



RM of Loon Lake #561

Policy Type:	Environmental
Policy Title:	Wolf Bounty
Policy Number:	400-02

Authority:	
<i>Council Resolution #</i>	281/23

Purpose:

Due to the increase of wolf sightings and wolf attacks injuring and killing livestock, Council is establishing a policy by which a bounty for wolves is paid. The Council would like to see livestock producers who have a vested interest in controlling the wolf population help control the wolf population by means of this policy. Producers must take the necessary steps to be compliant with the requirements of this policy prior to receiving payment for the wolf.

Definitions:

Administrator: Means the Administrator of the Rural Municipality of Loon Lake No. 561

Council: Means Council for the Rural Municipality of Loon Lake No. 561

Landowner: Means the registered owner

RM: Means the Rural Municipality of Loon Lake No. 561

Tenant: Means the renter or lessee of land within the RM.

Scope:

To set fees for bounty paid on wolves and to set conditions by which bounty will be paid.

Policy:

It is the policy of the RM to:

1. Pay a bounty in the amount of \$200.00 for each wolf eliminated from the RM.
2. Council has the right to designate trappers to remove wolves from their division so long as they have the required documentation, permits and or licenses in place.
3. If a trapper wishes to trap wolves within the RM, they must first obtain permission from the land owner/rancher to hunt on their land prior to getting approval from the RM Councillor.
4. Land owner permission must always be received in writing prior to any trappers going onto private property.
5. The wolf must be presented to the Division Councillor that appointed them within there division and the required paperwork must be completed, including signed declaration (Appendix A) of where wolf was eliminated.
6. The wolf must have been eliminated by a licensed trapper.

7. All trappers must follow all Hunting & Trapping Regulations for the designated area.
8. This policy shall run from January 1 until December 31.
9. This policy shall be reviewed annually and shall continue until such time as this policy is repealed by resolution of Council.

Specific Requirements:

All eliminated wolves must have been removed from within the boundaries of the RM of Loon Lake.

Exceptions:

1. Council retains the right to limit wolves accepted for bounty payment.
2. Council retains the right to set a maximum budget for bounty payments and may cease program within a specific year once budget has been allocated.
3. Council retains the right to appoint trappers to their area, with the emphasis on producers with a vested interest in the remove of the wolves.

Effective Date/Repeal

This policy will come into effect on December 12, 2023, unless otherwise specified and shall be implemented as outlined in this policy. This policy repeals and replaces all resolutions and any policies pertaining to Solid Waste Transfer site replaces all past practices. This policy may only be amended or repealed by resolution of Council.