

LAC LA BICHE COUNTY POLICY

TITLE: ROADSIDE MOWING	POLICY NO: PI-30-018
RESOLUTION: 10.127	EFFECTIVE DATE: APRIL 13, 2010
LEAD ROLE: MANAGER, TRANSPORTATION SERVICES	NEXT REVIEW DATE: APRIL 13, 2013
SPECIAL NOTES/CROSS REFERENCE:	AMENDMENT DATE:

POLICY STATEMENT:

Lac La Biche County shall implement and maintain a comprehensive weed, grass and brush control program through the Roadside Mowing Program to control vegetation within municipally owned road right of ways and Municipal Reserves.

PROCEDURE:

1. General:

- i. The Manager of Transportation Services will be responsible for supervision of the areas of responsibility. The foremen of the three designated areas will be responsible for the implementation, organization, progress tracking and reporting.
- ii. As part of the preparations for the annual budget review, involved staff will create a draft project plan for Roadside Mowing for the upcoming season.
- iii. With aid from the Human Resources Department of Lac La Biche County, shall hire and train sufficient staff required to implement and complete the program.
- iv. Lac La Biche County may tender out all or a portion of the said work to be completed, if it is determined that it is beneficial to the program completion based on budget and/or time constraints.

2. Roadside Mowing:

- i. Vegetation in sites inaccessible to mowers shall be removed to the same level of mowing within the right of ways by:
 - a) use of weed eaters,
 - b) use of brush saws, and
 - c) use of manual labour and hand tools.
- ii. Mowing of full right of ways on newly constructed roads and/or reconstructed roads shall commence two years after the completion of the project.

- iii. Full right of way mowing shall occur only where it is possible and practical due to terrain and weather conditions.

3. Subdivision Program:

- i. Mowing within subdivision and hamlet roadside right of ways shall occur at a minimum of twice a year.
- ii. A yearly assessment of all subdivisions and hamlets shall occur prior to mowing in order to:
 - a) identify safety hazards,
 - b) remove rocks, garbage and debris, and
 - c) determine areas of concern.

4. Right-Of-Way Program:

- i. Mowing of municipal right-of-ways shall be determined by:
 - a) Physical suitability to mowing,
 - b) Classification of roads,
 - c) Vegetation to be controlled,
 - d) Safety/hazard assessment,
 - e) Complaints/concerns from ratepayers,
 - f) Aesthetics, and
 - g) Financial considerations.
- ii. It is the intention that the County will be able to mow the full right of way where suitable and within financial consideration.
- iii. Mowing of right of ways shall occur at a minimum of twice a year, the first pass will be a single shoulder pass and the second pass will be of the full right of way.

"Original Signed"
Chief Administrative Officer

April 15, 2010
Date

"Original Signed"
Mayor

April 16, 2010
Date