

## MDT STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

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- 2. PROTECTION OF TRAFFIC.** The APPLICANT shall protect the work area with traffic control devices that comply with the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices. The APPLICANT may be required to submit a traffic control plan to the District Utility Engineering Specialist for approval prior to starting work. During work, the District Utility Engineering Specialist or designee may require the APPLICANT to use additional traffic control devices to protect traffic or the work area. No road closure shall occur without prior approval from the District Administrator. All workers within MDT's right-of-way who are exposed either to traffic (vehicles using the highway for purposes of travel) or to construction equipment shall wear high-visibility class 2 or 3 safety apparel. For nighttime activity, the flagger(s) shall wear class 3 safety apparel. APPLICANT shall provide flagger(s) who are currently certified by the Montana flagger training program; the ATSSA flagger program; or the Idaho, Oregon, or Washington state flagger training programs.
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- 6. NOTIFICATION.** Notify District Utility Engineering Specialist of any work done under this agreement at least 48 hours in advance. No installation work or utility maintenance work shall be commenced until APPLICANT notifies the District Utility Engineering Specialist or designee the date the APPLICANT proposes to commence work. Notification is required each time the APPLICANT proposes to conduct utility maintenance work within the highway right of way for the facility described on page one of this application. In case of emergencies notification is as practicable, but emergency work may commence.
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- Approval is contingent upon the applicant complying with all applicable environmental laws. The applicant is solely responsible for any environmental impacts incurred as a result of this project and is solely responsible for obtaining any necessary environmental permits, notifications, and/or any other necessary environmental clearances.
- If any aquatic resources such as streams, wetlands, canals, irrigation ditches, springs, etc. will be impacted as a result of this project, the appropriate water quality permits will need to be obtained from state, federal and/or local agencies.
- The applicant must obtain approvals from downstream landowners if their proposed actions impact downstream properties (easements, etc.) and provide documentation of appropriate coordination with affected landowners.
- Any damage done to MDT facilities or adjacent landowners as a result of the applicant's design or construction is the sole responsibility of the applicant and MDT will not be liable for damages.
- The permit, along with all conditions and restrictions, will be transferred to any subsequent parties. It is the responsibility of the applicant or their successor to notify MDT of any ownership changes within two weeks of the change.
- If any deviation(s) from the MDT-approved plans is determined necessary at the time of construction due to unforeseen obstacles, the deviation(s) must be approved by MDT in writing before installation begins.
- Any work performed before MDT review and approval that requires permitting is subject to removal by the applicant at their sole expense if MDT design standards and/or guidelines are not met.
- The applicant will submit a traffic control plan to the District office for approval before entering MDT right of way for construction.
- The applicant must coordinate their project with any MDT projects in the area.
- MDT design reviews are meant to ensure compatibility with existing facilities and design standards and guidelines. The applicant is responsible for all survey and plan errors and/or omissions that impact the constructability or intended design function of the project.
- The applicant must provide full time construction inspection and certification for any work done within MDT right-of-way. Upon completion of the project, or at any time upon request from MDT, the applicant must provide all construction inspection reports. The MDT District Office may assign staff to provide construction inspection oversight at their discretion.
- The applicant will provide "as-builts" to MDT Planning within 90 days after construction company, contractor, or work crew have demobilized from the work zone.