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Policy Title "NO SPRAY" REQUESTS	Date: February 25, 2021	Resolution No. C/76/21

Policy Statement:

Lacombe County recognizes that some landowners/tenants may not be in favour of the County using herbicide to control vegetation (weeds and brush) on County roads, trails and right-of-ways adjacent to their property. Accordingly, to accommodate these landowners/tenants Lacombe County may agree to allow them to carry-out vegetation control on County roads, trails and right-of-ways adjacent to their property.

Guidelines/Procedures:

1. The County will provide notice through local newspapers, the County News and the County website of its intent to carry-out vegetation control on roads, trails and right-of-ways prior to the spray season. The notices will make reference to a "No Spray" request form.
2. Landowners/tenants wishing to request that the County not use herbicides for vegetation control adjacent to their land must complete and submit a "No Spray" request form to the County's Manager of Agriculture & Environmental Services prior to April 1st of the "No Spray" year. "No Spray" requests can be made for a one-year or three-year period.
3. Should the County agree to the "No Spray" request, the landowner/tenant shall be responsible for controlling all noxious and restricted weeds designated under the *Weed Control Act*, prior to July 15th of each year of the "No Spray" agreement, or as otherwise deemed necessary by the County Manager or designate.
4. In the event that the landowner/tenant does not control all noxious and restricted weeds pursuant to Section 3 of this policy, the County will carry-out the control by any means necessary.
5. All "No Spray" agreements shall be automatically terminated if control of the noxious and restricted weeds by the landowner/tenant is not carried out to the satisfaction of the County Commissioner, or designate.
6. The County reserves the right to cancel any "No Spray" agreement at any time and carry-out weed control as deemed necessary.
7. The County will, to the best of its ability, avoid applying herbicides to any land that has a current "No Spray" agreement in effect, provided that all requirements of this policy are met by the landowner/tenant to the satisfaction of the County Manager, or designate. Notwithstanding, the County will not guarantee that no herbicides will be applied to any of its roads, trails and right-of-ways.

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