
Beaver Dam Flood
Control

Policy No.: 6070
Department: ASB
Authority: Agricultural Service Board
Current Approved Date: June 1, 2016

Policy Statement:

The County will manage flooding due to beaver dams on county right-of-ways and holdings.

Purpose: To manage flood waters caused by beaver dams within the right-of-ways or county holdings

Policy Resolution: 89-41, 94-43, 95-335, 98-149, 98-193, ASBOS-50, ASB07-200, ASB16-048

Procedure:

- 1) Beaver dam removal to alleviated flooding will be done on a report basis, coordinated through the Agricultural Fieldman's office.
- 2) Removal of dams and/or beavers shall be done by authorized personnel in accordance with federal and provincial legislation.
- 3) Flooding of County ROW's or holdings will be coordinated between the ASB and Public Works departments.
- 4) The County will notify appropriate downstream landholders of the intent and approximate date of water release from dam removals. Responses from all those notified must be received by the ASB, with any conditions or objections noted, and returned to the ASB prior to the commencement of any work.
- 5) Beaver control for non-flooding (ie. Tree) damage will be referred to Fish & Wildlife.
- 6) Dam removal may be done on private land at County expense, by Public Works request, if the dam is question is flooding the right-of-way adjacent to it, or may cause a potential threat to County infrastructure. The County will obtain all necessary easements prior to conducting the dam removal work.
- 7) Application to have beaver control work done on private land shall be made directly to the Agricultural Fieldman in writing including a sketch of the area where the control work is needed.

- 8) Applicants requesting private beaver dam removal are required to fill out a *Permission To Enter Upon Lands*, Attachment 1, waiver prior to any control work being done by the County or an agent of the County.
- 9) Situations involving flooding due to water course obstructions (including Beaver dams), where the landowner harboring the obstruction(s) does not consent to their removal, will be referred to Water Resources Administration Division and/or Fish & Wildlife Division of Alberta Environmental Protection.

Scheduled Review

Date:

June 1, 2018



**PERMISSION TO ENTER UPON LANDS
FOR**

BEAVER DAM/BEAVER REMOVAL AND FLOOD CONTROL

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS THAT I, _____ Of _____, in the Province of Alberta, **owner / lessee**, grant and assign unto the LAMONT COUNTY, the right to enter by their surveyors, workmen or agents upon the following lands, viz:

Part of Section	Sec.	Twp.	Rge.	Mer.	Title No.

For the purpose of the **removal or destruction of beaver dam(s) and/or beaver** upon or across the said land **for purposes of flood control** and to take upon said land for the purpose of all such workmen, implements, devices, materials, and machinery as may be necessary.

I hereby agree to waive, in consideration of the benefit derived by me from the work as described above, any right, cause or action or other claim which I may have against LAMONT COUNTY, its employees or agents arising out of anything done or not done in the performance of the above described work.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto subscribed my name this _____ day
of _____, A.D., _____.

Signed by the said: _____)
_____)

In the Presence of: _____)
_____)

_____) _____
Witness Owner or Lessee

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