

# DEVELOPMENT PLAN UPDATE

## NEWSLETTER #1



The Red River Planning District (RRPD) is pleased to announce that we have started the process of updating the Planning District's Development Plan (DP). The goal is to have an updated Development Plan to present to the RRPD Board in March 2018.

### WHY ARE WE UPDATING THE DEVELOPMENT PLAN?

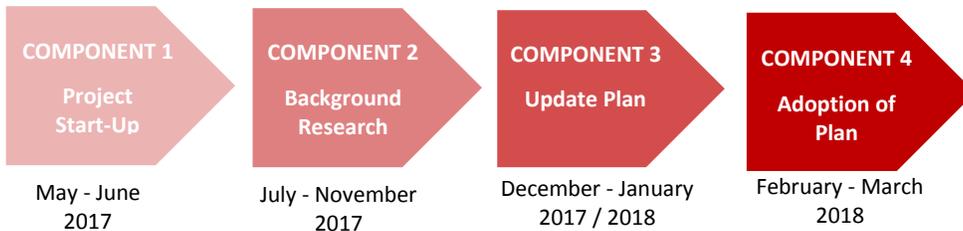
The District Development Plan was last updated in 2011. Since that time the population has increased by over 13,000 people, due to municipalities joining the Planning District and regular population growth. Apart from an increased population, an update is warranted because:

- The current Plan is due for a review (should be reviewed every 5 years);
- The Planning District has three Development Plans that need to be consolidated;
- New municipalities have joined the Planning District; and
- Piped "urban" services (water & sewer) are now available in parts of the Rural Municipalities.

The project will involve consolidating the three existing Development Plans into one, identifying new areas for development, and refining policies that need improvement. The updated Development Plan will be guided by studies, key trends, and best practices.

### WHAT IS THE PROJECT TIMELINE?

The Development Plan Update project is organized into four components, which is scheduled over eleven months. Below is a graphic that illustrates the project components and the anticipated timeline.



### WILL THE PUBLIC BE INVOLVED?

Yes. Opportunities for local stakeholders to learn more and participate are planned. Stay tuned to our website for more details.

### NEXT STEPS

Over the summer the RRPD planning team will begin work on Component 2 (Background Research). After that background research is completed, the findings will be shared with the public at an open house and on our website.

## Development Plan Quick Facts:

### What is a DP?

The Development Plan is the Planning District's primary land use policy document. It outlines how the Planning District will develop into the future.

### Who does the DP apply to?

The Development Plan applies to all lands within the Planning District's six municipalities: City of Selkirk, Village of Dunnottar, and the Rural Municipalities of St. Andrews, St. Clements, East St. Paul and West St. Paul.

## Stay Informed:

Visit the Planning District website for more information on the Development Plan Update project, and opportunities to be involved, at:

[www.redriverplanning.com/development\\_plan\\_update\\_project](http://www.redriverplanning.com/development_plan_update_project)