

NOTICE TO ALL LANDOWNERS/CONTRACTORS

“CONSTRUCTION REGULATIONS”

To: All Residents in the Rural Un-incorporated Areas of Crawford County

You are hereby advised of the following regulations pertaining to driveways, culverts, fencing and mail box(s).

All county roads have right of way rights which are used for utilities, culverts, and expansion of roads if necessary. Because ownership of this ground is with the county, the following regulations are to be followed by all residents in the rural areas of the county.

SECTION 1: FENCING:

- a. All new fencing must be located on the property owners ground and not the county right of way.
- b. For existing fences, owners are to be made aware that the county can remove said fence should the road need to be widened or if the ditches need to be cleared and expanded. Owners will receive a formal notice to move their fence back to their property lines or back off the County Right of Way, as the case maybe and will be given a set date to have the fence abated off the county's right of way. Failure to do so will result in the county abating the fence as construction occurs and the County will not replace the fence.

SECTION 2: PRIVATE DRIVEWAYS:

- a. If private driveways are installed to the county road and the owner places a concrete, asphalt or hard surface drive to the county road, the owner will be required to obtain permission from the county to construct such a driveway.
- b. Should the county at any time have to maintain the ditches in that area and abatement of the existing driveway is necessary, the county will have the right to remove the hard surface driveway. The county will replace the existing culvert and rock the driveway from the beginning of the county right of way to the county road. The county reserves the right to not replace the driveway with another hard surface material such as concrete, asphalt or any other hard surface material. Replacing the driveway back to its original state shall be at the owner(s) expense and the owner shall receive approval to reinstate the driveway to the original state from the Governing Body.

SECTION 3: MAILBOXES:

The Board of County Commissioners finds that the placement of mailboxes adjacent to a road can be a hazard to the motoring public and can impede county road maintenance equipment.

- a. **Mailbox Standards:** Crawford County standards shall conform to the rules and regulations of the U.S. Postal Service and are based on "A Guide for Erecting Mailboxes on Highways".

No mailbox or newspaper delivery box will be allowed to exist within the County's right-of-way if it interferes with the traveling public or the function, maintenance, or operation of the county roadway system should damage occur to said mailbox.

- b. **Replacement of Damaged Mailboxes:** Mailboxes if damaged by the county will not be returned to their original state but will be replaced according to the U.S. Postal guideline which are:

- 1) **Locations:** The roadside face of the box shall be offset the following distances:

Paved road: Said width of the shoulder plus one foot.

Gravel road: One foot from the edge of the traveled portion of the roadway.

- 2) **Structure:** Mailboxes shall be constructed from sheet metal, plastic or similar weight materials and shall not exceed 11 lbs.

A single 4 inch by 4 inch square or 4 inch diameter wooden post, or metal post with the strength no greater than 2 inch diameter standard steel pipe and embedded no more than 24 inches into the ground will be replaced by the county.

Permit NO: _____

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I, _____ OF

_____, KANSAS, HAVE READ AND FULLY UNDERSTAND THE REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO THE FENCING, DRIVEWAYS AND MAILBOXS FOR ALL THE RURAL -UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF CRAWFORD COUNTY, KANSAS.

I FURTHER UNDERSTAND THAT ANY CONSTRUCTION THAT IS PERFORMED IN VIOLATION OF THESE REGULATIONS IS AT MY OWN RISK AND COULD RESULT IN ABATEMENT BY THE COUNTY.

Signature

Signature

Dated and Signed: _____, 20____

Witnessed By:

_____, Title