

Owyhee County Planning & Zoning PO Box 128 Murphy, Id. 83650 208-495-2095, ext. 2 Office 208-495-2051 Fax

July 6, 2016

Dear Interested Party,

A public meeting is scheduled for August 9, 2016 at 6:00 pm in the annex building of the Owyhee County Courthouse located at 17069 Basey St. in Murphy, Idaho. The purpose of this meeting is to hear public comments on proposed categorized RS2477 Rights of Way on Federal land.

The proposed maps categorize the rights of way lying on Federal lands in accordance with Owyhee County Resolution 2011-21, which established the final criteria for each category. **None of the categories include rights of way located on private lands.** The Board is looking for documentation of use, and public maintenance between 1948 and 1976 that will help ensure that roads, trails, and ways shown on the maps are placed in the correct category. Information collected may be used in an attempt to validate the RS2477 right of ways.

The categorized maps are available for review during regular business hours of 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday in the Planning and Zoning office located in the annex building of the Owyhee County Courthouse at 17069 Basey St. in Murphy.

A map is included in this mailing which indicates the area of the county this public meeting is covering. The maps that will be considered at the August 9<sup>th</sup> meeting show roads, trails, and ways located on Federal lands within the following Quadrangles:

Adrian within portions of 3N6W, 4N6W;

Captain Butte within portions of 2S5W, 2S6W, 3S5W, 3S6W

Cliffs within portions of 8S5W, 8S6W, 9S5W, 9S6W;

Combination Ridge within portions of 6S4W, 6S5W, 7S4W, 7S5W, 8S4W, 8S5W;

DeLamar within portions of 3S4W, 3S5W, 4S4W, 4S5W, 5S4W, 5S5W;

Flint within portions of 5S4W, 5S5W, 6S4W, 6S5W;

Graveyard Point within portions of 2N6W, 3N6W;

Homedale within portions of 2N5W, 2N6W, 3N5W, 3N6W;

Hooker Creek within portions of 3S6W, 4S6W, 5S6W;

Indian Meadows within portions of 8S4W, 8S5W, 9S4W, 9S5W;

Jordan Valley within portions of 5S6W, 6S6W;

Jump Creek Canyon within portions of 1N5W, 1N6W, 2N5W, 2N6W;

Juniper Point within portions of 8S6W, 9S6W;

Marsing within portions of 2N4W, 2N5W, 3N4W, 3N5W;

Parsnip Peak within portions of 6S6W, 7S6W, 8S6W;

Piute Butte within portions of 1N5W, 1N6W, 1S5W, 1S6W, 2S5W, 2S6W;

Pole Creek Top within portions of 1N6W, 2N6W;

Rockville within portions of 1N6W, 1S6W, 2S6W;

Sheaville within portions of 2S6W, 3S6W;

Stonehouse Creek within portions of 5S5W, 5S6W, 6S5W, 6S6W;

Swisher Mt. within portions of 3S5W, 3S6W, 4S5W, 4S6W, 5S5W, 5S6W

Wickup Creek within portions of 8S2W, 8S3W, 8S4W, 9S2W, 9S3W, 9S4W;

Wilder within portions of 3N5W, 3N6W, 4N5W, 4N6W; and

Williams Creek within portions of 6S5W, 6S6W, 7S5W, 7S6W, 8S5W, 8S6W

Please contact the Planning & Zoning Department for additional information, or copies of the resolutions pertaining to RS2477 rights of way. Written comments can be mailed to the Owyhee County Commissioners at PO Box 128 Murphy, Id. 83650, or you can hand deliver them to the Owyhee County Clerk's office Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:30 am and 5:00 pm.

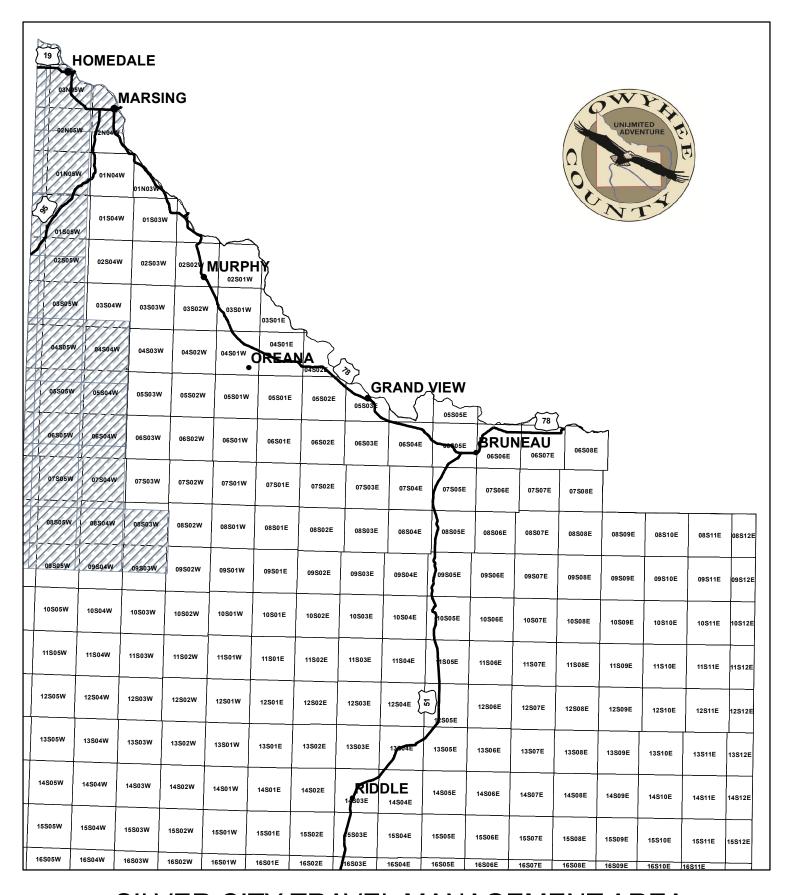
Any person needing special accommodations to participate in the above meeting should contact the Planning and Zoning Department at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting at 208-495-2095 ext. 2, Owyhee County Annex Building, PO Box 128, Murphy, Idaho 83650.

Sincerely.

Mary Huff

Administrator

Owyhee County Planning & Zoning



# SILVER CITY TRAVEL MANAGEMENT AREA



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## **Before the Owyhee County Board of Commissioners**

A public meeting will be held on August 9, 2016 at 6:00 pm in the annex building of the Owyhee County Courthouse located at 17069 Basey St. in Murphy, Idaho. The purpose of this meeting will be to hear public comments on the proposed road categorizations on the RS2477 right of way quadrangle maps within portions of the following townships and ranges:

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4N5W; 4N6W, 3N4W, 3N5W, 3N6W, N½ of 2N4W, 2N5W, 2N6W, 1N5W, 1N6W, 1S5W, 1S6W, 2S5W, 2S6W, S½ of the S½ of 3S4W, 3S5W, 3S6W, 4S4W, 4S5W, 4S6W, 5S4W, 5S5W, 5S6W, 6S4W, 6S5W, 6S6W, 7S4W, 7S5W, 7S6W, 8S2W, 8S3W, 8S4W, 8S5W, 8S6W, 9S2W, 9S3W, 9S4W, 9S5W, 9S6W.
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The categories group the rights of way located on federal lands in accordance with Owyhee County Resolution 2011-21, which established the final groups and criteria for such groups. **No groups cover rights of way located on private lands.** The proposed maps are available for viewing in the planning and zoning office located in the annex building of the Owyhee County Courthouse at 17069 Basey St. in Murphy during regular business hours Monday through Friday, 8:30 am - 5:00 pm.

# <u>Category A - Rights-of-way to be ratified as R.S.2477 (i.e. Section 8 of the Act of July 26, 1866, codified as 43 U.S.C. 932):</u>

This group includes those rights-of-way that cross land owned by the United States of America within Owyhee County that are illustrated on General Land Office Maps or through other competent evidence that were established as public roads in accordance with Idaho State Law before October 21, 1976.

# Category B - Rights-of-way to access private land and/or Idaho State land:

This group includes those rights-of-way that cross land owned by the United State of America within Owyhee that are illustrated on General Land Office Maps or through other competent evidence that were used to access private land and/or State land within Owyhee County before October 21, 1976.

# <u>Category C – Rights-of-way to provide "management/administrative access":</u>

This group includes those rights-of-way that cross land owned by the United States of America within Owyhee County that provide management/administrative access across such land to exercise the rights, obligations and entitlements of a license/permit/land use authorization issued by an agency of the United States of America, like the Bureau of Land Management ("BLM"), and rights and interests recognized by the State of Idaho, such as water rights, (Idaho Constitution Article XV), grazing preferences (Idaho Code 25-901, 902, 903) and mineral rights (Idaho Code 47-901) including any vested rights for grazing, water, mineral or other rights that existed prior to October 21, 1976. These licenses are inclusive of grazing permits issued by the BLM.

### Category D – Rights-of-way to provide "livestock trailing access":

This group includes those rights-of-way that cross land owned by the United States of America within Owyhee County that provide livestock trailing access across such land to exercise the rights, obligations and entitlements of a license/permit/land use authorization issued by an agency of the United States of America, like the Bureau of Land Management ("BLM"), and rights and interests recognized by the State of Idaho, such as stockwater rights, (Idaho Constitution Article XV), and grazing preferences (Idaho Code 25-901, 902, 903), including any vested rights for grazing, and stockwater that existed prior to October 21, 1976. These licenses are inclusive of grazing permits issued by the BLM.

### <u>Category E – Rights-of-way not within any other group:</u>

This group includes those rights-of-way that cross land owned by the United States of America within Owyhee County that are not otherwise determined at this time to be within any other group noted above. This determination, when made by the Board, is not intended to change or otherwise impair whatever status the right-of-way may have had, now or in the future, unless otherwise adjudicated under applicable law.