

Agenda Item: 6.6

Request for Decision

Title 2023 Subsidized Dust Suppression Program 1. That Council approve the 2023 fully subsidized dust suppression **Proposed Motion** treatments in front of residences as identified in Attachment 1. 2. That Council approve a subsidy of \$205 per residence for dust suppression treatments as identified in Attachment 2. 3. That Council approve the locations identified in Attachment 3 for fully subsidized dust suppression treatments in 2023, at an additional cost of \$16,520.00 to be funded from the General Operating Reserve. Administrative Administration recommends that Council approve locations identified for **Recommendation** | subsidized calcium chloride dust suppression treatment. Previous Council / May 3, 2022 Regular Council Meeting Committee Motion 180/22: That Council approve the 2022 fully subsidized dust suppression treatments in front of residences as identified in Attachment 1. Direction Motion 181/22: That Council approve a subsidy of \$205 per residence for dust suppression treatments as identified in Attachment 2. Motion 182/22: That Council approve the locations identified in Attachment 3 for fully subsidized dust suppression treatments in 2022, at an additional cost of \$42,185, to be funded from the General Operating Reserve. April 27, 2021 Regular Council Meeting Motion 260/21: That Council approve the addition of locations identified in Attachment 1 for fully subsidized dust suppression treatment in front of residences in 2021, and for the additional cost of \$70,800 to be funded from the General Operating Reserve. Motion 261/21: That Council approve an additional subsidy of \$205 per residence for dust suppression treatment as identified in Attachment 2, and for the additional cost of \$27,768 to be funded from the General Operating Reserve.

April 13, 2021 Regular Council Meeting

Motion 218/21: That Council approve fully subsidized dust suppression treatment in front of residences in 2021 as identified in Attachment 1.

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April 28, 2020 Regular Council Meeting

Motion 205/20: That Council approve fully subsidized dust suppression treatment in front of residences in 2020 as identified in Attachment 1.

Report

Background Information

- Sturgeon County's Dust Suppression Policy specifies that responsible party(ies) will be required to provide dust control to accommodate residents that are located along a designated haul route.
- The County has accepted responsibility as the responsible party in previous years for the following locations identified in Attachment 1:
 - Township Road 544 from Range Road 253 (St. Albert boundary) to Coal Mine Road
 - Range Road 251 from Cardiff Pittsburgh north to Roseridge Landfill
 - o Range Road 251 from Township Road 552 south to Highway 37
 - Sturgeon Valley routes to the Summerbrook Truck Fill and for residential construction access routes due to road bans
 - Gibbonslea/Lost Point Lake Access Road
 - Heartland Traffic Mitigation
 - o Routes to the previous Heartland Traffic Mitigation routes
 - Range Road 261 from Highway 37 south past Northern Lights to St. Albert boundary
 - Range Road 260 from Highway 37 south past ProNorth Industrial Park to St. Albert boundary
 - Range Road 255 from Highway 642 north to Township Road
 564 past Westmor Terminal and G3 entrances (four miles)
 - Range Road 255 from Highway 642 south to Township Road 554 (two miles)
 - Range Road 231 from Highway 643 south to Range Road 552 (six miles)
 - Legal Alfalfa Road (Range Road 252A)
 - Routes near Sturgeon Industrial Park (SIP) and Lamoureux connection to Highway 37 to accommodate Alberta Transportation capital project improvements/congestion
 - Range Road 232 from Township Road 572 north to Highway
 651
 - o Range Road 234 from Highway 37 north to Township Road 560
 - Township Road 580 from Highway 2 west to Range Road 254
 - Range Road 262 from bridge north of Fairhaven Subdivision for 250 meters
 - Waterdale Subdivision

- Juniper Hills Subdivision
- Range Road 220 from Township Road 570 north to Redwater
- o Range Road 225 from Township Road 554 to the major Equine Center
- Township Road 572 from Highway 28 east to Austin Acres
- Township Road 545 from Range Road 275 west to Range Road 280
- o Township Road 582 from Lily Lake Road east to end of subdivision (Clearview Acres and Braun Village)
- o Range Road 230 from Vista Road south to creek (360m)
- Township Road 554 from Range Road 234 west to Range Road
- Township Road 542 from Range Road 250 west to Range Road 251
- Township Road 562 from Highway 803 east for 280m
- In prior years, Council has authorized a subsidy of \$205 per residence for t following locations, identified in Attachment 2;
 - Gravel section of Highway 651
 - Range Road 240 north of Bon Accord to Township Road 564
 - Range Road 252 from Highway 651 to Township Road 580 past Leomar
- The following locations are being proposed to be added to the list of sites that Sturgeon County has accepted responsibility as the responsible party for dust suppression:
 - Township Road 540 between Highway 44 and Range Road 262
 - o Range Road 230 between Township Road 555A and Township Road 554
 - Township Road 570 300 meters west from Highway 44

Implication of Administrative Recommendation

Thriving Communities – By providing this service, the County re-affirms its commitment to safe, welcoming, and diverse communities; small community feel and personal connection; commitment to high quality of life for those impacted.

Organizational:

The additional sites will require additional time to complete. It is expected that the dust suppression program will be completed in June.

Financial:

Funding for the proposed subsidized sites is to be drawn from the General Operating Reserve.

Alternatives Council could add or remove roads from the proposed list of fully subsidized **Considered** roads for dust suppression.

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Implications of Alternatives

Organizational:

Additional roads would take longer to schedule in the field; however, Administration has the capacity to deliver the program with minor changes.

Financial:

The funding impact would be dependent on Council's direction.

Follow up Action

1. Provide fully subsidized dust suppression treatment at the sites approved by Council (Transportation and Engineering Services, Q2 2023).

Attachment(s)

- 1. Attachment 1: Proposed 2023 Fully Subsidized Dust Suppression Treatment Locations
- 2. Attachment 2: Proposed Location for \$205 Dust Suppression Subsidy
- 3. Attachment 3: Proposed Additions to the 2023 Subsidized Dust Suppression Program
- 4. Attachment 4: Dust Suppression Policy
- 5. Attachment 5: Maps 2023 Subsidized Dust Suppression Program
- 6. Attachment 6: Maps \$205 Dust Suppression Subsidy
- 7. Attachment 7: Maps Proposed Additions to 2023 Subsidized Dust Suppression Program

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Strategic Alignment Checklist

Vision: Offering a rich tapestry of historical, cultural, and natural experiences, Sturgeon County is a municipality that honours its rural roots and cultivates desirable communities. Uniquely situated to provide world-class agricultural, energy, and business investment opportunities, the County prioritizes responsible stewardship and dreaming big.

Guiding Principles: Collaboration | Accountability | Flexibility | Excellence | Safety | Future Readiness | Affordability | Innovation

Community Outcome	Not consistent	Consistent	N/A
Planned Growth			
• Internationally competitive to attract, grow and sustain diverse businesses; tenacious focus on new growth and innovation			×
Modern broadband and digital capabilities			\boxtimes
Low cost, minimal red-tape regulations			\boxtimes
Reliable and effective infrastructure planning; comprehensive land use and infrastructure planning		×	
Thriving Communities			
 Beautiful, surprising places with high standards; integrated natural spaces & trail systems; healthy and resilient 			×
Engaging cultural, historical, and civic amenities; strong community identity and pride			×
Safe, welcoming, and diverse communities; small community feel and personal connection; commitment to high quality of life		×	
Environmental Stewardship			
 Clean air, land, and water; Carbon neutral municipal practices; circular economy opportunities 			\boxtimes
 Conservation of natural areas and agricultural lands; enhanced greening and biodiversity; safekeeping ecosystems 			\boxtimes
Sustainable development; partnerships with industry and others to drive emission reductions			\boxtimes
Collaborative Governance			
Predictable and stable external relationships; volunteer partnerships			\boxtimes
Meaningful connections with Indigenous communities			\boxtimes
Ongoing community consultation and engagement; transparent and action-oriented decision making based on sound rationale			\boxtimes
 Respectful and informed debate; clear and supportive governance processes 			\boxtimes
Operational Excellence			
 Engaged and effective people – Council, Admin and Volunteers; continuous learning and improvement mindset; nimble and bold, with strong leadership 			⊠
 Quality cost-effective service delivery; robust procurement and operational practices and policies; asset management and performance measurement; careful debt and reserve stewardship; long-term financial planning and sustainability 		×	
Future focused thinking to proactively respond to emerging opportunities and challenges			\boxtimes
Alternative revenue generation and service delivery models integrated strategic and business planning			\boxtimes

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