

# CITY OF EVERETT

## Transmission line right-of-way



## What is the Transmission Line Right-of-way (TLROW)?

Everett owns and operates four water transmission lines that provide water to more than 600,000 customers every day.

The area surrounding these pipelines is called the TLROW and consists of both City-owned parcels and easements.

Management of the pipelines requires access without notice for emergency response and maintenance activities.

Property improvements and activities within the TLROW must be authorized by agreement with the City of Everett. Any work within the TLROW requires a TLROW use permit; any ongoing use within the TLROW requires a license or written agreement.

## RESTRICTIONS & POTENTIAL ACTIVITIES

The use and development of easement areas within the transmission line right-of-way (TLROW) requires approval to ensure that the City's transmission lines are both protected and accessible for operations, maintenance and repair. Some transmission infrastructure requires a buffer of up to 25 feet.

TLROW use permit applications must include a complete scope of work and show the footprint of any proposed use within the TLROW. No fee is required. Any use within the TLROW is at the owner's risk and considered temporary and interruptible without advance notice. Improvements, including hardscaping, vegetation and landscaping, may be removed for pipeline construction, maintenance and operations and may not be replaced.

### Limited use activities *TLROW use permit required*

- Demolition of existing private structures
- Installation of overhead powerlines
- Landscaping
- Driveways
- Fences
- Earthwork
- Street crossings
- Utility crossings
- Heavy equipment use
- Light agricultural

### Prohibited/restricted activities

- Paving and parking lots
- Parking of vehicles
- Planting of trees
- Structures
- Storage of materials
- Septic system components or drain field

For more information, see the TLROW standards and use permit application at [everettwa.gov/TLROW](http://everettwa.gov/TLROW)  
Questions? Call 425.257.8700 or email [TLROW@everettwa.gov](mailto:TLROW@everettwa.gov).