



Lethbridge County Policy Handbook

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PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to provide annual dust control to Lethbridge County residents on a cost-share initiative.

An advertisement shall appear in the local newspaper each year, as well as on the Lethbridge County website prior to the onset of the Dust Control Program, advising ratepayers of application deadlines and program costs. The deadline for applications shall be set to the 1st of April of each calendar year or the first Monday thereafter.

In the event that extra product is available, it will be offered to landowners missing the deadline on a first-come, first-serve basis at **FULL PRICE** for the next 15 business days or until the product is sold out, whichever comes first.

The County shall attempt to initiate dust control activities within the first two weeks of June of each calendar year with due consideration given to weather, road conditions and supply of material. If circumstances dictate that the Dust Control Crew cannot lay out the full 3 litres of material per square metre in one day they will return as soon as practicable to complete the application.

The Public Works Department will suggest the amount of lineal meters to be performed each year and include in the budget for Council approval. Any demands in excess of the current year's budget shall again be presented to County Council for approval.

Approved products shall include, but will not necessarily be limited to: materials such as magnesium chloride, calcium chloride, lignosulphonates or other manufactured dust control products which become available at a cost effective price. Petroleum based materials shall be excluded as an approved product.

The County shall enter into an agreement with the Applicant prior to any application of dust control. Payment of full amount shall be required by the Applicant(s) prior to commencement of work.



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The dust suppression section shall be set at a minimum length of:

- 50 lineal meters for landowner's in subdivisions that do not have more than 50 meters in front of their property or at the discretion of the Public Works Department.
- 100 meters to all other landowners to a maximum length of 200 meters, in increments of 50 lineal meters. Any amount in excess of 200 lineal meters shall be charged at full cost to the Applicant(s) as determined on an annual basis. Should a landowner want to extend an existing farm oiling, they will be required to apply no less than 100 meters of product on one side or 100 meters at each end of the oiling.

The dust suppression shall be a 50:50 cost-sharing agreement between the County and the Applicant(s), with a rate per lineal meter to be determined on an annual basis.

The driveability and the safety of the road is the County's top priority and the dust suppression area will be reverted back to its graveled surface when deemed necessary by the grader operator or his supervisor.

Refunds will NOT be issued in the event that the dust control application is deferred due to road construction, delay in delivery of product, weather conditions, equipment breakdowns or any other circumstance that may postpone application.