

CHIPPEWA COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

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ALLOWABLE BLANKET PERMIT ACTIVITIES

Maintenance/Repairs

- Maintain trees including tree trimming with permission of abutting property owners. No tree removal without County Road Commission and abutting property owner's permission.
- Maintain and inspect systems, valves and meters and their associated manholes.
- Repair and maintain open wire, multiple type wire, drop wire and aerial cable.
- Repair existing underground conduit, buried cable, buried wire, and pipe except under pavement.

Replacements

- Replace up to 50 feet of buried cable section with like size within the same trench location or offset from centerline of road right-of-way.
- Replace on same pole line open wires, single pair rural wire and/or drop wires with multiple line wire or small cable not extending beyond the present wire.
- Replace or add up to two poles within or beyond an existing pole line, provided poles are not relocated laterally and that any resulting tree work falls within the allowable activities described in the Maintenance/Repairs section above.
- Replace or repair up to 50 feet of leaking, distressed, or otherwise damaged sections of existing gas mains, water or sanitary sewers except under pavement.

Installations

- Install buried cable, wire loop or lateral to an existing pole in an existing pole line. This may include crossing of road by squeeze boring or pushing one pipe 4 inches or less in diameter.
- Install, remove, or replace load coil case on existing buried cable or wire, including loop from main trench for a single location.
- Install or replace pole guys and anchors that are parallel to road centerline or away from road centerline. No guy poles, wires or anchors shall be placed within 10 feet of the traveled way.
- Install aerial drops from an existing pole line.

Miscellaneous

- Crossing all county roads will be by a boring method that does not disturb the road surface. Per the following conditions:

1. Maximum diameter of auger - 4 inches with no casing.
2. Minimum depth of 48 inches below paved surface and 36 inches below ditch or culvert bottom shall be maintained.
3. Minimum distance from edge of paved or traveled way surface to bore pit - 10 feet. Interior subdivision streets - 5 feet from back of curb.

- System tie-ins to existing gas main (near side) facilities in County roadways from streets under municipal jurisdiction (except under pavement.)

- Conduct soil borings outside of the traveled way. All work shall be performed in conformance to all applicable local, state and federal laws, rules and regulations. The issuance of a permit by the Chippewa County Road Commission does not preclude the permit holder from obtaining all other local, state and federal permits necessary or required by others. The permit issued by the Road Commission becomes invalid should the permit holder fail to follow all other laws, rules, and regulations and obtain all other permits.

- Performance of survey work. The following conditions:

1. Upon recovering a buried survey point, the hole shall be repaired with an appropriate material, and a pin shall be set on the surface with a plastic survey cap for visibility.
 - a. All material used within the road right-of-way shall conform to current MDOT specifications.

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CONDITIONS FOR BLANKET PERMIT ACTIVITIES

1. Emergency repairs may be made with notification being given to the Road Commission as soon as possible, and no later than the next Road Commission workday.
2. Immediate notification must be given for emergency (public safety, health and welfare) operations, which involve cutting of pavement, and a special permit must be obtained as soon as possible.
3. The Road Commission office shall be notified of normal repairs in advance, in writing, of the approximate location and date of all work performed under this Annual Permit by the utility involved.
4. Utility companies shall submit monthly reports to the Road Commission permit office. The reports shall include the location, date and type of activity for each activity performed under the blanket permit for that month.
5. Traffic shall be maintained in accordance with the Michigan Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices and the current recognized Michigan Supplement as otherwise deemed necessary by the Commission. As specified under Supplemental Specifications “number 12” on back of the permit.
6. Miss Dig shall be notified prior to any work as specified as “number 6” on back of the permit.
7. Restoration must be completed to a condition equal to or better than its condition before the work began as specified as “number 10” on back of the permit.
8. Backfilling and compacting trenches, holes, pits, etc – All trenches, holes and pits shall be filled with approved material that shall be placed in successive layers not more than nine (9) inches in depth, loose measure and compacted to not less than 95% of the maximum dry density. Gravel bases shall be compacted to no less than 98% of the maximum dry density. Trenches, holes or pits that are outside the existing or proposed future road bed influence area shall be compacted to no less than 90% of the maximum dry density. The influence area is defined as:
 - The area under the existing or future road bed and a one on one slope line drawn outward and down from a point 1 foot outside and horizontal to the existing or proposed shoulder or curb and gutter.