

KNEEHILL COUNTY POLICY

SECTION: ASB

POLICY TITLE: Public Land Weed Control

POLICY NUMBER: 1-22

Purpose:

To establish a policy to prevent the establishment and spread of prohibited noxious, noxious and invasive weeds on lands controlled by Kneehill County in accordance to Bylaw #1068.

Policy Statement:

Kneehill County ASB will utilize an integrated weed management approach through pesticide application, mechanical removal or biological control of weeds that have potential to create adverse effect on the agricultural industry in Kneehill County.

Policy Guidelines:

1. Kneehill County will control weed growth on all road construction, undertaken by Kneehill County until new grass growth has been established.
2. Special public lands weed control programs may be undertaken as recommended by the ASB and approved by Council.
3. All pesticide applications will follow the guidelines and recommendations of the Alberta Environmental Code of Practices for pesticide application.
4. In addition, upon approaching a farmstead or residence, where buildings and trees are within thirty meters (30m) of the road allowance, spraying pesticide will be stopped thirty meters (30m) upon commencement of the farmstead or residence, buildings or trees, and resume thirty meters (30m) past the farmstead or residence, buildings or trees.
5. In addition when applying pesticides, a one meter (1m) buffer strip will be left uncontrolled adjacent to any crops other than grass forage. In this instance a reverse fence line pesticide application will be offered to the adjacent land owner.
6. All pesticide applications will be properly documented and kept on file.

Approval Date		Approved by:		
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2. Amendment Date				
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