



Clovis Fire Department

Standard #29

CONDITIONS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF SINGLE FAMILY DWELLINGS

The Fire Department requires that prior to construction of any dwellings paved street, street signs and fire hydrants be installed. If this is not possible to accomplish because of extenuating circumstances the following standards with Fire Department approval shall apply.

Temporary emergency access roads shall be a minimum of twenty feet (20") in width with a fourteen-foot (14') overhead clearance. The access road shall have two inches (2") of compacted base rock (road base is not required during the summer months May to September) and extend to within one hundred fifty feet (150') of any construction. This road shall also be designated by signs that state "Fire Lane Keep Clear" every 75' or as determined by the Fire Department. No dead end street or cul-de-sac shall exceed five hundred feet (500'). This is measured from the center line of perpendicular street to center line of cul-de-sac.

Fire Hydrants shall be a maximum of 400 feet (400') from combustible construction material. If fire hydrants are not operational, one (1) ten thousand gallon (10,000) portable aboveground water tank may be provided for fire protection for up to five (5) homes (model or production) not to exceed a maximum of two (2) tanks or ten (10) structures. The outlet must be the same as the four one-half inch (4 ½") outlet which has been approved on Clovis City fire hydrants. If using water tanks for fire protection, the phasing of construction shall be such as to avoid having 2 homes on adjacent lots in the wood framed phase of construction.

Prior to issuance of building permits within the subdivision, the developer shall install Temporary street signs that meet City of Clovis "Temporary Street Sign" Standard 35.

The Fire Department requires the developer to submit an 8 ½" x 11" tract map indicating where the dwellings will be located. On the map the developer must show the emergency access road in relation to the proposed dwellings as well as the fire hydrant or tank setting locations. To insure the availability of water and that access standards are met, a member of the Clovis Fire Department will conduct an inspection. If everything conforms to Fire Department Standards, the Fire Department will contact the Clovis Building Department and give a "Fire Clearance" for building permits to be issued on designated lots. An approved water source must be operational and its location approved prior to combustibles being dropped on the site.

In most cases a second point of access is required to maintain public safety and emergency vehicle access. When designated, these will be maintained at all times. Once the emergency access has been approved by the Fire Department, any trenching shall include plating to maintain the integrity of the access road.