

BLAINE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

**Frank DePriest, Chair
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BLAINE COUNTY CATTLE GUARD POLICY

1. Blaine County Commissioners are contacted by the individual(s) who is requesting a cattle guard be installed.
2. Blaine County Commissioners shall notify the Blaine County Road Department there is a request for a cattle guard and supply the road department with the individual's contact information.
3. The Blaine County Road Department shall contact the interested party and schedules a meeting to map out the location of the proposed cattle guard(s).
4. Once the proposed location(s) GPS points are collected by a representative of Blaine County, the Blaine County Road Department shall draft a petition(s) with the initial information, attach a map identifying the location(s) and return to the individual requesting the cattle guard(s).
5. The individual requesting the cattle guard(s) (petitioner) is then responsible for correctly completing the petition(s) and returning to the Blaine County Commissioners.
6. Once the completed petitions are turned in to the Blaine County Commissioners, a public hearing shall be held for any individuals to voice their opinion regarding the proposed cattle guard. Based on the input from the public meeting, the Commissioners shall either grant permission for a new cattle guard(s) to be installed or deny the request.

PETITION MUST MEET FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS:

1. An alternative route must be established, in the form of a gate or other bypass route, for farm equipment, livestock and any other traffic that would not have the ability to cross the cattle guard.
2. The individual (petitioner) is responsible for the installation fee for all the cattle guard(s) petitioned. The Blaine County Commissioners shall establish the installation fee. The cattle guard(s) are the property of Blaine County and the Blaine County Road Department is responsible for maintenance and repairs.
3. The new cattle guard(s) must meet the requirements specified by the Blaine County Road Department.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The undersigned has executed this policy to Blaine County on this the 25th day of March, 2015.

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Sincerely,

Attest:



Frank DePriest, Chair



Sandra L. Boardman, Clerk & Recorder



Charles Kulbeck, Commissioner



Dolores Plumage, Commissioner

