



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

Section:
**ENGINEERING &
ENVIRONMENTAL
SERVICES**

POLICY NUMBER: EES 05

**POLICY TITLE: COST RECOVERY FOR
MUNICIPAL EMERGENCY SERVICES**

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PURPOSE:

To provide guidance to M.D. Administration on the invoicing of ratepayers and businesses with respect to any action received by them through Municipal Emergency Services..

POLICY:

Commercial Activity:

Cost recovery will be automatic for any invoices received by the Municipal District as a result of third-party activities requested by Municipal Emergency Services for incident mitigation created by commercial activities.

Residential Activity – excluding Sustainable Resource Development:

Cost recovery will be at the discretion of Council for any invoices received by the Municipal District as a result of third-party activities requested by Municipal Emergency Services for incident mitigation created by private landowners or other members of the public. Private landowner cost recovery will not exceed \$5,000 for any one occurrence with the exception of those activities involved by Sustainable Resources Development.

Highway Revenue Generation:

Cost recovery with respect to Municipal Emergency Services and any third-party activities as they may relate to highway incidents will be automatically invoiced to the Province of Alberta through Alberta Transportation. The rate for emergency services apparatus will be the maximum rate allowed at the time of invoice by Alberta Transportation per unit, per hour and any consumables and/or third-party activities will be invoiced at cost.

Municipal Emergency Services Actions within the Forest Protection Area:

Cost recovery with respect to Municipal Emergency Services and any third-party activities as they may relate to wild-land fire response within the Forest Protection Area and/or Crown Land will be automatically invoiced to the Province of Alberta through Sustainable Resources Development. The rate for emergency services apparatus will be as reflected in the current Wildfire Mutual Aid Control Plan and any consumables and/or third-party activities will be invoiced at cost.

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Sustainable Resource Development Actions within the Non-Forest Protection Area:

Cost recovery with respect to invoices received by the Municipal District on behalf of Sustainable Resource Development for wild-land firefighting activities within the non-Forest Protection Area will be invoiced back to the responsible party. The responsible party may include as per the Forest and Prairie Protection Act:

- a) the person who caused the fire;
- b) the person who directed the lighting of the fire;
- c) the person who was otherwise responsible for the fire;
- d) the person who owned the land on which the fire began and does not establish that the fire ignited or was lit without that person's consent, express or implied; and
- e) the person who was in control of the land on which the fire began and does not establish that the fire ignited or was lit without that person's consent, express or implied.

All invoicing for emergency services apparatus with the exception of rates established in the Annual Mutual Aid Wildfire Control Plan with Sustainable Resource Development will be at the maximum rate allowable by Alberta Transportation at the time of invoicing.

Any other cost recovery activities will be as prescribed by Council.

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