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## Umatilla County Road Department

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## Ross Road Report

A 3.41 mile section of County Road #1046 (Ross Road) has been surveyed and the right-of-way lines monumented for legalization purposes. This survey was initiated by a request to vacate a dedicated but non-maintained portion of the road. Oregon law requires that the travelled and maintained portion be legalized before the dedicated portion is vacated.

This survey commenced at the end of Oregon Department of Transportation -owned right-of-way they acquired when constructing Interstate 84 for the frontage road Umatilla County maintains as part of Ross Road (see attached map). County right-of-way from Engineer's Station 50+00.00 southeasterly to its intersection with Old U.S. Highway 30 at Meacham is State-owned but Umatilla County maintains the road by written agreement with the state.

The road was surveyed through a series of angle points. The edge of the gravelled road is close to the right-of-way lines on the convex side of some curves, but any gradual movement over the years will tend to be back toward centerline.

The survey was carried a substantial distance beyond the west end of the proposed vacation of the non-maintained section. This was to ensure that the ending point, Engineer's Station 230+07.48, was back on the dedicated alignment. Area landowners were all aware that the travelled road was not on dedicated right-of-way, but said it had been travelled and maintained where it is presently for as long as they could remember. Quadrangle maps created in 1965 and old aerial photographs also confirm this.

Though tax maps show right-of-way width as 60 feet, all original plats and surveys show 40 feet width and the road was monumented at that width.

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