

## Road Dust Abatement & Application

Counties in Kansas are not required to control dust on county roads. Wabaunsee County does allow a property owner to obtain the services of an approved licensed contractor to apply a dust palliative in the months of May and June. This application can be picked up at the Road & Bridge office at the Courthouse, printed, or requested by email ([roads@wbcounty.org](mailto:roads@wbcounty.org)). Application form must be filled out and approved by the Road & Bridge Department prior to the applying of the dust palliative.

Some applications of the dust palliative have lasted a year and some just a few months. Effectiveness and duration of dust abatement varies with traffic and weather conditions. County maintenance crews will attempt to leave the dust abatement areas alone until they become rough. However, usually in the fall or winter, the areas begin to deteriorate and become rough for traffic. If the area becomes rough or is hazardous to traffic, we will blade the road. This blading will likely cause the dust palliative to become less effective. The county's primary responsibility is maintenance of the road bed for the traveling public and when conflicts arise between maintaining the "dust inhibitor" and the traveling public, the traveling public will received the first priority.

Upon receipt of the completed application, county staff will review. If area is on a Township maintained road, it will be forwarded to them for approval also. Upon completion of review, the approved form may be picked up by the applicant or returned to the owner at the mailing address provided on the application. Owner or Contractor shall give Wabaunsee County Road & Bridge notice by phone (785-765-3432) or email seven days in advance of the day of treatment. The County or Township will schedule the area to be graded prior to treatment.

Owners Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Describe the location of requested coverage \_\_\_\_\_

Contractor Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

I/We understand there are no guarantees as to the effectiveness of a dust palliative and agree to hold Wabaunsee County or the Township harmless for failure of these products to control dust. I/We understand and agree that the maintaining agency will attempt to prolong the life of the dust palliative by not blading the area routinely during the effective life of the treatment, but that the agency reserves the right to blade the road or perform any other maintenance at any time it is determined necessary to provide a safe, serviceable public roadway. No compensation will be made by Wabaunsee County or the Township for shortened dust palliative life resulting from required maintenance.

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS – JUNE 21st

Road & Bridge Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_ Township Official \_\_\_\_\_ (If needed)

