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## GUIDELINES FOR PAVING COUNTY MAINTAINED GRAVEL ROADS ADOPTED BY THE CULLMAN COUNTY COMMISSION MARCH 19, 2024

In an effort to improve the transportation and quality for the citizens of Cullman County, Alabama, the County sets forth these guidelines for having Gravel County Roads Paved. Nothing contained herein will require the County Commission to pave the road. The Commission shall determine in each individual need for the road to be paved.

The paving of any county roadway in the system shall be at the discretion of the Commission with the approval of the County Engineer.

Before being considered for paving, the following criterion shall be met:

- 1. The road must serve a minimum of five residences.
- 2. The road must have a minimum of 18 feet of roadbed.
- 3. There must be convincing and substantial evidence that the adjoining and interested landowners want the road paved.
- 4. There must be granted to Cullman County by all the property owners adjacent to the roadway a minimum of 50 feet right-of-way. The amount of feet required shall be determined by the Commission and County Engineer considering needed cross drain, deep hollows, steep hills and other criterion as the Commission and Engineer may determine. It shall be the responsibility of the property owners to contact all affected property owners and obtain all required easements and right-of-way properly signed and acknowledged and delivered to the County Road Department. Right-of-way documents are available at the County Road Departments.
- 5. All dead-end roads must have a minimum 100-foot cul-de-sac, 50-foot radius right-of-way.
- 6. All driveways must have a proper sized pipe (minimum 15-inch) metal, high density plastic or concrete pipe that meets the approval of the Commission and the Engineer.

- 7. Obstructions including but not limited to fencings, buildings, storm shelters, etc. cannot be closer than 25 feet from the center of the roadway. The obstacles must be removed at the expense of the landowners.
- 8. All existing water, electricity and other utilities must be moved from the roadway and ditch areas. The property owners shall be responsible for moving the utilities and the County shall not be liable for any damages.