



County of St. Paul No. 19

September 24, 2014

Grants Coordinator
FSEPP 2014/15 Training Grant
Public Safety Division
Alberta Municipal Affairs
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Edmonton, AB
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Dear Grants Coordinator,

It is my pleasure to write a letter in support of the FSEPP 2014/15 Training Grant being submitted to the Office of the Fire Commissioner by our Regional Director of Emergency Management.

The Regional Emergency Management Plan is an approach that has been implemented by the Town and County of St. Paul; Town of Elk Point; and Summer Village of Horseshoe Bay. The benefits of the Regional approach includes improved emergency planning, communication and information sharing; enhanced emergency planning in regards to legal compliance; better sharing of resources; and greater public awareness and preparedness. In development of this group, we are bringing in individuals that have no previous experience in emergency management. By providing these individuals with Basic Emergency Management and Incident Command System training we will bring a heightened level of awareness; education and experience to these individuals to make them confident in their roles and responsibilities.

The County fully supports the efforts of the Regional Director of Emergency Management's application for this grant. Council feels it is very important to train individuals that will be part of this committee and agency. We want to ensure that our communities are prepared to the best of our ability should we ever have to activate our Emergency Plan to a major emergency or disaster in our communities.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sheila Kitz', is written over a circular stamp or seal.

Sheila Kitz, CLGM
Chief Administrative Officer