

SMOKY LAKE COUNTY



Title: Backsloping Program		Policy No.: 21-06
Section: 03	Code: P-S	Page No.: 1 of 2 E

Legislation Reference:	Alberta Provincial Statutes
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Purpose:	This program is set out to assist in the control of brush and noxious weeds along County road right-of-ways and to reduce costs of road maintenance. Only County landowners and ratepayers are eligible to apply for funding under this program. It will not apply to public works constructions projects or the funding thereof.
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Policy Statement and Guidelines:	
The objective of the Backsloping Program is to remove all trees and to slope the ditches to enable landowners to extend cultivation to the edge of the road right-of-way.	
1.	All Backsloping Applications shall come to Council for approval. Consideration shall be given to available money in current-year budget for backsloping.
2.	Smoky Lake County requires all brush, rocks and other debris to be removed so the cleared land may be prepared in such a state as to allow cropping or to the seeding of a forage mixture. The applicant will not remove any dirt from around power poles, alter or divert any drainage system or water course, and will contact Alberta First Call before commencement of work.
3.	The area backsloped shall be kept free of noxious weeds, brush, and rocks in future years.
4.	If the applicant requires a fence, it shall be set back a minimum of 33 feet from the <u>centre</u> of the adjacent road right-of-way. The applicant is responsible for the erection and the cost of said fence.
5.	The site will be inspected by the Public Works Department before commencement of the project and after completion. No funds will be paid unless the project has been inspected and approved.
6.	The applicant must make available all receipts for expenses occurred on the project to Smoky Lake County Public Works Manager or designate.
7.	Upon approval of the project, the applicant will receive half of the cost of the project to a maximum amount of \$ 2,500.00 per half mile , up to a maximum of 1 (one) mile, per year.
8.	Upon request of an applicant, Smoky Lake County may supply a forage seed mixture to be seeded on the worked backsloped area. There shall be no cost for the forage seed mixture.
9.	Before commencement of any project, an application form, <i>Schedule "A": Backsloping Program</i> , must be completed and returned to the Public Works Department.

	Date	Resolution Number
Approved	February 14, 1994	# 220 - Page # 5647
Amended	September 25, 2007	# 651-07 - Page # 8497
Amended	May 26, 2011	# 548-11 - Page # 9725
Amended	August 30, 2018	#863-18 - Page # 13251
Amended	February 10, 2020	#455-20 - Page # 13989
Amended	April 29, 2021	#673-21 - Page # 14639



BACKSLOPING PROGRAM

Application Date: _____

APPLICANT NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER _____

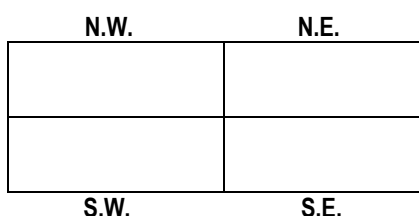
LEGAL, LAND LOCATION OF BACKSLOPING PROJECT:

1/4 _____ SECTION: _____ TOWNSHIP: _____ RANGE: _____ W4M

DISTANCE TO BE BACKSLOPED: _____ MILE(S)

ESTIMATED COST OF PROJECT _____ DOLLARS

PLEASE MARK ON DIAGRAM, ROAD ALLOWANCE TO BE BACKSLOPED :



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Objective: is to remove all trees and to slope the ditches to enable landowners to extend cultivation to the edge of the road right-of-way.

- Smoky Lake County requires all brush, rocks and other debris to be removed so the cleared land may be prepared in such a state as to allow cropping or to the seeding of a forage mixture. The applicant will not remove any dirt from around power poles, alter or divert any drainage system or water course, and will contact Alberta First Call before commencement of work.
- The area backsloped shall be kept free of noxious weeds, brush, and rocks in future years.
- If the applicant requires a fence, it shall be set back a minimum of **33 feet** from the **centre** of the adjacent road right-of-way. It is also understood that the applicant is responsible for the erection and the cost of said fence.
- The site will be inspected before commencement of the project and after completion by Smoky Lake County. No funds will be paid unless the project has been inspected and approved.
- The applicant must make available all receipts for expenses occurred on the project to Smoky Lake County.
- Upon approval of the project, the applicant will receive half of the cost of the project to a maximum amount of **\$ 2,500.00 per half mile**.
- Upon request of an applicant, Smoky Lake County may supply a forage seed mixture to be seeded on the worked backsloped area. There shall be not cost for the forage seed mixture. Forage seed requested: ☐ Yes ☐ No

I, THE UNDERSIGNED, HAVE READ THIS APPLICATION AND AM AWARE OF ITS CONTENTS AND AGREE TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS.

DATED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 20____.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT: _____

PUBLIC WORKS MANAGER/FOREMAN: _____