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11.0 Heavy Industrial

Heavy industrial uses typically involve large manufacturing or processing operations and can produce significant externalities. They often have very specific locational requirements, like the need for a certain geography, geology, or access to highway and rail. The Peace Region has several such facilities, like a secure landfill in the Blueberry area and a major gas plant near Doe River.

Objective: To locate heavy industrial developments on land that satisfies the development's locational requirements while not disrupting lifestyles of rural residents.

Policy 1 Lands designated as Heavy Industrial are delineated on the Plan Maps.

Policy 2 Within the Heavy Industrial designation the principal use of land will generally be those permitted in Light Industrial (Section 10) and those heavy or large resource industrial uses, including but not limited to: manufacturing plants; processing facilities; auction markets; abattoirs; stockyards; salvage yards; bulk fuel facilities; oil and gas production facilities; commercial land treatment; secure landfills; coal, mineral or gravel extraction and processing; and asphalt plants.

Policy 3 Heavy Industrial developments are directed away from Rural Communities and Rural Neighbourhoods.

Policy 4 Heavy Industrial development proposals will be examined and considered subject to the factors as set out in Section 20.4.

Policy 5 Heavy Industrial development proposals will also be examined and considered, subject to the following factors:

- (a) the siting, orientation, and layout of proposed buildings and structures;
- (b) propensity to emit dust, air emissions (including prevailing wind direction), noise, and light affecting neighbouring properties;
- (c) drainage;
- (d) location, visibility, and containment of outdoor storage areas;
- (e) plans for vehicle access, parking and circulation on the property;
- (f) impact to homesites and nearby Rural Places;
- (g) any other issues that may be relevant to the specific proposal.

Policy 6 Based upon the factors in Policies 4 and 5 (Section 11), proposals should not interfere with agriculture or environmental sensitive areas, negatively impact neighbours or nearby residents, or damage watercourses through impacts to water flow or quality.

Policy 7 The proposed Industrial Land Use Study, recommended in the North Peace Fringe Area Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 1870, 2009, may include land within this Rural Official Community Plan.