Roadway/Trench Opening Permit

DATE: ____________________________
LOCATION: ____________________________

Tax Map __________ Lot # _________

PURPOSE: To insure that pavement/road restoration is accomplished in an efficient manner to produce the least inconvenience to the traveling public and to protect the taxpayers' investment.

I/we request permission to disturb the road surface at the above named location in accordance with all town ordinances, for the purpose of:

I/We (Owner) ____________________________________________ and I/We (The Contractor) ____________________________________________ hereby agree to conform to the following specifications while performing the above described work:

1. In areas where the pavement is to be excavated, it shall be neatly cut with square edges by machine at each side of all trenches. Every precaution shall be used to prevent undermining of the adjacent pavement. Any undermined areas shall have the projecting pavement cut square and removed one foot (1') beyond the limits of excavation.

2. All excavation shall be performed in such a manner as will produce the minimum possible width of disturbed area. Sheeting shall be used as required to prevent cave-ins. Blasting shall be performed by a licensed blaster in a manner that will minimize disturbance beyond the trench limit.

3. All backfilled materials shall be compacted at optimum moisture content, in layers not exceeding 18 inches using pneumatic tampers, vibratory compactors or other approved means. The material shall be compacted to 95% density (AASHO-T-99). Water shall be uniformly applied during the compaction in the amount necessary for proper consolidation; puddling shall not be allowed. The compacted backfill materials shall be laid twelve inches (12") from the road surface. Nine inches (9") of crushed bank run gravel shall then be compacted in place.

4. Backfill shall be approved materials free of rock in excess of six inches (6") in size, free of frost and shall contain minimal organic matter and be granular in nature.

5. The pavement shall be sawn or cut in a neat manner on either side of the trench to provide a one foot (1') minimum overlap of the final patch on undisturbed base material. Within the sawcut limits, any existing or temporary pavement materials shall
be removed and replaced with a 3" depth of hot bituminous pavement placed in an approved manner. Pavement edges at trench cuts shall be coated with an approved binding agent before the final patch is applied. This final application shall consist of a 2" base course and a 1" wearing course and will be laid and compacted to meet the existing pavement crown and grade.

6. In the event hot bituminous pavement is not available, a temporary patch may be accomplished with 3” of “cold patch” compacted in place. Any temporary patches shall be replaced as specified above as soon as materials become available. The surety bond amount will not be released until a permanent patch is in place.

7. Existing grassed areas, shoulders, sidewalks, curbing or other appurtenances shall be restored to original or better condition at the contractor’s expense.

8. Traffic shall be maintained during the performance of the work and the work site shall be protected by suitable barricades, warning devices and signs. Uniformed traffic officers shall be provided whenever two-way traffic cannot be maintained or at the request of the Town during any time that it deems them necessary for the protection of the public.

9. On weekends and holidays as well as on work days during the hours the jobsite is inactive, a crew shall be made available in case they are needed for maintenance of traffic. One or more telephone numbers, which will contact the crew, shall be furnished to the Meredith Police Department and shall be written on this permit application.

10. Suitable access to properties abutting the work site shall be maintained at all times. Two-way traffic shall be maintained when the jobsite is inactive. Open trenches, outside of the normal working hours, shall be allowed only with expressed permission from the Director of the Public Works Department.

11. Any future distortion along the trench lines due to settlement or other causes attributable to the construction shall be corrected at the owner’s expense during a two year period following the completion of the project.

12. No trenches or pavement cuts in the traveled way shall be left unpaved for a period of more than five (5) working days unless specifically authorized by the Director of the Public Works Department.

13. In those instances where a pavement cut or trench travels a significant distance along the traveled way, the permittee shall, within a period of not less than twelve (12) months nor more than twenty-four (24) months, shim the entire trench limits with a 3/8” wearing course hot plant mix bituminous material. Manhole covers, catch basin grates, etc., shall be adjusted by the permittee to be level with the new surface.

14. I/We the permittee agree to save the Town of Meredith from any claims arising from the performance of the work, or from trench settlement or other deficiencies attributable to said construction for a period of two (2) years following the acceptance of the project by the owners. Copies of the applicable certificates of insurance shall be provided to the Town prior to construction.

15. I/We the permittee agree to assume such additional cost as the Town may incur by reason of failure to perform this work in the manner prescribed above.

16. Permission for the above described construction, maintenance or operation is granted subject to the instruction, conditions and agreements herein. Failure to comply with the provisions of this permit will serve as reason for revocation. In the event this permit is revoked, any resulting costs incurred by the Town, including overhead, shall be assumed by the permittee.
17. I/We agree to comply with the above requirements as part of the performance of the proposed

18. I/We, the owners, agree to obtain additional Roadway Opening Permits from the Town before performing any future excavations or for maintenance or renewal of the said cuts or other appurtenances thereto within the highway limits.

19. It is understood and agreed that this permit is for the right of construction, occupancy, operation and maintenance of the said cuts and appurtenances. The Town reserves the right to require, in the event of future alterations of the highway, certain alterations, relocations, or complete removal of said cuts and appurtenances and I/We, the owners, agree to perform such work promptly and at our own expense.

20. During the period of November 1st thru April 15th, Roadway Opening Permits shall not be issued without surety being provided by the applicant in an amount acceptable to the Town.

21. NH RSA 374 requires that DIG SAFE Be notified before and excavating is allowed to begin. Call 1-888-344-7233 to obtain the required DIG SAFE number.
PROPERTY OWNER:
Name: ____________________________
Address: ____________________________
Phone #: ____________________________
Signature: ____________________________

APPLICANT: (if different from owner)
Name: ____________________________
Address: ____________________________
Phone #: ____________________________
Signature: ____________________________

CONTRACTOR:
Name: ____________________________
Address: ____________________________
Phone #: ____________________________
Signature: ____________________________

CONSTRUCTION DATES:
Start Date: ____________________________
Completion Date: ____________________________

DIG SAFE AUTHORIZATION #: ____________________________

EMERGENCY CONTACT PEOPLE: (as per #9 of the application).
Name: ____________________________
Address: ____________________________
Phone #: ____________________________
Name: ____________________________
Address: ____________________________
Phone #: ____________________________

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

APPROVED BY: ____________________________ DATE: ___________
Public Works Director, Town of Meredith

APPROVED BY: ____________________________ DATE: ___________
Administrative Services Director, Town of Meredith

Insurance Certificates:
Access Fees:
Surety Bond Amount: $ ____________________________
Other: ____________________________

Bond Amount: ____________________________ Bond Received By: ____________________________
Check #:/Name: ____________________________ Date: ___________
Letter of Credit to Town From: ____________________________
Date: ____________ Amount: ____________________________
INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT

In consideration of the grant of approvals by the Town of Meredith for

______________________________, we, ____________________________

Contractor/Property Owner

herein agree to indemnify and save the Town of Meredith harmless from any
claims, liability, loss, damage, costs and expenses of any nature made against the
Town arising out of the development and/or construction activities of

Contractor/Property Owner

and any of it’s sub-contractors on the ____________________________ project.

Type of Project

DATED: ____________________________ BY: ____________________________

OF: ____________________________

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE)

________________________)SS

DATE ____________________________

I hereby acknowledge that I am the ____________________________

Title

Contractor/Property Owner

Corporation to execute this Indemnification Agreement.

Before me,

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Notary Public/Justice of the Peace
New Hampshire state law (RSA 374) requires that anyone who excavates on public property must notify utility companies at least 72 hours before digging—except in an emergency.

Gas, electric, telephone and cable television companies have underground cables in spots you’d least expect. These utilities have established a Public Utility Underground Plant Damage Prevention System called “Dig Safe.”

One free phone call to the center satisfies the law as all utilities will be notified prior to the start of digging. If there are underground facilities in your work area, the location of these facilities will be identified. You’ll be saved the expense of costly repairs. As you may know, the expense of repairing these facilities goes to those responsible for damaging them. So call “Dig Safe” before you dig—and be safe.

Call the New Hampshire TOLL-FREE Dig Safe Center phone number

1-888-344-7233

Before digging on public property.