

AGRICULTURAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

TO:ALUS Partnership Advisory CommitteeDATE:May 19, 2021

DIVISION: All

FILE: N/A

SUBJECT: ALUS Canada Update

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This report provides updates from ALUS Canada since the last update provided on March 31, 2021.

ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION:

Administration recommends that the ALUS Canada Update be received as information in accordance with Option #1.

BACKGROUND:

ALUS Canada is a national charitable organization that supports the delivery of the ALUS program across the country. ALUS was originally an acronym for "Alternative Land Use Services," reflecting the concept that farmers and ranchers can use their land in an alternative way to produce ecosystem services that benefit Canadians. Today, the program has evolved into a truly national and bilingual organization named "ALUS Canada" in both official languages. The Rocky View ALUS Coordinator works closely with ALUS Canada members to implement the program in the Rocky View region.

DISCUSSION:

ALUS Canada Regional Manager for Alberta will discuss updates within the ALUS Canada organization.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:

No budget implications.

OPTIONS:

- Option #1 THAT the ALUS Canada Update be received as information.
- Option #2 THAT alternative direction be provided.

Respectfully submitted,

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