

Wheatland County

Request for Decision

Agricultural Service Board

April 29, 2020

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Agricultural Service Board Grant Program Application 2020 - 2024

Recommendation from Administration

Move to ratify the Agricultural Service Board Grant Program Application 2020-2024 as presented.

Chief Administrative Officer's Comments

N/A

Report

The Agricultural Service Board Grant assists ASB's with duties and programs under the legislative requirements of the Agricultural Service Board Act, Weed Control Act, Agricultural Pests Act, Soil Conservation Act and to a lesser extent the Animal Health Act. It also supports the development and delivery of programs under the Resource Management component of the grant which is aimed at extension programming that will help increase awareness, understanding and implementation of sustainable agricultural practices. Historically all ASB's in the province have received \$168,359/year in grant funding for legislative projects which has been reduced to \$122,326/year under the new grant with the Resource Management component of the grant being competitive. For the past 3 years we have received \$74,000/year for what was originally called Environmental Stream funding (now Resource Management) in which we are requesting \$90,000/year in funding. The new grant is for a 5 year period (2020 – 2024) as opposed to the previous 3 year grant cycle and was submitted to Alberta Agriculture on April 24, 2020.

Relevant Policies, Practices, and Legislation

N/A

Alignment with the Strategic Plan

N/A

Response Options

Option 1: THAT the proposed recommendation is accepted/approved.

Option 2: THAT the proposed recommendation is not accepted/approved.

Option 3: THAT an alternate recommendation is accepted/approved.

Implications of Recommendation

General

N/A

Organizational

N/A

Financial

Funding request of \$90,000/year under the Resource Management Funding Stream

Environmental, Staff, and Public Safety

N/A

Follow-up Action / Communications

Application has been submitted

Report Approval Details

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| Document Title: | Agricultural Service Board Grant Program Application 2020-2024.docx |
| Attachments: | - Wheatland County_ASB Program Application.pdf - 2020-24 ASB Grant Terms and Conditions.pdf |
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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

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Russel Muenchrath

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Michael Ziehr

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Brian Henderson', with a large, looped 'B' and a long, sweeping flourish at the end.

Brian Henderson