

BLAINE COUNTY ROAD ESTABLISHMENT/ABANDONMENT PROCEDURE

1. The procedures for the establishment or abandonment of a county road are set forth in Montana Statutes, MCA 7-14-2601 through 2616 and MCA 7-1-21.
2. Blaine County Commissioners are contacted by the individual(s) who is requesting a county road be established/abandoned.
3. Blaine County Commissioners will notify the Blaine County Road Department Supervisor that there is a request for a county road to be established/abandoned and supply the road department supervisor with the individual's contact information.
4. The Blaine County Road Department Supervisor contacts the interested party and schedules a meeting to map out the location of the proposed road, or the road to be abandoned.
5. Once the proposed road location(s) is reviewed by a Blaine County representative, the Blaine County Road Department will draft a petition(s) with the initial information, attach a map identifying the location(s) and return to the individual requesting the road establishment/abandonment.
6. The individual requesting the road establishment/abandonment (petitioner) is then responsible for correctly completing the petition(s) and returning to the Blaine County Commissioners.
7. Once the completed petitions are turned back in to the Blaine County Commissioners, a public hearing is held for any individuals to voice their opinion regarding the proposed road establishment/abandonment. Based on the input from the public meeting, the Commissioners will either grant permission for a new road to be established or an existing road to be abandoned or deny the request.
8. Blaine County assumes no responsibility for assuring all legal requirements of road establishment or abandonment are abided by. That is the sole responsibility of the Petitioner.