



# Rio Blanco County Road and Bridge Department

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## DRIVEWAY PERMIT APPLICATION

### PERMITTEE

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Company \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_

### CONTRACTOR

RBC License # \_\_\_\_\_

Company \_\_\_\_\_  
Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Owner of Land this accesses \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ OWNER/BUILDER – No Contractor Required      \_\_\_\_\_ CONTRACTOR – No Sub-Contractors Required      \_\_\_\_\_ OWNER/BUILDER – Contractor Required  
\_\_\_\_ CONTRACTOR – Sub-Contractors Required      \_\_\_\_\_ OTHER \_\_\_\_\_ Sub-Contractor Info \_\_\_\_\_

is hereby requesting permission to construct and use an access to a county right-of-way at the location noted below. Sketch shall include frontage of lot along road, distance from centerline of road to property line, number of driveways requested, width of proposed driveway(s) and angles, distance from building(s) and/or other facilities. The applicant binds and obligates himself to construct and maintain the right-of-way access(es) in accordance with the provisions, specifications, and conditions enumerated in this document. This permit may be revoked by the issuing authority if at any time the permitted access and its use violate any of the terms and conditions of this permit.

Tnshp/Range/Sec \_\_\_\_\_

DRIVEWAY LOCATION (Please indicate county road and nearest mile post OR address if one exists.) \_\_\_\_\_

ACCESS TO PROVIDE SERVICE TO \_\_\_\_\_ Full-time Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Summer Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Subdivision \_\_\_\_\_ Vacant Property \_\_\_\_\_ Business \_\_\_\_\_

Energy-related Well Pad or similar \_\_\_\_\_ Well Number \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**SKETCH MUST BE ATTACHED AND LOCATION SHALL BE MARKED WITH LATHE AND FLAGGING EASILY SEEN FROM COUNTY ROAD. FEE: \$65.00 Payable at the time application is submitted.**

APPLICANT'S ESTIMATED CONSTRUCTION START DATE \_\_\_\_\_ EST. COMPLETION DATE \_\_\_\_\_

### GENERAL PROVISIONS (SEE ATTACHED FOR ADDITIONAL SPECIFICATIONS)

1. The Applicant represents all parties in interest, and affirms that the driveway approach(es) is to be constructed by him for the bona fide purpose of securing access to his property and not for the purpose of doing business or servicing vehicles on the right-of-way.
2. The Applicant shall furnish all labor and materials, perform all work, and pay all costs in connection with the construction of the driveway(s) and its appurtenances on the right-of-way. All work shall be completed in an expeditious and safe manner and shall be finished within 180 days of the Permit date.
3. The type of construction shall be as designated and/or approved by the Road Department and all materials used shall be of satisfactory quality and subject to inspection and approval of the Department.
4. The travelling public shall be protected during the installation with proper warning signs and signals and the Department and its duly appointed agents and employees shall be held harmless against any action for personal injury or property damage sustained by reason of the exercise of the Permit.
5. No revisions or additions shall be made to the driveway(s) or its appurtenances on the right-of-way without the written permission of the Department.
6. Provisions and specifications outlined herein shall apply on all roads under the jurisdiction of the Department.
7. Staking or flagging access boundaries is required prior to approval.
8. This permit does not allow any damage to occur on the existing county right-of-way. If permittee causes damage to the county road, permittee shall repair road to the county's satisfaction.
9. All driveways permitted must have 6" of ¾" road base on the surface from the point it intersects the county road to the edge of the county road right-of-way unless otherwise specified.
10. This permit shall be available for inspection at the site where and when the work is being done.
11. All Utility Installations, INCLUDING TELEPHONE LINES, require an Underground Utility Permit issued from this department.

### OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS

CULVERT REQUIREMENT \_\_\_\_\_ 24" \_\_\_\_\_ 18" \_\_\_\_\_ NONE \_\_\_\_\_ DECIMAL LAT. \_\_\_\_\_ DEC. LONG. \_\_\_\_\_

\$65.00 PAID? **Y N** SKETCH ATTACHED? **Y N** LOCATION MARKED? **Y N** DISTRICT? **M R** ASSIGNED SPVSR \_\_\_\_\_

OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

SITE: APPROVED \_\_\_\_\_ DENIED \_\_\_\_\_ PICS. TAKEN? \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor's Initials/Date \_\_\_\_\_

The permittee shall notify authorizing supervisor with the Rio Blanco County Road and Bridge Dept. at least 48 hours prior to commencing construction within the Rio Blanco County right-of-way. The person signing as the permittee must be the owner or legal representative of the property served by the permitted access and have full authority to accept the permit and all its terms and conditions.

SUPERVISOR SHALL HAVE APPLICANT INITIAL APPROPRIATE STATEMENT

\_\_\_\_\_ This proposed driveway is located on a year-round maintained county road. (This does not guarantee that the county road accessing the driveway location is maintained on a regular basis or that snow is plowed on the same day it occurs)

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand this proposed driveway is on a "NO WINTER MAINTENANCE" section of county road. (Rio Blanco County will not maintain or plow this section of road from approx. Nov. 1 to Jun 1 or later depending upon conditions. The county does not allow private individuals to plow or maintain county roads without a permit. I understand and agree that no winter maintenance of this road may affect my use of my property during winter months.)

Permittee Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized by \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

# SPECIFICATIONS

## DEFINITIONS

A driveway approach or access is understood to be that portion of the highway right-of-way between the pavement or driving surface edge and the property line which is designed and used for the interchange of traffic between the roadway and the abutting property.

### INTERSECTION CLEARANCE

At any intersection, a driveway shall be restricted for a sufficient distance from the intersection to preserve the normal and safe movement of traffic. (It is recommended for rural residence entrances that a minimum intersection clearance of 50 feet be provided and for rural commercial entrances a minimum of 100 feet be provided.)

### SIGHT DISTANCE

All entrances and exits shall be so located and constructed that vehicles approaching or using them will be able to obtain adequate sight distance in both directions along the highway in order to maneuver safely and without interfering with highway traffic.

Stopping sight distance is that distance required for a vehicle traveling on a horizontal curve to stop before reaching an object in its path. Stopping distance is measured from driver's eyes, which are 3.5 feet above road surface of the inside lane and the object is 6 inches high. The line of sight is assumed to intercept the obstruction at the midpoint of the light line and 2.0 feet above road surface. The following chart may be used for reference:

Design Speed MPH	30	35	40	45	50	55
Minimum Stopping Sight Distance (feet)	300	300	300*	375*	450*	575*

The stopping sight distance of any roadway design should never be less than the minimum for the design speed.

\*Based on road conditions and traffic count, stopping sight distance requirements may vary from the above given distances.

### CONTROL DEVICES

The Applicant shall not be permitted to erect any sign or display material, either fixed or movable, on or extending over any portion of the highway right-of-way.

### NUMBER OF DRIVEWAYS

Generally no more than one approach shall be allowed any parcel of property the frontage of which is less than one hundred (100) feet. Additional entrances or exits for parcels of property having a frontage in excess of one hundred (100) feet shall be permitted only after showing of actual convenience and necessity.

### PROPERTY LINE OFFSET

All driveways shall be so located that the flared portion adjacent to the traveled way will not encroach upon adjoining property.

### DRIVEWAY WIDTH

No commercial driveway shall have a width greater than thirty (30) feet measured at right angles to the centerline of the driveway, except as increased by permissible radii. No non-commercial driveway shall have a width greater than twenty (20) feet measured at right angles to the centerline of the driveway, except as increased by permissible radii.

### APPROACH ANGLE

The axis of an approach to the road may be at a right angle to the centerline of the highway and of any angle between ninety (90) degrees and sixty (60) degrees but shall not be less than sixty (60) degrees. Adjustment will be made according to the type of traffic to be served and other physical conditions.

### PARKING

The construction of parking or servicing areas on the highway right-of-way is specifically prohibited. Off-the-road parking facilities should be provided by commercial establishments for customers' vehicles.

### SLOPE OF DRIVE

The grade of entrance and exit shall slope downward and away from the road surface at the same rate as normal shoulder slope and for a distance equal to the width of the shoulder but in no case less than ten (10) feet from the pavement edge. Approach grades are restricted to not more than 2% with a crown of 3% for fifty feet.

### DRAINAGE

All driveways and approaches shall be so constructed that they shall not interfere with the drainage system of the street or highway. The Applicant will be required to provide, at his own expense, drainage structures at entrances and exits which will become an integral part of the existing drainage system. The dimensions of all drainage structures will generally be based on Talbot's Formula and must be approved by the Department representative prior to installation. The minimum size on culverts is 18 inches by 20 feet unless special permission is granted.

DIAMETER IN INCHES	SQ.FT.AREA OF WATER WAY OPENING	ACRES OF MOUNTAINOUS COUNTRY	ACRES OF ROLLING COUNTRY	ACRES OF LEVEL COUNTRY
18"	1.8	2	9	18
24"	3.1	5	20	39
30"	4.9	8	36	71
36"	7.1	14	59	115
42"	9.6	20	89	175
48"	12.6	29	125	250
54"	15.9	40	175	345
60"	19.6	55	230	455
66"	23.8	70	295	585
72"	28.3	85	375	735
78"	33.2	105	460	910
84"	38.5	130	560	1110

THIS CHART IS BASED ON TALBOT'S FORMULA FOR DETERMINING CULVERT SIZES FOR THE AREA TO BE DRAINED.

**RIO BLANCO COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE DEPT.**  
**COMMERCIAL DRIVEWAY SPECIFICATIONS**

**Specifications for Driveways requiring paved access:**

Commercial and Industrial subdivision driveways or accesses shall be constructed with a minimum of:

Six (6) inches of Class 6 Aggregate Base Course with the following sieve analysis as per the Colorado Department of Transportation Standard Specifications for Road & Bridge Construction, Section 700:

**Class 6 Aggregate Base Course (ABC)**

**% by Weight**

<b><u>Sieve Size</u></b>	<b><u>Passing Sq. Mesh Sieve</u></b>
<b>3/4"</b>	<b>100%</b>
<b>#4</b>	<b>30-65%</b>
<b>#8</b>	<b>25-55%</b>
<b>#200</b>	<b>3-12%</b>

Compaction shall not be less than 95 % of the maximum density determined in accordance with AASHTO T 180.

Four (4) inches of Hot Bituminous Pavement, Grading SX, 75, 58-28F as per the Colorado Department of Transportation Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction, Section 700.

Paved driveway surface shall be 24-feet wide with a paved 45-foot turning radius on each side. Driveway shall extend 30 feet from the county road centerline.

All other provisions and specifications of the Rio Blanco County Driveway Permit Application shall apply.