POLICY

EFFECTIVE DATE: SEPT. 6'05

POLICY TITLE:

Weed Control

SECTION:

Agriculture

POLICY STATEMENT:

To provide weed control for the Municipal District of Ranchland No. 66, and to prevent the spread of noxious and restricted weed and weed seeds.

PROCEDURE:

- 1. To appoint a weed inspector for the Municipal District of Ranchland, to provide monitoring and weed control.
- 2. Main focus for weed inspections include:
 - a) roadside
 - b) pipelines
 - c) disturbed soil
 - d) industrial area
 - e) haystacks
 - f) campgrounds
 - g) hunting camps
 - h) areas where hay is fed
 - i) gravel pits
 - j) random camping areas
 - k) back county trails
- To ensure contractors moving heavy equipment into the Municipal District of Ranchland No. 66, from another jurisdiction and who are engaging in, storing, running, using the equipment within M.D. No. 66 boundaries have cleaned (washed) the equipment to remove all soil prior to entering the M.D.
- 4. To work with the Municipal District of Crowsnest to encourage a Weed Control Program in their area.
- To contact Sustainable Resource Development, Blairmore regarding weed problems in the Green Zone.
- 6. To ensure all gravel, pit run, and aggregate products used within the municipal boundaries comes from a municipally certified gravel pit.

Enforcement:

1. The Agriculture Fieldman, may issue a fine up to \$1,000.00 plus costs associated with cleaning equipment when the equipment is brought into the M.D. of Ranchland No. 66 without proper cleaning.

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- 2. If a weed infestation occurs on the immediate site where soil has been disturbed by engaging in, storing, running, and or using equipment, the contractor will be responsible for chemical and other costs associated and with removing the weed infestation.
- 3. The Agricultuc Fieldman may issue a fine up to \$1000.00 plus costs associated with future weed control, when uncertified gravel, pit run or aggregate products are used within the municipal boundaries.

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