



Smoky Lake County Policy

Title:	Roadside Mowing Policy	<u>Policy #</u>	<u>Version</u>
Category:	Agricultural Services (AG)	AG-28	09

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE: Municipal Government Act, Chapter M26.1, Section 18(1) and Section 545.

PURPOSE: To define a level of service for mowing in Smoky Lake County.

STATEMENT: This policy applies to mowing roadside ditches, municipal properties, and approved community areas. Smoky Lake County further recognizes that it is beneficial to the County to implement measures to Control the spread of invasive plant species, on all public lands within the boundaries of the County for infrastructure integrity, public safety, agricultural productivity and the preservation of the natural environment.

DEFINITIONS: For the purposes of this Policy, the following definitions shall apply:

“Approved community areas” – Areas listed under Schedule A

“Arterial roads” – Road designated under Schedule A

“Municipal properties” – Larger areas of municipal owned land that houses infrastructure such as, but not limited, to water reservoirs, lagoons, water fill stations.

“Roadside ditches” – The ditch located on both sides of a municipally owned developed gravel or paved road allowance

OBJECTIVE:

- The roadside mowing program will attempt the first round of County roadside ditches mowing will be done once (1) a year at one width in an attempt to comply with the Migratory Bird Act.
- The roadside mowing program will ensure that the second round for County roadside ditches mowing will attempt to encompass the full width of the road right-of-way.
- Arterial roads will receive an additional mow one week or less, prior to the long weekend of July and August.

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Schedule "A"

1 Approved Community Areas

- a. Metis Crossing
- b. Smoky Lake Rodeo Grounds
- c. Smoky Lake Air Strip
- d. Hamlin Ball Diamonds
- e. Bellis Ball Diamonds
- f. Bonnie Lake Enviro Reserve 7921626
- g. Victoria Trail
- h. Iron Horse Trail
- i. Warspite Ball Diamond

2 Arterial Roads

- a. Range Road 173, 175 and Township Road 612 to Hanmore Lake Campgrounds
- b. Range Road 170 and Township Road 612 to Mons Lake Campground and Resort
- c. Range Road 152 to Bellis Campground
- d. Range Road 152 all the way to Kaduk Lake Campground
- e. Range Road 123 and 124 and Township Road 602 to Gardner Lake Campground
- f. Township Road 620 and Range Road 133 to Whitefish Lake Campground and surrounding resorts
- g. Range Road 133 To Bonnie Lake Resort
- h. Township Road 610 from Range Road 181 East to HWY 855
- i. Victoria Trail