



Texas General Land Office  
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## **GUIDELINES FOR POOLING UNLEASED STATE RIGHT OF WAY**

- Section 32.207 of the Texas Natural Resources Code (TNRC) provides that the School Land Board (SLB) may pool unleased State Right of Way (SROW) in the same manner as pooling an unleased riverbed or channel as per Section 52.076 of the TNRC.
- Use the *Application for Pooling Unleased State Right of Way* form if the State ROW you wish to pool is designated as a SROW (e.g., "SH-71", "FM2323", or "US-10") that the state maintains.
- Pooling agreements covering unleased SROW require a consideration payment (bonus) payable to: Commissioner of Texas General Land Office
- The state receives a 25% royalty on the participation of the SROW in the unit.

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The following must be submitted to the General Land Office at least 15 working days prior to the meeting at which the SLB is to consider the application:

1. A cover letter listing the SROW to be pooled and bonus consideration.
2. Completed Application for Pooling Unleased State Right of Way.
3. A plat showing the proposed unit outline, location of SROW within unit, proposed unit well location, state lease numbers (MF#) of any other state leases within the unit outline.
4. Copy of proposed description or Declaration of Unit in which the SROW is to be pooled.
5. RRC Form W-1, W-2, or G-1, as applicable for unit well.

A Pooling Agreement will be issued only after the SLB approves pooling of the unleased SROW and the following financial requirements have been met:

- Bonus consideration payable to: **Commissioner of Texas General Land Office**
- \$500.00 application fee payable to: **Commissioner of Texas General Land Office**

After approval of the application by the SLB, a §32.207 Pooling Agreement will be prepared by the General Land Office for execution by the applicant and then the Commissioner.

*\*Information considered confidential or proprietary should not be submitted with the application.*

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**NOTE:** If the State or County owns the surface of a highway or road on Relinquishment Act Land, a lease may be obtained by sealed bid or pooled under Natural Resource Code 32.207