

5-502 DD. Driveways

In addition to meeting the following standards, development of a driveway requires issuance of a Development Permit from the Building Department and, if accessed directly from a County-maintained road, a Driveway Permit from the County Road and Bridge Department. These standards shall apply to all driveways within the Telluride Fire Protection District. All driveways serving one or two single-family residences, except in the HCA Zone District, shall have:

- I. A driving surface of 16 feet or wider, which may include the shoulders on each side of the 12 foot driving surface, is preferred by the Fire Protection District. If it is not practical or feasible to design and construct a 16-footwide driveway because of the location of the property, topography, drainage, non-negotiable grades, or if the improvement would require significant changes to the landscape, or other similar conditions, County San Miguel County Land Use Code 5 – 130 staff may consider and administratively authorize a reduced driveway width subject to referral of the application to the Fire Protection District. This authorization of a lesser driveway width may require installation of an approved automatic sprinkler system, driveway turnouts, implementation of measures recommended by the Wild Land Urban Interface Code and/or other treatments consistent with the Fire Code regulations. The driveway should have an unobstructed height clearance of 13 feet 6 inches. (See Figure 5-11)

A Single-family Residence shall have a maximum driveway width of 20 feet.

A driveway serving two Single-family Residences shall have a maximum width of 28 feet.

- II. Interior radii of at least 32 feet;
- III. A driveway opening at least 16 feet wide;
- IV. A normal grade not to exceed 8 percent and a transitional grade not to exceed 10 percent, and not exceeding 500 feet in length is preferred by the Fire Protection District. An exception to allow a maximum grade up to 12 percent may be authorized by County staff with a referral to the Fire Protection District because of location on the property, topography resulting in extensive cut and fill or other similar conditions that make it impractical to achieve a normal and/or transitional grade. This authorization to allow a driveway to exceed normal and/or transitional grades may require installation of an approved automatic sprinkler system or other measures recommended by the Fire Protection District.

- V. All entrances and exits located and constructed such that vehicles approaching or using them will be able to obtain adequate sight distance in both directions along the roadway necessary to maneuver safely and without interfering with roadway traffic;
- VI. An angle of approach from the adjacent roadway of between 60 and 90 degrees;
- VII. An entrance/exit approach grade that slopes downward and away from the road surface at the same rate as the normal shoulder slope, but in no case at more than 4 percent for a distance equal to the width of the shoulder, and in no case for less than 15 feet from the pavement edge;
- VIII. No features that interfere with the drainage system of the adjacent street or roadway. The developer shall pay for and install drainage structures that will become integral parts of the existing street or roadway drainage San Miguel County Land Use Code 5 - 131 system, the dimensions of all which must be approved by the County Road Superintendent prior to installation;
- X. Curb treatment, as required in Section 5-502 H.; and
- XI. A turnaround if the driveway is longer than 150 feet shall be constructed in accordance with Figure 5-1H.
- XII. Driveways shall be surfaced so as to provide all-weather driving capabilities.

Access to all other residential structures shall meet the standards described for roadways.

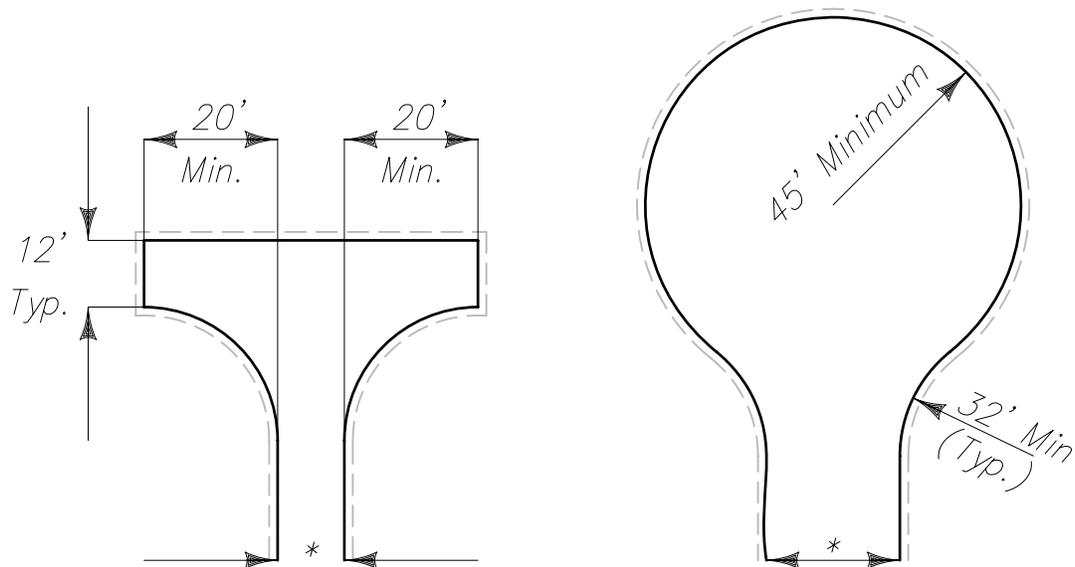
Addition of Figure 5-1H	Approved Fire Prevention Turn-Around Standards
Addition of Figure 5-1I	Cross Section of Preferred Driveway Design (for areas within the Telluride Fire Protection District); Cross Section of Alternative Driveway Design (for areas within the Telluride Fire Protection District).



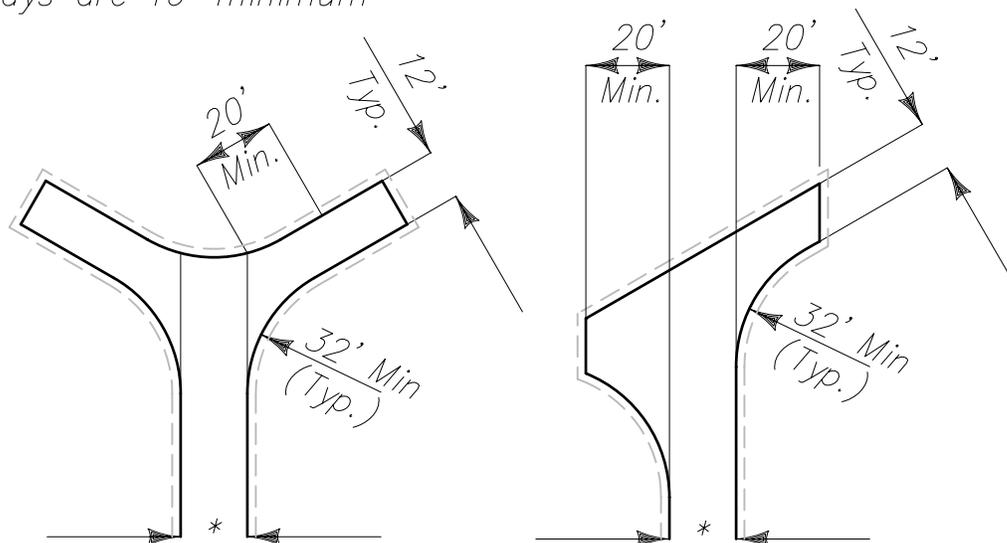
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Telluride Fire Prevention District Fire Prevention Turn-around Standards



* All roads are 20' minimum and driveways are 16' minimum in width





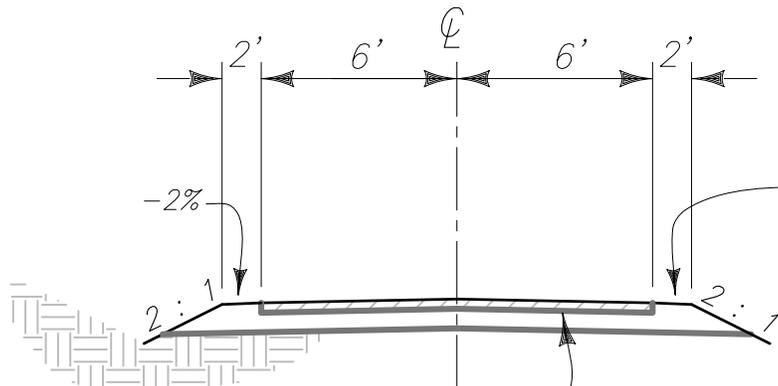
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Land Use Code - Figure 51I

Telluride Fire Prevention District Driveway Cross Sections

Driveway Cross Section

Not to Scale

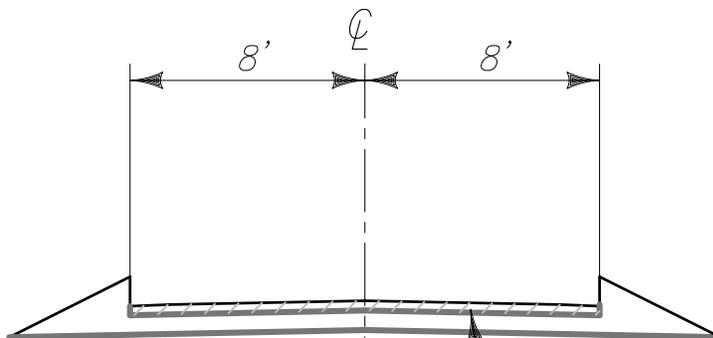


Shoulder may be native material and must be compacted to provide all-weather driving surface

Gravel or other all weather drive surface

Alternative Driveway Cross Section

Not to Scale



Gravel or other all weather drive surface