



July 13, 2021

Mr. Arlos Crofts
Municipal District of Taber
c/o Jim Howell
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Dear Mr. Howell:

Further to the letter from Mr. Crofts of July 7, 2021, I wish to advise you that pursuant to Section 44 of the *Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act* (EPEA), I have considered the application of the environmental assessment process to your proposed Horsefly Emergency Spillway Project. This activity is an exempted activity for the purposes of environmental assessment. Therefore, a screening report will not be prepared and an environmental impact assessment report is not required.

Please note that this decision is based on the current information about the project and that I reserve the ability to review this decision should different and/or new information come to light. The Municipal District of Taber should also note that Section 47 of EPEA gives the Minister of Environment and Parks the authority to order the preparation of an environmental impact assessment report under appropriate circumstances, notwithstanding a director's decision to not require an environmental impact assessment report.

I understand you have already submitted the project description to the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada (IAAC) to determine any federal environmental assessment requirements under the *Impact Assessment Act*.

If you have any questions or need further information please contact me at 780-427-9116.

Sincerely,

<Original signed by>

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