



Forsyth County Department of Engineering

To Whom It May Concern:

Subject: Construction within drainage/access easements.

This letter is to provide guidance and usability of property with a drainage easement attached. Construction activities such as installation of fences, shrubbery, etc... (all located within the platted drainage easement).

Any proposed changes made to any drainage/access easements shall meet the following criteria:

1. Written permission from owner of easement (Homeowners Associations, Developers, etc.) must be submitted to the Forsyth County Department of Engineering.
2. No permits will be required from Forsyth County. Erosion control must be used during installation where applicable.
3. Limited use of fences or planting of trees or shrubbery shall be allowed on or across open channel easements. Items used must not impede stormwater flow in any manner. Written permission must be granted by owner of the drainage easement.
4. Property owners with piped storm sewer easements will be allowed limited use for the installation offences, plantings, and placement of other removable objects provided that these objects do not hinder the function of the easement. Written permission must be granted by the owner of the drainage easement.
5. If any proposed changes involve converting an open channel to a piped conveyance, the proposed plans must be designed in accordance with Forsyth County construction standards and sealed by a Georgia licensed professional. The plan must be approved by Forsyth County Department of Engineering and an inspection must be conducted at the time of installation.
6. Any objects constructed or placed in or on an easement are subject to removal for maintenance or repairs at owner's expense.

Forsyth County shall not be responsible for maintenance of any pipes, ditches, detention ponds, or other structures within any drainage/access easement beyond the County Right of Way.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "John V. Cunard", is written over the "Thank you," text.

John V. Cunard

Director of Engineering