

# Petition for Vacation of a County Road

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF

\_\_\_\_\_ (name) \_\_\_\_\_ (Mailing address) \_\_\_\_\_ (Day phone)  
and others for the Vacation of

\_\_\_\_\_ (Road Name or Number)

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF FERRY COUNTY,  
WASHINGTON

We, the undersigned property owners within Ferry County, State of Washington do petition that the following described County Road be vacated:

(FILL IN EXACT LEGAL DESCRIPTIONS OF PORTION OF ROAD TO BE VACATED)

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\_\_\_\_\_, the whole distance being about \_\_\_\_\_ miles.

Your petitioners respectfully represent and allege that the road is useless as a part of the general road system and the public will be benefited by its vacation, and that all of your petitioners are property owners abutting said road; wherefore your petitioners pray for the vacation of said road, as provided by law.

Ferry County policy requires approval of all adjacent or abutting owners whose property may be affected by this proposed road vacation.

**PETITIONER'S SIGNATURES**  
**Print Name legibly below signature**

**LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PETITIONERS' PROPERTY\***  
**(Not Street Address)**  
Legal description may be obtained from tax statement, deed, or title policy.


\* Use more than one line if necessary. If additional space is required for descriptions, use supplemental sheet.

**RCW 36.87.020:**

Owners of the majority of the frontage on any county road or portion thereof may petition the county legislative authority to vacate and abandon the same or any portion thereof. The petition must show the land owned by each petitioner and set forth that such county road is useless as part of the county road system and that the public will be benefited by its vacation and abandonment. The legislative authority may (1) require the petitioners to make an appropriate cash deposit or furnish an appropriate bond against which all costs and expenses incurred in the examination, report, and proceedings pertaining to the petition shall be charged; or (2) by ordinance or resolution require the petitioners to pay a fee adequate to cover such costs and expenses.

# COUNTY ROAD VACATION PROCEDURES

## **BY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

RCW 36.87.010    Resolve intent of vacation and direct Engineer to report.

RCW 36.87.040    Engineer's report must include:

1. Engineer's opinion on vacation
2. Amount of use
3. Road condition
4. Future benefit, if any
5. Other pertinent facts

RCW 36.87.050    Notice of Hearing published twice and posted on road for 20 days.

RCW 38.87.060    Hearing – if road is useful it can not be vacated, if not useful, Board may vacate.

RCW 36.87.080    Majority vote of Board is required.

Final Notice of Vacation should be in recordable format.

## **BY LANDOWNERS**

All of the above plus:

RCW 36.87.020    Petition and \$750.00 non-refundable application fee required.

RCW 36.87.070    Costs to be paid by principal or sureties if greater than \$750.00; then vacation can be declared.

