REGULAR AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD MEETING AGENDA

Wednesday, March 23, 2022			Council Chambers Administration Building	
#1	CALL TO ORDER			
#2	ADOPTION OF AGENDA			
#3	MINUTES	3.1 Regular Agricultural Service Board Meeting minutes held Wednesday, February 23, 2022 to be adopted.	3	
		3.2 Business Arising from the Minutes		
		3.3 Action Items	9	
#4	DELEGATION	4.1 Smoky Hemp Decortication Ltd.	11	
#5	BUSINESS	5.1 Policy 6306 Wolf Hunting Incentive Program	13	
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#6	MEMBERS REPORTS	 Chair Warren Wohlgemuth Vice Chair Shelley Morrison Deputy Reeve Bill Smith Councillor Dave Berry Member Richard Brochu Member Larry Smith Member Mark Pellerin 		

#7	CORRESPONDENCE	 Alberta Precipitation Accumulations Related to Long Term Normal February 1 – 28, 2022 Alberta Precipitation to Date February 1 - 28, 2022 	38
#8	CLOSED SESSION	8.1 Privileged Information (FOIP, Section 27)	
#9	ADJOURNMENT		

Minutes of a

REGULAR AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF GREENVIEW NO. 16

Greenview Administration Building, Valleyview, Alberta, on Wednesday, February 23, 2022

#1	
CALL TO	ORDER

Chair Warren Wohlgemuth called the meeting to order at 9:37 a.m.

PRESENT

A.S.B. Member - Chair

A.S.B. Member - Vice Chair

A.S.B. Member - Deputy Reeve

A.S.B. Member - Councillor

A.S.B. Member - Councillor

A.S.B. Member

ATTENDING

Manager, Agriculture Services
Agriculture Supervisor
Community Services
Problem Wildlife Officer
Beautification Coordinator
Manager, Communications & Marketing
Recording Secretary
Sheila Kaus
Kristin King
Michelle Honeyman
Ben Brochu
Jessica McCormick (Virtual)
Stacey Sevilla
Denise Baranowski

ABSENT

#2 AGENDA MOTION: 22.02.18. Moved by: VICE CHAIR SHELLEY MORRISON

That the Agricultural Service Board adopt the February 23, 2022, Regular

Agricultural Service Board Meeting Agenda as presented.

CARRIED

#3.1
REGULAR
AGRICULTURAL
SERVICE BOARD
MEETING MINUTES

MOTION: 22.02.19. Moved by: MEMBER LARRY SMITH

That the Agricultural Service Board adopt the minutes of the Regular Agricultural Service Board Meeting held on Thursday, February 10, 2022, with the following changes;

- Michelle Honeyman absent.
- 3.1 change Wednesday December 13 to Monday December 13.

 CARRIED

#3.2 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MUNUTES

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#3.3 ACTION ITEMS

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MOTION: 22.02.20. Moved by: MEMBER RICHARD BROCHU

That the Agricultural Service Board accept the Action Items, as presented.

CARRIED

#4.0 DELEGATION

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There were no delegations present.

#5 BUSINESS

5.0 BUSINESS

5.1 DECEMBER 13, 2021 MEETING MINUTES CHANGE

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MOTION: 22.02.21. Moved by: MEMBER RICHARD BROCHU

That the Agricultural Service Board rescind motion 22.02.02 regarding the

December 13, 2021 meeting minutes.

CARRIED

MOTION: 22.02.22. Moved by: VICE CHAIR SHELLEY MORRISON

That the Agricultural Service Board adopt the minutes of the Regular Agricultural Service Board Meeting held on Monday, December 13, 2021 with changes, as presented.

CARRIED

Deputy Reeve Bill Smith left meeting at 9:53 a.m.

5.2 SATELLITE RENTAL AGENT CONTRACTS

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MOTION: 22.02.23. Moved by: COUNCILLOR DAVE BERRY

That the Agricultural Service Board recommend Council approve the increase to the 2022 – 2024 Satellite Rental Agent Contract from \$2,000.00 to \$2,500.00, to compensate for the increase in oversight and documentation of the rental program, with the following changes;

- Remove Bill Smith from Grovedale contract.
- Remove item 8 regarding snow removal from both contracts.
- Change item 9 from \$2,500.00 to \$200.00 per implement with a minimum of \$2,500.00 per year for both contracts.
- Change item 14 to "cleaning charges being in line with the current Greenview Schedule of Fees" for both contracts.

CARRIED

Richard Brochu left meeting at 10:17 a.m.

Richard Brochu returned to meeting at 10:22 a.m.

PURCHASE SHEDS FOR SATELLITE RENTAL YARDS

MOTION: 22.02.24. Moved by: MEMBER LARRY SMITH

That the Agricultural Service Board recommend Administration investigate the purchase of sheds for the satellite rental yards for potential inclusion in the 2023 Capital Budget.

CARRIED

Deputy Reeve Bill Smith returned to meeting at 10:25

5.3 NOTICE ISSUANCE - 12-5057

NOTICE ISSUANCE – 12-5057 MOTION: 22.02.25. Moved by: MEMBER RICHARD BROCHU

That the Agricultural Service Board recommend that Council approve the destruction of a crop over 20 acres in size on Case File 12-5057.

CARRIED

5.4 NOTICE ISSUANCE – 12-3297

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MOTION: 22.02.26. Moved by: MEMBER MARK PELLERIN

That the Agricultural Service Board recommend that Council approve the destruction of a crop over 20 acres in size on Case File 12-3297.

CARRIED

5.5 NOTICE ISSUANCE - 12-3032

NOTICE ISSUANCE – 12-3032 MOTION: 22.02.27. Moved by: COUNCILLOR DAVE BERRY

That the Agricultural Service Board recommend that Council approve the

destruction of a crop over 20 acres in size on Case File 12-3032.

CARRIED

Chair Warren Wohlgemuth recessed the meeting at 10:55 a.m.

Chair Warren Wohlgemuth reconvened the meeting at 11:07 a.m.

5.6 2022 AGRICULTURAL GRANT REQUESTS

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MOTION: 22.02.28. Moved by: MEMBER RICHARD BROCHU

That the Agricultural Service Board authorize funding to the grant recipients in the amount of \$127,784.80 as indicated on the 2022 Agricultural Grant Listing, with funds to come from the Extension and Outreach Budget, with the following changes:

Remove Peace County Beef Congress.

CARRIED

STREAMLINE FUNDING GRANTS

MOTION: 22.02.29. Moved by: VICE CHAIR SHELLEY MORRISON

That the Agricultural Service Board authorize Administration to streamline reporting for funding grants to bring in line with current Greenview reporting procedures.

CARRIED

GRANT RECIPIENTS PRESENTATIONS

MOTION: 22.02.30. Moved by: MEMBER LARRY SMITH

That the Agricultural Service Board request Administration organize presentations

from all ASB grant recipients that receive \$5,000.00 and over for 2022.

CARRIED

5.7 FARMERS' ADVOCATE OFFICE PUBLICATION

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MOTION: 22.02.31. Moved by: VICE CHAIR SHELLEY MORRISON

That the Agricultural Service Board authorize Administration to provide a copy of the Farmers' Advocate Office publication; "What Are Important Considerations When Drawing Up a Land Rental Agreement?" to individuals requesting the

information.

CARRIED

5.8 2021 AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD ANNUAL REPORT

2021 AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD ANNUAL REPORT MOTION: 22.02.32. Moved by: MEMBER LARRY SMITH

That the Agricultural Service Board recommend Council accept the 2021

Agricultural Service Board Annual Report, as presented.

CARRIED

5.9 MANAGER'S REPORT

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MOTION: 22.02.33. Moved by: DEPUTY REEVE BILL SMITH

That the Agricultural Service Board accept the Managers' report, as presented.

CARRIED

#6 MEMBERS' BUSINESS & REPORTS

6.0 MEMBERS' BUSINESS & REPORTS

ASB MEMBERS REPORTS

CHAIR WARREN WOHLGEMUTH updated the Agriculture Service Board on his recent activities, which include;

- No report

VICE CHAIR SHELLEY MORRISON updated the Agriculture Service Board on her recent activities, which include;

Reported feed shortage

DEPUTY REEVE BILL SMITH updated the Agriculture Service Board on his recent activities, which include;

- Grazing Summit meeting Dec 13 Edmonton
- Follow up meeting with Grazing Government and producers Calgary

COUNCILLOR DAVE BERRY updated the Agriculture Service Board on his recent activities, which include;

No report

MEMBER RICHARD BROCHU updated the Agriculture Service Board on his recent activities, which include;

No report

MEMBER LARRY SMITH updated the Agriculture Service Board on his recent activities, which include;

No report

MEMBER MARK PELLERIN updated the Agriculture Service Board on his recent activities, which include;

- Meet with Canadian Rockies Hemp Corporation

MEMBERS BUSINESS AND REPORTS

MOTION: 22.02.34. Moved by: MEMBER RICHARD BROCHU
That the Agricultural Service Board accept the Members reports as information.

CARRIED

#7 CORRESPONDENCE

7.0 CORRESPONDENCE

ASB CORRESPONDENCE

MOTION: 22.02.35. Moved by: MEMBER RICHARD BROCHU

That the Agricultural Service Board accept the correspondence as information.

CARRIED

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#8 CLOSED SESSION 8.0 CLOSED SESSION

CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: 22.02.36. Moved by: VICE CHAIR SHELLEY MORRISON

That the meeting go to Closed Session, at 12:23 p.m. pursuant to Section 197 of the Municipal Government Act, 2000, Chapter M-26 and amendments thereto, and Division 2 of Part 1 of the Freedom of Information and Protection Act, Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000, Chapter F-25 and amendments thereto, to discuss Legal

Contract information with regards to the Closed Session.

CARRIED

8.1 PRIVILEGED INFORMATION (FOIP, SECTION 27)

OPEN SESSION

MOTION: 22.02.37. Moved by: MEMBER LARRY SMITH

That, in compliance with Section 197(2) of the Municipal Government Act, this

meeting come into Open Session at 12:48 p.m.

CARRIED

MARKET
ASSESSMENT OF
GREENVIEW
VETERINARY CLINIC

MOTION: 22.02.38. Moved by: DEPUTY REEVE BILL SMITH

That the Agricultural Service Board recommend Council authorize Administration

to initiate a market value assessment of the Greenview Veterinary Clinic.

CARRIED

#9 ADJOURNMENT 9.0 ADJOURNMENT

ASB

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: 22.02.39. Moved by: VICE CHAIR SHELLEY MORRISON That this Agricultural Service Board meeting adjourn at 12:50 p.m.

CARRIED

MANAGER, AGRICULTURE SERVICES

ASB CHAIR

3.3 Action Items - Agricultural Service Board Motions

No.	Motion	Assigned to	Status
MOTION: 21.06.66 June 23, 2021	Moved by: MEMBER MARK PELLERIN that the Agricultural Service Board direct administration to produce a document assisting interested producers with having commodity and livestock check off dollars returned to the producer.	Sheila Kaus, Agricultural Services Manager	In Progress
MOTION: 21.08.76 August 25, 2021	Moved by: MEMBER LARRY SMITH that the Agricultural Service Board authorize Administration to develop options to publicly highlight the past, present and future Greenview Farm Family Award recipients with the following revision: Change 1995 recipient to Larry & Donna Noullett.	Communications and Agricultural Services	2023 Capital Item
MOTION: 21.10.112 October 27, 2021	Moved by: COUNCILLOR DAVE BERRY that the Agricultural Service Board recommend that Administration draft an agreement template that landowners can use to develop their own agreement pertaining to rental or access of their land.	Kristin King, Agricultural Services Supervisor	In Progress
MOTION: 21.11.131 November 24, 2021	Moved by: MEMBER MARK PELLERIN that the Agricultural Service Board direct Administration to gather information on AgriStability accessibility issues and report back to the board.	Sheila Kaus. Agricultural Services Manager	In Progress
MOTION: 21.12.143 December 13, 2021	Moved by: VICE CHAIR SHELLEY MORRISON that the Agricultural Service Board recommend to Council to postpone the Agricultural Plastics Recycle capital purchase project for 2022 and to be considered for 2023.	Sheila Kaus. Agricultural Services Manager	2023
MOTION: 22.02.04 February 10, 2022	Moved by: COUNCILLOR DAVE BERRY that the Agricultural Service Board direct Administration to draft a resolution for the Peace Region to investigate a central location for the Provincial ASB Conference.	Sheila Kaus. Agricultural Services Manager	In Progress
MOTION: 22.02.05 February 10, 2022	Moved by: VICE CHAIR SHELLEY MORRISON that the Agricultural Service Board direct Administration to draft a presentation regarding a mix and mingle option for the 2023 Provincial ASB Conference with funding requirements and location options.	Sheila Kaus. Agricultural Services Manager	In Progress
MOTION: 22.02.23 February 23, 2022	Moved by: COUNCILLOR DAVE BERRY that the Agricultural Service Board recommend Council approve the increase to the 2022 – 2024 Satellite Rental Agent Contract from \$2,000.00 to \$2,500.00, to compensate for the increase in oversight and documentation of the rental program, with the following changes; - Remove Bill Smith from Grovedale contract. - Remove item 8 regarding snow removal from both contracts. - Change item 9 from \$2,500.00 to \$200.00 per implement with a minimum of \$2,500.00 per year for both contracts. - Change item 14 to "cleaning charges being in line with the current Greenview Schedule of Fees" for both contracts.	Sheila Kaus, Agricultural Services Manager	Delayed – Insurance Concerns

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3.3 Action Items - Agricultural Service Board Motions

MOTION: 22.02.24 February 23, 2022	Moved by: MEMBER LARRY SMITH that the Agricultural Service Board recommend Administration investigate the purchase of sheds for the satellite rental yards for potential inclusion in the 2023 Capital Budget.	Sheila Kaus, Agricultural Services Manager	2023 Capital Budget
MOTION: 22.02.25 February 23, 2022	Moved by: MEMBER RICHARD BROCHU that the Agricultural Service Board recommend that Council approve the destruction of a crop over 20 acres in size on Case File 12-5057.	Sheila Kaus, Agricultural Services Manager	Complete- March 22 Council Meeting
MOTION: 22.02.26 February 23, 2022	Moved by: MEMBER MARK PELLERIN that the Agricultural Service Board recommend that Council approve the destruction of a crop over 20 acres in size on Case File 12-3297.	Sheila Kaus, Agricultural Services Manager	Complete- March 22 Council Meeting
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MOTION: 22.02.29 February 23, 2022	Moved by: VICE CHAIR SHELLEY MORRISON that the Agricultural Service Board authorize Administration to streamline reporting for funding grants to bring in line with current Greenview reporting procedures.	Sheila Kaus, Agricultural Services Manager	In Progress
MOTION: 22.02.30 February 23, 2022	Moved by: MEMBER LARRY SMITH that the Agricultural Service Board request Administration organize presentations from all ASB grant recipients that receive \$5,000.00 and over for 2022.	Sheila Kaus, Agricultural Services Manager	Complete – Schedule included in Managers Report
MOTION: 22.02.31 February 23, 2022	Moved by: VICE CHAIR SHELLEY MORRISON that the Agricultural Service Board authorize Administration to provide a copy of the Farmers' Advocate Office publication; "What Are Important Considerations When Drawing Up a Land Rental Agreement?" to individuals requesting the information.	Kristin King, Agricultural Services Supervisor	In Progress
MOTION: 22.02.32 February 23, 2022	Moved by: LARRY SMITH that the Agricultural Service recommend Council accept the 2021 Agricultural Service Board Annual Report	Sheila Kaus, Agricultural Services Manager	Complete – March 22 Council Meeting
MOTION: 22.02.38 February 23, 2022	Moved by: DEPUTY REEVE BILL SMITH that the Agricultural Service Board recommend Council authorize Administration to initiate a market value assessment of the Greenview Veterinary Clinic.	Sheila Kaus, Agricultural Services Manager	Complete – March 9 Council Meeting

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REQUEST FOR DECISION

SUBJECT: Smoky Hemp Decortication Ltd.

SUBMISSION TO: AGRICULTURAL SERVICES BOARD REVIEWED AND APPROVED FOR SUBMISSION

MEETING DATE: March 23, 2022 CAO: MANAGER: DEPARTMENT: AGRICULTURE DIR: PRESENTER:

STRATEGIC PLAN: Level of Service LEG:

RELEVANT LEGISLATION:

Provincial (cite) - N/A

Council Bylaw/Policy (cite) - N/A

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

MOTION: That the Agricultural Service Board accept the Smoky Hemp Decortication presentation for information, as presented.

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL:

Smoky Hemp Decortication will provide a presentation on establishing a hemp decortication facility that will be at the centre of a hemp fibre and hurd value-added processing cluster.

Presenter Avis Gagne recognized the immense potential and opportunity provided by growing and processing industrial hemp after attending the 1st Canada International Hemp Fibre Processing Symposium in 2018. In the intervening 3 years, she has worked to promote, educate, identify opportunities, markets, and encourage investment in the emerging hemp industry. Smoky Hemp Decortication Ltd is committed to making hemp a successful cornerstone of hemp fibre value-added chain in Northern Alberta.

Currently, Alberta has three decortication plants, all around the Edmonton area.

BENEFITS OF THE RECOMMENDED ACTION:

1. The benefit of the Agricultural Service Board accepting the recommended motion is that the Board will have the opportunity to learn about a crop market and the viability of it in Northern Alberta.

DISADVANTAGES OF THE RECOMMENDED ACTION:

1. There are no perceived disadvantages to the recommended motion.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED:

Alternative #1: The Agricultural Service Board has the alternative to alter or deny the recommended motion.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATION:

There are no financial implications to the recommended motion.

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There are no staffing implications to the recommended motion.

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT LEVEL:

Greenview has adopted the IAP2 Framework for public consultation.

INCREASING LEVEL OF PUBLIC IMPACT

Inform

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION GOAL

Inform - To provide the public with balanced and objective information to assist them in understanding the problem, alternatives, opportunities and/or solutions.

PROMISE TO THE PUBLIC

Inform - We will keep you informed.

FOLLOW UP ACTIONS:

There are no follow up actions to the recommended motion.

ATTACHMENT(S):

• N/A



REQUEST FOR DECISION

SUBJECT: Policy 6306 – Wolf Harvest Incentive Program

SUBMISSION TO: AGRICULTURAL SERVICES BOARD REVIEWED AND APPROVED FOR SUBMISSION MEETING DATE: March 23, 2022 CAO: MANAGER: SK DEPARTMENT: AGRICULTURE GM: PRESENTER: SK

STRATEGIC PLAN: Level of Service

RELEVANT LEGISLATION:

Provincial (cite) – N/A

Council Bylaw/Policy (cite) – Policy 6306 – Wolf Harvest Incentive Program

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

MOTION: That the Agricultural Service Board recommend the Policy Review Committee approve the revisions to Policy 6306 – Wolf Harvest Incentive Program as presented.

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL:

Administration reviewed the submission requirements within Policy 6306 – Wolf Harvest Incentive Program to ensure adequate evaluation criteria is defined.. The following changes are recommended to provide a beneficial management process for the evaluation of the wolf harvest incentive carcass submissions:

- The entire carcass is required to ensure the wolf has been harvested within all program guidelines and toxicant is not utilized. Administration recommends the removal of the option to present the head only.
- A 72 hr post-harvest submission is required to reduce the potential of a wolf harvest submission received from outside the Greenview boundaries. The implementation of a time-limit from huntedto-submitted is advisable. Municipalities within the Peace Region have curtailed or eliminated wolf bounties. This provision could curb any potential submissions from outside Greenview's boundary.
- Snared carcasses are only acceptable during allowable open trapping season as per Alberta Trapping regulations. Greenview has an obligation to ensure that wolves snared are harvested during the allowable trapping season.
- The implementation of random harvest site inspections has been implemented in other municipalities to view a hunt site has occurred within municipal boundaries. Application is randomized for every ten carcass submissions so as to not target any specific participant. Administration has recommended the random harvest site inspection be conducted, however, Greenview could offer the option of a geolocated photo of the hunt site and participants would then be excluded from this condition.

Administration has provided the recommended revisions to the Wolf Harvest Incentive Program Policy No. 6306 to improve the management of the program. The approved revisions by the Agricultural Service Board will be submitted to the Policy Review Committee for their review and subsequently submitted to Council.

BENEFITS OF THE RECOMMENDED ACTION:

The benefit of the Agricultural Service Board recommending Policy 6306 – Wolf Harvest Incentive Program revisions is to improve the management of the harvest program.

DISADVANTAGES OF THE RECOMMENDED ACTION:

The disadvantage of the recommended action is that the participants will need to adjust to the new harvest submission requirements.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED:

Alternative #1: The Agricultural Service Board has the alternative to alter or deny the recommended motion.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATION:

There are no direct costs to these recommended policy changes.

STAFFING IMPLICATION:

The requirement for hunt site inspection may lead to an increased workload for the Problem Wildlife Officer, but this will mostly impact the winter months, which can be accommodated.

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT LEVEL:

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FOLLOW-UP ACTIONS:

Administration will submit the revised policy to the Policy Review Committee and afterward to Council.

ATTACHMENT(S):

- Policy 6306 Wolf Harvest Incentive Program CURRENT
- Policy 6306 Wolf Harvest Incentive Program DRAFT

Title: WOLF HARVEST INCENTIVE PROGRAM

Policy No: 6306

Review Date:

Effective Date: January 22, 2018

Motion Number: 18.01.41

Supersedes Policy No: AG 10



"A Great Place to Live, Work and Play"

Purpose: Greenview supports wolf population control efforts in order to reduce livestock predation. Greenview will implement the policy and procedures to provide for a Wolf Harvest Incentive Program, for the purpose of promoting the lawful harvesting of wolves within the designated wolf harvest area of Greenview.

DEFINITIONS

Eligible Participant means the registered landowner of property within the boundaries of Greenview, or their designate (stated through written permission), verified by VSI membership or Administration. Greenview's Problem Wildlife Officer is <u>not</u> eligible to participate in the Wolf Harvest Incentive Program.

Financial Compensation means the monies received for lawfully harvested adult wolf by eligible participants.

POLICY

- 1. The Wolf Harvest Incentive Program will be in effect only on lands within 8 kilometers of private property, active grazing leases, and Provincial Grazing Reserves (agricultural area) within the boundaries of Greenview.
 - a. The Wolf Harvest Incentive Program will be limited to eligible participants or their designate.
 - b. Wolves harvested outside of Greenview will not qualify for compensation.
 - c. Individuals wishing to participate in the program will be required to register with the Manager of Agricultural Services or his/her designate, in advance of participation in the program.
- Council shall, during budget deliberations, establish a budget for the Wolf Harvest Incentive Program.
- 3. By resolution of Council, the Wolf Harvest Incentive Program shall be activated or terminated.

PROCEDURE

1. Individuals participating in the wolf Harvest Incentive Program shall follow all Federal and Provincial Legislation and regulations including, but not limited to the Wildlife Act and Wildlife

- regulations, the Firearms Act, the Petty Trespass Act, and Alberta Hunting and Trapping Regulations, and any amendments or successor legislations thereto.
- 2. Greenview's Wolf Harvest Incentive Program will be reviewed annually.
- 3. The manager of Agriculture Services, or their designate, shall arrange appointments with eligible participants for the examination and marking of adult wolves to qualify for financial compensation through the Wolf Harvest Incentive Program.
- 4. Greenview shall pay financial compensation as per the Schedule of Fees, for each eligible adult wolf carcass presented to the designated receiving location.
- Eligible participants requesting financial compensation shall enter into a Contract of Participation Agreement, at the time of marking the carcass with the Manager of Agriculture Services or their designate.
- Entire wolf carcasses (or head only, if agreed upon with the Manger, Agriculture Services or their designate) shall be delivered to a location designated by Greenview Agriculture Services, for examination and marking, and authorization of payment of compensation;
 - a. Examination of the carcass will be performed to verify the animal has been destroyed by means other than vertebrate toxicant.
 - b. The carcass will be marked by a representative of Greenview; a carcass that has been previously marked will be rejected.
 - c. If eligible, the claimant will be provided with a financial compensation authorization (mailed via Canada Post to participant).
- 7. To request authorization for financial compensation, the eligible participant will provide proof of permission from the owner or authorized occupant of the land upon which the harvest was conducted, and declare the following:
 - a. The legal land location where the wolf was harvested.
 - b. The date of harvest.
 - c. The harvest was conducted in a lawful manner, in accordance with current legislation.
 - d. The participant is the legal landowner or the authorized occupant of the land; and/or
 - e. The participant had permission to harvest on said land.
- 8. In accordance with Provincial Legislation, the eligible participant shall be responsible for disposal of all parts of the carcass.
- Participants shall be removed from the list of eligible participants and shall forfeit all benefit from said program, it if is determined that have not adhered to the Policy as set by Council or the Contract of Participation.
- 10. Disputes over eligible claims for compensation will be settled at the discretion of the Manager of Agricultural Services, whose decision will be final and binding.

Title: WOLF HARVEST INCENTIVE PROGRAM

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- Entire wolf carcasses (or head only, if agreed upon with the Manger, Agriculture Services or their designate) shall be delivered to a location designated by Greenview Agriculture Services, for examination and marking, and authorization of payment of compensation;
 - a. Carcass shall have been harvested no more than 72 hrs prior to submission
 - <u>b.</u> Examination of the carcass will be performed to verify the animal has been destroyed by means other than vertebrate toxicant.
 - a.c. Snared carcasses shall only be accepted during the open trapping season as specified by Alberta Trapping Regulation.
 - b.d. The carcass will be marked by a representative of Greenview; a carcass that has been previously marked will be rejected.
 - <u>e.e.</u> If eligible, the claimant will be provided with a financial compensation authorization (mailed via Canada Post to participant).
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 - c. The harvest was conducted in a lawful manner, in accordance with current legislation.
 - d. The participant is the legal landowner or the authorized occupant of the land; and/or
 - e. The participant had permission to harvest on said land.
 - e.f. Random harvest site inspections shall be performed to verify submissions as valid.
- 8. In accordance with Provincial Legislation, the eligible participant shall be responsible for disposal of all parts of the carcass.
- Participants shall be removed from the list of eligible participants and shall forfeit all benefit from said program, it if is determined that have not adhered to the Policy as set by Council or the Contract of Participation.
- 10. Disputes over eligible claims for compensation will be settled at the discretion of the Manager of Agricultural Services, whose decision will be final and binding.



REQUEST FOR DECISION

SUBJECT:	Peace Region Agricultural Service B	oard Chairs Meeti	ng
SUBMISSION TO:	AGRICULTURAL SERVICES BOARD	REVIEWED AND	D APPROVED FOR SUBMISSION
MEETING DATE:	March 23, 2022	CAO:	MANAGER: SK
DEPARTMENT:	AGRICULTURE	GM:	PRESENTER: SK
STRATEGIC PLAN:	Level of Service		
RELEVANT LEGISLAT	ΓΙΟΝ:		
Provincial (cite) –			
Council Bylaw/Police	cy (cite) – N/A		
RECOMMENDED AC	CTION:		
	Agricultural Service Board approve _		
Agricultural Service	Board Chairs Meeting, April 4 th , 2022	2, Rycroft, Alberta.	
MOTION: That the	Agricultural Service Board approve _		and in this
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4 th , 2022, Rycroft, A	Alberta.		
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BACKGROUND/PRO		a has boon organiz	and for April 4th 2022 in Pycroft
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	n. The organizer has requested that Aguanicipality would like to discuss at the		•
listed in order of pri	• •	e meeting – and ii	ciude two (2) additional topics,
	ECOMMENDED ACTION:		
	Agricultural Service Board providing the titing will be held on April 4 th .	neir topic choices t	o Administration is that a more
chectively rail files	ung win be neid on April 4.		
DISADVANTAGES O	F THE RECOMMENDED ACTION:		
There are no percei	ved disadvantages to the recommend	ed motion.	
ALTERNATIVES CON	SIDERED:		
Alternative #1: The	Agricultural Service Board has the alte	ernative to alter or	deny the recommended motion.
FINANCIAL IMPLICA	TION:		· <u> </u>
Direct Cost: There a	are no perceived financial implications	s to the recommend	ded action.
STAFFING IMPLICAT	ION:		
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PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT LEVEL:

Greenview has adopted the IAP2 Framework for public consultation.

INCREASING LEVEL OF PUBLIC IMPACT

Inform

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION GOAL

Inform - To provide the public with balanced and objective information to assist them in understanding the problem, alternatives, opportunities and/or solutions.

PROMISE TO THE PUBLIC

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FOLLOW-UP ACTIONS:

Administration will forward Greenview Agricultural Service Board's list to the organizers to ensure they are included in meeting preparations.

ATTACHMENT(S):

N/A



REQUEST FOR DECISION

SUBJECT: Policy 6322 – Greenview Vegetation Management

SUBMISSION TO: AGRICULTURAL SERVICES BOARD REVIEWED AND APPROVED FOR SUBMISSION MEETING DATE: March 23, 2022 CAO: MANAGER: SK DEPARTMENT: AGRICULTURE GM: PRESENTER: SK

STRATEGIC PLAN: Level of Service

RELEVANT LEGISLATION:

Provincial (cite) – N/A

Council Bylaw/Policy (cite) – Policy 6303 – Weed Control, Policy 6303 – 1 – Weed Control Procedure Policy 6302- Roadside Vegetation Management, Policy 6317 – Spray Exemption Policy, Policy 6302-1 Roadside Vegetation Management Procedure

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

MOTION: That the Agricultural Service Board recommend Policy 6322 – Greenview Vegetative Management to the Policy Review Committee, as presented.

Motion: That the Agricultural Service Board recommend to the Policy Review Committee that Policy 6303 – Weed Control, Policy 6303–01 – Weed Control Procedure, Policy 6302 – Roadside Vegetation Management, Policy 6302-01 Roadside Vegetation Management Procedure, Policy 6317 Spray Exemptions, and Policy 6318 Private Land Herbicide Applications be rescinded.

BACKGROUND/PROPOSAL:

Administration reviewed Policy 6303 – Weed Control as the policy has no recorded review since 2014. The policy was amended to include definitions and to incorporate the separate procedure into the policy body. Other amendments provide more robust direction, clearly delineating the purpose of the policy, and the responsibilities of Administration and Council pertaining to the Weed Control Act.

Administration consulted with Legislative Services prior to presentation of the amended Policy 6303 draft to the Agricultural Service Board. It was suggested that this policy could be amalgamated into the current draft of Policy 6302- Roadside Vegetation Management, which incorporated the Policy 6302-1 Roadside Vegetation Management Procedure and Policy 6317 - Spray Exemption, recommended at the February 10th Agricultural Service Board meeting.

Further review of the Agricultural Services policy listing resulted in the inclusion of Policy 6318 – Private Land Herbice Applications into the draft. Due to the significant amalgamation, a consensus was reached to renumber and rename the resultant **Policy 6322 to Greenview Vegetation Management**.

Text from Policy 6303 – Weed Control Draft is coloured red and the Private Land Herbicide Application inclusion is in purple. Policy 6302 - Roadside Vegetation Management, already an amalgamation of three (3) related policies, is coloured black and includes the original draft presented to the ASB on February 10th and

the recommended changes from the Policy Review Committee. The Policy Review Committee added the following to the draft of Policy 6302 – Roadside Vegetation Management:

Administrative Responsibilities, 6.3: "In accordance with Policy 4013, the Manager of Agricultural Services will coordinate with Road Supervisors to ensure the control of invasive species helps in the facilitation of an effective road maintenance program."

Definitions: 1.4. Greenview means the Municipal District of Greenview No 16.

The amalgamation of these 6 related policies lessens the administrative overburden for the timely review of the policy, and provides the public with one policy in which to find Greenview's commitments in relation to Vegetation Management, easing communication with Greenview ratepayers.

BENEFITS OF THE RECOMMENDED ACTION:

The benefit of the Agricultural Service Board recommending Policy 6322 – Greenview Vegetation Management to the Policy Review Committee is the potential adoption of a policy that amalgamates six documents with similar language into one policy, easing communication with Greenview Ratepayers.

DISADVANTAGES OF THE RECOMMENDED ACTION:

There are no perceived disadvantages to the recommended action.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED:

Alternative #1: The Agricultural Service Board has the alternative to alter or deny the recommended motion.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATION:

There are no financial implications to the recommended action.

STAFFING IMPLICATION:

There are no staffing implications to the recommended motion.

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT LEVEL:

Greenview has adopted the IAP2 Framework for public consultation.

INCREASING LEVEL OF PUBLIC IMPACT

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FOLLOW-UP ACTIONS:

Administration will present the policy to the Policy Review Committee and afterward accordingly to Council.

ATTACHMENT(S):

- Policy 6322 Greenview Vegetation Management DRAFT
- Policy 6303 Weed Control CURRENT
- Policy 6303-01 Weed Control Procedure CURRENT
- Policy 6302 Roadside Vegetation Management February 10th Draft
- Policy 6318 Private Land Herbicide Application CURRENT

Title: Greenview Vegetation Management

Policy No: 6322

Effective Date: Date passed in Council

Motion Number:

Supersedes Policy No:

Review Date:



Purpose: Greenview believes that it is beneficial for the municipality to implement measures to prevent the establishment of and control the spread of invasive plant species and undesirable vegetation along municipal road rights-of-way and municipally controlled lands.

1. DEFINITIONS

- 1.1. **Authorized Agent** means the person or persons to whom the registered Landowner has authorized to act on their behalf through a contractual agreement.
- 1.2. Control means that the plant population and potential propagation has been lessened.
- 1.3. **Destruction** means all propagative structures of the plant have been destroyed.
- 1.4. Greenview means the Municipal District of Greenview No 16.
- 1.5. **Legislated Weed** as defined by the Weed Control Act of Alberta (RSA 2008/W-5.1) and any species elevated in status in municipal Greenview bylaw, as amended from time to time.
- 1.6. **Noxious** means a plant species listed on the Weed Control Regulation 19/2010 as requiring control under the Weed Control Act, R.S.A. 2008 (Chapter W-5.1).
- 1.7. **Prohibited Noxious** means a plant listed on the Weed Control Regulation 19/2010 as requiring destruction under the Weed Control Act, R.S.A. 2008 (Chapter W-5.1).
- 1.8. Registered Landowner means the Person or Persons to whom the land title is registered to.

2. POLICY STATEMENT

2.1. Greenview believes that it is beneficial to implement measures to prevent the establishment of, and to control the spread of legislated plant species as set out in the Weed Control Regulation 19/2010 on all public and private lands within the boundaries of Greenview to protect agricultural production, the environment and the local aesthetic.

3. PROCEDURE

- 3.1. Greenview Agricultural Services shall inspect, where reasonably practicable, private and public lands, Greenview roadsides, and lands on an annual basis to monitor for Prohibited Noxious or Noxious weeds.
- **3.2.** All Prohibited Noxious weeds observed on Greenview properties during inspections shall be eradicated (destruction of all parts of the plant).
- **3.3.** All Noxious weeds observed on Greenview properties during inspections shall be controlled as to prevent their spread.
- **3.4.** All Prohibited Noxious weeds observed on private or public lands during inspections shall, through cooperation or enforcement, be eradicated by the registered landowner (destruction of all parts of the plant).
- 3.5. All Noxious weeds observed on private or public lands during inspections shall, through cooperation or enforcement, be controlled by the registered landowner to prevent their spread.

4. SPRAY EXEMPTIONS

- 4.1. Greenview recognizes that some Registered Landowners or Authorized Agents may desire an exemption from the roadside herbicide applications and will allow exemptions from the program when the Landowner has agreed to the following conditions:
 - A. Those signing the Spray Exemption Agreement are Registered landowners or Authorized Agents, and the contract is signed before May 1 of the calendar year. Agreements signed after this time will be honoured in the subsequent year.
 - B. Participants enroll continuously and abide by agreement terms and conditions, including control of legislated weed species by July 15, annually.
 - C. Understand Greenview will inspect to ensure control by July 15 annually.
 - D. Understand that if vegetation and legislated weed species are not controlled by July 15, Greenview reserves the right to control the vegetation and legislated weed species including the possible use of herbicide at the Manager, Agricultural Services discretion.
- 4.2. Eligible Agreement holders will be responsible for ensuring that signage, which will be supplied by Greenview, is posted in accordance with the directions on the Spray Exemption Agreement and always remains clearly visible from the roadway (first pair of signs are free).
- 4.3. Replacement signs (for lost, damaged, or destroyed signs) have a charge per signs as per the Greenivew Schedule of Fees.

5. PRIVATE LAND HERBICIDE APPLICATIONS

5.1. Greenview recognizes that it is in the best interest of all to provide invasive species control on infestations on private property to proactively prevent the spread of Noxious and Prohibited Noxious weeds.

- A) To prevent legislated weed species spread into adjacent lands, Greenview Agricultural Services will offer a 2-acre annual maximum Private Land spray program.
- B) Greenview Agricultural Services is authorized to enter into hold harmless agreements with registered landowners, or their authorized agent, to provide herbicide applications to control designated weeds on private land, at no charge to the landowner.
- C) Private land herbicide application will only be permitted if service does not negatively impact the roadside vegetation management programs of Greenview, and will be conducted at the discretion of the Manager of Agriculture Services, or designate.

6. COUNCIL RESPONSIBILITIES

- 6.1. Council shall approve a budget that is adequate to fund inspection, monitoring, and enforcement activities on an annual basis.
- **6.2.** Council shall annually appoint an adequate number of municipal weed inspectors to facilitate inspections.
- 6.3. Council shall appoint an independent appeal committee annually to hear any appeals resultant from issued Weed Notices.
- 6.4. Should the need arise, Council may elevate a plant of concern to Noxious or Prohibited Noxious within Greenview through bylaw and permission of the appropriate Provincial Ministry.

7. ADMINISTRATION RESPONSIBILITIES

- 7.1. The Manager of Agricultural Services or designate shall;
 - A) Ensure that an adequate number of weed inspectors have been appointed by Council prior to commencement of the inspection season.
 - B) Ensure any activity undertaken by Greenview with respect to weed control is conducted in accordance with the Weed Control Act, R.S.A. 2008 (Chapter W-5.1) and the Weed Control Regulation 19/2010, and any amendments or successor legislation thereto.
 - C) Ensure any activity undertaken by Greenview with respect to vegetation and weed control is conducted in accordance with the Alberta Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act, the Code of Practices for Pesticide Applications, and the Professional Vegetation Management Association of Alberta Industry Standards and Good Practices.
 - D) Provide practical advice and technical assistance to residents, ratepayers, and stakeholders in appropriate weed prevention and management practices, and shall conduct activities to prevent establishment and/or limit the spread of declared weeds.
- 7.2. Greenview will establish a vegetation management rotation and prioritize the biological growth of the target plant to maximize the control of legislated weeds and undesirable vegetation in Greenview road allowances.
- 7.3. Greenview's roadside vegetation management program will strive to undertake such actions as required and as often as resources allow, to eradicate legislated weeds within Greenview road rights-of-way and Greenview controlled lands. In accordance with Policy 4013, the Manager of Agricultural Services will coordinate with Road Supervisors

- to ensure the control of invasive species helps in the facilitation of an effective road maintenance program.
- 7.4. Annually, Greenview will advertise its intention, location and approximate timeline to conduct vegetation management and weed control activities on Greenview properties and right-of-ways. These measures may include but are not limited to mechanical, cultural or chemical control.
- 7.5. Measures used to control and eradicate weeds under this policy shall minimize the potential for negative impacts on the natural environment and remain cost-effective.
- 7.6. Greenview shall train, employ, and appoint sufficient staff to conduct control measures.
- 7.7. Human Resources shall;
 - A) Provide Greenview identification as specified in the Weed Control Regulation 19/2010 to duly appointed Weed Inspectors.



Title: WEED CONTROL

Policy No: 6303

Approval: Council

Effective Date: February 25, 2014

Supersedes Policy No: AG 07



MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF GREENVIEW NO. 16

"A Great Place to Live, Work and Play"

Policy Statement: Greenview believes that it is beneficial to implement measures to prevent the establishment of, and to control the spread of, invasive plant species on all public and private lands within the boundaries of Greenview.

Purpose: To establish a policy to prevent the establishment and to control the spread of invasive plant species (Noxious and Prohibited Noxious weeds as designated under the *Weed Control Act* of Alberta, and associated Regulations).

Principles:

- 1. The effective control of noxious and eradication of prohibited noxious weeds -will assist in the protection of agricultural productivity and the preservation of the natural environment.
- 2. Greenview will strive to eradicate prohibited noxious weeds and to control noxious weeds.
- 3. This Policy will be reviewed annually.

Approved: <u>14.02.101</u>



MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF GREENVIEW NO. 16

"A Great Place to Live, Work and Play"

Procedure Title: WEED CONTROL

Procedure No: 6303-01

Approval: CAO

Effective Date: February 25, 2014

Supersedes Procedure No: AG 07

1. **Definitions**

1.1. <u>Eradicate</u> means: destroy all parts of the plant, and render reproductive parts of the plant non-viable.

- 1.2. <u>Control</u> means: inhibit the growth or spread of the plant.
- 1.3. Noxious Weeds and Prohibited Noxious Weeds are as defined, and include all those weeds identified, under the Weed Control Act of Alberta (RSA 2008/W-5.1) and the Weed Control Regulation (19/2010), as amended from time to time. As well, Noxious Weeds and Prohibited Noxious Weeds shall include invasive plant species which have been elevated in status by municipal bylaw.

2. Responsibilities

- 2.1. Greenview Council to:
- 2.1.1 Appoint the Agricultural Services Supervisor and other weed/pest inspectors as identified under the *Weed Control Act*.
- 2.1.2 Appoint an independent appeal committee at the organizational meeting each year to review and render decisions upon appeals submitted.
- 2.2. Manager of Agricultural Services and Appointed Weed Inspectors to:
- 2.2.1 Serve as Inspectors under the Weed Control Act and shall, as authorized under this Act, conduct weed inspections and surveillance and shall monitor and accurately record weed infestations observed.
- 2.2.2 Encourage voluntary compliance with the requirements of the *Weed Control Act* and shall, as a last resort, take action and/or impose penalties, as required by the noted

Act, upon the landowners or occupants in the event that declared weed species infest public or private lands unabated.

- 2.2.3 Upon confirmation of a noxious weed infestation on private land, the inspector may notify the landowner by way of telephone or personal visit; followed by correspondence; and then enforcement procedures if required.
- 2.2.4 Issue and enforce such Notices as required by the *Weed Control Act* when the Inspector is of the opinion that the property contains Prohibited Noxious weeds and the landowner or occupant is unwilling to take measures to eradicate the infestation.
- 2.2.5 Provide practical advice and technical assistance to residents, ratepayers, and stakeholders in appropriate weed prevention and management practices, and shall conduct activities to prevent establishment and/or limit the spread of declared weeds.
- 2.3 Human Resources to:
- 2.3.1 Provide appropriate identification to duly appointed Weed Inspectors.
- 2.4 Registered Landowners and Industrial Lease Holders to:
- 2.4.1 Eradicate all Prohibited Noxious weeds observed on private or public lands during inspections conducted pursuant to this procedure, through cooperation or enforcement.
- 2.4.2 Control all Noxious weeds observed on private or public lands during inspections conducted pursuant to this procedure, through cooperation or enforcement.

End of Procedure

Approved: <u>14.02.102</u>

Title: ROADSIDE VEGETATION MANAGEMENT

Policy No: 6302

Effective Date: Date passed in Council

Motion Number:

Supersedes Policy No: 6302 & 6317

Review Date: (3 Years from date approved

by Council)



Purpose: Greenview believes that it is beneficial for the municipality to implement measures to prevent the establishment of and control the spread of invasive plant species and undesirable vegetation along municipal road rights-of-way and municipally controlled lands.

1. DEFINITIONS

- 1.1. Control means to inhibit the growth or spread of the plant
- 1.2. **Eradicate** means to kill all growing parts of the plant or to render reproductive mechanisms non-viable
- 1.3. **Legislated Weed** as defined by the *Weed Control Act* of Alberta (RSA 2008/W-5.1) and any species elevated in status in municipal by-law, as amended from time to time.
- 1.4. **Registered Landowner** means the Person or Persons to whom the land title is registered to.
- 1.5. **Authorized Agent** means the person or persons to whom the registered Landowner has authorized to act on their behalf through a contractual agreement.

2. POLICY STATEMENT

2.1. Greenview shall implement measures to prevent the establishment and control the spread of invasive plant species and undesirable vegetation along municipal road rights-of-way and municipally controlled land to protect agricultural production, the environment and the local aesthetic.

4. APPLICATION

4.1 Greenview recognizes that some Registered landowners or Authorized Agents may desire an exemption from the roadside herbicide applications and will allow exemptions from the program when the Landowner has agreed to the following conditions:

- A. Those signing the participation contract are Registered landowners or Authorized Agents, and the contract is signed before May 1 of the calendar year. Agreements signed after this time will be honoured in the subsequent year.
- B. Participants enroll continuously and abide by agreement terms and conditions, including control of legislated weed species by July 15, annually.
- C. Understand Greenview will inspect to ensure control by July 15 annually.
- D. Understand that if vegetation and legislated weed species are not controlled by July 15, Greenview reserves the right to control the vegetation and legislated weed species including the possible use of herbicide at the Manager, Agricultural Services discretion.

5. COUNCIL RESPONSIBILITIES

5.1. Annually, Council will set a program budget to ensure program continuity.

6. ADMINISTRATION RESPONSIBILITIES

- 6.1 Greenview shall ensure that the relevant legislation pertaining to herbicide applications and weed control are followed; *Weed Control Act of Alberta, Alberta Environment Protection and Enhancement Act* and any successor legislation.
- 6.2 Greenview will establish a vegetation management rotation and prioritize the biological growth of the target plant to maximize the control of legislated weeds and undesirable vegetation in Greenview road allowances.
- 6.3 Greenview's roadside vegetation management program will strive to undertake such actions as required and as often as resources allow, to eradicate legislated weeds within municipal road rights-of-way and municipal controlled lands.
- 6.4 Annually, Greenview will advertise the municipality's intention, location and approximate timeline to conduct vegetation management and weed control activities on municipal properties and right-of-ways. These measures may include but are not limited to mechanical, cultural or chemical control.
- 6.5 Measures used to control and eradicate weeds under this policy shall minimize the potential for negative impacts on the natural environment and cost-effective.
- 6.6 Greenview shall train, employ, and appoint sufficient staff to conduct control measures.

Title: Private Land Herbicide Applications

Policy No: 6318

Effective Date: June 24, 2019

Motion Number: 19.06.498

Supersedes Policy No: AG 14

Review Date June 24, 2022



Purpose: Greenview recognizes that fence lines and property lines frequently present an obstacle to landowners and municipal staff for full herbicide spray coverage. Leaving a narrow strip of land at the property line and municipal road right-of-way (ROW), upon which weed control is not usually conducted, providing a host area for invasive species (weeds) infestations. Greenview further recognizes that it is in the best interest of all, to provide invasive species control on small infestations on private property to pro-actively prevent the spread of Noxious and Prohibited Noxious weeds.

DEFINITIONS

Registered Land Owner means the Person or Persons to whom the land title is registered to.

Authorized Agent means the person or persons to whom the registered land owner has authorized to act on their behalf through a contractual agreement.

Greenview Agriculture Services means the Department of Agriculture services for the M.D of Greenview No. 16 responsible for pest control under the Agricultural Pests Act.

Noxious Weeds means a plant designated in accordance with the regulations as a noxious weed and includes the plant's seeds; Control to inhibit the growth or spread.

Prohibited Noxious Weeds means a plant designated in accordance with the regulations as a prohibited noxious weed and includes the plant's seeds; destroy to kill all growing parts or to render reproductive mechanisms non-viable.

POLICY

- To prevent noxious or prohibited noxious invasive species in fence line/headland areas and to prevent the spread of invasive species into adjacent lands Greenview Agriculture Services will offer a Fence Line/Private Land spray program.
- Greenview Agriculture Services is authorized to enter into agreements with registered landowners (or their authorized agent) which may provide herbicide applications to control designated weeds (invasive species) on private land at no charge to the landowner.
- 3. If, at any time it is determined by Agriculture Services personnel that roadsides under a Spray Exemption Agreement require remedial vegetation control measures due to the proliferation of Noxious Weeds, Prohibited Noxious Weeds, or Brush, the terms of the agreement will be deemed

to have been breached and the agreement will become null and void for that calendar year. Greenview Agriculture Services will take immediate action to rectify the situation, which may include herbicide applications. In the event of a default of the Spray Exemption Agreement. No exemption will be granted for that property in the subsequent calendar year.

PROCEDURE

- 1. Arrangements under section 2 of the policy will only be permitted if the registered landowner requests the herbicide application for weed (invasive species) control, signs a waiver permitting entry onto private land, and the land owner agrees to save harmless and indemnify Greenview, its employees, and agents from and against all actions, suits, claims, and demands arising in any manner whatsoever from activities associated with said herbicide application.
- 2. The maximum application area is 2 acres per quarter section in the current calendar year.
- 3. Arrangements made under section 2 of the policy will only be permitted if the provision of said service does not negatively impact the roadside vegetation management programs of Greenview, and will be conducted at the discretion of the Manager of Agriculture Services.

APPENDIX

List of Designated Prohibited Noxious and Noxious Weeds in Alberta (AR 19/2010)

List of Designated Prohibited Noxious Weeds in Alberta (AR 19/2010)

1 The following plants are designated as prohibited noxious weeds in Alberta:

autumn olive — *Elaeagnus umbellata* Thunb. balsam, Himalayan — Impatiens glandulifera Royle barberry, common — Berberis vulgaris L. bartsia, red — Odontites vernus (Bellardi) Dumort buckthorn, common — Rhamnus cathartica L. cinquefoil, sulphur — Potentilla recta L. crupina, common — *Crupina vulgaris* Pers. ex Cass. dyer's woad — Isatis tinctoria L. Eurasian water milfoil — Myriophyllum spicatum L. flowering rush — Butomus umbellatus L. garlic mustard — Alliaria petiolata (M. Bieb.) Cavara & Grande goatgrass, jointed — Aegilops cylindrica Host hawkweed, meadow — *Pilosella caespitosa* Dumort. hawkweed, mouse-ear — Pilosella officinarum L. hawkweed, orange — Pilosella aurantiaca L. hoary alyssum — Berteroa incana (L.) DC. hogweed, giant — Heracleum mantegazzianum Sommier & Levier

iris, pale yellow — *Iris pseudacorus* L.

knapweed, bighead — Centaurea macrocephala Puschk. ex Willd.

knapweed, black — Centaurea nigra L.

knapweed, brown — Centaurea jacea L.

knapweed, diffuse — Centaurea diffusa Lam.

knapweed, hybrid — Centaurea × psammogena Gáyer

knapweed, meadow — *Centaurea × moncktonii* C. E. Britton

knapweed, Russian — Rhaponticum repens (L.) Hidalgo

knapweed, spotted — Centaurea stoebe L. ssp. micranthos (Gugler) Hayek

knapweed, squarrose — Centaurea virgata Lam. ssp. squarrosa (Willd.) Gugler

knapweed, Tyrol — Centaurea nigrescens Willd.

knotweed, giant — *Fallopia sachalinensis* (F. Schmidt Petrop.)

Ronse Decr.

knotweed, hybrid Japanese — Fallopia × bohemica (Chrtek & Chrtková) J. P. Bailey

knotweed, Japanese — Fallopia japonica (Houtt.) Ronse Decr.

loosestrife, purple — Lythrum salicaria L.

medusahead — Taeniatherum caput-medusae (L.) Nevski

nutsedge, yellow — Cyperus esculentus L.

puncturevine — Tribulus terrestris L.

ragwort, tansy — *Jacobaea vulgaris* Gaertn.

rush skeletonweed — *Chondrilla juncea* L.

saltcedar — *Tamarix ramosissima* Ledeb.

saltlover — Halogeton glomeratus (M. Bieb.) C.A. Mey.

St John's-wort, common — Hypericum perforatum L.

starthistle, yellow — Centaurea solstitialis L.

tamarisk, Chinese — Tamarix chinensis Lour.

tamarisk, smallflower — Tamarix parviflora DC.

thistle, marsh — Cirsium palustre (L.) Scop.

thistle, nodding — Carduus nutans L.

thistle, plumeless — Carduus acanthoides L.



MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF GREENVIEW No. 16

Manager's Report

Department: Agricultural Service Board

Submitted by: Sheila Kaus, Manager, Agricultural Services

Date: 3/23/2022

Agricultural Services has been busy proceeding with the rental purchases and accepting delivery of equipment. The Grain Bag Roller was received early in March and is now available for rent. The Heavy Disk and Fertilizer Spreader are expected in the near future.

Working with Lac Ste Anne County, Administration has sourced an Alberta vendor for the plastic mulch applicator and transplanter. Quotes should be received before March 18th and are anticipated to be well under the capital budget.

Interviews for the Landcare Coordinator have concluded with Greenview's offer being accepted. The new Landcare Coordinator will start on May 9th and comes to Greenview with a double major diploma from Olds College in Land Reclamation and Environmental Stewardship & Rural Land Use Planning. Interviews have concluded, and an offer has been accepted for the Beautification Supervisor temporary full time position. The candidate comes to Greenview with previous experience with the department and an extensive business background. Interviews for seasonal staff were completed on March 18th. The Problem Wildlife Assistant position has been offered to an experienced trapper who will start on April 4th in anticipation of an early spring thaw. Other seasonal position offers will be out in the near future.

Administration has been finalizing spring workshops and outreach for Greenview residents. The last week of April there will be a Tree Care and Pruning Workshop for Grande Cache and Valleyview/DeBolt. In partnership with Lesser Slave Watershed Council, there will be an Invasive Species workshop at the Triangle Hall on April 28th. Administration is working to schedule a workshop at the Little Smoky Community Hall to promote the Tall Buttercup and Burdock weed incentive program, advising on best practices for calculating chemical rates and calibration of equipment. A workshop regarding choosing land for future horticultural businesses will take place on March 31st and Administration is working with Green View FCSS to deliver a "Tough Enough to Talk About It" workshop for Greenview producers. A herbicide demonstration site has

been finalized with a local landowner along Highway 43. The chemical companies will provide signage for each specific chemical, and implementation of the demonstration site will happen between the end of May and June 15th, 2022.

With the changes to agricultural plastics recycling, Administration has received the bags that producers must use to package pesticide jugs and is working with Environmental Services to explore other possible solutions to deal with netwrap, silage wrap, and grain bags. A productive meeting was held on March 15th with CleanFarms to discuss the potential of moving forward with an Agricultural Plastics Recycling program. The program could be in place before 2023, should it be approved, with the current labour costs within the 2022 Agricultural Services budget. Administration will update as more details are finalized.

Administration is working on a weed awareness campaign utilizing the "Play, Clean & Go" initiative. The department intends to approach Alberta Environment and Parks regarding installing signage, boot brush station, and providing hand-held boot brushes for the hooves of horses in the Willmore Wilderness Area. Discussions with Alberta Environment and Parks regarding joint control of some weed infestations within the area will occur soon.

Rental Equipment stands at 27 rental days for 2022.

Thus far in 2022, 11 wolves were submitted for incentive, totalling \$3,300, and 4 beavers have been submitted for incentive, totalling \$120—total hunting incentive payments for 2022 stand at \$3,420.

Problem Wildlife Work Orders, 2022

File Status	Beaver- MD	Beaver- Ratepayer	Customer Service	Predation	TOTAL
In Queue					
Open	1	2	0	1	4
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The Problem Wildlife Officer has been focused working on the Problem Wildlife Assistant job description, interviews and preparation. Looking after equipment maintenance. Also working with road supervisors on procedures and planning regarding beaver damage mitigation.

VSI Quarterly Reports and Service Breakdown - 2022

	# Services	2022	2021	2020	+/-(%)
Total 1 st Quarter			\$19,269.77	\$21,172.35	-8.99%
Total 2 nd Quarter			\$33,953.33	\$36,569.40	-7.15%
Total 3 rd Quarter			\$ 8,382.80	\$ 8,342.09	+0.50%
Total 4 th Quarter			\$40,995.55	\$34,228.60	+19.8%
2022 Claims			\$102,601.45	\$100,312.44	+2.3%



REQUEST FOR DECISION

SUBJECT: Correspondence

SUBMISSION TO: AGRICULTURAL SERVICES BOARD REVIEWED AND APPROVED FOR SUBMISSION MEETING DATE: March 23, 2022 CAO: MANAGER: SK DEPARTMENT: AGRICULTURE GM: PRESENTER:

STRATEGIC PLAN: Level of Service LEG:

RELEVANT LEGISLATION:

Provincial (cite) - N/A

Council Bylaw/Policy (cite) - N/A

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

MOTION: That the Agricultural Service Board accept the correspondence as information.

ATTACHMENT(S):

- 1. Alberta Precipitation Accumulations Related to Long Term Normal February 1 28, 2022
- 2. Alberta Precipitation to Date February 1 28, 2022

UPCOMING EVENT(S):

1. March 24, 2022 <u>Canola Webinar Series – Challenging Environmental Conditions</u>

March 24, 2022 Beavers in Our Landscape: A virtual tour of beaver co-existence in AB
 April 5, 2022 Navigating the Unexpected – Emergency Management 101 – AHEM
 April 14, 2022 Exploring Proactive Disease Management Tactics and Tools - AHEM

5. April 5 & 7, 2022 <u>Farm Transition – Webinar Series</u>

BENEFITS OF THE RECOMMENDED ACTION:

 The benefit of the Agricultural Service Board accepting the recommended motion is that the Board will be made aware of the events, seminars and conferences within the agricultural community throughout the Province.

DISADVANTAGES OF THE RECOMMENDED ACTION:

1. There are no perceived disadvantages to the recommended motion.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED:

Alternative #1: The Agricultural Service Board has the alternative to alter or deny the recommended motion.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATION:

There are no financial implications to the recommended motion.

STAFFING IMPLICATION:

There are no staffing implications to the recommended motion.

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT LEVEL:

Greenview has adopted the IAP2 Framework for public consultation.

INCREASING LEVEL OF PUBLIC IMPACT

Inform

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION GOAL

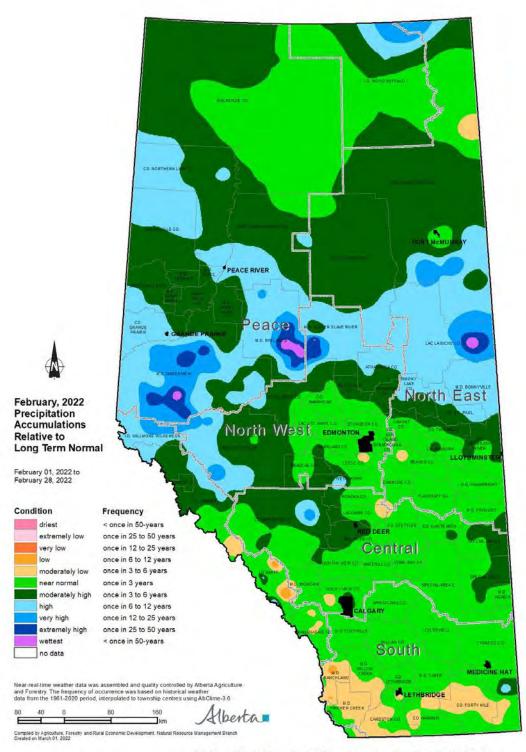
Inform - To provide the public with balanced and objective information to assist them in understanding the problem, alternatives, opportunities and/or solutions.

PROMISE TO THE PUBLIC

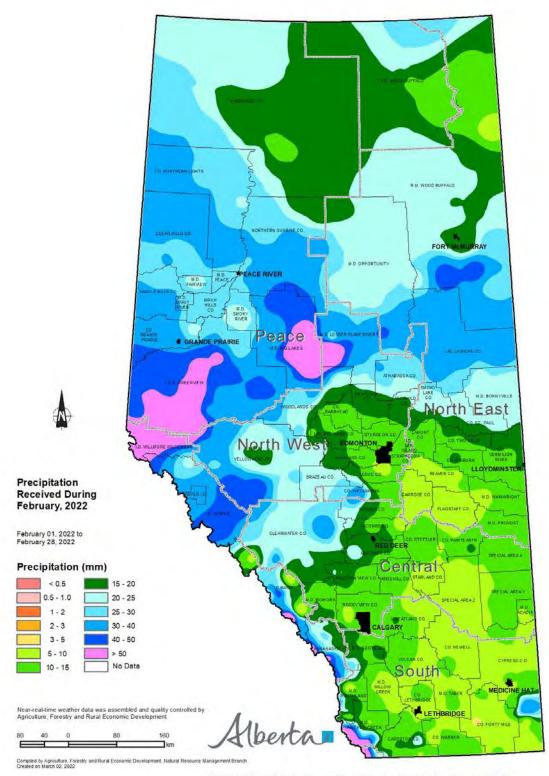
Inform - We will keep you informed.

FOLLOW UP ACTIONS:

There are no follow up actions to the recommended motion.



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