



Policy No. 3200.04

<p>Topic:</p> <p><b>Use and Closure of Road Allowances and Other Roads</b></p>	<p>Effective Date: November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2005</p>
<p>Subject Area:</p> <p>Transportation</p>	<p>Approved By: RES 383-11-22-05</p> <p>Date of Next Review: N/A</p> <p>Date(s) Revised: RES 568-12-12-06</p>

**Policy Statement:**

Yellowhead County, being the road authority, has the direction, control and management of all municipal roads and road allowances within Yellowhead County and recognizes that access should be maintained for public use unless otherwise directed by Council.

**Purpose:**

To provide clear policy direction to the public regarding the use or potential closure of roads and road allowances.

**Council Principles**

- 1) Yellowhead County supports continued public access to all undeveloped road allowances within the County.
- 2) Unless a matter of public safety or a request from a senior level of government, Yellowhead County will not consider requests to close, sell or lease road allowances under its jurisdiction.
- 3) Yellowhead County may consider closure of other roads (road plans, forced roads, roads within subdivision plans, etc.) when deemed to be unnecessary for public purposes.
- 4) Yellowhead County does not permit fencing, construction, private use or other alteration of roads (developed or undeveloped) without the permission of the County.
- 5) It is Yellowhead County's philosophy and position that enforcement of the Policy be complaint based.



### Management Guidelines

- 1) All complaints relative to this Policy (e.g. unauthorized use or fencing of road allowance) shall be submitted in writing. All written complaints will be investigated and brought to an appropriate conclusion as manpower and resources will permit.
- 2) Applications for closure will be processed by administration as manpower and resources permit.
- 3) Should a survey be required and it found that the obstruction is on the undeveloped road allowance, the costs of the survey be assessed to the landowner pursuant to section 553 of the Municipal Government Act.

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December 12, 2006

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