



***BIRCH HILLS COUNTY
POLICY & PROCEDURES MANUAL
Agricultural Service Board***

POLICY TITLE: Road Side Spraying Policy

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PURPOSE:

To develop guidelines and procedures for road side spraying to control Weeds as per the Weed Control Act; brush, and any other undesirable vegetation.

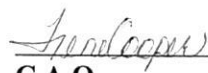
POLICY

Birch Hills County will control weeds listed in the Alberta Pests Act as well as undesirable brush and tall broadleaved weeds within the Right of Way of the ditch. It will do so on a rotational basis covering a predetermined number of miles per year

PROCEDURE:

- 1.0 Birch Hills County will spray the ditches with only approved herbicides in an approved manner according to the label.
- 2.0 Spraying will commence in June and continue, on a weather permitting basis until frost, leaf color change or at the discretion of the Agriculture Fieldman.
- 3.0 Birch Hills County reserved the right to spray any or all of its right of ways with the chemical it deems fit, when it is deemed appropriate.
- 4.0 If a landowner or tenant does not want an area adjacent to his or her property sprayed, it is the responsibility of the landowner or tenant to control both the weeds and the brush from the center of the road to their property line. This will be in the form of a written agreement and the county reserves the right to spray through this area if the Agricultural Fieldman sees fit to do so.
- 5.0 County Rights of Ways are not to be used as buffer zones for organic producers or any other purpose. It is up to the landowner to provide his/her own chemical buffer zone.
- 6.0 All "no spray" agreements are to be completed before June 15th.


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