

MD of Taber Shelterbelt Establishment Program Application

Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Land Location: _____ - _____ - _____ W4

Requested Trees:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Ash | <input type="checkbox"/> Lilac |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Buckthorn | <input type="checkbox"/> Pine |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Caragana | <input type="checkbox"/> Poplar |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chokecherry | <input type="checkbox"/> Saskatoon |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Elm | <input type="checkbox"/> Spruce |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hawthorn | <input type="checkbox"/> Willow |

Approximate Distance: _____

Site Sketch

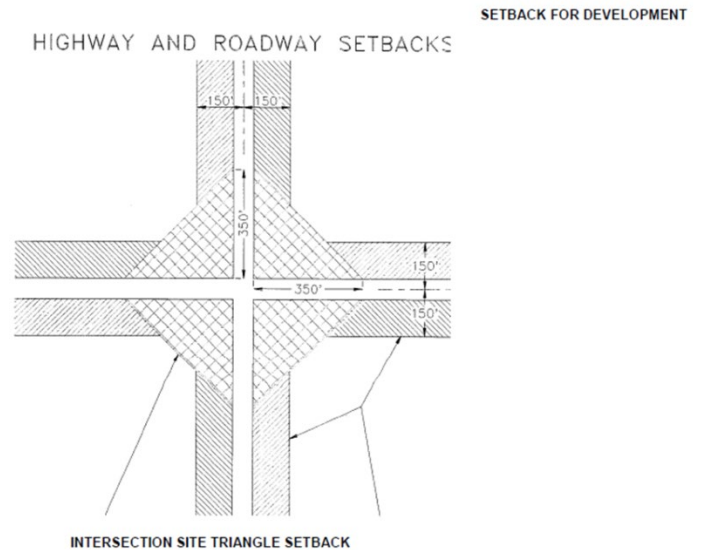


Future Maintenance Plan – what work will be done to maintain the shelterbelt into the future

Guidelines

1. The M.D. of Taber Shelterbelt Establishment Program is a cost-sharing program with landowners. The M.D. and the landowner will each pay for half of the cost of the trees. The M.D. will also provide equipment and labour to assist in planting the shelterbelt.
2. The M.D. will purchase the trees for the project, and as such, reserves the right to select the supplier. The landowner will then be billed for half of the cost of the trees.
3. Deadline for application is January 31 of each year.
4. The program will be restricted to properties and parcels of at least 5 acres (2 hectares).
5. It is the responsibility of the landowner to have all permits, waivers, and line locates completed BEFORE the scheduled day of planting.
6. If trees are to be planted in native grass or landscaped areas, the grass must be mowed and the location of each tree marked before planting crews arrive.
7. If buckthorn, caragana, chokecherry, lilac, or Saskatoon are to be planted, the area will be tilled so that a tree planter can be used.
8. If trees are to be planted in tilled areas, the beginning and end of each row must be clearly marked. If possible, the landowner will provide a tractor and operator to pull the tree planter.
9. According to *Municipal District of Taber Land Use Bylaw No. 1722*, shelterbelts cannot be allowed to grow within 150 feet (46m) of the centre line of a rural road except by Development Authority approval. Further, shelterbelts cannot be allowed to grow within 350 feet (107m) of the centre of an intersection to allow for proper visibility. If the proposed shelterbelt location is outside of these restrictions (i.e. more than 150 feet from the centre line of the road and more than 350 feet from the centre of the intersection), no permit or waiver is required. However, if the proposed shelterbelt location is within these restrictions, a development permit and waiver from the Development Authority are required. The permit and waiver are available at the M.D. of Taber office and must be

completed and approved before planting work can begin.



Vehicle access points and buildings, fences, trees or similar obstructions more than 2 feet above a rural road grade may be restricted by the municipality in this area or such greater distance from an intersection with a provincial highway as required by Alberta Transportation.

Buildings, fences, trees, dugouts, etc. may be restricted by the municipality within 150 feet from the centre line of a rural road or within 1000 feet of a provincial highway by Alberta Transportation in accordance with the Highways Development Control Regulations.

10. No planting work will be performed if an Alberta One-Call line locate has not been completed within 30 days prior to the scheduled day of planting. Any flags, paint, or other markings from the locate must still be intact and visible.
11. The M.D. of Taber will assume no liability for any damage to underground sprinkler lines or personal property during planting of the shelterbelt. It is the responsibility of the landowner to mark any sprinkler lines and to remove personal property from the work area prior to the scheduled day of planting.
12. The M.D. of Taber will assume no obligation for the trees after they have been planted. All care and maintenance of the trees will be the sole responsibility of the landowner.
13. The landowner or a representative **must be present at the agreed upon date and time** of planting. If the landowner is not present, the trees will be left at the site for the landowner to plant without M.D. of Taber assistance.