

Rural Municipality of Heart's Hill No. 352

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6.21 The OPENING and PLOWING of SEASONAL ROADS

DEFINITION:

Municipal roads designed to provide access from late spring through fall under dry track conditions

POLICY:

The Municipality's winter plowing program will not include the opening of seasonal roads through the winter months. Should a ratepayer require access to a site off of a Municipal seasonal road, the ratepayer must request permission from his Division Councillor before the ratepayer initiates any work on the Municipal road. All requests of blading snow will be denied. Requests for blowing snow maybe considered but not encouraged.

RATIONALE:

The Municipality's priority is to ensure all residents are able to access the main corridors as soon as possible after a snow storm. Seasonal roads are not part of the Municipality's year round access infrastructure.

Maintaining seasonal roads through the winter creates additional challenges to the maintenance crew as seasonal roads lack design features of all weather roads. Once plowed, seasonal roads tend to require frequent and intense plowing due to drifting.

The Council cannot justify the cost of manpower and equipment and limited usage of seasonal roads when ratepayers are provided with access on all weather roads.

AUTHORITY:

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The Municipalities Act, 405