

SUMMER VILLAGE OF WHITE SANDS

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Title: Piers, Wharves, Docks, Moorings, and Boatlifts

Definitions: A “back lot” property owner is one who does not share a property boundary with a waterbody or have direct access to it.

A “semi-waterfront” landowner is someone who owns the land directly adjoining a municipal or environmental reserve that directly adjoins the bank of a waterbody.

A “waterfront” landowner owns the land directly adjoining the bank of a waterbody

Purpose: This Council Policy is enacted to complement the Alberta Government Disturbance Standard for Temporary Seasonal Docks for Recreation Purposes (Disturbance Standard) (2021). This is also recognizing the ownership of the “Bed and Shore” of Buffalo Lake is Crown Land and under the control of Alberta Environment to regulate the placement of structures.

Statement: The Summer Village of White Sands has no legal right to control the placement of docks, wharves, piers, buoys or moorings, or other structures in or on the bed and shore of Buffalo Lake. The Summer Village must support the Provincial Management Right of Way (ROW) Lands plans and regulations under Alberta Environment Standards.

General: Under Alberta Environment regulations of a seasonal private dock, owners will be regulated by the Disturbance Standards. Alberta Environment requires an application Temporary Field Authorization (TFA) for any docks, moorings, wharves, etc. In the Summer Village of White Sands, there are no waterfront landowners. There are only seven (7) semi-waterfront landowners and the rest are considered back lot property due to there being an environmental and/or municipal reserve that surrounds the lake.

Parameters: Council recognizes that the municipality is the semi-waterfront owner. An application must be received with the fee payment for said application of approval to cross the municipal reserve and leased environmental reserve to access the bed and shore and must adhere to the Public Lands Act regarding disturbances.

Policy: Administration is directed to grant permission to backlot owners of the Summer Village of White Sands to obtain a Temporary Field Authorization (TFA) from Alberta Environment to place seasonal docks with permission from the semi-waterfront property owner, which is the Summer Village. Administration will provide a written approval to cross the municipal land. All applicants must provide a copy of the TFA documents to the municipality as part of the submission to the Summer Village in the prescribed form in this policy accompanied with the fee payment of \$75.00 annually.

Helpful Links: Disturbance Standard:
<https://open.alberta.ca/dataset/2e15695b-51fb-4034-b581-92c4a9a1647c/resource/0ea88981-7343-474e-948c-994bfd6aef51/download/aep-disturbance-standard-temporary-seasonal-docks-mooring-structures-2021-04.pdf>

Mooring Disturbance Standard Waterfront and Semi-waterfront Property Owners Fact Sheet:
<https://open.alberta.ca/dataset/c0b4202b-73b1-4c3f-8022-1e8c6a49efd5/resource/f7110e69-0dd6-4bff-8aaf-f8545d9bf942/download/aep-mooring-disturbance-standard-waterfront-semi-waterfront-property-owners-2021-03.pdf>

Summer Village of White Sands
Application Guide
For
Piers/Docks and Boat Lifts



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Steps for Obtaining Backlot Permits

Before returning your application, the following **must** be included otherwise your application will not be processed.

- Apply for an Alberta Environment Client ID
- Review the Docking and Mooring Standards Fact Sheet
- Review the Docking and Mooring Disturbance Standards
- Review the XVI Designated Public Swimming Areas Policy
- Temporary Field Authorization Application Form and Attachments
- Summer Village of White Sands Policy Application Form
- Application/Processing Fee of \$75.00



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AUTHORIZATION FOR TEMPORARY CROSSING ACCESS OF MUNICIPAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL RESERVE LAND.

APPLICANT INFORMATION			
NAME:			
MAILING ADDRESS:			
TELEPHONE:	E-MAIL:		
SITE INFORMATION – PROPOSED LOCATION OF DOCK OR MOORING STRUCTURE			
CIVIC ADDRESS OF LOT ADJACENT TO MR and ER:			
LOT:	BLOCK:	PLAN:	
PROPERTY OWNER OF LOT ADJACENT TO MUNICIPAL OR ENVIRONMENTAL RESERVE LANDS? YES NO			
NUMBER of DOCKS OR MOORING STRUCTURES:	NUMBER OF BOATS:	NUMBER OF PERSONAL WATERCRAFT:	
REQUEST DETAILS			
IS THIS AUTHORIZATION BEING OBTAINED TO FORM AN APPLICATION FOR A TEMPORARY FIELD AUTHORIZATION: <input type="checkbox"/> YES, this authorization will be used for a TFA application.			
ARE YOU A PROPERTY OWNER IN THE SUMMER VILLAGE		<input type="checkbox"/> YES	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
AGREEMENT TO CONDITIONS FOR THE AUTHORIZATION OF USE			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approved authorizations are for the applicant’s access to their seasonal dock, boat lifts and mooring structures. Authorization does NOT give unrestrictive access to the lands for the applicant, nor does it restrict access by others. Reserve lands and Municipal Reserve are for Public use and enjoyment. I acknowledge by my signature that the Summer Village of White Sands assumes no responsibility for damage done to docks, moorings, watercraft, their content, or accessories thereon due to fire, theft, accident, vandalism, or acts of nature. I agree to hold the Summer Village of White Sands harmless and further acknowledge that I am not receiving any compensation for the use of my dock space. Docks, Boatlifts, and other Mooring Structures are NOT to be stored on Municipal and Environmental Reserve lands within the Summer Village of White Sands. Clearing of trees or brush on Municipal and Environmental Reserve lands is NOT permitted. No structures are to be constructed or stored upon the Municipal and Environmental Reserve Lands. The Summer Village of White Sands may consent, deny, or revoke this agreement at any time upon written notice. 			
_____ Applicant Signature 1		_____ Applicant Signature 2	



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Authorization No:

(Applicant Name and Address)

To Whom it May Concern:

RE: 2022 PIER/DOCK ER/MR CROSSING PERMISSION

The Summer Village of White Sands hereby approves temporary crossing access for the back lot owner:

Name: _____

Civic Address: _____

As per submitted documents of the TFA application

ER/MR Crossing Access Location: _____

TFA Client ID#: _____

for the purpose of obtaining a Temporary Field Authorization from Alberta Environment and Parks to provide for the installation of docking and mooring structures located within the municipal boundary for the 2022 calendar year.

Approval Date:

Signature of Designated Officer
Summer Village of White Sands