



POLICY NAME:	DUST CONTROL
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PURPOSE

This policy establishes guidelines for the provision of dust control applications to areas of County roadways, including areas in front of residences, companies or facilities on a full cost recovery basis or other areas identified by the Infrastructure Services Department. This policy also establishes connections between dust control and road stabilization

POLICY STATEMENT

The County will implement the use of dust control products that are safe and cost effective.

Regardless of whom is undertaking the dust control work, the County shall determine the dust control product to be used, rate, and method of application.

The County reserves the right to maintain or rework the application as required for safety and rideability. There shall be no refunds, compensations, or replacements to the applicant.

DEFINITIONS

None

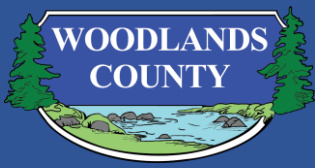
ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITY

Infrastructure Services:
Responsible for the maintenance and implementation of this policy.

GUIDELINES

Applicant Paid Dust Control

As an annual process, the County will supply 1 application of dust control for a distance of 100 or 200 metres in front of a farmstead or residence, subject to receiving payment of the fee for 100 or 200 metre dust control application, as set out in the latest Schedule of Fees Bylaw, before the service is provided for the application of dust control product.



If the applicant requests treatment for more than 200 metres, the County will require payment from the applicant at the price set out in the Schedule of Fees Bylaw.

Further to the payment(s) required, the applicant will be required to submit a completed dust control application form. As part of the application process, the applicant will determine and provide the location where dust control will be applied.

Commencing mid-March, the County will advertise for dust control, identifying the price schedule and requiring all interested customers to apply and pay the fee before the deadline of May 1. Any exemptions from payment will require approval of Council.

In the case of requests for a single dust control application on several adjoining residences, it will be the responsibility of the landowners to work out the distribution of costs and collection of payment. The County will process only one application.

County Paid Dust Control

Subject to Council approval, Infrastructure Services department will determine roads or road segments that may require the application of dust control products at the County's cost. Such roads will be published on the County website and shall be updated annually prior to mid-March.

Dust Control Required Due To Road Use

All individuals or companies desiring to use County roadways for the purpose of hauling equipment, materials or logs within the County boundaries may be required, at the individual's or company's own expense, to provide dust control measures for a length of 200 meters at any residence along the route being used, upon direction of the County, as per Road Use Policy.

Dust Control Provided By Non-County Forces

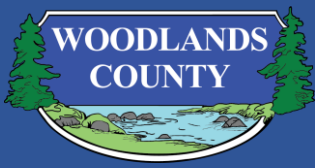
Any individuals or companies who wishes to solicit a dust control service, other than by the County, is responsible to make a request, hire a qualified and permitted contractor, arrange for dust control application and pay the full cost of the service. The individual or company is also responsible for marking/staking the limits of the private dust control application. This will assist County staff to avoid these segments and prevent accidental blading.

Road Stabilization

The County may implement the use of road stabilization products when an increased level of service is desired to supplement mechanical maintenance.

In addition to increasing the strength and durability of a road surface, road stabilization products may also provide dust control benefits.

Infrastructure Services department reviews and considers historical grading efforts, road condition, roadway geometry, service requests, traffic volume, type of traffic and roadway classification to select and prioritize candidates for road stabilization.



In specific situations, an application of road stabilization product at specific locations, such as hills and intersections, can help improve the gravel road condition and reduce maintenance costs.

The road stabilization product applied for road stabilization generally requires two applications per year, one application in Spring and one application in Fall.

The costs for the application of road stabilization product shall be included in the budget and is borne by the County, if approved.

Roads identified as candidates for selective additional road stabilization will be published on the County website and shall be updated annually prior to mid-March.

Exact limits of road stabilization will be updated on the County website and shall be staked/marked in the field in late-May.

Applicants who have made payment for the Dust Control program but have their paid dust control limits overlapping with road segments for additional road stabilization may receive a pro-rated refund based on length of roadway overlap between these two programs.

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