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Pigeon Lake Regional Wastewater Planning Committee Funding Approval

The Pigeon Lake Regional Wastewater Planning Committee is comprised of the municipalities of the County of Wetaskiwin, County of Leduc, Maskwacis Cree, and the Summer Villages of Ma-Me-O, Sundance, Grandview, Norris, Poplar Bay, and Crystal Springs, as well as the North East Pigeon Lake Regional Services Commission. The Committee exists to address wastewater issues surrounding Pigeon Lake, and the associated environmental and health concerns by constructing and operating a Regional Wastewater System to service the growing population around the Lake.

In 2009 the Committee completed an engineering pre-design study for a wastewater system, which was then submitted to Alberta Transportation as the basis of a "Water For Life" program application for funding. The Committee is pleased to advise that correspondence has been received from the Honourable Luke Ouellette, Minister of Transportation, indicating that funding has been approved in the amount of 92.86% of project costs, up to a maximum of \$10,307,400 for Phase One of the project. This will fund the expansion of the Mulhurst Lagoon and the construction of a regional wastewater line running from the lagoon, south around the west end of Pigeon Lake. The final grant amount will be based on actual costs from design and construction of the system.

The Committee will be meeting in the coming weeks to determine its course of action in moving forward with this project, and looks forward to continued success in this area.

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