

#### **POLICY OBJECTIVE**

The objective of this policy is to state Council's requirements in relation to the grazing of livestock on roads vested in Council.

### SCOPE

This policy applies to the Edward River local government area.

#### LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS

Roadside grazing permits are issued under Part 6 of the Local Land Services Act by the Local Land Services. Section 78 of the Act states that a permit to graze stock on a public road cannot be issued by the Local Land Services without the concurrences of the local authority in which the road is vested.

## **POLICY STATEMENT**

Council is required to issue concurrence to the issuing of a roadside grazing permits where the road is vested in Council. Council will consider issuing concurrence to the permits where it is over a short period of time over a specific section of road in times of drought or for hazard reduction. Council reserves the right to revoke its concurrence and examples of when this may occur (but not limited to) include roadworks, safety issues, weather conditions (eg rain), stock not being grazed in accordance with the conditions of the concurrence etc

Council will consider the issuing concurrence to the Local Land Services for the issuing of a roadside grazing permit subject to the following conditions:

- Prescribed standard stock warning signs must be erected by the permit holder on the roadside advising road users of the presence of stock on the roads and must be covered or removed when stock is not being grazed on the roadside. Signs must comply with RMS/Council standards with respect to size, location, method of erection, condition and appearance.
- All stock must be supervised at all times whilst being grazed on the roadside;
- Stock can on be grazed on the roadside from sunrise and sunset. They must be removed from the roadside before sunset.
- There will be no roadside grazing on roadside vegetation areas identified as high conservation value in the Deniliquin Roadside Vegetation Management Plan/Conargo Roadside Vegetation Management Plan.
- Permits will be issued for a maximum period of 7 days.
- Any stock that die or are injured must be removed from the public road reserve within 24 hours.
- Council will not be liable for any damage to persons or property due to any incident occurring while the stock are located within the road reserve. The applicant must provide documentary evidence that they hold Public Liability Insurance with a limit of indemnity of not less than \$20 million and must name Council as an interested party.
- The permit holder will accept all risks associated with the grazing of livestock on a public road and make good any damage to roadside infrastructure.
- The maximum length of road approved for grazing shall be that which fronts the applicant's own property or neighbouring properties for which the owner of such neighbouring property has consented to be grazed by the applicant.

## **ASSOCIATED POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**





Nil.

# **DEFINITIONS**

Nil.

# **POLICY VERSION CONTROL**

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