

Saddle Lake Cree Nation

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LOCATION:
Northern Alberta



CLIENT:
Saddle Lake Cree Nation

PROJECT TIMELINE:



OUR ROLE:
Planning Services

PROJECT TYPE: First Nations Land Use Plan



PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The land use planning process began in June 2013 when the Saddle Lake First Nation Economic Development Committee retained Scheffer Andrew Ltd. and EBA to prepare a Land Use Plan for the Saddle Lake community. This is Saddle Lake’s first Land Use Plan and was developed to set out the vision for land use to guide future development across the lands for the next 25 years. The development of this plan has been entirely community-based and member-driven, resulting in a vision and plan that ultimately reflects the desires of the Saddle Lake Cree Nation membership.

SERVICES WE PROVIDED:

Scheffer Andrew Ltd. provided Saddle Lake Cree Nation with planning services to complete the scope of work. This included background research and review; development of vision, guiding principles and development concept; and preparation of the Land Use Plan document. This project included an extensive public engagement process with a total of 8 consultation opportunities that engaged youth, elders, administrative directors, Council, the urban Edmonton Saddle Lake Cree Nation population and the general on-reserve members. Individuals were involved at the very first stage of the plan process from identifying opportunities and constraints within their lands, to developing vision statements to reviewing and commenting on the draft Land Use Plan document. Scheffer Andrew Ltd. utilized a variety of consultation tools to engage the community including mapping exercises, display boards, “sticky wall” exercises, questionnaires, group discussions and more.