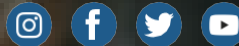




St. Lucie County BOCC Water
Quality Division 2300 Virginia
Avenue Fort Pierce, FL 34982
772-462-2568

www.stlucieco.gov/culverts

@StLucieGov



Are there any programs to help pay for this work?

The County offers a MSBU program to homeowners as an option for fiscal assistance in the replacement of failed driveway culverts.

The Culvert Assistance Program offers deferred payments to the homeowner where the expense of a culvert replacement becomes part of your yearly taxes and is spread over a 10-year period. To determine if you qualify email guettlerb@stlucieco.org or call 772-462-2568. Certain restrictions may apply.

What type of pipe is allowed in the County right-of-way?

Pipe material meeting the Florida Department of Transportation specifications is allowed in the County right-of-way. Contact the Water Quality Division for additional information.

How long do I have to complete the work spelled out in the permit?

The permit is good for a six month period from the date of issuance.

Do I need a driveway permit to enlarge my parking area between the road right-of-way and my home?

No. The driveway permit issued by St. Lucie County only covers the connections that lie between the edge of the roadway and the property line.

DRIVEWAY CULVERTS
How To Help Keep
St Lucie County Draining

Who is responsible for maintaining my driveway?

Driveways serve to access your home and are considered private improvements, located in the County right-of-way. Maintenance of the driveway and all culvert pipe(s) are the responsibility of the homeowner. Failure to maintain your driveway or culvert could cause standing water and/or flooding on your property or that of your neighbors.

How do I know if I need a permit?

If your property attaches to a County maintained roadway, then you must apply for a driveway permit. Your contractor will obtain the permit.

How do I find out if my roadway is a County road?

Contact the Property Acquisitions Division at 772-462-2825, and request verification that you are on a County road.



What are the fees for the permits?

If you are upgrading an existing driveway, the fee is \$25.

What do I get for the permit fee?

The County will inspect your property to determine at what depth the culvert pipe (if needed) is to be placed, as well as the length and size your pipe will need to be. The County requires minimums of 30' length and 15" equivalent diameter culvert for driveways.

The County will perform a final inspection to see that all conditions of the permit are met. Please make sure that you have completely filled in the driveway permit application, as all of this information is necessary to expedite your permit in a timely fashion.

Are the County's specifications for a driveway the same as the cities of Port St. Lucie and Fort Pierce?

No. Please make sure you read your permit completely before you begin. The County has different requirements than the Cities. All important information will be on the approved driveway permit.

