

Title:	Agricultural Pests
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<i>Agricultural Pests Act R.S.A 2000, Chapter A- Pest and Nuisance Control Regulation 184/2001</i>	Bylaw 22-895: Unlegislated Agricultural Pests Policy 6323: Coyote Predation Policy 6308: Clubroot of Canola
Purpose: To affirm Greenview’s commitment to implementing active measures that prevent the establishment and spread of agricultural pests and to support the control of nuisance species. By promoting effective prevention, management, and awareness strategies, this policy seeks to protect agricultural operations, enhance economic sustainability, and safeguard the overall well-being of Greenview.	

1. DEFINITIONS

- 1.1. **Control** means that the pest population and potential propagation has been lessened.
- 1.2. **Destroy** means that the pest population has been destroyed, with no potential to propagate or spread.
- 1.3. **Greenview** means the Municipal District of Greenview No.16.
- 1.4. **Nuisance** means an animal, bird, insect, plant or disease declared to be a nuisance under Section 2 of the Pest and Nuisance Control Regulation 184/2001.
- 1.5. **Regulated Agricultural Pest** means an animal, bird, insect, plant or disease declared to be a pest under Section 2 of the Pest and Nuisance Control Regulation 184/2001.

2. POLICY STATEMENT

- 2.1. Greenview shall take active measures to prevent the establishment of, or to control or destroy, pests within Greenview, as required under the Agricultural Pests Act R.S.A 2000, Chapter A-8.

3. PROCEDURE

- 3.1. Greenview shall take active measures against all regulated agricultural pest by providing information to residents, ratepayers, and stakeholders on the following:
 - A) Identification of pests;
 - B) Appropriate pest prevention and management practices; and
 - C) Conduct activities to prevent the establishment of and control or destroy pest organisms.

- 3.2. Greenview shall actively inspect for species identified through policy or bylaw, on lands within Greenview on an annual basis, as well as investigate reports or complaints of other legislated species sightings or occurrences.

4. COUNCIL RESPONSIBILITIES

- 4.1. Council shall approve a budget that is adequate to fund pest related extension and outreach, inspection, monitoring, and enforcement activities on an annual basis.
- 4.2. Council shall annually appoint an adequate number of municipal pest inspectors to facilitate inspections.
- 4.3. Council shall appoint an independent appeal committee annually, prior to the commencement of the growing season, to hear any appeals resultant from issued Pest Notices.

5. ADMINISTRATION RESPONSIBILITIES

- 5.1. Greenview shall ensure compliance with all relevant legislation requiring active measures for the prevention and control of regulated pests and nuisance species, as set out in the Agricultural Pests Act, R.S.A 2000, Chapter A-8, the Pest and Nuisance Control Regulation 184/2001, and any successor legislation.
- 5.2. Greenview's Agricultural Pest Program will undertake active measures to prevent the establishment of and control or destroy regulated Agricultural Pests.
- 5.3. Greenview shall train, employ, and appoint sufficient staff to conduct inspections and active measures.
- 5.4. Human Resources shall provide identification to duly appointed Greenview Pest Inspectors with identification as specified in Section 17 of the Agricultural Pests Act R.S.A 2000, Chapter A-8.