

<b>POLICY # PW 011</b>		<b>POLICY TITLE:</b>	<b>TEXAS GATE STANDARDS &amp; PROCEDURES POLICY</b>
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<b>APPROVAL DATE AND MOTION:</b>	June 2004 (66-06-04)	<b>CROSS-REFERENCE:</b>	
<b>RESPONSIBILITY:</b>	General Manager – Public Works Operations	<b>APPENDICES:</b>	Schedule A
<b>APPROVER:</b>	Council	<b>EFFECTIVE DATE:</b>	June 2004
<b>REVISION DATE(S)/ MOTION #</b>	May 28, 24 (2024-05-77)	<b>NEXT REVIEW DATE:</b>	May 2027

## 1. DEFINITIONS

- 1.a. **County** means County of Vermilion River (the “County”).
- 1.b. **Council** means the Council of the County of Vermilion River
- 1.c. **Chief Administrative Officer** or **CAO** means the Chief Administrative Officer of the County, or their delegate.
- 1.d. **Landowner** means a person who is registered under the Land Titles Act as owner of the land.
- 1.e. **Business** means a registered company that conducts their business within the County of Vermilion River.
- 1.f. **Texas Gate** means a barrier installed within the road surface that prevents animals from crossing the barrier and allows free movement of vehicle traffic.

## 2. POLICY STATEMENT

The **County** recognizes the need and convenience of installing approved **Texas Gates** on road allowances within the **County**.

### 3. OBJECTIVE

To provide the ability for a **Landowner** or **Business** to request approval from the **County** to install a **Texas Gate** within a road right of way at the expense of the **Landowner/Business**.

### 4. BACKGROUND

- 4.a. This policy was introduced as a way to allow for **Landowners** or a **Business** to request approval from the **County** to install a **Texas Gate** within certain road right of ways throughout the **County** at the expense of the **Landowner/Business**.
- 4.b. This policy addresses the costs of installation and maintenance of **Texas Gates**.

### 5. GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- 5.a. **Texas Gates** may only be authorized on municipal roads by motion of council. **Landowners/Businesses** requesting **Texas Gates** on municipal roads must install and accept total responsibility for the same. A form outlining these requirements must be signed by the **Landowner/Business** requesting the gate before the gate is to be installed; the applicant must also include the location and term of proposed use (Refer to Schedule "A").
- 5.b. It is the requesting parties` responsibilities to obtain written permission from adjacent **landowners** to the proposed **Texas Gate** installation site before the council motion is passed.
- 5.c. The **Landowner/Business** is responsible for the maintenance of the **Texas Gate** after the initial installation. If the **Landowner/Business** fails to complete maintenance, the **County** will complete the work and the **Landowner/Business** shall reimburse the **County** for all costs incurred by the **County** in maintaining the **Texas Gate** after the date of initial installations, including expenses for labour, materials, travel, and equipment.
- 5.d. **Texas Gates** identified on **County** road allowance that are not authorized by motion of **Council** shall be removed unless the owner takes responsibility and makes application to have the gate approved by motion.
- 5.e. **Texas Gates** are permitted only on road allowances that have an undeveloped road.

- 5.f. **Texas Gates** are not permitted to be installed on Industry built lease roads within the road right of way that the **County** intends to take over the maintenance and replacement of in the future.
- 5.g. The **County** reserves the right to order **Texas Gates** to be removed at its discretion.

## 6. ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES

ROLE/TASK	TITLE(S) OF PERSON RESPONSIBLE
<b>HANDLING INQUIRIES</b>	General Manager – Public Works Operations
<b>MONITORING REVIEWS AND REVISIONS</b>	General Manager- Public Works Operations in conjunction with the Executive Assistant to CAO and Council
<b>IMPLEMENTING POLICY</b>	Council
<b>COMMUNICATING POLICY</b>	Chief Administrative Officer
<b>INTERNAL STAKEHOLDERS</b>	Administration, Council
<b>EXTERNAL STAKEHOLDERS</b>	Landowner, Business, Public

## 7. EXCEPTIONS

None.

## 8. POLICY EVALUATION

- 8.a. That the **County** will engage in a Policy evaluation every three years to monitor effectiveness of the policy and review opportunities for improvement.
- 8.b. Needs assessment if required.
- 8.c. Process evaluation to determine whether the policy has met its objective.



- 8.d. Outcome evaluation to determine whether the policy has met its objectives and whether additional opportunities for improvement in the policy can be identified.