



GRUNDY COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

245 N. Illinois Route 47
Morris, Illinois 60450

Eric Gibson, P.E.
County Engineer

Mowing Policy

It is the policy of the Grundy County Highway Department control vegetation with these goals in mind: Keeping signs visible to drivers, keeping road users (vehicles, bicycles, and pedestrians) visible to drivers at intersections, preserving pavements, and improving winter road maintenance.

Maintenance workers will mow 3 times per year if conditions allow. The first mowing of the year will be before May 1st the second mowing will be between June 30th and August 15th and the final will be mid to late October. The first and second mowing will include intersections, line of sight issues, and shoulders and front slope of right of ways. The final will include right of way to right of way to prepare for winter maintenance.

The purpose of the specified mowing time frames allow the county to comply with Monarch Butterfly and Wildlife preservation in accordance with Illinois state recommendations.



GRUNDY COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

245 N. Illinois Route 47
Morris, Illinois 60450

Eric Gibson, P.E.
County Engineer

Dead Animals Policy

Animals are killed with amazing frequency on rural highways. If the animal is found dead on the pavement or shoulder, it will be moved or removed by the Grundy County Highway Department so that it does not pose a danger to the traveling public. When an animal is found on the County Right-of-Way and is not on the pavement or shoulder, it will be left where it is to decay naturally. If a larger animal is found in the direct proximity of residential property the Highway Department, will make every effort to move or remove the carcass.

Grundy County has adopted this policy due to the current local and state laws that make it difficult to dispose of these animals unless they are trucked to a landfill. The cost of hauling dead animals to a landfill is cost prohibitive in terms of labor and equipment. The natural decaying process is relatively quick and it returns nutrients to the soil, provides food for scavengers and saves the County considerable tax dollars.

Revised 5/17/21

Attachment: Dead Animals Policy (6600 : Dead Animal Policy)



GRUNDY COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

245 N. Illinois Route 47
Morris, Illinois 60450

Eric Gibson, P.E.
County Engineer

Mailbox Policy

Maintenance of the mailbox and supporting structure is the responsibility of the postal patron. Sometimes mailboxes are accidentally damaged or knocked down during maintenance operations such as snow plowing. If this happens to you, we recommend that you repair your mailbox or replace it with a new one of your choice. You may be eligible for reimbursement of actual costs up to a maximum of \$50 under the following conditions. This includes \$25 for the mailbox and/or \$25 for the post.

- You must notify the Highway Department as soon as possible so that we may investigate the incident to determine if our personnel were in your area and responsible for the damage.
- Design and placement of replacement mailbox must be in accordance with the guidelines of the U.S. Postal Service.
- You must provide us with a paid receipt for replacement materials.

If frozen ground prevents you from replacing your mailbox, or if you are physically unable to replace the mailbox by yourself, contact the Highway Department and we will try to make arrangements to help you. You may contact the Highway Department at 815-942-0363.