



COUNTY OF ST. PAUL NO. 19

BALANCING RURAL HERITAGE WITH A DIVERSE ECONOMY

POLICY OBJECTIVE:

In an effort to support beaver population control efforts, the County shall implement the Beaver Reduction Incentive Program, which will provide a monetary sum for the carcass of a lawfully harvested beaver, for the purpose of protecting key infrastructure from drainage problems related to beaver activity.

1.0 IMPLEMENTATION

- 1.1 Council shall annually, by resolution, activate the the Beaver Reduction Incentive Program, set the eligibility period, and establish a budget for the Program.
- 1.2 Council shall pay a set amount per beaver, which shall be enumerated annually in the County's Fee Schedule Bylaw.
- 1.3 The County reserves the right to modify the Program from time to time without notice to the participants.

2.0 CONDITONS OF PARTICIPATION

- 2.1 The County's Beaver Reduction Incentive Program shall be in effect for pre-approved private property and grazing leases within the corporate boundaries of the County of St. Paul.
- 2.2 Eligible participants shall:
 - 2.2.1 Be a resident of the County of St. Paul No. 19;
 - 2.2.2 Adhere to all Program rules, as amended from time to time;
 - 2.2.3 Complete an application form;

- 2.2.4 Complete a disbursement form.
- 2.3 Participants taking part in the Beaver Reduction Incentive Program are expected to adhere to all Federal and Provincial legislation and regulations, including but not limited to the *Wildlife Act*, *Firearms Act*, *Petty Trespass Act*, and *Alberta Hunting Regulations*.
- 2.4 Participants may be deemed ineligible for future participation in the Program at the discretion of the Director of Community Services or their designee.

