

# DELTA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

## ROAD KILLED DEER POLICY AND PROCEDURE

**POLICY # 18**

**EFFECTIVE DATE: 08/09/2007**

### **I. PURPOSE:**

The purpose of this policy is to assure a uniform standard for the procedure of Road Killed Deer.

### **II. Michigan Law:**

A. Public Act 451 of 1994 324.40105

All animals found in the state, whether resident or migratory and whether native or introduced, are the property of the people of the state, and the taking of all animals shall be regulated by the Department of Natural Resources as provided by law.

### **III. MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITIES:**

A. Management will advise the caller or the reporting person of the policy and procedure of this Road Commission in relation to Road Killed Deer.

B. Each Supervisor shall effectively enforce compliance of this policy.

### **IV. EMPLOYEE RESPONSIBILITIES:**

A. Employees shall comply with this policy

B. Employees shall consult with his/her supervisor or other management personnel whenever there is a question regarding this or any other policy.

### **V. POLICY:**

Due to the increased cost of Labor, Equipment, Fuel, and Dumping Fees, and the continued decline of revenue, the Delta County Road Commission will no longer clean up Road-Killed Deer within the Right Of Way of any and all County Roads

### **VI. POLICY EXCEPTIONS:**

1. Exception for the pick up Road Killed Deer along the State highways as the County Road Commission is reimbursed for this expense.
2. Exception for pick-up is if the Road Killed Deer is in the traveled portion of a County Road and is a road safety hazard.
  - Any picked up Road Killed Deer will be disposed of within the Right of Way of any public road.
  - Any picked up Road Killed Deer will not be disposed of within 1000 feet of a business or residence or body of water.
  - If the decomposition process has begun or if the odor of the deer is not bearable, Lime will be used to cover the Road Killed Deer to assist with decomposition and reduce the odor.

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Mike Larrabee, Chairman

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Amy J. Reinhardt, Clerk