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Right-of-Way Delivery System (ROWDyS)

USER'S GUIDE

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INTRODUCTION

This user's guide for the Alaska Right-of-Way Delivery System (ROWDyS) is intended as a reference document for use by Department of Transportation & Public Facilities (DOT&PF) right-of-way (ROW) staff (permit officers and processing agents) and by review groups. It describes the steps involved in using ROWDyS to review and process an application submitted from the Web site by a customer who wants to use highway ROW for other than a highway purpose, or an application completed by a processing agent on the customer's behalf.

In February 1999, a ROWDyS team was established, comprised of ROW representatives from DOT&PF headquarters and the three DOT&PF regions. This team worked with other DOT&PF employees, attorneys at the Alaska Department of Law, and computer programming consultants to develop the first phase of the program. This first phase covers applications for a Lane Closure, Highway Event, or Driveway or Approach Road permit, and for a sign allowed under Alaska law: TODS, RCIA, Logo Sign, Memorial Sign, and Tourist Information Kiosk (see Chapter 9 of DOT&PF's ROW Manual).

The concept of a statewide permitting system has been discussed for many years. The ROWDyS team took the existing separate components relating to permits, regulations, reviews, and workflow to mold an effective, customer-friendly online system.

ROWDyS is envisioned to become a statewide database and workflow management system for all phases of the ROW process. Eventually, it will also contain data for engineering, design, financial management, and project acquisitions.

Alaska's size is an issue in managing DOT&PF's goals and objectives. Each of its three regions is larger than most states. Prior to the technological revolution, communications were not as they should have been, and regional differences developed. This created inconsistencies in the way regulations were interpreted, documents were prepared, and permits were processed.

ROWDyS is the first step toward creating a cohesive, consistent statewide permitting system that will better serve the customer and streamline DOT&PF's workflow.

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OVERVIEW OF CUSTOMER APPLICATION PROCESS

ROWDyS makes it possible for certain ROW permit applications and accompanying attachments to be electronically entered into the system by a customer, or by a processing agent on the customer's behalf. The applications are thereafter stored in a centralized database, and can be retrieved or monitored by a regional permit officer or a processing agent.

After an application is submitted, it is automatically routed by e-mail to the permit officer in the appropriate DOT&PF region. The permit officer assigns the application to a processing agent. The processing agent assigns it to one or more review groups, as appropriate. Permit officers and processing agents can track the progress of an application from submittal to final disposition.

Computer stations and scanners are located in each region so that a member of the public who does not have a computer can still use the system. Someone who has a computer, but does not have a scanner, can come to a regional office and have diagrams, maps, etc., scanned into the system so that this information can be electronically attached to the application.

ROWDyS covers applications for the following:

- Lane Closure Permit
- Highway Event Permit (HEP)
- Driveway or Approach Road Permit
- Signs allowed under Alaska law:
 - o Tourist Oriented Directional Sign (TODS)
 - o Recreational and Cultural Interest Area (RCIA) Sign
 - Logo Sign (for a business with a nationally-recognized emblem)
 - o Memorial Sign (for a fatality that occurred within the ROW)
 - o Tourist Information Kiosk

Because the main purpose of this guide is to describe how to use the ROWDyS system for the review and processing of a submitted application, we have included only a very brief overview of this preliminary customer application process here.

The process begins when someone needs a permit to use a portion of the highway ROW. From DOT&PF's home page (http://www.dot.state.ak.us/), a customer selects **Right of Way Permitting System**. This takes them to the first ROWDyS screen. Clicking the **Permits System** link displays the ROWDyS login screen (https://www.dot.state.ak.us/row/Login.po):

Overview of Customer Application Process



Welcome to the State of Alaska **Department of Transportation** and Public Facilities On-Line **Permits System**

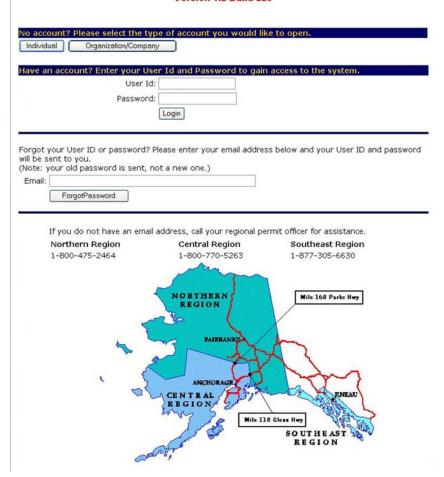
In order to apply for a permit, you must have an account with us. From this screen you may:

- Request a new account
- Log into the Permits System
 Receive a copy of your password

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Clicking either **Individual** or Organization/Company takes a new customer to the Customer Account screen to open an account (see next page).

Customers who already have an account fill in their User ID and password to log in.





Request an Individual Customer Account Here

On the Customer Account screen, customers provide personal information, establish a password, and provide a verification question and answer.

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When customers clicks on **Submit**, ROWDyS automatically sends customers an e-mail with their User ID so that they may revise the application or apply for other permits in the future.

Overview of Customer Application Process

Customers then select the type of permit needed.



This is followed by a questionnaire checklist for the type of permit selected, with all questions requiring a *yes* check to qualify for that type of permit. If the answer to any question is *no*, the customer does not meet the minimum requirements for that type of permit and cannot continue the application process.

If all requirements are met, they proceed to the application by clicking Submit.

The system displays the application for the type of permit requested, with the customer's information automatically filled in. The customers then fill out specific information for the permit type.

Some applications require one or more attachments. These attachments may be submitted electronically with the application if customers can scan the documents into files. Attachments may also be faxed, mailed, or delivered in person to the appropriate regional office. When the permit officer receives an attachment by fax, mail, or personal delivery, he or she scans it into a file and attaches it to the application on the customer's behalf

Most applications also require an application fee. However, the system is not yet set up to accept credit cards, so payment must be by check, either mailed or delivered in person.

After completing the application, customers click on the portion of the Alaska map at the bottom of the screen, indicating where the permit is needed. When customers click Submit, the system assigns a permit application ID number (which is different from the customer's User ID), and sends an e-mail to the primary contact person named on the application, stating the application ID number, application type, and location.

The system also sends an e-mail to the permit officer in the appropriate region. The e-mail alerts the permit officer that a new application has been received, and provides the application ID number, application type, and location.

The application is now ready for review and assignment by the permit officer (see page 71).

DESCRIPTION OF ROWDYS SCREENS

LOGIN

A permit officer or processing agent enters ROWDyS by clicking the Agent Interface icon loaded on the computer desktop.



The program starts and the splash screen appears:



This is immediately followed by the login screen:



Enter the User ID and Password in the fields indicated, and click OK.

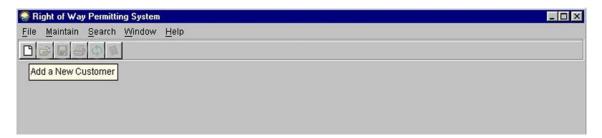
After successful login, the main window for the Right-of-Way Permitting System appears. The screen is blank with a menu bar and a toolbar. These functions are accessible only by permit officers and processing agents. The Maintain function is available only to permit officers.

The menu bar includes functions for File, Maintain, Search, Window, and Help. Each of these functions is described, beginning on page 8.



Below the menu bar is a toolbar with six icons (the first four of which are shortcuts to options listed in the drop-down menu under File in the menu bar).

Clicking the first icon allows the permit officer or processing agent to add a new customer file:



The second icon allows the permit officer or processing agent to open an existing customer file:



The third icon saves changes made to the current window:



The fourth icon allows the permit officer or Processing Agent to export the current application to MS-Word for printing:



The fifth icon, the Refresh button, when activated, saves changes made to the current application, and reloads it from the database:



This function is not yet available for all aspects of the program. It was originally created to assist when a processing agent, with a permit application on the screen, might be on the phone with a reviewer who is submitting a review for that application. Without the Refresh button, the agent would have to close and reopen the application to see the updated review by clicking on the Reviews Tab (see page 108). Currently the Refresh button only works for permit applications and does nothing for other kinds of windows. Therefore, except for circumstances such as the one just described, it might be better to develop the habit of using the **Save** function to save all changes.

The sixth icon displays the Help menu:



MENU BAR

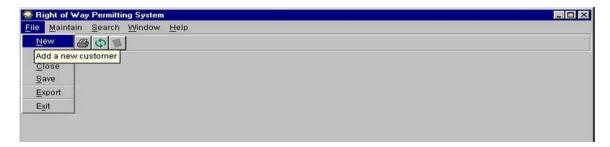
FILE

Clicking on **File** lists options for New, Open, Close, Save, Export, and Exit. Each option is discussed below.



FILE NEW

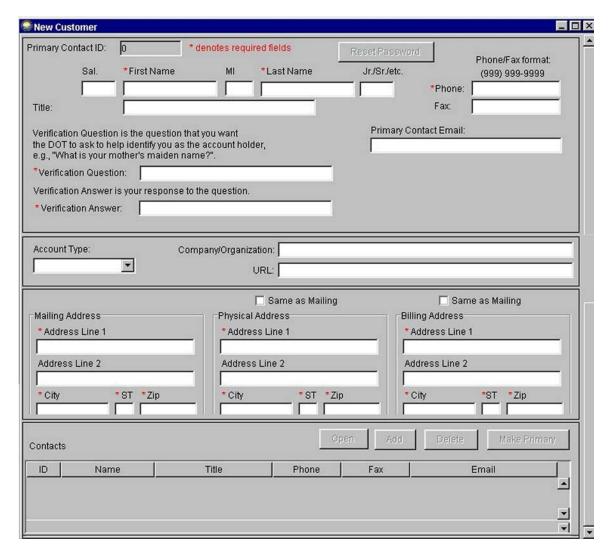
Clicking File and New allows the permit officer or processing agent to add a new customer:



If a customer contacts DOT&PF by phone or in person, and is unable to fill out the application from the website, the permit officer or processing agent can complete the application from this screen, or can access a blank application on DOT&PF's Web site.

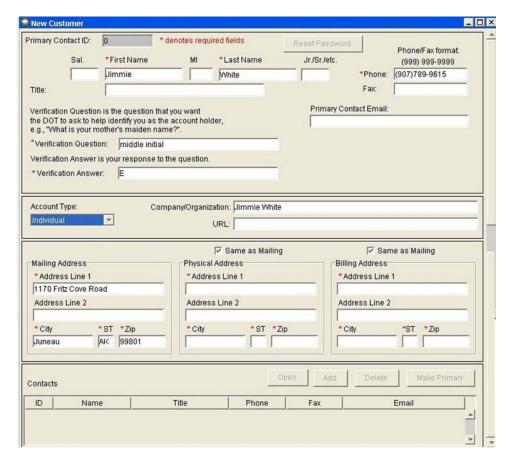
File New (continued)

A **New Customer** blank application form is displayed:



File New (continued)

After entering the customer's information:



Click the **Save** icon . Attempting to close without saving displays this popup screen:



Choosing **Yes** from the popup screen saves the application.

While this popup screen is available for most functions, there is at least one function that does not include it (see page 88). Therefore, it is a good idea to always save any changes before closing a screen.

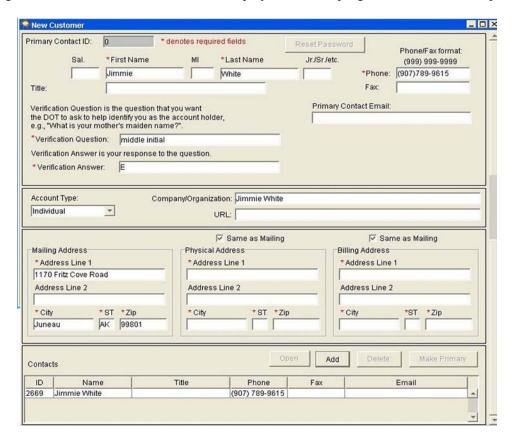
File New (continued)

Immediately after saving, a popup screen for entering the customer's Initial Password is displayed. Enter a password for the customer to use when accessing the Web site in the future:



Click OK.

If all required fields have been filled in, the customer's name automatically appears at the bottom as a Contact, with a computer-generated contact number. (The Primary Contact ID field at the top is also computer-generated, but this information is not displayed until the program is closed and reopened.)



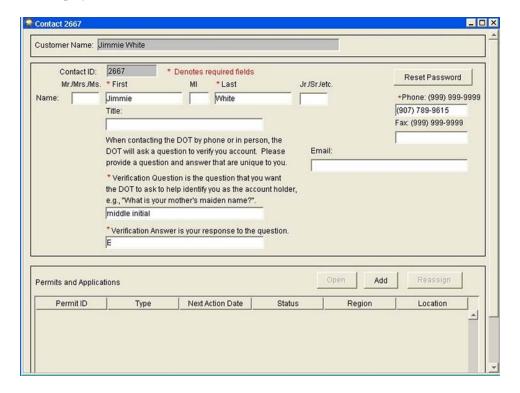
To add a new customer, see page 14.

File New (continued)

At the same time, the following popup screen is displayed, assigning an ID number for the new customer (this number is different than the Contact ID number, even though they are for the same person):



Click **OK**. This displays the contact screen for this customer:



This screen allows editing of the contact information or resetting the password.

At the bottom of the screen is an area that allows the permit officer or processing agent to add permits and applications.

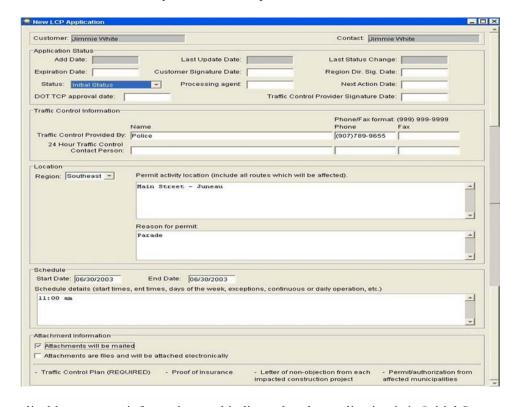
File New (continued)

Clicking Add displays the following screen:



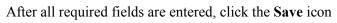
Use the arrow button to scroll to the type of permit being applied for.

Selecting a permit type and clicking **OK** displays the following application screen, with the customer's name and contact name automatically added at the top:



Enter the applicable customer information, and indicate that the application is in Initial Status.

The system will accept a date only if it is entered as MM/DD/YYYY, i.e. 01/24/2003. This format applies whenever a date field is provided.



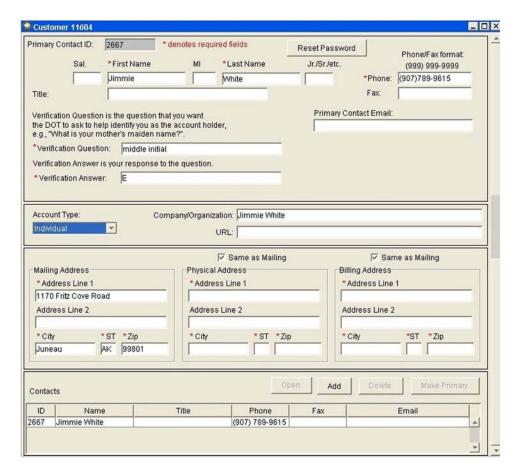


File New (continued)

The following screen is displayed, assigning an application ID number to the application:



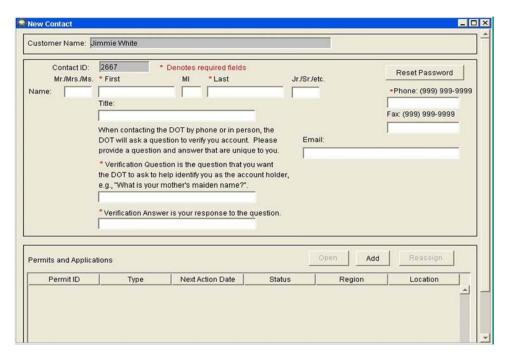
Click **OK**, then close/exit the application. This returns the Contact screen. Closing/exiting the Contact screen returns the Customer screen.



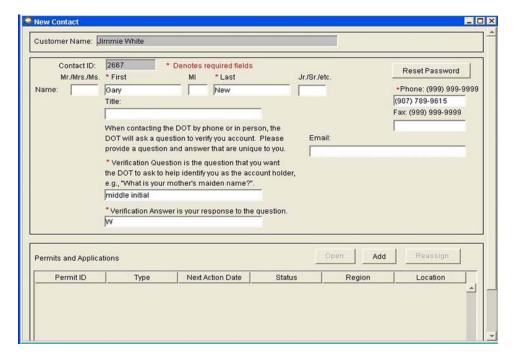
To add a new customer, click **Add** at the bottom of the customer screen.

File New (continued)

This displays the following screen:



Enter the contact information:



Click the Save icon



File New (continued)

The following popup screen is displayed for entering the contact's password:



Enter the password:



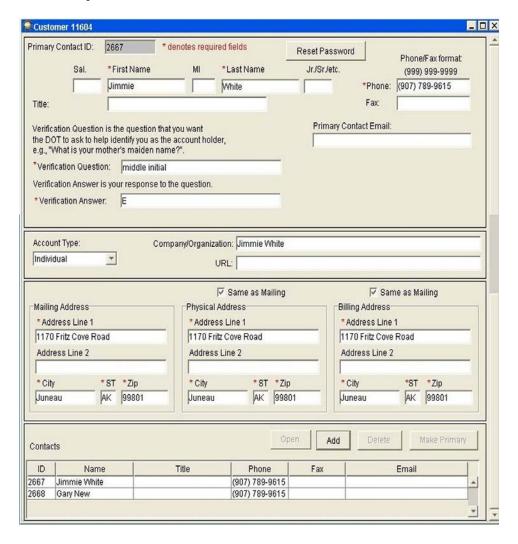
Click **OK**. This displays an ID number for the new Contact



Click **OK**, then close the Contact screen.

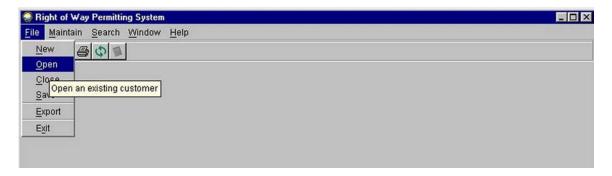
File New (continued)

The system adds the new contact information, but it isn't displayed on the Customer screen until that screen is closed and reopened.



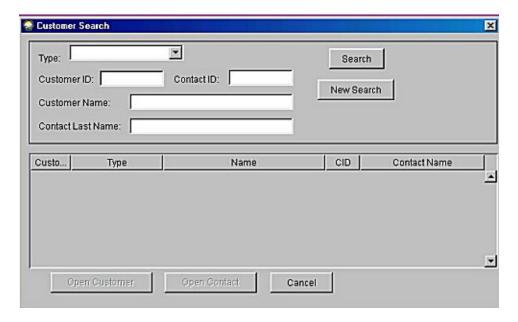
FILE OPEN

Clicking File and Open allows the permit officer or processing agent to access existing customer files:



Customer Search

Choosing the **File Open** option displays the Customer Search screen:



This is the most efficient way to locate a customer because it isn't necessary to have the Customer ID number, which is required when using the **Search by Customer** function (see page 18). The **File Open** function allows the permit officer or processing agent to search the customer database by Type of Permit, Customer ID, Contact ID, Customer Name, and Contact Last Name.

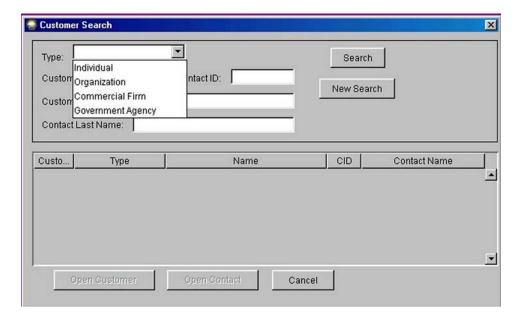
This is a search of the Statewide Customer database. The names are not sorted by location because a customer may do business or want a permit in an area of the state other than where their primary home or business is located. The applications are listed chronologically with the most recent application at the top.

File Open (continued)

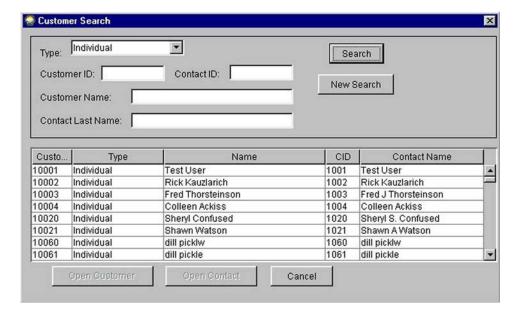
By filling out one or more of the blanks and clicking **Search**, the customer database may be accessed.

The more blanks that are filled out, the narrower the search.

Clicking the arrow button beside **Type** displays a new menu to select the customer type by Individual, Organization, Commercial Firm, or Government Agency.



Highlighting **Individual** and clicking **Search** displays a list of all Individual Customers:

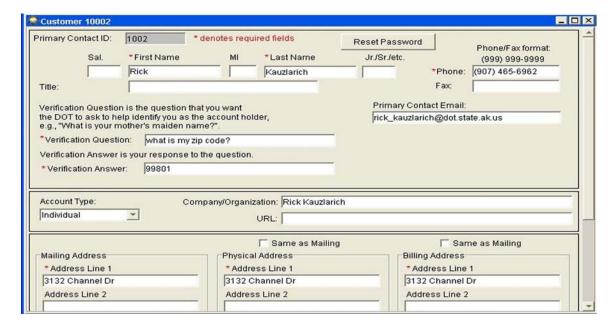


File Open (continued)

To change the Customer Type, click **New Search**, click the arrow button beside Type again, highlight Organization, Commercial Firm, or Government Agency, and click **Search**. The database listing of all customers in the selected customer type will be displayed. Scroll through the database until the name sought is found, and highlight it:

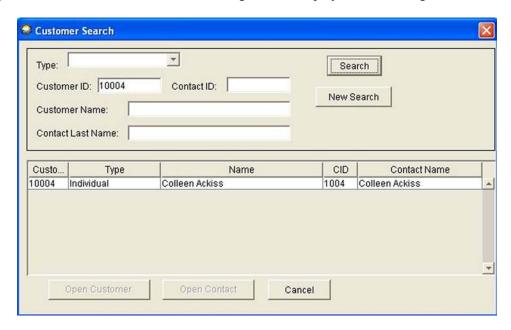


Click **Open Customer**, and that customer information screen will be displayed:

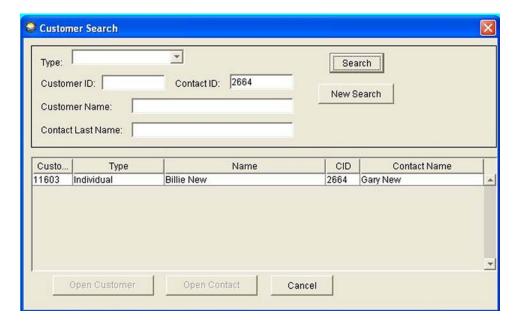


File Open (continued)

Entering <u>iust</u> the Customer ID number and clicking **Search** displays the following screen:

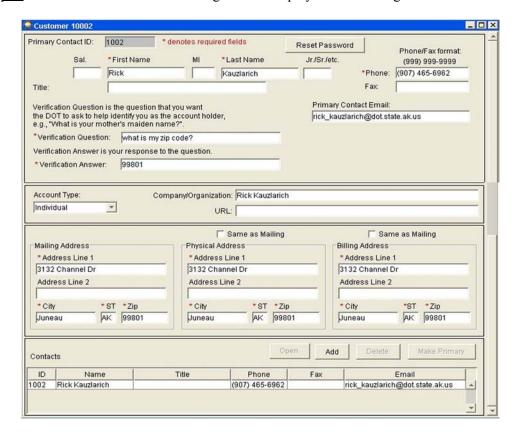


Entering <u>just</u> the Contact ID number and clicking **Search** displays the following screen:

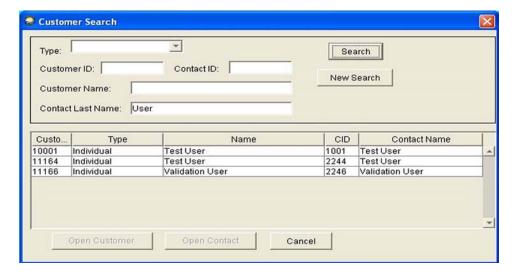


File Open (continued)

Entering <u>iust</u> the Customer Name and clicking **Search** displays the following screen:

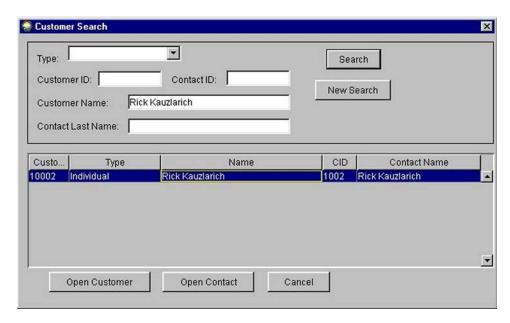


Entering just the Contact Last Name and clicking **Search** displays the following screen:

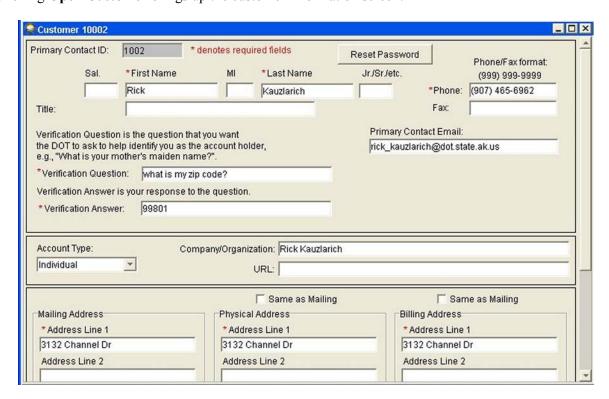


File Open (continued)

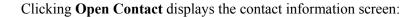
Clicking on the name at the bottom of the screen activates the Open Customer and Open Contact buttons:

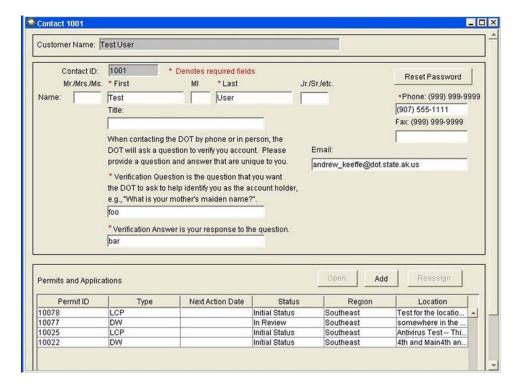


Clicking **Open Customer** brings up the customer information screen:



File Open (continued)



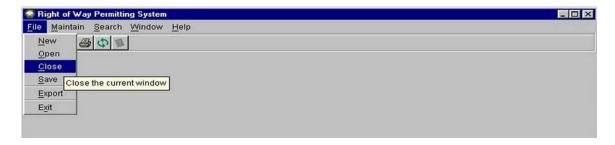


Clicking **New Search** blanks out the information in all the fields in the top of the screen, but not the information in the bottom half. The bottom changes only when new information is entered in one of the fields at the top and **Search** is clicked. Then the new customer number, type, name, Contact ID, and Contact Name will be displayed in the bottom half.

When the desired file is open, the permit officer or processing agent can edit customer information (such as changing or adding contact information, or changing the customer's password) at the customer's request. Any of the fields may be filled in or changed.

FILE CLOSE

Clicking **File** and **Close** closes the file that is open:



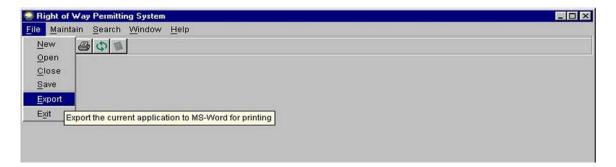
FILE SAVE

Clicking **File** and **Save** saves the file after data have been changed or new data entered:



FILE EXPORT

Clicking **File** and **Export** opens MS Word to allow the transfer of the application to a Word file so that it can be printed for signature after the permit is approved:



FILE EXIT

Clicking File and Exit exits the ROWDyS program:



MAINTAIN

On the upper toolbar, clicking **Maintain** displays a menu with options for Provisions, Routings, Review Groups, and Fees:



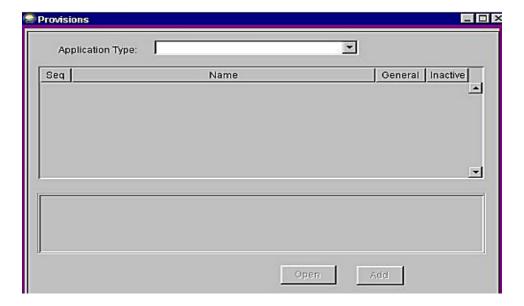
⇒ Only permit officers have access to these maintenance functions.

MAINTAIN PROVISIONS

Clicking Maintain and Provisions allows the permit officer to add or change provisions in the ROWDyS catalog of provisions

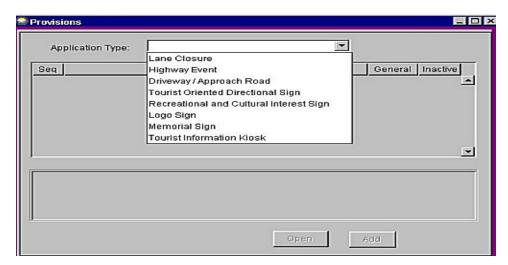


Choosing this option displays a blank screen with a field for entering Application Type:



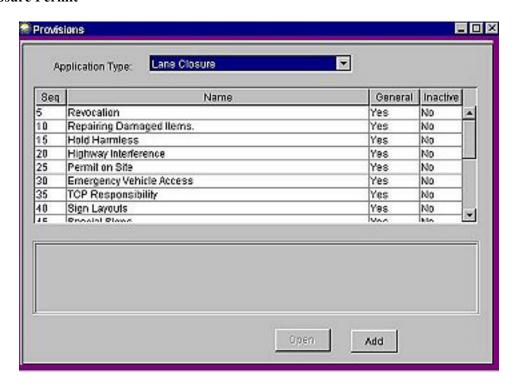
Maintain Provisions (continued)

Clicking the arrow button beside the blank box displays a list of permit types:



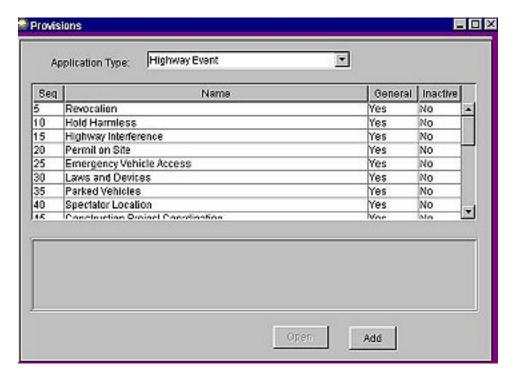
Clicking one of the permit types displays a screen showing the provisions for that type of permit and indicating whether the provisions are General Provisions or Inactive Provisions. The following screens show a portion of each list of provisions to be inserted in the body of the permit for each type of permit.

Lane Closure Permit

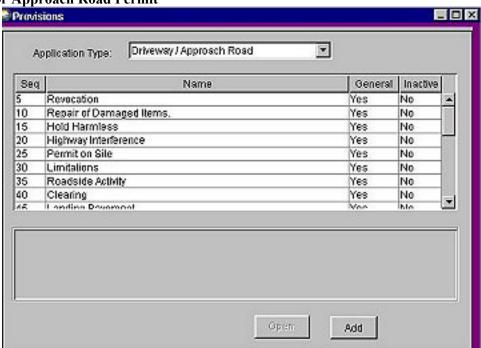


Maintain Provisions (continued)

Highway Event Permit

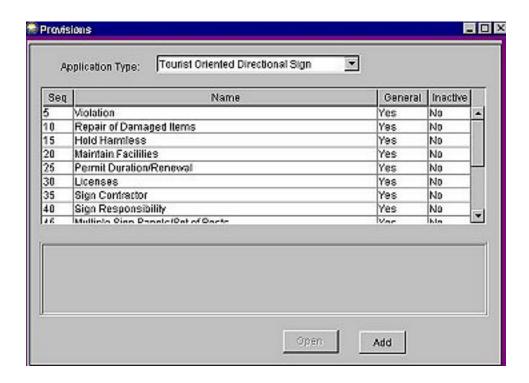


Driveway or Approach Road Permit

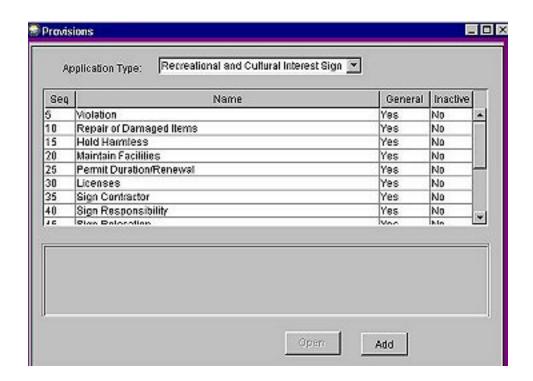


Maintain Provisions (continued)

TODS

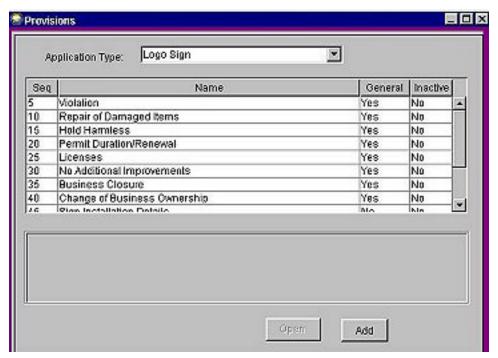


RCIA

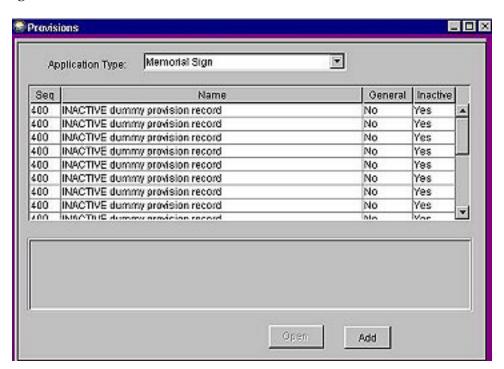


Maintain Provisions (continued)

Logo Sign

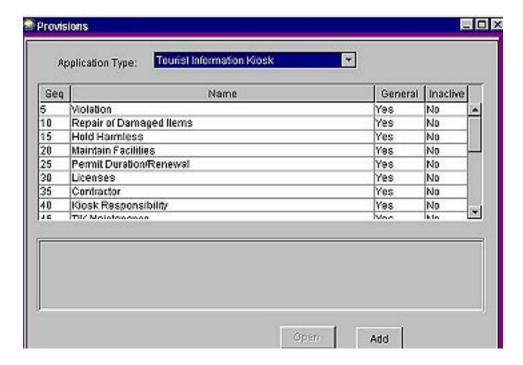


Memorial Sign

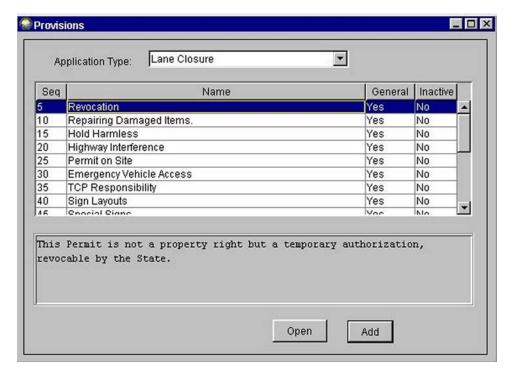


Maintain Provisions (continued)

Tourist Information Kiosk

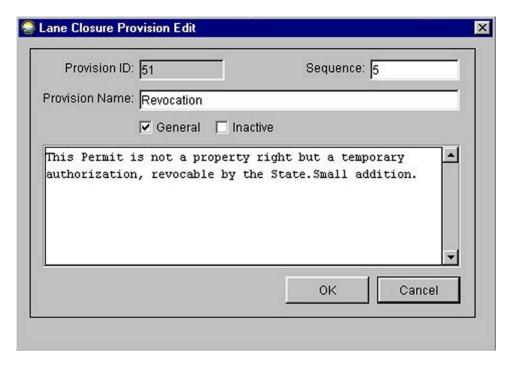


Highlighting a listed provision displays the text for that provision in the box at the bottom, and activates the Open button:

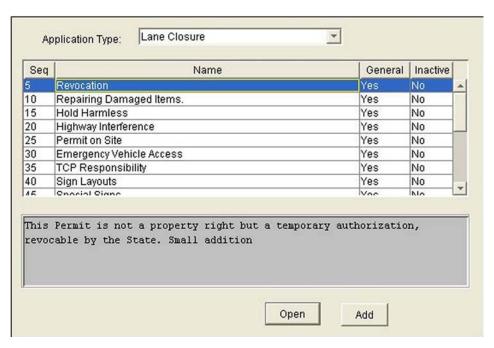


Maintain Provisions (continued)

Clicking **Open** allows the permit officer to edit the text:

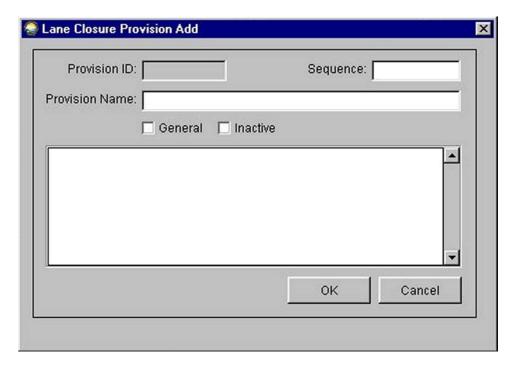


Clicking \mathbf{OK} adds the change; however, the revision is not displayed until the provision is again highlighted.



Maintain Provisions (continued)

Clicking **Add** at the bottom of the Provisions screen displays the following screen that allows the permit officer to add a new provision:



To add a provision, enter a new sequence number, a provision name (identified as a General Provision or an Inactive Provision), and the provision text.



Click **OK** to add it.

When all provisions have been added, click the **Save** icon or choose **Yes** from the popup screen that appears if attempting to close the screen before saving changes.

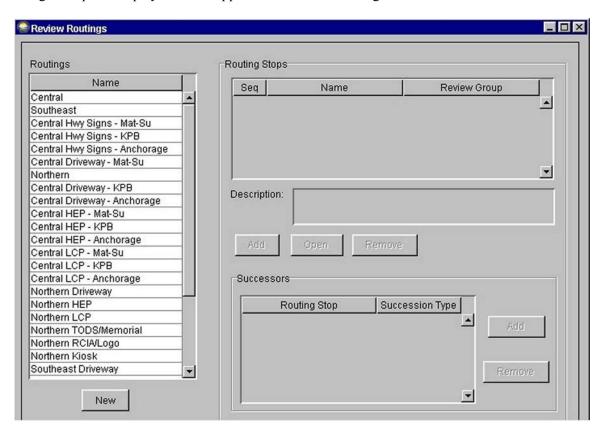
MAINTAIN ROUTINGS

A Routing may include one or more review groups. A review group may include one or more people. Routings and review groups have been established within ROWDyS as appropriate for each type of permit for each area of the state. The use of these groups ensures uniform review of applications statewide.

Clicking **Maintain** and **Routings** allows the permit officer to add, change, or delete a review routing:



Choosing this option displays a list of application Review Routings:



Maintain Routings (continued)

Clicking **New** at the bottom left of the Review Routings screen allows the permit officer to add a new Routing:



Enter the new Routing Name:



Click **OK.** A new screen is displayed that states: "Please select a Review Group for the first routing stop of the new routing":

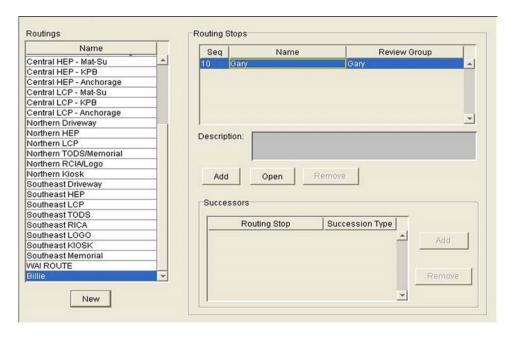


Maintain Routings (continued)

Scroll through the list and highlight the name wanted for the first Routing Stop:



Clicking **OK** adds the new Routing and the selected Review Group to the Routing Stops box:



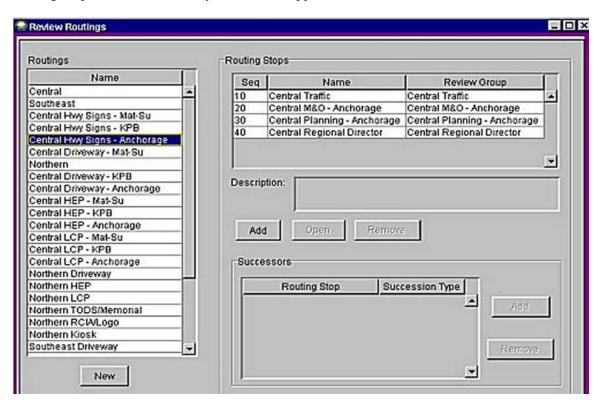
The system assigns a sequence number of 10 to the first Routing Stop, 20 to the second, 30 to the third, etc. Later, additional Routing Stops may be added in whatever sequence is desired (for example, a successor could be added with a sequence number of 15, so that the Successor Routing Stop would be between the original first and second Routing Stops).

When all new Routings have been added, click the **Save** icon or choose **Yes** from the popup screen that appears if attempting to close the screen before saving changes.

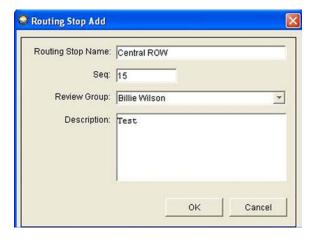
The changes are not displayed until after the screen is closed and reopened.

Maintain Routings (continued)

Clicking on a Routing displays a list of Routing Stops for that Routing. In the example below, each time an application for a sign within the Anchorage area is routed to Central Hwy Signs–Anchorage, each of the Routing Stops listed automatically receives the application for review.



Clicking **Add** in the middle of the screen displays a screen where the permit officer may add a new routing stop by filling in the fields for Routing Stop Name, Sequence Number, Review Group (using the arrow button to scroll through the list of available groups) and a description of the Routing Stop:

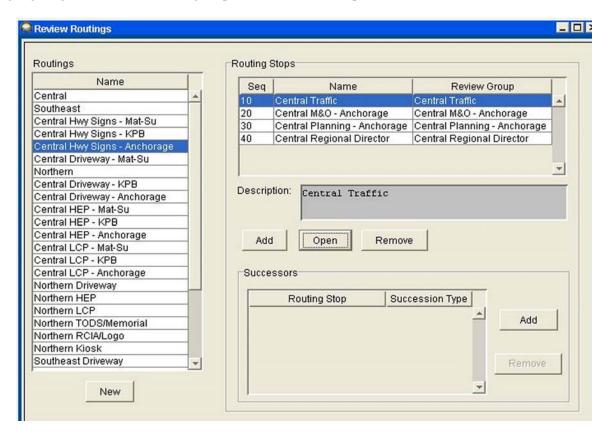


Click **OK** and the new Routing Stop information is added to the list.

Maintain Routings (continued)

When all new Routing Stops have been added, click the **Save** icon or choose **Yes** from the popup screen that appears if attempting to close the screen before saving changes.

Highlighting a name in the Routing Stops box activates the Open button:

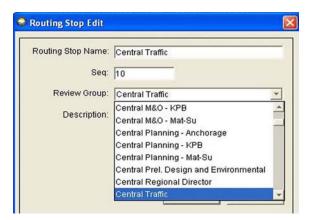


Clicking **Open** displays a screen that allows the permit officer to edit information regarding a Routing Stop:

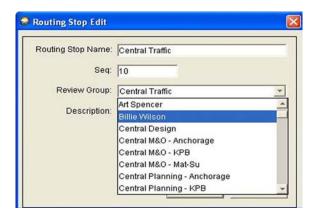


Maintain Routings (continued)

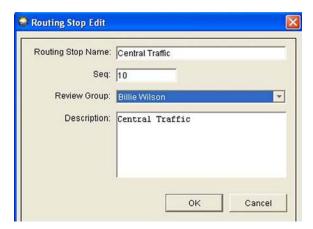
Clicking the arrow button beside the Review Group field displays a list of all Review Groups:



If a Review Group from this list is highlighted and clicked

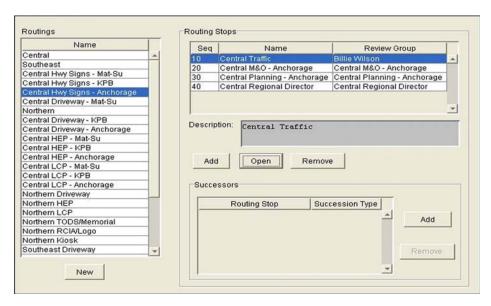


it changes the Review Group for this Routing Stop:

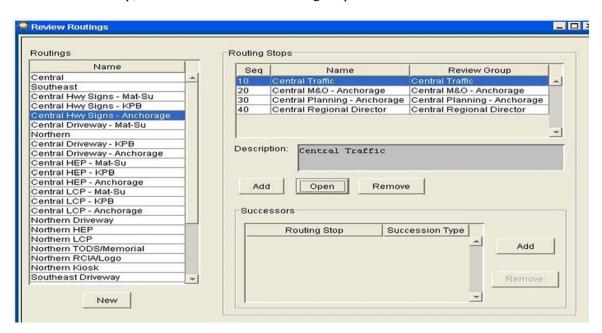


Maintain Routings (continued)

Click **OK** and the new Review Group is displayed for that Routing Stop (after closing the screen and reopening it)



To add a Successor Stop, click on a name in the Routing Stops box:

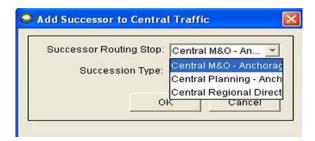


Maintain Routings (continued)

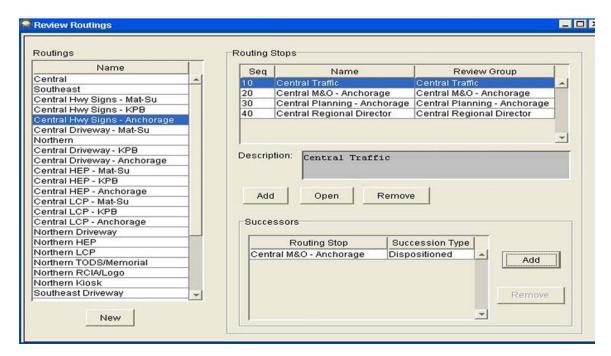
Clicking **Add** at the bottom of the screen next to the Succession Type field displays the following screen:



Clicking the arrow button beside Successor Routing Stop displays a list showing each Routing Stop that has been assigned:

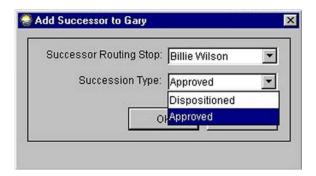


Highlighting one of the Successor Routing Stops and clicking **OK** adds the name to the Successors box as a successor to the name highlighted in the Routing Stops box, but the information is not displayed until the screen is closed and reopened:



Maintain Routings (continued)

When in the Add function, a dropdown field lists choices for Dispositioned or Approved:



Choosing "Dispositioned" allows every reviewer to see the application, based on routing. The status assigned to the application by a reviewer does not control the routing.

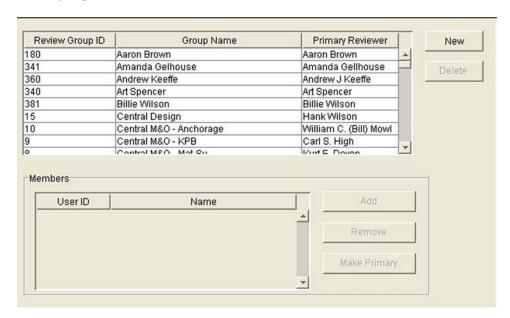
Choosing "Approved" prevents the application from going to the next reviewer unless the initial Reviewer has given it an "approved" ranking.

MAINTAIN REVIEW GROUPS

To add or remove a review group member, the permit officer chooses **Maintain** and **Review Groups** from the menu as shown here:



This displays a list of review groups by Review Group ID and Group Name, and it identifies the Primary Reviewer for each group:



The Primary Reviewer is the person who receives the e-mail notice that an application has been assigned to the review group. The review group may include one person or several people.

Maintain Review Groups (continued)

Clicking New displays a screen that allows the permit officer to add a new Review Group.



Enter the name:

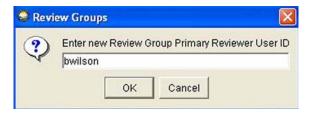


Click OK.

A new screen appears with a blank to enter the User ID for the Primary Reviewer of the review group:

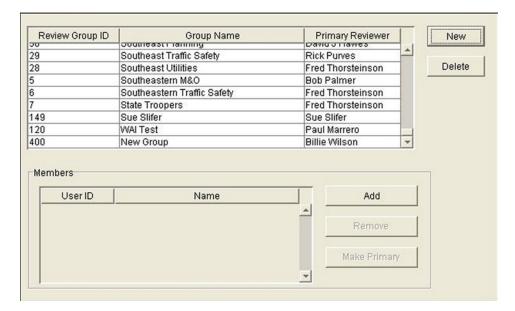


Enter the User ID:

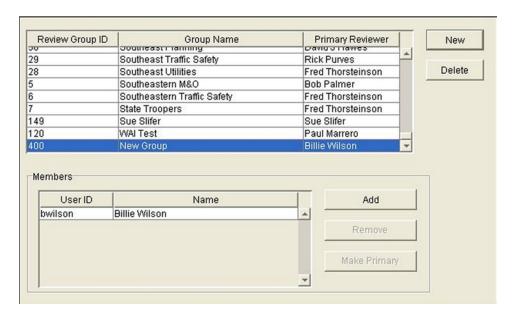


Maintain Review Groups (continued)

Click **OK** and the new review group will be added to the list, with the ID number assigned by the system:



Highlighting a review group lists the members of that group at the bottom of the screen:



When all new groups have been added, click the **Save** icon or choose **Yes** from the popup screen that appears if attempting to close the screen before saving changes.

Maintain Review Groups (continued)

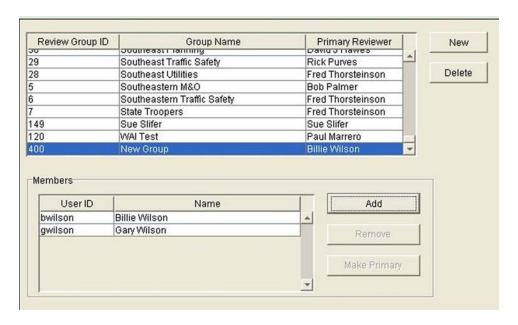
Highlighting a review group activates the Add button, allowing the permit officer to add new members to the group:



Enter the User ID for the new group member:



Click **OK** and the new review group member is added:



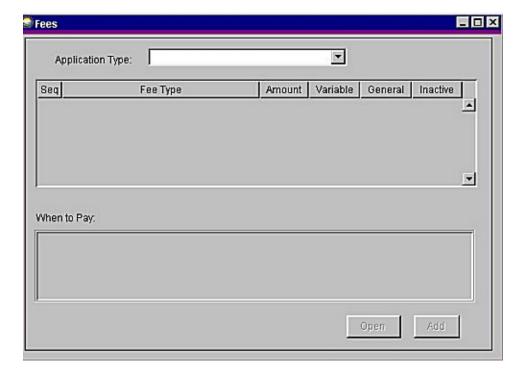
When all new group members have been added, click the **Save** icon or choose **Yes** from the popup screen that appears if attempting to close the screen before saving changes.

MAINTAIN FEES

To add or change a fee, the permit officer chooses **Maintain** and **Fees** from the menu as shown here:

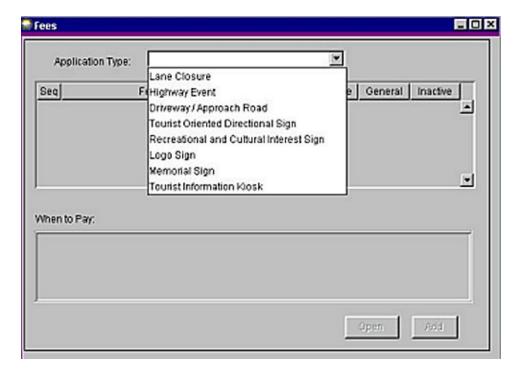


This displays a screen with a blank for choosing Application Type:



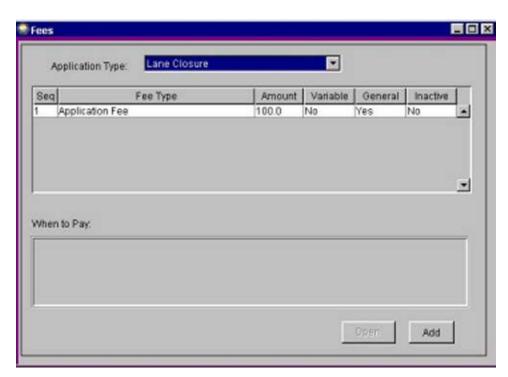
Maintain Fees (continued)

Clicking the arrow button displays a list of the eight types of permits:



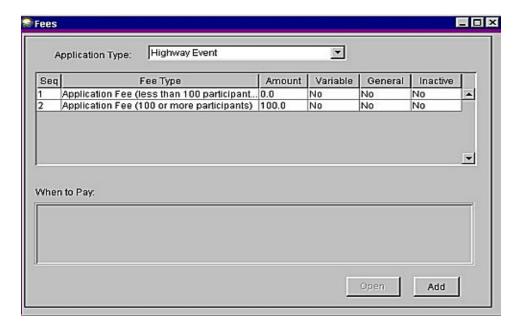
Clicking on one of the permit types displays the fee schedule for that permit. Screens for each permit type are shown below:

Lane Closure Permit

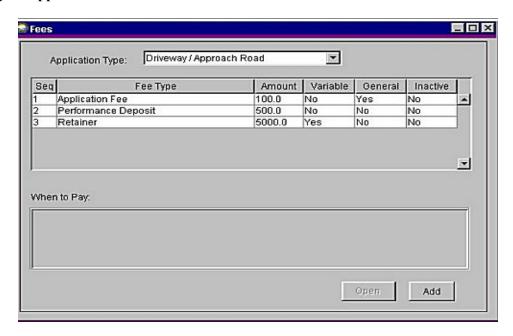


Maintain Fees (continued)

Highway Event Permit



Driveway or Approach Road Permit

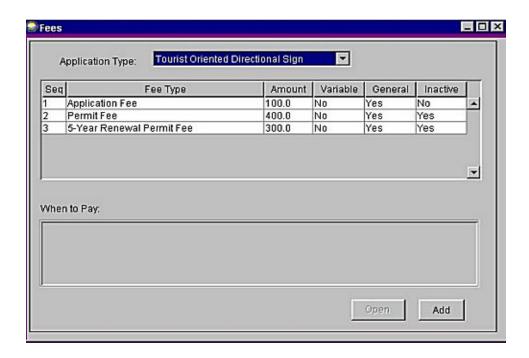


→ The Performance Deposit may be returned if the driveway is built to DOT&PF specifications.

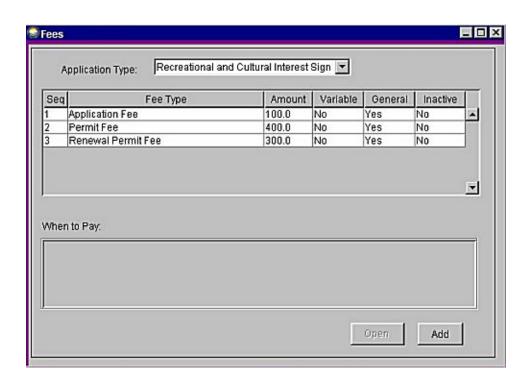
The Retainer Fee may be an amount up to \$5,000 for a commercial driveway, and staff review time may be charged against it.

Maintain Fees (continued)

TODS

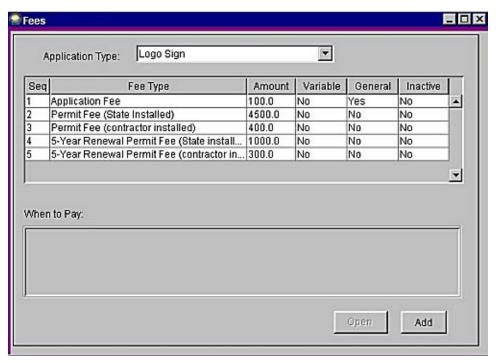


RCIA

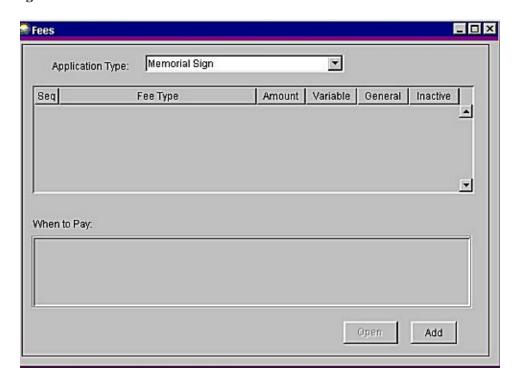


Maintain Fees (continued)

Logo Sign

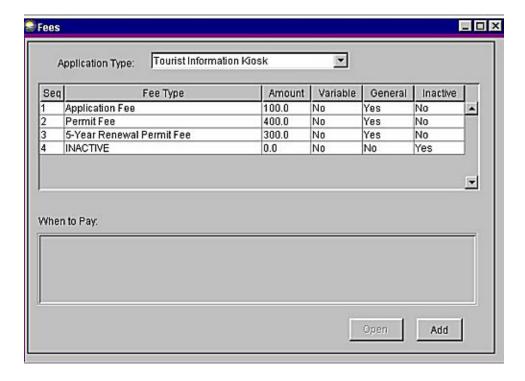


Memorial Sign



Maintain Fees (continued)

Tourist Information Kiosk

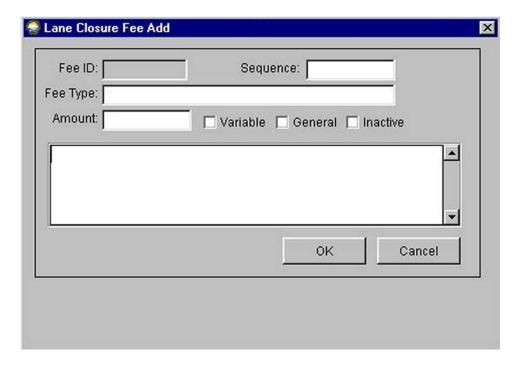


Selecting a permit type activates the **Add** button. The permit officer may now add fees to this type of permit.

⇒ Only a fee authorized by DOT&PF regulations may be added to any permit.

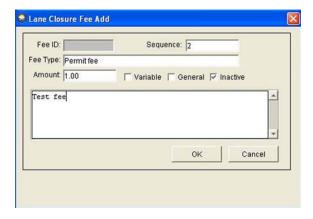
Maintain Fees (continued)

Clicking Add displays a screen where the Sequence Number, Fee Type, and Amount may be entered:



There are also checkboxes to denote whether the fee is Variable, General, or Inactive. The Sequence Number and Amount must be entered numerically.

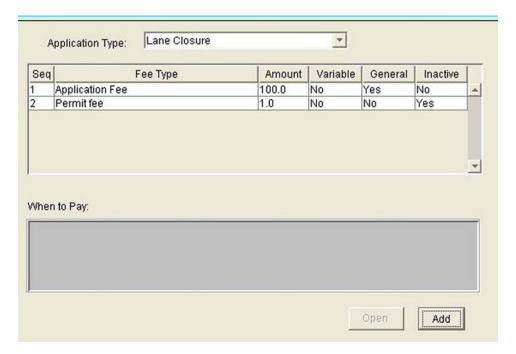
Fill in the fields:



Click OK.

Maintain Fees (continued)

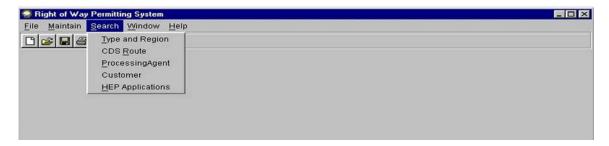
This adds the new fee to the list of fees for this type of permit:



When all fee changes have been made, click the **Save** icon or choose **Yes** from the popup screen that appears if attempting to close the screen before saving changes.

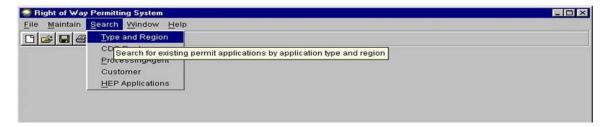
SEARCH

Clicking **Search** displays a new menu to search by Type and Region, CDS Route, Processing Agent, Customer, or HEP Applications (Highway Event Permit).

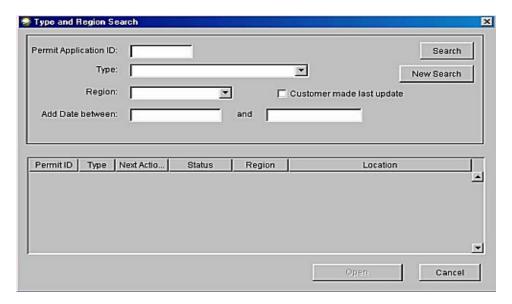


SEARCH BY TYPE AND REGION

Choose **Search** and **Type and Region** from the menu as shown here:

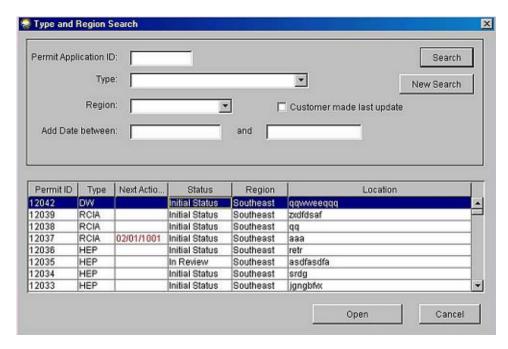


This displays a screen with several blank fields. The more fields that are filled in, the narrower the search.



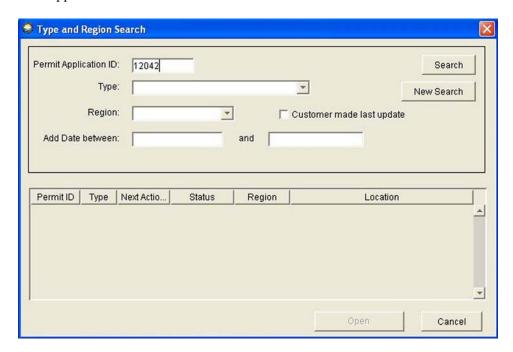
Search by Type and Region (continued)

Clicking **Search** without filling in any fields does a broad general search that displays the entire database in descending order. The top portion of an example is shown here:



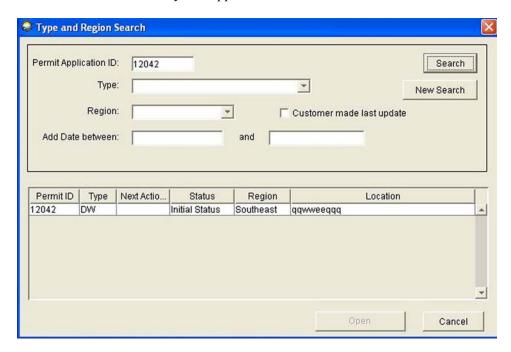
The permit officer or processing agent may scroll through this list to find the application desired.

Enter the Permit Application ID number:



Search by Type and Region (continued)

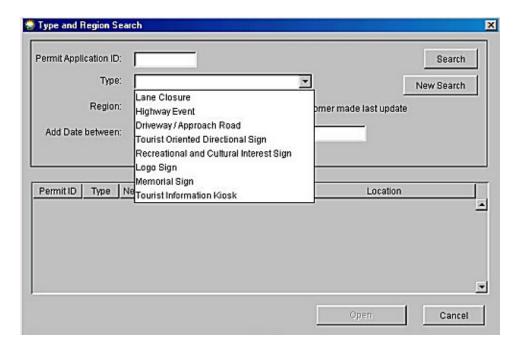
Click **Search** and the database lists only that application in the lower box:



Highlighting that application activates the **Open** button at the bottom of the screen, and the application may now be opened.

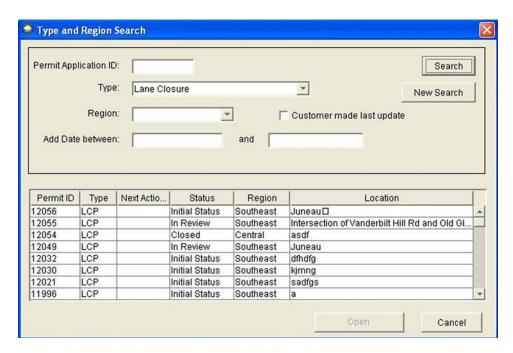
Click New Search and the boxes go blank again.

Clicking the arrow button beside **Type** displays a list by type of permit:

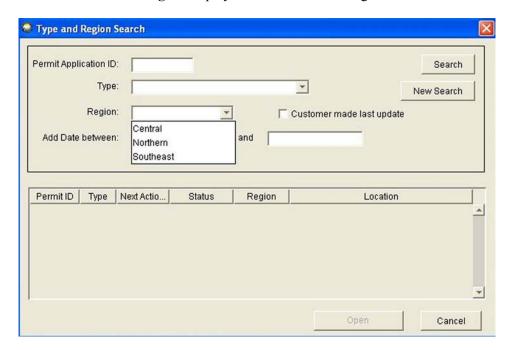


Search by Type and Region (continued)

Clicking any one of these displays the entire database for that type of permit, a portion of which is shown here:

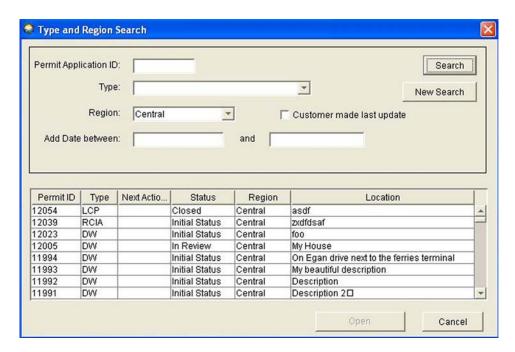


Clicking the arrow button beside **Region** displays a list of DOT&PF regions:

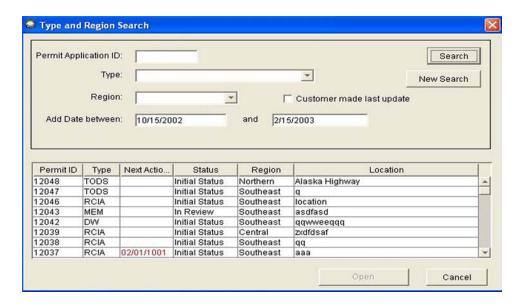


Search by Type and Region (continued)

Highlighting a region and clicking **Search** displays the database for that region, a portion of which is shown here:



If the approximate date of the application is known, entering a beginning date and an ending date that surround the approximate date narrows the search to only those applications contained between those dates.



The system will accept a date only if it is entered as MM/DD/YYYY, i.e. 01/24/2003. This format applies whenever a date field is provided.

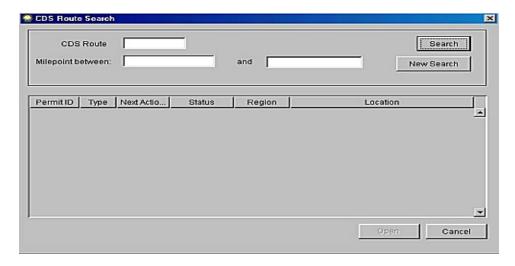
SEARCH BY CDS ROUTE

"CDS" refers to the Coordinated Data System. These route numbers may be found by using the following URL: http://www.dot.state.ak.us/stwdplng/highwaydata/index.html (which links to the Alaska Highway Data Web site maintained by the Highway Database Section of the Division of Statewide Planning). Click on the link "General Logs" and then choose the log for the appropriate region. (Not all roads listed on the CDS log are state roads.)

Click **Search** and **CDS Route** from the menu as shown here:



This displays a screen with three blank fields:



To use this function, enter the appropriate CDS route number.

Entering a route number and clicking **Search** displays all permits applied for along that route.

Filling out the mile point fields may narrow the search.

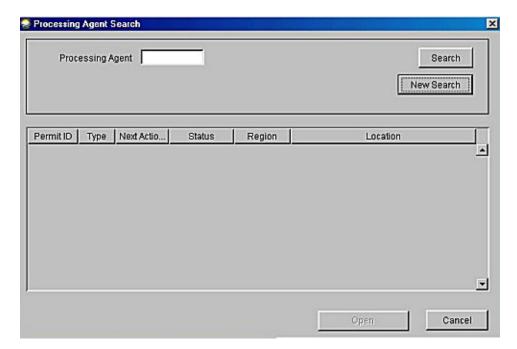
⇒ The ROWDyS system will only accept points between 0 and a number higher than 1.

SEARCH BY PROCESSING AGENT

To locate one or more applications assigned to a specific agent, choose **Search** and **Processing Agent** from the menu as shown here:

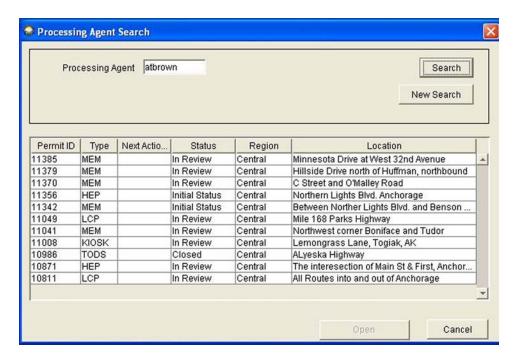


This displays a screen with a blank field for entering a processing agent's User ID:



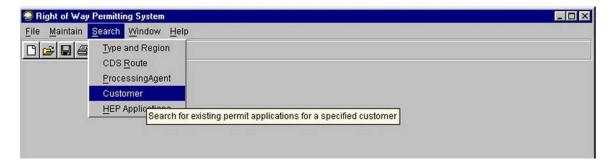
Search by Processing Agent (continued)

Enter the processing agent's User ID and click **Search**. This displays a list of all permits assigned to that agent. A portion of such a list is shown here:

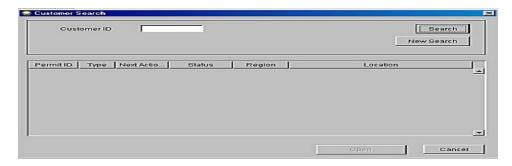


SEARCH BY CUSTOMER

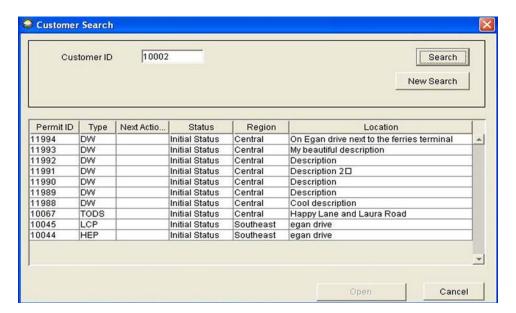
To locate an application for a specific customer, choose **Search** and **Customer** from the menu as shown here:



This displays a screen with a blank field for entering the Customer ID:



Enter **Customer ID** and click **Search** to find all permit applications submitted by that customer:

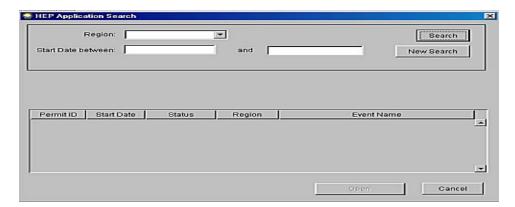


SEARCH BY HEP APPLICATIONS

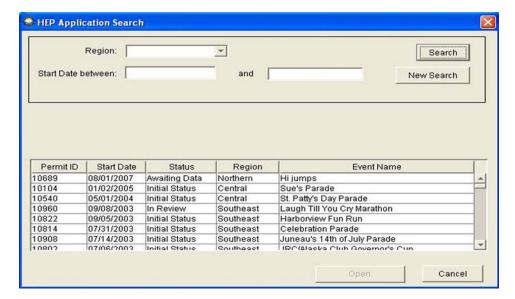
To locate a Highway Event Permit application, choose **Search** and **HEP Applications** from the menu as shown here:



This displays a screen with three blank fields:

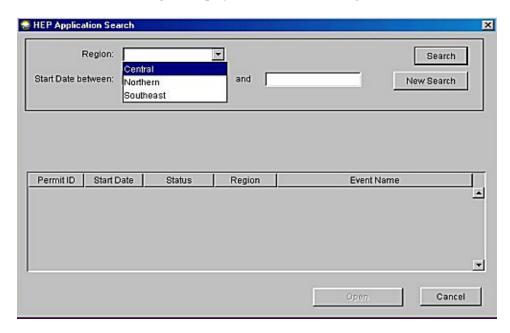


Clicking **Search** without filling in any fields displays the entire Highway Event Permit database, a portion of which is shown here:

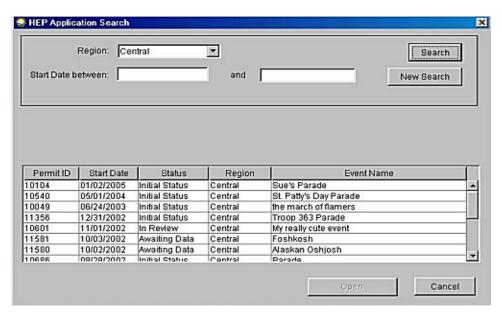


Search by HEP Applications (continued)

Clicking the arrow button beside **Region** displays a list of the three regions.



Clicking one of the regions and then clicking **Search** displays a list of all Highway Event Permit applications for that region, a portion of which is shown here.



Entering beginning and ending dates before clicking **Search** will narrow the search to that period. The system will accept a date only if it is entered as MM/DD/YYYY, i.e. 01/24/2003. This format applies whenever a date field is provided.

WINDOW

Several files may be opened within ROWDyS at the same time. The **Window** button allows toggling between all open files. For example, open an application through the **Search** function. Leave this file active (with or without minimizing the file), and open another file. If the first file was not minimized, both screens will now be displayed on the computer screen and can be accessed by clicking back and forth between them.

If one or more open files are minimized, click the **Window** button and a list of open files drops down to allow toggling between the files by clicking on the desired file:



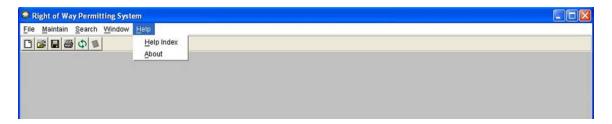
Open files are also identified at the bottom of the computer screen, and clicking on any one of them displays it:



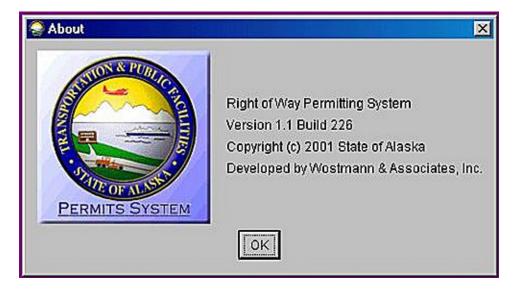
This function allows the permit officer or processing agent to obtain information for one file that is available in another, to compare information between files, etc.

HELP

The **Help** button displays two choices: the Help Index and About.



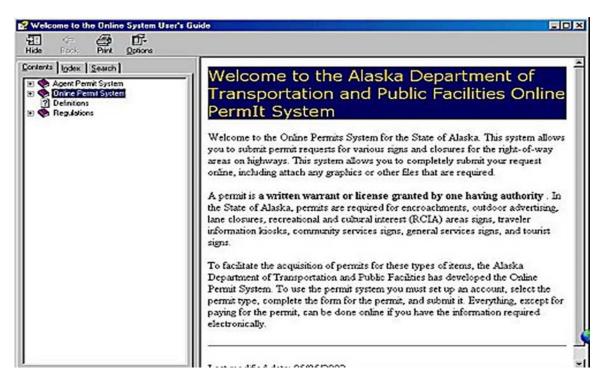
Clicking on **Help** and **About** displays the ROWDyS system developer's information.



Help (continued)

Clicking on **Help Index** displays the Welcome screen from the ROWDyS Web site with a menu on the left side of the screen that lists options for

- Agent Permit System
- Online Permit System
- Definitions
- Regulations.



Options with a plus sign on the far left include additional selections within that option.

For example, clicking on **Agent Permit System** opens a further breakdown showing options for

- Starting Agent Application
- Searching for an Customer
- Adding a new customer
- Adding a Contact

All of the Help sections are on DOT&PF's Web site and, except for Agent Permit System, are written to assist the customer as well as the permit officer, processing agent, or reviewer.

At the time this guide was created, the text of the Help section had not yet been updated to reflect various changes to some of the screens.

REVIEW AND ASSIGNMENT OF APPLICATION BY PERMIT OFFICER

When a new application is submitted from the ROWDyS website, the permit officer is automatically notified by e-mail. The e-mail includes the Application ID, Application Type, and Location.



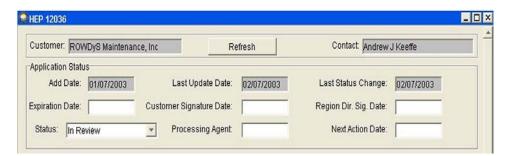
The permit officer logs (see page 5) in and locates the application (see page 18 or page 57).

All applications contain similar information in the top block, but are not identical. The following screens depict the top block for each type of permit:

Lane Closure Permit



Highway Event Permit



Review and Assignment of Application by Permit Officer (continued)

Driveway or Approach Road Permit



TODS



RCIA



Logo Sign

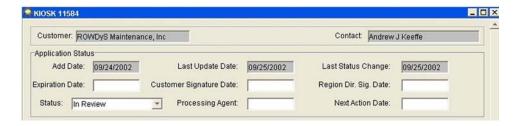


Memorial Sign



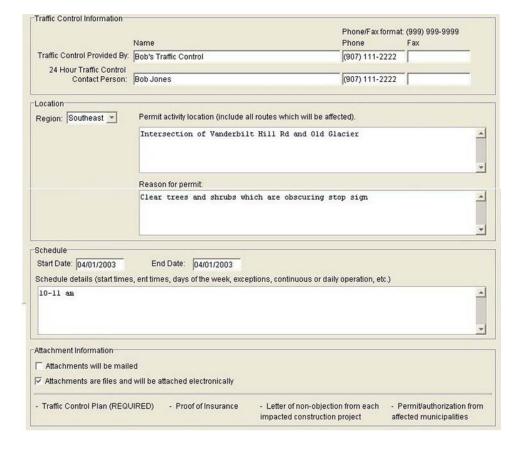
Review and Assignment of Application by Permit Officer (continued)

Tourist Information Kiosk



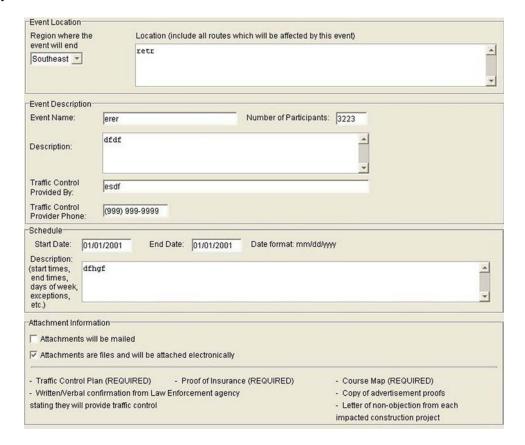
The middle blocks vary according to the required information for each type of permit as follows:

Lane Closure Permit



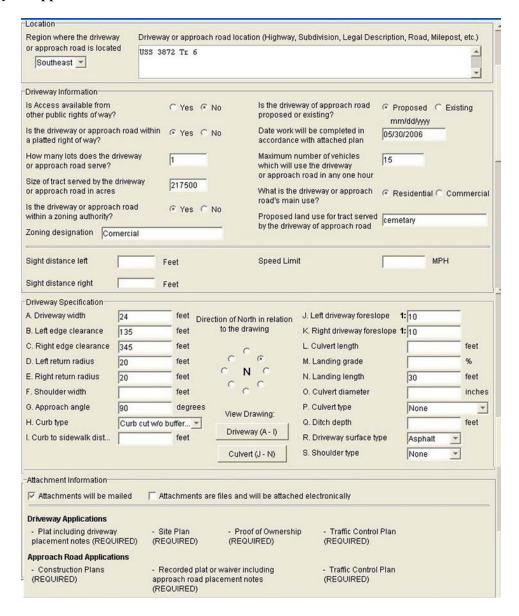
Review and Assignment of Application by Permit Officer (continued)

Highway Event Permit



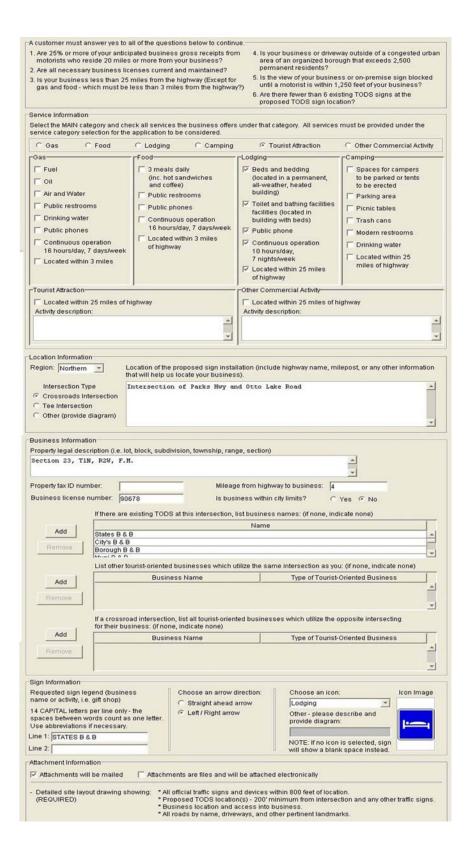
Review and Assignment of Application by Permit Officer (continued)

Driveway or Approach Road Permit



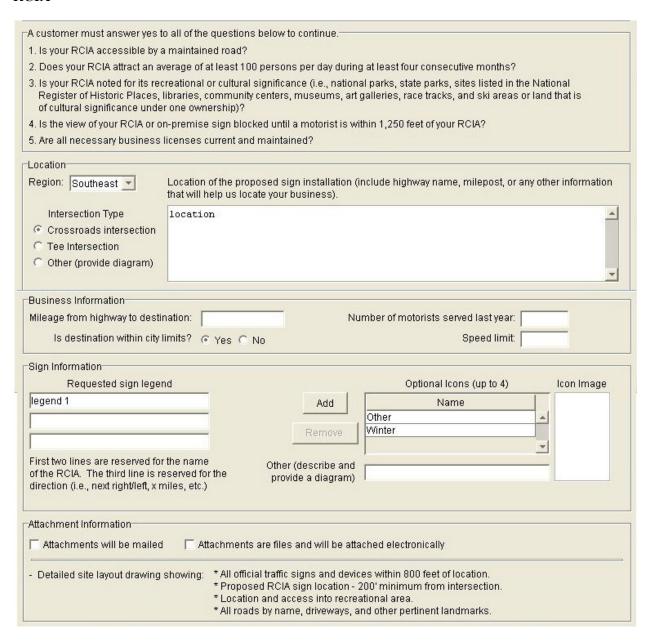
Review and Assignment of Application by Permit Officer (continued)

TODS



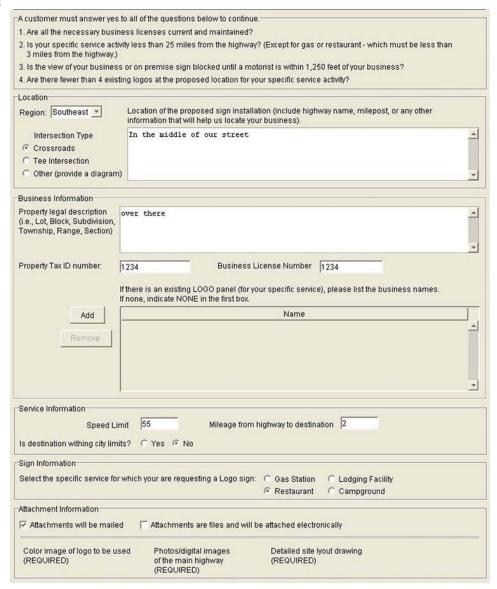
Review and Assignment of Application by Permit Officer (continued)

RCIA



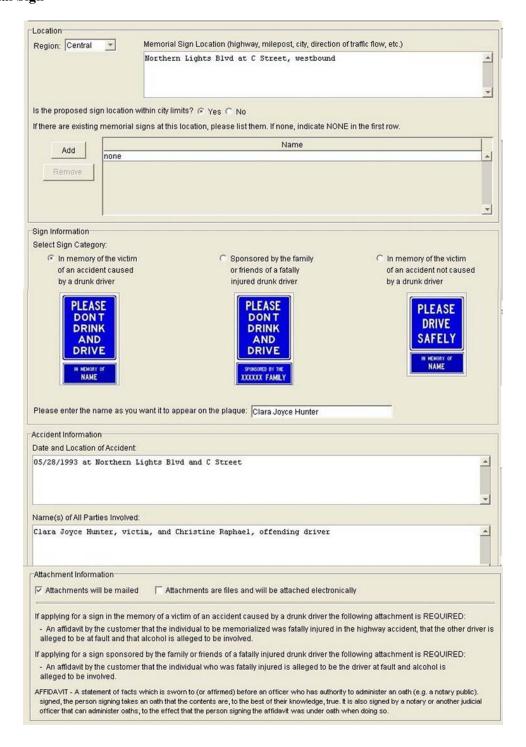
Review and Assignment of Application by Permit Officer (continued)

Logo Sign



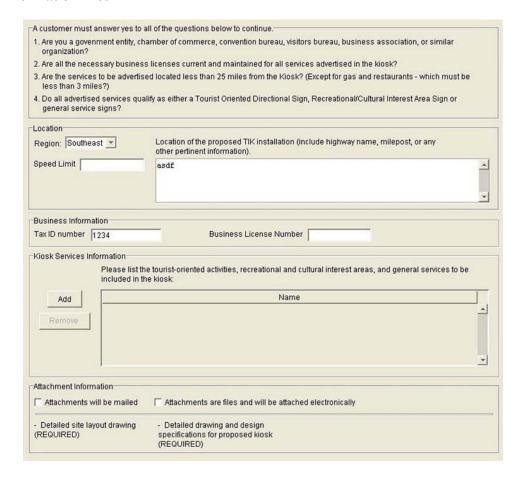
Review and Assignment of Application by Permit Officer (continued)

Memorial Sign

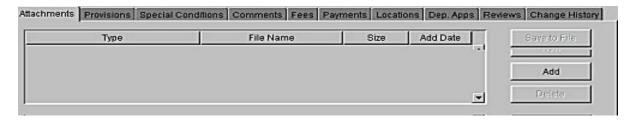


Review and Assignment of Application by Permit Officer (continued)

Tourist Information Kiosk



The final block is the same for all permits:



Each function in this final block is discussed beginning on page 85.

Review and Assignment of Application by Permit Officer (continued)

The permit officer reviews the application and decides which processing agent should be assigned to process the application.

The permit officer clicks on the processing agent field at the top of the application (see beginning on page 71 for examples), enters the processing agent's name in all lower case, then clicks Save.

The system automatically notifies the processing agent by e-mail of the assignment, with a copy of the e-mail to the permit officer:

Permits Application 12060 assigned to atbrown

Subject: Permits Application 12060 assigned to atbrown

From: paula_brault@dot.state.ak.us

To: aaron_brown@dot.state.ak.us, paula_brault@dot.state.ak.us

Lane Closure application 12060 assigned to Aaron Brown

The application is now ready for review by the processing agent (see page 82).

REVIEW OF APPLICATION BY PROCESSING AGENT

When notified of an assignment by e-mail, the Processing Agent logs in (see page 5) and locates the application (see page 18 or page 57).

Customer Andrew J	eefe Jr.	Contact A	Indrew J Keefle	,		
Application Status						
Add Date: 01/16/2	2003	Last Update Date:	01/16/2003	Last Status Ch	ange: 01/15/2003	
Expiration Date:	Cust	mer Signature Date:		Region Dir. Sig.	Date:	
Status: Tomat Status	-	Processing Agent		NectAction	Date:	
Location						
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other public rights of way?				proposed or existing? mm/dd/yyy		
is the driveway or approx a platted right of way?	ich road within	C Yes C No		will be completed in e with attached plan		
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Size of tract served by the or approach road in acre			What is the	e driveway or approach	← Residential ← Comm	
is the driveway or approa	ch road within	C Yes E No		will be completed in		
a platted right of way? How many lots does the	driveway	_	Maximum	e with attached plan number of vehicles		
or approach road serve? Size of tract served by the			or approac	use the driveway h road in any one hour		
or approach road in acre is the driveway or approa	ch road	C Yes C No	What is the road's mai	driveway or approach in use?	€ Residential C Comm	
within a zoning authority? Zoning designation				land use for tract served eway of approach road		
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The processing agent reviews the application for completeness, and determines whether one or more attachments are required.

If the box (near the bottom of the screen) beside Attachments will be mailed is checked, the processing agent clicks the arrow button beside Status (near the top of the screen—see next page for drop-down Status menu) and then clicks Awaiting Data.

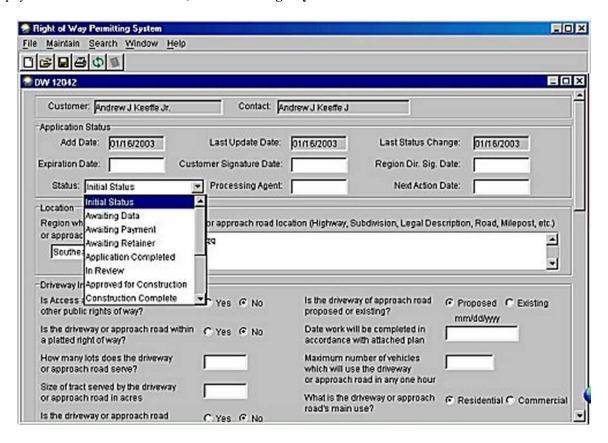
If the box (near the bottom of the screen) beside Attachments are files and will be attached electronically is checked, the processing agent can click on an attachment to view it.

If the processing agent makes any changes to this screen (such as clicking Awaiting Data), the agent should:

Click the **Save** icon or choose **Yes** from the popup screen that appears if attempting to close the screen before saving changes.

Review of Application by Processing Agent (continued)

If payment has not been received, click Awaiting Payment.



If the processing agent has selected **Awaiting Data** and/or **Awaiting Payment**, the application will be pending until these requirements are met.

Click the **Save** icon or choose **Yes** from the popup screen that appears if attempting to close the screen before saving changes.

Review of Application by Processing Agent (continued)

When the attachments and payments are received, the processing agent may advance the application by clicking the arrow button beside **Status** and selecting **In Review**.

Click the **Save** icon or choose **Yes** from the popup screen that appears if attempting to close the screen before saving changes.

If the processing agent scrolls to the information block at the bottom of the application, the following tabs are listed across the screen:

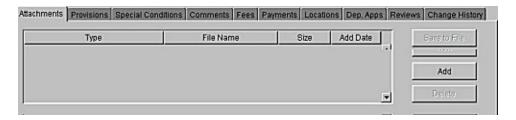
- Attachments
- Provisions
- Special Conditions
- Comments
- Fees
- Payments
- Locations
- Dep. Apps (Dependant Applications)
- Reviews
- Change History

This is the area where the processing agent does the majority of work on the application.

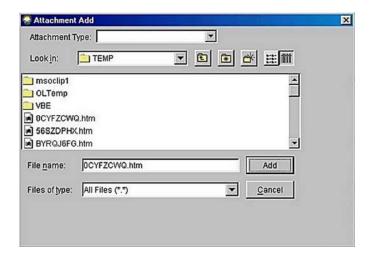
Review of Application by Processing Agent (continued)

Attachments Tab

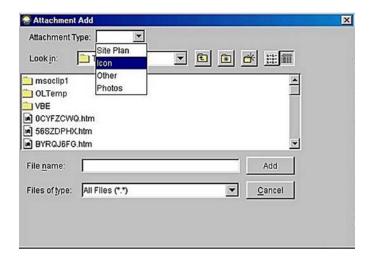
Clicking the **Attachments** tab displays the following screen:



Clicking **Add** displays the following screen:



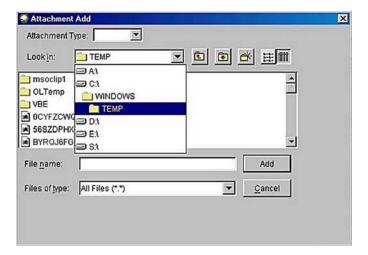
Clicking the arrow button beside **Attachment Type** displays a list appropriate for the permit type:



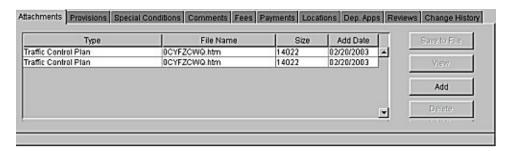
Review of Application by Processing Agent (continued)

Attachments Tab (continued)

Click the type of attachment sought and then click the arrow button beside **Look in** to locate the folder that contains the file to be attached:



When the correct file has been highlighted, click **Add** and the file is attached to the application and is displayed at the bottom of the application when the **Attachments** tab is clicked:



Click the **Save** icon or choose **Yes** from the popup screen that appears if attempting to close the screen before saving changes.

Review of Application by Processing Agent (continued)

Provisions Tab

Clicking the **Provisions** tab displays two windows: a list of assigned provisions and a list of unassigned provisions:



The assigned provisions are the default General Provisions that have been developed for each type of permit, and that are automatically assigned to that permit type.

The unassigned provisions are Special Provisions, one or more of which may be made applicable to a specific permit, but would not always be appropriate for every permit of this type.

Clicking on a provision displays the wording of the provision in the box below the list. It also activates the double-arrow button between the boxes.

Clicking on a provision in either list and then clicking the double-arrow button between the lists moves the provision to the other list.

When a provision is moved, it retains the screen designation "General, Yes" or "General, No" but is added or deleted from the permit.

If a change is made while in Provisions, the Save icon <u>must be clicked</u> to retain those changes since there is no popup box with this aspect of the program. If the screen is closed without saving, the change will not be made.

Review of Application by Processing Agent (continued)

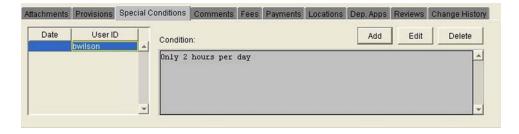
Special Conditions Tab

Special conditions are conditions that are made applicable to a specific permit for unique circumstances not covered by the General Provisions or the Special Provisions. Special Conditions are written and assigned to a permit, either by a processing agent using the Special Conditions Tab (or by a reviewer using the block provided on the application in the Reviewer Display screen).

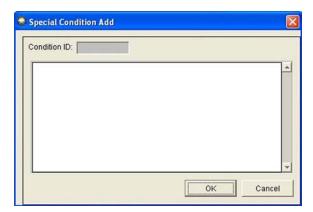
Clicking the **Special Conditions** tab displays a two-part screen:



If a reviewer has assigned a Special Condition to this permit, the reviewer's User ID will be displayed. Clicking on the User ID displays the text of the Special Condition:



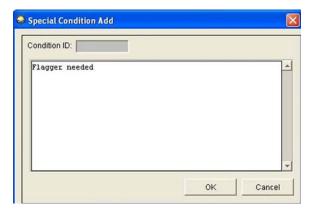
If the processing agent wants to add a Special Condition, clicking **Add** displays the following screen:



Review of Application by Processing Agent (continued)

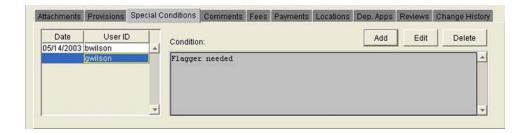
Special Conditions Tab (continued)

Enter each Special Condition to be added:



Click OK.

This returns the processing agent to the previous Special Conditions screen. The date and the agent's User ID will be listed on the left. Clicking the agent's User ID displays on the right the condition that was added.

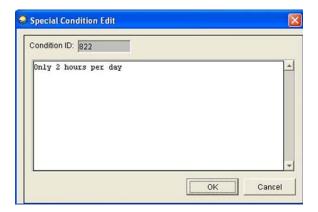


Highlighting the User ID of the agent who added a Special Condition, and then clicking **Delete** removes the User ID of that agent and the Special Condition that was added by the agent.

Review of Application by Processing Agent (continued)

Special Conditions Tab (continued)

Clicking **Edit** displays the screen where the text of the Special Condition was added, allowing that text to be edited.



After the processing agent has entered, edited, and/or deleted any Special Conditions, as necessary,

Click the **Save** icon or choose **Yes** from the popup screen that appears if attempting to close the screen before saving changes.

Review of Application by Processing Agent (continued)

Comments Tab

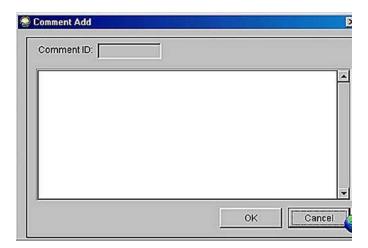
Clicking the **Comments** tab displays the following screen:



This screen is for notes or reminders such as "Sent to Agent X on 3/12." It can be used as an ongoing log of progress on the application.

This screen is available only to permit officers and processing agents.

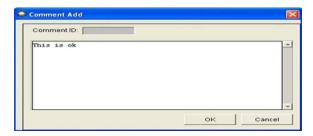
Clicking **Add** displays the following screen:



Review of Application by Processing Agent (continued)

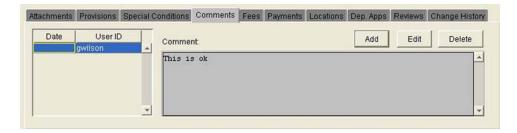
Comments Tab (continued)

The permit officer or processing agent may enter comments specific to this application:



Clicking **OK** displays the previous Comments screen.

Highlighting the name displays the comments:



Clicking **Edit** allows the permit officer or processing agent to edit the comments.

Clicking Delete allows the permit officer or processing agent to delete the comments.

Click the **Save** icon or choose **Yes** from the popup screen that appears if attempting to close the screen before saving changes.

Review of Application by Processing Agent (continued)

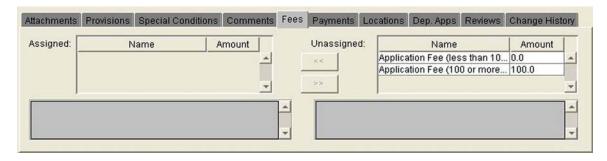
Fees Tab

Clicking the **Fees** tab displays a screen that shows Assigned and Unassigned fees. Assigned fees are those appropriate for the type of permit involved. The following screens display the fee screen for each type of permit:

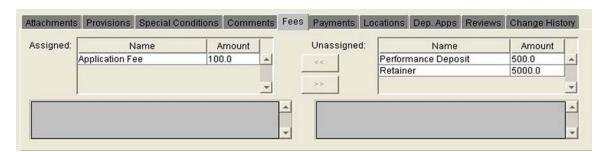
Lane Closure Permit



Highway Event Permit



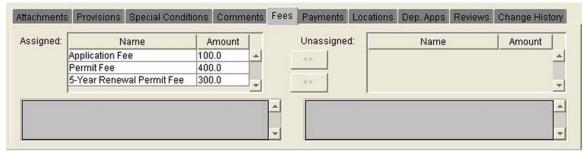
Driveway or Approach Road Permit



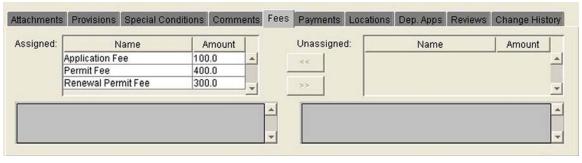
Review of Application by Processing Agent (continued)

Fees Tab (continued)

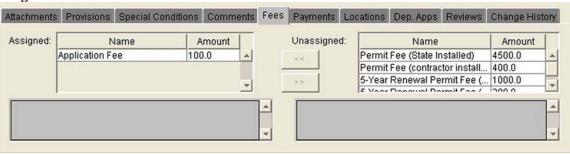
TODS



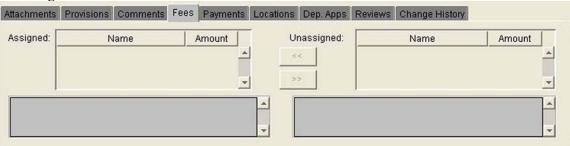
RCIA



Logo Sign



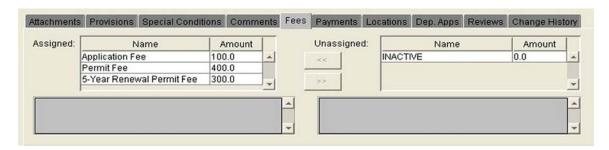
Memorial Sign



Review of Application by Processing Agent (continued)

Fees Tab (continued)

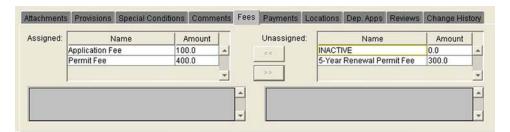
Tourist Information Kiosk



The fee amount cannot be changed, but by highlighting a fee and then clicking the bottom double-arrow button,



the fee can be moved to Unassigned so that it will not be applied to a specific permit.



A fee might be moved for a permit with one or more fees in addition to the application fee. For example, there may be a permit fee that is due when the permit is approved and/or there may be a renewal fee due on the renewal anniversary. These can be moved to Unassigned until they are due. They can also be moved to Unassigned if the fee is being waived.

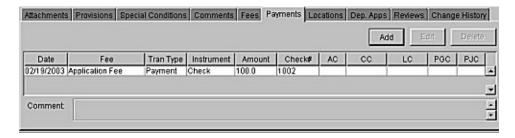
Highlighting the fee in Unassigned and clicking on the upper double arrow button moves the fee back to Assigned.

Click the **Save** icon or choose **Yes** from the popup screen that appears if attempting to close the screen before saving changes.

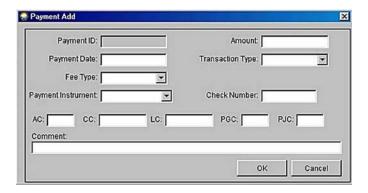
Review of Application by Processing Agent (continued)

Payments Tab

Clicking the **Payments** tab displays the date of a payment, what it was for, how it was paid, the amount and the check number. There are also accounting code fields to indicate how to distribute the payment.



Clicking **Add** displays a screen with blank fields for entering the payment information:



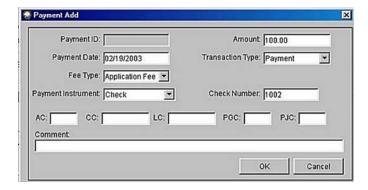
Every field is a required field, except for check number and the account code fields.

Review of Application by Processing Agent (continued)

Payments Tab (continued)

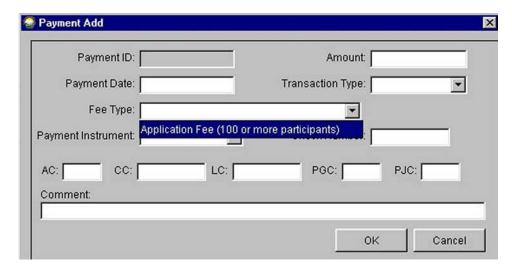
Clicking the arrow button beside **Fee Type** drops down a menu showing applicable fees.

The only Fee Type displayed for a Lane Closure, Driveway or Approach Road, and Logo Sign application is the Application Fee. For example:



The screens showing Fee Type for a Highway Event Permit, TODS, RCIA, and Tourist Information Kiosk are as follows:

Highway Event Permit



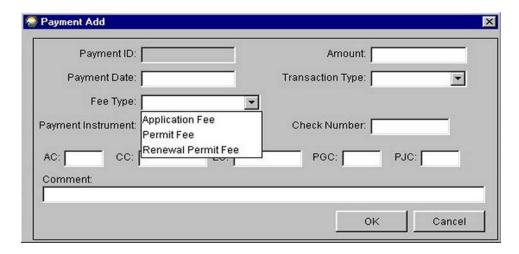
Review of Application by Processing Agent (continued)

Payments Tab (continued)

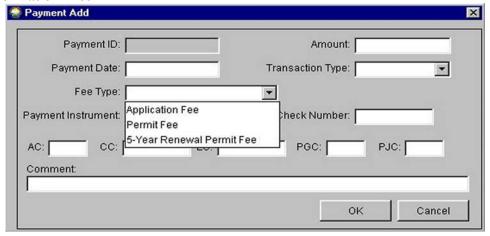
TODS



RCIA



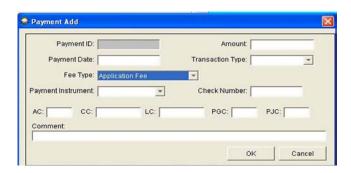
Tourist Information Kiosk



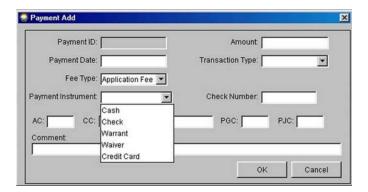
Review of Application by Processing Agent (continued)

Payments Tab (continued)

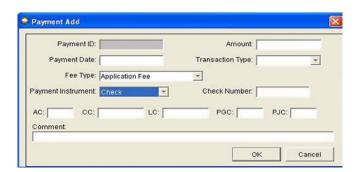
Clicking on a fee in the drop-down menu highlights it and enters it into the Fee Type field:



Clicking the arrow button beside **Payment Instrument** drops down a menu with methods of making the payment:



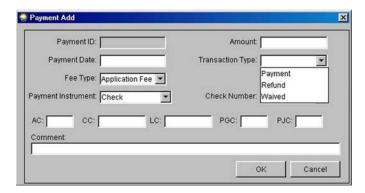
Clicking the type of payment highlights it and enters it into the field:



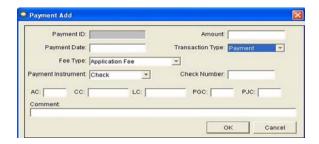
Review of Application by Processing Agent (continued)

Payments Tab (continued)

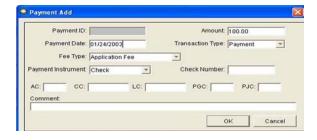
Clicking the arrow button beside **Transaction Type** drops a menu containing options to describe what the payment is for:



Clicking the appropriate type highlights it and enters it into the field:



Enter the amount of the payment:

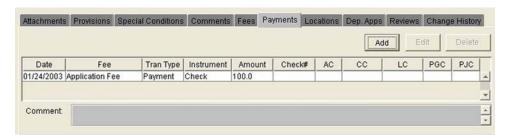


Entering the amount in the appropriate accounting code field does not automatically handle the coding. Notify DOT&PF's Finance Section that a payment has been received and what account it should be sent to (either write the coding on the check itself or make a copy of the check and write the coding on the copy before sending the check to Finance).

Review of Application by Processing Agent (continued)

Payments Tab (continued)

After entering all the information, clicking **OK** returns the payment screen with the information entered:



Highlighting the entry activates the Edit and Delete buttons for such actions, if necessary.

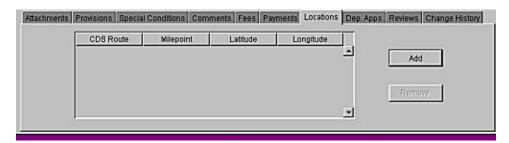
Click the **Save** icon or choose **Yes** from the popup screen that appears if attempting to close the screen before saving changes.

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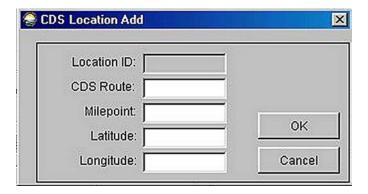
Review of Application by Processing Agent (continued)

Locations Tab

Clicking the Locations Tab displays the following screen:



Clicking **Add** displays a Location ID screen with fields for CDS Route, Milepoint, Latitude, and Longitude:



The CDS Route and the Milepoint fields must be entered in numeric form.

⇒ Both of these fields must be completed for either of them to be accepted.

Latitude must be entered as dd-mm-ss (degrees/minutes/seconds).

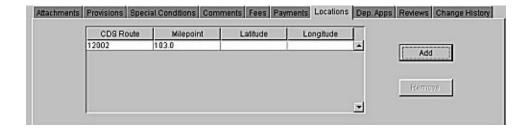
Longitude must be in format ddd-mm-ss (degrees/minutes/seconds).

The CDS Route and Milepoint may be accepted without entering Latitude and Longitude, but for Latitude and Longitude to be accepted, both must be entered with the CDS Route and Milepoint.

Review of Application by Processing Agent (continued)

Locations Tab (continued)

Clicking **OK** returns the Location screen with the information added:



Highlighting this information activates the Remove button. Clicking **Remove** deletes the location information.

Click the **Save** icon or choose **Yes** from the popup screen that appears if attempting to close the screen before saving changes.

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Dependent Applications Tab

Clicking the **Dep Apps** (Dependent Applications) tab displays a list of any other application that must be approved before the current application can be approved



The ROWDyS system currently includes only one <u>automatic</u> notification for a Dependent Application. If a customer applies for a Highway Event Permit and does not check the box that states "Check here if the traffic control provider is a law enforcement agency," the customer is automatically led to fill out a Lane Closure permit application upon which the Highway Event Permit will then be dependent before it can be approved. If the processing agent completes the application on the customer's behalf, and learns that traffic control is not provided by a law enforcement agency, the agent advises the customer that a Lane Closure Permit is required and adds it as a Dependent Application in the manner described below. Dependent Applications for any other permit type must be added by the processing agent after informing the customer. For example, a contractor applying for a Lane Closure permit to install a portion of a wastewater system would also need to provide a copy of a utility permit to install the pipes in the right-of-way. The agent would call and tell the customer that the Lane Closure permit application cannot be approved until the agent reviews a copy of the utility permit.

Dependent Applications are added as described below.

Review of Application by Processing Agent (continued)

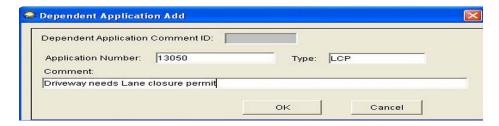
Dependent Applications (continued)

Clicking **Add** displays a screen with blank fields that allow adding a Dependent Application. This requires entering the Application Number, the application Type, and Comments:



Because the Application Number will not be known until after the system assigns that number, it may be necessary to complete this after notifying the customer and receiving notice of the completed application.

The Application Number and the Type are both required fields:



Clicking **OK** returns the Dependent Applications screen with the information added.



Review of Application by Processing Agent (continued)

Dependent Applications (continued)

Highlighting this information activates the **Edit** and **Delete** functions:



Clicking **Edit** returns the Dependent Applications screen where the information may be modified:

Clicking **Delete** removes the information.

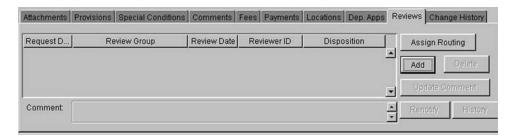
Click the **Save** icon or choose **Yes** from the popup screen that appears if attempting to close the screen before saving changes.

Review of Application by Processing Agent (continued)

Reviews Tab

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Clicking the Reviews Tab displays the following screen – if the application is in review status.



This function allows the processing agent to assign an application to one or more appropriate Routings (the Assign Routing button) or to assign it to one or more Review Groups (the Add button).

Clicking **Assign Routing** displays a statewide list of all established Routings that may be assigned to review a particular application, as appropriate.



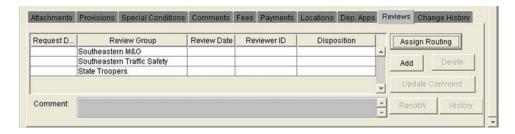
Review of Application by Processing Agent (continued)

Reviews Tab (continued)

Highlighting a Routing and then clicking **OK** displays the following screen with a blank field for entering appropriate e-mail text for the review group that was just assigned:



After entering e-mail text, clicking **OK** returns the Reviews screen with the selected Routing that lists the review groups that are within that Routing:



Clicking the **Add** button displays the following screen that allows the processing agent to add a review group:



Review of Application by Processing Agent (continued)

Reviews Tab (continued)

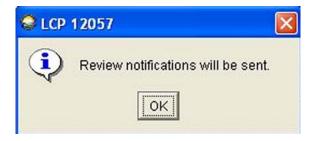
Highlighting a group and then clicking **OK** displays the following screen with a blank field for entering appropriate e-mail text for the review group that was just assigned:



Clicking **OK** returns the Reviews Tab screen with the new name displayed.

Click the **Save** icon or choose **Yes** from the popup screen that appears if attempting to close the screen before saving changes.

After saving the changes, a popup screen appears stating that the notification will be sent:



An e-mail notifies the primary reviewer for the review group that an application has been assigned for review (see page 114).

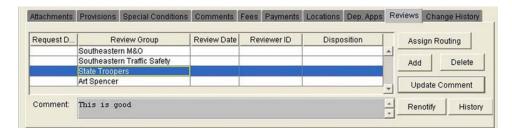
After closing and reopening the screen, the system displays the request dates and the disposition for each review group:



Review of Application by Processing Agent (continued)

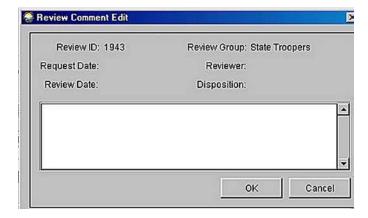
Reviews Tab (continued)

Clicking the Reviews tab after an application has been circulated displays all review groups. Highlighting a review group displays in the comments block any comments made by that group.



A review group can be deleted, comments can be updated, or a review group can be renotified.

Clicking **Update Comments** displays the following screen where comments may be modified.



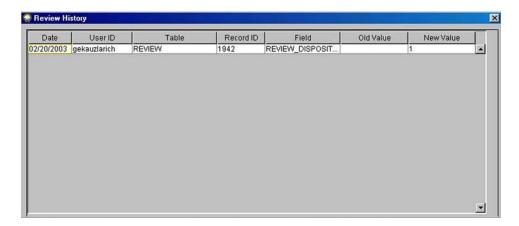
Clicking **Renotify** displays a screen for entering e-mail text:



Review of Application by Processing Agent (continued)

Reviews Tab (continued)

Clicking the **History** button displays a screen showing all reviews that have been made on the application.



When work with the Reviews tab is finished:

Click the **Save** icon or choose **Yes** from the popup screen that appears if attempting to close the screen before saving changes.

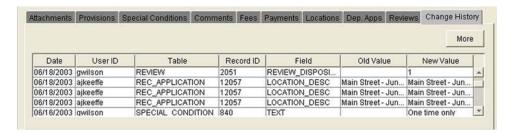
The processing agent monitors progress on an application to ensure that timely reviews are being made and to determine whether action is needed on any comments made by a review group.

Review of Application by Processing Agent (continued)

Change History Tab

The title of this tab could be misleading. It really means "history of changes made" rather than a function that allows the history to be changed.

Clicking the **Change History** tab displays the following screen, a portion of which is shown here:



This screen lists everything that has been entered in any screen by anyone for this application. The information shown on this screen is automatically entered by the system when an entry is made to any of the other screens. It even lists information that has been deleted, including when and by whom that was done.

REVIEW OF APPLICATION BY REVIEW GROUPS

When the processing agent assigns an application for review, the primary reviewer is automatically notified by e-mail:

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Subject: Permits System Review Request - Application 10921
From: aaron_brown@dot.state.ak.us
To: paula_brault@dot.state.ak.us

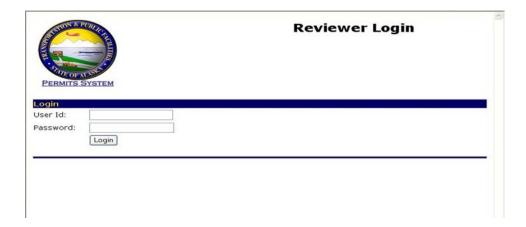
Please review the permit application at https://www.dot.state.ak.us/row/RecApplicationReview.po?ApplicationId=10921&ReviewId or have another member of the Paula S. Brault review group review it. You have received this message because you are the primary reviewer for the review group. Members of the Paula S. Brault review group are:
Paula S Brault (907) 269-0696 paula_brault@dot.state.ak.us

Thank you for you help with this permit application.

Aaron Brown (907) 269-0348
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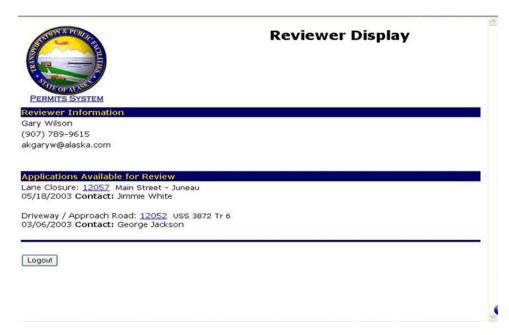
The primary reviewer then forwards the e-mail to each reviewer in the group. Each reviewer reviews it for acceptability according to their area of expertise, and comments on its acceptability or unacceptability.

⇒ A hyperlink to the Reviewer Login screen is included in the message:



Review of Application by Review Groups (continued)

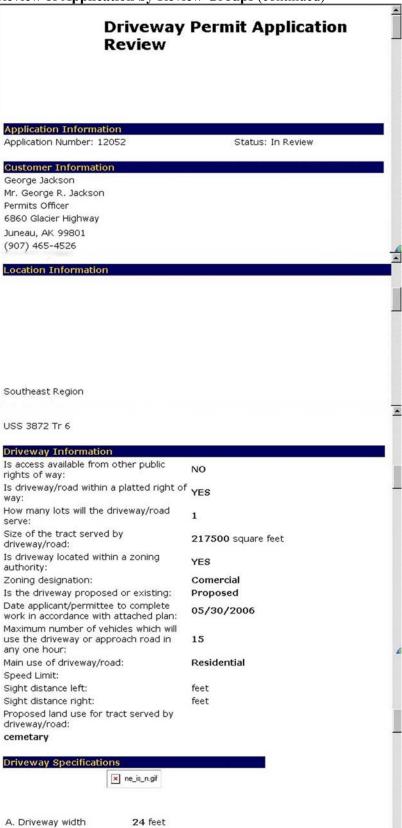
Logging in displays the Reviewer Display screen. If the reviewer has been assigned one or more applications to review, the information for each pending application is listed:



By clicking on one of the applications listed, a new screen opens with the complete application (split into three pages).

→ IMPORTANT NOTE: If the reviewer clicks **Logout** at the bottom of the application (rather than the Logout button shown here), the only way the reviewer can access that application again is through the original e-mail notification.

Review of Application by Review Groups (continued)



The first portion of the application is information supplied by the customer, including attachments. B. Left edge clearance
C. Right edge clearance
D. Left return radius
E. Right return radius
20 feet
20 feet

F. Shoulder width

G. Approach angle 90 degrees

H. Curb type Curb cut w/o buffer zone

I. Curb to sidewalk distance

Driveway profile view

J. Left culvert foreslope 1: 10 K. Right culvert foreslope 1: 10

L. Culvert length

M. Landing grade 0.0 percent N. Landing length 30 feet

O. Culvert diameter

P. Culvert type None
Q. Ditch depth
R. Driveway surface type Asphalt
S. Shoulder type None

Attachments

04/24/2003 Site Plan <u>0CYFZCWQ.htm</u> (13.69 KB)

Provisions

This permit is not a property right but a temporary authorization, revocable by the State. (17 AAC 10.020 and 10.040)

If you damage any improvements within the State owned right of way, you will be responsible for returning them to their previous condition. The Department will inspect and approve the restored improvements. (17 AAC 10.065)

Permittee shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the State, and its officers, employees, and contractors, from any and all claims or actions resulting from injury, death, loss, or damage sustained by any person or personal property resulting directly or indirectly from Permittee's use of or activities in the permitted area.

If driveway construction interferes with the public's safety and/or use of facilities within State owned right of way, you will be directed to stop work until adjustments are made.

A copy of this permit must be on site. If any of the conditions of this permit are violated, the State reserves the right to require the removal of all activities from the area.

The Permit grants permission for driveway construction only, allowing access to and from your property onto a State maintained highway. It does not permit the following within the right of way or within that portion of a driveway that is within the right of way: (1) Parking of vehicles "for sale"; (2) Obstructions of any kind (i.e. logs, cables, fencing, etc.); (3) Advertising signs or banners/flags; (4) Parking vehicles with signs/advertising on the side.

Do not park equipment or stockpile material on the shoulder during non-working hours.

Permittee is responsible for sight distance clearing of brush and obstructions.

Driveway landings must be paved from pavement edge on all paved roads unless deemed otherwise by the State.

Please contact the Department for information about acceptable driveway markers (i.e., size, materials, distance, etc.) for placement within the right of way.

The State will not change its maintenance practices to accommodate your driveway or incur additional expense to clear snow berms or other obstacles resulting from the Department's activities.

You may not push or otherwise deposit snow or ice onto a highway in a manner, or in quantities, which may constitute a hazard to snow removal equipment or other traffic. (13 AAC 02.530)

This is followed by the General Provisions or Special Provisions applied to this application, as well as any Special Conditions that may have been assigned by the Processing Agent or another Reviewer. (Special Conditions are conditions that are made applicable to a specific permit for unique circumstances not already covered by the General Provisions or the Special Provisions.)

Implement the traffic control plan and maintain traffic control devices in accordance with the Alaska Traffic Manual and any provisions and conditions noted.

All sign layouts shall conform to the Alaska Sign Design Specifications.

Fabricate special signs from engineering grade reflective sheeting on either sheet aluminum or plywood panels.

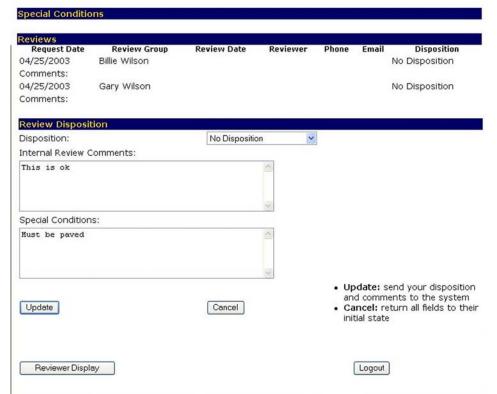
Adjust sign locations in the field to provide adequate separation from existing signs. All signs shall be visible.

Traffic control devices are not required for construction more than 2 feet behind curb, or farther than 15 feet beyond the shoulder.

Remove all traffic control devices when no longer needed.

Clean up litter or debris generated as a result of this driveway construction.

An inspection is required prior to reimbursement of your performance deposit. Please contact the Department for an inspection appointment after final construction of your driveway.



At the bottom of the form is a field for Internal Review Comments, where the reviewer types in any comments applicable to the application. It also includes a field for adding any Special Conditions that the reviewer believes should be assigned.

Review of Application by Review Groups (continued)

After any comments or conditions have been entered, the reviewer can return to the Disposition field and choose from the following menu options:



Highlighting an option returns the Review Disposition screen:



Clicking **Reset** clears the comments and conditions.

Clicking **Update** attaches the comments and conditions to the application and removes the application from the Reviewer's Display Screen.

⇒ IMPORTANT NOTE: If the Reviewer clicks Logout at the bottom of the application, the reviewer cannot access that application again except through the original e-mail notification.

FINAL ACTIONS ON APPROVED APPLICATION

If all review groups have approved the application, the processing agent will

- Fill in the expiration date
- Fill in the next action dates
- Save the application
- Export the application to MS Word for preparation of the permit
- Mail the permit to the customer for signature and payment (if a permit fee is required).

When the processing agent receives the signed permit from the permittee, the permit is forwarded to the appropriate DOT&PF official (depending on the type of permit) for signature.

The Processing Agent will then

- Enter the signature data in the application
- Scan the signed permit into a file
- Add this file as an attachment to the application
- Change the Status box to "Permit issued"
- Prepare a cover letter to the permittee advising that the permit is enclosed and that the permittee may now take whatever action is authorized under the permit.

DENIED APPLICATIONS

If the processing agent determines that an application should be denied, the agent contacts his or her supervisor to discuss the decision. The processing agent writes a denial letter to the applicant, including appropriate excerpts from the statutes or regulations that explain why the application must be denied. The processing agent signs the letter, has the supervisor review and initial it, and sends it to the right-of-way chief for review and initialing. Then the letter is mailed to the applicant. Each denial letter includes a standard paragraph about the right to appeal the decision, with appropriate contact information and with a copy of the appeal regulations attached. A copy of the letter is scanned and electronically attached to the application. The processing agent changes the application status to "denied."

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

Contact – The person designated in the application who is to be notified with information regarding the application. This person may or may not be the customer, and is assigned a contact ID number that is different from the customer's ID number.

Customer – An individual, business, organization, or government agency seeking or issued a permit from DOT&PF under the ROWDyS program.

Customer's User ID – The number automatically assigned to a customer when a new account is opened on DOT&PF's ROWDyS website.

Dependant application – A permit application that must be approved before another permit application may be approved.

General Provisions –The default provisions that have been developed by DOT&PF for each type of permit, and that are always required for that type of permit.

Government agency – A department or agency of a federal, state, or local government.

Individual – A single person or a family requesting a permit for personal use

Organization – A nonprofit, non-governmental entity.

Processing Agent – The DOT&PF ROW agent who is assigned by the Permit Officer to process a specific ROWDyS application.

Permit Officer – The DOT&PF ROW agent in each regional office who is designated to be in charge of the ROWDyS process for the region.

Reviewer – A DOT&PF employee, usually in a section other than ROW, who has been selected to provide a technical review of an application based on their particular expertise.

Review Group – One or more people selected to review specific types of ROWDvS applications.

Routing – One or more review groups that have been designated to review specific types of ROWDyS applications.

Special Conditions – Conditions that are unique to a particular permit, that are not already covered by the General Provisions or Special Provisions, and that are assigned to that permit by a processing agent or reviewer.

Special Provisions – Provisions that have been developed by DOT&PF for each type of permit, but that are not always appropriate for every permit of that type.

User ID – The term used interchangeably by the ROWDyS program for the ID number issued to a customer, and for the ID name for each permit officer, processing agent, or reviewer.

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