

RESOLUTION 29 - 2026

RESOLUTION ADOPTING RE-ROUTED SECTION OF JUDITH RIVER ROAD AND ABANDONING FORMER SECTION

WHEREAS, the statutes of the State of Montana vest the Board of County Commissioners with the authority and responsibility regarding roads and bridges, and such statutes are generally found in Title 7, Chapter 14, Montana Code Annotated; and

WHEREAS, there exists a certain road in Fergus County known as Judith River Road, and such road has long served members of the traveling public as well as adjoining landowners; and

WHEREAS, an existing portion of Judith River Road measuring approximately 2,103.6 feet consists of a winding route up Judith River Hill that presents ongoing safety concerns and maintenance issues due to roadway sloughing; and

WHEREAS, a proposed new section of roadway measuring approximately 1,748.6 feet has been constructed by the Fergus County Road Department to eliminate the sloughing issue and straighten the roadway going up Judith River Hill, which is more specifically described as follows:

Beginning in the SW corner of Section 19, Township 21N, Range 17E
(109°35'53"W, 47°34'11"N) and ending in the SE corner of Section 24,
Township 21N, Range 16E (109°36'14"W, 47°34'20"N).

A map depicting the new route and the section to be abandoned is attached hereto and by reference incorporated herein; and

WHEREAS, on September 10, 2026, the Fergus County Road Viewers Committee assembled, traveled, and viewed both the existing and proposed sections of the roadway and subsequently recommended that the proposed new section be adopted as a county road and the existing section be abandoned; and

WHEREAS, Montana Code Annotated 7-14-2101 and Title 7, Chapter 14, Part 26 authorize the Board of County Commissioners to alter, establish, or abandon county roads after public proceedings; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners held a public hearing on this matter on the 25th day of September 2026;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to Title 7, Chapter 14, Montana Code Annotated, the Fergus County Board of Commissioners hereby declares and adopts the newly constructed section of Judith River Road, as described above, to be a county road; and

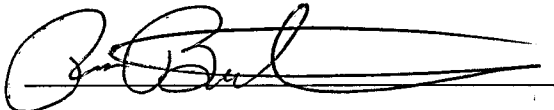
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the corresponding 2,103.6-foot former section of Judith River Road replaced by this realignment is hereby formally abandoned as a county road.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 25 day of September 2026.

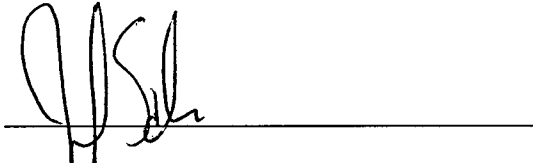
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:



TRAVIS WILLSON-Commissioner

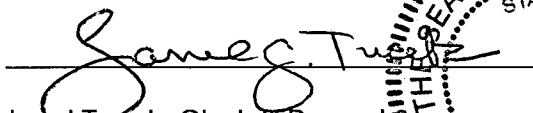


ROSS BUTCHER-Commission Chairman

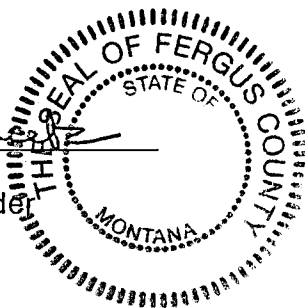


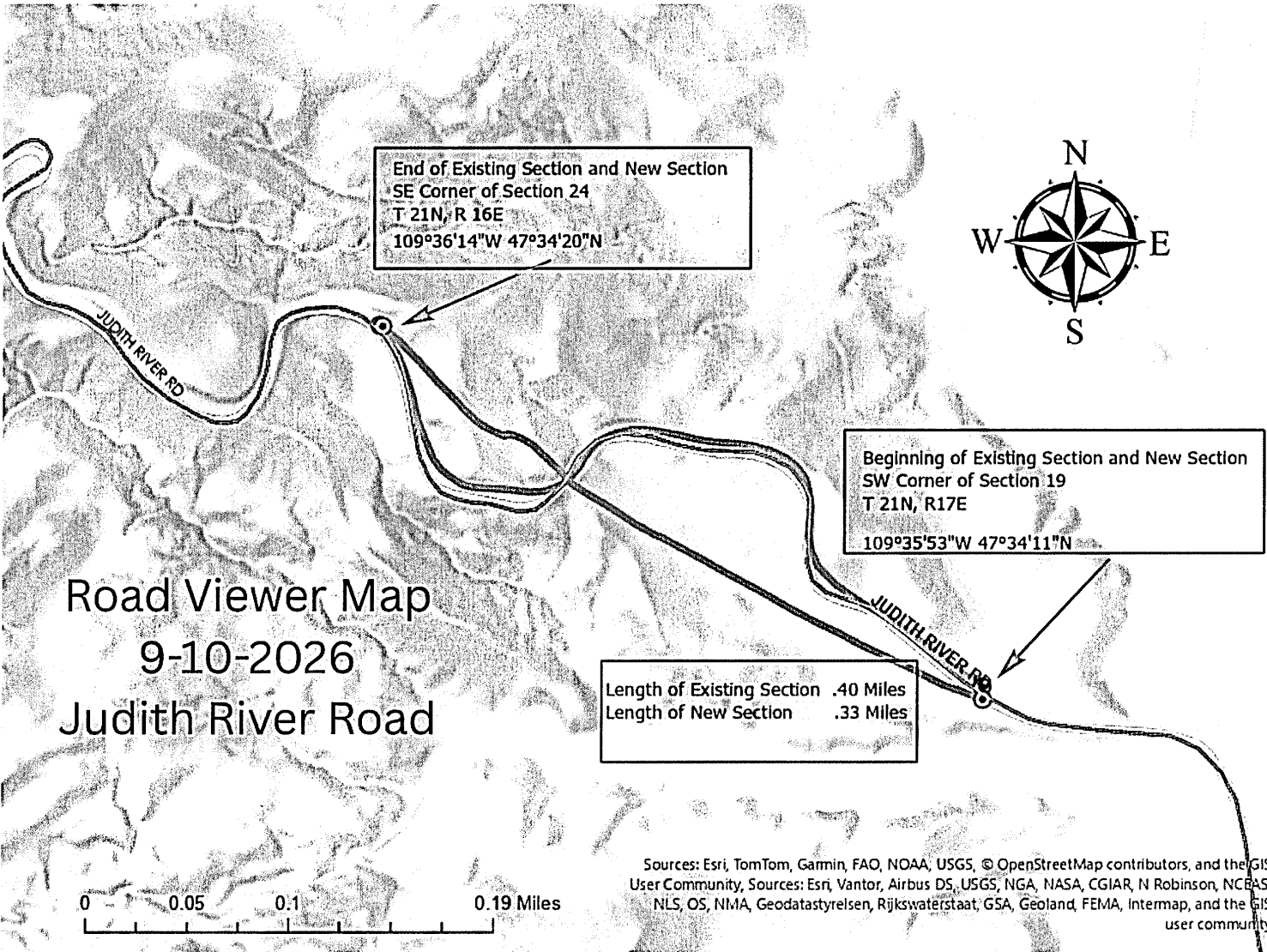
JENNIFER SAUNDERS-Commissioner

ATTEST:



Janel Tucek, Clerk & Recorder





Road Viewer Map
9-10-2026
Judith River Road

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