

**Village of Hoffman Estates
Drainage Policy
Revised August 2021**

The purpose of the current drainage policy is to identify public/private responsibility of corrective action for drainage concerns.

Public Responsibility:

The criteria for consideration of a drainage concern with public responsibility are:

1. Drainage concern caused by deficiencies in the public right-of-way drainage systems.
2. Drainage/icing concern within the right-of-way that is caused by excessive offsite run-off.
3. Drainage concern within the right-of-way that cannot be resolved with minor grading between the sidewalk and curb due to “back-pitched” conditions.
4. Drainage concern that results from inherent design problems that were not fully resolved by the developer before final acceptance of a new development. The issues shall be identified within 5 years of subdivision acceptance and cannot be the result of changes to the property by the property owner.

Locations will be prioritized for inclusion in projects based on the following criteria.

1. Potential for property damage
2. Size of area affected
3. Severity of icing/standing water
4. Time that has elapsed since first identified

Note: A location does not qualify as a drainage concern unless standing water exists for longer than a 24-hour period after a rain event.

Maintenance responsibilities for the special circumstances in Parcel A (South of Golf, North of Higgins, East of Roselle) are described below:

1. Roadside swales will be maintained as part of the public drainage system.
2. All routine maintenance of driveway culverts in Parcel A is the responsibility of the property owner and includes repairs, patching, cleaning and replacement. Subject to an approved building permit, the Village will provide a new driveway culvert pipe to the property owner upon request.
3. Shoreline stabilization on private property along waterways is the responsibility of the adjacent property owner.
4. Roadside swales or drainageways shall not altered without Village permit. Filling of roadside swales or drianageways will not be permitted.

Private Responsibility:

All drainage concerns located on private property not meeting the public responsibility criteria above are the responsibility of the property owner. The Engineering Division is available to provide technical guidance in solving private property drainage concerns.

All private drainage systems shall connect to a Village storm sewer. Private drainage systems must not discharge at the sidewalk, curb, or near the property line. If a connection to a Village storm sewer is not feasible, alternative discharge methods will be approved by the Director of Engineering on a case by case basis.