

MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF GREENVIEW

Greenview Riparian and Agricultural Sustainability Support (G.R.A.S.S) Information and Application

Greenview is proud to announce Greenview Riparian and Agricultural Sustainability Support (G.R.A.S.S). This support is designed to assist producers to increase environmental sustainability in agricultural production. Greenview recognizes that mitigating negative environmental impact caused by agricultural operations can have a financial burden that producers should not have to face alone. With this program Greenview producers can partner with the Greenview Agricultural Services Department in a cost sharing program for activities or projects that will benefit the environment in agricultural use. The project will be cost shared with 50% of funding supplied by Greenview, to a maximum of \$5000 per project. All projects must demonstrate an environmental need and must enhance or protect riparian or environmentally sensitive areas from negative effects caused by agriculture.

Eligible projects will include:

- Offsite watering systems
- Livestock or machinery creek/stream crossings
- Beaver pond levelers or exclusion fencing
- Establishment or enhancement of vegetation along riparian areas
- Fencing off dugouts or riparian areas (including portable electric fencing)
- Replacement or repairs to an existing fence if placed in a riparian or environmentally sensitive area
- Other projects that enhance or protect riparian or environmentally sensitive areas deemed acceptable at the Manager's discretion

Ineligible projects include:

- New dugouts or wells
- Fencing not related to a riparian or environmentally sensitive area
- Projects or upgrades as required by subdivision rules or regulations

Not sure if your project is eligible? Contact Sarah Cairns, Landcare Coordinator at 780-524-7604 or email at sarah.cairns@mdgreenview.ab.ca for all your questions.

Completed applications can be scanned and emailed to sarah.cairns@mdgreenview.ab.ca, dropped off at the Greenview Agricultural Services Building, or mailed to: Sarah Cairns Greenview Agricultural Services PO Box 1079 Valleyview, AB T0H 3N0

Terms and Conditions:

Applications will be accepted year-round until the budgetary maximum has been reached for that year. Funding is available on a first come-first serve basis. Projects must be completed in the same year that funding was applied for. Retroactive applications are acceptable provided that the project was completed in the same year the application was completed.

- Projects that have been completed in the current year may apply retroactively if receipts and invoices are provided.
- All permits and approvals required at the municipal, provincial, or federal level are the responsibility of the project applicant
- All projects must comply with all municipal, provincial, and federal regulation
- Projects on rented land must include written approval from the landowner for the project and agree to maintenance of the project for a minimum of 5 years
- Employees or representatives of the Municipality of Greenview are not liable in any way for the project or funding
- Greenview staff must have written approval to access the land prior to the start of the project, during project construction, and after project completion
- Greenview staff will conduct a site assessment prior to the project start date, 3 years after project completion, and 5 years after project completion
- Projects must be maintained properly, with access being given to Greenview staff
- Receipts from purchases, rental equipment, hired labor, or contractors required to complete the project must be submitted
- Permission from the applicant may be required to release photos of the project across various forms of media
- Funding through other programs is permitted however the contribution of the other partners must be disclosed to Greenview
- A minimum of 25% of the total project cost must be covered by the applicant
- A copy of the site assessment will be available to the project applicant at their request
- Successful applicants will be asked for an in person, phone, or virtual meeting to further discuss the project and clarify details

Procedure:

After submitting your application only those whose applications have been approved will be contacted. If you have been approved, you will be contacted by a member of the Agricultural Services Department. You will receive an acceptance letter officially declaring approval. You will then be guaranteed the funds and can begin the project (if not applying retroactively) after a site visit. After completion of the project, you will be asked to supply receipts and related invoices. After these have been supplied to Greenview, the funds will be released to you.

Greenview Riparian and Agricultural Sustainability Support Application Applicant Details

Applicant Name (s):	
Mailing Address:	Postal Code:
Email:	Phone:
Alternate Phone:	Date:
Do you reside in Greenview? Yes	No 🗀
Legal land location of your residence:	
Zoning of the land where the project will l	be:
Do you own or rent this property? Own	Rent Rent
Do you have landowner approval (please a	attach written consent to application) Yes No
	Project details
If answers cannot be fit into the space preapplication	ovided, write them on a separate page and attach to the
Legal land location of the project:	
Project description:	
How does this project benefit the environr	ment?
Area of project impact (ac or ha) or length	of creek or stream:
How are agricultural practices currently in	mpacting the area:
Amount and type of livestock present:	

Other funding partners	and amount of their contri	bution:	
Total cost of project:			
Approximate project co	st break down:		
Materials	Equipment Costs (rentals, etc.)	Applicant Labor (@ \$25/hr)	Hired Services or Labor
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