ROAD APPROACHES - OIL/GAS WELL CONTRACTORS

Purpose: To establish procedure, standards, and conditions for the installation of road approaches by oil/gas well contractors.

Procedure

- Applications to construct an approach must be submitted in writing to the R.M. office.
- Prior to approving an application, the councillor shall check the location to address safety concerns and culvert requirements.
- Permission for an approach may be granted between council meetings by the councillor for the division involved.
- Approvals for approaches shall be ratified at the next council meeting.

Approach Standards

- There must be appropriate sight distance
- The approach must be constructed at a right angle to the road
- The approach onto all developed roads shall have:
 - o 7.0 metre top width
 - o 5:1 side slopes
 - culvert when required minimum length of 15.0 metres, diameter shall be
 500 mm or larger as determined by the councillor,
 - o the approach must slope way from the road for at least 7.5 metres
 - o must be a 7.5 metre turning radius (flares)
- Approaches entering onto a gravel road must be graveled at the time of construction
- Approach shall be seeded within six months of construction to a species of grass approved by council
- Weeds to be controlled until grass is established
- Rocks or other debris shall be removed at time of construction.

Approach standards may be varied by council where conditions warrant a different standard.

Other conditions

- The municipality does not allow the installation of cattle guards (texas gates) or swing gates to be installed within the road allowance.
- Land owner approval is required for any activity off of the existing road allowance.
- No movement of vehicles shall be permitted on municipal roads or right of ways during adverse road and weather conditions.
- The lease owner, agrees to indemnify and save harmless the R.M. of Arlington No. 79 from and against all loss, charges, damages, (including damages to the R.M. of Arlington No. 79) and expenses which the R.M. of Arlington may suffer or sustain as a result of operations by the lease owner or its agents.

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