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WELL SERVICING PROJECT PERMITS Common Questions & Answers

What is a Well Servicing Project Permit?

After a well is drilled, there are many other services that are completed on the well during and after production. Some examples may include legal vehicles for nitrogen, cement, coil or frac units. These units often travel in convoy with other legal units and a permit is not typically required. A Well Servicing Project Permit forces owner's of legal units to obtain a permit if more than a set number of units are travelling to the same lease in a 24 hour period.

What are the advantages of a Well Servicing Project Permit?

Multiple legal units travelling into a single lease in a short period of time exposes the roadway to a greater risk of damage. Many Municipalities have reported success since implementing the Well Servicing Project Permit as it provides a mechanism to track which load moved onto a lease and when, making the recovery of damage easier. When the Well Servicing Project Permit is combined with a post-move inspection, the Municipality will see significant improvement on cost recovery.

How do you implement a Well Servicing Project Permit?

There are two options to implement a Well Servicing Project Permit. The first is for your Municipality to pass a bylaw that regulates the requirement for a carrier to receive a permit prior to movement occurring when they are exceeding the set number of legal units moving into a site in a 24 hour period. The second option is to regulate the movement through a condition on your Road Use Agreement.

Once the policy is set within the Municipality, Roadata can easily begin to implement this new permit requirement. Carriers will be able to contact an agent in our call center to obtain the permit prior to the move. We encourage Municipalities to inform industry of the new policy changes with at least 30 days notice.

Which other Municipalities use Roadata to process Well Servicing Project Permits?

There are 6 Roadata Partner Municipalities that are currently issuing Well Servicing Project Permits. Roadata coordinates the issuance of the permit with the carrier and charges inspection fees, if any, as part of the permit fee to the carrier. Generally, Municipalities require carriers to obtain the Well Servicing Project Permit if 4 or more Legal Loads are moving into a single site in a 24 hour period. Setting the limit at four allows Service Rigs to be exempt from this permit as they generally travel with two legal loads, three loads total including the Service Rig.

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What does Roadata charge for the service?

Our fee is \$35 per permit for processing the Well Servicing Project Permit. This fee is charged to the carrier at the time of application. If the Municipality chooses to charge a post-move inspection, Roadata invoices this additional fee as part of the permit and remits the appropriate fees back to the Municipality. Under the proposed TRAVIS funding model, Municipalities may choose to cover the \$35 cost of issuing this permit to encourage greater compliance as there may be funds from TRAVIS that could be used to offset the cost of issuing the permit.

Are there other advantages to Well Servicing Permits?

Tracking legal loads will assist the Municipality when addressing Rate Payer complaints in relation to Oil and Gas traffic. If the vehicle that caused the complaint did not receive a permit, it is very difficult to follow up. Having legal loads tracked will improve the ability to assign a vehicle to a specific complaint and address it accordingly.

Will TRAVIS issue Well Servicing Projects Permits?

The Transportation Routing and Vehicle Information System is designed to issue permits for Over Weight and/or Over Dimension vehicles. Given that Well Servicing Project permits are issued to legal vehicles, the TRAVIS system will not be able to accommodate tracking this type of vehicle movement.

How long would it take to implement this service?

RDS already provides this service to a number of Municipalities; therefore once the bylaw is in place or a change is made to the Road Use Agreement, RDS could implement the new policy immediately.



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