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Greenview Declares Agricultural Disaster For Livestock Industry

Valleyview, Alberta

Amid worsening drought conditions, persistent moisture shortages, and severe grasshopper infestations, Greenview Council has officially declared an agricultural disaster for the livestock industry following its regular meeting on July 8, 2025.

Dry conditions stretching back to the 2024 season have not subsided over the 2025 growing season, resulting in extreme impacts on livestock producers.

These conditions come at a vulnerable time for the livestock industry, and Council is concerned about the toll this is taking on our producers' mental well-being. Some producers are tilling under hay land in hopes of producing green feed in the latter half of the season. Others are contemplating liquidation, approaching auction markets for early opening. "By declaring an agricultural disaster, Greenview is formally recognizing the severe challenges our farmers and ranchers are facing," said Reeve Tyler Olsen. "We urge all levels of government and the public to understand the gravity of the situation and to support the agricultural community through this difficult time. Our producers are the backbone of not only our local economy, but also Alberta's and Canada's, and they need our full support now more than ever."

Greenview joins the MD of Pincher Creek, who declared an Agricultural disaster on June 23, 2025, due to low water reserves and insufficient rainfall.

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