

Pipeline Crossings – Right-of-Ways Policy

4A.014

Section: 4.0 Infrastructure Services
- A. Roads

Authority: General Manager of Infrastructure Services

Statement

The Municipal District of Bonnyville (M.D.) being the municipal road authority is responsible for the direction, control, and management of all municipal roadways within its boundaries. The M.D. recognizes the requirement to accommodate pipeline and utility crossings of road allowances in a manner that will not be detrimental to the municipality.

Purpose

To set out the conditions of approvals, minimum construction standards, and procedures to be followed for pipeline and utility crossings of road allowances.

Definitions

For the purposes of this policy:

- (1) “Pipeline” means a line of pipes for conveying water, gas, oil etc.;
- (2) “Liquid Pipeline” means a pipeline that is used to transport crude or natural gas in liquid form;
- (3) “Natural Gas Pipeline” means a pipeline used solely for the transport of natural gas to processing plants and are used for distribution.

Policy

All requests for pipeline road and road allowance crossings and pipeline-related construction must be accompanied by survey drawings:

- (1) Developed road allowances shall be crossed using the boring method unless otherwise approved.
- (2) Undeveloped road allowances may be crossed using the open cut method.
- (3) Construction standards to follow are as per Road Construction and Development Policy No. 4A.001.
- (4) Warning signs shall be placed on either side of the road allowance to identify the location of the buried services. These signs are to be maintained by the owner of the pipelines.
- (5) Each application by pipeline or company to cross a road allowance with a pipeline shall be accompanied by a:
 - (a) One thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) fee for pipelines exceeding 30 centimeters in diameter for pre and post inspection for each road allowance crossed.

- (b) Two Hundred dollars (\$200.00) fee for pipelines less than 30 centimeters in diameter for pre and post inspection for each road allowance crossed.
- (6) All residential service lines are exempt from the fee within this policy.
 - (7) The applicant and/or successor must agree in writing to save harmless and keep indemnified the M.D. from and against any liability which the municipality may sustain or be liable for, in consequence of having permitted the applicant to cross the road allowance with a pipeline or utility service.
 - (8) The applicant and/or successor must agree in writing to re-locate their buried services at their own expense if and when required by the municipality due to road construction.
 - (9) Maintenance of all road crossings shall be at the expense and responsibility of the owner.
 - (10) The municipality is to be notified one (1) working day prior to commencing with the pipeline/utility road allowance crossing.
 - (11) All pipeline/utility road allowance crossings shall be restored to their original condition or to the satisfaction of the municipality.

Policy Review

Within five (5) years from date adopted / amended / reviewed.

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Related Documentation: (plans, bylaws, policies, procedures, etc.)	Policy: Road Construction and Development (#4A.001)