Presentation to Committee of the Whole September 27, 2016



**Sturgeon Regional Partnership Members** 

Town of Bon Accord

Town of Gibbons

Town of Legal

Town of Morinville

Town of Redwater

**Sturgeon County** 



Phase 1 – Partnership began as part of a Corporate Initiative in 2012 that was to explore four possible areas of collaboration:

- Health & Safety
- Disaster Services Emergency Management
- Recreation
- Cultural Services Plan, Funding Agreement

Phase I, – Disaster Services- Emergency Management

In 2013, a consultant was hired to review all municipal plans, bylaws, capabilities and willingness to participate in a regional emergency management plan, partnerships. Upon conclusion all municipalities agreed to move forward with Phase II.



Phase II – Emergency Response Management Consulting (ERMC) were contracted to develop Phase II, a Regional Emergency Management Plan

Goals:

- Form a partnership
- Create a meaningful Regional Emergency Management Plan (REMP)
- Establish a higher state of preparedness, reduce duplication, gain efficiencies



#### Structure

- Regional Emergency Advisory Committee Comprised of a member of Council, or alternate, from each partnering municipality. Committee members have not yet been assigned
- Regional Emergency Management Agency Comprised of the Directors of Emergency Management and/or CAO from each partnering municipality
- Technical Committee –
  Fire Chiefs, Technical experts from each partnering municipality



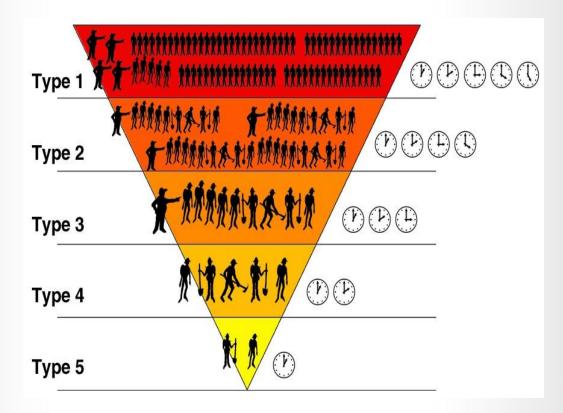
#### Progress

- Regional Emergency Management Agency –
  Over the last several months members of this agency, guided by ERMC, have been working on developing a Regional Emergency Management Partnership Agreement and Emergency Management Bylaw. Both documents are in their final development stages
- Technical Committee –

Over the last several months this committee, guided by ERMC, has been developing a Regional Emergency Management Plan (REMP). The "How To Guide" for the region and individual municipalities when incidents occur. ERMC are in the final stages of completing this document.



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Type 1 - Typical Incidents: Evacuation and sheltering for specific parts of the impact area; community-wide threats such as a large hazardous materials spill, or severe storms.

Type 2 - Typical Incidents: Tornado, train derailment involving hazardous materials.

Type 3 - Typical Incidents: Severe weather system developing in area, escalating or immediate risk to impact area.

Type 4/5 - Typical Incidents: Daily emergency responses, high profile visitor(s), weather monitoring.



#### **New Plan**

Each municipality will be required to maintain an Emergency Coordination Centre or "Local ECC", and staff to deal with Type 3, Type 4 and Type 5 incidents. (formerly called EOC or Emergency Operations Centre)

Type 1 and Type 2 Incidents are significant events that would affect more than one municipality resulting in a regional approach and activation of a "Regional ECC" with staff from all partnering municipality being involved, as required.



#### **Pending Steps:**

- Decision on location of "Regional ECC's". (likely two)
- Finalising of content within Regional Emergency Management Plan (REMP) – End of September.
- Regional Emergency Management Partnership Agreement and Emergency Management Bylaw presented for approval to each Municipal Council – Sturgeon County currently scheduled for presentation and first reading of bylaw by October 13, 2016.
- Appointments to REMP Committee
- 2017 Implementation and exercising of the new plan. Staff familiarization and training. Agency/Committee Operations



### **Questions/Discussion**

