



***M. D. OF GREENVIEW NO. 16***  
***POLICY & PROCEDURES MANUAL***

Section:  
**ENGINEERING &  
ENVIRONMENTAL  
SERVICES**

**POLICY NUMBER: EES 04**

**POLICY TITLE: DITCHING ONTO ROAD RIGHT-OF-WAYS**

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**Date Adopted by Council / Motion Number:**

**09.12.661**

**PURPOSE:**

To provide direction to staff dealing with situations involving diversions into an M.D. road ditch or where reshaping of the ditch has taken place.

**POLICY:**

The diversion of water into, or reshaping of, M.D. Right-of-Ways (ROW) will be discouraged due to the potential erosion, liability from downstream flooding, and the need to maintain ditches as a traffic escape route.

- 1.0 Ratepayers will be advised:
  - 1.1 Not to divert water into M.D. ROWs, or to do any type of reshaping in our M.D. ditches;
  - 1.2 That Alberta Environment requires a license for any drainage that diverts the natural flow of water or which crosses a property line;
  - 1.3 That any situations in which the landowner or occupant is believed to have illegally diverted water or reshaped an M.D. ditch will be rectified to the satisfaction of the M.D., in consultation with Alberta Environment , and all costs will be charged back to the person(s) responsible; and
  - 1.4 That any persons with outstanding invoices in this regard will be considered "not in good standing" and therefore ineligible for equipment rental and other M.D. services, programs or contracts..

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