

# MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF WAINWRIGHT NO. 61

## 2014 AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD MANAGEMENT PLAN



Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61  
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**MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF WAINWRIGHT**  
**AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD MANAGEMENT PLAN**  
**2014**

**Vision:**

The Agricultural Service Board will provide agricultural programs and services to the rural residents of the municipality, to address their ever changing needs and to enhance and protect our viable and sustainable agricultural community.

**Mission:**

The Municipal District of Wainwright Agricultural Service Board will promote and coordinate programs and services in the areas of weeds, pests, soil and water conservation; environmental concerns and a variety of other issues relevant to the rural community. The Agricultural Service Board, ASB Staff, Agricultural producers, rural acreage owners and industry will work together to maintain a vibrant and sustainable rural community. Strong policies, adequate funding and innovative programming will ensure the Board's continued success. The Agricultural Service Board will consist of local residents (remove members) that have strong community bonds and agricultural interests and knowledge. The Board will provide direction for the Agricultural Service Board Staff and sound recommendations to Council for input into effective policies and programming.

**Guiding Principles:**

- Administration and M.D. Council– Committed to having an effective Agricultural Service Board and having qualified staff deliver innovative and effective agricultural and environmental programming to their ratepayers and rural community.
- Legislation – Committed to having staff effectively carrying out duties and responsibilities as designated from the Province of Alberta, initiated through the Municipal Government Act, Agricultural Service Board Act, Weed Control Act, Agricultural Pests Act, Soil Conservation Act, Animal Health Act, Forest and Prairie Protection Act, Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act, Alberta Land Stewardship Act and any other Act that may become involved while carrying out municipal (remove our) duties.
- ASB Program Delivery – Committed to having effective and innovative agricultural and environmental programming to meet the needs of our rural residents, acreage owners and local industry within the M.D. of Wainwright. (format change)

**MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF WAINWRIGHT NO.61**  
**AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD**  
**KEY OBJECTIVES**

1. To have an effective, involved and efficient Agricultural Service Board to advise and direct qualified ASB Staff to plan, administer and deliver ASB programming.
2. To have an effective Integrated Vegetation Management Plan (IVMP) for municipal, public and private lands within the M.D. of Wainwright, while promoting and enforcing the Alberta Weed Control Act.
3. To have an effective and efficient agricultural pest management plan for the M.D. of Wainwright, while promoting and enforcing the Alberta Agricultural Pest Act.
4. To promote the Soil Conservation Act and have an effective re-vegetation program on disturbed municipal roadsides, borrow pits and municipal gravel pits.
5. To continue relationship between Alberta Agriculture and Rural Development (ARD) and the M.D. of Wainwright, with the Schedule A Environmental Component and ASB Grant Application.
6. To provide effective services and programs to assist the agricultural community.
7. To recognize the contributions of municipal ratepayers to the agricultural community.

**MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF WAINWRIGHT, AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD**

**Key Objectives**

**Objective # 1**

**Key Objective:** To have an effective, involved and efficient Agricultural Service Board to advise and direct qualified ASB Staff to plan, administer and deliver ASB programming.

<b>Strategy</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Evaluation Measure</b>	<b>Outcomes</b>
Qualified, full time staff are hired to comply with legislated duties under the ASB Act and to coordinate ASB activities and programs.	Hire and employ full time, qualified Ag. Fieldman and assistant Ag. Fieldman.	Qualified staff are in place.	Agricultural Fieldman and Assistant Agricultural Fieldman employed and in place.
Ag Fieldman and Asst. Ag Fieldman receive training and support required to carry out their duties.	Attend Provincial ASB Conference, Regional ASB Conference, AAAF In-Service Training, IVMAA Conference, Various other Meetings and Training.	Members attended.	Attended 2014 Provincial ASB Conference Attended 2014 AAAF IST Aimee and ASB Chairman attended Regional ASB Chairman meetings Aimee attended Agronomy Conference Aimee Attended EFP Training Attended Pest Surveillance Conference
Stay current on Environmental issues Maintain Pesticide Applicator Certificates.	Attend training for Credits, Weed Inspector School, Dow Training, Others as required.	Members attended.	Staff Attended Dupont Product Training Staff Attended 2014 Weed Inspector School Staff Attended 2014 Dow AgriSciences Staff Attended Ag Pest Seminar (Vertebrate) James attended AMHSA Cargo Securement Training. Tanis took the WHMIS Training
	Maintain Memberships in relevant organizations such as AAAF, IVMAA And NAWMA.	Memberships maintained and training and information meetings attended.	Maintained the following Memberships: AAAF Membership IVMAA (PVMA) Membership AISC Membership

			PMAA Membership (Pest) CPMA Membership (Pest) NPMA Membership (Pest) SPCOA Membership (Pest) Did not renew NAISMA Membership
Councillors and ASB Members are aware of their duties and responsibilities.	Ag Fieldman and Asst. Ag Fieldman orientate new councillors and new ASB members of responsibilities and ASB operations.	Orientation session held yearly to educate and refresh councillors and ASB members on their responsibilities under the ASB Act.	Orientation Package was prepared and reviewed with the new Councillor and ASB Farm Member.
	ASB members attend orientation session at Provincial ASB Conference.	Members attended training sessions.	ASB Members attended the Regional ASB Conference and the Provincial ASB Conference
ASB Members actively promote ASB Programs and participate in board meetings and ASB organized events.	ASB Members Attend ASB Meetings	Members attended ASB Meetings.	ASB Members attended 3 ASB Meetings in 2014.
	One or more ASB members attend workshops or other extension activities held by ASB.	Members attended ASB Sponsored Extension meetings and workshops.	ASB Members attended when they were available.
Create, review, promote and recommend policies and programs that address ASB goals to Council.	Review all ASB Policy on a yearly basis including the ASB Management Plan.	ASB Policy reviewed and updated.	ASB Policies and Management Plan were reviewed and updated as required.

**MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF WAINWRIGHT, AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD**

**Key Objectives**

**Objective #2**

**Key Objective:** To have an effective Integrated Vegetation Management Plan (IVMP) for public and private lands within the M.D. of Wainwright.

<b>Strategy</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Evaluation Measure</b>	<b>Outcomes</b>
Maintain effective components to achieve effective Vegetation Management.	Have an effective Roadside Weed Spraying Program.	Complete Weed Spraying as set out in the second round of the 3 year rotational Blanket Weed Spraying Programming.	1449 linear km of road were inspected for weeds with 1221 km (3341.95 acres) of roadside weed spraying completed. This was the first year of

		(2014-2016)	the second round of our rotational program. We also completed 104.3 acres of handgun spraying throughout the M.D. We maintained three operators to run three trucks throughout the spray season. In addition to our constant inspections of our roadsides. 67 GIS entries were made on specific inspection sites.
	Have an effective Brush Control Spraying Program.	Complete Brush Spraying as set out in the 2 year rotational Spraying program.	2415.52 linear km of brush inspection was with 256km (533.52 acres) of brush spraying completed.
	Have an effective Roadside shoulder Mowing Program.	Complete Roadside Mowing Contract program for 2014 of up to 850 miles.	850 Miles (1700 linear miles) of municipal road was mowed again this year. Mowing Contract is up for re-issuance in 2015.
		Complete mowing map on a yearly basis.	Contract was successfully completed.
	Have an effective private land spraying program for Prohibited Noxious and identified Noxious weeds.	Respond to all Noxious weed calls in a timely manner.	Responded to all weed calls in a timely manner. Approximately 26 weed calls on private land were responded to and the noxious/prohibited noxious weeds were sprayed by 3 Weed Inspectors/Pesticide Applicators. Approximately 37 Weed ID and Farm calls were completed by the Agricultural Fieldman and Assistant Agricultural Fieldman.
		Prohibited Noxious Weed Calls	We continue to inspect and spray the one infestation of nodding thistle on about three quarters. We also continue to inspect and spray Hoary Allysum on the Saskatchewan border 8 quarters. Also inspect and spray 2 sites north and east of Wainwright. The landowners and leasee's are also actively involved in the spraying control measures. We also continue to

			assist the Town with their Spotted knapweed location.
	Respond to all Prohibited Noxious weed calls within suitable time frame.	Successfully responded to all calls within specified time frame.	Successfully responded to all received calls. Custom sprayed prohibited noxious weeds for landowners.
Maintain adequate qualified and effective Weed Inspectors/Spray Truck Operators.	Hire and provide ongoing training opportunities to three (3) Certified Pesticide Applicators.	Attend Regional Weed Inspector School Attend Regional Dow Training Sessions Attend Various other training opportunities to obtain credits and maintain licence.	5 ASB Staff were appointed as Weed Inspectors Qualified Certified Applicators were retained Attended Regional Weed Inspector School Attended Regional Dow Training Sessions Attended AAAF Industry Training Day. Dennis attended Dupont Product Training.
Maintain relevant policies and programs for mowing program, and the Weed/Brush Spraying Programs.	Have active discussions with ASB, Council and the public when developing and reviewing policies and programs.	Review policies on a yearly basis.	Policies were reviewed and changes made as required and approved by ASB and Council.
	Have a No Spray/Haying Option Agreement for producers.	Advertise and collect agreements by the May 1 <sup>st</sup> . deadline Add No Spray/Haying Option areas to the yearly spray maps. Number of ratepayers participating in program.	No Spraying Zone/Haying option Agreements were advertised and the 2014 list was compiled and added to our spray maps. There were 17 requests covering 27 quarters of no spray requests; and 7 requests covering 13 quarters of the Haying option in 2014.
Training for staff on equipment and capabilities of spraying equipment.	Host Spraying Orientation and training meeting in the spring of every year. Provide safety training for staff including First Aid, WHMIS, TDG etc.	Continue to have properly equipped spray equipment and effectively utilize GPS and mapping technology in spraying program.	We continue to use properly equipped spray equipment. We continue to work with the Town in a technical advisory and weed ID role regarding some of the prohibited noxious and noxious weeds such as Spotted Knapweed, Toadflax, Tansy, scentless Chamomile etc. The M.D. Weed Grant was released to the town of Wainwright.
		Produce GPS maps for completed spraying for roadside and brush.	Yearly GPS Maps were compiled and are stored on the computer for Roadside, Brush and

			handgun spraying.
		Equipment is inspected, maintained and updated as required.	Equipment is inspected, maintained and updated as required. We have started to build a new spray truck to replace one of our older trucks and it will be completed for the start of the 2015 spray season.
Support the Town of Wainwright's weed control program.	Supply the town with an Urban weed control grant to assist with their weed control efforts.	Review their annual operations report.	ASB reviewed the Town of Wainwright's proposed Weed Control Program and their Final Report and release weed funding.
Maintain a good working relationship with Urban Municipalities, Public Lands, and ASU Wainwright.	Have good two-way communication and information sharing.	Attend Joint Meetings and share information as required.	We Continue to monitor the Tall Buttercup on ASRD Land – Grazing association's contracted sprayer appears to be doing a good job. There is some Hoary Alyssum being found on ASRD land which has been getting sprayed by the lease. Late fall reports that there may be more Hoary Alyssum on a Grazing reserve, it will be inspected in 2015 to verify.
		Supply advice, weed ID and training opportunities to the Town of Wainwright.	Supplied Weed ID and locations to the town and responded to all other requests from the town. Supplied Training dates for Weed Inspector School.
	Advise and assist the Villages of Irma, Edgerton, Chauvin with weed control issues when required and authorized by council.	Supply advice, weed ID and training opportunities to the villages.	Assisted the Village of Chauvin with weed control work at the Garbage Collection Bit site located outside town limits.
	Support the ASU Wainwright with their Weed Control Program.	Supply advice, weed ID and training opportunities to staff.	Shared information about dates for training opportunities such as Weed Inspector School and Authorized Assistant Training.
		Supply herbicide to ASU Wainwright's weed control program.	We supplied \$235.60 worth of herbicide to CFB/ASU Wainwright's Weed Control Program.



			Less product requested due to carry over from previous year.
		Attend yearly environmental meeting with CFB/ASU Wainwright	No meeting held in 2014.
Maintain Special Weed Control and Research Plot projects with Industry and ratepayer partners.	Conduct and act as a Partner with Industry on plot work involving new herbicides and weed registrations.	Work with Dow Agro-Sciences on herbicide plots as needed.	Evaluated the plot sites that were completed in 2013.
		Work with Engage Agro and BASF on herbicide plots as needed.	Used Truvist on a number of roadside test sites. Used some research Rejuvra on a small test plot with an infestation of toadflax.
	Conduct Municipal Weed plots to help find effective solutions to address control concerns with Prohibited Noxious and Noxious weeds.	Evaluate Baby's Breath Herbicide Plot.	2 inquiries from other municipalities regarding control options for the control of Baby's Breathe.
Meet requirements under the Weed Control Act for Seed Cleaning Plants.	Inspect and sample the 2 Municipal Seed Cleaning Plants in the M.D. of Wainwright; Edgerton and Wainwright.	Get letters of authorization from the Town of Wainwright and the Village of Edgerton to inspect and licence the Seed Cleaning plants in their jurisdiction.	Revolving authorization letters are in place and the M.D. continues to be authorized to conduct Seed Cleaning Plant Inspections and Licensing in Wainwright and Edgerton.
		Collect seed samples from the two Seed Cleaning Plants.	The two Municipal Plants were inspected. 19 seed samples were taken from the Wainwright Seed Cleaning Plant. 19 Seed samples were taken from the Edgerton Seed Cleaning Plant. No portable seed cleaning plants notified the municipality that they were in our area cleaning in 2014.
		Inspect and Issue operating licence to the Wainwright and Edgerton Seed Cleaning Plants annually.	Inspections were completed and licenses were issued for both Seed Cleaning Plants.

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**Key Objectives**

**Objective # 3**

**Key Objective:** To have an effective, and efficient Pest Management Plan for the M.D. of Wainwright.

<b>Strategy</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Evaluation Measures</b>	<b>Outcomes</b>
Qualified, staff are hired to comply with legislated duties under the Pest Act regarding Rat Control.	Hire and employ Rat Control officer	Qualified staff are in place.	Five staff were appointed as Pest Inspectors Qualified Pest Control Officer is in Place (Rod Gabrielson).
Pest Control Officer receive training and support to carryout the duties in regards to Norway Rat Control work.	Attend training and educational Conferences pertaining to pest control, and safety.	Alberta Pest Control Training Saskatchewan Pest Control Officers Association training. Other workshops as required.	PMAA – Pest Managers Association of Alberta (Fall and Spring Meetings) Alberta Pest Control Training – Canmore SPCOA – Spring Training Municipal Rat Control Training Workshop Rod assisted with Provincial Training and did rat control presentations for the PMAA, Alberta Pest Control Training and Municipal Rat Control Training.
		Take First Aid Training, Form 7 Permit, WHMIS and TDG.	Certificates remain up to date. Form 7, WHMIS and TDG were renewed in 2014.
Meet Requirements of ARD Rat Control Contract for Alberta & Saskatchewan.	Submit application of Rat Control Contract.	Successful partnership with ARD in form of Rat Control Contract.	Contract and Expense statement were completed and submitted as required.
	Conduct Rat Control Inspections.	Number of Rat Control Inspections.	712 Alberta inspections and 306 Saskatchewan Inspections were completed in 2014.
	Respond to Rat Control calls from producers.	Number of Rat Control call-outs.	Rod had 37 Rat calls, James had 2 and all of them were negative. Suspected rats but were pocket gophers, or other critters.
	Assist Other Rat Control Inspectors	Number of Assists of Rat Control	2 ARD requests for assistance outside normal

	with control efforts when requested.	requests.	working area.
Carry out Provincial Pest Surveys and Inspections as requested by Alberta Agriculture (subject to staffing and resources).	Review of current policies for Clubroot.	Have current Municipal Policy containing Clubroot Policy.	Policy in place and approved by Council.
	Conduct Clubroot Inspections and Surveys.	Number of Clubroot Inspections submitted to Province.	We completed 65 Clubroot field inspections, 24 of which were conducted jointly with U of A staff. No visual signs of this disease were evident.
	Maintain current mandate for Fusarium graminearum.		The Provincial Governments continued inaction on a clear direction regarding this disease combined with an inspectors inability to effectively enforce the Act regarding this disease puts municipalities in a tough position. We continue to undertake awareness programs, (poster, newsletters, radio spots, etc).
	Conduct Fusarium graminearum Inspections and surveys.	Number of Fusarium graminearum field sample inspections submitted to Province.	No field inspections and municipal sampling was completed in 2014. Seed sampling done at the local Seed Cleaning Plants and discussions with farmers indicated a significant increase in Fusarium graminearum positive seed samples.
Carry out other inspections and surveys as required.	Conduct Grasshopper Survey.	Survey Completed and Submitted.	50 Grasshopper locations were surveyed with a range of 0-12 grasshopper/m2 being found. There were more hot spots around the Municipality this year than the last couple years.
	Conduct Wheat Midge survey and soil sampling.	Survey Completed and Sampled Submitted.	Participated in the Wheat Midge Survey for 2014, with 5 fields sampled. Viable samples ranged from 0-7 at the 5 sites.
	Monitoring Bertha Army Worm Traps.	Survey Completed and Numbers Submitted.	Participated in the Bertha Army Worm survey, with 2 site locations, and 2 traps at each location. Numbers were fairly low with counts of

			only 60 and 68 at the survey locations
	Monitor Diamond Back Moth Traps.	Survey Completed and Numbers Submitted.	Participated in the Diamond Back Moth survey, 1 location, with 2 traps on site. Numbers were very low with only a count of 4 at the survey location.
	Swede Midge Traps	Survey Completed and Numbers Submitted	Participated in the Swede Midge survey, 2 site locations, and 4 traps at each location. No swede midge were found.
	Virulent Blackleg	Survey was discontinued 15-20 years ago as it became less of an issue and was deemed a normal management and rotation issue.	No Blackleg surveys were completed. If ARD requires Municipalities to complete these surveys again, Clear communication needs to occur and additional funding would be required to re-introduce these inspections.
Maintain Vertebrate Pest Control programs.	Have Qualified staff to respond and carry out Coyote Control.	Obtain and keep Form 7 Permit.	James, Aimee and Rod Continued to hold Valid Form7 Permit in 2014.
		Respond to ratepayers calls regarding coyote predation.	Issued 1080 tablets to 5 producers and snares to three producers.
	Have Qualified staff to address beaver control issues on Municipal right of ways and flooding issues on private land.	Number of Beaver removed.	147 problem beavers removed throughout the season.
		Number of dams removed.	59 beaver dams or culvert plugs where removed by hand. 15 dams removed with explosives.
		Obtain and keep all relative licences and permits in place.	All required licenses and permits are in place and current.
	Work with the Office of the Chief	Report any notifiable livestock diseases	No reportable livestock diseases were

	Provincial Vet.	that are suspected or found to the Chief Provincial Vet and work with them on any situations that may arise.	suspected or found in the Municipality in 2014.
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## MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF WAINWRIGHT, AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD

### Key Objectives

#### Objective # 4

**Key Objective:** To continue partnership between Alberta Agriculture and the M.D. of Wainwright, Schedule A Environmental Stream, ASB Grant Application.

Strategy	Action	Evaluation Measures	Outcomes
Develop concept of environmental programs with practical ideas.	Write application, with complete requirements, review with ASB and Council, attach appropriate signatures and submit.	Continued grant agreement approval from Alberta Agriculture for the years 2014-2016.	The M.D. of Wainwright accessed grant dollars to continue the Schedule A Environmental Stream for the 2014-2016 years.
Explore the needs of the agricultural and environmental community every regularly.	Communicate with area farmers.	Phone conversations, office visits, farm visits.	Participated in Alberta Farm Safety week, and submitted newspaper articles on 9 Healthy Waterwell Maintenance tips.
	Communicate with Agricultural Service Board.	Complete ASB minutes.	Completed 3 sets of minutes from A.S.B meetings in January, May and October.
	Communicate with M.D. of Wainwright Council.	Complete monthly Agricultural Fieldmen's report.	Completed 12 Agricultural Fieldman Reports, to submit to council packages for Council meetings.
Share information on environmentally sustainable agricultural and rural living practices.	Design, print and mail "Agri-Connections" Newsletter. Every second month, 6 editions per year at least, 4 pages in length, colour print.	Newsletter mailed via Canada Post to rural residents in the Chauvin, Edgerton, Wainwright and Irma areas (approx. 1800 households).	Mailed 6 municipal newsletters in 2014 to rural households; for January, March, May, July, September and December, with at each mailing 832 Wainwright, 225 to Chauvin, 324 to

			Edgerton and 338 to Irma rural.
	Design, print, voice and record “Agri-minutes” weekly 2 minute radio spot, at minimum for half the year.		52X2 minutes x 2 separate radio stations (every week of the year), recording agricultural environmental municipal sustainable message; with an approximate listening audience of 45,000 people at any given time. Because of changes to our radio stations, their target audience and costs, the M.D. of Wainwright has chosen to discontinue the weekly Agri-Minute radio slots for 2015. We will continue to advertise on the new radio stations but on an as required basis.
	Maintain current ASB website on coming events or current information.	Number of times website is accessed or email.	The Municipal Website had 40,780 hits, Agri-minute had 2284, ASB Documents had 1967, Local weeds had 3261, ASB Minutes had 1556 hits, Municipal Newsletter had 2724 hits and AAAF link had 163 for a total ASB Section hits of 11,955.
Connect Alberta Agriculture with local ratepayers.	Host information sessions, workshops, meetings that bring current speaker information to local residents.	Number of sessions, workshops, meetings per year.	1 workshop was hosted in 2014; A source water protection workshop was hosting at the Elks Hall in Wainwright in conjunction with the Battle River Watershed Alliance. With 14 people attending.
	Active email sharing of key contact information sharing.	Number of emails to specific Alberta Agriculture Personnel.	Not currently using the Key Contact position. We actively use and access various ARD Specialists through 310-FARM and the Agricultural Service Board Specialist as required.
Work with Growing Forward Program and the Environmental Farm Plan Program.	Facilitate information to producers of program information.	Number of Training sessions offered by Alberta Government. Number of inquires of program.	Aimee attended 1 training session offered by the EFP program hosted in Red Deer, AB. Tanis attended 1 Training session in Edmonton

		Number of picked up workbooks. Number of reviewed workbooks.	for the EFP Program. Received a number of inquiries about GF2 4 workbooks picked up by producers 1 workbook completed and reviewed
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**MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF WAINWRIGHT, AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD**

**Key Objectives**

**Objective # 5**

**Key Objective:** To promote the Soil Conservation Act and have an effective re-vegetation program on disturbed municipal roadsides, borrow pits and municipal gravel pits.

<b>Strategy</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Evaluation Measure</b>	<b>Outcomes</b>
	Appointment of Soil Conservation Officers.	How many Officers were appointed	2 Soil Conservation Officers were appointed.
		Number of Soil Conservation Inspections completed.	There were no situations reported that required Soil Conservation Inspections in 2014.
Have a combined program with Public Works to re-vegetate municipally disturbed areas.	Reseed newly constructed roadside right-of-ways as designated by the municipal construction map.	Miles of roadside seeded.	2 miles of Municipal road allowance was seeded in 2014. The rain in the fall combined with the freezing temperatures did not allow us to complete the dormant grass seeding of the newly constructed allowances and the associated burrow pits, these were postponed and will be completed in the spring of 2015.
	Reseed borrow pits on private land adjacent to roadside right-of-ways as designated by the municipal construction map.	Numbers of acres of borrow pits seeded.	Did not seed any burrow pits in 2014 as per the rain and freezing temperatures in the fall as stated above,
	Reseed reclaimed gravel pits in	Number of acres of reclaimed gravel pit	No reclamation of gravel pits occurred in 2014.

	accordance with the Municipal Reclamation Plan.	seeded.	
Promote the Alberta Shelterbelt Program to Municipal Ratepayers.	Provide shelterbelt applications and information packages to Municipal Ratepayers.	Number of pre-made packages given out. Number of trees ordered by Municipal Ratepayers.	Ag. Canada has discontinued their free tree program. The M.D. of Wainwright has continued to supply producers with information regarding shelterbelt planning and care as well as multiple private tree suppliers to anyone who inquires. Shelterbelt packages contain information regarding tree species, weed control, deer repellent options, planting and planning help, tree pest problems, and private tree supplier contact information. Approximately 25 packages went out in 2014.
	Promote the benefits of mulch application for shelterbelt seedling survival.	Number of mulch supplier forms accessed from municipal office.	25 Mulch supplier forms were included with shelterbelt packages.

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**Key Objectives**

**Objective # 6**

**Key Objective:** To provide effective services and programs to assist the agricultural community.

<b>Strategy</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Evaluation Measure</b>	<b>Outcomes</b>
Provide equipment to Municipal Ratepayers.	Provide Cattle Scale for ratepayer and 4-H use.	Number of cattle scale rentals	The cattle scale was rented out 14 times by producers and it was taken to two 4-H shows by M.D. Staff.
	Provide access to Gallagher RFID tag reader.	Number of times reader was signed out.	The reader was signed out once. Battery had to be replaced because it had been unused for so long.
	Provide access to bale testing probes.	Number of ratepayers using probes.	The Forage Probes were requested and used 3 times.



	Provide access to Skunk Traps.	Number of ratepayers using traps.	Skunk traps were used by 43 people
	Provide access to Magpie Traps.	Number of ratepayers using traps.	Magpie traps were used by 34 people
	Provide access to Raccoon Traps.	Number of ratepayers using traps.	Raccoon trap was used by 3 person
	Provide Tree Planter with or without planter operators. And the Mulch applicator.	Number of ratepayers using planter.	Tree Planter was used by 6 people and the Plastic Mulch Applicator was used by 2 people.
Provide ratepayers with an effective Richardson Ground Squirrel toxicant in joint program with Alberta Agriculture.	Offer a Liquid Strychnine Concentrate (LSC) sales program to ratepayers.	Number of ratepayers purchasing (LSC).	83 Ratepayers bought and used 125 cases, 7 bottles of LSC in 2014.
Provide ratepayers with a reliable source of water to be used for agricultural, environmental or protective services.	Maintain operation of four (4) Municipal tankloaders throughout the Municipality for Ratepayer uses.	Amount of water used at the four (4) Water Tankloader locations.	Irma – 3279.63 cubic meters (Broken float April) Ribstone – 885.9 cubic meters Giltedge – 1445.93 cubic meters (meter was malfunctioning and required repair then replacement, estimated use is similar to Irma). Ascot – (limited use – primarily used for fire control, tree watering and recreation).
Provide ratepayers with a dog control bylaw and services.	Maintain a qualified Dog Control Officer to carry out duties as per bylaw.	Amount of calls coming in and being responded to.	11 dog complaints were received and followed up on in 2014.
Provide ratepayers with access to the resources to get Fire Permits.	Maintain adequate number of Fire Wardens to effectively and efficiently meet the needs for fire permits.	The amount of fire permits issued by 3 Office Staff, 7 Councillors and 8 Fire Chiefs and Deputies.	A total of 373 Fire Permits were reported issued in the M.D. of Wainwright in 2014. AF- 135, AAF- 113, Adm- 27, Office Staff- 44, Councillors- 18, and 4 Fire Chiefs- 36.

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**Key Objectives**

**Objective # 7**

**Key Objective:** To recognise the contributions of municipal ratepayers to the agricultural community.

<b>Strategy</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Evaluation Measure</b>	
Provide recognition of the local agricultural community.	Support the AMA/Northlands Farm Family Award Program every 2 <sup>nd</sup> year.	Ensure the application received from local Ag. Society has been submitted.	The 2014 Northlands AMA/ATB Farm Family award nomination was forwarded and accepted in 2014.
	Promote the M.D. of Wainwright's 100 Year Farm Family plaque.	Number of applications received and presented to our Municipal Ratepayers. Number of plaques purchased by ASB.	There was 1 Municipal Farm Family Award in 2014.
	Promote Alberta's Century Farm Award.	Number of applications picked up from municipal office.	1 application for the Province's Century Award was picked up.
	Host municipal Rural Routes Supper.	Number of ratepayers attending.	Approximately 387 landowners and their families attended the 2014 Rural Routes Supper.
	Promote annual M.D. Photo Contest.	Number of Photos received.	Approximately 200 photos were submitted for consideration
	Complete the M.D. Calendar.	Number of calendars distributed.	750 copies of the 2015 calendar were picked up

**Approved By: M.D. of Wainwright Council, May 19, 2015.**

James Schwindt, Agricultural Fieldman

Aimee Leggett, Assistant Agricultural Fieldman (approximately 9 months).

Tanis Ponath, Assistant Agricultural Fieldman (approximately 1.5 months).