



City of Saskatoon – What's New?

Municipal Perspective on Developing Impacted Sites

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- Disclaimer:
 - Any/all requirements shown here are common to most City projects, contractors and consultants are responsible for making sure they take all appropriate actions for their specific project
 - *all content subject to change

Permit Forms & Applications

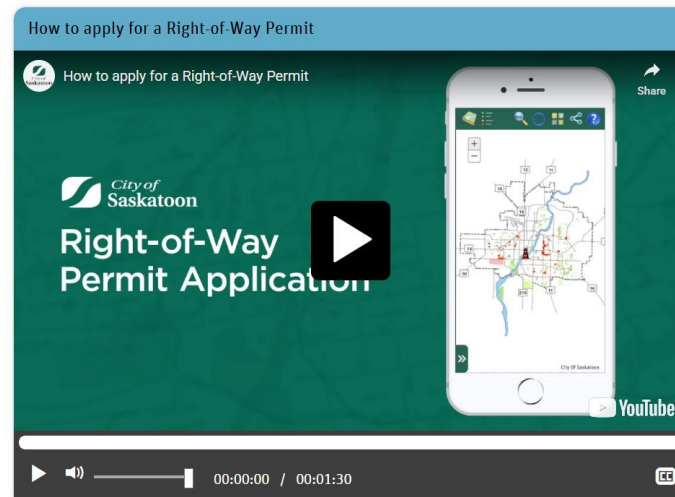


Right of Ways - Permitting

- Temporary use of City right-of-way
- E-permitting system
- Development permit

- Accessibility
- Transit
- Cycling
- Driving & Roadways**
 - Driving
 - Managing Traffic**
 - Transportation Master Plan
 - Traffic Noise
 - Neighbourhood Traffic
 - Merging Guidelines
 - Traffic Studies
 - Traffic Permits**
 - Right-of-Way Permit**
 - Truck Permits
 - Curb, Sidewalk and Ditch Crossing Permits
 - Traffic Detour Request
 - Intersections
 - Road Maintenance & Repair
 - StreetSmarts
 - Traffic Bylaw
 - Winter Road Maintenance
 - Bridges
 - Walking
 - Parking

Right-of-Way Permit



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Related Pages

[Interactive Maps](#)


Related Bylaws & Policies

[Bylaw 7200 - Traffic Bylaw, 1991](#)







Specifications

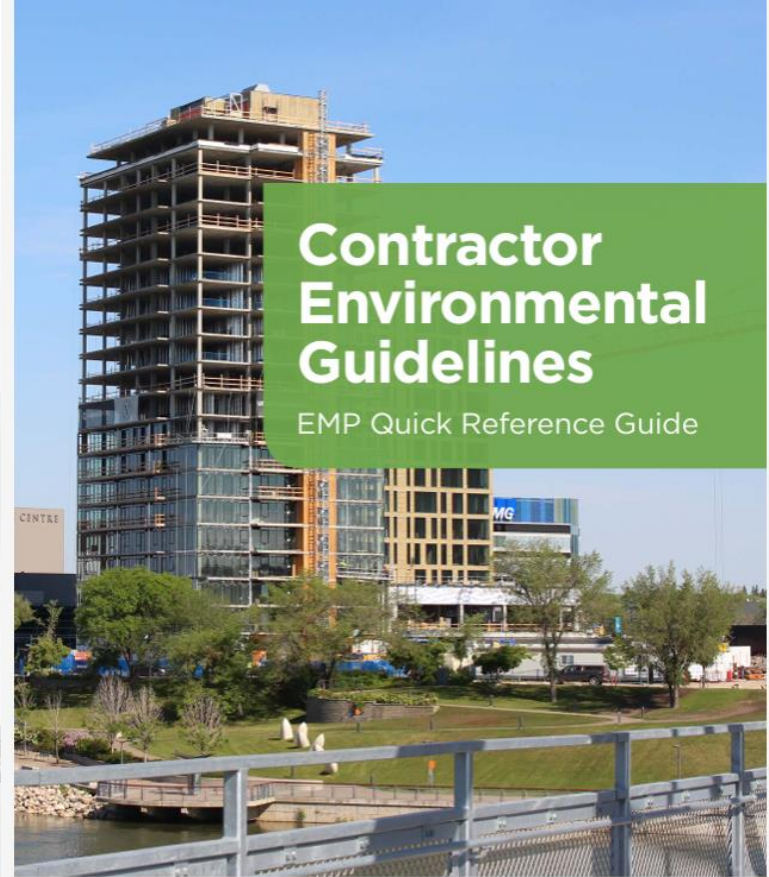
[View Drawings >](#)

 [Current set of All Specifications and Drawings](#)

Archived Specifications and Drawings 

Division 1 - General Requirements 

-  [Section 01010 Project Control](#)
-  [Section 01015 Shop Drawings, Product Data, Samples](#)
-  [Section 01020 Testing Laboratory Services](#)
-  [Section 01025 Temporary Facilities](#)
-  [Section 01030 Safety Requirements](#)
-  [Section 01035 Environmental Protection](#)
-  [Section 01040 Cleaning](#)
-  [Section 01045 Products/Workmanship](#)
-  [Section 01050 Project Record Documents](#)



Contractor Environmental Guidelines

EMP Quick Reference Guide

Contractor Environmental Guidelines

- Environmental req's for City projects
- Erosion & Sediment control
- Environmental Management Plan

Contractor Environmental Guidelines



The City of Saskatoon (City) is committed to becoming an environmentally sustainable community. [Environmental Policy \(C02-036\)](#) indicates that environmentally responsible behaviour is encouraged and expected from all employees and contractors working at civic facilities and grounds. These expectations include the following:

- Compliance with applicable environmental regulation
- Responsible use of resources and pollution prevention
- Continuous improvement of environmental protection


The purpose of the Contractor Environmental Guidelines (Guidelines) is to inform contractors of the expected standard for environmental protection for City contracts. The Guidelines focus primarily on the regulatory requirements and accepted industry best management practices (BMPs) applicable throughout all stages of a project.


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Related Documents

 [Contractor Environmental Guidelines](#)
1.33 MB

 [Environmental Management Plan - Quick Reference Guide](#)
735.67 KB

Related Pages

- > [Green Network](#)

Shallow Buried Utilities

- Locates! Safety!
- Spec 14001
- SBUCoordinator@saskatoon.ca
- 306-975-1475
- Help protect infrastructure

Locating Underground Utilities



Hitting any underground utility while you dig can cause serious and life-threatening injuries. If you are doing a project that requires digging, whether it be planting a tree or any kind of construction work, it is very important to ensure you know where those utility lines are.

To locate City of Saskatoon owned underground utilities such as water, sewer, parks irrigation, or traffic signal underground lines, please fill out and submit the City Utility Locates form using the button below.

[City Utility Locates >](#)

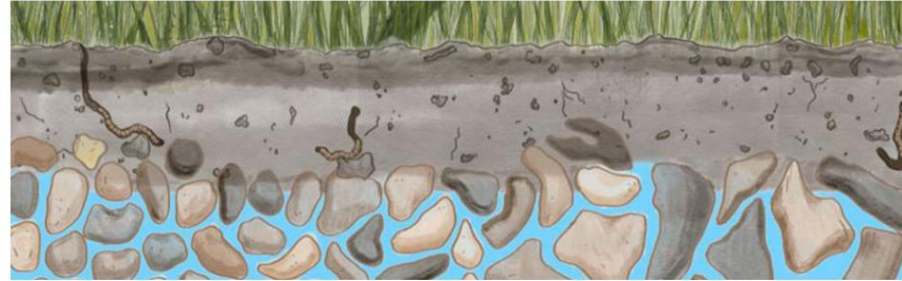
You will receive an automated email (to the email address supplied) after you submit the Utility Locate Request. The automated email will list the city utilities that may be affected by your work. Do not proceed with digging or excavation until you have received a response from the utilities listed.

For all other underground utility locate information, including Saskatoon Light and Power, visit [Sask 1st Call](#) or call [1-866-828-4888](tel:1-866-828-4888).

Groundwater Monitoring Wells

- Monitoring Well Standard
- Compliance required
- Encroachment agreement
- Geo@saskatoon.ca
- Minimum 5-business days before drilling

Groundwater



Drinking water always originates in one of two places. It comes from surface water, like rivers and lakes, or from groundwater that sits naturally below the ground surface.

With a reliable and high-quality water source from the South Saskatchewan River, the City of Saskatoon does not currently utilize groundwater. However, the City recognizes its value and the need to protect it because what we do above ground, matters underground.

Groundwater is water that occupies the pore spaces in soil and rocks underground and it comes from rain and snowmelt.

Saskatoon's groundwater resources



GWM Wells

- Asset protection
- Record of liability
- Enforcement

Groundwater monitoring wells

A monitoring well is typically one to two inches in diameter and is used for measuring, testing, or sampling groundwater. These wells are regularly installed for environmental and geotechnical data collection throughout the city to understand ground and groundwater conditions, typically to aid development or construction projects. The City has identified that monitoring wells can be installed years, if not decades, ahead of development and may not be maintained or decommissioned appropriately resulting in potentially conduits for surface contamination to enter groundwater. A [Monitoring Well Standard](#) has been created and compliance is required for:

- Wells installed by or on behalf of the City or a third party on city Right of Way (ROW) or land
- Wells installed by or on behalf of a third party on city Right of Way (ROW) or land (see License and Encroachment agreement process below for further information)
- Wells installed on private land as part of the [Land Development Process](#)



Image credit: [Monitoring well 1](#), [monitoring well 2](#)

Soil Handling – Landfill Disposal

- Free soil disposal
- Application process on website
- Subject to approval
- Subject to space

If you will have less than 10 loads from a single site, and answer 'Yes' to the following questions, fill out the [Soil Delivery Application](#).

1. Does the soil contain or has the potential to contain non-natural chemical substances, has there been any fuel, oil, or any other chemicals spilled on the soil (before or after being loaded into the truck)?
2. Does the soil originate from a property that is, was, or adjacent to a gas station?
3. Does the soil come from a commercial, institutional or industrial site?



Brownfield Incentive Pilot – NEW!

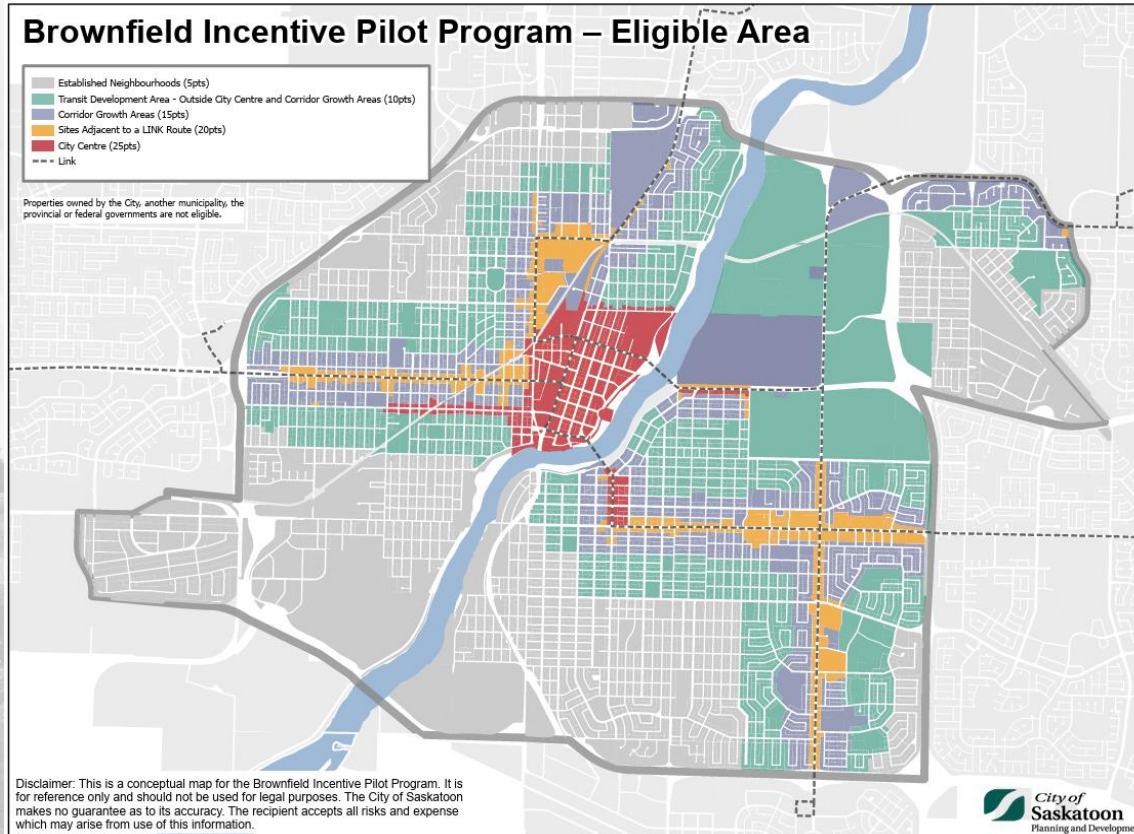
- Continuation of work done in 2018/2019
- \$250k of funding available
- Max \$50k per application
- Framework

Brownfield Incentive Pilot Program



The City of Saskatoon is encouraging the redevelopment of private brownfield properties by offering financial support for environmental assessments, corrective action plans and remedial work. This program is designed to help property owners address environmental challenges and prepare sites for future development.

Brownfield Incentive Pilot



Brownfield Incentive Pilot

Evaluation Criteria

Scoring Criteria	Max Points (/65)
Location <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Priority given to projects located in priority areas within the Established Neighbourhoods (map)<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Established Neighbourhoods (5pts)○ Transit Development Area – Outside City Centre and Corridor Growth Areas (10pts)○ Corridor Growth Areas (15pts)○ Sites Adjacent to a LINK Route (20pts)○ City Centre (25pts)	25
Project Details <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Planned redevelopment• Residential development will be prioritized	15
Project Readiness <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Project schedule demonstrates the ability to meet required funding timelines	15
Project Containment Severity/Sensitivity <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Priority will be given to assessment of persistent contaminants and/or sensitive locations	10

Future Work

- Impacted Sites Plan
- Process Improvement
- Erosion Control Standard

Environment

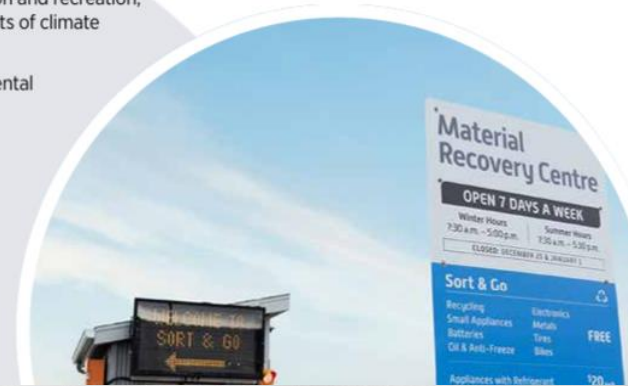
The City of Saskatoon recognizes that we are in a climate emergency; it is an era marked by increasing temperatures, extreme weather, ecological degradation, increasing costs and rising social divides.

A priority for this Council is to take meaningful steps to help transform Saskatoon as a high per capita emitter of greenhouse gases to a thriving and resilient city, which models innovation in energy conservation, renewables, waste diversion, environmental protection, nature-based solutions and green infrastructure.

Ensuring that natural ecosystems and the green network are managed, restored and integrated – to protect land, air and water resources; enhance biodiversity; provide places in the community for traditional land uses, food production and recreation; support physical and mental health; build resilience to the impacts of climate change; and sequester carbon – is integral to this work.

City Council will work with the community to improve environmental outcomes, recognizing that the impacts of environmental degradation have not been shared equally. Indigenous communities, people of color and historically marginalized groups have long been on the front lines—often with limited resources but deep wisdom. Our sustainability efforts are grounded in equity. Reconciliation is not symbolic; it is structural and essential to progress.

We will engage the community and support environmental leadership that drives action, sparks enthusiasm and ensures equitable access.



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- Questions?

