1. **AUTHORITY:** The Department's authority to issue encroachment permits is provided under, Div. 1, Chpt. 3, Art. 1, Sect. 660 to 734 of the Streets and Highways Code.

2. **REVOCATION:** Encroachment permits are revocable on five days notice unless otherwise stated on the permit and except as provided by law for public corporations, franchise holders, and utilities. These General Provisions and the Encroachment Permit Utility Provisions are subject to modification or abrogation at any time. Permittees' joint use agreements, franchise rights, reserved rights or any other agreements for operating purposes in State highway right of way are exceptions to this revocation.

3. **DENIAL FOR NONPAYMENT OF FEES:** Failure to pay permit fees when due can result in rejection of future applications and denial of permits.

4. **ASSIGNMENT:** No party other than the permittee or permittee's authorized agent is allowed to work under this permit.

5. **ACCEPTANCE OF PROVISIONS:** Permittee understands and agrees to accept these General Provisions and all attachments to this permit, for any work to be performed under this permit.

6. **BEGINNING OF WORK:** When traffic is not impacted (see Number 35), the permittee shall notify the Department's representative, two (2) days before the intent to start permitted work. Permittee shall notify the Department's Representative if the work is to be interrupted for a period of five (5) days or more, unless otherwise agreed upon. All work shall be performed on weekdays during regular work hours, excluding holidays, unless otherwise specified in this permit.

7. **STANDARDS OF CONSTRUCTION:** All work performed within highway right of way shall conform to recognized construction standards and current Department Standard Specifications, Department Standard Plans High and Low Risk Facility Specifications, and Utility Special Provisions. Where reference is made to "Contractor and Engineer," these are amended to be read as "Permittee and Department representative."

8. **PLAN CHANGES:** Changes to plans, specifications, and permit provisions are not allowed without prior approval from the State representative.

9. **INSPECTION AND APPROVAL:** All work is subject to monitoring and inspection. Upon completion of work, permittee shall request a final inspection for acceptance and approval by the Department. The local agency permittee shall not give final construction approval to its contractor until final acceptance and approval by the Department is obtained.

10. **PERMIT AT WORKSITE:** Permittee shall keep the permit package or a copy thereof, at the work site and show it upon request to any Department representative or law enforcement officer. If the permit package is not kept and made available at the work site, the work shall be suspended.

11. **CONFLICTING ENCROACHMENTS:** Permittee shall yield start of work to ongoing, prior authorized, work adjacent to or within the limits of the project site. When existing encroachments conflict with new work, the permittee shall bear all cost for rearrangements, (e.g., relocation, alteration, removal, etc.).

12. **PERMITS FROM OTHER AGENCIES:** This permit is invalidated if the permittee has not obtained all permits necessary and required by law, from the Public Utilities Commission of the State of California (PUC), California Occupational Safety and Health Administration (Cal-OSHA), or any other public agency having jurisdiction.

13. **PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLIST SAFETY:** A safe minimum passageway of 4' shall be maintained through the work area at existing pedestrian or bicycle facilities. At no time shall pedestrians be diverted onto a portion of the street used for vehicular traffic. At locations where safe alternate passageways cannot be provided, appropriate signs and barricades shall be installed at the limits of construction and in advance of the limits of construction at the nearest crosswalk or intersection to detour pedestrians to facilities across the street. Attention is directed to Section 7-1.09 Public Safety of the Department Standard Specifications.

14. **PUBLIC TRAFFIC CONTROL:** As required by law, the permittee shall provide traffic control protection warning signs, lights, safety devices, etc., and take all other measures necessary for traveling public's safety. While providing traffic control, the needs and control of all road users [motorists, bicyclists and pedestrians, including persons with disabilities in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA)] shall be an essential part of the work activity.

    Day and night time lane closures shall comply with the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (Part 6, Temporary Traffic Control), Standard Plans, and Standard Specifications for traffic control systems. These General Provisions are not intended to impose upon the permittee, by third parties, any duty or standard of care, greater than or different from, as required by law.

15. **MINIMUM INTERFERENCE WITH TRAFFIC:** Permittee shall plan and conduct work so as to create the least possible inconvenience to the traveling public; traffic shall not be unreasonably delayed. On conventional highways, permittee shall place properly attired flagger(s) to stop or warn the traveling public in compliance with the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (Chapter 6E, Flagger Control).

16. **STORAGE OF EQUIPMENT AND MATERIALS:** The storage of equipment or materials **is not** allowed within State highway right-of-way, **unless specified** within the Special Provisions of this specific encroachment permit. If Encroachment Permit Special Provisions allow for the storage of equipment or materials within the State right of way, the equipment and material storage shall comply with Standard Specifications, Standard Plans, Special Provisions, and the Highway Design Manual. The clear recovery zone widths must be followed and are the minimum desirable for the type of facility indicated below: freeways and expressways - 30', conventional highways (no curbs) - 20', conventional highways (with curbs) – 1.5'. If a fixed object cannot be eliminated, moved outside the clear recovery zone, or modified to be made yielding, it should be shielded by a guardrail or a crash cushion.

17. **CARE OF DRAINAGE:** Permittee shall provide alternate drainage for any work interfering with an existing drainage facility in compliance with the Standard Specifications, Standard Plans and/or as directed by the Department's representative.

18. **RESTORATION AND REPAIRS IN RIGHT OF WAY:** Permittee is responsible for restoration and repair of State highway right of way resulting from permitted work (State Streets and Highways Code, Sections 670 et. seq.).

19. **RIGHT OF WAY CLEAN UP:** Upon completion of work, permittee shall remove and dispose of all scraps, brush, timber, materials, etc. off the right of way. The aesthetics of the highway shall be as it was before work started.

20. **COST OF WORK:** Unless stated in the permit, or a separate written agreement, the permittee shall bear all costs incurred for work within the State right of way and waives all claims for indemnification or contribution from the State.

21. **ACTUAL COST BILLING:** When specified in the permit, the Department will bill the permittee actual costs at the currently set hourly rate for encroachment permits.

22 **AS-BUILT PLANS:** When required, permittee shall submit one (1) set of folded as-built plans within thirty (30) days after completion and approval of work in compliance with requirements listed as follows:

1. Upon completion of the work provided herein, the permittee shall send one vellum or paper set of As-Built plans, to the State representative. Mylar or paper sepia plans are not acceptable.
2. All changes in the work will be shown on the plans, as issued with the permit, including changes approved by Encroachment Permit Rider.
3. The plans are to be stamped or otherwise noted AS-BUILT by the permittee's representative who was responsible for overseeing the work. Any original plan that was approved with a State stamp, or Caltrans representative signature, shall be used for producing the As-Built plans.
4. If As-Built plans include signing or striping, the dates of signing or striping removal, relocation, or installation shall be shown on the plans when required as a condition of the permit. When the construction plans show signing and striping for staged construction on separate sheets, the sheet for each stage shall show the removal, relocation or installation dates of the appropriate staged striping and signing.
5. As-Built plans shall contain the Permit Number, County, Route, and Post Mile on each sheet.
6. Disclaimer statement of any kind that differ from the obligations and protections provided by Sections 6735 through 6735.6 of the California Business and Professions Code, shall not be included on the As-Built plans. Such statements constitute non-compliance with Encroachment Permit requirements, and may result in the Department of Transportation retaining Performance Bonds or deposits until proper plans are submitted. Failure to comply may also result in denial of future permits, or a provision requiring a public agency to supply additional bonding.

23. **PERMITS FOR RECORD PURPOSES ONLY:** When work in the right of way is within an area under a Joint Use Agreement (JUA) or a Consent to Common Use Agreement (CCUA), a fee exempt permit is issued to the permittee for the purpose of providing a notice and record of work. The Permittee's prior rights shall be preserved without the intention of creating new or different rights or obligations. "Notice and Record Purposes Only" shall be stamped across the face of the permit.

24. **BONDING:** The permittee shall file bond(s), in advance, in the amount set by the Department. Failure to maintain bond(s) in full force and effect will result in the Department stopping of all work and revoking permit(s). Bonds are not required of public corporations or privately owned utilities, unless permittee failed to comply with the provision and conditions under a prior permit. The surety company is responsible for any latent defects as provided in California Code of Civil Procedures, Section 337.15. Local agency permittee shall comply with requirements established as follows: In recognition that project construction work done on State property will not be directly funded and paid by State, for the purpose of protecting stop notice claimants and the interests of State relative to successful project completion, the local agency permittee agrees to require the construction contractor furnish both a payment and performance bond in the local agency's name with both bonds complying with the requirements set forth in Section 3-1.02 of State's current Standard Specifications before performing any project construction work. The local agency permittee shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the State, its officers and employees from all project construction related claims by contractors and all stop notice or mechanic's lien claimants. The local agency also agrees to remedy, in a timely manner and to State's satisfaction, any latent defects occurring as a result of the project construction work.

25. **FUTURE MOVING OF INSTALLATIONS:** Permittee understands and agrees to relocate a permitted installation upon notice by the Department. Unless under prior property right or agreement, the permittee shall comply with said notice at his sole expense.

26. **ARCHAEOLOGICAL/HISTORICAL:** If any archaeological or historical resources are revealed in the work vicinity, the permittee shall immediately stop work, notify the Department's representative, retain a qualified archaeologist who shall evaluate the site, and make recommendations to the Department representative regarding the continuance of work.

27. **PREVAILING WAGES:** Work performed by or under a permit may require permittee's contractors and subcontractors to pay appropriate prevailing wages as set by the Department of Industrial Relations. Inquiries or requests for interpretations relative to enforcement of prevailing wage requirements are directed to State of California Department of Industrial Relations, 525 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco, California 94102.

28. **RESPONSIBILITY FOR DAMAGE:** The State of California and all officers and employees thereof, including but not limited to the Director of Transportation and the Deputy Director, shall not be answerable or accountable in any manner for injury to or death of any person, including but not limited to the permittee, persons employed by the permittee, persons acting in behalf of the permittee, or for damage to property from any cause. The permittee shall be responsible for any liability imposed by law and for injuries to or death of any person, including but not limited to the permittee, persons employed by the permittee, persons acting in behalf of the permittee, or for damage to property arising out of work, or other activity permitted and done by the permittee under a permit, or arising out of the failure on the permittee's part to perform his obligations under any permit in respect to maintenance or any other obligations, or resulting from defects or obstructions, or from any cause whatsoever during the progress of the work, or other activity or at any subsequent time, work or other activity is being performed under the obligations provided by and contemplated by the permit.

The permittee shall indemnify and save harmless the State of California, all officers, employees, and State's contractors, thereof, including but not limited to the Director of Transportation and the Deputy Director, from all claims, suits or actions of every name, kind and description brought for or on account of injuries to or death of any person, including but not limited to the permittee, persons employed by the permittee, persons acting in behalf of the permittee and the public, or damage to property resulting from the performance of work or other activity under the permit, or arising out of the failure on the permittee's part to perform his obligations under any permit in respect to maintenance or any other obligations, or resulting from defects or obstructions, or from any cause whatsoever during the progress of the work, or other activity or at any subsequent time, work or other activity is being performed under the obligations provided by and contemplated by the permit, except as otherwise provided by statute.

The duty of the permittee to indemnify and save harmless includes the duties to defend as set forth in Section 2778 of the Civil Code. The permittee waives any and all rights to any type of expressed or implied indemnity against the State, its officers, employees, and State contractors. It is the intent of the parties that the permittee will indemnify and hold harmless the State, its officers, employees, and State's contractors, from any and all claims, suits or actions as set forth above regardless of the existence or degree of fault or negligence, whether active or passive, primary or secondary, on the part of the State, the permittee, persons employed by the permittee, or acting on behalf of the permittee.

For the purpose of this section, "State's contractors" shall include contractors and their subcontractors under contract to the State of California performing work within the limits of this permit.

29. **NO PRECEDENT ESTABLISHED:** This permit is issued with the understanding that it does not establish a precedent.

30. **FEDERAL CIVIL RIGHTS REQUIREMENTS FOR PUBLIC ACCOMMODATION:**
A. The permittee, for himself, his personal representative, successors in interest, and assigns as part of the consideration hereof, does hereby covenant and agree that:
1. No person on the grounds of race, color, or national origin shall be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination in the use of said facilities.
2. That in connection with the construction of any improvements on said lands and the furnishings of services thereon, no discrimination shall be practiced in the selection and retention of first-tier subcontractors in the selection of second-tier subcontractors.
3. That such discrimination shall not be practiced against the public in their access to and use of the facilities and services provided for public accommodations (such as eating, sleeping, rest, recreation), and operation on, over, or under the space of the right of way.
4. That the permittee shall use the premises in compliance with all other requirements imposed pursuant to Title 15, Code of Federal Regulations, Commerce and Foreign Trade, Subtitle A. Office of the Secretary of Commerce, Part 8 (15 C.F.R. Part 8) and as said Regulations may be amended.
5. That in the event of breach of any of the above nondiscrimination covenants, the State shall have the right to terminate the permit and to re-enter and repossess said land and the land and the facilities thereon, and hold the same as if said permit had never been made or issued.

31. **MAINTENANCE OF HIGHWAYS:** The permittee agrees, by acceptance of a permit, to properly maintain any encroachment. This assurance requires the permittee to provide inspection and repair any damage, at permittee's expense, to State facilities resulting from the encroachment.

32. **SPECIAL EVENTS:** In accordance with subdivision (a) of Streets and Highways Code Section 682.5, the Department of Transportation shall not be responsible for the conduct or operation of the permitted activity, and the applicant agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the State and the city or county against any and all claims arising out of any activity for which the permit is issued.

The permittee understands and agrees to comply with the obligations of Titles II and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 in the conduct of the event, and further agrees to indemnify and save harmless the State of California, all officers and employees thereof, including but not limited to the Director of Transportation, from any claims or liability arising out of or by virtue of said Act.

33. **PRIVATE USE OF RIGHT OF WAY:** Highway right of way shall not be used for private purposes without compensation to the State.

The gifting of public property use and therefore public funds is prohibited under the California Constitution, Article 16.

34. **FIELD WORK REIMBURSEMENT:** Permittee shall reimburse State for field work performed on permittee's behalf to correct or remedy hazards or damaged facilities, or clear debris not attended to by the permittee.

35. **NOTIFICATION OF DEPARTMENT AND TMC:** The permittee shall notify the Department's representative and the Transportation Management Center (TMC) at least 7 days before initiating a lane closure or conducting an activity that may cause a traffic impact. A confirmation notification should occur 3 days before closure or other potential traffic impacts. In emergency situations when the corrective work or the emergency itself may affect traffic, TMC and the Department's representative shall be notified as soon as possible.

36. **SUSPENSION OF TRAFFIC CONTROL OPERATION:** The permittee, upon notification by the Department's representative, shall immediately suspend all lane closure operations and any operation that impedes the flow of traffic. All costs associated with this suspension shall be borne by the permittee.

37. **UNDERGROUND SERVICE ALERT (USA) NOTIFICATION:** Any excavation requires compliance with the provisions of Government Code Section 4216 et. seq., including, but not limited to notice to a regional notification center, such as Underground Service Alert (USA). The permittee shall provide notification at least 48 hours before performing any excavation work within the right of way.