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MUNICIPAL RELATIONS

Important Notice to All Elected Officials and Chief Administrative Officers

Recent Amendments to The Aggregate Mining and Transportation Fees Agreement Regulation 48/97

The Aggregate Mining and Transportation Fees and Agreements Regulation (48/97) under The Municipal Act enables municipalities to pass by-laws to collect fees from aggregate operators to offset municipal costs associated with aggregate mining. The Regulation prescribes a maximum aggregate mining fee based on the tonnage of materials produced by operations as well as an aggregate transportation levy based on tonnage per kilometer of municipal road used. The Regulation can be viewed at <https://web2.gov.mb.ca/laws/regs/annual/2022/112.pdf>.

Effective August 15, 2022, the Regulation has been amended to increase maximum fees based on inflation and reflect annual inflationary increases into the future based on the Consumer Price Index. Municipalities must amend their existing aggregate by-law to charge the increased fees or pass a new by-law to begin collecting fees. The Regulation's maximum fee rates for 2022 are as follows:

Mining Aggregate

Rate per tonne	Rate per cubic metre
\$0.2610	\$0.4646

Transporting Aggregate

Time Period in each year	Rate per tonne	Rate per cubic metre
March to November	\$0.0593	\$0.1037
January, February and December	\$0.0296	\$0.0520

The Regulation requires the Department of Municipal Relations to publish updated annual fees on its website on January 1st or as soon as reasonably practicable each calendar year.

This increase was unanimously recommended by the Provincial Aggregate Advisory Committee that included membership from municipalities, the Association of Manitoba Municipalities, and industry stakeholders including the Manitoba Heavy Construction Association. The Committee provided the Province with advice on a range of topics impacting aggregate including: mining and transportation fees, the process used for establishing new pits and quarries, management and rehabilitation of existing pits and quarries, as well as opportunities for streamlining and more effective use of resources.

If you have any questions, please contact a Municipal Services Officer at 204-945-2572 or by email at mrmaas@gov.mb.ca.