

# INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT

Between

## THE TOWNS OF ANDERSON, EUREKA, TRADE LAKE, STERLING, LAKETOWN AND LUCK

Pursuant to Wis. Stat. 66.0301, this Intergovernmental Agreement (“Agreement”) is entered into this 1st day of October, 2021, by and between the Wisconsin Towns of Anderson, Eureka, Trade Lake, Sterling, Laketown and Luck (collectively, the “Towns”).

1. **Purpose:** The purpose of this Intergovernmental Agreement is to memorialize certain agreements and promises made by and between the Towns regarding the development of a regulatory framework including local ordinances and policies to address the operation of concentrated animal feeding operations (“CAFOs”) within each Town’s respective local jurisdiction.
2. **Organization:** Each Town shall appoint one member to a Large Livestock Town Partnership Committee (“Committee”) to participate in regular meetings which shall meet on a monthly basis at a location determined by the Committee. The Committee members shall elect a Chairperson to preside over meetings. The meetings shall be subject to the Wisconsin Open Meeting law and shall be open to the public to attend.
3. **Scope of Work:** The Committee will utilize the ordinances adopted by Trade Lake and Eureka to develop a uniform standard for the regional regulation of CAFOs. The Committee will study impacts to groundwater, surface water, air quality, transportation infrastructure and property values and will work to construct regulations which address these impacts.
4. **Deliverables:** The Committee will be charged with studying and delivering findings related to groundwater, surface water, air pollution, manure management, topography and property value impacts. Additionally, the Committee will be charged with identifying best and most desirable practices for waste management, animal population and depopulation, biosecurity and animal health, animal transportation, drinking water protection, air emissions, private and public property rights, compliance, enforcement and monitoring. The Committee will seek to develop and deliver a uniform CAFO operations ordinance for consideration by each Town Board.
5. **Legal Counsel.** The Towns and the Committee will engage the services of Nicholas J. Vivian, Managing Shareholder of Eckberg Lammers, P.C. to assist the Committee in studying the identified impacts and drafting the CAFO operations ordinance.
6. **Allocation of Costs.** Each Town shall participate equally in paying its proportionate share of the costs incurred by the Committee. The Committee shall establish a budget which shall be approved by each Town, inclusive of each Town’s anticipated allocation.

7. **Entire Agreement and Amendment:** This Agreement constitutes the entire Agreement between Towns related to participation on the Committee. Any Town may terminate its role on the Committee upon notice to the other participating Towns. This Agreement may be amended only upon the written agreement executed by all parties.
8. **Contacts:** Any official notifications or other correspondence between the Towns related specifically to this Agreement shall be directed as follows:

Town of Anderson: Jeremy Gronski, 715-488-2928, jeremygronski@live.com

Town of Eureka: Don Anderson, 715-554-1950, moonrunner50@hotmail.com

Town of Trade Lake: Ramona Moody, 715-338-1603, chairman@townoftradelake.org

Town of Sterling: Steve Wilson, 715-488-2262, cswilson@grantsburgtelcom.net

Town of Laketown: Daniel King, 715-472-4753, djrsking@yahoo.com

Town of Luck: Dean Johansen 715-419-2143, deanjohassen155@yahoo.com

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the parties have entered into this legally binding Agreement on the dates show below. This Agreement shall not become effective unless and until it is approved by the Town Boards and is signed by the authorized officials listed below.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-05**

**TOWN OF TRADE LAKE, BURNETT COUNTY, WISCONSIN  
RESOLUTION APPROVING INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT**

**WHEREAS**, state and county permit applications are progressing for a farrowing facility for more than 26,000 hogs proposed to be located in the Town of Trade Lake.

**WHEREAS**, land owners in other neighboring towns have been approached to site additional hog facilities.

**WHEREAS**, these facilities present many threats to public health, safety, welfare and property values.

**WHEREAS**, Burnett and Polk counties have not taken action to address the risks associated with these facilities.

**WHEREAS**, the Towns of Trade Lake and Eureka passed ordinances to protect public health, safety, welfare and property values.

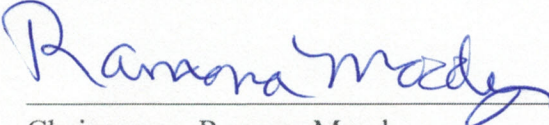
**WHEREAS**, additional research and legal work is needed to draft a regionally appropriate ordinance which will provide for the consistent regulation of these facilities.

**WHEREAS**, as partners, our towns can save money by sharing costs needed for legal and scientific research.

**THEREFORE, BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED:**

1. The Town approves the Intergovernmental Agreement creating the Large Livestock Town Partnership Committee.
2. The Town appoints Ramona Moody to serve as its representative on the Large Livestock Town Partnership Committee.

Adopted by the Town of Trade Lake Town Board on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of September 2021.

  
Chairperson, Ramona Moody

Attested by Clerk Mary Stauder Date: 9/9/21  
Posted on: 9/10/2021 Time: 11:45am