

# SMOKY LAKE COUNTY



<b>Title: Beaver Control - Fee for Removal with Explosives</b>	<b>Policy No.: 21-06</b>
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<b>Legislation Reference:</b>	Alberta Provincial Statutes
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<b>Purpose:</b>	To provide procedures to facilitate the removal of Beaver Dams.
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## Policy Statement and Guidelines:

### 1. OBJECTIVE:

- 1.1 Beaver Control Program Policy for the removal of Beaver Dams on private property within the jurisdictional boundaries of Smoky Lake County.
- 1.2 A service fee per parcel of land and a charge per stick for dynamite for blasting of beaver dams may be determined by the Agricultural Service Board.
- 1.3 Smoky Lake County Agricultural Service Board has the right to refuse the applicants request due to unsafe work conditions, ie; gas lines, power lines, proximity to infrastructure and subject to approval from the Department of Fisheries and Oceans.

### 2. GUIDELINES:

- 2.1 The Service Fee must accompany the request for the work to be done, along with a signed Request for Service – “Permission to Enter Land Form” prior to any work being completed.
- 2.2 In addition, landowners will be charged for each stick of explosives used.
- 2.3 The blaster/trapper in the employment of Smoky Lake County shall be responsible for collecting fees and getting the Request for Service – “Permission to Enter Form” signed.

### 3. PROCEDURES:

#### 3.1 Request for Service – Municipal Work

- 3.1.1 Smoky Lake County shall remove only the necessary sections of Beaver Dams, as required to facilitate the flow of water. Removal of entire dams will not be done to avoid downstream flooding and situations causing damage to municipal infrastructure.

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<b>Policy Statement and Guidelines:</b>	
3.1.2	In the event the Beaver activity is located outside the municipality’s right-of-way, the Agricultural Service Board Staff shall obtain Landowners’ permission for dams/beaver removal activities to access land(s); as per <b>Schedule “A”: Request for Service – “Permission to Enter Land(s) for Municipal Work”</b> .
<b>3.2</b>	<b><u>Request for Service – Agricultural Land</u></b>
3.2.1	Beaver Control measures may be undertaken on a fee for service basis at the request of a landowner on lands to which access is permitted. This will provide producers assistance when seeded land is being affected by flooding caused by beaver dams.
3.2.1.1	Prior to the start of blasting, the Landowners <b>must</b> grant permission and commit payment for the services rendered, as per <b>Schedule “B”: Request for Service – “Permission to Enter Land(s) from Landowner”</b> .
3.2.2	A <u>service fee</u> of <b>ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00)</b> shall be collected prior to <b>every</b> entry upon the land.
3.2.3	In addition, <b>FIFTY DOLLARS (\$50.00)</b> per stick of explosives used shall be collected after the removal of a beaver dam(s).
3.2.4	The timing and amount of water lowered at any one time will be at the sole discretion of Smoky Lake County employee, bearing in mind effects on other landowners, down and up stream from the work area.

	<b>Date</b>	<b>Resolution Number</b>
<b>Approved</b>	<b>May 10, 1991</b>	<b># 402 - Page # 5320</b>
<b>Amended</b>	<b>February 7, 1994</b>	<b># 202 - Page # 5641</b>
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<b>Amended</b>	<b>January 9, 2015</b>	



SCHEDULE "A"

REQUEST FOR SERVICE  
PERMISSION TO ENTER LAND(S) FOR MUNICIPAL WORK

DETAILS	Property Owner: Name: _____
	Address: _____
	Telephone Number: _____ Fax Number: _____ Cell Number: _____

LEGAL DETAILS	Legal Description (hereinafter referred to as the "Lands":
	Location: LEGAL, LAND LOCATION:
	¼ _____ SECTION: _____ TOWNSHIP: _____ RANGE: _____ W4M
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PERMISSION	<p>I (We), do hereby grant permission to SMOKY LAKE COUNTY and its employees or agents, to enter upon the "Land(s)" and use such equipment and material as considered necessary for the removal or destruction of <u>BEAVER DAMS</u>.</p> <p><u>OR</u></p> <p>Other work(s) as described on the reference "Land(s)": _____</p>
	<p>I (We) hereby agree to, in consideration of the benefit derived by me (us) from the work description above shall indemnify and save harmless the <u>SMOKY LAKE COUNTY</u>, its Councillors, officers, employees, and agents from any claim, damages, liability, cost, fee, penalty, action, cause of action, demand, damage to property, injury to person or death (including, without limitation to, legal fees of <u>SMOKY LAKE COUNTY</u> on a solicitor-client full indemnity basis), that may arise directly or indirectly out of the performances of the above described work(s).</p>

I, THE UNDERSIGNED, HAVE READ THIS APPLICATION AND AM AWARE OF ITS CONTENTS AND AGREE TO THE CONDITONS.

SIGNATURE OF OWNER: _____	DATE: _____
SIGNATURE OF SMOKY LAKE COUNTY: _____	DATE: _____



**SCHEDULE "B"**

**REQUEST FOR SERVICE  
PERMISSION TO ENTER LAND(S) FROM LANDOWNER**

<b>DETAILS</b>	Applicant:      Name: _____ Address: _____ Telephone Number: _____ Fax Number: _____ Cell Number: _____ Land Property: <input type="checkbox"/> Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Lessee
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<b>LEGAL DETAILS</b>	Legal Description (hereinafter referred to as the "Lands": Location:      LEGAL, LAND LOCATION: ¼ _____ SECTION: _____ TOWNSHIP: _____ RANGE: _____ W4M ¼ _____ SECTION: _____ TOWNSHIP: _____ RANGE: _____ W4M ¼ _____ SECTION: _____ TOWNSHIP: _____ RANGE: _____ W4M <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;"> </div>
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<b>SERVICE FEE</b>	A <u>service fee</u> of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00) shall be collected prior to entry upon the land. A per stick charge of FIFTY DOLLARS (\$50.00) shall be collected after the removal of a beaver dam.
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<b>WORK</b>	Number of Dams Blown: _____ Signature of Blaster: _____ Number of Sticks Used: _____ Date of Blasting: _____
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I, THE UNDERSIGNED, HAVE READ THIS APPLICATION AND AM AWARE OF ITS CONTENTS AND AGREE TO THE CONDITONS.

SIGNATURE OF OWNER: _____	DATE: _____
SIGNATURE OF SMOKY LAKE COUNTY: _____	DATE: _____