



MUNICIPAL POLICY MANUAL

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Category: Agricultural Services

BEAVER FLOOD CONTROL

The Agricultural Service Board sees it necessary to respond and take action to control flooding due to beaver activity within the boundaries of the County of Athabasca No. 12

GUIDELINES:

1. The Agricultural Service Board will initiate flood control measures on its own, only if the flooding is affecting County Roads. Costs incurred to remedy flooding affecting County Roads shall be charged to Public Works Road Maintenance.
2. The Agricultural Service Board will respond to flooding due to beaver activity on agricultural land on a "request basis only" from an affected landowner. The request should be directed to the Supervisor of Agricultural & Emergency Services office or directly to the Predator Control Officer.
3. There shall be no charge for servicing (dam removal) the first request of a calendar year.
4. It shall be at the discretion of the Supervisor of Agricultural & Emergency Services or Agricultural Service Board Predator Control Officer as to how many trips are necessary to remedy the initial problem.
5. Each subsequent request of that same calendar year will be charged a \$50.00 fee for service. Payment must be made at the County Office, to the Supervisor of Agricultural & Emergency Services or ASB Predator Control Officer by the landowner requesting the flood control services before any work will be done.
6. If the dam is not located on the affected landowners property, the affected landowner will be responsible for obtaining written permission to remove the problem dam(s). The County will provide the dam removal service to this type of situation at no charge to the affected landowner.
7. The need for trapping beaver shall be at the discretion of the Supervisor of Agricultural & Emergency Services or Predator Control Officer. Beaver Trapping will not be considered as part of servicing of a flood control request. Trapping services will only be available from the Agricultural Service Board if adequate manpower and equipment exists.
8. The public shall be advised to seek private services for beaver tree damage or population control situations which are not related to agricultural land flooding.

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