

## Request for Decision

<b>Title</b>	<b>Road Use Agreements (RUA) Policy</b>
<b>Proposed Motion</b>	That Council approve the Road Use Agreements Policy as presented.
<b>Administrative Recommendation</b>	Administration recommends that Council approve the Road Use Agreement Policy.
<b>Previous Council Direction</b>	October 23, 2018 – Presentation at Committee of the Whole.
<b>Report</b>	<p><u>Background Information</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In 2016, the County embarked on a campaign to engage the public on roads. Two public meetings were held: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♦ Villeneuve - May 25, 2016, and</li> <li>♦ Gibbons - May 31, 2016.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• A survey was also conducted, and the main themes from the resident feedback were: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♦ Gravel Road Maintenance;</li> <li>♦ Industrial / Heavy Traffic;</li> <li>♦ Resident Communication;</li> <li>♦ Importance of Alberta Transportation Projects; and</li> <li>♦ Capital Program Line-of-Sight.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• As a direct result of feedback from residents, the impact of industrial and heavy traffic was identified as a corporate initiative and a Road Use Agreements (RUA) program was initiated to achieve the following objectives: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♦ Develop and implement an RUA Policy and RUA Procedures;</li> <li>♦ Institute a road use permitting framework (County enrolled onto Alberta Transportation's Traffic Routing and Vehicle Information System (TRAVIS), Completed);</li> <li>♦ Dedicate a staff member as a RUA Coordinator (Completed); and</li> <li>♦ Develop legislative framework to make enforcing RUA possible (Traffic Bylaw 1278/12 is being amended to include RUA).</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<p><u>External Communication</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The draft RUA Policy has been publicized in conjunction with the Traffic Bylaw using the following media: County Connections, FYI ad, social media and website.</li> </ul> <p><u>Relevant Policy/Legislation/Practices:</u></p> <p>Traffic Bylaw 1278/12</p>
<b>Implication of Administrative Recommendation</b>	<p><u>Strategic Alignment:</u></p> <p>The intended outcomes of the draft RUA policy align with the County's Strategic Plan focus area "To Maintain and Enhance Strong Communities". The RUA policy helps create an environment that supports access to safe and reliable road infrastructure.</p> <p><u>Organizational:</u></p> <p>Heavy haul/industrial traffic places additional demands on road infrastructure resulting in damage to the roads. The RUA program was initiated to preserve road infrastructure. It achieves this by reducing road damages caused by heavy/industrial hauling via managing their routes, and targets to minimize publicly funded maintenance costs and protecting the safety of all road users. The intent of this program is to make the responsible party legally obligated to repair any roadway damages they cause.</p> <p><u>Financial:</u></p> <p>Costs associated with executing the RUA Policy are currently part of approved budget funding levels. Anticipated reduction in public funded costs associated with repairing damages caused by heavy and industrial hauling.</p>
<b>Alternatives Considered</b>	Status quo. Continue administering road use agreements without an approved policy and/or bylaw.
<b>Implications of Alternatives</b>	Sturgeon County to bear the full cost of road repairs due to damages caused by heavy and industrial hauling.
<b>Follow up Action</b>	Bring Bylaw 1419/18 (Regulation of Traffic Bylaw) to Council for second and third reading (amends Traffic Bylaw 1278/12).

<b>Attachment(s)</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Road Use Agreement Policy – Draft</li> <li>2. Road Use Agreement Policy – Draft Redline</li> <li>3. Appendix A – Road Use Agreement</li> <li>4. Road Use Agreements Application Form</li> </ol>
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## Strategic Alignment Checklist

**Vision:** Sturgeon County: a diverse, active community that pioneers opportunities and promotes initiative while embracing rural lifestyles.

**Mission:** Provide quality, cost effective services and infrastructure to meet the diverse needs of the Sturgeon County community, while improving competitiveness and sustainability.

Focus Areas	Not consistent	N/A	Consistent
<b>Planned Growth and Prosperity</b>			
<i>We encourage varied and integrated enterprises that enhance our strong economic base, while balancing the needs of the community and natural environment. (Strategic Plan and MDP pg. 36)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Supports a strong thriving business environment to strengthen our economic foundation</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Plans for responsible growth through the MDP and regional growth plan.</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Manages growth for current and future developments through:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>transparent bylaws, policies and processes to enable responsible land development</li> <li>targeting growth around existing and identified future growth areas</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Maintain and Enhance Strong Communities</b>			
<i>We are committed to a safe and viable community, where our residents are provided with access to opportunities and quality of life. (Strategic Plan and pg. 27 MDP)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provides access to programs and services that have a positive impact on residents' quality of life</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provides access to safe and reliable infrastructure assets</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Supports the safety of people and property</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>Strong Local and Regional Governance</b>			
<i>We promote consistent and accountable leadership through collaborative and transparent processes (Strategic Plan and pg. 27 MDP)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provides effective leadership and management consistent with Strategic Plan, MDP, master plans, bylaws, policies, community engagement</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Considers fiscal stability and sustainability</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fosters collaborative intergovernmental partnerships</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Community Identity &amp; Spirit</b>			
<i>We will build upon our strengths, where together we will create an inclusive, caring community (Strategic Plan and MDP pg. 27)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Promotes and/or enhances residents' identification with Sturgeon County</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Support and/or collaborate with voluntary organizations in the region</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Environmental Stewardship</b>			
<i>We foster a healthy environment and minimize our impact on ecosystems. (Strategic Plan and MDP pg. 27)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Plans and partnerships that minimize environmental impact on natural areas</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provides awareness of environmental issues impacting the County</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>