

Saguache County Road & Bridge
Policy re Saguache County Owned Culvert Repair & Maintenance
11/6/06

1. Culverts in need of repair or replacement from natural aging or wear and tear shall be repaired or replaced at County expense and per Road & Bridge schedule and budgetary constraints.
2. Culverts in need of repair or replacement from damage incurred by Saguache County staff or machinery shall be repaired or replaced at County expense and per Road & Bridge schedule and budgetary constraints.
3. Culverts in need of repair or replacement from damage incurred by private citizens or private industry shall be repaired or replaced at the citizen's or private industry's expense per County schedule or at a time as agreed upon between Saguache County and the individual or company involved.
4. Citizen or private industry requests for upgrades of existing culverts by way of size or design change and having been determined by the Road and Bridge Supervisor or his designee as unnecessary for maintaining current flow requirements shall either be denied or if accepted shall be at the total expense of the requesting party. It shall be at the discretion of the Road and Bridge Supervisor or his designee as to whether the County is to be the installer or if the requesting party shall have the culvert upgrade installed by a private contractor. In either case the upgrade shall meet the satisfaction and specifications as stated by Saguache County on an event specific basis.
5. Citizen or private industry requests for upgrades of existing culverts by way of size or design change at the time of a scheduled replacement by Saguache County shall be considered and decided upon by the Road and Bridge Supervisor or his designee. Any additional expenses of materials, labor or equipment related to the upgrade shall be the responsibility of the requesting party.
6. Upgrades shall be approved by the Saguache County Road and Bridge Supervisor or the Board of County Commissioners.
7. There may be some situations in which the expense of the replacement of culverts will be the responsibility of the requester.
8. Any deviation from this policy must be approved by the Board of County Commissioners with Road and Bridge Supervisor input.