

SER-001-006 Rural Roadside Vegetation Control Policy**Report Purpose**

To seek Council approval of SER-001-006 Rural Roadside Vegetation Control Policy, as revised, and rescind SER-009-028 Rural Right-of-Way Tree and Brush Removal Policy.

Recommendation

1. THAT revised SER-001-006 Rural Roadside Vegetation Control Policy, as set out in Enclosure 1 of the June 19, 2018 Transportation and Agriculture Services report, be approved.
2. THAT SER-009-028 Rural Right-of-Way Tree and Brush Removal Policy be rescinded.

Council History

February 7, 1995 – Council approved SER-009-028 Rural Right-of-Way Tree and Brush Removal Policy.

April 30, 1991 – Council approved SER-001-006 Rural Roadside Vegetation Control Program Policy.

Strategic Plan Priority Areas

Economy: n/a

Governance: Ensuring that policies are updated and relevant is connected to a sound governance process and supports effective decision-making and increases public confidence.

Social: n/a

Culture: n/a

Environment: This policy establishes guidelines to control brush and noxious weeds on rural County road right-of-ways.

Other Impacts

Policy: GOV-002-021 Mandatory Review of Bylaws and Policies require that policies are reviewed on a three-year cycle.

Legislative/Legal: *The Municipal Government Act* s.5 sets out that a municipality has the duties that are imposed on it by enactments and those that the municipality imposes on itself as a matter of policy.

Interdepartmental: n/a

Summary

SER-001-006 Rural Roadside Vegetation Control Policy has been updated by Legislative and Legal Services to a new format; content has no substantive changes.

SER-009-028 Rural Right-of-Way Tree and Brush Removal Policy should be rescinded as the purpose and guidelines are addressed through the Rural Roadside Vegetation Control Policy.

Communication Plan

Legislative and Legal Services documents all policies and works with the various departments to ensure that the Municipal Policy Handbook is updated and that any webpage or external reference to the policy are updated appropriately.

Enclosures

- 1 SER-001-006 Rural Roadside Vegetation Control Policy (REVISED)
- 2 SER-001-006 Rural Roadside Vegetation Control Program Policy (CURRENT)
- 3 SER-009-028 Rural Right-of-Way Tree and Brush Removal Policy