



Farm Building Confirmation

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Tax roll # _____

Date _____

Legal land description

¼		Section		Township		Range		West of		Roll #	
Lot		Block		Plan		Subdivision/hamlet					
Civic address								Postal code			

Information

Building in question			
Year built		Number of acres	

Attach site plan and photo/building drawing where possible.

This will confirm that the structure noted above is a farm building and will be used only as defined below:

From the Permit Regulation (pursuant to the Safety Codes Act)

Definitions:

1. "farm building" means a building located on agricultural land as defined in the *Agricultural Operation Practices Act* (see page 2) that is occupied for an agricultural operation as defined in the *Agricultural Operation Practices Act*, (see page 2) including, but not limited to,
 - (i) housing livestock,
 - (ii) storing, sorting, grading or bulk packaging of agricultural products that have not undergone secondary processing, and
 - (iii) housing, storing or maintaining machinery that is undertaken in the building;

The National Building Code – 2023 Alberta Edition, Division A, 1.1.1.1.(4)(a) requires that the building be located on the land it serves.

I am the owner of the above-described lands. I am aware setbacks to the property lines will apply. I understand that the building is not exempt from the requirement for electrical, gas, plumbing and private sewage disposal permits. I have read and understand the information contained on this page and the reverse page of this form.

I will notify Leduc County if the use of the building changes while I am the owner of the property. I understand that permits may be required for the change in use of the building.

Landowner name

Landowner signature

Landowner phone number

This information will be retained in Leduc County files.

Copies to: Development Services and Assessment departments

Definitions

From the *Agricultural Operation Practices Act*:

1. “agricultural land” means
 - (i) land the use of which for agriculture is either a permitted or discretionary use under the land use bylaw of the municipality or Metis settlement in which the land is situated or is permitted pursuant to section 643 of the *Municipal Government Act*,
 - (ii) land that is subject to an approval, registration or authorization, or
 - (iii) land described in an ALSA regional plan, or in a conservation easement, conservation directive or TDC scheme as those terms are defined in the *Alberta Land Stewardship Act*, that is protected, conserved or enhanced as agricultural land or land for agricultural purposes;

2. “agricultural operation” means an agricultural activity conducted on agricultural land for gain or reward or in the hope or expectation of gain or reward, and includes
 - (i) the cultivation of land,
 - (ii) the raising of livestock, including diversified livestock animals within the meaning of the *Livestock Industry Diversification Act* and poultry,
 - (iii) the raising of fur-bearing animals, pheasants or fish,
 - (iv) the production of agricultural field crops,
 - (v) the production of fruit, vegetables, sod, trees, shrubs and other specialty horticultural crops,
 - (vi) the production of eggs and milk,
 - (vii) the production of honey,
 - (viii) the operation of agricultural machinery and equipment, including irrigation pumps,
 - (ix) the application of fertilizers, insecticides, pesticides, fungicides and herbicides, including application by ground and aerial spraying, for agricultural purposes,
 - (x) the collection, transportation, storage, application, use, transfer and disposal of manure, composting materials and compost, and
 - (xi) the abandonment and reclamation of confined feeding operations and manure storage facilities;

From the National Building Code – 2023 Alberta Edition, Division A, 1.1.1.1.(4)

- a) a *building* of low human *occupancy* associated with the operation of the farm on which it is located, where the *building* is used for the
 - i) housing of livestock,
 - ii) storage or maintenance of equipment, or
 - iii) storage of materials or produce,(see Note A-1.1.1.1.(4)(a)),

A-1.1.1.1.(4)(a) Farm Buildings.

Farm buildings may include, but are not limited to, produce storage facilities, livestock and poultry housing, milking centres, manure storage facilities, grain bins, silos, feed preparation centres, farm workshops and horse riding, exercise and training facilities not used by the public. Farm buildings may be classed as low or high human occupancy, depending on the occupant load.

Examples of farm buildings likely to be classed as low human occupancy as defined in Article 1.2.1.2. of the National Farm Building Code of Canada are livestock and poultry housing, manure and machinery storage facilities and horse exercise and training facilities where no bleachers or viewing areas are provided.

Examples of buildings that would be classed as other than low human occupancy include farm retail centres for feed, horticultural and livestock produce, auction barns and show areas where bleachers or other public facilities are provided. Farm work centres where the number of workers frequently exceeds the limit for low human occupancy are also in this category.

It is possible to have areas of both high and low human occupancy in the same building, provided that the structural safety and fire separation requirements for high human occupancy are met in the part thus designated.

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