



COUNCIL POLICY C-PW11

Dust Control on County Roads

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PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to identify the standard by which the application of dust control on county roads is considered and administered in a consistent manner across the County.

POLICY STATEMENT

To improve the quality of life in Parkland County, dust control may be applied on gravel roads adjacent to residences, the cost for dust control service will be shared with Parkland County and the residents.

DEFINITIONS

1. "Dust Control" means an activity that involves applying appropriate, cost effective dust abatement products approved by Parkland County to the roadway surface to minimize the dust created by vehicle traffic.
2. "Dwelling" means a building or a portion of a building containing one or more habitable rooms that constitute a self-contained living accommodation unit having sleeping, cooking, and toilet facilities and intended as a permanent residence.
3. "Residence" means a parcel of land designated as residential or agricultural with a dwelling permanently occupied by a resident of Parkland County,

SCOPE

This policy applies to all roads within Parkland County.

This policy applies to those residences within Parkland County who reside adjacent to gravel roads and are interested in receiving dust control service.

MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITIES

The Director of Public Works is responsible for the implementing, monitoring and evaluating of this policy.

STANDARDS

1. All applicants must submit the required application form and must have written agreement from the property owners directly adjacent to the proposed work along with any required payment, to Parkland County Public

Works prior to the April 30th deadline of each calendar year for it to be considered for the Dust Control Program.

2. The Director of Public Works may refuse an application when the application is received after the deadline. When an application is refused, fees will be returned to the applicant.
3. All residents are responsible for the cost of the dust control treatment as indicated in Public Works Fees and Charges Schedule.
4. Dust control will be applied for a length of 100 meters on the County road adjacent to the applicant's residence.
5. Residents requesting lengths in excess of 100 meters shall pay the cost for those additional lengths at the unit price per lineal meter in Public Works Fees and Charges Schedule.
6. The applicant's dwelling must be within 150 meters from the center line of the nearest road to be eligible for the program.
7. Dust control is normally applied after the lifting of spring road bans and as materials and equipment become available.
8. Dust control will not be carried out by Parkland County on private or lease roads.
9. Dust control may be carried out by Parkland County at no cost to residents on range roads and township roads at locations adjacent to:
 - a. School Sites,
 - b. Parks,
 - c. Waste Transfer Sites,
 - d. Cemeteries,
 - e. Community Halls
 - f. Designated gravel haul routes from County gravel pits,
 - g. Any other site as determined by the Director of Public Works.
10. Residents whose Parkland County property is accessed from public roads that are not under Parkland County's jurisdiction will be given the same consideration under this policy as residents who are serviced by Parkland County roads. In these cases and upon application from the resident, Parkland County will make arrangements with the Local Road Authority to apply the dust control and charge resident as per Public Works Fees and Charges Schedule.
11. The County does not guarantee the effectiveness of the dust control.
12. Approval to apply dust control on County roadways by private residents, commercial or industrial applicants may be granted subject to the following:
 - a. Dust control product and application method to be approved by County.
 - b. Material specification sheets to be provided to the County prior to approval.
 - c. Independent testing of product to be arranged and paid for by applicant. Test results made available to County.
 - d. Applicant must sign a waiver indicating that they accept all responsibility for work performed.
 - e. Full cost of the dust control is the responsibility of the applicant.
13. The County reserves the right to maintain the treated section of roadway, including application dust control treatments or restoration to original gravel condition, as deemed appropriate by the Director of Public Works.