

Lac La Biche County *Policy*

TITLE: SOIL CONSERVATION POLICY
RESOLUTION: 23.093
DEPARTMENT RESPONSIBLE: Environmental Services

POLICY NO: ENV-63-016
EFFECTIVE DATE: February 7, 2023
NEXT REVIEW DATE: February 7, 2026

POLICY STATEMENT:

Lac La Biche County recognizes that the conservation of soil quality and integrity is important to the municipality's agricultural lands, riparian areas and natural ecosystems, and that best management practices are needed to conserve the municipality's soil resources. Under the direction of the Agricultural Service Board, Lac La Biche County is responsible for implementing all of the legislative duties outlined in the province's Soil Conservation Act, through the appointed Soil Conservation Officer (Agricultural Fieldman).

PRINCIPLES:

1. When a soil erosion problem or an infringement on the Soil Conservation Act is found, the Municipality will make reasonable efforts to work with the affected landowner to voluntarily resolve the problem in an agreeable and satisfactory manner.
2. Non-compliant notices will be issued by the Agricultural Fieldman or designate, as outlined in the Soil Conservation Act, RSA 2000.
3. Affected landowners may appeal soil conservation enforcement actions and notices, pursuant to the province's current Soil Conservation Act and the County's Agricultural Appeal Committees Bylaw (Soil Conservation Appeal Committee).

"Original Signed" _____
Chief Administrative Officer

February 16, 2023 _____
Date

"Original Signed" _____
Mayor

February 16, 2023 _____
Date

SPECIAL NOTES/CROSS REFERENCE:

AMENDMENT DATE: