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## Dust Suppression Policy

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### Purpose

The Town of Drayton Valley (the "Town") deems it necessary to enact a policy to formalize a program that offers dust suppression to residential and business property owners within town limits.

### General Policy

Unabated dust from gravel roads may pose safety and nuisance concerns. Dust control agents may be applied on a cost share basis upon request from landowner or residents living adjacent to roads within town limits.

### Procedure

1. The Town will implement the use of a water-based product (which meets environmental standards at the discretion of the municipality) and will continue to review and explore dust suppression options.
2. The Town will supply dust suppression (30m minimum) in front of residences, businesses, and landowners as mutually agreed upon.
3. The applicant will have the ability to determine the location where the dust suppression will be placed, and the Town reserves the right to adjust the location based on product application requirements and potential conflict with existing site conditions.
4. The cost of the water-based dust suppression will be subsidized by the Town by 50% of the application costs, the remaining 50% will be paid by the applicant. If the requested quantity is more than 150m, the applicant will be responsible for the full cost for the additional requested length. Rates for dust suppression will be calculated each year and measured per lineal metre.
5. The Town will advertise when the applications for dust suppression will be accepted. The dust suppression season will be between May 1 and September 30 of each year.
6. Fees and application forms are required for each individual application of dust suppression products. This must be done annually.

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7. The Town will maintain these control spots at their discretion. Should an applicant wish to have a second and/or third application before the municipality deems it justified, the applicant will pay the additional application costs in full.
8. Cemeteries, community halls, and churches will continue to receive the service for free upon application.
9. In the case of requests for a single application to serve adjoining residences, it will be the responsibility of the landowners to work out the distribution of costs. The Town will not bill more than one individual or business for one application.
10. In instances where Public Works staff feels that the dust suppression will not work, due to road conditions, the work will not be carried out and the money will be refunded. The Town does not guarantee that the dust suppression agent will be 100% effective for the purpose intended, it is a measure of dust control not dust elimination.
11. Any exemptions from payment, besides what is previously listed, will require prior approval of Council. Applicants will be required to attend a Council meeting to explain their reasoning for fee exemption.



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Mayor OR Chief Administrative Officer

July 20, 2021

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