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## Towards Collective Resilience: Six Municipalities Formalize Their Intermunicipal Civil Security Approach

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On Monday, April 13, 2026, the municipalities of Pincourt, Très-Saint-Rédempteur, Pointe-Fortune, Rigaud, Sainte-Marthe and Sainte-Justine-de-Newton officially signed an agreement establishing an intermunicipal approach to civil security. This agreement marks an important milestone in strengthening multi-municipal collaboration to improve the coordination of prevention, preparedness, response and recovery measures in the event of a disaster.

"I have the immense privilege of welcoming you to Pincourt as we formalize the result of significant collaborative work that has been underway for several months. I would like to extend a special thank you to all the Mayors for their contributions to the development of a shared vision aimed at fostering better collaboration and making our municipalities even more resilient," said Claude Comeau, Mayor of Pincourt.

"This agreement is not just a piece of paper; it is grounded in a structure, human and material resources, partner agreements, technological solutions, and a schedule of training activities and exercises involving elected officials, managers, emergency services personnel and other external representatives," said Julie Lemieux, Mayor of Très-Saint-Rédempteur.

"In concrete terms, this agreement — now bolstered by the contribution of three additional partner municipalities — represents an important complementary step in strengthening the safety of our communities. But more than that, it confirms that regardless of a municipality's size, collaboration is our greatest strength in the face of disasters, and our primary lever for better protecting our residents," said Sandra Lavoratore, Mayor of Pointe-Fortune.

"But why is this agreement so important? Why does it matter? Not only because risks are increasing, but also because extreme climate events are becoming more frequent and more intense — requiring an adapted, swift, structured and, above all, well-coordinated response drawing on all available resources and partners. No single municipality could face these challenges as effectively as a united group," said Charles Meunier, Mayor of Rigaud.



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«Beyond the plans, protocols and technical aspects specific to civil security, what stands out today is the genuine synergy among our six municipalities. Some are more urban, others more rural; some are neighbouring, others a little further apart. Yet each one finds its full place within this partnership, in a spirit of respect, equality and collaboration," said Jimmy Brunelle, Mayor of Sainte-Marthe.

"We hope to contribute to the pooling of resources that forms the backbone of this agreement; and the commitment we make today by signing it is to lay, together with our Partners, the foundation that will pave the way for our organizational and collective resilience," said Shawn Campbell, Mayor of Sainte-Justine-de-Newton.



"Resilience is an ongoing process — one that allows us to look ahead in the face of uncertainty and potential shocks. This agreement, which envisions the pooling of strengths across six municipalities, is an innovative project that should inspire other municipalities to follow suit," said Professor Yannick Hémond of Université du Québec à Montréal.

The signed agreement, which establishes a multi-municipal civil security approach, is built on a governance model designed to strengthen response capacities for all participating municipalities at a reduced cost through the centralization of certain measures, including: a single harmonized civil security plan, hydroclimatic hazard monitoring (VIGIE), an automated call system, a resident risk communication program, and a schedule of training sessions and exercises.

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