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Lac La Ronge Indian Band

Community Notice

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LLRIB urged members to help address stray dog concerns

The Lac La Ronge Indian Band (LLRIB) would like to assure all community members that we are actively addressing the ongoing issue of stray and roaming dogs across our communities.

Between January 1 and April 10, 2026, LLRIB Animal Control has successfully apprehended and re-homed 103 stray dogs, placing them in safe homes in southern Saskatchewan. In 2025, LLRIB apprehended and re-homed 175 stray dogs. This work is ongoing and reflects the Band's commitment to improving public safety and animal welfare.

LLRIB has an Animal Care and Control Bylaw, ratified by Chief and Council in May 2024, which is actively being enforced. Our Animal Control Officers are working daily—including weekends and statutory holidays—to apprehend, impound, and care for stray dogs. Our current facility has a maximum capacity of 10 dogs, and staff provide daily feeding, watering, and care under often challenging conditions.

While enforcement efforts continue, it is important for all community members to understand that the root cause of the stray dog issue is uncontrolled breeding. Dogs that are not spayed or neutered will continue to reproduce. When a female dog is in heat, it attracts multiple unneutered male dogs, often forming packs. This natural behavior can create dangerous situations for the dog, nearby residents, and the community at large.

LLRIB has spay and neuter clinics available at no cost to dog owners, yet participation remains a critical challenge. Without responsible ownership, the dog population will continue to grow and pose increasing risks, including the potential for serious incidents.

The Band is currently exploring solutions to strengthen its response, including:

- Increasing Animal Control staffing levels
- Constructing a larger, more suitable dog pound facility
- Partnering with the tri-community to coordinate regional efforts

However, lasting change depends on the actions of dog owners and community members.

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We strongly urge all residents to:

- Spay or neuter your dogs
- Keep your dogs under control at all times
- Limit the number of dogs in your care to a manageable level

This is a shared responsibility. By working together, we can create a safer, healthier environment for both people and animals in our communities.

For more information or to access spay/neuter services, please contact LLRIB Animal Control at animal.control@llribpw.ca, or call the office at 306-425-2884.

Let's all do our part.