What is a Right-of-Way Permit?
A Right-of-Way Permit allows you to use and/or improve County Right-of-Way. When you apply for a Right-of-Way Permit, your permit will be conditioned to ensure it is constructed to Kitsap County Road Standards (as adopted under Ordinance 293-2003 Chapter 4 and KCC 11.22).

Why should I apply for a Right-of-Way Permit?
A Right-of-Way Permit is needed to construct, alter, repair, or relocate any utility/roadway feature in Kitsap County right-of-way as provided in RCW 36.88.320 and KCC 11.36. The placement, construction, or installation of any improvements within county rights-of-way which violates the provisions of KCC 11.36 is declared to be unlawful and a public nuisance and may be punishable by law. When improvements are constructed to County standards, it allows the road crews to properly maintain the roads, allows the roads to be plowed when it snows, provides proper storm water runoff, and ensures quality infrastructure for current and future citizens.

How much does a Right-of-Way Permit Cost?
For current fee information, see the DCD Fees Schedule at www.kitsapgov.com/dcd and click the Fees and Payments link in the right pane.

How do I obtain a Right-of-Way Permit?
The application for a Right-of-Way Permit may be picked up from the Dept of Public Works at the Main Public Works Building, or downloaded from the county website, at: http://www.kitsapgov.com/pw/row.htm

My project is located on an Unmaintained Right-Of-Way. Do I still need a permit?
Yes. Even though the access road is unmaintained, the road use/improvements must meet county standards. An unmaintained road is defined as: “A road within county right-of-way, which is accessible to the public travel but is not maintained by the county.”

For additional Information, please contact Public Works – Right-of-Way Inspection at (360) 337-5777 or email ROWPermits@co.kitsap.wa.us