

WATER MAIN EXTENSION / SUBDIVISION POLICY

A. * In order to preserve and maintain an adequate water supply and service to its existing customers, new customers, and future customers, as well as to provide for an orderly and controlled expansion of the system in order not to violate its security agreement with USDA/RD regulations; and the Board of Trustees of Tate Monroe Water Association, Inc. shall require prior written application and prior approval according to standard and requirements set by Tate Monroe Water Association, Inc. for all persons, firms or corporations, or other legal entities desiring to hook up to the Tate Monroe Water Association, Inc. water system. Water main extension specifications shall be followed as developed by Tate Monroe Water Association, Inc.

B. * New main extension application/contract must first be completed. Before filing for approval from OEPA, the developer shall deposit with Tate Monroe Water Association, Inc. the preconstruction plans that will be reviewed by the association engineer. The engineer will determine whether to approve the plans or suggest changes that must be made before construction may begin. If in the engineer's opinion there is not sufficient flow in the existing line to provide adequate service to the new area, to the existing customers and for normal growth beyond the point of hook-up, other options will exist for the developer.

1. The developer may scale back the size of the project to assure that all customers are adequately served.
2. The developer may, at his expense, go back to a point in the system, where sufficient flow is present and lays a parallel line to his intended project. In either case, detailed plans that reflect the necessary changes must be submitted to association for additional review before construction may begin.
3. **LOOPS:** If the point where the subdivision ends is 1,500 feet or less from an existing water main, whereby looping can be completed, the sub divider will be required to complete the loop provided the property required is owned by the subdivision, or if owned by persons other than the sub divider, Association will aid in secure easements.
4. **HYDRANT PLACEMENT:** Hydrants are used by the Association to maintain water quality and must be placed every 1,000 feet. This spacing may vary because of terrain and other factors; however, 1,000 feet is given as the minimum placement. The actual placement may cause the sub divider to add hydrants to meet the 1,000 feet minimum placement schedule, where the potential for other development to occur is involved, the sub divider may be required to install tees and valves for potential hydrant placements. A hydrant must be located at every dead end.
5. **VALVES:** All four way intersections shall have four way valves. All three way intersections shall have three way valves. Valve spacing shall not exceed 2,500 feet.

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- C. * A total of three fees must accompany all applications after approval.
1. Connection fee; to tap the existing main.
 2. Pressure test fee \$300.00 If TMWA performs.
 3. Minimum inspection fee of \$300.00 or a surcharge of \$2.25 / foot of main extension.
- D. * the contractor/developer is responsible for obtaining all easements. These must be given to the Association prior to actual work commencing. They should accompany the application papers.

All lines must be installed on private property. Any line that must be installed in the road right-of-way, must be approved prior to installation by the Association.

E. * All approved extensions shall be completed within ninety (90) days unless a time extension is granted, in writing by the Association.

F. * **Rules**

1. All work shall be performed in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the Tate Monroe Water Association, Inc. Upon completion of pressure testing, chlorination, bacterial testing and formal acceptance by Association the contractor will guarantee all materials and workmanship for a period of one (1) year from the date of acceptance.
2. **Line dedication:** Upon formal acceptance by Association, the main and all rights thereto shall become the sole property of the Association who shall reserves all rights thereto. The developer agrees to dedicate to the Association, all improvements and they relinquish all rights thereto.
3. Upon completion of all the above steps the contractor/developer will notify the Association, no less than five (5) business days in advance, before starting construction.
4. Individual taps can be purchased after dedication is completed.
5. **Utility Easements:** Tate Monroe requires a private property easement; therefore, no other utility can be installed within this easement.
6. No service will be provided beyond the end of an approved water main.
7. All construction work must be done during the Association normal working hours, 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M., Monday through Friday, unless a written waiver is granted by the Association, Any overtime cost for inspection will be at contractor's expense.

G. * All connections made to existing water lines and all installations of metered water service connections shall be made by the Association.

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