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TO: Managing Directors
FROM: Denise Donohue, CEO
Steve Puuri, CRA Engineering Specialist
DATE: July 1, 2024
RE: Notice of allowable increase to CRA Transportation Permits

The CRA Board recently approved a revised Statewide Schedule of Driveway, Transportation and Utility Permit Fees, superseding the 2019 Schedule by the same name. The law allows you to increase permit fees by 10% every five years – and this is the action the CRA Engineering Committee and CRA Board have undertaken. You are encouraged to appropriately adopt this schedule of fees at your next road agency board meeting (after a proper hearing, of course) to remain on “the same page” as other road agencies across the state. As always, whether you actually levy the fees are up to you.

The background for the Statewide Schedule of fees is on the enclosed two pages. If you would like more information, please contact Steve Puuri at 734.426.3097. Or Denise Donohue at 517.482.1189.

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Statewide Schedule of Driveway, Transportation and Utility Permit Fees

Updated fee schedule effective Oct. 1, 2024

Background. For much of the 2010s, the Michigan Legislature was concerned about inconsistency in fees county road agencies were charging for various transportation permits. While the law requires road agencies to utilize true administrative costs, this itself created differing fees in neighboring counties. Some county road agencies charge nothing possibly due to tradition, which also creates inconsistency.

Rather than have the Legislature set permit fees for us and to establish uniformity, in 2018 CRA's Board requested that the Engineering Committee and Permit Subcommittee develop a **Statewide Schedule of Driveway, Transportation and Utility Permit Fees**. Over 70 counties supplied their permit categories/fees, which were used to mathematically calculate the most common rates, rounded to a reasonable number.

The Statewide Schedule was approved by the CRA Board in Sept. 2019, and released to members. **It is a recommended uniform fee structure for all counties not calculating actual administrative costs.**

Legal Basis. In 2018, Gov. Snyder signed the Small Wireless Communication Facilities Deployment Act (MCL 460.1315). Among other things, it established permit fees that road agencies may levy for oversight work. The law also established the authority for road agencies to **increase permit fees by 10% every five years.**

Based on this authority, **earlier in 2024 the CRA Engineering Committee recommended all CRA statewide permit fees be adjusted 10% effective Oct. 1, 2024.** The exception is for three fees where a specific amount is specified by a different law (denoted with an asterisk below). Earlier in June, the CRA Board voted to update and re-release the Statewide Schedule of Driveway, Transportation and Utility Permit Fees.

This Schedule allows county road agencies to know the typical fees, encourages consistency among counties and discourages legislative fee-setting. All counties are encouraged to provide adequate notice to your community, properly advertise the public hearing and hold a Board vote to adopt this Fee Schedule; whether the county chooses to collect the fee is, of course, up to you.

Please note that the **law authorizes an increase only every five years and specifies the amount;** in essence your transportation fees will remain "frozen" at the amounts below (if you adopt them) until Oct. 1, 2029. Unless your agency is calculating actual costs.

CRA has notified Oxcart of this action. They will need to hear from you if your county will be adjusting fees on Oct. 1, 2024, or some time after that. (Oxcart is likely to implement its own increase at the same time, so that permit-pullers get all changes at the same time.)

CRA 2024 Statewide Schedule of Driveway, Transportation and Utility Permit Fees

(Rev. for Oct. 1, 2024, effective date.)

*Asterisk denotes that this fee is set by law.

Driveway Permits

Residential Urban	\$ 55
Residential Rural	\$ 55
Upgraded Residential	\$ 44
Shared Residential	\$ 44
Commercial	\$220
Private Road	\$220
Public Road	\$220
Farm Field	\$ 55
Temporary Construction	\$165

Transportation Permits

Single Move	\$ 50*
Annual Move	\$100*
Super Move	\$100*
Mobile Home Single Move	\$ 28
Mobile Home Annual Move	\$110
Agricultural Seasonal Move	\$110
Milk Seasonal Move	\$110
Public Utilities Seasonal Move	\$110

Public and Private Utilities

Overhead Utility Installation	\$220
Underground Utility Installation	\$220
Annual Public Utility	\$275
Utility Service Connection	\$138
Sanitary, Watermain or Storm Connection	\$220
Broadband New per Project (<250,000 pop.)	\$330
Broadband New per Project (>250,000 pop.)	\$660
Wireless Facility w/o Poles	\$220
Wireless Facility w/Pole	\$330
Wireless Collocate Ann. Existing Pole	\$ 22
Wireless Collocate Ann. New Pole	\$138
Wireless Collocate Annual Road Agency Pole	\$ 33
Open Cut Road Crossing	\$275
Bore Road Crossing	\$165

Miscellaneous

Grading, Drainage	\$110
Landscaping	\$110
Tree/Vegetation Removal	\$ 55