



Taylor County
Right-of-Way (ROW) Permit
325-674-1235
400 Oak St. Suite 300 Abilene, TX 79602

DATE _____

GRANTEE

Owner Name: _____

Address: _____ City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

CONTRACTOR

Company Name: _____

Address: _____ City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Proposed Pipeline shall be _____ inches in diameter and _____ (feet or miles) in length; shall be made of _____ (PVC, steel, cast iron); and shall be used for transmission of _____

(water, sewer, oil, natural gas) type of installation _____ (aerial, trenching, boring, etc.).

Proposed Utility type of material shall be made of _____ (copper, fiber optic, aluminum, steel, phosphor bronze, etc.); and shall be used for transmission of _____ (telephone, electric, fiber optic) type of installation _____ (aerial, trenching, boring, etc.).

Proposed ROW work Provide brief description _____

Proposed Timeline of construction of the pipeline within the right-of-way will begin on or after the _____ day of _____, 20_____, and will be completed on or before the _____ day of _____, 20_____.

Proposed Location is in Taylor County on _____.

A plan or sketch showing location and description of the proposed construction is attached and presented as Exhibit C.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS

THE STATE OF TEXAS §
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COUNTY OF TAYLOR §

That the County of Taylor, hereinafter called Grantor, and _____, hereinafter called Grantee, in consideration of the covenants and conditions stated herein, do hereby agree to the following terms, conditions, and provisions:

1. **Permit Application:** No material shall be installed, constructed, rebuilt, relocated, enlarged or otherwise modified within the rights-of-way of any Taylor County road without a duly executed permit from Taylor County. Application for permits shall be submitted to Taylor County Administration and shall be submitted by the owner of the product (or the authorized representative of the owner), who shall represent all parties involved. Material may only be placed in Taylor County rights-of-way in such a manner as to cross the county road (as close as possible to perpendicular to the roadway). Any proposed installation materials parallel to the roadway must be expressly approved by Taylor County Administration and the respective Commissioner.
2. **Rights & Obligations:** It is expressly understood that Taylor County does not purport to grant any right, claim, title or easement in this right-of-way; and it is further understood that Grantor may require the Grantee, at the Grantee’s expense, to lower or relocate this line, subject to provisions of governing laws, by giving thirty (30) days written notice.
3. **Specifications & Requirements:** All work within the right-of-way shall be performed in accordance with this policy, specifications, and procedures. The installation shall not damage any part of the roadway and adequate provisions must be made to cause minimum inconvenience to traffic and adjacent property owners. Upon the completion of any such construction, installation, removal or lowering, Grantee shall replace and restore all fences relocated or removed during the construction period and repair any damage to any road to the satisfaction of Taylor County. Grantee shall pay Grantor reasonable compensation for such fences, walls, structures, or roadway damage, which may not be replaceable or repairable and for all other damages caused by Grantee in connection with the pipeline or utility installation described herein.
4. **Inspection & Maintenance:** Taylor County Administration will inspect the installation of all materials at the time of construction and thereafter, and to require such changes, maintenance, and repairs as may at any time be considered necessary to provide protection of life and property within the county right of way. The cost of changes, maintenance and repairs of pipelines, and other appurtenances on the right of way will be the responsibility of the grantee. In the event the grantee fails to make corrective measures as directed, Taylor County may perform the necessary work and hold the grantee financially responsible.
5. **Warning Signs and Safety Markers:** On county roads where any type of work is in progress, the undersigned company or its contractor shall set out temporary traffic control signs and safety markers to warn the public of the work site. Upon completion of the said work on the county road, the undersigned company or its contractor shall set out permanent warning signs and/or safety markers at the location.
6. **Liability & Hold Harmless:** The Grantee shall be liable for any and all damages to the personal and real property of Grantor and to any third person or persons by reason of Grantee’s operations under the terms herein in constructing, installing, repairing, maintaining, using or removing from Grantor’s premises or right-of-way the above-mentioned pipeline, whether caused by Grantee’s negligence or otherwise. Grantee further

agrees to indemnify and hold harmless Taylor County and its duly appointed agents and employees from any judgment (including expenditures of defending any suit) that may be taken by any third person or persons against Grantor as the result of damages proximately caused by Grantee associated with this permit.

7. **Non-Exclusivity**: The rights and privileges granted herein are non-exclusive and Grantor reserves the right to convey similar rights and privileges to such other persons as it may deem proper. In addition, the Grantor retains, reserves, and shall continue to enjoy the use of such property for any and all purposes.
8. **Temporary Water Lines**: No Temporary water lines may be placed in or across county right-of- way unless approved by Taylor County Administration.
9. **Termination**: The rights and privileges granted hereunder shall terminate when, or at such time as, the purposes hereof cease to exist or become impossible of performance, or at the request of the Grantor. Should Grantee fail to fulfill any covenant, undertaking, or obligation arising hereunder, all rights and privileges granted hereby shall terminate, and Grantee shall be liable for all damages to Grantor caused by Grantee's default.
10. **Assignment**: If approved by Grantor, the rights and privileges described herein may be assignable by the Grantee, and any assignment not approved by Grantor may terminate the rights and privileges herein. The rights and privileges granted herein are personal and do not convey any interest in the real property.
11. **Fee**: As per TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE § 240.907, there will be a \$500.00 fee for each cut of a County Road during or as an incident to the installation, maintenance or repair of a person's or entity's facilities or properties.
12. **Notification**: The Grantee shall notify Taylor County Administration forty-eight (48) hours prior to start of any work within the county right-of-way.

In consideration of this agreement, in effect for 90 days, the Grantee further agrees, covenants and warrants that: Grantee shall install the pipeline or utilities that is the subject of this agreement in accordance with the "POLICY, SPECIFICATIONS AND PROCEDURES FOR PLACING AND INSTALLING PIPELINES AND UTILITIES WITHIN THE RIGHT-OF-WAY OR CROSSING OF TAYLOR COUNTY ROADS" and "MINIMUM DEPTH OF COVER FOR UNDERGROUND PIPELINES AND UTILITIES ON TAYLOR COUNTY RIGHT-OF-WAY," herein attached and incorporated by reference and styled Exhibit A.1, A.2, and Exhibit B as adopted by the Taylor County Commissioners' Court.

COUNTY OF TAYLOR, Grantor

OWNER, Grantee

Phil Crowley, Taylor County Judge

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Title: _____

ATTEST:

Taylor County Commissioner

Brandi DeRemer, Taylor County Clerk

EXHIBIT "A.1"

POLICY, SPECIFICATIONS AND PROCEDURES FOR PLACING AND INSTALLING PIPELINES AND UTILITIES WITHIN THE RIGHT-OF-WAY OR CROSSING TAYLOR COUNTY ROADS.

I. TAYLOR COUNTY POLICY

- A. Any person, company, firm, partnership, corporation, or organization of any kind (referred to as the Utility/Contractor) shall apply to Taylor County Administration for permission to install pipelines/utilities or do any construction in the right-of-way of any road or street maintained by Taylor County.
- B. Crossing under surfaced roads shall be done by boring and encasing the line in conduit across entire right-of-way with the exception of natural gas lines.
- C. Trenching across caliche surfaced and dirt roads will be granted permission provided the requester agrees to comply with the specified repair procedures outlined in the specification.
- D. The Utility/Contractor shall make every effort to open and close all trenching operations during the daylight hours of one day. Appropriate measures shall be followed in the interest of safety, traffic convenience and access to adjacent property for all trenching operations. Necessary signs, barricades, and protective devices shall be used as required to warn the traffic and to provide protection to workers and the public. In instances where the trench cannot be closed at the end of a day, extra precaution will be taken to warn night traffic of the hazard. The use of appropriate barricades and lighting shall be the responsibility of the person making the request for trenching.
- E. When emergency right-of-way repairs are deemed necessary by Taylor County, or their designee, to correct a hazardous situation, which is obviously dangerous to the public, the Utility/Contractor responsible for the pipeline shall be notified immediately to rectify the problem. If the Utility/Contractor does not respond within one hour, Taylor County will make the repairs and the Utility/Contractor will be billed.

II. SPECIFICATIONS AND PROCEDURES FOR INSTALLATION ON COUNTY RIGHTS-OF-WAY: PIPELINE CROSSINGS

- A. All pipeline installation under the roadbed of a county road within the county right-of-way shall be placed by boring. Where right-of-way widths permit, boring shall extend for a minimum distance of ten feet (10') from either edge of the roadway surface.
- B. All boring under paved roads shall be done with the size diameter of the pipe to be installed for the entire length of the crossing. Upon completion of bore, the contractor must notify Taylor County Administration for inspection of line and grade prior to any further boring.
- C. Bore pits shall be located a minimum of ten feet (10') away from the edge of the roadway. Over-cutting in excess of one inch (1") shall be remedied by pressure grouting the entire length of the installation.
- D. All pipelines placed in the right-of-way shall have a minimum cover of at least thirty-six inches (36") below the surface of the ground (at the bar ditch or the lowest point in the right-of-way).

- E. **All pipeline placed in the County right-of-way that requires a cut through a paved roadway shall require the approval of Taylor County Administration and the respective Commissioner. Such approval of Administration and the Commissioner is final and shall determine whether this permit is granted or denied.**
- F. All petroleum pipelines carrying pressured gas or liquid fuel contents shall be enclosed in satisfactory casing extending from right-of-way line to right-of-way line, with vents provided at the ends of the encasement. In lieu of casing, with approval by Taylor County Administration, the use of heavy walled pipe, with durable coatings or enhanced welding designed to protect against corrosion may be used.
- G. Any poles, pedestals, vent pipes or other similar appurtenances which must be placed within the right-of-way, shall be placed within eighteen inches (18") of the right-of-way line.
- H. **When boring is considered impracticable, Taylor County Administration may consider a variance request to these specifications and grant permission to open cut and backfill a specific installation. In this case, the following conditions shall govern:**
1. All backfilling of dirt and/or caliche base, within the entire roadway width, shall be done at optimum moisture, in six-inch (6") lifts and compacted sufficiently to obtain 95% Standard Proctor Density. Density tests from a reliable laboratory shall be furnished as required by Taylor County or its duly appointed agents.
 2. In lieu of compacted backfill described above, the open-cut ditch, within the entire roadway width, may be backfilled with cement stabilized caliche base: caliche base material must be approved by Taylor County Administration or the respective Commissioner; and base material shall be mixed and batched (with transit mix equipment) with 2 sacks of cement per cubic yard mix; and shall have a maximum slump of six inches (6").
 3. All cuts, backfill, base replacement and resurfacing are to be performed in a neat and workmanlike manner and shall conform to all directions of Exhibit B.
 4. The Grantee or its designated contractor performing the installation shall contact Taylor County Administration at least forty-eight (48) hours before permanent backfilling begins. The contractor shall be liable for all damages proximately caused by Contractor to private and/or county property inside or outside the repair area.
- I. Pavement or roadway damaged by any of the operations associated with this installation shall be repaired by Grantee as directed by and to the satisfaction of Taylor County Administration, or the respective Commissioner.
- J. Necessary traffic control devices, including barricades, cones and warning signs (and when necessary, flagmen) shall be provided by the Grantee and used as required to warn the driving public and to provide protection to the workers. All traffic control shall be designed, installed, operated and maintained in accordance with the latest revised edition of the *Texas Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (TMUTCD)*. The road way shall be open to traffic at all times, unless the grantee is specifically authorized by Taylor County Administration to temporarily close the road to traffic. All operations shall be conducted in the interest of traffic safety and access to adjacent property.

EXHIBIT "A.2"

TAYLOR COUNTY ADMINISTRATION

**MINIMUM DEPTH OF COVER FOR NEW UNDERGROUND PIPELINES AND
UTILITIES ON TAYLOR COUNTY RIGHT-OF-WAY**

**FOR UTILITY LINES INSTALLED PARALLEL WITH OR ACROSS TAYLOR COUNTY RIGHT-OF-WAY
(ROW):**

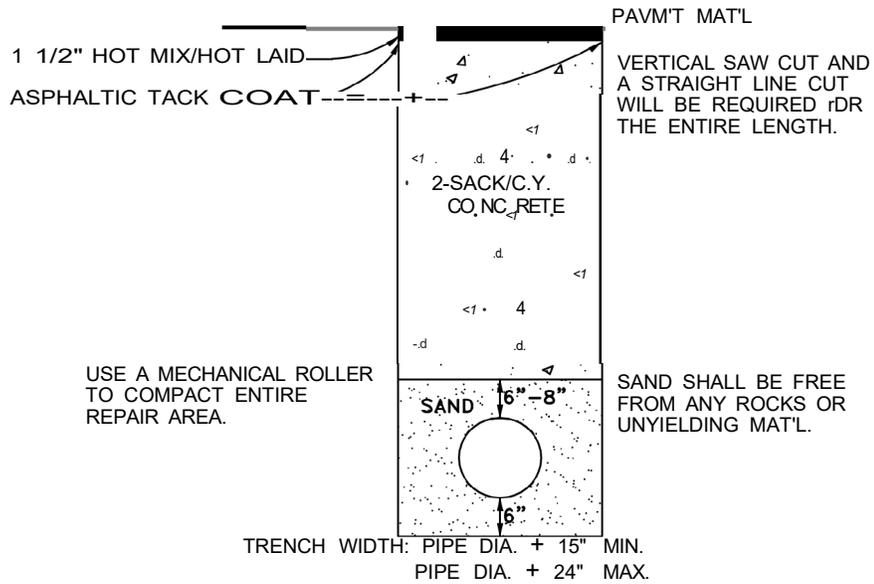
TYPE OF UTILITY	CROSSING PAVEMENT OR PARALLEL LESS THAN 10' FROM PAVEMENT EDGE (See Note #1 & 2 Below)	UNDER DRAINAGE DITCH OR CHANNEL	UNDER NATURAL GROUND & MORE THAN 10' FROM PAVEMENT EDGE
LOW PRESSURE NATURAL GAS (<60 PSI)	60"	36" (42" for Plastic Pipe)	36" (48" for Plastic Pipe)
HIGH PRESSURE NATURAL GAS (>60 PSI) OR LIQUID PETROLEUM PRODUCTS	60"	36" (to Casing Pipe) 54" (to Un-Encased Pipe)	36" (to Casing Pipe) 54" (to Un-Encased Pipe)
TELEPHONE (Copper Cable)	60"	36"	36"
TV CABLE	60"	36"	36"
FIBER OPTIC (Data, Phone, or TV)	60"	36"	36"
SANITARY SEWER	60"	36" (42" for Plastic Pipe)	36" (36" for Plastic Pipe)
WATER	60"	36" (42" for Plastic Pipe)	36" (42" for Plastic Pipe)
ELECTRIC	60"	BY VOLTAGE 36" (<22,001 volts) 42" (22,001-40,001 volts) 48" (>40,001 volts)	BY VOLTAGE 36" (<22,001 volts) 42" (22,001-40,001 volts) 48" (>40,001 volts)

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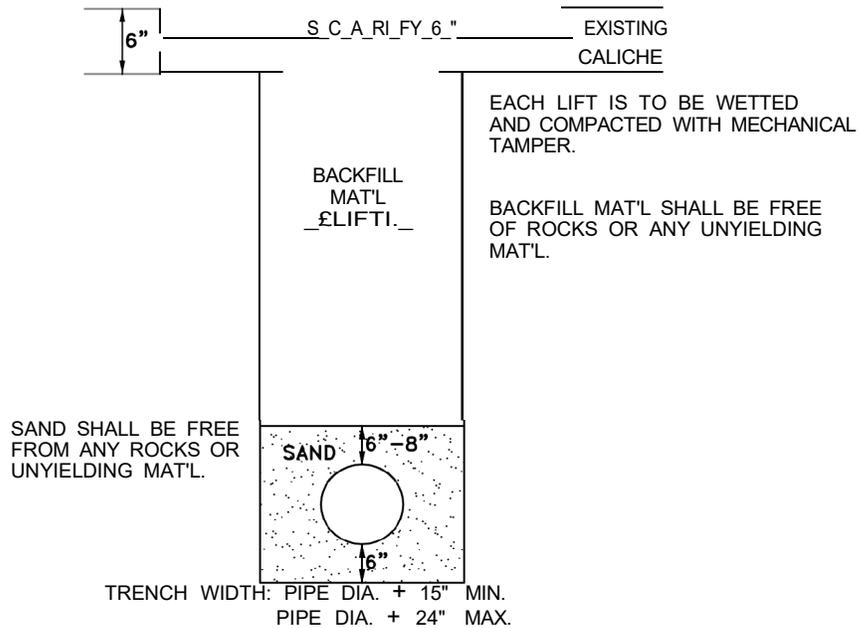
1. Utility lines installed parallel with Taylor County ROW are not permitted under Taylor County roads pavement; except as approved by the Taylor County Commissioners' Court.
2. Utility lines installed across Taylor County roads pavement, or intersecting Taylor County roads shall be placed inside a steel casing pipe.

EXHIBIT "B"

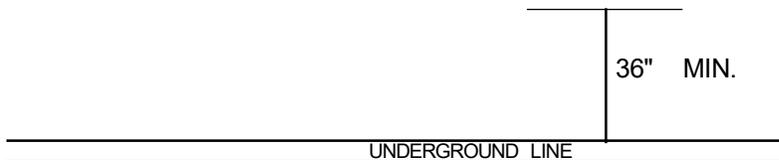
PROCEDURE FOR ASPHALTIC SEALED ROADS



PROCEDURE FOR CUTS IN CALICHE ROADS



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CORPORATE ACKNOWLEDGMENT

THE STATE OF TEXAS §

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COUNTY OF TAYLOR §

Before me, on this day personally appeared _____,

Known to me to be the person and officer whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me that the same was the act of said _____,

a corporation, and that he/she has authority to execute such document and did execute the same as the act of such corporation for the purposes and consideration therein expressed, and in the capacity therein stated.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE, THIS THE ____ DAY OF _____ 20____

Notary Public State of Texas

My Commission expires: _____