

November 20, 2018

Parkland County Attn: Jasmine Hall, Planning Intern 53109A Hwy 779 Parkland County, AB T7Z 1R1

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Dear Ms. Hall:

RE: **Proposed Land Use Bylaw Amendment** Lands Adjacent to the former Whitewood Mine Site Parkland County File# PD-2018-014

The land use bylaw amendment proposes redistricting lands adjacent to the former Whitewood Mine Site from Resource Extraction (RE) District to the Conservation District (PC) and Agriculture General District (AGG) in addition to removing the Direct Control Overlay. The TransAlta Whitewood Mine Area is no longer operating and is in the process of obtaining reclamation certificates. It is my understanding the overlay area of the proposed redistricting has never been part of the mining operations and there were no activities on the land that warrant reclamation.

Alberta Health Services – Environmental Public Health has concerns allowing sensitive land uses on reclaimed land without verification that fill used is free of contaminants and suitable for development. This concern applies to the areas that were mined, not the Direct Control Overlay where no excavations took place.

Environmental Public Health has no concerns regarding the proposed land use bylaw amendment on lands that were never used in mining activities.

Sincerely,

Koren Anderson

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