



M. D. OF GREENVIEW NO. 16
POLICY & PROCEDURES MANUAL

Section:
AGRICULTURE

POLICY NUMBER: AG 10

POLICY TITLE: WOLF HARVEST INCENTIVE PROGRAM

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PURPOSE:

The Municipal District of Greenview supports wolf population control efforts in order to reduce livestock predation. The Municipal District will implement procedures to provide for a Wolf Harvest Incentive Program, for the purpose of promoting the lawful harvesting of wolves. Through this program, participants will receive monetary compensation for the entire carcass, or carcass plus hide, of an adult wolf lawfully harvested within the Municipality, by a ratepayer of the Municipality or his/her designate.

POLICY:

1. The Municipal District of Greenview Wolf Harvest Incentive Program will be established for a period of one calendar year, at which time, the program and this policy will be evaluated.
2. Council will, during budget deliberations, establish a budget for the Wolf Harvest Incentive Program.
3. By resolution of Council, the Wolf Harvest Incentive Program will be activated or terminated.
4. The Municipal District of Greenview will pay compensation as established within the Council Schedule of Fees for each eligible adult wolf carcass presented to the designated receiving location.
5. The Wolf Harvest Incentive Program will be in effect only on lands within 8 kilometers of private property and grazing leases within the boundaries of the Municipal District of Greenview.
 - a) eligible participants will be limited to registered landowners within the Municipal District of Greenview or their designate.
 - b) wolves harvested outside the Municipal District of Greenview will not qualify for compensation.
 - c) individuals wishing to participate in the program will be required to register with the Manager of Agricultural Services or his/her designate, in advance of participation in the program;
6. Participants requesting compensation payment will enter into a Contract of Participation Agreement (see AG 10 Schedule A), which forms part of this Policy;
7. Entire wolf carcasses shall be delivered to a location designated by M.D. Administration, for examination and marking, and authorization of payment of compensation;
 - a) examination of the carcass will be performed to verify the animal has been destroyed by means other than vertebrate toxicant.
 - b) the carcass will be marked by a representative of the Municipal District; a carcass that has been previously marked will be rejected.
 - c) if eligible, the claimant will be provided with a payment authorization.

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8. To request authorization for compensation, the participant will provide proof of permission from the owner or authorized occupant of the land upon which the harvest was conducted, and declare the following:
 - a) the legal land location where the wolf was harvested.
 - b) the date of harvest.
 - c) the harvest was conducted in a lawful manner, in accordance with current legislation.
 - d) the participant is the legal landowner or authorized occupant of the land; and/or
 - e) the participant had permission to harvest on said land.
9. The participant will be responsible for disposal of all parts of the carcass, and such disposal will be in accordance with Provincial legislation;
10. Individuals participating in the Wolf Harvest Incentive Program will follow all Federal and Provincial Legislation and Regulations including, but not limited to the *Wildlife Act* and *Wildlife Regulations*, the *Firearms Act*, the *Petty Trespass Act*, and *Alberta Hunting and Trapping Regulations*, and any amendments or successor legislations thereto.
11. Participants will be removed from the list of eligible participants and will forfeit all benefit from the said program, if it is determined they have not adhered to the Policy as set by Municipal Council or the Contract of Participation (AG 10 Schedule A);
12. Disputes over eligible claims for compensation will be settled at the discretion of the Manager of Agricultural Services, whose decision will be final and binding.

(Original signed copy on file)
REEVE

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER



MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF GREENVIEW

Contract of Participation – Wolf Harvest Incentive Program Between Participants and the Municipal District of Greenview

In an effort to support population control efforts and to further public interest regarding predatory wildlife, the Municipal District of Greenview (“Municipality”) has approved a Wolf Harvest Incentive Program (“Program”) for the purpose of promoting wolf harvesting within the Municipality. Through this program, eligible individuals (“Participants”) will receive monetary compensation (“Compensation”) with the presentation at a location designated by Municipal District Administration of an adult wolf carcass harvested lawfully within the Municipality and in accordance with this Contract (“Contract”) of Participation.

The terms and conditions of participation in the Program are as follows;

1. **STATUTORY ADHERENCE:** While participating in the Program, the Participant will, at all times, abide by all statutes, regulations, and bylaws enacted by the Federal, Provincial, and Municipal governments, and the Participant agrees there has been NO violation of any statutory or regulatory provision in any way. The relevant statutes include but are not limited to: the *Firearms Act*, the *Petty Trespass Act*, the *Wildlife Act*, and the *Wildlife Regulations* or any current *Hunting or Trapping Regulations*. A Participant who fails to strictly adhere to all relevant laws will forfeit any right to compensation under the Program.
2. **INDEMNIFICATION AND SAVE HARMLESS:** The Participant will indemnify and save harmless the Municipality, its officers, representatives, agents and employees, from and against any and all liability for any and all claims, costs, damages and expenses or liability arising out of or on account of injury or death to persons or damage or destruction to property resulting from or arising out of or in any way connected to the Program or participation in the Program.
3. **PRECONDITIONS OF COMPENSATION:** Intended participants will notify the Manager of Agricultural Services or his/her designate of their intention to participate in the Program, in advance of participation. In order to obtain the compensation, the entire carcass of a lawfully harvested adult wolf will be presented to an appropriate representative of the Municipality at a delivery point as designated by the representative responsible for administration of the Program. Any carcass received by a representative of the Municipality will be marked, and any carcass that has been previously marked by a representative of the Municipality will be rejected. To qualify for the compensation, a wolf must have been lawfully harvested within the boundaries of the Municipality, by a ratepayer of the Municipality. Any individual who has not previously agreed to the terms and conditions of this Contract will be considered ineligible to receive the Compensation. The Participant will provide the date of harvest and the location where each wolf was harvested, and will produce appropriate documentation as follows:
 - a) **If the wolf was harvested on private property**, the Participant will, at the time of presentation of the carcass to a representative of the Municipality, produce **either**:
 - i. a letter of permission, signed by the registered owner or authorized occupant of the property, authorizing the Participant to harvest wolves on the property, or
 - ii. proof that the Participant is the registered owner or authorized occupant of the property.
 - b) **If the wolf was harvested on public lands**, the Participant will, at the time of presentation of the carcass to a representative of the Municipality, **produce one** of the following:
 - i. proof that the Participant is authorized to maintain livestock on that land,
 - ii. a letter of permission, signed by the person authorized to maintain livestock on that land, authorizing the Participant to harvest wolves on the land,
 - iii. proof that the land is within 8 kilometres (5 miles) of property owned by the Participant or lands on which the Participant is authorized to maintain livestock, or lands for which the Participant has a signed letter authorizing permission as contemplated in (ii) above:
 - a) **and** if the land is leased, a letter of permission, signed by the lessee.
 - b) **and** if the land is not leased, proof that the land is not leased.



4. **COMPENSATION:** If, and only if, the representative of the Municipality is satisfied that the Participant has complied with the terms and conditions of this Contract, the compensation will be paid by the Municipality to the Participant. Compensation will be paid by the Municipality to a successful Participant at the rate established in the Municipal District Schedule of Fees, which may be amended from time to time as determined by Council for the Municipal District.

SIGNED on this _____ day of _____, 2____.

Participant: _____
please print *signature*

MD Representative: _____
please print *signature*