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NO SPRAY APPLICATION POLICY

Title

This policy sets terms for the designation of 'No Spray' locations within County right-of-way (ROW), including the responsibilities of the Applicant to control vegetation.

Purpose

The County Board of Supervisors has a duty imposed by Chapters 317 and 318 of the Code of Iowa to control noxious weeds, trees and brush within the County ROW. Spot spraying with herbicides is an efficient manner in controlling the growth of isolated locations of noxious weeds and obstructions. The purpose of this policy is to allow alternatives to herbicide spraying near Applicant properties that is consistent with the Jones County IRVM Program.

No Spray Application

The No Spray Application establishes a location within county ROW in which the Applicant controls the growth of noxious weeds, trees and brush. Designated location must be directly adjacent to Applicants property. Upon approval of the Application, said portion of County ROW shall not be sprayed under the regular roadside spraying program if Applicant Responsibilities are fulfilled.

Applicant Responsibilities

Applicants shall be responsible for maintenance and installation of 'No Spray' signs and control of noxious weeds, trees and brush within designated No Spray location. Noxious weeds to be controlled are as listed in the above mentioned Chapter of Iowa Code. An approved Application and proper sign erection are required prior to any location being removed from the County spraying program.

Signage

'No Spray' signs shall be obtained through the Engineer's Office and must conform to County standards. Signs are to be mounted at least four (4) feet above the ground line and placed within three (3) feet of the ROW line. Signs not procured through the County Engineer's Office will not be honored and the location designated may be sprayed in the course of regular spraying activities.

Fees

The cost of the No Spray Application will be \$75.00 and includes two (2) 'No Spray' signs. Additional 'No Spray' signs may be purchased for \$25.00 each.

Application Expiration

Failure to control noxious weeds, trees and brush or improper sign installation shall be grounds for Application expiration. Upon expiration, the County shall maintain the roadside using the same measures it uses throughout the county road system. This may include, but is not limited to, mowing, spraying with herbicides, cutting and burning. An Applicant must resubmit a new Application with associated fees prior to No Spray location being removed from County spraying activities.