

Mackenzie Regional Waste Management Commission

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Joulia Whittleton
Chief Administrative Officer
Mackenzie County
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Fort Vermilion, AB, T0H 1N0

Re: Second Landfill

Dear Ms. Whittleton:

The Mackenzie Regional Waste Management Commission has expressed interest in pursuing approval to operate a second landfill which would be located in Mackenzie County. Presently, all waste collected within Mackenzie County is transported to the Regional Landfill in High Level. Due to the hauling distance, this is a significant cost to the County. By having a landfill in the Lacrete area, there will be economic benefit for the County as well as Commercial businesses in the area.

Just reaching the application process of applying for approval from ESRD to operate a landfill is a slow and costly process. If successful, there is a large financial investment required for the designing, building and operating a landfill. With the Commission owning and operating both landfills, it will create efficiency and cost effectiveness.

The Commission is aware the County has the option to purchase four quarters of land, N1/2 106-13-27-W5 and S1/2 106-13-24-W5, from ESRD for the purpose of establishing a local landfill. At the Commission meeting on October 18, 2014, two motions were passed unanimously. At the request of Mackenzie County, Resolution #90-14 instructed the Commission Manager work with County administration on investigating a second landfill option. Resolution #91-14 stated that prior to any financial investment, the Commission requires a written commitment from Mackenzie County for the sale of this or any alternate land for landfilling purposes, at the County's cost upon receiving landfill approval for such land from ESRD.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at 780-926-2958 or Managermrl@telus.net.

Sincerely
Bruce Underhay

