STATE OF WISCONSIN Town of Spring Brook County of Dunn

# TOWN OF SPRING BROOK IRRIGATION ON TOWN ROADS ORDINANCE NO. 2025-01

The Town Board of the Town of Spring Brook, Dunn County, Wisconsin has the specific authority under Sec. 349.15(2), Wisconsin Statutes, to adopt this ordinance.

### Purpose

Promoting the public health, safety, and general welfare of the Town of Spring Brook, this ordinance, adopted by a majority of the Town Board on a roll call vote with a quorum present and voting and proper notice having been given, regulates irrigation systems on Town roads in the Town of Spring Brook. Overspray can cause safety concerns for motorists and cause damage to public roads.

#### **Prohibited Activities**

No person shall allow or operate an irrigation system which sprays water onto the traveled portions of the roadway.

#### Violations and Penalties

Any landowner with an irrigation system who fails to stop irrigation overspray onto a roadway, after being warned by a Town Board Supervisor, shall have two weeks (14 consecutive days) to stop the irrigation overspray. If no correction(s) is made within the two-week timeframe, the landowner shall be subject to a fine of \$250 plus costs to repair road damage, if any. Any fines or costs left unpaid after 30 days of invoice issuance shall be charged interest and be placed as a Special Charge on the owner's tax bill.

## **Definitions**

The following terms, phrases, words, and their derivations shall have the meaning given herein. If not defined herein, the word, term or phrase shall have the definition commonly accepted including a relevant definition contained in the Wisconsin Statutes. When not inconsistent with the context, the words used in the present tense include the future, words in the plural number include the singular number and words in the singular number include the plural number. The word "shall" is always mandatory and not merely directory:

Fine - Shall be the equivalent of the word "forfeiture" and vice versa;

Landowner – Includes the plural as well as the singular and may mean either a natural person, firm, association, partnership, private corporation, public or quasi-public corporation, or combination of these who shall hold title to a building, structure or property, or who shall be in actual possession of, or have charge, or control of building, structure, or property as agent of the title holder, or who shall be trustee or guardian of the estate or person of the title holder;

Person – Includes a corporation, firm partnership, association, organization and any other group acting as a unit as well as individuals, including a personal representative, receiver or other representative appointed according to law. Whenever the term "person" is used in any section of this ordinance prescribing a penalty or fine, as to partnerships or associations, the work shall include the partners or members thereof,

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and as to corporations, shall include the officers, agents or members thereof who are responsible for any violation of such section;

Road – Any public highway or alley shall mean the entire width between the boundary lines of any public way where any part thereof is open to the public for purposes of vehicular traffic:

Town - The Town of Spring Brook, Dunn County, Wisconsin, or any duly-appointed designate thereof, including, but not limited to, the Town Board and Town committees:

Town Board or Board - The present governing body of the Town of Spring Brook or any successors to the legislative power of said body, or any duly-appointed designate thereof.

This ordinance is effective on January 1, 2026, following publication or posting of this ordinance and following erection of signage.

The Town Clerk shall properly post or publish this ordinance as required under Sec. 60.80, Wisconsin Statutes.

John E. Schaefer, Chairperson

M. Hotchkiss, Supervisor #2

Adopted this 13th day of October, 2025.

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Attest:

Mary L. Strand, Town Clerk