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July 20th, 2023

The Honourable Scott Moe, Premier of Saskatchewan 226 Legislative Building Regina, SK S4S 0B3

Re: DECLARATION OF AGRICULTURAL DISASTER

Dear Premier,

The Rural Municipality of Antelope Park No. 322 has declared an agricultural disaster. Please see the resolution below, passed on July 18th, 2023.

AGRICULTURAL DISASTER AREA

2023-188

ELDON ROESLER – That the Rural Municipality of Antelope Park No. 322 be declared an agricultural disaster area due to drought conditions and the large grasshopper population in the area.

CARRIED

The severe lack of moisture has caused significant challenges for our municipality's crop and livestock producers. Many crops are considered failures. Harvesting forage and keeping cattle in pastures containing water is proving to be challenging. The significant grasshopper population in our area is also a substantial hardship on our producers.

The council for the RM of Antelope Park No. 322 requests that existing programs be significantly improved and emergency-based program funding be made available to agriculture producers in these very stressful circumstances.

Sincerely,

Robin Busby Administrator

cc: The Honourable David Marit, Minister of Agriculture

The Honourable Marie-Claude Bibeau, Minister of Agriculture & Agrifood Canada

Ms. Rosemarie Falk, M.P. for Battlefords - Lloydminster

Mr. Ken Francis, M.L.A. for Kindersley

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