



Transition of Existing Non-Status Roads to OGAA

TO: Industry Clients

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The BC Oil and Gas Commission (Commission) has developed a process to transition existing non-status roads to Oil and Gas Activities Act (OGAA) road permits. Non-status roads are those used for oil and gas operations that have not been tenured. The majority of these roads were initially authorized in conjunction with the well authority under the Petroleum and Natural Gas Act (PNG) but not tenured.

Industry Bulletin [2013-06](#), outlined the process of transitioning existing roads to OGAA. The initial transition stage pertained to roads authorized under the Land Act and Petroleum Development Roads (PDRs).

Modifications to the Commission's IRIS database have been completed and detailed instructions for applying for the population of non-status roads can be found in Appendix B of the [Road Permit Application and Operations Manual](#).

Key changes in the manual include:

- IRIS has been modified to allow for a limited batch submission of non-status roads and their shape files to populate into IRIS.
- The locations of all major culverts and bridges are to be identified.
- The application is for the road as it currently exists and does not include any modifications or new area.
- Where changes to the existing road are required, a road amendment application can be submitted subsequent to the transition application.
- The applicant is a current maintainer of the non-status road, or is applying for a road not currently used or maintained by other industrial users under permit or authorization of another enactment.
- The road(s) do not overlap or intersect with other permit holders road(s).

The modifications to the Commission's system will affect all stand alone road applications, including new applications and amendments. The submitted shape file will auto populate to IRIS with the requirement to identify the locations of major culverts and bridges.

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