

# WESTLOCK COUNTY BY-LAW NO. 25-2019 WESTLOCK, ALBERTA

Being a Bylaw of Westlock County, in the Province of Alberta, for the purpose of providing Emergency Management for the Summer Village of Larkspur.

WHEREAS a disaster could affect any municipality to such a degree that local municipal resources would not be able to cope with the situation;

AND WHEREAS it is recognized that an emergency or disaster of a jurisdictional or multijurisdictional nature could affect the Summer Village to such a degree that local resources would be inadequate to cope with the situation;

AND WHEREAS Westlock County and the Summer Village of Larkspur wish to enter a regional Emergency Management partnership for the purpose of integrated Emergency Management planning and operations;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council of Westlock County, duly assembled, enacts as follows:

#### 1. Title

1.1 This bylaw may be cited as the "Emergency Management Bylaw with Larkspur".

#### 2. Preamble and Schedules

2.1 The preamble and any schedules hereto form a part of this bylaw.

### 3. Definitions

In this bylaw:

- 3.1 "Act" means the Emergency Management Act, revised Statures of Alberta 2000, Chapter E-6.8.
- 3.2 "Commencement Date" means that date in which this Bylaw becomes effective.
- 3.3 "Disaster" means an event that results in serious harm to the safety, health or welfare of people or in widespread damage to property.
- 3.4 "Emergency" means an event that requires prompt coordination of action or special regulation of persons or property to protect the safety, health or welfare of people or limit damage to property.
- 3.5 "Director of Emergency Management" means an individual of Westlock County responsible for the preparation and coordination of emergency plans and programs that is appointed by Westlock County Council.





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- 4. Westlock County hereby accepts the Summer Village of Larkspur delegating their powers or duties under the Emergency Management Act, section 11.3(1.1), and pursuant to Summer Village of Larkspur Bylaw #19-3 (see attached schedule "A"), to the County to act on the Summer Village's behalf in the case of an emergency or disaster, conditional to the following:
  - 4.1 That the Summer Village of Larkspur agrees to hold harmless Westlock County, its employees or contractors from any liability arising out of actions taken, or not taken, by Westlock County pursuant to this agreement and the emergency response actions
  - 4.2 That the Summer Village of Larkspur agrees that it will be responsible to pay all unrecoverable costs incurred by Westlock County in implementing the Emergency Response within the boundaries of the Summer Village of Larkspur. Both Westlock County and the Summer Village of Larkspur will pursue all sources of assistance from the Provincial Government and other agencies to offset costs so incurred.
- 5. Westlock County hereby accepts the Summer Village of Larkspur delegating their authority to respond to emergency, major emergency, disaster or potential disaster situations which may affect the Summer Village of Larkspur. In addition to the power to declare, renew and terminate a State of Local Emergency, this delegation of authority includes permission for Westlock County to take whatever means necessary in the above situations to provide for the protection of the public, property and the environment within the Summer Village of Larkspur. Westlock County agrees to notify, as soon as is reasonably possible, the Chief Administrative Officer and/or the Mayor of the Summer Village of Larkspur when any actions stated in the above paragraph are taken.
- 6. Costs of training will remain the responsibility of each individual municipality
- 7. This bylaw will come into effect immediately upon signing and shall remain in effect until notice to cancel has been forwarded in writing to one party by the other party, giving six (6) months' notice of the intent to cancel the delegation of powers and/or the acceptance of the delegation of powers under the Act, as the case may be. Notwithstanding the above, the delegation of powers and/or the acceptance of powers under the Act may be cancelled on shorter notice by mutual consent of both parties.

READ A FIRST TIME THIS 17TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2019.

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Chief Administrative Officer

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## READ A SECOND TIME THIS 17th DAY OF December, 2019.

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Chief Administrative Officer

RECEIVED UNANIMOUS CONSENT FOR CONSIDERATION OF THREE READINGS IN ONE MEETING VIA COUNCIL RESOLUTION #421-2019, THIS 17th DAY OF December, 2019.

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