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Town of Outlook Formal Grand Reopening of the Outlook Regional Landfill

Outlook, November 17, 2023: Today, the Town of Outlook celebrated with a ribbon cutting ceremony, the grand re-opening of the Outlook Regional Landfill.

Construction has been underway over the past year decommissioning the landfill cell that ceased being used as an active cell in 2018. The Landfill Decommissioning project was supported by a grant through the Green Infrastructure Stream of the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP) with a total project cost of \$1 million.

In addition, the Town of Outlook has invested locally raised funds to many other upgrades including new perimeter fencing and cleaning piles of already diverted waste as well as shredding wood, cement and asphalt waste to prepare for reuse. The Town of Outlook has been a leader in waste diversion for a number of years implementing both a municipal recycling program and municipal composting program years before it became commonplace. With this tradition in mind, the Town of Outlook is excited to demonstrate more waste diversion activities that it looks forward to implementing in its business operations going forward.

This project will also benefit rural partners accessing the landfill from the Rural Municipality of Rudy No. 284 and the Rural Municipality of Fertile Valley No. 285 as well as the residents and businesses of many smaller towns and villages in the trading area.

The Government of Canada has contributed \$400,000 toward the project and the Government of Saskatchewan has invested \$333,300. The Town of Outlook funds the remaining \$266,700 and any remaining costs by using its reserves.

“Today’s milestone demonstrates our commitment to creating a cleaner and healthier environment in communities across Canada,” said the Honourable Sean

Fraser, Minister of Housing, Infrastructure, and Communities. “By enhancing Outlook’s capacity to reduce soil and air pollutants, today’s grand reopening marks a pivotal moment in the Town of Outlook becoming an even more sustainable and environmentally friendly community.”

“The Government of Saskatchewan is proud to have played a role in the decommissioning of the original cell of the Outlook Regional Landfill,” Minister of Government Relations Don McMorris said. “The Town of Outlook’s hard work to improve their ability to manage waste disposal is to be commended, and this investment in decommissioning the landfill will help protect this region’s environment for years to come.”

“It is important to recognize that this opportunity has afforded the Town of Outlook to remediate the challenge of operating a landfill that was in jeopardy of being shut down due to noncompliance to the success of operating a landfill that is not only meeting all environmental requirements but leading municipalities in best practices,” Her Worship Maureen Weiterman, Mayor of the Town of Outlook went on to say “it is due to the good work of Team Outlook, including not only the Council members who had the wherewithal to seek assistance and make necessary changes to the landfill infrastructure but also the staff who have implemented and overseen changes during this transition period.”

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