

# NEWS RELEASE

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## Taking steps to eliminate dust

### Summary

The City of Nanaimo would like to remind residents and businesses that care must be taken to eliminate dust from entering the atmosphere while carrying out construction, excavation, repair or demolition activity authorized by a building permit. Similar care must also be taken when undertaking works and services or depositing or removing any soil on or from land. Thank you for helping us keep the air clear of dust and small particles.

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### Key Points

- As outlined in the City of Nanaimo's "Dust Control Bylaw 1995 No. 4896" every person must eliminate the emission of dust into the atmosphere.
- Dust control regulations are in place to protect air quality, prevent pollution and avoid harm from small particulates.
- Dust can be mitigated by moistening ground areas underneath, on route to or nearby places where activity is expected.

### Quotes

"We ask that anyone involved with work that may lead to dust, take suitable steps to limit its creation. The emission of dust into the atmosphere creates a nuisance and air quality concerns for residents."

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Manager of Bylaw, Regulation & Security  
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### Quick Facts

- Dust control is enforced on a complaint basis. Individuals with concerns regarding dust can call 250-755-4422.

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