

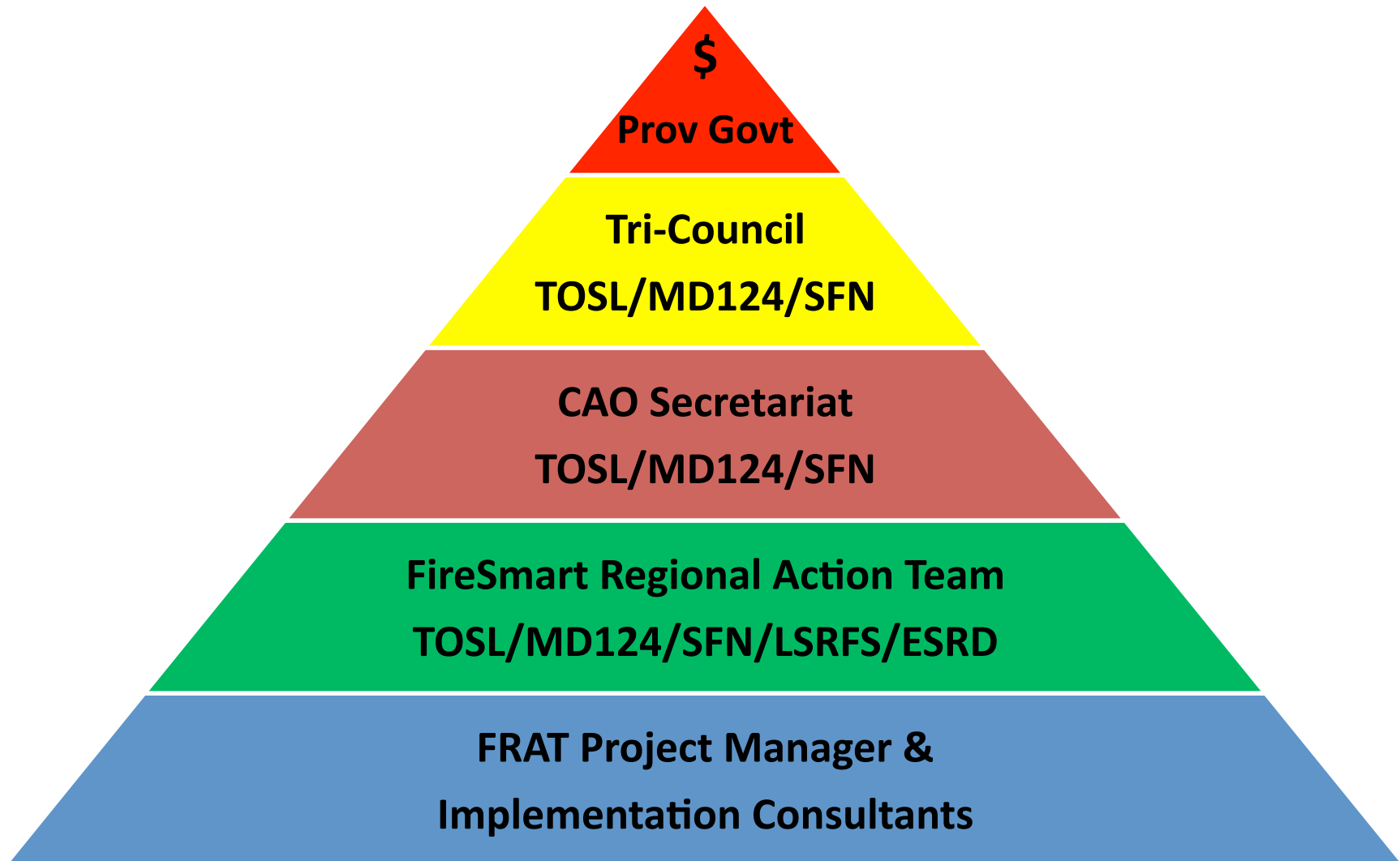
An aerial photograph showing a large body of water (Lesser Slave Lake) on the left, a town in the middle ground, and a dense forest of trees with yellow and green foliage in the foreground. The text is overlaid on the image.

**“FireSmart – It’s a Team Sport”**

**Lesser Slave Lake  
FireSmart Regional Recovery**

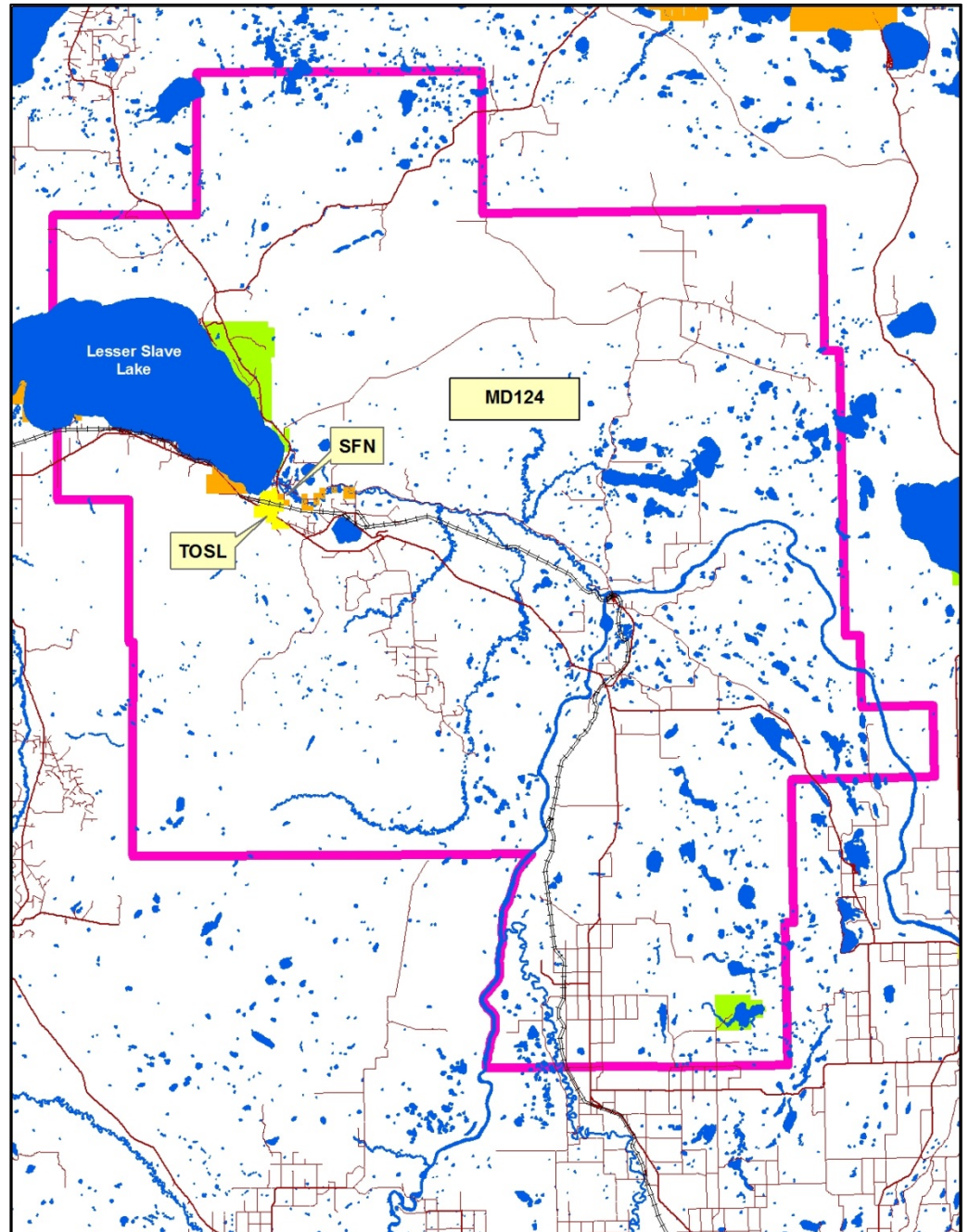
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Lesser Slave FireSmart Project Manager**

# Team Roster



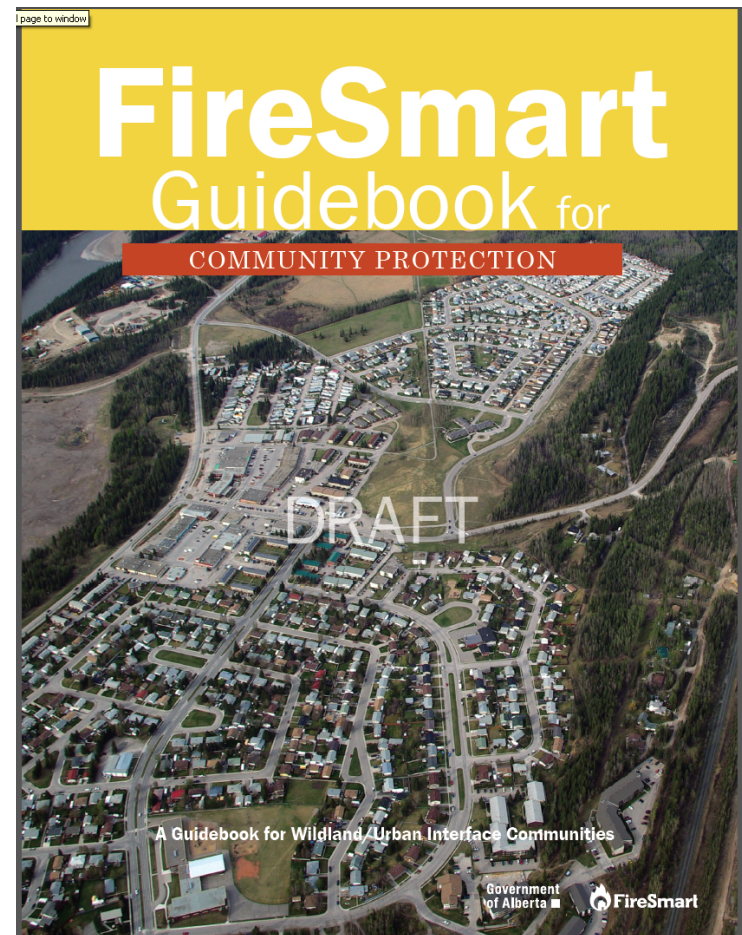
# Vision

- Develop a **FireSmart model community** that serves as a **showcase of best practices and technology** that serves to **protect people, culture and industry** within the **Region**



# FireSmart Project Planning & Implementation

- **Based on the Seven Disciplines of WUI approach**
  1. **Vegetation Management**
  2. **Development**
  3. **Legislation**
  4. **Public Education/Awareness**
  5. **Inter-Agency Cooperation**
  6. **Cross-Training**
  7. **Emergency Planning & Response**
- **Projects implemented by all partners of the team:**
  - MD 124, TOSL, SFN, LSRFS, ESRD
  - Industry (Timber, Power, O&G)
  - Residents & Businesses




# Inter-Agency Cooperation FireSmart Regional Action Team (FRAT)






# FireSmart Planning

## Preventative

**LESSER SLAVE REGION  
WILDFIRE MITIGATION STRATEGY**



Prepared Feb 2012  
for:



## Operational

**LESSER SLAVE REGION  
WILDFIRE PREPAREDNESS GUIDE**

Prepared for:



TOWN OF SLAVE LAKE

Government of Alberta ■  
Sustainable Resource Development





Lesser Slave River





April, 2012

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The intent of this document is to provide an Incident Management Team with an overview of the planning area, fire behaviour potential, values-at-risk, and fire operations that can be utilized in the event that a wildfire threatens wildland/urban interface values at risk.

# Vegetation Management



# Interface Crew








# Development & Legislation

*Town of Slave Lake*



2007  
Municipal  
Development  
Plan


April 2007

**MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF LESSER  
SLAVE RIVER NO. 124**

**LAND USE BYLAW**

**BYLAW 2004-06**

September, 2004



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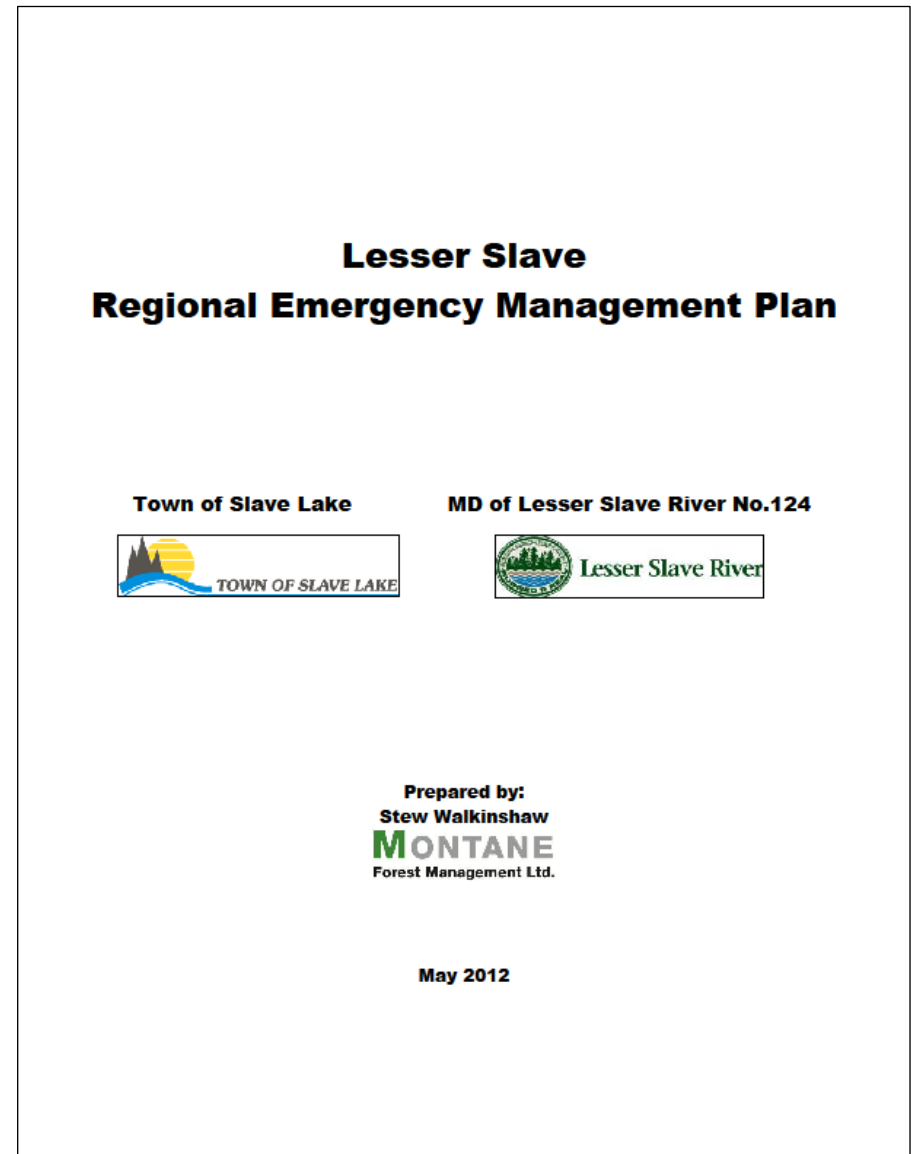
# Cross-Training

- **Structural**
- **Wildland**
- **Wildland/Urban Interface**
- **Incident Command System**
- **Emergency Management**



# Emergency Preparedness Review

- **Contracted review of existing protocols and equipment** to ensure that local Emergency Services & government can **effectively manage emergency situations and effectively communicate to the population**
  - Emergency Public Warning System
  - Fire Services Review
  - Emergency Mgt Review
- **Review and update Regional Emergency Mgt Plan**



# Incident Response Equipment



# Dry-Hydrant & Drafting Locations

**“We’re surrounded by water but can’t get a truck to any of it!!!!”**



An aerial photograph showing a landscape with a mix of green and brown trees, a sandy beach, and a body of water. The text is overlaid on the image.

# Moving Forward

- **Planning to Implementation Focus**
- **Research Initiatives**
- **Documentation**
- **Long-Term FireSmart Sustainability**

# Building a FireSmart Community Requires Strong Partnerships



Elected officials, government administration, developers, industry, and homeowners all have an important role to play.

