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**Corner Brushing  
Program**

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

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**Policy Statement:**

Lamont County may conduct an annual corner brushing program.

**Purpose:**

For Lamont County to practice due diligence to control brush growth and re-growth at property corners adjacent to county roads and intersections for improved road maintenance and public safety.

**Policy Resolution: ASB 16-071, ASB 19-010**

**Procedures Associated With This Policy:**

- 1) County Council approves the corner brushing program, which is prioritized and administrated by Agriculture Services.
- 2) Intersections shall be considered for corner brushing on the following priority basis
  - I. Emergencies (Police, Fire, Ambulance, County relating to public safety)
  - II. Collector Roads
  - III. School bus turn arounds
  - IV. All other roads / approaches
  - V. Special requests
- 3) A pre-project information letter / easement and reply form shall be sent to all landowners adjacent to right-of-way prioritized for corner brushing program to determine if any concerns/special request need to be negotiated. Depending on the negotiated concerns, that project may be eliminated at Administration/Council discretion

- 4) The maximum brushing distance is 300ft depending on the site and circumstances for driver safety at that intersection. Lamont County will follow the General Municipal Servicing Standards as illustrated in Drawing G-17.
- 5) Any requests after the approval of annual corner brushing program shall be reviewed, inspected and considered for the following year program with the exception of the current year's request.
- 6) Corner brushing on private property corners will follow these conditions
  - I. All standing brush on the corner will be removed by either hand via chainsaw or mechanically via mulcher.
  - II. Work will commence on the private property once trees have gone dormant and the ground is stable permitting safe entry of machinery onto the site.
  - III. Any fences that are on the property will be returned to initial condition.
  - IV. Photos will be taken of the property before and after the brushing is complete
- 7) Since the county is practicing due diligence to do corner brushing on private property, any landowners that refuse to have corner brushing completed on their property:
  - I. Must return the consent agreement with the reason for refusing to have this work done on their property
  - II. Landowners may be reminded that liability may become their issue if Lamont County has attempted to resolve a safety concern on an obscured corner.
- 8) All requests and concerns pertaining to the corner brushing and brush removal program must be filed through a formal ASB work request.
- 9) All roadside brush removal in County R.O.W and approved corners will be scheduled as a priority for spraying the following season to control regrowth with the exception if there is not enough brush present to warrant.

**Duties & Responsibilities:**

**Forms Associated With This Policy:**

**Drawing G-17 Lamont County General Municipal Servicing Standards**

**Scheduled Review Date: January 2021**

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