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### **A Message from the Regional Director of Emergency Management**

On March 18, 2020, an Incident Management Team was activated in response to the COVID-19 Pandemic. The IMT, along with the CAO's of the County of St. Paul, Town of St. Paul, Town of Elk Point and the Summer Village of Horseshoe Bay, meet daily to ensure the safety and well-being of our citizens and our collective communities are being addressed.

Early on, the decision was made to close all our Recreational Facilities, Community Centers, and ultimately restrict public access to our Administration Buildings. The playgrounds in all our municipalities have also been closed. We ask you all to respect these decisions for the time being.

Earlier this week, most of Western Canada experienced a brief delay in the ability to access mobile cellular networks. While I hope this was a one-time occurrence, I strongly encourage everyone to make alternate plans to contacting 9-1-1 from a landline, should the need arise again.

As we continue to take the lead from the Provincial Government and Alberta Health Services, we ask everyone to do their part by respecting the physical distancing requirements of the Chief Medical Officer of Health and stay home as much as possible.

As a Region, I know we will all get through this together. I cannot thank our frontline Healthcare Workers and other essential service workers enough for all they do. Continue to monitor our websites, social media, and newspaper for updates.

Regards,

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