



# **PUBLIC STATEMENT**

## **Accident Response**

Issued by: Sherry Jimmy – Chair of the Fire and Emergency Services Committee of the Meota and District Fire Dept, which is in partnership with the RM of Meota, Resort Village of Cochin, Village of Meota and Resort Village of Metinota.

An area along Highway 4 north within the Rural Municipality of Meota was the scene of an horrific accident on Friday, July 5, 2024. The coordinated efforts of all emergency responders must be commended in dealing with the crash and its aftermath.

- Those first on scene – many of whom are residents of Maymont Beach in the RM of Meota, must be commended for their immediate efforts with victims of the crash.
- The Meota and Cochin Fire Depts were on scene for several hours providing extrication and traffic control services, together with our Mutual Aid partner, the RM of North Battleford.

Efforts to support our municipal responders does not go unnoticed. The donations of food and drinks and all the volunteer efforts speak once again to the generosity of the residents of our rural area.

Rural Fire Departments and Emergency Management personnel are volunteers essential in the lives of people living, working and travelling in rural Saskatchewan. The coordination of municipal services with that of RCMP, Ambulance, STARS and other professional responders strengthens our communities and saves lives. While our thoughts and prayers are with those directly impacted by the accident, our sincerest thanks go out to our own Fire, emergency and civilian responders who put their time and lives on the line to help others.