



2022

Agriculture Land License Program Tender



TENDER PROCEDURES

Sealed bids for the licensing of Agricultural Municipal lands are to be submitted to:

Parkland County
Municipal Land Management
53109A Hwy 779
Parkland County, AB T7Z 1R1

Up to 4:00 pm on May 27, 2022. Bids will not be accepted after this time.

The minimum bid is TEN (\$10.00) DOLLARS per acre annually plus GST and property taxes.

Bids are to be placed in a sealed envelope with the following identified on the outside of the envelope:

Agriculture Municipal Land License Closing Date: May 27, 2022.

TENDER BID – WHAT TO INCLUDE

All tender bids must include the following:

- Legal name, full address and telephone number of the bidder
- Tender number, legal description and roll number of property or properties being bid
- Proposed tender amount broken down into annual fees & taxes for the proposed license
- A cheque for first years proposed license fee; separate cheque for each property if bidding on multiple licenses
- Management Plan for grazing land

DEPOSITS

Each bid must be accompanied by a cheque payable to Parkland County in the amount equal to the bidders proposed first-year license fee plus GST. All bids shall be opened for acceptance by the County and the bidders will be notified of the results of their bid within THIRTY (30) days from the closing date of Tender.

AVAILABLE MUNICIPAL LANDS

Parkland County is offering the properties shown on Schedule "A" for license. The County may consider other lands owned by the County which are not listed in the attached Schedule "A", however, these will be evaluated on an individual basis by our Agricultural Services Department.

AGRICULTURE MUNICIPAL LAND LICENSE

The successful bidder shall enter into a Agriculture Municipal Land License, format sample attached in this package.

In the event that the successful bidder does not enter into the license, the tender deposit will be forfeited to Parkland County.

AGRICULTURE MUNICIPAL LAND LICENSE – STANDARDS

TERMS OF LICENSE

The term of the Municipal Agricultural Land License shall be for FIVE (5) years unless otherwise stated.

MUNICIPAL LAND WITHIN COUNTRY RESIDENTIAL SUBDIVISION – DESIGNATED

All Municipal Lands within a Country Residential subdivision shall only be licensed for haying.

Municipal Land Licensees cannot restrict the residents within the Country Residential Subdivision from using the lands for quiet enjoyment such as walking, cross-country skiing, hiking, snow shoeing.

MUNICIPAL LAND OUT OF COUNTRY RESIDENTIAL SUBDIVISION – NON-DESIGNATED

At the discretion of Parkland County, non-designated lands outside of residential subdivisions may be considered for agricultural licenses with the purpose of hay and/or grazing of livestock.

MUNICIPAL LAND NOT INCLUDED WITHIN AGRICULTURE LAND INVENTORY

Parkland County maintains an inventory of land parcels determined to be suitable for agriculture licensing. Residents may request a review of County-owned land parcels not included within the current inventory, by contacting Municipal Land Management at Parkland County. Reviews will consider current and future municipal requirements, in addition to factors such as soil rating and agricultural sustainability.

NOXIOUS WEEDS

If a noxious weed, as designated under the Weed Control Act, is found on a licensed Municipal Land parcel, Agriculture Services will notify the Licensee requesting that the weed be controlled within a set time frame, using an appropriate method as designated by Agricultural Services.

The Municipal Land will be re-inspected after TEN (10) days by Agriculture Services. If the noxious weed is not controlled under re-inspection, the license will be terminated immediately. There will be no return of license fees or any other form of compensation to the Licensee.

Agriculture Services has the right to spray any portion of the licensed land which are not under crop, hay, or grazing.

FENCING

Permission to fence Municipal Land will be considered on parcels over 10 acres, located out of a Country Residential Subdivision and permitted use of Licensee being grazing of livestock. Requests are to be in writing to Municipal Land Management. If fencing is permitted, it shall be at no cost to Parkland County.

The Licensee of any fenced Municipal Land shall be required to:

- Construct the fence to a standard acceptable to the County.
 - Class A – 3 strand
 - Class B – 4 strand
- Electric fencing is **NOT** permitted on Municipal Lands unless part of grazing procedures as stipulated in the Land Management Plan.
- Remove the fence at the end of the term of License, failing to do so will result in the fence becoming property of the County.

- Open the gates to the land at the end of every pasture season to ensure that the public has unrestricted access for permitted winter activities.
- Take such precautions as may be required by the County to ensure public safety.

GRAZING – LAND MANAGEMENT PLAN

All tenders for grazing land must include a Land Management Plan. This plan will include the following information:

Back Ground Information

- Current farming practices – identify your property
- Grazing techniques (example: rotational grazing)
- Rationale for wanting the license
- How the license will benefit your farming practices

Weed Control

- How do you plan to deal with weed concerns?
- What type of herbicide will be used and when will application take place?

Water

- How will you treat the water on the lands?
- How will you supply water to the livestock?

Livestock

- How many and what type of livestock will be grazed on the lands?
- When will the livestock be put on and taken off the land?

Maintenance/Improvements

- How will you handle improvements that may be required on the land?
- What fencing material will you be using?
- How will you handle fence maintenance?
- What maintenance do you intend to perform on the licensed area?

Prior to awarding of any tenders for pastureland, the Land Management Plan will be reviewed. Any tenders for an Agriculture Municipal Land License for Pasture use must contain the Land Management Plan or they will not be considered.

HAY CULTIVATION

The cultivation of County Lands shall only be to the extent necessary to harvest and re-seeding the land to a hay mixture. The county will not grant permissions to cultivate any crops on licensed land other than an approved hay mixture.

OTHER INFORMATION

Parkland County reserves the right to accept or reject any bids and to waive irregularities and informalities. The County reserves the right to accept a bid other than the highest bid without stating reasons. The County may consider other factors besides price which it deems as relevant in its decision including, but not limited to, the Bidders past experience in managing a licensed area, the submitted Land Management Plan, length of grazing period and number of livestock.

NOTE: FILL OUT FOLLOWING LICENSE AND RETURN WITH CHEQUE IN THE AMOUNT OF TENDER FOR FIRST YEAR. IF ACCEPTED, CHEQUE WILL BE DEPOSITED. RETURN TO COUNTY BY MAY 27, 2022.



AGRICULTURE LAND LICENSE - HAY

License Area of County Land:

Lot _____ Block ____ Plan _____ Subdivision _____
_____ Quarter of Section _____ Township _____ Range _____ W ____ M
Roll No.: _____

Licensee:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/Town: _____ Postal Code: _____

Phone No.: _____ Email: _____

This Agricultural Land License, the "License", is granted to you, the Licensee, by Parkland County, the "County", in respect to the above described Licensed Area and authorizes you to occupy the Licensed Area solely for the agricultural purposes of Cultivation of Hay as outlined in this License. This License is being issued to you on the following terms and conditions.

Term

1. The term of this License shall be from June 1, 2022, to May 31, 2027.
2. The Licensee will pay, on or before June 1st of each year of license, a License Fee of \$ _____ to the County. The sum is made up as follows:
Land: License Area _____ acres (_____ ha) @ \$ _____/ac \$ _____
GST: 5% of License Fee \$ _____
3. Upon request of the Licensee, this License may be renewed by Parkland County, in its sole discretion for a further five-year term upon the same terms and conditions as contained herein, except as otherwise agreed in writing.

Use of Land

4. The Licensee acknowledges and agrees that the Licensee has the right to enter upon and use the Licensed Area, but the Licensee does not have exclusive right. Public has the right to access and use the Licensed Area at their discretion and risk.
5. The Licensee will only use the Licensed Area as determined by the County. If a change in use intended, the Licensee must obtain prior written consent from the County.
6. The Licensee will not use the Licensed Area for storage of any materials, machinery, debris or substances deemed hazardous.
7. This License is not assignable.

Cultivation of Licenses Area

8. The Licensee must obtain written permission from Agricultural Services prior to cultivation of the Licensed Area. Seeding will be limited to hay mixtures and shall only be to the extent necessary to break and re-seed the Licensed Area.
9. The Licensed Area must be harvested by August 15 and removed from the site prior to November 30 of a calendar year during the term of this License for conservation purposes.
10. Haying operations will not occur within six meters of the high-water mark or under conditions which result in ruts being created by equipment. Ruts, when they occur, are to be filled and the ground re-levelled as soon as feasible.

Weed Control – License Area within Country Residential Subdivision

11. Agricultural Services, at its sole discretion, will spray or maintain any part of the Municipal Land in order to control any noxious and/or prohibited noxious weeds.
12. The Licensee will not be permitted to spray or maintain any part of the Municipal Land without prior written permission from Agricultural Services.

Applicable Law

13. Licensees are required to comply with all County Bylaws and Provincial and Federal Legislation.

Termination

14. Parkland County may terminate this License upon thirty days written notice without payment of compensation to the address provided in the License.
15. The notice period may be forfeited by Parkland County should they deem the Licensee to be in breach of the terms on this License.
16. The Licensee may terminate this License upon thirty days written notice to the County at the following address:

Parkland County
Attn: Municipal Land Management
53109A Hwy 779
Parkland County, AB T7Z 1R1

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Indemnity

17. The Licensee shall, at all times hereafter, indemnify and hold harmless Parkland County against all actions, claims, liabilities, suits, demands, or proceedings that may be lawfully brought or made against Parkland County arising out of or incidental to this License or the use or occupancy of the land, or the breach or non-performance by the Licensee of any covenant or obligation by the Licensee under the terms of this License. This indemnity shall, where the breach, non-performance, damage to property, personal injury or death occurs during the term of this License, survive the termination of this License.

DATED this _____ day of _____, 2022.

LICENSEE

Witness Signature of Licensee

PARKLAND COUNTY

Municipal Land Specialist, Strategic Services

Schedule "A"

2022 Agricultural Land Licensing Tender - Hay Permits

The following Municipal Lands are available for Licensing for the purpose of Haying:

SUBDIVISION	Use	ROLL #	PLAN	BLK	LOT	LONG LEGAL	HAYABLE ACRES	TOTAL ACRES
Bergman Estates	Hay	1568029	7823031	3	R1	NE-20-52-2-5	14	27.69
Carvel Park	Hay	1641011	3044TR	1	R1	SE-3-53-2-5	6	6.22
Cherlyn Heights	Hay	1274023 & 1274026	8221487	1	22MR & 25MR	SE-32-53-1-5	9.5	6.84
Eden Park Estates	Hay	1226029	4740TR		R1	SE-18-53-1-5	10	18.6
Garden Grove Estates	Hay	549022	5154TR	7	R1	SW-17-52-27-4	12	27.71
Huntingdon Heights	Hay	386026	8021895	1	6MR	NW-12-51-27-4	10	23.39
Lidin Acres	Hay	351011	7721986	1	R1	NE-3-51-27-4	5	13.1
Meadow Grove Estates	Hay	1633006 & 1633005	1566TR & 378RS		6R & R1	SE-1-53-2-5	10	15.54
Meridian Estates	Hay	1250015	7820732	4		SE-24-53-1-5	16	16.68
Northridge Meadows	Hay	1236031	7820528	5	R9	NW-20-53-1-5	17	29.69
Pine Wood	Hay	434018	7521622		R1	NW-24-51-27-4	4	15.58
Rolling Heights	Hay	844003	1925TR	2	R1	NW-1-54-28-4	4	23.38
Sorensens Park	Hay	1235031	7820358	2	R1	SW-20-53-1-5	8	14.33
Stonybrook Gardens	Hay	837034	8021041	1	22MSR	NE-25-53-28-4	12	12.21
Warnock Acres	Hay	670005	7721827		R1	SE-21-53-27-4	8	8
Wesparkdale	Hay	545028	4756TR	2	R10	SW-16-52-27-4	12	16
Willowridge Estates	Hay	12038	7521630	3	R4	SE-18-51-25-4	10	15.32
NE-26-53-07-W5	Hay	4205006	8023137		1MR	NE-26-53-07-5	4	5.76