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Reeve Suzanne Oel
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Dear Reeve Oel:

Thank you for your letter, and that of Larry Spilak, on behalf of Foothills County requesting additional grant funding for the Lower Highwood Flood Risk Mitigation Program.

I recognize Foothills County's meaningful efforts to connect with landowners during this process. I also appreciate the county's interim work carried out in good faith.

The Government of Alberta is in a period of financial restraint, and there is no available funding for your request at this time. I encourage you to continue working with Mark Comerford, Director, Resilience Projects, in our Edmonton office, to address flood mitigation for county residents. You can reach him at 780-638-3175 (dial 310-0000 for a toll-free connection), or at mark.comerford@gov.ab.ca.

Thank you again for your letter. The Government of Alberta values its relationship with Foothills County and appreciates the county's ongoing flood mitigation efforts.

Sincerely,

Jason Nixon
Minister

cc: Roger Reid, MLA, Livingstone-Macleod
R.J. Sigurdson, MLA, Highwood
Mark Comerford, Environment and Parks