



## **TRANSPORTATION SERVICES**

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<b>TO:</b>	Council	
<b>DATE:</b>	October 27, 2020	<b>DIVISION:</b> All
<b>FILE:</b>	4040-300	<b>APPLICATION:</b> N/A
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	2020 Road Ban Exemption Agricultural Permit Results	

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### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

At the February 11, 2020 meeting of Council, a one-time Road Ban Agricultural Permit was approved. Harvest had been delayed in some areas and the County endeavored to assist farmers by allowing them to haul their commodities during the spring road ban season. A 2020 Road Ban Exemption Agricultural Permit allowed the permit holder to haul grain, oilseeds and straw from 2019 unharvested fields, on any roadway under the authority of Rocky View County. This permit allowed the subject ban on any roadway under the authority of Rocky View County to be increased from current status to 100% of Alberta allowable seasonal axle weights. Administration committed to bring a report back to Council with the results.

### **ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION:**

Administration recommends approval in accordance with Option #1.

### **BACKGROUND:**

Road Operations issued a total of 14, 2020 Road Ban Exemption Agricultural Permits. The feedback was positive from those that participated with no road damages identified. It should be noted that the Provincial COVID-19 road ban exemption implemented on March 17, 2020 negated any further requests for permits as it exempted many of those intended for the 2020 Road Ban Exemption Agricultural Permit.

### **BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:**

There were no budget impacts.

### **STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES:**

The development and implementation of the 2020 Road Ban Agricultural Permit supports Council's Objectives of *"Create a Culture of Customer Service"* by:

- Reduce the regulatory impact for Agricultural Producers impacted by adverse weather events.

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### **Administration Resources**

Steven Hulsman, Transportation Services



**OPTIONS:**

Option #1: THAT the one-time 2020 Road Ban Exemption Agricultural Permit Results be received as information.

Option #2: THAT alternative direction be provided.

Respectfully submitted,

Concurrence,

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Executive Director  
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Chief Administrative Officer

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