



*MAHNOMEN COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT*

## POLICY STATEMENT

**TITLE:**

***Private Driveway Approach Repair Policy***

**PERSONNEL RESPONSIBLE:**

County Engineer and Assistant County Engineer

**POLICY:**

From time to time Private Driveway Approaches, accessing the County State-Aid Highway and County Road systems of Mahnomen County, become damaged due to heavy rains and/or spring run-off. The purpose of this policy is to provide guidance for the Department Employees, the Mahnomen County Board of Commissioners, and the abutting landowners as to the policy and participation obligation of the Mahnomen County Highway Department with regards to Private Driveway Repairs.

The Official Policy shall be as follows:

- A.** The General Rule shall be that if the Private Driveway Approach is constructed with a pipe culvert within the Highway R/W, which then constitutes a benefit to the public road system, becomes damaged due to a heavy rain storm or spring thaw run-off event, then it shall be the responsibility and obligation of the Mahnomen County Highway Department for the complete repair costs of the damage to a pre-event condition.
- B.** If the damage to the Private Driveway Approach consists of a gravel wash of the Private Driveway Approach surfacing, regardless if it is constructed with a pipe culvert or not, then the repair shall be the responsibility of the landowner, in accordance with the Mahnomen County Highway Department Policy with regards to Gravel Re-surfacing of Private Driveway Approaches which states that the Department does not replenish gravel surfacing on Private Driveway Approaches during Maintenance Gravel Resurfacing.
- C.** If the repair should involve a length of the Private Driveway Approach beyond the Highway R/W, then the Department shall provide a reasonable transition from the Highway R/W to the present surface of the Private Driveway Approach at a maximum of 15% or a 10:1 slope in accordance with Mn/DOT Standard Plate No. 9000D.

Duly adopted and approved by the Mahnomen County Board of Commissioners this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2002 by Resolution No. DOH XX-02-XX.