## Agricultural Crown Land Sale Auction Fact Sheet

## **Definitions**

**Access-Limited:** Indicates no direct physical or legal access to the property. Physical or legal access may be limited by the natural landscape, such as water bodies or coulees.

Undeveloped Road Allowance: indicates land dedicated for the purpose of a public road right of way that has not been fully developed for vehicular travel and may be located on land unsuitable for construction due to natural features such as waterbodies. Developing access to the property is at the RM's discretion. The buyer acknowledges that there may be additional costs incurred to develop road access.

**Access-Trail:** Indicates that the trail used to access the property may not be registered and may not be maintained.

**Access-All Weather:** Indicates that the road used is likely registered and maintained year-round.

Crown Conservation Easement (CCE): A CCE is a legally binding instrument the Crown grants to itself and registers as an interest on certain provincial Crown land titles prior to sale. The purpose of the CCE is to conserve the natural habitat on the land yet allow for specific compatible activities.

Integrated Land Use Crown Conservation Easement (ILU-CCE): An easement that the Government of Saskatchewan has granted itself and is registered on a title before the sale of Crown land. An ILU-CCE extends the protection of lands of ecological significance yet allows for a limited amount of development on the land, even if the land changes ownership.

Improvements: Includes fences, corrals, dugouts, etc.

## **General Facts**

**Eligibility to Purchase:** Farmland owners in Saskatchewan must meet the ownership requirements outlined in *The Saskatchewan Farm Security Act*.

**Property Taxes:** Rural municipality property tax will be paid by the buyer for any land sold by October 31 of any given year. The seller will be responsible for all property taxes for any land sold on or after November 1 of any given year.

**Duty to Consult:** All lands are reviewed consistent with the First Nation and Métis Consultation Policy Framework prior to being advertised in the sale auction. If adverse impacts are identified during consultation, the Government of Saskatchewan will fulfill its legal duty to accommodate.

**Land Claims:** Crown land can be selected at any time by First Nations with a Treaty Land Entitlement Agreement and/or a Specific Claim Agreement on a willingseller/willing-buyer basis.

**McDougall Auctioneers Ltd. Buyer's Fee:** Buyer must pay \$1250 plus applicable taxes per lot directly to the auctioneer.

**Successful Bidders:** An invoice will be sent to the winning bidder. McDougall Auctioneers Ltd. will contact the successful bidder to finalize the sale.

**Payment Options:** Payment can be made by cheque, bank draft, credit card, online banking, e-transfer, or direct deposit.

**Sold Crown land:** After the auction has closed, a SOLD banner will be posted with the sale price.

**Unsold Crown land:** Land that does not sell in the auction will be advertised for short-term permit for the following growing season and re-advertised in the next year's sale or lease auction. Please visit

Saskatchewan.ca/crownlands for more information on short-term permits.

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