

	RURAL MUNICIPALITY OF STANLEY	POLICY NO. 47-14
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	TITLE: Access Approaches	Department: Public Works

This policy supersedes all previous policies dealing with the same matters.

POLICY STATEMENT:

To set a policy dealing with access approaches in the RM of Stanley

PROCEDURES:

NEW APPROACHES

Field/Rural approaches

Municipality will supply one (1) access from an existing road to parcels of land 80 acres in size or larger, which will include a 40-foot long culvert for new field approaches. Council reserves the right to approve or deny access to lands considering such factors as: costs, geographic challenges, topography, drainage, alternative access, and land use. Landowners requesting more than one (1) approach to an 80 acre parcel must pay the associated costs.

Village properties/ Rural Residential

Property owners are responsible to order and pay for culverts from the Municipality. Property owner is responsible for all costs associated with the installation. In new developments, the developer is responsible to provide culverts for new lots. All culverts must be installed to RM specifications.

Sidewalk crossings

Where a new approach crosses an existing sidewalk, the approach must be constructed so as not to damage the sidewalk in any manner. The top of the sidewalk must be fully exposed with no gravel over top of the sidewalk.

Culvert extensions

If landowner wishes for a culvert extension at the same time as the culvert is being installed or replaced, the extension will be provided with the landowner paying for the costs of the extension beyond the allowable limits of 9 meters for residential property and 12 meters for agricultural properties.

Landowner request

If landowner wishes for a culvert extension and the municipality does not have plans to install or replace the original culvert, the landowner is required to pay all associated costs.

Existing approaches with no culvert

Where there exists an approach without a culvert, and a drainage issue develops, the Municipality will install an appropriately sized culvert. In cases where the municipality deems that the approach is not required, was unauthorized and is having a negative impact on drainage, the landowner shall remove the approach, or pay to have an appropriately sized culvert installed.

Unauthorized accesses

Should in the opinion of The Municipality, any unauthorized access cause a drainage problem, safety hazard, or other negative impact, the municipality may remove the access and or make alternative arrangements with the landowner to alleviate the problem.

Damaged Culverts

Damaged culverts are to be repaired or replaced at the expense of the party who damaged them. In the event the party is unknown, the municipality will endeavor to repair the damaged culvert as it deems necessary.

Natural Wear & Tear

Culverts requiring replacement due to natural wear & tear or natural breakdown will be replaced by the Municipality.

Decorative Additions

The Municipality accepts no responsibility for any decorative additions, concreted ends, rock/mulch or other materials on the access approach.

General Provisions

Shared approaches will be encouraged in situations where traffic safety or drainage may be of concern, and for field accesses. Culvert length supplied by the municipality for a shared approach is to be no more than 50 feet.

Properties within village developments which have a fronting internal road are to have their access onto the fronting street as designed for the development.

All approaches are to have a minimum 18 inch culvert installed unless otherwise authorized by the Municipality.

In situations where the municipality has performed drainage works which results in a new approach being required for a parcel of land, the municipality will supply the new approach & culvert.

Once an authorized culvert has been installed, it becomes the responsibility of the Municipality and the Municipality will ensure the culvert functions properly.

The Municipality is not responsible to maintain approaches.

Approach Specifications

1. Minimum private approach construction standards:
 - a. The approach shall be constructed of clay or a-base backfill with a minimum of 100 mm of good aggregate covering. No material larger than 20mm shall be used in the back fill, and no frozen material may be used.
 - b. The first 4 meters of the approach may be no higher in elevation than the shoulder of the road.
 - c. The minimum slope of the sides of the approach is to be 2:1. The landowner will be responsible for maintenance of said slope.
 - d. Minimum side yard clearance for culvert ends is to be 3.05 meters, with the exception of shared accesses.
 - e. The culverts must be placed at ditch bottom and positioned according to Stanley Public Work department. All galvanized culverts must be countersunk ½” to 1” below ditch bottom.
2. Culvert specifications:
 - a. No culverts may be less than 450mm in diameter or shorter than 9 meters.
 - b. 900 mm and smaller culverts will be a minimum of 16 gauge material.
 - c. Any culverts larger than 900 mm will be ordered according to the discretion of the Public work Supervisor.
 - d. All culverts MUST be purchased through the Municipality.
3. Culvert end treatments.
 - a. Design of culvert end treatments and driveway curbs must be approved by the Public Works Supervisor.
 - b. No structure that is part of the approach may extend above the elevation of the approach surface.
 - c. The municipality will not be held liable for damages to approach structures that happen during regular road or drainage maintenance activities.