



# COUNTY OF NEWELL - POLICY HANDBOOK

**POLICY NO: 2016-PAG-026**

<b>TITLE:</b> MOWING	
<b>ADOPTED:</b> November 24, 2016 (C-372/16)	<b>SUPERCEDES NO:</b> 2014-PAG-026
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## **POLICY PURPOSE:**

The purpose of this Policy is to define the parameters of the mowing programs.

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## **POLICY GUIDELINES:**

### **Roadside Mowing**

1. The mowing programs will be managed by the Agricultural Services Department and, without limiting the program or its effectiveness, will generally be planned as follows:
  - a) Hamlet and subdivision roads will be mowed on an "as needed" basis during the growing season.
  - b) Properties owned and maintained by the County will be mowed on an as needed basis (ie: municipal reserves, airports, public utility lots, water distribution centers, etc.)
  - c) Local County roads will receive a minimum of one mowing per year.
  - d) Regrowth on local roads, where deemed necessary, will be mowed as time and weather permits.
  - e) Mowing will be conducted so the least distance is travelled in order to carry out the program.
  - f) High traffic roads (Paved or otherwise) will be mowed to a minimum of 20 feet from the road edge or to the fence line whichever is less
2. County owned equipment will not be used to mow private parcels without permission from the Director of Agricultural Services
3. It is recognized that inclement weather, such as an early winter, could prevent completion of the program.
4. Road grading operations will be carried out in a manner that will not affect the efficiency of the mowing operations.
5. Spraying of roads will be co-ordinated to complement the Roadside Mowing Program, whenever possible.