

MOUNTAIN VIEW COUNTY

BYLAW NO. 46/04

WILD CARAWAY BYLAW

Consolidated May 31, 2011

NOTE:

All persons making use of the consolidation are reminded that it has no legislative sanction, that the amendments have been embodied for convenience of reference only, and that the original Acts should be consulted for all purposes of interpreting and applying the bylaw.

OFFICE CONSOLIDATION

Mountain View County
Province of Alberta

Bylaw No. 46/04

A BYLAW OF MOUNTAIN VIEW COUNTY IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA TO DECLARE WILD CARAWAY AS A NOXIOUS WEED

AMENDING BYLAW NUMBER 25/10

SECTION 1 - SHORT TITLE AND PURPOSE

- 1.01 WHEREAS, the Council of Mountain View County has the authority under Weed Control Regulation, AR 19/2010 Section 9 of the Weed Control Act of Alberta to make bylaws designating plants within the County as noxious weeds, and
- 1.02 WHEREAS, Wild Caraway is a concern in hay lands, pasture and natural environments because domestic or wild animals graze around this plant causing it to spread rapidly, and
- 1.03 WHEREAS, Wild Caraway is not on the Provincial Weed List as a noxious weed and therefore, the County can not enforce its control, and
- 1.04 WHEREAS Wild Caraway has been found in several parts of the County and control measures have had marginal success,

SECTION 2 - ENACTMENT

- 2.01 NOW THEREFORE the Council of Mountain View County, in the Province of Alberta, duly assembled enacts as follows:
 - a. That Wild Caraway be designated as a noxious weed within Mountain View County as per Weed Control Regulation, AR 19/2010 Section 9.

SECTION 3 - EFFECTIVE DATE

- 3.01 This Bylaw shall come into effect at such time as it has received third (3rd) reading and has been signed in accordance with the *Municipal Government Act*.

Read the first time this 1st day of December 2010

Read the second time this 1st day of December 2010

Read the third time this 1st day of December 2010



Policy # 6307

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Policy Title: Northern Pocket Gopher Control – Incentive Program
Policy No.: 6307
Approval: County Council
Effective Date: January 13, 2016
Supersedes Policy No.: New

Policy Statement: Mountain View County will provide an incentive program for Northern Pocket Gophers, as a means of controlling this declared nuisance under the Alberta *Agricultural Pest Act*.

Purpose: Council recognizes the damage the Northern pocket gopher (*Thomomys talpoides*) causes to field crops and equipment and aims to provide education and an incentive program to encourage their control.

End of Policy

Approved: January 13, 2016



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1. Definitions

- 1.1 "Northern Pocket Gopher" a 20cm long burrowing rodent with a large head, small eyes and ears, stout body, thick muscular forearms with long curved claws, and a short nearly naked tail. The fur is fine and soft usually steel grey on the back and slightly paler on the belly.¹
- 1.2 "Youth" resident of Mountain View County below the age of 18.

2. Incentive Program

- 2.1 Where Northern Pocket Gophers are causing a problem on private Agricultural lands, Mountain View County is offering a trapping incentive of \$100 for 100 tails submitted by the first 50 Mountain View County youth. Multiple youths from one residence may combine their submission to reach the required program tail threshold.
- 2.2 The entire tail needs to be of good quality and frozen, preferably, for identification purposes. If a tail cannot be identified as a Northern Pocket Gopher, it will not be eligible for the incentive payment.
- 2.3 This incentive is available to Mountain View County residents only, and to Northern Pocket Gophers trapped on Mountain View County Agricultural Lands only, the legal land location of where the pocket gophers were trapped must be provided to receive the incentive.
- 2.4 Only one submission for the incentive may be made per year per residence or individual youth.
- 2.5 Mountain View County Council will establish an annual budget for the incentive trapping program for the Northern Pocket Gophers each year.
- 2.6 The program will commence April 1st and run through till the 50 submissions are made at which time no further tail submissions will be accepted and no further incentive payments will be made.
- 2.7 Agricultural Services is responsible for administering this program, and will authorize payments at their discretion.
- 2.8 This incentive program does not apply to the Richardson's Ground squirrel commonly known as gophers, or any other rodent.

End of Procedure

¹ Biology and Control of the Northern Pocket Gopher (Thomomys talpoides) in Alberta, published by the Counties' Pocket Gopher Control Research Program