

## Policy

### **Improving a road from dirt to gravel surfaced**

Under the authority of and in conformance with Chapters 306, 309, and 311 of the 2017 Code of Iowa, the Board of Supervisors adopts policies governing the improvements on existing dirt roads in Davis County, Iowa.

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Davis County is charged by section 309.67 of the Code of Iowa with the duty of establishing policies for operation and maintenance of the County road system; and,

WHEREAS, it is in public interest that such policies be a matter of record and be made known to the public.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the following constitutes Davis County's policy for upgrading a dirt road to an all-weather gravel surfaced road including the placement of rock surfacing.

SECTION 1. The purpose of this policy is to set regulations to govern the improvement of dirt roads prior to placement of rock surfacing thereon. Any request for an upgrade of dirt road shall be submitted to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors reserves the right to deny any such request for just cause.

SECTION 2. General provisions for upgrades:

#### A. LANDOWNERS RESPONSIBILITIES AT NO COST TO COUNTY

1. Provide all necessary easements for appropriate and useable right-of-way and borrow for reconstruction of the road. The amount of right-of-way required depends on topography, drainage, and obstructions, but in no case shall be less than 66 feet.
2. Signed petition from all bordering landowners giving their consent to project.
3. Move and/or dispose of all fences from the proposed right-of way, if necessary.
4. Provide a location for disposal of all trees and brush off the proposed right-of-way.
5. Provide and/or hire contractor to construct and re-grade roadway to required cross-section, see Page 3 of policy.
6. Provide surface gravel and trucking for all rock needed for the road surfacing. Rock is to be applied at the rate of 1,800 tons per mile.
7. Provide funds and installation of any cross road extensions required due to road re-grade and any entrance culverts / extensions required due to road re-grade, County will replace existing culverts in poor condition, see B3.

8. Provide final seeding for stabilization and for erosion prevention, use Rural / Pasture Mix.

#### B. COUNTY RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Do necessary surveying for construction. (Land surveying for easements is the responsibility of the developer).
2. Prepare plans and specifications, if necessary.
3. Provide cross road and drainage structures as conditions warrant, see A7.
4. Provide future maintenance of road and entrances.
5. Provide road grading and inspection before rock placement.
6. Spread rock as hauled to new roadway.
7. Give final approval of upgraded, dirt to gravel, roadway by County Engineer.

SECTION 4. Roads can be constructed, reconstructed or improved through Secondary Road Assessment District as defined in the Iowa Code Section 311. This method should be used whenever possible.

SECTION 5. Repealer. All policies or parts of policies in conflict with these provisions are hereby repealed.

SECTION 6. Severability Clause. If any section, provision, or part of this policy shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the policy as a whole or any section, provision, or part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION 7. When Effective. This policy shall be effective subsequent to its final passage.

APPROVED THIS 12<sup>th</sup> DAY OF February, 2018.

Matt Greiner

Matt Greiner, Chairperson, Davis County Board of Supervisors

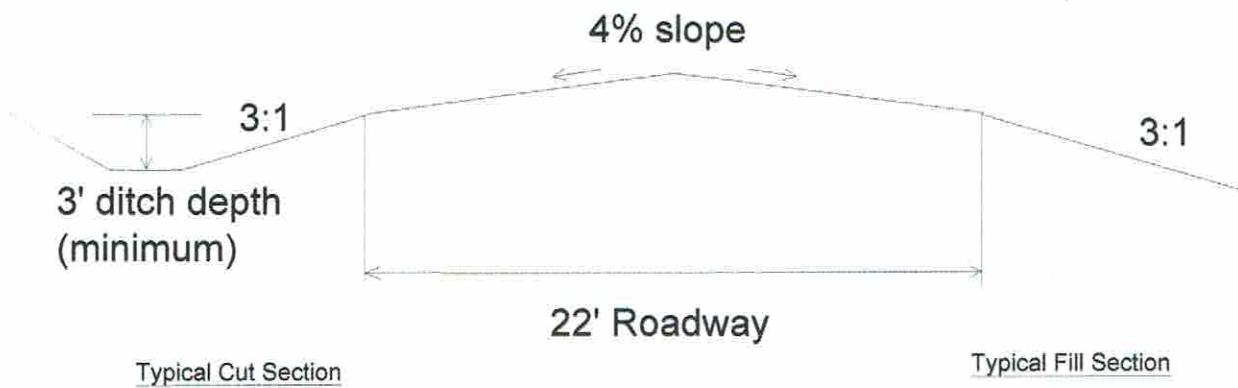
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Linda Humphrey

Linda Humphrey, Davis County Auditor



# DAVIS COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT ROAD DETAIL



## CROSS SECTION (Minimum)

Gravel at 1,800 ton per mile  
First Application = 900 ton per mile  
Second Application = 900 ton per mile

Surfacing applications shall be applied as directed by Engineer.