

DO NOT SPRAY POLICY #62.4.3

1. POLICY STATEMENT

1.1. The Council of the County of Wetaskiwin No. 10 believes that roadside spraying is a viable option for controlling noxious weeds. In the interest of organic production the County of Wetaskiwin will enter into “Do Not Spray” agreements with local producers.

2. PROCEDURES

2.1. The County of Wetaskiwin will advertise the “Do Not Spray” program prior to the beginning of the spraying season.

2.2. Owners/Occupants can enter into agreements with the County of Wetaskiwin for no spraying to occur adjacent to their property.

2.3. The Owner/Occupant will be assigned the duty of maintaining the portion of the highway that lies between the boundary of their property and the centerline of the highway, free from all noxious or restricted weeds.

2.4. The Owner/Occupant agrees that if any noxious weeds persist within the County of Wetaskiwin right-of-way and are determined by the Director of Agricultural Services or his designate to be unacceptable, then the Owner/Occupant of the adjacent “No Spray” area may be notified by the County of Wetaskiwin and shall have a set period of time in which to control the weeds in a manner acceptable to the Director of Agricultural Services or his designate, failing which, the County of Wetaskiwin may take whatever steps it deems appropriate to control these weeds, which may include herbicide application.

2.5. The Owner/Occupant understands that the municipality right-of-ways shall not be used as buffer zones for sensitive area(s) or vegetation.

2.6. A minimum of two (2) signs per property are required. The County of Wetaskiwin will contribute/donate the cost of one (1) “No Spray” sign per property. The owner/occupant is responsible for the cost for any additional signs at the County’s cost of purchase. The owner/occupant is responsible to repair, replace, and display the signs.

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- 2.7. "No Spray" signs must be displayed adjacent to the requested "No Spray" area or located at the corners of the property on the property line adjacent to the County roadway (approximately 20' in from neighboring properties). "No Spray" signs must be fixed to a separate post at a height of no less than 3' and no more than 6' off the ground in an area visible from the road and facing oncoming road traffic. Signs will be installed by an authorized representative of the County of Wetaskiwin No. 10.
- 2.8. It is the responsibility of the owner/occupant to ensure clear visibility of the signs from the road during the months of June through October and further, to inform the County of Wetaskiwin Agricultural Services Department annually of intentions regarding continued participation prior to May 15th, or at any time that there may be change in property ownership.

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