



Upgrades to Crystal Green Lane

Crystal Green Lane is an existing road used by many residents within Okotoks. The road currently serves as an:

- Entrance for private residents to the north;
- Entrance for the Pennncross multi-family site to the south; and
- Access to the Crystal Ridge Golf Club

The Ridgemont project team understands the importance of this road both in providing access to this new community, but also to existing residents and visitors to the area.

Crystal Green Lane currently exists within a 15-metre right-of-way with a curb and row of poplar trees on the north side and a sidewalk adjacent to the street on the south side. It currently terminates at a cul-de-sac where the private road to Crystal Ridge Golf Club continues.

The development of Ridgemont requires this road to be upgraded and extended to provide access and utilities to the new neighbourhood, as well as future development in northern Okotoks. As identified in the Transportation Impact Assessment (TIA) completed for Ridgemont, the traffic volumes anticipated on this road will require it to be upgraded to a collector roadway.

The additional widening required to accommodate the road upgrade to a collector standard will occur on the

north side of the existing right-of-way. Unfortunately, the expansion of this road and construction of the required deep utilities will require the removal of the existing poplar trees. The new collector road section will include landscaped areas and separate sidewalks on both sides of the street as well as new street trees.

The Neighbourhood Area Structure Plan (NASP) requires that an appraisal of the current trees take place prior to their removal and that those required to be removed are *“replaced within the plan area with additional trees equivalent in number and value to the cost of the removed trees”*.

The Ridgemont project team understands the appeal the existing poplar trees bring to the community, and is committed to developing new roads and park spaces that represent additional beauty and environmental value to the area. The road upgrades will allow for better pedestrian connections to new park spaces and a safer driving experience for all of those who use Crystal Green Lane. The required deep utilities are necessary to accommodate future growth for all of north Okotoks, not just Ridgemont.

Access to existing properties and businesses will be maintained throughout construction on this road. Final plan details and specifications are subject to change.



Crystal Green Lane Facing East



Crystal Green Lane Facing West

The Ridgemont team welcomes any questions about water use in the proposed community.

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