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ALUS Grazing Forward – Application Form

The purpose of the ALUS Grazing Forward program, is to help farmers and ranchers produce increased ecosystem services on grazed lands, by the adoption of sustainable, *more adaptive* grazing management. Our definition of adaptive [from Cambridge Dictionary]: *“having an ability to change, to suit changing conditions”*.

I have read and I support the principles described in the “Success with ALUS Enhanced Grazing Projects” Guidebook. Initial here to indicate this: _____

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

To be eligible for ALUS Grazing Forward funding, all of the following are required. By initialing each point below, you are indicating that your project meets the eligibility requirements.

INITIAL	Requirement
	Grazing management on ALUS-enrolled lands, will involve the “Recommendations for AMP Grazing” described on Page 8 of the “Success with ALUS Enhanced Grazing Projects” Guidebook
	Livestock will not be drinking directly from a natural common water body, either because there is not one there, or an alternative will be provided. NOTE: a “natural common water body” is one that is not man-made, and that borders the property of at least one other person who is not the applicant.
	There will be a new change in livestock management, that will positively impact a) water quality in a natural common water body, and/or b) riparian health along tributary streams, and/or c) soil health in pastures / fields
	Relevant agencies (for example, Alberta Environment and Parks) will be contacted, to discuss permit / approval requirements for this project.
	Water trough(s), salt / mineral tubs, portable shelters, oilers, feeding sites will be located so that runoff from these locations, cannot reach any natural common water body AND floodwater cannot reach these locations
	If applicable: wildlife friendly fencing designs will be used (at a minimum, the top wire will be no more than 42” from the ground, and the bottom wire will be at least 18” from the ground)
	If applicable: fence will be built such that flood waters or ice jams cannot impact the fence

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INFRASTRUCTURE (“TOOLS”) NEEDED TO PRACTICE MORE ADAPTIVE GRAZING MANAGEMENT

<p>What specific tool(s) do you intend to start using, that will help you practice more adaptive grazing management? Examples of infrastructure tools are discussed on Page 7 of the “Success with ALUS Enhanced Grazing Projects” Guidebook*.</p>	
Infrastructure / Tool Description	Estimated Cost
Total Estimated Cost	

*Ineligible costs include:

- Purchase of Vehicles / OHVs / Horses / Tractors / Farm Implements / Post Pounders;
- Non-portable livestock shelters / windbreaks

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PLANNED GRAZING MANAGEMENT CHANGES

How will your grazing management become more adaptive, with the tool(s) described above? Answer this by describing your current grazing management without the tool(s), and then describing the new grazing management that will occur once you have the tool(s).

Current Grazing Management without the tool(s):

New, More Adaptive Management with the tool(s):

MEASURING SUCCESS

What will you send to ALUS, by November 1 each year, that demonstrates how you are using the tool(s) described above, to practice more adaptive grazing management? Examples include: Grazing Records, Photo Monitoring, Estimates of Grazing Carry-Over or Residual, Litter Cover Estimates.

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PROJECT MAP

Attach a map (using air photos) that shows:

- Exactly which acres will be subject to the more adaptive management described above, and which are directly facilitated by the tool(s) being implemented.
- The existing infrastructure / tool(s) and the new infrastructure / tool(s) that will result in more adaptive grazing management.
- If you need an air photo, try using [Red Deer County's Interactive Map](#) or [Google Earth](#).

ALUS GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

I have read a sample copy of the "Red Deer County BMP Cost Share Agreement" and the "ALUS Conservation Agreement". I agree to the terms and conditions in those documents (if I am approved for funding). Initial here: _____

OTHER DETAILS

Applicant Name: _____

Applicant Phone #: _____

Applicant Email: _____

Legal Land Location(s) where the Grazing Forward more adaptive grazing management will occur:
