

BYLAW TO DESIGNATE MUNICIPAL HERITAGE PROPERTY

The Heritage Property Act S.S. 1979-80, c. H-2.2 s. 12

Bylaw No. 01-19

A bylaw of the Rural Municipality of Wheatland No. 163 to designate a site as Municipal Heritage Property.

WHEREAS Section 11 and 12 of *The Heritage Property Act* authorize the Council of a Municipality to enact bylaws to designate real property, including all buildings, features and structures thereon, to be of heritage value; and,

WHEREAS the Council of the Municipality has determined that the property known as "The Tree Farm" and located at NW Section 26, Township 17, Range 01, West of the 3rd Meridian just North of the Village of Mortlach adjacent to Highway No. 1 is a site of architectural, historical, cultural, environmental, archaeological, palaeontological, aesthetic and/or scientific value; and

WHEREAS not less than thirty (30) days prior to consideration of this bylaw, the Council of the Municipality has:

- a. Served a Notice of Intention on the Registrar of Heritage Property and all owners of property included in the proposed bylaw;
- b. Published a Notice of Intention in at least one issue of a newspaper in general circulation in the municipality
- c. Registered an interest in the Land Titles Registry against all titles for the parcels of land included in the proposed bylaw; and

WHEREAS no Notice of Objection to the proposed designation has been served on the Council of the Municipality;

THEREFORE, the Council of the Municipality enact as follows:

There is designated as Municipal Heritage Property the real property legally described as:

NW Section 26, Township 17, Range 01, West of the 3rd Meridan

The reasons for the designation are as follows:

1. Located near Mortlach, Saskatchewan, and immediately adjacent to the TransCanada Highway, is the location of an archaeological site that has yielded evidence of Canada's earliest human occupation.
2. The site is attractive and would lend itself well for an interpretive facility should someone wish to pursue this initiative. The immediate presence of the TransCanada Highway would ensure visitation. Covering approximately 50 acres of grassland and bordered by the TransCanada south, and a large tree plantation on the north, there are no land use conflicts to resolve.
3. A scattering of distinctive projectile points has been found exposed by drifting soil during the drought of the 1930s. It was at this time when a local artifact collector, Kenneth Jones, found fluted spearheads on this site that were similar to those found near Folsom, New Mexico. This discovery generated great interest in archaeological circles in the United States. Many leading scientists from Universities and Institutions converted on Mortlach to view Jones's collections. The fluted artifacts were verified as both Clovis and Folsom.
4. At a minimum, designation as a historic site would confirm Mortlach's place in North America's earliest human migration and would protect the integrity of the site from any future land use change.

Read a third time and passed this 17 day of April, 2019



Administrator



Reeve/Deputy Reeve

Certified to be a true copy of Bylaw
No. 01-19 adopted by resolution
of Council for on the Rural Municipality
of Wheatlands, No. 163 this 17 day
of April, 2019

