

Rural Municipality of McKillop No. 220

Policy # TS-001

Policy Title: PROVISION OF PROPERTY ACCESS APPROACHES

Policy Objective	To ensure that each property within the boundaries of the R. M. of McKillop No. 220 has one (1) access point
Authority	Resolution # 263/2014 Resolution # 238/2016
Supporting Bylaw	Zoning Bylaw 234/11
Related Policy(s)	

Policy:

Provision of Farmland Access Approach

1. The R. M. of McKillop No. 220 will provide and pay for one (1) farmland access approach per quarter section.
2. The farmland access approach provided and paid for by the R. M. of McKillop No. 220 will be constructed by the R. M. staff or by a contractor engaged by the R. M. of McKillop No. 220.

Additional Farmland Access Approaches

3. Prior to the construction of any additional farmland access approaches by a landowner, the landowner must ensure that the appropriate development permit is completed and approved and the applicable development permit fee is paid in full.
4. In the event the development permit is approved, an inspection of the site where the additional farmland access approach is to be constructed must be complete respecting the need for a culvert and drainage.
5. The construction of additional farmland access approaches will be entirely the financial responsibility of the landowner(s) or the landowner(s) representative(s).

6. The landowner is responsible to ensure that all existing utilities are located within the right-of-way and to ensure that construction does not result in any damage to or interference with those existing utilities.
7. In the Agricultural Zone, a maximum of three (3) approved and conforming farmland access approaches will be allowed per quarter section.

Residential Acreages

8. In the event a residential acreage is portioned out of a quarter section and the farmland access approach to the quarter section is incorporated into the residential acreage access, the landowner shall be financially responsible to construct a farmland access approach if that landowner wishes to have separate a separate access approach to the farmland.
9. The landowner will be subject to the requirements of Section 3, Section 4, Section 5, Section 6, and Section 7 relating to the construction of any additional access approaches.
10. All access approaches must be constructed in accordance with the details set out in the approved development permit and must have a minimum of one (1) culvert installed.

Emergency and/or Urgent Situations

11. In the event of a natural disaster, it will be the discretion of Council to determine if an alternate approach may be built to a quarter section that already has an access approach.

Access Approach Regulations

12. All access approaches must be constructed of clean earth, free from objectionable material such as organic matter, frozen soil, topsoil, stumps, trees and rocks.
13. No access approach shall be constructed in such a manner as to restrict sight lines or in any way to adversely affect traffic safety.
14. All access approaches must be constructed at a 90 degree angle to the municipal road.
15. Material from within the R. M. of McKillop No. 220's road right-of-way shall not be used for construction of an access approach.
16. The access approach shall be constructed so as to ensure that no damage results to the road shoulder, road surface, side slopes, and/or ditches.
17. All access approaches must have a minimum top width of eight (8) metres and a maximum top of eleven (11) metres with 6:1 side slope construction.
18. The crown of any access approach must slope away from the municipal road so that the approach surface is at least 0.4 metres lower than the edge of the road shoulder edge at a distance of eight (8) metres from the shoulder edge.

19. All access approaches deemed to require a culvert by the R. M. of McKillop No 220 Division Councillor for which the land is located in and the Maintenance Foreman must have at least one (1) culvert that shall be made of corrugated steel pipe if the approach is to be used for heavy equipment access or a plastic culvert if the approach is used strictly for light vehicle access, as approved in the development permit. The culvert shall meet or exceed the minimum culvert size specified in the development permit. The culvert shall be installed true to grade line. Rock rip rap shall be placed around each end of the culvert to prevent erosion.
20. Culverts will be required for all access approaches in order to maintain the natural flow of water. All culverts installed in approaches shall be galvanized corrugated steel culverts with a diameter of 500mm and 1.6mm wall thickness.

Non-conforming Access Approaches

21. Upon identification of a non-conforming access approach, written notice shall be forwarded to the landowner(s) specifying the work that must be completed to bring the access approach into compliance with the R. M. of McKillop No. 220 requirements.
22. In the event the landowner(s) does not complete the work identified in the written notice required in Section 18 to the satisfaction of the R. M. of McKillop No 220 Division Councillor for which the land is located in and the Maintenance Foreman within thirty (30) days of the date of the written notice, the Maintenance Foreman shall make arrangements for the necessary work to be completed to correct the issues identified. Any work done will be at the expense of the landowner(s) plus an additional charge of 20% of the value of the work applicable to administration fees incurred by the R. M. of McKillop No. 220.
23. If in the opinion of the R. M. of McKillop No 220 Division Councillor for which the land is located in and the Maintenance Foreman, there is a transportation or safety issue created by the access approach, the Maintenance Foreman shall make immediate arrangements for the necessary work to be completed to correct the issues identified. Any work done will be at the expense of the landowner(s) plus an additional charge of 20% of the value of the work applicable to administration fees incurred by the R. M. of McKillop No. 220.

Closure of an Access Approaches

24. Every landowner(s) who closes or decommissions an access approach shall return the access approach to its original states, at the landowner(s) expense. The approach must be returned to the standards set out in Section 12 through Section 17.
25. In the even that a landowner(s) who closes or decommissions an access approach does not return the access approach to its original state, the access approach shall be deemed to be a non-conforming access approach and the actions identified in Section 18 and Section 19 shall be implemented.

Maintenance of Access Approaches

26. Maintenance and upkeep of access approaches is the sole responsibility of the landowner(s) of the property to which the access approach grants access.

Modification to Access Approaches for Public Works Purposes

27. Where the R. M. of McKillop No. 220 undertakes any construction or reconstruction work that affects a conforming access approach, the R. M. of McKillop No. 220 shall ensure that any reconstruction of the access approach made necessary by the construction or reconstruction activity is completed at no expense to the landowner(s).