

BYLAW NO. 19/019

A BYLAW OF THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF WOOD BUFFALO TO TAX WELL DRILLING EQUIPMENT USED TO DRILL A WELL FOR WHICH A LICENSE IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO THE OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION ACT.

WHEREAS Section 388(1) of the *Municipal Government Act*, R.S.A. 2000, c.M-26, as amended, authorizes a council to pass a well drilling equipment tax bylaw;

AND WHEREAS Section 11(1) of the *Oil and Gas Conservation Act*, R.S.A. 2000, c.O-6, as amended, requires that a person not commence drilling a well or undertake any operations preparatory or incidental to the drilling of a well or continue any drilling operations, any producing operations or any injecting operations unless a licence has been issued and is in full force and effect; and the person is the licensee;

AND WHEREAS the *Well Drilling Equipment Tax Rate Regulation*, AR 218/2014, prescribes the methodology to be used in calculating a tax payable under Division 6 of Part 10 of the *Municipal Government Act*, R.S.A. 2000, c.M-26, as amended;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo, duly assembled, hereby enacts as follows:

1. This bylaw shall be cited as the "Well Drilling Equipment Tax Bylaw".
2. The Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo shall impose a tax on all equipment used to drill a well for which a licence is required under the *Oil and Gas Conservation Act*, R.S.A. 2000, c.O-6, as amended.
3. The tax imposed pursuant to this bylaw is payable by the person holding a licence issued pursuant to the provisions of the *Oil and Gas Conservation Act*, R.S.A. 2000, c.O-6, as amended.
4. The amount of the tax imposed by this bylaw shall be calculated in accordance with *Well Drilling Equipment Tax Rate Regulation*, AR 218/2014, as amended, or repealed and replaced, from time to time.
5. This Bylaw shall become effective when passed.