



## Wright-Tallmadge Fire Department

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I reviewed the site plan for the private section of 24<sup>th</sup> Ave south of Hayes. International Fire code has requirements for driveways, parking lots, and access roads that help ensure fire department access in the event of an emergency. All driveways and access roads must be constructed in a method which is capable of supporting the imposed load of a fire apparatus weighing at least 75,000 lbs. The proposed driveway and parking area will provide sufficient access for fire apparatus.

We worked with the property owner extensively to come up with a plan to reduce fire hazards on this private road. Gerald Lee has stated that he will have a dry hydrant installed into the pond on his property and provide an easement or other guaranteed access for the fire department to be able to utilize this water source. This water source will benefit all the homes on this road in the event of a fire.

Code References: 2024 IFC (International Fire Code)  
- 75,000lb Imposed Load: D102.1



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