

Perkins County Highway Department  
Perkins County  
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## **APPROACHES TO PRIVATE LAND PERMIT AND PRIVATE ROADS**

In order to be in compliance with South Dakota Codified Laws 31-24-6, Perkins County is discontinuing the practice of construction and maintaining approaches to private land.

31-24-6: Entrance to existing highway at owner's expense necessity for permit—Construction in accordance with approval plan. Where any public highway has already constructed is of such character as to deprive the owner of the abutting land of easy and convenient access from this land to the highway, the owner of this said land may at his own expense, except as provided be chapters 31-7 and 31-8, construct and entrance to said abutting land but in no case shall said entrance be constructed until such landowner has obtained a permit from the authority whose duty it is to maintain said highway for the construction of said entrance, and same must be constructed in accordance with plans approved by a said authority and said authority must fix the width and location of said entrance and same must be constructed in accordance therewith.

Perkins County Highway Department is not responsible for building roads to residences in Perkins County. That shall be the responsibility of the resident.

Approach Permits may be obtained at the Perkins County Highway Department.

**Approach Permit**  
**Application for Road Approach Permit**

On this date \_\_\_\_\_, the applicant hereby applies to the Perkins County Highway Department for permission to construct an approach-road connection to the \_\_\_\_\_ side of (road name) \_\_\_\_\_ (road #) \_\_\_\_\_ approximately at \_\_\_\_\_.

The road approach will serve a \_\_\_\_\_ and will be constructed between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.  
(residence, field, business, etc.)  
(beginning date) (completion date) Applicant agrees to construct and maintain approach

and culverts in accordance with County specifications, which are on file at the County Highway Department. Please attach a drawing or sketch showing the proposed location of the approach and set stakes in the ground to enable Superintendent / Foreman to locate the approach.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

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**To be completed by Perkins County Highway Department**

Permit #: \_\_\_\_\_

Preliminary Inspection: Date: \_\_\_\_\_ By: \_\_\_\_\_

Culvert Diameter \_\_\_\_\_ Culvert Length \_\_\_\_\_

The crown of the presently traveled surface, including shoulder, to be continued at a distance of 20 feet from the nearest edge of the traveled surface of the road shoulder facing the property.

Remarks \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
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Permit Approved \_\_\_\_\_ or Denied \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Superintendent / Foreman

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## **APPROACH DESIGN**

1. Approach must have pipe where needed as determined by Highway Superintendent.
2. Approach must be Flat coming from pipe to roadway or from fence line to shoulder of road, or a minimum of 20 feet from the edge of traveled surface.
3. Approach must have a 4 to 1 slope on edges.
4. Approach must have a minimum of 4 inches of gravel as a finish surface.
5. Approach must have a 25 foot radius from roadway on both sides of the driveway.

## **LOCATION OF PIPE**

1. Pipe must be laid in the bottom of the ditch against toe of back slope or lowest point of ditch.
2. If ditch is silted in, it must be cleaned out where pipe is to be laid. This is to get proper drainage.