



Rural Municipality of West Interlake
July 21, 2026 - Special Council Meeting - 09:30 AM

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 - 3.1 Extension of SOLE
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 - 3.3 Flood mitigation equipment standby discussion
 - 3.4 Out of Camera
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 - 4.1 Extension of State of Local Emergency
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- 5 Adjournment**

July 6, 2026

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Re: Extension of State of Local Emergency

Attached is a copy of the Minister's response approving an extension of your **State of Local Emergency**, pursuant to s. 11(5) of The Emergency Measures Act, C.C.S.M., c. E80 ("the Act").

This extension is in effect from **July 10, 2026 for 30 days** and will expire on **August 8, 2026** unless a further extension is requested. Please be aware that unless circumstances do not permit, any request for an extension should be submitted at least five business days prior to the expiry of your current declaration.

Note the notice requirements set out in subsections 11(3), 11(3.1), 11(4) and 11(5) which are attached regarding extensions of a State of Local Emergency.

Sincerely,



Christine Stevens
Assistant Deputy Minister
Emergency Management Division

Attachments

Relevant Sections of the Act

Description of emergency and affected area

[11\(3\)](#) A declaration of a state of local emergency

- (a) must describe the major emergency or disaster that is the subject of the declaration;
- (b) must state whether the declaration applies to all or a part of the municipality or other area within the jurisdiction of the local authority, as the case may be;
- (c) must, if the declaration applies to a part of the municipality or other area, describe the affected area; and
- (d) must, if the duration of the declaration is to be less than 30 days, state its duration.

Declaration to be communicated to minister

[11\(3.1\)](#) Where a local authority or a mayor or reeve makes a declaration under this section, the local authority or the mayor or reeve, as the case may be, must forthwith communicate the details of the declaration to the minister.

Communication of declaration

[11\(4\)](#) Where the local authority declares a state of local emergency under subsection (1) or the mayor or reeve declares a state of local emergency under subsection (2), the local authority or the mayor or reeve, as the case may be, shall cause the details of the declaration to be communicated by the most appropriate means to the residents of the affected area.

Extension of declaration

[11\(5\)](#) If, on application by the local authority, the minister is satisfied that the local authority continues to require one or more of the powers under subsection 12(1) to resolve a major emergency or disaster for which a state of local emergency has been declared, the minister may extend the duration of the state of local emergency — with any changes to the geographic area affected by the declaration that the minister considers necessary — for further periods of up to 30 days each. Subsections (3), (3.1) and (4) apply, with the necessary changes, to an extension under this subsection.

State of Local Emergency Declaration Notification

The State of Local Emergency Declaration Notification form is meant to supplement the council resolution passed by council, quorum of council or by the Mayor or Reeve in special circumstances. A completed form as well as a copy of the council resolution can be submitted to the EMO Duty Officer via email: emodutyofficer@gov.mb.ca.

Local authority:	RM of West Interlake
Date completed:	7/21/26
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Incident name:	RM of West Interlake June 2026 Flood Event		
SoLE start date:	6/10/26	SoLE end date:	8/8/26
Resolution #:	2026-209 & 2026-236 & 2026-288	Resolution included:	Yes ☒ No ☐
SoLE type:	Initial Declaration? Yes ☐ No ☒	If "No" selected, provide extension number and extension end date below	
	Extension # 2	Extension end date: 9/12/26	

Emergency Powers

When declaring a SoLE, a local authority has access to, but not limited to, the following powers to prevent or limit loss of life and damage to property or the environment:

☒	Cause emergency plans to be implemented
☒	Utilize any real or personal property considered necessary to prevent, combat or alleviate the effects of any emergency or disaster
☒	Authorize or require any qualified person to render aid of such type as that person may be qualified to provide
☒	Control, permit or prohibit travel to or from any area or on any road, street or highway
☒	Cause the evacuation of persons and the removal of livestock and personal property and make arrangements for the adequate care and protection thereof
☐	Control or prevent the movement of people and the removal of livestock from any designated area that may have a contaminating disease
☒	Authorize the entry into any building, or upon any land without warrant
☒	Cause the demolition or removal of any trees, structure or crops in order to prevent, combat or alleviate the effects of an emergency or a disaster
☒	Authorize the procurement and distribution of essential resources and the provision of essential services
☒	Regulate the distribution and availability of essential goods, services and resources
☒	Provide for the restoration of essential facilities, the distribution of essential supplies and the maintenance and co-ordination of emergency medical, social and other essential services
☒	Expend such sums as are necessary to pay expenses caused by the emergency or disaster

Description of Event

(must describe the major emergency or disaster that is the subject of the declaration)

On June 9, 2026 late in the evening the RM of West Interlake was hit by a major thunder and lightning and rain storm. Due to previous rain events the ditches, lagoon in Ashern and sewer system within Ashern were already near capacity. The June 9/10, 2026 current rain event has caused over land flooding, washed out roads, Ashern sewer system over capacity, sewer back-ups and Lagoon is at capacity with the expectation of the Lagoon over filling. The RM of West Interlake is expecting more rain as forecasted. Additional heavy rains on June 28-30 caused further damage to infrastructure and over land flooding worsened. In order to continue flood mitigation actions the RM of West Interlake requires continued control of all resources necessary to protect areas still at risk.

Authorizing signature:	
Date:	7/21/26