



MEMORANDUM

To: Board of County Commissioners
From: Mike Russell, Public Works Director, Roadmaster MR
Cc: Ed McGlone, Assistant County Counsel
Nathan Woodward, County Surveyor
Date: June 12, 2025

Subject: Clatskanie Drainage District Roads – Woodson Road and Erickson Dike Road

Action Requested

Public Works staff will update the Board on developments related to the Clatskanie Dike roads issue. Specifically, work done with the Beaver Drainage District related to Erickson Dike Road and movement by neighbors on Woodson Road to dedicate needed right-of-way.

Background

On February 7, 2024, the Public Works Director presented the Clatskanie Drainage District Area Roads Survey to the Board and sought direction to proceed with discussions with individual property owners to work towards getting dedicated right-of-way where needed. The Board also heard from a representative of the Beaver Drainage District that had some research indicating the “public road” status of portions of Beaver Drainage District roads and Erickson Dike Road, specifically.

The Board asked that staff work with the Beaver Drainage District further on the information that was presented.

Discussion

Since that time, staff has reviewed the information related to Erickson Dike Road and agrees that the road is probably a public road, but not a County maintained road. There is one section that will need to be dedicated to make a logical connection, which staff will discuss with the Board. The section fronts property owned by the Beaver Drainage District and they have indicated a willingness to dedicate the needed right-of-way.

