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Policy Title Maintenance of Dirt Trail Road Allowances	Date: February 23, 2016	Resolution No. 70/16

Purpose:

To establish guidelines for maintenance of dirt trails road allowances located within Kneehill County.

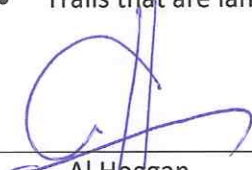
Procedures:

1. Administration will maintain signage at the beginning and end of each dirt trail road allowance stating "Road Allowance May Be Impassable".
2. Existing Dirt trail road allowances will be bladed a minimum of twice a year as time and the condition of the road allows.
3. Dirt trail road allowances are considered field access only and Kneehill County is not obligated to provide legal access to adjacent landowners. The County is not obligated to ensure access to grain bins/bags placed on Dirt Trail Road Allowances; producers do so at their own risk.
4. Industry and Ratepayers may be allowed, at the discretion of the CAO or designate, to provide graders/snowplows or minor maintenance of dirt trail road allowances leading to leases, bins, haystacks and corrals after signing a Save Harmless Agreement/Liability Release with Kneehill County.
5. Snowplowing of dirt trail road allowances may be requested by a Ratepayer or Industry, or will be completed at no cost at the discretion of the CAO or designate. Snowplowing of dirt trail road allowances will take place only after all other Kneehill County roads have been cleared as per policy on Snowplowing of County Road Allowances.
6. Repairs or upgrades costs over \$15,000 are defined as Major Maintenance, repair or upgrade costs less than \$15,000 are defined as Minor Maintenance.
7. Repairs or upgrades exceeding \$15,000 to dirt trail road allowances must be approved by Kneehill County Council.
8. Annual maintenance requirements will be evaluated at the discretion of the CAO or designate in conjunction with the location of other established road maintenance or construction programs of the County taking place in that particular year. Such programs will include but are not limited to the Road Master Plan, Shoulder Pull Program, and Roadside and Shoulder Spraying Programs.
9. Criteria for assessing regular maintenance or upgrades to Dirt Trail Road Allowances will be at the discretion of the CAO or designate and will generally be based on the following order of priorities:
 - Trails experiencing high weight and high volumes of traffic on a regular basis that present maintenance concerns
 - Trails with chronic maintenance concerns

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- Trails that provide connectivity to existing developed road network
- Trails with minimal environmental barriers (water, encroaching trees)
- Trails that are landlocked or dead-end trails, where other alternate travel routes are available.



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