



Policy Type:	300 Transportation
Policy Title:	04 Brushing/Clearing of RM Road Allowances
Authority:	Amended Res. # 072-21
Resolution 393-10	
Resolution 474-10	
Resolution 357-14	

Purpose:

The RM of Beaver River No. 622 is the authority responsible for the direction, control, and management of all municipal roadways within its boundaries. The RM of Beaver River No. 622 wishes to support Ratepayers who endeavour to clear trees and/or brush from their property lines adjacent to RM roadways to a standard whereby the RM can mow ditches. Circumstances may also develop whereby the RM is endeavouring to carry out roadway improvements. Whereas such brushing and clearing procedures can be mutually beneficial to the Landowner as well as to the RM.

Definitions:

“Applicant” means the Landowner/Lessee (Ratepayer) of property in the RM of Beaver River No. 622 requesting to brush within RM road allowance.

“Brushing” means the clearing or removal of tree and/or brush such as vegetation, shrubs, bushes, stumps, debris etc.

“Council” means the Council of the Rural Municipality of Beaver River No. 622.

“Road Allowance” means a public road or lane vested in the Crown in right of Saskatchewan, under the direction, control and management of the RM.

“RM” means the Rural Municipality of Beaver River No. 622.

Scope:

This policy applies to all Ratepayers of The Rural Municipality of Beaver River.

Objectives:

- To regulate and compensate accordingly for the removal of trees and/or brush from property lines adjacent to RM road allowance;
- To state criterion for approval of brushing; and
- Set standards for brushing of RM road allowance.



Policy:

The following policy has been established:

Council shall establish a budget every year to compensate for clearing/brushing of RM road allowances.

The Council of the RM will allow brushing within the municipality subject to the following terms & conditions:

1. Requests for brushing RM road allowance must be made using the prescribed form "Road Allowance Brushing Application" and forwarded to the RM office.
2. The Division Councillor(s) shall visit proposed site for a pre-inspection. Council will then review the request at the next regular meeting of Council. Approval/denial and corresponding compensation rates shall be finalized via Council resolution.
3. Administration will, in writing, issue notice of approval/denial to the applicant in a timely matter. Written permission expires within 6 months. Applicant may reapply accordingly.
4. The applicant requesting to brush shall be responsible for any/all costs incurred in the clearing and brushing disposal project, unless otherwise stated by written agreement.
5. Approval does NOT grant any future approval after expiration and is not approval for any/all legal land locations not pertaining to this application.
6. The applicant shall not commence any work until after such time as an approval notice is issued. Any brushing taking place prior to approval may not be paid.
7. It shall be the responsibility of the applicant to locate any buried cables or pipelines (includes underground installations and survey monuments) prior to commencement of brushing. The RM will NOT be responsible for any damages to buried cables or pipelines.
8. Brushing of RM road allowance must include all trees and/or brush, vegetation, shrubs, bushes, stumps, debris etc. to the fence line or property line whereby the RM can mow ditches or road allowance.
9. Windrow brush, stones and related debris shall be placed upon the applicant's land adjacent to the RM road allowance with the understanding that final disposal of said debris becomes the sole responsibility of the applicant.
10. All authorized brushing shall take place within RM road allowance only. No property, including fence, land(s), and existing roadway, shall be disturbed in any way throughout the duration of the project.
11. Any/all disturbed area shall be re-contoured to conform to the surrounding topography.
12. All projects shall be subject to a post-work inspection by the Division Councillor(s) and approved prior to compensation being paid.



Compensation:

- Effective January 1, 2022, the RM shall compensate the applicant up to a maximum of \$1,000 per ½ mile per side of RM road allowance.
- Should Council determine brushing to be deemed minimal, Council may determine a lesser amount of compensation to be paid per half mile per side of RM road allowance.
- Rates will be pro-rated if less than half mile increments.



Road Allowance Brushing Application

Applicant Name: _____

Contact Information	
Phone Number:	Email:
Mailing Address:	

Legal Land Description(s) of proposed brushing:	Distance of proposed brushing (in miles):
1)	
2)	
3)	
4)	

Brush removal to be completed by: _____

Brush will be disposed by means of: _____

Reason(s) for removal: _____

Expected date of work	
Commencement:	Completion:

I, _____, of _____, Saskatchewan have read and understand all terms and conditions as listed within the RM of Beaver River's - 04 Brushing/Clearing of RM Road Allowances policy.

Signed this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

Applicant Signature

Office Use Only

Date Received: _____
Approval/Denial Resolution #: _____
Post-work Inspection Date: _____
Payment Issued: _____

[Handwritten signatures]