

# Dust Control Policy

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## 1. Purpose & Scope

This policy establishes a consistent framework for the application of dust control within the RM of North Qu'Appelle No. 187. The purpose is to reduce dust on municipal roads in areas of concern while ensuring a fair, transparent, and environmentally responsible process for residents requesting dust suppressant services.

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## 2. Guiding Principles

### **Fairness & Consistency:**

Dust control services are administered in a consistent manner based on standardized rates, timelines, and procedures.

### **Environmental Responsibility:**

The RM prioritizes environmentally responsible practices and utilizes magnesium chloride as a dust suppressant due to its effectiveness and environmentally friendly properties.

### **Transparency:**

Application deadlines, costs, and service expectations are clearly communicated to all applicants.

### **Operational Practicality:**

Dust control applications are subject to weather conditions, product availability, and operational scheduling.

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## 3. Definitions

### **Applicant:**

A property owner or resident requesting dust control application on a municipal road adjacent to their property.

### **Dust Suppressant:**

A product applied to road surfaces to reduce airborne dust, specifically magnesium chloride.

**Application Area:**

The section of roadway identified and approved for dust control treatment.

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## 4. Application Process

**4.1 Annual Deadline:**

Applicants must submit the prescribed dust control application form to the RM office on or before **May 31st** of each year.

**4.2 Late Applications:**

Applications received after May 31st will be accepted; however, the RM does not guarantee application within the same timeframe as those received prior to the deadline.

**4.3 Prescribed Form:**

All requests must be submitted using the RM's official dust control application form and include the requested location and length of application.

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## 5. Fees & Charges

**5.1 Standard Rate:**

Dust control services will be provided at the following rates:

First 200 metres per residence: \$200.00 (subsidized by the RM and representing approximately one-third of the actual cost); and

Additional application areas beyond the initial 200 metres: charged at 100% of the actual product and application cost incurred by the RM.

**5.2 Measurement:**

The length of application will be determined by the applicant and rounded as required for billing purposes.

**5.3 Payment:**

The RM will provide an invoice via email once the application of the dust suppressant is completed. Payment terms are 30 days.

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## 6. Service Delivery

### 6.1 In-House Application:

All dust control services will be provided by RM staff using RM equipment.

### 6.2 Scheduling:

Dust suppressant will be applied **as conditions allow** following the application deadline. Timing will depend on weather, road conditions, and operational priorities.

### 6.3 Order of Application:

Applications received prior to the May 31st deadline will be prioritized. Late applications will be scheduled following completion of initial applications.

### 6.4 Maintenance Efforts:

The RM will make every reasonable effort to maintain treated areas throughout the season; however, effectiveness may vary due to weather conditions, traffic volume, and road maintenance activities.

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## 7. Limitations & Conditions

### 7.1 No Guarantee of Performance:

The RM does not guarantee the duration or effectiveness of dust control applications due to factors outside of its control, including weather and traffic.

### 7.2 Operational Factors:

Dust control may be impacted by grading, rain events, or other maintenance activities.

### 7.3 Road Eligibility:

The RM reserves the right to determine the suitability of a road segment for dust control application.

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## 8. Environmental Considerations

The RM utilizes **magnesium chloride** as its dust suppressant of choice due to its proven effectiveness and reduced environmental impact compared to alternative products. The RM remains committed to environmentally responsible practices in all operations.

# RM of North Qu’Appelle No. 187

## Dust Control Application Form – 2026 Season

### Applicant Information

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

### Dust Control Request Details

Legal Land Description (location of application):

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Requested Length of Application (metres): \_\_\_\_\_ m

Calculated Cost (\$200 per 200 metres): \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### Acknowledgement & Agreement

By signing this application, I acknowledge and agree to the following:

- I am requesting dust control services to be applied to a municipal road adjacent to my property.
- I understand the cost is \$200 per 200 metres and that final measurements will be confirmed by the RM. Additional application will be at full cost.
- I understand that dust control application is subject to weather conditions, road conditions, and operational scheduling, and timelines are not guaranteed.
- I acknowledge that late applications may not be applied at the same time as initial applications.
- I understand that the effectiveness and duration of dust control is not guaranteed and may be impacted by weather, traffic, or maintenance activities such as grading.

I further acknowledge that no refunds or adjustments will be provided once the dust control product has been applied.

I agree to indemnify and hold harmless the RM of North Qu’Appelle No. 187 from any claims, damages, or losses arising from the application of dust control services.

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## Authorization

I confirm that the information provided is accurate and that I am authorized to request dust control for this location.

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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## Office Use Only

Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_

Payment Received:  Yes  No

Receipt #: \_\_\_\_\_

Verified Length: \_\_\_\_\_ m

Scheduled Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Completed Date: \_\_\_\_\_