



TOWN OF SLAVE LAKE

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OWNER DEPT: Operations
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TITLE: DUST CONTROL

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POLICY STATEMENT:

The Town of Slave Lake believes that select municipal gravel streets should receive dust abatement controls.

POLICY OBJECTIVE:

The purpose of this policy is:

1. To ensure that all citizens, including staff and council, are clearly aware of the priorities and resources utilized for dust control on gravel streets.
2. To provide a standardized approach that will be consistently and efficiently applied to dust control applications.

GENERAL:

1.0 DEFINITIONS:

- 1.01 Dust Control - All aspects of dust control: subgrade preparation or repair as required, placement of surface materials, application of dust suppressants and regular maintenance to extend the life of the suppressant as long as possible.
- 1.02 Service Levels - The level of service provided as established and approved by Council and contained within the annual operating budget.

2.0 RESPONSIBILITIES:

2.01 Town Council to:

To establish a policy for dust control and to approve, through budget or specific resolution, for funding to provide the service level specified by this policy.

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2.02 Town Manager to:

To ensure the application of this policy.

2.03 Director of Operations to:

Utilize all available resources in the most cost effective manner to maximize the funds available for dust control.

2.04 Public Works Supervisor to:

Ensure that contractors and staff perform all facets of dust control in a timely and efficient manner as determined by budget service levels and the Director of Operations.

3.0 PRIORITIES:

3.01 The priorities for dust control shall be as established in the Road Rehabilitation Program as follows:

First Priority: Critical Community Connectors

Second Priority: Local Collectors

Third Priority: Local Roads

3.02 The Director of Operations shall establish priorities for the sequence of streets where dust control will occur. The main consideration will be to streets subject to high traffic volumes.

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3.03 Priorities for Dust Control:

This will also be determined by a street condition assessment as prepared by the Director and Supervisor of Operations. The order of priorities will be as follows:

- Excellent
- Good
- Fair
- Poor

3.04 The streets rated Poor or Fair will likely not economically support dust control efforts due to improper subgrade construction.

3.05 Streets with excessive spot failures will be reassessed prior to future dust control efforts.

3.06 Streets where residents provide their own dust control suppressants will receive first priority for application.

4.0 FUNDING METHODS:

4.01 Total costs for the project will be cost shared 75/25 between property owners and the Town.

4.3 In areas where the residents supply and apply acceptable dust control suppressants in an appropriate manner will only be charged for surface materials if required.

4.3 A Special Maintenance Tax, forming and collected, as part of municipal Taxes will be levied to recover the portion of costs that are the responsibility of the abutting, benefiting residents.

4.04 The gravel portion of Caribou Trail north of Highway #2 will be considered as a Critical Community Connector for this Dust Control Program only. The costs will therefore be cost shared 25/75 between property owners and the Town.