

Electric Construction System Hardening (SRIP 6)- 2026
Clarifying Question and Response # 5
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Question 1.1

Can you explain how the Town of Truckee encroachment process works? Does the TDPUD have an encroachment permit for work in the right-of-way?

Response 1.1:

The District has received notification from the Town of Truckee regarding encroachment permit requirements and coordination expectations for work performed within the Town right-of-way.

The Town emphasized that early and consistent communication is critical to ensuring work is completed safely and efficiently. The Town utilizes two types of encroachment permits:

- *Blanket Permit – Issued to agencies, such as TDPUD, to allow access and perform maintenance on existing infrastructure within the right-of-way.*
- *Single Permit – Required for work that deviates from existing conditions or may impact Town facilities.*

It is important to note that contractors performing work on behalf of TDPUD are authorized to operate under TDPUD's existing blanket encroachment permit when the work is limited to TDPUD-owned facilities and within existing conditions. Contractors are not required to obtain a separate encroachment permit in these cases.

Contractors are expected to fully understand and comply with the conditions of TDPUD's blanket permit, including notification requirements and allowable traffic control measures.

By way of example:

- *Replacement of a pole in the same location falls under the blanket permit and can be performed under TDPUD's permit.*

- *Replacement of a pole that includes relocation (e.g., shifting 5 feet on line) requires a single permit, as the Town must evaluate impacts to public infrastructure such as snow storage and roadway clearances.*

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Regardless of permit type, notification to the Town is still required prior to performing any work within the right-of-way.

For emergency work, the Town acknowledges the need for immediate response; however, notification shall be provided as soon as practicable to ensure coordination.

For projects requiring a single encroachment permit, the Town requests early coordination and, at a minimum, the following:

- 1. Anticipated construction schedule*
- 2. Vicinity map*
- 3. Written scope of work*
- 4. Improvement plans or construction documents*
- 5. Traffic control plan*

If all required materials are not yet available, early outreach is still encouraged so the Town can provide direction and confirm permit requirements, including whether standard traffic control (e.g., Caltrans T13) may be applicable.

Contractors shall plan and execute work with the understanding that TDPUD's blanket encroachment permit is the primary permitting mechanism for routine work within the right-of-way, and a separate permit is only required when conditions fall outside of that scope.