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RE: Request to include notice of TxDOT permit

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) requests that the Texas Railroad Commission add language to its hard and electronic copies of permits, users guides, websites, and other resources notifying oil and gas well drillers of the need for a permit from the TxDOT. TxDOT's goal is to remind drillers that there are additional requirements before drilling activity can begin.

Accessing the Well Site: If an operator or service provider of any well equipment for the well must access the well site from a roadway on the state highway system (Interstate, U.S. Highway, State Highway, Farm-to-Market Road, Ranch-to-Market Road, etc.), an access permit is required from TxDOT. Permit applications are submitted to the respective TxDOT Area Office serving the county where the well is located.

If access is available from a roadway not on the state highway system (city street or county road) then an access permit from TxDOT is not required. Please check with the respective local government jurisdiction to determine if local permits are needed.

Water Transport to Well Site: If an operator intends to transport water to the well site through a temporary pipeline laid above ground on the state's right-of-way, an additional TxDOT permit is required. Permit applications are submitted to the respective TxDOT Area Office serving the county where the well is located.

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