

RESOLUTION 25-28

DECLARING JAMES RANCH ROAD A COUNTY HIGHWAY AND AUTHORIZING ACQUISITION OF ASSOCIATED RIGHTS-OF-WAY

WHEREAS, pursuant to ARS § 28-6701, there has been presented to the Board of Supervisors of Cochise County, Arizona, a recommendation by the County Engineer, praying for the establishment of a County Highway to be known as James Ranch Road; and

North James Ranch Road, running from West International Road north to West Arizona State Highway 80, a distance of 1.7 miles, more or less. This road is located along the section line common to Sections 12, 13, and 24 in Township 24 South, Range 26 East and Sections 07, 18, and 19 in Township 24 South, Range 27 East of the Gila and Salt River Base and Meridian, Cochise County, Arizona.

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors on September 2nd , at the hour of 10:00 a.m., held a public hearing on said recommendation, and notice having been given by publication thereof once a week for two (2) weeks in the Sierra Vista Herald, the designated official newspaper for Cochise County notices, and said notice having directed all persons wishing to object to the action prayed for in the petition to file with Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, a statement in writing setting forth any objections or opposition and to show cause why said petition should not be granted; and

WHEREAS, at said hearing the Board of Supervisors considered the feasibility, advantages and necessity of the highway and determined that the establishment of said road as requested in said recommendation is a public necessity; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that it is in the best interest of the County and the public at large to acquire the public rights-of-way, fee simple and or easement, on North James Ranch Road; and

WHEREAS, the parcels to be affected by these acquisitions are identified in Exhibit "A".

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT IS RESOLVED that the establishment of the County Highway as above described and the authorizing the acquisitions are hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Engineer, or her designee, is authorized to negotiate on behalf of the County to acquire the rights-of-way, and settle any resulting damages, through donation, exchange, purchase at appraised value, or condemnation action as necessary; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that should condemnation action become necessary to acquire all or any portion of, said rights-of-way, that Cochise County Attorney's Office is authorized to proceed with said action.

IT IS FINALLY RESOLVED that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, or the Vice-Chairman, is authorized to accept conveyance documents for said rights-of-way.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of Cochise County, Arizona, this 16th day of September 2025.

Frank Antenori, Chairman
Cochise County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Lara Loewenheim,
Clerk of the Board

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

 8/28/2025

Bert Whitehead IV, Esq.
Civil Deputy County Attorney

Exhibit "A"

Parcels to be affected by said rights-of-way and easements acquisition:

T24S R26E

Section 12

407-68-006
407-68-007A
407-68-013E

Section 13

407-69-001
407-69-002A
407-69-002B
407-68-004A
407-69-005

Section 24

BLM

T24S R27E

Section 07

408-01-012
408-10-008
408-10-014
408-10-018B
408-10-020

Section 18

408-34-005B
408-34-005C
408-34-009

Section 19

408-34-008A
408-34-008B

EXHIBIT DRAWING

JAMES RANCH ROAD IS LOCATED ALONG THE SECTION LINE COMMON TO SECTIONS 12, 13 & 24 IN TOWNSHIP 24S, RANGE 26E AND SECTIONS 07, 18 & 19 IN TOWNSHIP 24S, RANGE 27E OF THE GILA & SALT RIVER BASE AND MERIDIAN, COCHISE COUNTY, ARIZONA.



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