



January 15, 2025

Village of Forestburg Council
c/o Mayor Blaise Young
Box 210
Forestburg, AB T0B 1N0

Dear Mayor Blaise Young:

Re: VILLAGE OF FORESTBURG – Annexation of NE 35 Twp 41 Rge 15 W4M

In response to your letter dated December 30, 2024, I want to emphasize that formal development commitments are standard practice and a fundamental responsibility. These commitments are not intended to cause delays. Provided that the reasonable requirements set forth for developers are met in a timely manner, the project should proceed without unnecessary hindrances.

Regarding your comments on annexation, I want to clarify that requesting a formal development commitment for land within Flagstaff County does not, and should not, compel you into an annexation process. Annexation should only be pursued in compliance with annexation principles, with clear and transparent intent. If the Village of Forestburg chooses to initiate an annexation application, the matter will be brought forward for consideration. Should the proposal align with the terms of our Joint Intermunicipal Development Plan, Flagstaff County may consider it uncontested.

In addition, if your goal is to annex the land, please clarify if the Village of Forestburg intends to proceed with the development application as submitted? It seems there may be objections to the anticipated requirements for development permits. If that is the case, it would be unnecessary to continue processing this application. Please advise as soon as possible if you will be withdrawing your development application.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Don Kroetch', is placed below the text 'Yours truly,'.

Don Kroetch, Reeve
Flagstaff County