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NEWS RELEASE

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County Kicks off Land Use Bylaw Review and Update

For Immediate Release - The County of Wetaskiwin is excited to announce the start of a significant project to modernize and enhance its Land Use Bylaw. This comprehensive review and update are crucial steps towards ensuring a more efficient, sustainable, and vibrant future for our community. The current Bylaw, while effective in its time, requires updating to align with changing demands, address emerging trends, and foster responsible growth and development in our community.

The Land Use Bylaw Review and Update Project will involve an extensive collaboration between the County of Wetaskiwin, local stakeholders, industry experts, and the community at large. This process will encourage input from a diverse range of perspectives to ensure that the new Bylaw reflects the aspirations and priorities of the people it serves.

"We look forward to embarking on this project with all County residents and businesses" stated Reeve Josh Bishop, "our goal is to work together to create a more vibrant, sustainable, and prosperous future for the County of Wetaskiwin."

The current Land Use Bylaw, written in 2017, needs modernization to align with the recently adopted Municipal Development Plan, which guides future development in the County. The goal of the project is to enhance the bylaw to align with current planning principles, community needs, and evolving land use practices.

The County has partnered with V3 Companies of Canada to help draft the new Land Use Bylaw. V3 Companies are a local consulting firm that specializes in land use planning across communities of all sizes across Alberta. They will help support the writing and drafting of the document itself, delivering on the County's vision for responsible and well-managed land use while promoting economic growth and preserving the area's unique character.

The County of Wetaskiwin is committed to engaging the community throughout the entire process, ensuring that residents have the opportunity to contribute their insights and concerns. For more information and to stay up-to-date on the Land Use Bylaw Review Project, please visit the project website www.county.wetaskiwin.ab.ca/LUB-Review.