

**UTILITY PERMISSION TO EXCAVATE IN COUNTY REGULATED DRAIN R/W**

To: Elkhart County Drainage Board

1. Name of Petitioner(s) \_\_\_\_\_

2. Address of Petitioner(s) \_\_\_\_\_

3. Phone Number of Petitioner(s) \_\_\_\_\_

4. Location: \_\_\_\_\_

5. Affected Drain: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Description of excavation: \_\_\_\_\_

7. Attach a plan drawing and cross section drawing showing actual surveyed elevations of the centerline of the road, the invert elevation of the county culvert, the bottom of the ditch (if applicable), and the proposed depth of excavation. Elevations may be of a local datum (c/l of road 100.00). If USGS bench mark is near crossing, true elevations would be helpful.

Note: Any proposed excavation must be designed so that it does not result in obstruction of the drain nor result in any other detriments to the drainage system.

The Office of the Elkhart County Surveyor must be contacted before any construction begins on the approved crossing. The Surveyor shall make final approval of any crossing designs and elevations at which it will be installed.

It is agreed to restore the land, drainage ditches and other surface to as good a condition as they were at the commencement of the work, including backfilling of any trenches opened, and maintaining the surface which has been disturbed by the changes for a period of six (6) months after completion of said work. It is further agreed to conform at Petitioner(s) expense with any future improvements of existing or proposed legal drains upon proper request of the Elkhart County Drainage Board. And further, the Petitioner(s) shall and will, indemnify and save the County harmless from and against any and all damages, injuries, losses, claims, demands or costs proximately caused by the fault, culpability or negligence of the Petitioner(s) by any work instigated by the Petitioner(s).

In the granting of this Permit by the Elkhart County Drainage Board or the Elkhart County Surveyor's Office does not in any way relieve the petitioner of the necessity of securing easements or other property rights, permits and approvals from affected property owners and other local, state, and federal agencies.

The undersigned Petitioner(s) affirms that the information, data and copies herewith transmitted are true and accurate to the best of the knowledge and belief of the Petitioner(s).

**DATE** \_\_\_\_\_

**PETITIONER(S)** \_\_\_\_\_

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**DATE APPROVED**

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**ELKHART COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD PRESIDENT**