



**Hay Permits for County
Right-of-Ways**

Policy No.: 6054
Department: ASB
Authority: All Departments
Current Approved Date:

Policy Statement:

Lamont County may allow Right-of-Ways within its jurisdiction to be cut for hay where it does not interfere with county operations.

Purpose: To establish an organized procedure allowing Right-of-ways haying to occur with minimum impact on municipal right-of-way operations and activities

Policy Resolution: 96-216, 96-383, ASB05-30, ASB17-052, ASB18-133

Definitions:

County: Lamont County or its agent

Landowner: Registered landowner within the County

Permit: Hay Cutting Permit

Zone: Hay cutting limits as outlined in the Cutting Zone Diagram

Procedures Associated With This Policy:

- 1) Anyone with intent to cut hay along any County Right-of-Way adjacent to their property must first apply, and receive approval, for an annual permit (attachment 1) at no charge from the County.
- 2) Applications must be received by June 1 within each calendar year from Landowner for hay cutting along County right-of-way adjacent to their land(s), no later than June 10 on a first come, first served priority basis. Applications

- after June 10 will be received but relevant right-of-way cannot be guaranteed to be free of herbicide application or other municipal activity.
- 3) **Approved permits are valid only from July 1- August 1, and hay must be baled and removed within seven days of cutting. Permitted hay cut and unbaled, or bales not removed after seven days shall, at the discretion of County Administration, invalidate the permit and be removed by County forces with no liability to the County, under Section 545 Municipal Government Act, and at the expense of the person who cut the hay and/or left the bales.**
 - 4) **An approved permit, which includes the Cutting Zone diagram, will be noted by the appropriate County personnel conducting right-of-way and road management operations in order to ensure that the conditions of the permit are being honoured.**
 - 5) **Any hay cut along the right-of-way without permit is subject to removal, destruction or any other effect by County activity without liability or obligation by the County.**
 - 6) **A permit may be denied under the following circumstances:**
 - **Right-of-way has been sprayed that season prior to permit application;**
 - **Spraying schedule priorities for vegetation control cannot be deferred after haying period;**
 - **Road construction, repair, gravelling or any other maintenance activities are scheduled during the permit period;**
 - **Previous permit approvals did not comply with policy.**
 - **Request for area beyond the registered landowners property.**
 - 7) **Permits may be cancelled at any time by the County in circumstances wherein the right-of-way management takes a priority. No liability or obligation will be incurred by the County.**
 - 8) **Reminder of program will be advertised in County Clips and/or local papers**

Related Documents & Legislation:

Definitions:

Duties & Responsibilities:

Procedures Associated With This Policy:

Forms Associated With This Policy:

Amendment History:

Scheduled Review Date: May 2021
