## **Title: Farmland Access Roads**

Policy No: 4002

**Approval: Council** 

Effective Date: February 25, 2014

Supersedes Policy No: (None)



**MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF GREENVIEW NO. 16** 

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**Policy Statement:** The Municipal District of Greenview No. 16 (Greenview) will construct farmland access roads to give access to any cultivated lands, which includes land cleared for grazing, which have no accessible access through a developed/undeveloped Road Allowance(s) and/or any applicant owned adjoining lands.

**Purpose:** The purpose of the Policy is to provide physical access to cultivated land(s) having no accessibility.

## **Principles:**

- 1. Greenview will provide an economical form of farmland access for agricultural purposes.
- 2. Under this policy, Greenview staff will review the submitted application and bring forward a recommendation utilizing a rating system approved by Council.
- 3. Council will annually consider allocating funds for farmland access roads.
- 4. In determining a recommendation for Council on which farmland access roads, if any to construct, Greenview staff will review criteria based upon the current application(s).
- 5. Notwithstanding any recommendation from Greenview staff, Council at all times maintain the authority to determine which roads, if any are to be constructed and in which order.
- 6. In determining the most economical route for a potential farmland access road, Greenview staff will consider a number of factors including, but not limited to, physical land barriers such as hills, swamps and water bodies, soil conditions and any other man-made constraints such as pipelines, power lines, building and other structures.
- 7. No farmland access roads will be constructed where there is currently adequate access to the parcel whether through an existing road way or through the applicant's immediately adjacent parcel.
- 8. If any applications are received after August 1, Council may decide to accept the application in the current year or defer to the following year.
- 9. Despite anything in this policy, it is recognized and understood that this policy does not replace the necessity to look at individual access circumstances and challenges which must be considered on an individual basis.

Approved: <u>14.02.97</u>