

## **COUNTY OF VERMILION RIVER LANDOWNER CONSENT LETTER TO REDISTRIBUTE TO THE AGRICULTURAL (A) DISTRICT**

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A notification was sent out to those landowners affected by a District change as part of the County of Vermilion River's (the "County") review and update of the Land Use Bylaw (LUB) and Municipal Development Plan (MDP).

We appreciate those who have acknowledged the notification and returned a copy to the County and/or Municipal Planning Services (2009) Ltd. The Planning Department uses this information to ensure effective communication and engagement with residents across the County throughout the LUB and MDP review process.

As part of the project, the County is redistricting Country Residential lots to the Agricultural district. In the current LUB, landowners of lots zoned as [Country Residential – Single-lot \(CR-S\)](#) and [Country Residential – Agriculture \(CR-A\)](#) may be required to complete an amendment to the LUB prior to subdividing and/or adjusting the boundary of their lot(s). This adds significant costs and approximately three (3) to six (6) months to the subdivision timeline. By redistricting your property(s) to Agricultural, the subdivision process will be streamlined and red tape reduced.

Redistricting to [Agricultural](#) simply means that your property will go from being CR-S or CR-A to the Agricultural district. This will not change anything physically about your property; however, it may change some of the uses that are allowed. Generally, anything that is allowed in the Country Residential district is allowed within the Agricultural district; the Agricultural district provides a wider range of uses in relation to farming and livestock such as intensive agriculture. A detailed comparison of the permitted and discretionary uses is available to view on the County website here: <https://www.vermilion-river.com/departments/planning-and-community-services/projects>. We encourage you to review this information carefully.

There will be no direct impact to your taxes with the redistricting of your property(s). Generally, only improvements to the land (i.e., development) will affect taxes.

To view the current zoning of your property(s), we encourage you to visit our interactive property information map here: <https://www.vermilion-river.com/living-here/maps>.

For further information, contact the Planning & Community Services Department at: [planning@county24.com](mailto:planning@county24.com) or (780) 846-2244.