



Revenue Sharing: Town of Edson and Yellowhead County

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Yellowhead County vs. Town of Edson

	Yellowhead County	Town of Edson
Population	10,469 (2011 Census)	8,475 (2011 Census)
Size (KM ²)	22,296 KM ²	29.58 KM ²
Number of County Dwellings within an 8 mile Radius of Edson	1,337 (approximately 2.6 people per dwelling= 3,476 people)	
Mill Rates	Residential: Municipal: 2.4585 Total: 5.1983 Non-Residential Municipal: 6.3658 Total: 10.0216 (2015 rates)	Residential: Municipal: 5.2626 Total: 7.92 Non-Residential Municipal: 14.6049 Total: 18.26 (2015 rates)
MSI (Total Funding)	\$4,043,204	\$1,491,458



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Equalized Assessment Report	2015 Total: \$9,051,302,406 • \$4,582,302,220 (Linear) • \$1,309,525,656 (Residential)	2015 Total: \$1,162,183,574 • \$26,011,270 (Linear) • \$816,852,592 (Residential)
	2014 Total: \$8,481,321,389 • \$4,281,891,870 (Linear) • \$1,233,162,938 (Residential)	2014 Total: \$1,081,488,075 • \$25,340,770 (Linear) • \$775,649,950 (Residential)
	2013 Total: \$7,995,142,239 • \$3,933,886,120 (Linear) • \$1,192,330,890 (Residential)	2013 Total: \$1,052,352,842 • \$24,272,510 (Linear) • \$756,000,030 (Residential)





The Agreement: the upside.

- The original Revenue Sharing Agreement was signed on March 12, 2013, and set to expire on December 31, 2029.
- The amounts shared are based on a formula and region “B” on the map on the next slide. In 2014 this amount came to: \$4,840,228.15. In 2015 this amount came to: \$5,033,681.00.







The Agreement: the downside.

- The “Good Neighbour” clause: : “...the Town will recognize and reciprocate the good will/good faith principle of this agreement...” and “...the Town and the County will endeavour to reciprocate this good will/good faith principle in its mutual business on other agreements and or initiatives”.
- What happens if...





The Agreement: the downside.

- ▶ The arbitration clause: “If a dispute arises between the parties to this agreement regarding the interpretation or implementation of this agreement...the parties shall attempt to resolve the dispute within 30 days of the delivery of notice, by negotiation. If no resolution is achieved, it will be deemed as though notice was given per the provisions of Clause 6”. (Clause 6 is the termination Clause).





Termination of Agreement

- ▶ In September 2015, the County terminated the original agreement.
- ▶ However, under cover of the same letter was a new agreement, with amendments.





The New Agreement: the changes.

- ▶ The “Recognition” clause.
- ▶ Funding Community Groups.
- ▶ County residents/businesses/industry access to Town programs, services, facilities and utilities.
- ▶ In October 2015, the Town asked for some clarification and definitions.





The New Agreement: the changes.

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- The Arbitration clause stayed the same.
 - In October 2015, the Town asked for a new Arbitration clause; one that would mirror the clause provided by the Town to the County in the Facilities Cost Sharing Agreement. The clause requested would allow for any disputes to be solved by an Arbitrator registered with the Association of the Arbitrators and Mediators of Alberta. The County declined to amend the arbitration clause.

