170 MESA COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE WEED CONTROL POLICY

170 - Weed and Vegetation Control for Mesa County

Mesa County recognizes the need to maintain weeds and vegetation along county roads and highways. Typically, weeds and grass are mowed along Mesa County's roads annually to provide good sight distance for motorists. Nuisance weeds often encroach onto the driving surface of roads, which damages the road surface thus increasing maintenance costs. In order to reduce the spread of nuisance weeds that can encroach onto roadways, herbicides are applied to impede growth. Every precaution is taken not to damage other vegetation outside road right-of-way.

If residents do not want Mesa County to apply herbicides along the frontage of their property, Mesa County will consider their requests. Residents must notify the Mesa County Division of Transportation plus flag the roadside where they do not want weeds sprayed. However, residents not wanting Mesa County to spray must control the weeds. If the weeds are not controlled to Mesa County's satisfaction, Mesa County may, at its option, spray the weeds. Maps are available showing the areas where spraying is planned.

All weed mowing and weed spraying activities are limited to the accepted County Road System.

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