

Constructing marine rail systems on Manitoba Hydro Water Storage Land in the Winnipeg River

MARINE RAIL SYSTEMS

This Guidance Letter will assist you in completing Manitoba Hydro's Winnipeg River System Application for Shore Lands Development.

The information you provide in your application enables us to review your proposal to ensure it follows the Shore Lands Use guidelines for Manitoba Hydro Water Storage Land. If the required information is not included, your application may be delayed or may not be approved.

We recognize that there is no one-size-fits-all approach for marine rail systems since conditions can vary from area to area. We take into consideration existing regulations, the stability of the riverbank, the impact to the environment and impact to neighbouring property owners, among other issues. Because of this, we reserve the right to a final decision regarding any proposal affecting Manitoba Hydro Water Storage Land.

A marine rail system must be located at least 15 feet from the adjacent (neighbouring) property line.

Your application must:

- ☐ clearly identify the proposed development area on the shoreline (total number of structures and development cannot exceed 30 per cent of the shoreline).
- ☐ include complete drawings showing all existing structures and development and the location of the proposed rail.
- ☐ include a list of any vegetation to be removed (e.g. bushes, trees).
- ☐ include a detailed drawing with dimensions, if excavation of the shore is required.
- ☐ include the method of anchoring the rail to the shore and the river bottom.
- ☐ include a list of the materials used in the rail construction.
- ☐ specify the distance from the rail to the adjacent (neighbouring) property line.
- ☐ specify the dimensions (length and width) of the rail.
- ☐ specify the distance from existing structures on the property.
- ☐ indicate that the rail is orientated so it remains fully in front of the assigned parcel.
- ☐ specify any material (aggregate, wood chips, etc.) to be placed under the rail, including depth and width.

See reverse for examples of drawings to include with your application. To meet municipal code, the entire structure must reside on Manitoba Hydro property or private property.

Examples for illustration purposes only

