

**ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
AGREEMENT FOR GRADING AND/OR LANDSCAPING
ON RIGHT OF WAY**

County _____

Route Number _____

Milepost _____

Bonding Agency _____ Bond Number _____

Associated Permits and/or Documents _____

<p><i>FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY</i></p> <p>DATE RECEIVED FROM APPLICANT: __/__/__</p> <p>PERMIT NUMBER: _____</p>

THIS AGREEMENT is entered into this the ____ day of _____, 20____, by and between the Alabama Department of Transportation acting by and through its Transportation Director hereinafter referred to as ALDOT and _____, hereinafter referred to as the APPLICANT.

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, the APPLICANT proposes to grade and/or landscape ALDOT Right of Way located and described as follows: _____

NOW, THEREFORE, in order to preserve the right-of-way in an appropriate functional condition it is agreed between the parties hereto as follows:

1. All grading on the right-of-way will be confined to and coextensive with the limits of the APPLICANT's own property which is adjacent to and coextensive with the right-of-way.
2. All work shall be subject to the inspection and approval of ALDOT and located as shown on the approved plans previously submitted to ALDOT which are hereby made a part of this Agreement by reference.
3. A copy of the Agreement and the plans will be kept at the site of work, at all times, by the APPLICANT.
4. ALDOT does not grant the APPLICANT any right, title, or claim to any highway right-of-way.

5. The APPLICANT will not store material, excess dirt, or equipment on the shoulders or pavement and in event of multi-lane highways, in the median strips. The pavement will be kept free by the APPLICANT from mud and from excavation waste from trucks or other equipment. On completion of the work, all excess material will be removed from the right-of-way by the APPLICANT.

6. All disturbed areas shall be top-soiled and re-vegetated by the APPLICANT in accordance with the standard specifications of ALDOT.

7. In accomplishment of the work by the APPLICANT, no drainage structures or channels will be changed or altered other than as shown on the plans.

8. In no case shall post development drainage from beyond the ROW Limits, directed toward the roadway, be greater than the pre-construction runoff nor shall the post development increase the runoff within the ROW. Should the post development drainage increase to unacceptable levels, the property owner shall restore drainage to the pre-construction levels and restore the ROW to pre-construction conditions.

9. The Federal Water Pollution Control Act, The Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act, The Alabama Water Pollution Control Act, The Alabama Environmental Management Act, The Clean Water Act (1987), and the Alabama Nonpoint Source Management Program (1989) are hereby made a part of this permit by reference.

10. The APPLICANT will conform to the regulations of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and of the Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM), latest edition, for both installation and maintenance of such facilities.

The APPLICANT will provide proof of applicable permit coverage and conform to the above referenced regulations for both the facility installation and maintenance of permitted facilities and areas of rights-of-way. The APPLICANT must provide a copy of the Notice of Intent (NOI) issued by ADEM. This will assure compliance with Phase II of storm-water construction requirements. In the event a NOI is not required, APPLICANT must submit to ALDOT a Best Management Practices (BMP) plan to control sediment run-off.

11. In the event that ALDOT is issued a citation or any other enforcement document by ADEM/EPA for failure to comply with applicable requirements, it shall be the responsibility of the APPLICANT to bring all BMPs into compliance and to pay for any fines, assessments, etc. that may be issued to ALDOT by ADEM/EPA.

12. Underground Damage Prevention Legislation, Alabama Act 94-487, is hereby made a part of this permit by reference. The APPLICANT will conform to the above referenced regulations for both the facility installation and maintenance of permitted facilities and areas of rights-of-way. Should the permitted work require a locate request ticket, no work shall begin until a copy of such ticket is obtained and the APPLICANT shall keep a copy of such ticket at the site of work.

13. The APPLICANT will provide all necessary and adequate safety precautions such as signs, flags, lights, barricades, and flagmen in accordance with the national Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, of record in ALDOT.

14. If hazardous material is encountered in the execution of this Agreement it will be the responsibility of the APPLICANT to notify the proper agency responsible for said hazardous material and to comply with any and all environmental regulations as established by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM), and of the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) in the proper disposition of the hazardous material encountered.

15. Any utility adjustment will be by agreement between the APPLICANT and the Utility, and any such agreement shall be subject to the approval of ALDOT.

16. This permit is valid for the contract period which is defined as follows: All proposed work as described and submitted in the permit documents must be completed within one year from the approved date of the permit and for a period covering one year from ALDOT acceptance of proposed work.

17. The APPLICANT will perform or cause to be performed the work applied for in this permit contract and will restore the highway in the work area in as good condition as the same was prior to the work and will maintain the accomplished work and highway work area in a condition satisfactory to ALDOT. Should the APPLICANT not maintain the work or create an unsafe condition during the contract period, ALDOT reserves the right to remove any work and restore the ROW to a safe condition at the expense of the APPLICANT and the APPLICANT agrees to pay ALDOT all such costs as a result.

18. Once work is begun, the APPLICANT shall pursue the work continuously and diligently until completion. Should the APPLICANT feel that the work cannot be completed in a one year period, they shall submit in writing (30 days prior to the termination date) to ALDOT the reasons for an extension of time. ALDOT will determine whether an extension may be approved.

19. The APPLICANT will file with ALDOT an acceptable certified check or bond in the penal amount of \$_____ (Bond Number: _____) to guarantee the faithful performance of this permit contract in its entirety during the contract period as defined in item 16. Upon satisfactory completion and acceptance of all work provided for in this permit contract, the check or bond, as applicable, will be returned to the APPLICANT; otherwise, the proceeds from the check, or any amount received by ALDOT as a result of the bond, will be applied to complete and fulfill the permit contract terms.

20. Indemnification Provisions. Please check the appropriate type of applicant:

By entering into this agreement, the APPLICANT is not an agent of the State, its officers, employees, agents or assigns. The APPLICANT is an independent entity from the State and nothing in this agreement creates an agency relationship between the parties.

If the applicant is an incorporated municipality or gas district then:

Subject to the limitations on damages applicable to municipal corporations under Ala. Code § 11-47-190 (1975), the APPLICANT shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the State of Alabama, ALDOT, its officers, officials, agents, servants, and employees, in both their official and individual capacities, from and against (1) claims, damages, losses, and expenses, including but not limited to attorneys' fees arising out of, connected with, resulting from or related to the work performed by the APPLICANT, or its officers, employees, contracts, agents or assigns (2) the provision of any services or expenditure of funds required, authorized, or undertaken by the APPLICANT pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, or (3) any damage, loss, expense, bodily injury, or death, or injury or destruction of tangible property (other than the work itself), including loss of use therefrom, and including but not limited to attorneys' fees, caused by the negligent, careless or unskillful acts of the APPLICANT its agents, servants, representatives or employees, or the misuse, misappropriation, misapplication, or misexpenditure of any source of funding, compensation or reimbursement by the APPLICANT, its agents, servants, representatives or employees, or anyone for whose acts the APPLICANT may be liable.

If the applicant is county government then:

The APPLICANT shall be responsible at all times for all of the work performed under this agreement and, as provided in Ala. Code § 11-93-2 (1975), the APPLICANT shall protect, defend, indemnify and hold harmless the State of Alabama, The Alabama Department of Transportation, its officials, officers, servants, and employees, in their official capacities, and their agents and/or assigns.

For all claims not subject to Ala. Code § 11-93-2 (1975), the APPLICANT shall indemnify and hold harmless the State of Alabama, the Alabama Department of Transportation, the officials, officers, servants, and employees, in both their official and individual capacities, and their agents and/or assigns from and against any and all action, damages, claims, loss, liabilities, attorney's fees or expense whatsoever or any amount paid in compromise thereof arising out of, connected with, or related to the (1) work performed under this Agreement, (2) the provision of any services or expenditure of funds required, authorized, or undertaken by the APPLICANT pursuant to the terms of this agreement, or (3) misuse, misappropriation, misapplication, or misexpenditure of any source of funding, compensation or reimbursement by the APPLICANT, its agents, servants, representatives, employees or assigns.

If the applicant is a state governmental agency or institution then:

The APPLICANT shall be responsible for damage to life and property due to activities of the APPLICANT of employees of APPLICANT in connection with the work or services under this Agreement. The APPLICANT agrees that its contractors, subcontractors, agents, servants, vendors or employees of APPLICANT shall possess the experience, knowledge and skill necessary to perform the particular duties required or necessary under this Agreement. The APPLICANT is a state institution and is limited by the Alabama Constitution in its ability to indemnify and hold harmless another entity. The APPLICANT maintains self-insurance coverage applicable to the negligent acts and omissions of its officers and employees, which occur within the scope of their employment by the APPLICANT. The APPLICANT has no insurance coverage applicable to third-party acts, omissions or claims, and can undertake no obligation that might create a debt on the State Treasury. The APPLICANT agrees ALDOT shall not be responsible for the willful, deliberate, wanton or negligent acts of the APPLICANT, or its officials, employees, agents, servants, vendors, contractors or subcontractors. The APPLICANT shall require, its contractors and its subcontractors, agents, servants or vendors, as a term of its contract with the APPLICANT, to include ALDOT as an additional insured in any insurance policy providing coverage for the work to be performed pursuant to and under this Agreement and to provide the APPLICANT a copy of the insurance policy declaration sheet confirming the addition of ALDOT thereto.

If the applicant is not a county, incorporated municipality, or state governmental agency or institution then:

The APPLICANT will protect, defend, indemnify and hold harmless the State of Alabama, ALDOT, the officials, officers, and employees, in both their official and individual capacities, and their agents and/or assigns, from and against any and all actions, damages, claims, loss, liabilities, attorney's fees or expense whatsoever or any amount paid in compromise thereof arising out of or connected with the work performed under this Permit, and/or the APPLICANT's failure to comply with all applicable laws or regulations.

21. This agreement when executed will not be valid or binding until the APPLICANT has complied with all existing ordinances, laws, and zoning boards that have jurisdiction in the county, city, or municipality in which the facilities are located.

This Agreement is deemed to be executed on the date hereinabove set forth by the parties hereto in their respective names by those persons and officials thereunto duly authorized. Witness our hands and seals, this the ____ day of _____, 20____.

WITNESS:

Legal Name of Applicant

By: _____
Authorized Signature and Title for Applicant

Typed or Printed Name of Signee

Address Line 1

Address Line 2

Telephone Number

FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY

RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL:

DISTRICT: _____
Printed Name Signature Date

AREA: _____
Printed Name Signature Date

REGION: _____
Printed Name Signature Date

APPROVED:
ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
ACTING BY AND THROUGH ITS TRANSPORTATION
DIRECTOR

(PLEASE CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX)

- CENTRAL OFFICE
- REGION
- AREA
- DISTRICT

By: _____
Printed Name Signature Date