





# Policy 3.06 Pesticide Use

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### 1.1 Introduction

#### 1.1.1 Scope

This policy applies to the management and application of pesticides by Council in the Bega Valley Shire to ensure compliance with the requirements of the *Pesticides Act 1999* and *Regulation 2009*.

#### 1.1.2 Purpose

- To minimise the environmental health impacts of pesticide use in the Bega Valley Shire.
- To inform the community of pesticide use by Bega Valley Shire Council so they can minimise any exposure.

#### 1.2 Definitions

Word or Terminology	Description
Pesticides	Pesticides are defined in the <i>Pesticides Act 1999</i> and include herbicides and other agricultural chemical products

### 1.3 Legislation

Pesticides Act 1999 and Regulation 2017

### 1.4 Implementation

### 1.4.1 Policy Statement

Council will manage pesticide use on Council owned or managed lands in an integrated and systematic manner by:

- always applying pesticides in accordance with the legislative requirements and in full compliance with current best practice
- ensuring the use of pesticides by Council staff and contractors is undertaken in accordance with the Bega Valley Shire Council Pesticide Use Notification Plan
- taking such steps as are appropriate to ensure pesticides are applied in a safe, responsible manner.

## 1.5 Supporting documents

### 1.5.1 BVSC procedures that relate to this policy

Procedure No.:	Procedure Name	External or Internal Procedure
3.06.01	Pesticide Use Notification Plan	Internal

#### 1.5.2 BVSC policies that relate to this pPolicy

Policy No.:	Policy Name
3.02	Environment Management
3.04	Biosecurity and Weed Management

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