

MINIMUM MAINTENANCE ROAD POLICY

State Statutes:

State 31-12-46. Minimum maintenance roads established. The board of county commissioners may designate any road on the county highway system as a minimum maintenance road if the board determines that the road or a segment of the road is used only occasionally or intermittently for passenger and commercial travel. The board shall identify the beginning and end points of the road designated a minimum maintenance. A minimum maintenance road may be maintained at a level less than the minimum standards for full maintenance roads; but shall be maintained at the level required to serve the occasional or intermittent traffic.

State 31-12-47. Posting notification of minimum maintenance road. The board of county commissioners shall post signs on a minimum maintenance road to notify the motoring public that it is a minimum maintenance road and that the public travels on the road at its own risk. The signs shall be posted at the entry points to and at regular intervals along a minimum maintenance road. A properly posted sign shall be prima facie evidence that adequate notice of a minimum maintenance road has been given to the motoring public.

The board of county commissioners have designated minimum maintenance roads; based on that the road or a segment of the road is used only occasionally or intermittently for passenger and commercial travel. A minimum maintenance road may be maintained at a level less than the minimum standards for full maintenance roads; but shall be maintained at the level required to serve the occasional or intermittent traffic. The minimum maintenance road shall be maintained at the discretion of the County Highway Superintendent; no mowing, graveling or snow removal will be done on a minimum maintenance road.

The county shall post signs on a minimum maintenance road to notify the motoring public that it is a minimum maintenance road and that the public travel on the road at its own risk. The signs shall be posted at the entry points to and at regular intervals along a minimum maintenance road. A properly posted sign shall be prima facie evidence that adequate notice of a minimum maintenance road has been given to the motoring public.

The board of county commissioners can change secondary roads to minimum maintenance at their discretion if it is determined that the road or a segment of the road is used only occasionally or intermittently for passenger and commercial travel. The board of county commissioners can change minimum maintenance roads to secondary roads at their discretion if it is determined that the usage of a road or a segment of the road has increased. Before any roads status is changed adjacent landowners will be contact about the change and final approval will take place at the public hearing held in October for the Butte County 5-Year Road Plan.