

SECTION: BYLAW ENFORCEMENT

SUBJECT: ROAD BANS

Original Resolution No.: 06-09-05

### **Road Ban Policy**

It is the policy of the County of Warner No. 5 that road ban weight restrictions may be implemented in order to maintain the integrity of the road and transportation infrastructures.

### **Guidelines**

#### **County Wide Weight Restriction Bans**

1. A Road Ban Committee is established at the Organizational Meeting each year and currently consists of three elected members of County Council.
2. In the event a road ban is being considered for implementation across the entire County, on road surfaces types, (such as oiled roads, pavement or gravel), by the Public Works Superintendent and Bylaw Officer, members of the Road Ban Committee are consulted.
3. Upon receiving the majority approval of the Road Ban Committee members, the Bylaw Officer will prepare the road ban notice and ensure it is aired on at least two local radio stations between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 8:00 a.m. on the day of imposing the road ban.
4. The Public Works Superintendent will ensure the weight restriction tabs are installed on all the roads approved under the road ban, as well as the side roads that intersect the banned roads, prior to the radio announcement.
5. Fines or penalties for abusers are as outlined by the Province of Alberta Traffic Enforcement/Fine Book.

#### **Emergency /Temporary Local Road Weight Restriction Bans**

6. The Bylaw Officer and Public Works Superintendent, in consultation with each other, may implement an emergency/temporary road weight restriction ban on any County controlled road that is being damaged by traffic.
7. Temporary road bans should be considered for heavy loads which are causing damage to the road due to the number of trips, such as gravel, silage and manure hauling.
8. If the County provides an approved haul route and the user follows it, a road ban may not need to be implemented.
9. Before a temporary road ban is implemented, it must be determined that an alternate route is available that is reasonable.
10. The Public Works Superintendent will ensure the weight restriction tabs are installed on all the roads approved under the road ban, as well as the side roads that intersect the banned roads.
11. No road ban notice is required to be aired on the local radio stations.
12. Upon implementing a temporary road ban, the local elected official shall be advised of the situation.
13. Fines or penalties for abusers are as outlined by the Province of Alberta Traffic Enforcement/Fine Book.