

Services & Operations Weed & Grass Control Program – Upcoming Control Works

Services & Operations have the need to control grass and weeds in various situations. The reason to control the grass and weeds on council managed land is for fire prevention, road safety, road maintenance and longevity, aesthetics, maintain high standards in council's sports reserves, open spaces and general weed control. These situations include but are not limited to areas close to fences, footpath edges, tree surrounds, drains, footings of street furniture, walking or bike trails, road shoulders, open spaces, playing surfaces of sport reserves. etc.

Under the Services & Operations Weed & Grass Control Program, Colac Otway Shire Council performs some treatment in-house but also engages contractors to undertake this treatment.

Staff and Contractors are trained in a range of methods, including spot spraying, boom spraying and using approved selective and non-selective herbicides.

Upcoming proposed weed & Grass control works:

Locality	Timing Range of Treatment	Purpose of treatment	Herbicides – active chemical constituent	Comments
Colac CBD & open spaces	March to Dec	General weed control & Broadleaf weed control, in ovals, parks and key areas	Glyphosate, Dicamba, MCPA	Rural Roadside furniture is generally sprayed twice a year in Spring and Autumn
Towns Birregurra, Beecac, Cressy, Swan Marsh, Pirron Yallock, Cororooke, Coragulac, Alvie, Warrion, Gellibrand, Carlisle, Lavers Hill, Beech Forest, Forrest, Apollo Bay & Chapple Vale	April/May & Oct/Nov	Township General weed control	Glyphosate	All weed spraying works are dependent on suitable weather conditions, active weed growth and sufficient moisture levels in the soil profile. Spraying works will be rescheduled if suitable conditions aren't presented.
Sporting ovals	March to Dec	Broadleaf, General Weed Control	Glyphosate, Dicamba, MCPA	CBD areas will require alteration of work hours so works occur prior to peak pedestrian's numbers occurring.
Rural Roadsides District 1 - Colac	May/June & Oct/Nov	Road safety, Maintenance & Prior to slashing works	Glyphosate	Timing range is a guide only. Subject to change depending on seasonal conditions.
Rural Roadsides District 2 – North Rural	May/June & Oct/Nov	Road safety, Maintenance & Prior to slashing works	Glyphosate	
Rural Roadsides District 3 – South Rural	April/May & Sep/Oct/Nov/Dec	Road safety, Maintenance & Prior to slashing works	Glyphosate	
Rural Roadsides District 4 – Apollo Bay	April/May & Sep/Oct/Nov/Dec	Road safety, Maintenance & Prior to slashing works	Glyphosate	
Rural Roadsides District 5 – Lavers Hill	April/May & Sep/Oct/Nov/Dec	Road safety, Maintenance & Prior to slashing works	Glyphosate	

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