



## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF ALBERTA

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Reeve Barry Kalinski  
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Dear Reeve Kalinski,

I would like to extend my sincere appreciation for including me in your recent correspondence to Minister Jones regarding the phased reduction in funding for Regional Economic Development Alliances (REDAs). Keeping me informed on matters that impact our region is invaluable, and I greatly appreciate your proactive approach in advocating for the continued support of economic development initiatives in rural Alberta.

REDAs have played an essential role in fostering regional collaboration, economic diversification, and growth, particularly for municipalities like the M.D. of Bonnyville. The partnerships they have cultivated and the expertise they provide have been instrumental in driving local and regional economic opportunities. The potential impacts of these funding changes are a serious concern, and I recognize the importance of ensuring that rural communities continue to have access to the tools and support necessary for sustainable growth.

I commend you and your council for your steadfast commitment to economic development and for bringing these concerns forward in a clear and constructive manner. Open communication between municipal and provincial representatives is crucial to ensuring that all perspectives are considered in policy decisions that affect our communities.

Please do not hesitate to reach out if there are any further developments on this matter or if I can be of assistance in facilitating discussions. I value the strong working relationship we have and remain committed to supporting initiatives that benefit the residents of Bonnyville-Cold Lake-St. Paul.

Sincerely,

Scott Cyr, MLA  
Bonnyville-Cold Lake-St. Paul