

RUTH LAKE COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
Policy Handbook

POLICY TITLE: EASEMENT AND UTILITY INSTALLATION

POLICY NUMBER; 6300

6300 It is the joint intent and desire of the Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District (HBMWD) and the Ruth Lake Community Services District (RLCSD) to implement the following policy.

6300.10 Require the use of already established easements or licenses for the Installation of new utilities to either buffer strip leases or private property adjacent to the buffer strip.

6300.20 Require the undergrounding of new utility installations whenever feasible. It will be the responsibility of the lessee, utility, or private property owner to show good cause as to why utility installations cannot be placed underground. All above ground utilities must have dedicated power utility poles. Utilities must not be attached to trees.

6300.30 Current installations will be relocated to common easements, or placed Underground, where feasible and as circumstances arise which make it practicable to do so.

6300.40 RLCSD will have initial authority to make decisions on disputes of specific implementation of this policy; but, HBMWD retains its rights of final approval of all construction within the buffer strip, as provided in the master lease.

6300.50 **FEES:** The following fees shall be submitted to the RLCSD with the initial utility easement request.

6300.501 RLCSD shall collect and forward a \$100 fee for Humboldt Bay MWD to partially offset the costs of recording or modifying a utility easement.

6300.502 RLCSD shall collect an additional \$100 fee to offset its costs associated with a utility easement.

6300.60 **APPLICATION** for utility easement and installation shall include

6300.601 Site map accurately showing the proposed path of the utility and associated supports, other existing utilities, and existing or proposed structure and roads.

6300.602 Location and description of any trees or other significant vegetation that will have to be removed or trimmed.

6300.603 Location and details of any modifications to the terrain required (including temporary access roads or paths) necessary to install utility.

6300.604 Company name of utility installing the utility, and name and telephone number of point of contact within the company.

6300.70 This policy shall apply to all recreational sublease holders and adjacent property owners desiring to cross any portion of the Buffer Strip with any utility.

6300.80 This policy shall not apply to right of way licenses for roads which are covered under HBMWD resolution No. 285 and the Ruth Lake Buffer Strip and Lease site standards.

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