



KNOX COUNTY ENGINEER

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422 Columbus Road

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UTILITY PERMIT POLICY

The permittee shall be responsible for the maintenance of the roadway at all times, day and night, during the proposed work. When completed, the work shall be inspected for acceptance by the County Engineer. The applicant shall indemnify the county against liability and damage resulting from the proposed activity. Failure of the permittee to comply with all the requirements and special conditions of the permit shall be cause for revocation of the permit, or forfeiture of the bond.

Utility crossings of all county highways shall be made at a minimum depth of 48" below the ditch line without disturbing existing pavements. Open cut of pavement will not be permitted, unless it is demonstrated there is no reasonable alternate method available and a bond required. *Value of the bond will be determined by the County Engineer. Bond shall be adequate to repair the road should the permittee abandon the project.

Any highway right-of-way which is disturbed by the installation must be restored to its original or better condition. Poles and lines located within the right-of-way are the utility's responsibility to repair, maintain, and remove. Any relocation required by the county shall be solely the utility's expense.

Open Cut of Roadway

1. There will be a minimum bond of \$500.00 required.*
2. Asphalt shall be shelved at least 12" beyond the trench limits and cut with a neat, straight edge.
3. Backfill shall be compacted ODOT Item #304 from 1 foot over pipe to bottom of proposed asphalt. Note – Flowable fill (LSM) may be substituted for ITEM 304.
4. Asphalt surface shall be replaced with at least 6" of Item 441 Type 1, spread and rolled, applying Item 407 tack coat to cut edges.
5. The contractor will be responsible for contacting all emergency, school district and post office personnel who will be impacted by the closing of the county road.
6. Traffic control devices shall be erected and maintained by the contractor and shall conform to the Ohio Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

For Natural Gas

1. Steel casing shall be used for each gas line installation where the line could operate in excess of 100 PSIG, or the MAOP (maximum allowable operating pressure) of the pipeline according to U.S. Department of Transportation Regulations, whichever is less. Size of the casing will be determined by the outside diameter of the gas line being installed. Each cased line shall have vents on both sides of the road.
2. The pipeline casing vents must be clearly marked with the name, address and emergency numbers of the person responsible for maintenance of the pipeline. Gas line markers shall be installed at all crossings that are not marked by vents and be marked with the same information.
3. Gas lines illegally installed through culverts or under bridges shall be removed by a qualified contractor designated by the County Engineer ten (10) working days after certified notification has been served to the applicant. The applicant shall bear all expenses incurred by the County Engineer including material, labor and equipment for all work not in compliance with this permit.