An Encroachment Permit permits you to construct or install minor encroachments within the Water Authority’s property. The proposed encroachment must not hinder the Water Authority’s ability to construct, maintain, repair, or inspect its property or facilities in any way. Examples of such encroachments include the construction of a fence or driveway; installation of playground equipment; or the planting of certain trees and landscaping. All encroachments are subject to removal by the Water Authority at any time, at your expense.

In order to obtain an Encroachment Permit you must submit an application with corresponding plans and a check for $300.00 (three hundred dollars). Upon receipt, the Water Authority will review your application and plans, field-check the site, mark-out the Water Authority’s facilities, coordinate with other Water Authority departments, and prepare the Encroachment Permit. Upon Water Authority approval, the Encroachment Permit and the required Encroachment Exhibit will be recorded with the San Diego County Recorder.