

Rural Municipality of Heart's Hill No. 352

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6.7 PIPELINE CROSSING APPROVAL REQUESTS

DEFINITION:

Underground pipelines and flow lines crossing Municipal right-of-ways

POLICY:

Council shall review all pipeline crossing requests that are received by the Municipality. It is at Council's discretion to approve requests. To be granted approval, all requests must meet the minimum standards as outlined on the "Typical Road Crossing" (*see attached diagram*). Council is at liberty to deny the request, increase minimum standards, approve with conditions. All approvals shall state the owner of the pipeline shall be responsible for any road damage and maintenance costs related to the pipeline's existence from the date of installation until its removal.

Council prefers pipeline crossings to be bored rather than cut.

RATIONALE:

Council values a good working relationship with the various oil and gas companies in the Municipality and does not want to disrupt their infrastructure plans. However, Council also seeks to ensure the safety of ratepayers and/or other project personal, and defuse conflict with future infrastructure projects.

AUTHORITY:

The Municipalities Act, Section 12(1)