed nor referred.
- b) The Chair has the discretion to request a proposed amendment be provided in writing.
- c) Two delegates from each municipality's ASB at the conference shall be recognized voters on any resolution.
- d) An Agricultural Service Board member may have any person speak to a resolution with majority approval by the Members.
- e) All Resolutions are adopted by 2/3 majority vote including resolutions requesting changes to legislation.
- f) Process for adding appealed emergent resolutions to the order paper during the approval of the agenda:
 - a. The Title, name of Sponsoring ASB and "Therefore Be It Resolved" clause(s) will be read to the Members.
 - b. The sponsor of the appealed proposed emergent resolution will have one minute to present why the issue is emergent. Members will immediately vote without debate whether to accept the resolution as emergent and have it added to the order paper. 2/3 in favor is required for addition to the order paper.
 - c. If accepted for consideration as an emergent resolution, such resolutions will be added to the end of the list of resolutions and the handling of each resolution will follow the same procedure as all other resolutions.
- g) Members must maintain good decorum at all times. Debate may not include any rude or threatening comments.
- h) A parliamentarian may be engaged to support the Chair during the Resolutions Session or to chair the meeting itself. The parliamentarian shall be appointed by the ASBPC.
- i) The rules contained in the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall govern the procedure of the Provincial Resolutions Session in all cases for which they are applicable, except if the rules are in conflict with this document.

4) Minutes Approval

- a) In order to provide approved minutes in a timely manner the ASBPC Alternates will review and approve the minutes of the resolution session within 30 days of the conference.
- b) The approved minutes will be made available to Members.
- c) The approved minutes will be presented at the next Provincial ASB Conference and are subject to amendment by the Membership.

5) Procedures for Approved Resolutions - Post Resolution Session

- a) The ASBPC shall submit approved resolutions to all ASBs by February 14 of the Provincial ASB Conference year.
- b) The ASBPC will submit approved resolutions to appropriate agencies and organizations for response. Responses will be compiled, returned to the Secretary for distribution to the ASBPC and individual ASBs, and posted electronically.
- c) Resolutions passed at a Provincial ASB Conference will be advocated on for a period of three years from the date of approval. A list of expiring resolutions will be placed in the report card annually.
 - i) If an ASB wishes the resolution to remain active, the resolution must be brought forward for approval again at the next Provincial ASB Conference
 - ii) Only resolutions from the previous two years will be reported on in the annual Report Card on the Resolutions

6) ASB Provincial Committee Fees

- a) The Association of Alberta Agricultural Fieldmen will collect approved fees on behalf of the Agricultural Service Board Provincial Committee to support the costs of the Committee.
- b) The recommended fee will be based on financial need and will be approved annually at the Provincial ASB Conference.
- c) Billing to all municipalities with Agricultural Service Boards will be in the following year.

7) Amendments to this Document

- a) This document is in effect from year to year without the requirement for annual approval.
- b) All proposed amendments must be submitted in writing to the ASBPC by December 31.
- c) Proposed amendments to this document, the Provincial Resolutions Process, may be moved at the Provincial Resolutions Session by:
 - a. The ASBPC, or,
 - b. Any voting delegate at the conference.
- d) Approval of proposed amendments is by 2/3 vote.
- e) Amendments that are adopted will take effect immediately unless otherwise noted in the motion to amend.
 - Note: Any appendices to this document are for information only and are not subject to amendment by the Membership. These will be updated as needed by the ASBPC.

Appendix A

Resolution Writing Guidelines

- 1. Resolutions must address a topic of concern that is relevant to municipalities on a provincial or federal basis.
- 2. The title must provide a clear indication of the resolution's intent.
- 3. The preamble must provide clear, brief, factual context for the operative clause.
- 4. The operative clause must clearly set out what the resolution is meant to achieve and indicate a proposal for action. The wording should be straightforward and brief so that the intent of the resolution is clear. Resolutions requesting legislative changes must clearly identify the legislation that the resolution is directing changes to.
- 5. Resolutions must be accompanied by background information outlining the following where appropriate:
 - a. The history of the issue,
 - b. Issue impacts, noting the provincial and/or federal impacts of the issue, where applicable.
 - c. Past or current advocacy efforts by the ASB or other organizations,
 - d. Recent incidents or developments,
 - e. Specific legislation linkages, and
 - f. Other stakeholders with a vested interest.
- 6. Resolutions must include a title, preamble (whereas), operative clause (therefore be it resolved) and member background and shall be in the form:

Appendix B

Resolution Sample Template

RESOLUTION XX

| WHEREAS insert your words here; |
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| WHEREAS insert your words here; |
| WHEREAS insert your words here; |

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT ALBERTA'S AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARDS REQUEST

(Insert your words here. Be concise and specific. Outline clearly WHO you want to do WHAT specifically. Think about the letters that will be written to address this resolution, who do they need to be written to and what is your request. What is the intended result that you hope to achieve.)

| SPONSORED BY | :(name of sponsoring municipality) |
|--------------|---|
| MOVED BY: | |
| SECONDED BY: | |
| CARRIED: | |
| DEFEATED: | |
| STATUS: | (Local, Regional or Provincial?) |
| DEPARTMENT: | (which government ministries, programs or departments will be |
| | contacted to address this resolution?) |

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

(Your words here. Background information should include the history of the issue, potential impacts for the sponsoring municipality and the province wide impacts for the municipalities. Previous related resolutions can help with the background information. It is always good to align and build on past resolutions. Be sure to list any attached supporting documents)



Agricultural Service Board Provincial Committee

September 1, 2025

ASB Members and, AAAF

SENT VIA EMAIL

RE: Invitation to attend: ASB Provincial Resolutions Process - Information & Q&A Webinar

Dear ASB Members and AAAF,

On behalf of the Agricultural Service Board Provincial Committee (ASBPC), we are pleased to share with you a proposed full revision of our Rules of Procedure, proposed to be known as the Provincial Resolutions Process (PRP).

This revision is the result of extensive feedback from members before and after 2025 Provincial ASB Conference. The committee has engaged professional expertise and undertook a thorough review to ensure the new process is clear, fair, and effective for all members. We are confident that this new Provincial Resolutions Process will serve the needs of the ASB and provide a more concise, transparent, and empowering framework for member participation. The changes focus on the core process for resolutions, with administrative and policy details moved to more appropriate documents.

By now you should be receiving the September 1, ASB package that includes:

- The original Rules of Procedure
- The proposed Provincial Resolutions Process
- A summary of the major changes

We encourage you to review these materials carefully and discuss with your ASB, and bring any questions for clarification to our online meeting scheduled for September 16, 3-5pm. Pre-registration is required to attend. (see attached flier) We are confident that the Provincial Resolutions Process addresses the concerns and feedback recieved from the membership.

ASBs should come prepared to vote on the adoption of the revised Provincial Resolutions Process proposed to replace the existing Provincial Rules of Procedure at the 2026 Provincial ASB Conference held this January 20-22, 2026 in Edmonton Alberta. If adopted the new PRP will become the new process on **September 1, 2026** which marks the beginning of the resolution year.

The ASBPC is committed to transparency, responsiveness, and empowering our members in the resolution process. If you have questions or require clarification, please do not hesitate to contact your regional representative.

Thank you for your ongoing engagement and support.

With confidence in our shared future,

Brenda Knight

ASB Provincial Committee Chair

Brenda Fright

On behalf of the Agricultural Service Board Provincial Committee (ASBPC)

ASB Provincial Resolutions Process Information & Q&A Webinar

Learn about the proposed new Provincial Resolutions Process (PRP) before the 2026 Provincial ASB Conference vote.

Event Details:

• Date & Time: September 16, 3-5pm

• Location: Online via Microsoft Teams Webinar

Registration Link: Click to Register

What You'll Learn:

- √ Key changes to the Rules of Procedure (PRP)
- √ Why updates were made and how they benefit members
- ✓ How the process will impact future ASB resolutions
- √ Opportunity for Q&A

Why Attend?

- Learn about the changes and rationale
- Ask clarifying questions
- Prepare to vote at the January 2026 Provincial ASB Conference in Edmonton.

Don't miss this opportunity to prepare for the upcoming vote!

ASBPC – Committed to transparency, responsiveness, and empowering members.

Clear Hills County

Request For Decision (RFD)

Meeting:

Agricultural Service Board Meeting

Meeting Date:

September 17, 2025

Originated By:

Greg Coon, Agricultural Fieldman

Title:

Drone School

File:

63-02-02

DESCRIPTION:

The Board is presented with information on hosting a drone school put on by Land View Drones.

BACKGROUND:

ATTACHMENT:

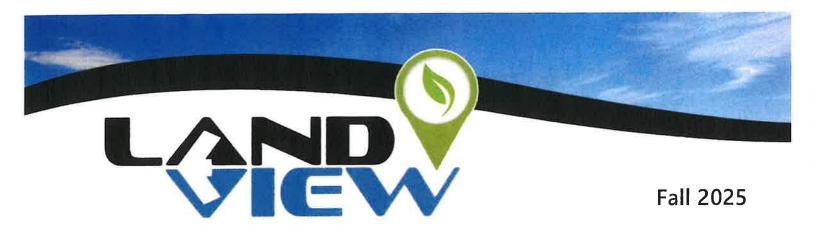
Hosting an Ag Drone School Information Package

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

RESOLUTION by...to have the Extensions Services Clerk organize an Ag Drone School put on by Land View Drones.

Initials show support - Reviewed by: Manager: AgFieldman:

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Hosting an Ag Drone School

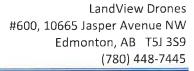
Bring the Ag Drone School to Your Community

- **Demonstrate leadership on safety & privacy**, by bringing training on the safe and legal use of drones to your community. Participants get the knowledge required to be certified to operate drones by Transport Canada.
- Help improve crop management
 Growers are incredibly interested in the tech, but often only get pretty pictures and video. They don't get full value from their drone without training. We instruct on multispectral / near-infrared crop health mapping and thermal imaging of cattle...
- Foster conversations about precision farming

 Many of our customers do not own and may not immediately buy a drone, but
 appreciate the insight we provide into future possibilities for crop management.

 Weather permitting, we develop several types of crop health maps right on-site, so
 participants understand the value (and limitations) of remote sensing for their farm.
- Just host us, we do the rest You are better able to look after venue and local food logistics. LandView looks after everything else: registration, marketing, two instructors, equipment, classroom materials, and a fleet of drones for use by participants. Our two instructors take care of everything else. You also receive free registrations which you can use for staff or customers.

Proposal for Ag Drone School





Fall 2025

Re: Hosting an Ag Drone School

LandView Drones has been offering agriculture-specific drone training for 10 years. We love to partner with local agricultural societies, research organizations, or businesses who are interested in bringing this technology to farmers in their region.

Planning local logistics is one of the more challenging parts of rural training delivery. We found that having a local agricultural partner or "Host" makes the event so much smoother. We also tend to get a more cohesive group of learners that way, with focus clearly on agricultural uses of drones. The costs to a host will typically be less than \$1,000, depending on how many people attend for lunch and including cost for the venue. **But you would not pay LandView anything, just your local food vendors and the hall rental.**

LandView will recognize the Host in various marketing efforts, including at least 2,000 postcard mailouts with the Host's logo circulated by Neighbourhood Mail to farms in your area, as well as draft articles submitted to the local paper or newsletters – recognizing that you are proactively bringing this type of training to your farming community. And lastly, we create a \$100 discount code that you the Host give to any of your society's members. That discount is actually provided by LandView and does not actually cost the host anything, but we name the discount to give you credit for hosting. Marketing materials, for example, would say "Use code AGSOCIETY when registering for \$100 off".

We would specifically like to target the week of September 15 this fall as a time to finally bring our schools to Ontario with interested hosts. We had intended to do that five years ago, but were prevented by the pandemic. The time is right to restart those efforts – and the week after Canada's Outdoor Farm Show provides an opportunity to leverage having our demo equipment for hands-on training in your area.

Yours truly,

Markus Weber B.Sc.Aq, MBA, LL.B., P.Aq.

The Training

LandView sells complete crop drone systems specifically for farm use. Every system includes at least one sensor, a remotely piloted aircraft system (RPAS), and all of the software necessary to create crop maps. But our customers told us one thing was missing from the bundles – training.

We found that many of our customers could use help with mapping workflows and software. They also wanted a regulatory ground school without travelling long distances. Our Ag Drone School provides all the basics necessary for safe, legal and effective flight. Participants write their online test for the Basic Certificate on the second afternoon, so that they leave fully certified to operate small RPAS, away from airports and bystanders. But perhaps most importantly – the Ag Drone School also leads to a group of likeminded farmers and agronomists as peers who can support each other as they learn about all the opportunities for using RPAS in their work.



Over the last seven years, we have put on schools in over 90 locations right across the Prairies, from southern Manitoba to the Peace River region of British Columbia, and as far as east as Nova Scotia. Over 1,200 people have completed our training successfully.

We keep the school interesting and engaging by switching between formal classroom

training and practical applications. We spend over 3 hours on hands-on flight training, including learning to effectively operate the DJI Mini 3, Mavic 3, and Matrice-series aircraft. We also bring different types of crop and livestock-specific sensors so that students can understand the fundamentals of remote sensing with multispectral and thermal sensors. The participants build mapping missions and, if the weather allows, actually complete those missions over neighbouring fields or properties.

Most participants pay a registration fee of \$590 for the two days, which is all-inclusive for materials and lunches. Some participants will pay a reduced rate due to a "Fly & Learn" discount offered to hardware customers (20-50% discount depending on the type of package they purchased. We also offer a \$150 discount to any additional people registering from the same organization (the "Family Farm Discount") and a 50% discount to post-secondary agriculture students.

The following pages outline a draft schedule for the school – but if there are certain elements you would like us to emphasize, we are certainly open to customizing the agenda for you.

Our Instructor Team

All other ground schools currently operating in western Canada (in addition to staying in the big cities) rely on a single individual to deliver the content. Having two co-instructors is crucial.

We will assign instructors to each school based on availability –we typically have a team of at six to seven instructors for the season. Below are bios for the two current Alberta leads.

Markus Weber, Owner

Markus grew up at Weyga Farming, a grain and cattle farm managed by his father near Camrose, Alberta. His key roles on the farm were managing their Gelbvieh herd and implementing precision ag technologies, including adoption of variable rate fertilizer in 2001.

He earned agriculture, law and MBA degrees from the University of Alberta in 1997. After working in legal aid and in senior government management positions in Nunavut, he started his renewed career as an agricultural consultant in 2011 with Serecon, an independent agricultural consulting firm in Edmonton. He is a Professional Agrologist and completes projects for a large variety of clients, often with emphasis on sustainability and quantification of agriculture.





For the past nine crop years, Markus has leveraged his

networks in agribusiness and passion for precision farming technologies to establish LandView Drones. Markus is a realist and

sees some of the current limitations of the technology, in addition to its huge opportunities. For that reason, he also collaborates with others to help develop new sensors and data/workflows that are needed to make this technology more widely useful to growers and agronomists. Markus holds an Advanced Pilot's Certificate for RPAS, with a Flight Reviewer Rating.

Robin Harrison, Head Instructor

Robin lives and works near Viking, Alberta and has over 20 years experience working directly in the agriculture sector in ag retail, crop consulting, soil sampling, and plant tissue sampling. He gained this experience largely through his ten years as partner in JR Consulting. Robin has been flying drones professionally for agricultural mapping for five years, starting in 2015 with a large-acreage AgEagle fixed-wing drone. He progressed over the years through a number of other aircraft, including experience

operating the Mavic Platinum, Mavic 2 Pro, Mavic 2 Zoom, Inspire 1, Matrice 100, and Matrice 210 quadcopters.



Much of his experience was developed while working at JTS Agrow, a liquid fertilizer dealer, and regularly flying imaging missions for LandView's agricultural customers, in addition to some engagements as a videographer for marketing purposes. Robin holds an Advanced Certificate with Flight Reviewer Rating and has in-depth knowledge of both the regulatory and agricultural aspects of drone operations.

Other Instructors

Altogether, we have a team of 6-8 instructors every season. All of our lead instructors have at least three seasons of experience actually operating agricultural drones and have the appropriate Transport Canada certification and hands-on experience with our current drone fleet.





Ag Drone Ground School - Spring 2017 Flat Lake, Alberta



LandView Responsibilities

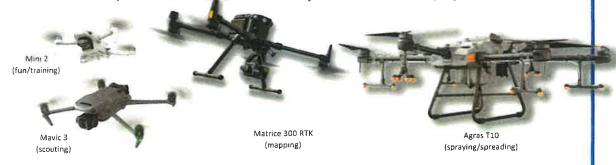
Provide two instructors for two full days

Unlike other ground schools, we have two instructors. The head instructor will focus on teaching agricultural and regulatory aspects of the course, while the other ensures that all of the equipment is prepared for participants and then guides them through all of the practical flight aspects of the course. *See bios above*.

Provide all training materials Don't offer coffee tea pots or snacks. Responsibility of hosts

We will bring a projector, projection screen, note paper, pens, coffee and tea pots, snacks, and drinks. Each attendee will receive a coil-bound binder with approximately 160 pages of printed school materials.

Participants will be given access to "stick time" on a variety of aircraft, typically including the DJI Mini 2, Air 2S or Mavic 2, Mavic 3, Matrice 200- or 300-series. At most schools, we will even have the Agras T10 spraying drone on-site for students to try out. (For students to see) Offer it as a "teaser" want to fly these? Come to a spray clinic



Registration & Communications

We have both an online and telephone registration system:

- www.agdroneschool.com
- (780) 448-7445

Participants will be welcomed and provided with details of the training, as well as logistical details. Our staff will keep in touch with students before & after the course. We are currently revamping the registration system to take automated payments. Let us know if you have special requirements for the registration process – some of our Hosts have subsidized their members' or ratepayers' registration costs, for example. We will always acknowledge the Host in the confirmation and welcome e-mails to registered participants.

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Dage 4

Advertise the Event

LandView has primary responsibility for advertising the event, though we would appreciate the Host also spreading the word. We will circulate at least 2,000 full-colour postcards through unaddressed mail to farms on rural routes and lock-box delivery routes in your area.

We will also send the Host a some of these oversize postcards for distribution in whatever way you see fit, as well as some posters that you can use to get the word out.





We would also be pleased to draft articles for your local newspaper, with recognition of your organization for bringing the event to your community. Those draft articles would be provided to you with default quotes, but with plenty of room for comments and customization by your organization.

Of course, we also appreciate any efforts you put towards advertising the event by whatever means you see fit. We would ask that LandView be recognized as delivering the schooling, but you may certainly bill it as **your event**.

You can also expect some media coverage at the time of the school, as local newspapers tend to show interest in a picture and short article. Several examples of articles written about our school include "Easy-to-use drones becoming crop tool" (Western Producer) and "How I Learned to Fly a Drone" (Canadian Association of Agricultural Retailers). We have also had some television coverage, including a feature story on CBC's national news:

"The National" video.



Host Responsibilities

Venue

We require a hall that has decent lighting and acoustics to serve as a training room, while also having some indoor space available so that flight training can occur indoors if weather doesn't allow outdoor operations (ideally at least 40' x 80' with 10' ceilings). The costs and more importantly the logistics around opening, closing and cleaning the venue will be the responsibility of the Host.

If possible, we would also like access to some outdoor space for the students to conduct hands-on mapping missions of their own. It's ideal if we can find a location at least 9 km from any certified airports, so that we won't need to coordinate airspace. In many cases, we simply arrange for access to farm fields or pasture in the vicinity. We will send you a map showing airspace to avoid because it requires Advanced certification.

Lunches, Drinks and Snacks

The host is typically better able to mobilize local resources – and knows who makes the best lunches! The Host will arrange to have lunch served to the participants on both days. Of course, if you prefer to approach local businesses to sponsor those lunches, we would be happy to recognize any such contributions. The lunches need not be anything fancy – soup and sandwich lunches are just fine, as are pizza or pastas. We don't typically take long breaks, but coffee and cold drinks on all but the second afternoon are appreciated by participants.

Raise Awareness

LandView will circulate larger volume paid advertising at our cost, which will include recognition of your role as Host of the event. But you will be better able to spread the word than any paid advertising. We would appreciate your making the availability of this course known to farmers in your area through newsletters, posters and social media. LandView would be happy to provide draft materials and work with you to develop customized materials that would interest local newspapers, if you want to raise awareness of your organization that way.

Host Benefits:

- Bring crop management education to farmers in your area
- Foster conversations about agtech / remote sensing
- Demonstrate leadership on drone safety & privacy
- A \$100 discount code in the name of the Host

Clear Hills County Request For Decision (RFD)

Meeting: Agricultural Service Board

Meeting Date: September 17, 2025

Originated By: Greg Coon, Agricultural Fieldman

Title: **EVENTS** File: 63-10-02

DESCRIPTION:

The Board is presented with a list of upcoming agricultural related events for their information.

BACKGROUND:

Upcoming Events:

CHC Soil Health Workshop

CHC FireSmart & AgKnow Presentation

ATTACHMENTS:

CHC Soil Health Workshop Poster

CHC FireSmart & AgKnow Presentation Poster

Calendar: September, October, November

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

RESOLUTION by... to authorize the attendance of all Agricultural Service Board members to the Clear Hills County's Soil Health Workshop at Dave Shaw in Hines Creek on October 16, 2025.

RESOLUTION by... to authorize the attendance of all Agricultural Service Board members to the Clear Hills County's FireSmart & AgKnow Presentation at the Cherry Canyon Recreational Centre on October 22, 2025.

AgFieldman:

Initials show support - Reviewed by: Manager:



SOIL HEALTH WORKSHOP



IN CONJUNCTION WITH BIRCH HILLS COUNTY

Join us for a full day of information on soil regeneration, weeds and weed management from Dr. Kris Nichols all the way from Minnesota!

LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED
(REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED FOR LUNCH)

Event Details:

Date: **October 16, 2025** Time: **10:00am - 4:30pm**

Location: Dave Shaw Memorial Complex Special Speaker: Dr. Kris Nichols, PhD





780-685-3925 - EXT. 116

TALK TO CRAIG DONNELLY

(REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS OCTOBER 10TH)

CONTACT INFO: CRAIG DONNELLY (780) 685-3925 EXT. 116 OR EMAIL: EXTENSIONS ERVICES @CLEARHILLS COUNTY. AB. CA

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INFORMATIVE SESSION ON FIRESMART PROGRAM & AGKNOW

Join us for a session on FireSmart Alberta & protecting your farm against wildfires.

Paired with AgKnow on farmer mental health.

Event Details:

Date: October 22, 2025

Time: 1:30pm - 4:30pm

Location: Cherry Canyon Recreational Centre

These Presentations Will Cover:

- Small steps you can take to make your farm and community more resilient to wildfires.
- "How Are You Really?" Unique stressors farmers face, and options for managing through them.

Guest Speakers:

Ryan Lawson - Wildfire Technologist Linda Hunt - AgKnow Program Director

Contact Info

Craig Donnelly (780) 685-3925 ext. 116 or

Email: extensionservices@clearhillscounty.ab.ca

September

| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
|-----|---|---|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----|-----|
| | 1 labor day | 2 P&P | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| 7 | 8 | 9 Council | 10 | 11 Farm Diversification Tour | 12 | 13 |
| 14 | 15 Biggest Veg Cleardale | 16 Biggest Veg Worsley & HC | ASB Biggest Veg Cherry Point | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| 21 | 22 | 23 Council | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| 28 | 29 Riparian Areas Presentation | National Day for Truth and Reconciliation | | | a | |
| | | | | | | |

October 2025

| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | тни | FRI | SAT |
|-----|------------------------|---------------------|--|-----------------------------------|-----------------|-----|
| | | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 5 | 6 | 7 P&P | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| 12 | 13 Thanksgiving | 14 Council | 15 ASB | 16 Soil Health Workshop Dave Shaw | 17 | 18 |
| 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 FireSmart & AgKnow Cherry Canyon Hall | 23 | 24 | 25 |
| 26 | Municipal Election Day | 28 Council | 29 | 30 | 31 Halloween | |
| | | | | | | |

10 (Cambrell) 2025

| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT | |
|-----|-----|--------------------|---|-----|-----|-----|--|
| | | | | | | 1 | |
| 2 | 3 | 4 P&P | 5 ASB Regional Conference Saddle Hills County | 6 | 7 | 8 | |
| 9 | 10 | 11 Remembrance Day | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | |
| 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 ASB | 20 | 21 | 22 | |
| 23 | 24 | 25 Council | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | |
| 30 | | | | | | | |

Clear Hills County

Request For Decision (RFD)

Meeting: Agricultural Service Board Meeting

Meeting Date: September 17, 2025

Originated By: Greg Coon, Agricultural Fieldman

Title: AGRICULTURAL FIELDMAN REPORT

File No: 63-10-02

DESCRIPTION:

At this time the Agricultural Fieldman will have an opportunity to present his report.

BACKGROUND:

ATTACHMENTS:

Agricultural Fieldman Report Rental Equipment Summary Extension Services Report

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

RESOLUTION by.. that the Agricultural Service Board accepts the September 17, 2025, Agricultural Fieldman report for information.

DAgFieldman:

Initials show support - Reviewed by: Manager:

SEPT 17, 2025

PEST CONTROL

• Wolves Claimed 2025 YTD:

| Total # | Total \$ | | | | |
|---------|-----------|--|--|--|--|
| 6 | \$1200.00 | | | | |

• Coyotes Claimed 2025 YTD:

| Total # | Total \$ |
|---------|-----------|
| 167 | \$5010.00 |

OTHER TOPICS

- 1. Weed inspectors have completed the wheat head surveys on 3 fields and canola surveys on 4 fields for Alberta Agriculture and Irrigation.
- 2. Clubroot and blackleg surveys have been completed on the targeted 50 fields. All the fields of the producer who had a positive clubroot discovery last year have been surveyed with no clubroot symptoms found on any of his fields. The field that had clubroot was planted to oats this year.
- 3. The mowers have completed a full cut in Bear Canyon, Cleardale, Royce, Hines Creek, Blackduck, Whitelaw, Deer Hill area. We have done a shoulder cut from Worsley east to the eureka mailboxes and are now doing full cut there.
- 4. We sprayed a mile of right of way with Roundup and will be starting our seeding trial east of Worsley. We will be putting on a 50-50 mix of creeping red fescue and timothy to try and outcompete the foxtail on the shoulders of that highway.
- 5. We are down to 2 weed inspectors as one inspector has started college.
- 6. The contractor has begun the cladding project on the south shop wall. Strapping is underway and waiting on tin to arrive.

January 1 - August 31, 2025

| Rental Equipment | Ren | tal Deposit | | tal Rates | Total Users | Total Days | Tota | | _ | iipment Expense |
|-----------------------------|------|-------------------|------|------------------|-------------|-------------------|------|---------------|-----|-----------------|
| Backpack Sprayer | \$ | 50.00 | \$ | 3 | 0 | 0 | \$ | | \$ | |
| Bale Scale | \$ | 100.00 | \$ | 30.00 | 1 | 1 | \$ | 30.00 | \$ | |
| BBQ Trailer | \$ | 150.00 | \$ | 75.00 | 6 | 10 | \$ | 750.00 | \$ | |
| Chairs | \$ | 50.00 | \$0 | .50/chair | 11 | 14 | \$ | 712.50 | \$ | • |
| Community Centre | \$ | 50.00 | \$ | 50.00 | 4 | 10 | \$ | 700.00 | \$ | |
| Corral Panels | \$ | 50.00 | \$ | 50.00 | 3 | 8 | \$ | 250.00 | \$ | 1,393.86 |
| Eco-Bran Applicator | \$ | 50.00 | \$ | | 0 | 0 | | | \$ | |
| Exta Hoses | \$ | 50.00 | \$1. | 000/hose | 0 | 0 | \$ | | \$ | (E) |
| Grain Bagger | \$ | 350.00 | \$ | 350.00 | 0 | 0 | \$ | 7 D * | \$ | |
| Grain Bag Roller | \$ | 50.00 | \$ | | 20 | 106 | \$ | - | \$ | 467.12 |
| Grain Bag Extractor | \$ | 350.00 | \$ | 350.00 | 3 | 5 | \$ | 1,750.00 | \$ | 152.18 |
| Grain Vac | \$ | 400.00 | \$ | 200.00 | 24 | 27 | \$ | 7,650.00 | \$ | 554.17 |
| Grill | \$ | 50.00 | \$ | 5.00 | 3 | 3 | \$ | 15.00 | \$ | |
| Land Leveller | \$ | 300.00 | \$ | 150.00 | 1 | 3 | \$ | 450.00 | \$ | 3) |
| Loading Chute | \$ | 50.00 | \$ | 25.00 | 5 | 5 | \$ | 125.00 | \$ | |
| Manure Spreader | \$ | 400.00 | \$ | 200.00 | 4 | 12 | \$ | 2,400.00 | \$ | (9); |
| Mulch Applicator | \$ | 50.00 | \$ | 25.00 | 1 | 10 | \$ | | \$ | 12 - 25 - 15 |
| Post Pounder | \$ | 300.00 | \$ | 150.00 | 13 | 15 | \$ | 2,100.00 | \$ | 851.97 |
| Pull/Push Roller Applicator | \$ | 50.00 | \$ | | 1 | 7 | \$ | | \$ | |
| Quad Mount Rope Wick | \$ | 50.00 | \$ | 35/ | 0 | 0 | \$ | 2 | \$ | :49 |
| Quad Mounted Sprayer | \$ | 50.00 | \$ | | 1 | 22 | \$ | Walter Street | \$ | |
| Quad Pull Type Sprayer | \$ | 50.00 | \$ | (4) | 0 | 0 | \$ | | \$ | - |
| Roller Mill | \$ | 50.00 | \$ | 20.00 | 1 | 1 | \$ | 20.00 | \$ | |
| Rotowiper | \$ | 150.00 | \$ | | 0 | 0 | \$ | ä | \$ | 156.07 |
| Skidmount Sprayer | \$ | 50.00 | \$ | | 2 | 7 | \$ | 12 | \$ | |
| Smoke Signs | \$ | 60.00 | \$ | 328 | 3 | 40 | \$ | 277.82 | \$ | (2) |
| Scare Cannon | \$ | 50.00 | \$ | | 2 | 33 | \$ | | \$ | |
| Tables | \$ | 50.00 | | .00/table | 10 | 12 | \$ | 266.00 | \$ | (4) |
| Toilets | \$ | 100.00 | \$ | 40.00 | 5 | 14 | \$ | 480.00 | \$ | |
| Truck Mount Sprayer | \$ | 200.00 | \$ | - | 0 | 0 | \$ | * | \$ | 277.18 |
| Wash Station | \$ | 50.00 | \$ | 10.00 | 0 | 0 | \$ | | \$ | |
| | | \$100 (summer) | | \$75 (summer) | | | | | | |
| Water Pumps | \$11 | 000 (winter) | 520 | 0 (winter) | 23 | 35 | \$ | 4,365.50 | \$ | 3,626.24 |
| Wire Roller | \$10 | 50.00 | \$ | 25.00 | 9 | 15 | \$ | 375.00 | 165 | |
| vvii e nollei | 7 | 50.00 | Y | 25.00 | 156 | 415 | | 22,716.82 | \$ | 7,478.79 |

| Revenue | \$ 22,716.82 |
|-------------|-----------------|
| Equipment | |
| Expense | \$ 7,478.79 |
| Insurance | \$ 1,905.66 |
| Chargeback | \$ 13,233.17 |
| | |
| Profit/Loss | \$99.20 |

Clear Hills County Extension Services Report Craig Donnelly

September 17, 2025

Events

- September 11th- Local Farm Diversification Tour: Derrick Rottier's carrot operation, Todd Sadlier's Fora Seed operation, and Chris Kamphuis' bee / honey operation.
- September 29th- Riparian areas presentation by Cow's and Fish. An introduction to riparian areas (their importance, form and function), How riparian areas can help during drought, and riparian enhancement and restoration strategies like soil erosion, bioengineering, etc.
- October 16th- Dr. Kris Nichols full day event on Regenerating soil: Definitions and Principles, Creating a Farm Plan to regenerate soil, Weeds and Weed Management.
- October 22nd- FireSmart and AgKnow presentation.
- Spring of 2026- Low Stress Livestock Handling presentation by Dylin Biggs: Talking with Susie from Saddle Hills County to do cost sharing.

Clear Hills County

Request For Decision (RFD)

Meeting:

Agricultural Service Board Meeting

Meeting Date:

September 17, 2025

Originated By:

Greg Coon, Agricultural Fieldman

Title: File No: **INFORMATION & CORRESPONDENCE**

63-10-02

DESCRIPTION:

The Board is presented with correspondence for review.

BACKGROUND:

ATTACHMENTS:

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

RESOLUTION by.. that this Agricultural Service Board receives the information & correspondence of September 17, 2025, as presented.

AgFieldman:

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