## ALCONA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION POLICY STATEMENT REGARDING REMOVAL OR TRIMMING OF TREES OR OTHER VEGETATION WITHIN COUNTY ROAD RIGHT-OF-WAYS

**PLEASE BE ADVISED** that Michigan law provides all County Road Commissions with the legal authority to control public right-of-ways within their jurisdiction. Pursuant to MCL 247.241, no person or entity may remove trees or other vegetation within a county road right-of-way without the consent of the County Road Commission having jurisdiction over the road.

In accordance with the foregoing, it is the Alcona County Road Commission's ("CRC's") policy to remove or trim trees or other vegetation from within county road right-of-ways where the CRC deems in its sole discretion that such removal or trimming is necessary or desirable to facilitate the safe and convenient use of public roads. The deposit of any spoils from such tree or vegetation removal, will be determined by the CRC on an individual basis and if left on the adjacent landowner's property, it will be placed just outside of the road right-of-way. No notice is required under Michigan law, nor will any be given by the CRC, for mere trimming of trees or other vegetation within a road right-of-way. Any adjacent landowner who desires to remove or trim trees or vegetation from within a road right-of-way by his or her own means must obtain a permit from the CRC to do so. Failure to obtain the required permit is a misdemeanor punishable by fine or imprisonment in the discretion of a court of law, as provided in MCL 247.241.

Please contact the CRC with any questions regarding tree or vegetation removal or trimming.

This policy, adopted by the Alcona County Road Commission Board on July 26, 2023 supersedes, replaces and cancels in its entirety any previous past practices regarding removal or trimming of trees or other vegetation within county road right of ways.