

Resources for Landowners - Permits Come First Van Buren County, MI

- **Building & Zoning Construction Permits**
Contact your local Municipality
W: www.vanburencountymi.gov/304/Municipalities
- **House Number/Address**
Van Buren County Land Management
T: 269-657-8243
A: 219 E. Paw Paw St., Suite 302, Paw Paw, MI 49079
W: www.vanburencountymi.gov/620/House-Numbering
- **Residential, Farm Field, Commercial, or Temporary Driveway Permits**
Van Buren County Road Commission (VBCRC)
T: 269-674-8011
A: 325 W. James St., Lawrence, MI 49064
E: vbcrc@vbcrc.org
W: www.VBCRC.org
- **Mailbox Placement**
Contact your local United States Post Office
W: www.postallocations.com/mi/county/van-buren
R: Guidelines for Mailboxes and Supports - <https://www.vbcrc.org/mailboxes>
- **Soil Erosion Permits**
Van Buren County Drain Office
T: 269-657-8241 x 3
A: 219 E. Paw Paw St., Suite 301, Paw Paw, MI 49079
E: countermanr@vanburencountymi.gov
W: <https://www.vanburencountymi.gov/577/Soil-Erosion-Sedimentation-Control>
- **Well Water & Septic System Construction Permits**
Van Buren/Cass District Health Department
T: 269-621-3143
A: 260 South St., Lawrence, MI 49064
E: gfriday@vbcassdhd.org
W: www.vbcassdhd.org/environmental-health/water-septic-inspection
- **Wetlands and Inland Lakes and Streams Permits**
MI Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy
T: 269-569-3609
A: 7953 Adobe Road, Kalamazoo 49009
E: haroldsond@michigan.gov
W: www.michigan.gov/egle/0,9429,7-135-3313_3687-10813--,00.html

www.michigan.gov/egle/0,9429,7-135-3313_3681_28734-161112--,00.html
- **Critical Dune Area, High Risk Erosion Area & Lake MI Permits**
MI Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy
T: 269-568-2680
A: 7953 Adobe Road, Kalamazoo 49009
E: bayhaj@michigan.gov
W: www.michigan.gov/egle/0,9429,7-135-3311_4114---,00.html

www.michigan.gov/egle/0,9429,7-135-3313_3677_3700-344443--,00.html

www.michigan.gov/egle/0,9429,7-135-3313_3677_3702--,00.html
- **Floodplain Permits**
MI Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy
T: 269-568-2680
A: 7953 Adobe Road, Kalamazoo 49009
E: bayhaj@michigan.gov
W: www.michigan.gov/egle/0,9429,7-135-3313_3684_3725-11255--,00.html
- **Local Natural Resource Management** - invasive species, water/shoreline, agriculture, land/forest, etc.
Van Buren Conservation District
T: 269-675-4030x5
A: 1035 E. Michigan Ave., Paw Paw, MI 49079
E: info@vanburencd.org
W: www.vanburencd.org
- **Utilities** - electric, gas, telecommunication, etc.
Contact your local Municipality to see who covers the area
W: www.vanburencountymi.gov/304/Municipalities
- **Working in the Road Right of Way (R.O.W) Permits** - ditching, culverts, tree removal, signs, landscape, etc.
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W: www.VBCRC.org
(most R.O.W's on C.R./St./Ave. are 66' across the road or 33' from center line)



Landowners are responsible for obtaining any permits and complying with Federal, State, and Local laws, rules, regulations, and ordinances. Issuance of an VBCRC permit does not authorize activities otherwise regulated by Federal, State, or Local agencies. This handout is for informational use only and may not be a complete list of resources or required permits. Any changes or updates to this list can be directed to the VBCRC at vbcrc@vbcrc.org or 269-674-8011. ~ 09.01.21