

Municipal District of Bonnyville No. 87

Request for Decision (RFD)

Meeting:	Regular Meeting of Council
Meeting Date:	May 13, 2025
Originated By:	Bryan Bespalko, General Manager of Infrastructure Services
Title:	Bonnyville Regional Water Services Commission - Request

PROPOSAL & BACKGROUND

Administration has received a letter from the Bonnyville Regional Water Services Commission (BRWSC) regarding possibly applying to the Province for a 3-way partnership to hook up the M.D.'s current 250 mm supply line to the Cold Lake Regional Utilities Service Commission's (CLRUSC) water transfer station on the south side of the City of Cold Lake (APPENDIX A).

The AECOM report, commissioned by the MD in 2021, is being used as information to base a possible application to Alberta Transportation (APPENDIX B).

The BRWSC is proposing to take the lead on the application and is asking if Council is in support of the application.

DISCUSSION ON BENEFITS, DISADVANTAGES & OPTIONS

This connection would have the benefit of switching over the disinfection from chlorinated water to chloraminated water, allowing for improved disinfection, and the additional benefit of providing a second supply line for the BRWSC under the Beaver River.

The connection of the 250mm M.D. line to the CLRUSC transfer station will allow the M.D. to fill the reservoirs at Ardmore and Fort Kent with the chloraminated water, improving the water quality, while keeping service to the residents connected to the 250mm line and with minimal increase in operational maintenance.

REFERENCE TO STRATEGIC PLAN

N/A

REFERENCE TO PROVINCIAL/FEDERAL LEGISLATION

Alberta Environment and Protected Areas – Codes of Practice

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING

Funding would be discussed during 2026 Budget Deliberations based on the success of a grant application.

COMMUNICATIONS STRATEGY

Via M.D. Council minutes and website.

ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDED ACTION

THAT Council approves the Bonnyville Regional Water Services Commission to explore grant funding for the connection of the existing M.D. of Bonnyville 250mm waterline to the Cold Lake Regional Utilities Services Commission water transfer station.

COUNCIL OPTIONS

1. THAT Council approves the Bonnyville Regional Water Services Commission to explore grant funding for the connection of the existing M.D. of Bonnyville 250mm waterline to the Cold Lake Regional Utilities Services Commission water transfer station.
2. THAT Council refers the request from the Bonnyville Regional Water Services Commission to explore grant funding options back to Administration for additional information regarding _____ and to bring it back to a future meeting of Council.
3. THAT Council accepts the request from the Bonnyville Regional Water Services Commission to explore grant funding options as information.

Report Approval Details

Document Title:	Bonnyville Regional Water Services Commission - Request.docx
Attachments:	- APPENDIX A.pdf - APPENDIX B.pdf
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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

Stephanie Severin