

Project Background

Yellowhead County adopted the Yellowhead County Municipal Development Plan (MDP) in 2013. It is a provincially required statutory document that sets policies for the orderly development of a land use vision in the County. The Land Use Bylaw (LUB) is a tool for implementing the vision established in the MDP. The County is undertaking a review process to ensure that the LUB supports the vision. The County has retained a planning consulting firm, Green Space Alliance from Edmonton, as a lead consultant for the preparation of these documents. The project is anticipated to be completed by March 2021.

What is a Land Use Bylaw?

A Land Use Bylaw is an implementation tool that defines land use districts and development standards applicable to all lands within the County and helps to implement the vision established in the Municipal Development Plan.

A LUB provides ‘prescriptive’ regulations that are legally enforceable. The LUB regulates orderly growth and protects the community from conflicting land uses and unsafe developments. It divides the municipality into appropriate land use districts according to land use type and intensity. The LUB controls the use of land in a community, outlining such aspects as:

- Location of varying types of land uses;
- Location and size of development parcels and structures;
- General development regulations for a variety of developments; and
- Specific use related regulations for special use classes.

Project Phasing

| PHASE ONE | PHASE TWO | PHASE THREE | PHASE FOUR |
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| Issue Identification | Technical Review | Bylaw Preparation | Bylaw Adoption |
| February – March 2020 | June – August 2020 | September – December 2020 | March 2021 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project Kick-Off Meeting • Develop Public Engagement and Communication Plan • Public Engagement #1: Impact Survey | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Technical Analysis, Background Review • Steering Committee Meeting • Background Analysis Report | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public Engagement #1 • Combined Council Workshop and Steering Committee Meeting • Draft LUB | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public Engagement #2 • Final Draft LUB • Public Hearing • Council Approval |